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City Awarded Funds For Infrastructure Improvements

BY MIKE HOBSON

REPORTER mike.hobson@centrevillepress.com

Centreville Mayor Mike Oakley announced receipt of a funding notice from Governor Kay Ivey today, that it will receive federal funds in the amount of \$783,700 for sidewalk improvements along several main streets within the

Centreville will partner with Bibb Medical Center to complete the ambitious project, designed to connect existing walking paths and sidewalks, broaden handicap mobility, and improve pedestrian cross walks along the City's Birmingham Road entrance corridor. Bibb

Medical Center CEO Joseph Marchant announced that BMC will contribute the 20% matching funds that are required to unlock the grant funds. The funds coming from the grant award cover 80% of the expected project cost.

The City and Bibb Medical Center have jointly participated with planning the improvements over an extended period of time and applied for this funding to connect Stewart Wheeler Park with a continuous sidewalk, leading all the way to Walnut Street, near the Bibb County Board of Education lo-

The engineering work for this infrastructure design is being handled by McGiffert & Associates of Tuscaloosa with Draper McMillan engineering the design plans. A preliminary design has been presented by the engineers and is now ready to seek contractor bids for the construction phase, with a goal of completion in 2025.

The attached drawing indicates that the sidewalk improvements will branch out from Birmingham Road Westward to the BMC Wellness Center walking track, along Alexander Avenue, Belcher Street, Hospital Drive, Library Street, and a portion of Pierson Avenue. A primary goal of the TAP grant program is to provide "alternative" mobility options for the community citizens. Joseph Marchant explained that this project will address that goal with improved mobility options, sidewalks, and safer cross walks for as many as 200 residents of the BMC retirement community.

Another spur extends a sidewalk from Birmingham Road Eastward along Park Drive, where the high school baseball and softball fields are located. This path connects Birmingham Road with the pedestrian walkway along the Cahaba River and the Cahaba Blueway canoe launch.

Mayor Oakley and CEO Marchant emphasized that this project follows the City's strategic planning vision and the stated goals of the Main Street walking track as BMC contin-Centreville improvement plan. This joint planning has developed over the last couple of years, with a goal of improving community walkability, handicap and senior citizen mobility use. The parties are seeking additional grant funding for added street lighting to boost the safety and security of citizens who use the improvements. These improvements are expected to continue to attract new residents to the BMC retirement community that has been growing in the heart of the city center, boosting the City's economic development. There are separate plans to add lighting to the BMC Wellness Center

ues to improve its campus facilities while the partners seek additional grant funding for lighting improvements along sidewalks, said CEO Marchant.

The grant funding comes from a Fiscal Year 2025 Transportation Alternatives Set-aside program administered by the Alabama Department of Transportation. The project will coordinate with the ALDOT West Central Region in Tuscaloosa. Additional information is expected to be announced when the construction contract is awarded.

A full scale drawing of the construction plan is available for public viewing at City Hall.



2024 Bibb County High School Homecoming Court L-R Anna Johnston, Madeline Kirk, Shaterica Griffin, Anna Blair Mathews, Sadie Wallace.

2024 Bibb County High School Homecoming

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

Bibb County High School is preparing for one of its biggest events of the year-the Homecoming celebration on Friday, October 11, 2024. This day will be filled with activities, bringing together students, alumni, and community members to

celebrate school spirit. The festivities begin at 11:00 a.m. with the much-anticipated Homecoming Parade. Crowds will line the streets of Centreville to enjoy floats created by students, clubs, and local businesses. Expect lively music from

dance team, majorettes, and cheerleaders, and are encouraged to arrive early for the best viewing spots and enjoy the vibrant atmosphere.

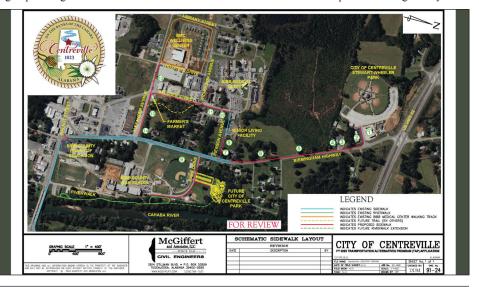
At 7:00 p.m., the exfootball field as the Bibb on the Oak Grove Tigers. in what promises to be an fun! exciting game.

evening will be the presen-

marching bands, energet- tation of the 2024 Homeic performances from the coming Court during halftime. Students from each grade will be honored, with special appearances from the night culminating in the BCHS alumni. Families crowning of the Homecoming Queen—an honored tradition that celebrates school pride and leadership.

From the parade to the football game to the crowncitement shifts to the ing of the Homecoming Queen, the Bibb County County Choctaws take High School Homecoming will be a day filled with Fans decked out in school excitement and unity. Stucolors will fill the stadium, dents, alumni, and residents cheering on the Choctaws are all invited to join in the

Mark your calendars for The highlight of the October 11, 2024, and come show your Choctaw pride!



Mt. Ebell Baptist Church Proudly **Dedicates New Worship Building**

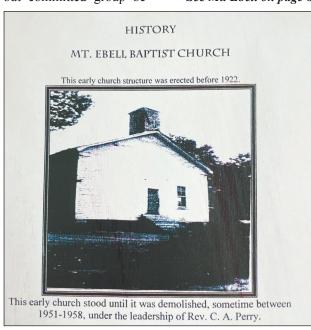
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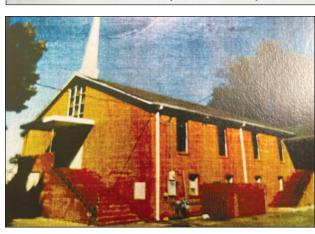
On Sunday, September 22, 2024, family and friends came together at 200 Cooper Avenue in Brent, Alabama, to dedicate their new worship center. This new building has been under construction for the past couple of years. Reverend Gregory Dumas, the pastor, led the dedication service, themed "A House of Sacrifices," with Reverend James Dumas as the guest speaker. The Mt. Ebell Baptist Church boasts a rich history that began in 1922 and

continues to thrive today. In 1912, much like some other congregations, this church was formed as a result of a split from their sister church, Mount Tabor Baptist Church. A group of devoted deacons and their families united to worship in a "brush arbor"—a simple, makeshift shelter made from tree branches laid over wooden frames, serving as their meeting place. This modest structure stood in Bibb County, near Eoline, where the Old Zion Church also gathered.

Rev. Love, who was cho- gan to organize their new sen as the pastor, the small church. but committed group be-

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NEWS

Commission Shifts Roadside Maintenance Approach to Reduce Chemical Use, Bettering Bibb County

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN

REPORTER

In an effort to improve roadside maintenance and reduce environmental impact, the Bibb County Commission has moved away from using chemicals to control grass and weeds along county roads. Instead, the county now employs bush hogs and a dedicated team to manage roadside vegetation. This transition has been in development for several years and reflects a commitment to both aesthetics, the environment, and road safety.

The shift to mechanical cutting was the result of careful planning and budgeting by the county. The initiative gained momentum after a priority purchase for the county's Emergency Management Agency (EMA) — a grappler truck that became a necessity following a major tornado — was made. Once the county saved enough funds to buy the truck outright, attention new Roadside Cutting Department.

This department was created with the goal of maintaining the county's roadways without the use of chemicals. The county hired staff and purchased equipment specifically for this purpose, ensuring that the project was fully funded before implementation. As the program progressed, it became clear that a wider bush hog would be needed to efficiently cut the larger right-of-way areas along

turned to establishing a certain roads. The county has now budgeted for the additional equipment in the upcoming fiscal year to further improve the department's operations.

> In its first year, the newly established department completed two full passes through the county, with the aim of increasing to three passes per year as efficiency improves.

The team has also been expanded with additional personnel to handle the increased workload, and they have taken on the responsibility of operating the grappler truck to remove fallen trees from

roads during and after storms.

Moving forward, the county plans to use a newly acquired side cutter during the winter months to reach areas inaccessible by traditional bush hogs, maximizing the department's effectiveness yearround.

This shift in roadside maintenance was a key issue for Commissioner Charles Caddell, who had long been concerned about the environmental impact of using chemicals on county roads. Since taking office, he has worked to steer the county toward

a more sustainable approach. The move to mechanical cutting not only improves the appearance of the roadsides by maintaining green grass but also helps protect the integrity of road shoulders.

The Commission's efforts represent a thoughtful balance between environmental stewardship and practical road maintenance. As the department continues to expand and refine its processes, Bibb County can expect enhanced roadside management that benefits both the landscape and the roads themselves.



Our Executive Director in the Spotlight!

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

As many of you know, Centreville Main Street is actively working to revitalize our uptown district, and with a new director on board, exciting changes are on the horizon. I had the pleasure of interviewing Katie Cheslock, the new Director, to learn more about her vision and plans for Centreville Main Street. Here's what Katie had to share.

"My name is Katie Cheslock and I am the Executive Director for Centreville Main Street. I have a passion for nonprofits and community development. My favorite hobbies include photography and spending time outdoors. I have two rescue dogs, Trixie and Nico. I was born in Snellville, GA and grew up in Chelsea, AL. I am a graduate of the University of Montevallo, with a degree in Business Administration in Management and a Minor in Non-Profit Studies. My biggest supporters are my family members: my mom (Melissa) and stepdad (Frank), my dad (Lee) and stepmom (Dina) and sister (Ayden) and brother (Drew). My mom is a Speech Language Pathologist who works for the University of Montevallo as the Clinic Director for the Department of Communication Science and Disorders and my dad is a Persian Gulf War Veteran, who served as a Navy Corpsman with the U.S. Marines."

What is your vision for Centreville Main Street over the next five years? "Right now, we are laying the foundation for a successful Main Street with thriving businesses, restored historic buildings and family friendly community events. It is my goal to have each currently vacant store front in Uptown Centreville filled within the next five years with thriving busi-

nesses." How would you foster community engagement and encourage local businesses to participate in Main Street programs? "Successful Main Street Programs benefit everyone in and around its community, that is why it is important to get so many different constituent groups involved, residents, property owners, schools, business owners, etc. Identifying those groups and aligning our shared goals/visions for Centreville is something my board and I are prioritizing right now. It is important to host community events that appeal to a variety of different people so that it gives everyone a chance to get involved in their community. Community involvement will rise as people begin to see noticeable/physical changes in our Business District,

that is why we are so excited about the Façade Improvement Grant Program that we just launched. We know this will spur interest and excitement from the community. This will also allow vacant buildings to get facelifts to help attract new businesses."

What experience do you have with fundraising and securing grants for community projects? "I have over six years of non-profit experience, as an employee, intern and volunteer. My experience includes marketing, community relations and community outreach, including fundraising and awareness events. I have previously worked with several local dog rescues and animal shelters, the Boys and Girls Club of Alabama and the Arc of Shelby County. I am currently working on building my experience in grant writing, as this is a big interest of mine and a necessity for my position."

How would you diversify funding sources to ensure the financial stability of Centreville Main Street programs? "A sizable percentage of a Main Street's funding comes from the city it operates in and local business owners. This is why it is important to always be transparent and focused on strengthening the relationships we have with our local leaders. We will have at least two big fundraising events a year, our New Years Eve Eve and Cahaba River Crawl, both of which have been fun and positive. Our smaller community events will be more focused on getting Centreville Main Street's name out there and getting people excited about our progress. These events spur community involvement but donations from Centreville residents/families is crucial too because everything Centreville Main Street does is for the people of our area, to help provide a better place to live, work, shop and socialize. People know that their donations go directly towards something that will benefit them. We also are ap-

programs." See Community Con-

plying for grants to help

fund larger projects and



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PUBLIC NOTICE

The membership of Green Pond Volunteer Fire Department will be voting on updated bylaws on October 15th from 5 PM -7 PM at Station 1 at 19629 Eastern Valley Road. All current members are invited to vote.

Bibb County K9 Ari Gets Body Armor

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

The Bibb County Sher-Office recently

nounced that K9 Ari has received a new protective vest, thanks to a donation from the non-profit group, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. The vest, which offers protection against bullets and stabbings, was custommade in the U.S. and comes with an embroidered message: "In memory of Judy Barney." This organization has provided over 5,707 vests to K9s across all 50 states, valued at \$6.9 million, thanks to generous donations from individuals and businesses.



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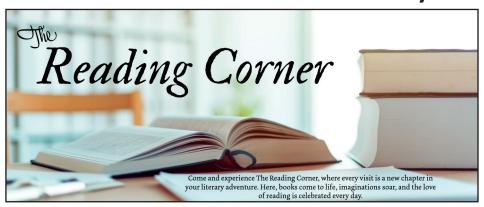




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NEWS/CALENDAR



The Missing Piece Meets the Big O by Shel Silverstein

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN REPORTER

For my birthday this year, a dear friend mailed me a book. This book impacted me in an unexpectand perception of how I roll through life.

Shel Silverstein's The ed way, but in a way that Missing Piece Meets the was profoundly meaning- Big O is a whimsical yet ful in shaping my future deeply insightful tale that captures the essence of personal growth, self-disindependence. As a master of simplicity, Silverstein uses his signature minimalistic illustrations and poetic language to convey profound life lessons in a way that resonates with readers of all ages. (It's me. Hi. I'm one of those readers. So is my fouryear-old, by the way, who requests to be read this book regularly and has even memorized some of the pages.)

The book tells the story of a small shape, the Missing Piece, searching for something or someone to complete it. Along the

covery, and the beauty of way, it encounters various shapes that either don't fit or don't move at the same pace. Eventually, the Missing Piece meets the Big O, who teaches it that it doesn't need someone else to complete it - instead, it can roll and grow on its own. This empowering message encourages readers to embrace selfreliance and personal development.

> On the surface, it's a delightful and playful narrative that children will enjoy, but at a deeper level, it speaks to anyone seeking fulfillment and balance in life. The book

reminds us that true happiness often comes from learning to move forward independently, rather than waiting for someone else to provide what we think is missing. We are enough, just as we are.

Silverstein's ability to deliver such meaningful themes in a format that is both charming and accessible is a testament to his genius. The Missing Piece Meets the Big O is a must-read for anyone at any stage of their personal journey, offering valuable wisdom in a way that is light, heartfelt, and timeless.

GOVERNMENTAL MEETINGS

▶ Bibb County Commission meets the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 5 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.

>> 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

➤ The BCHS Class of 1974 will celebrate their 50th reunion on homecoming October 11th. We will ride the float in the parade then gather at the Sawmeal Restaurant for a late lunch. Classmates join us! Call or text Jenny, Ramona or Carey Lynn.

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 Hei-

berger) 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 pro-

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-O/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 vol-

▶ 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 meet-

ing will be at The Cahaba Lily Center in West Blocton. For more info call the BC Extension Office at 205-926-4310 or mdh0007@aces.edu or Chuck Allen 205-202-0501. Find us on FB at Bibb Co. Beekeepers

▶ Bama Carry of Bibb County meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Sawmeal Restaurant. For more info contact Danny Jones 928-2455. ▶ Women for Sobriety meets every Tues. at 5:30pm. For info

call Karen 205-718-4097

▶ F. O. P. meets the 3rd Mon. of each month at Rock Build-

⇒ 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-

▶ Bibb County GOP will hold quarterly meetings on the third Thursday at 7pm at the Sawmeal Restaurant.

▶ 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

The Bibb Co. Airport Authority meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at 5pm. at Bibb County Airport.

>> The Centreville Historic Preservation Commission meets in alternate months or at the call of the Chairman on the third Thursday beginning January 2025 at the Centreville Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall at 5pm.

→ 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.

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-

>> Cancer Support Group Startup for Bibb County. Anyone interested - please call and provide your contact information 205-926-5803 or 205-316-8741.

→ Group One, a Bibb County Cancer Support groups meets at BMC, AOB meeting room the fourth Thursday of each month. For information call 205-316-8970.

▶ If you need help, call 2-1-1 for community services to get assistance. United Way of West AL.

▶ Is your church or civic organization interested in starting a "Home Delivery Meal Ministry (Program)"? At the core of the pro-grams is a nutritious meal, companionship and a watchful eye on the health and safety of our senior adults who have trouble getting around. For more information call (205-926-3968).

→ Helping Other People Excel (HOPE) in Bibb County is a group of stakeholders within the Bibb County Community who have a vested interest in ensuring that all residents have the knowledge, skills, and abilities to obtain available resources that will equip them to thrive. Whether you (or someone you know) is in need of food, clothes, or other resources, our coalition works to either provide or help identify resources to meet your needs. Please contact John Skinner at 205-876-6931 or via email at compassionandhopefoodbasket@gmail.com or H.O.P.E. in Bibb County at hopeinbibbco@gmail.com.

FREE CLASSES

▶ Bibb Family Connections offers free Parenting Classes on the 2nd and 4th Thur. of each month at 10:00 am. The Earn While You Learn class offers opportunities for those with infants and toddlers to earn baby supplies and needs while attending classes. For more info call 205-926-3170 or come by Mon. mornings from 9-1 to sign up. Email, bibbsavealife@gmail.com. 48 University Way, Brent, AL.

▶ Bibb Family Connections is always looking for voluenteers 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

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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

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

→ West Blocton Lunch Bunch, 1st Wed. of Feb., Apr., Aug., and Oct. More info, 938-2622.

CEMETERY FUNDING

▶If you have loved ones buried at any of the following cemeteries and would like to make a donation for upkeep and etc., please send check (made payable to "(Church or Cemetery Name) Cemetery Fund" to the name and address listed below:

>> Enon Baptist Church Cemetery: Main donations to Enon Baptist Cemetery PO Box 609 Centreville, AL 35042 For more info. 205-613-9060 or 205-928-2529.

Thrasher Family Cemetery in Woodstock, AL: c/o Danny Kellum 11502 Brown Circle Woodstock, AL 35188.

▶ Shady Grove II Cemetery: Shady Grove II Baptist, 7247 Grey Hill Rd., West Blocton, AL 35184

▶ Pleasant Hill Church cemetery 2827 Ingate Pass, Centreville, AL 35042. ▶ Mount Carmel Cemetery: Baptist Foundation of Alabama, P. O. Box 241227, Montgomery, AL 36124-1227. Mark check

"Mt. Carmel Cemetery Fund Account #00-1870" ▶ Pondville Perpetual Cemetery: Larry Watkins 8490 Payne

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7197 Montevallo Rd. Centreville, AL 205.340.3476. → Schultz Creek Cemetery: PO Box 706, Centreville, AL 35042. ➤ Shiney Rock Cemetery: call 205-938-9537.

→ Kinard Cemetery, Lowreytown: Kinard Cemetery Fund, Lowreytown, C/O Vicki Goggins 1694 Hopewell Church Road West Blocton, 35184.

▶ If you have family buried at Old Salem Methodist Church Cemetary send donation to, Salem Methodist Cemetary Fund, 374 Collen Road, Selma, Al 36701 or call Jean Stevens at 205-

→ 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 **▶** Green Pond Presbyterian Church Cemetery, Homecom-

ing 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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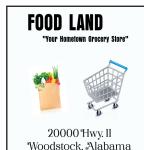
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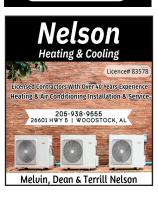
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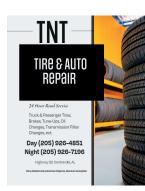
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COMMUNITY NEWS



From The Pen Of Brenda Hubbard



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has a birthday in September, Carol Buzbee, Scott Garner, Joel Daniel, Linda Cox, Brenda Dial, Flo Franklin, Carol Hubbard, Randi Carlee Blakely, Darrell Weaver, Jim Perry, Caitlyn Barton Rinehart.

The Joyful Hearts of brent Baptist Church met on Monday, September 16, 2024.

Anniversary wishes go out to Alan and Crystal Nelson who recently celebrated their 6th Wedding Anniversary. Tony and Jennifer Murphy also celebrated their Wed-

A speedy recovery and prayer go out to

and Stacie Brewer, Phoenix and Jonah. All enjoyed the day with a lot of delicious food, fun and just being together. Belated birthday wishes go out to twins

birthday were Odie and Doris Newman,

Jim and Laura Blumefeld and Lily, Casey

Madeline and David Perry who recently celebrated their 11th birthday.

Birthday wishes go out to Loretta Stewart Hogg.

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



Thank you Neighbor Epperson for allowing me to pick pears. My sister Jo Kitchen helped me peel, and core the pears. After I sliced them real thin, adding three sliced lemons and lots of sugar. I covered them and left overnight. After cooking them and letting them sit overnight, I packed 8 pints of delicious pear preserves. Making preserves is like quilting, a work of love that's priceless. With 11 man hours work, plus a lot of kitchen clean up effort, stained hands and kitchen cloths, there's no way I would want to do

this for a living. Sistas Pennie Mitchell, Jane Hannah & Jo Kitchen enjoyed the food and time together one afternoon last week. Not so much the unfriendly attitude of our waitress. The extra drive wasn't worth it. Next outing will be local with Danella serving at Juan's. Always a joyful time. Later in the week, Ruth Deason, Jo and I did enjoy an afternoon at Juan's with sweet Danella taking care of us.

The roadside along Bibb 16 here in West Eoline, received a great grass cutting last week. It looks so much better than when it's sprayed with weed killer. It would be even better, if LITTERERS would NOT throw trash. Shame shame.

LITTLE HOPE CEMETERY looked

Hope Cemetery please. Hope to see all you local Deason Cousins Saturday, 10-4-24 as we continue the reunion tradition started by our parents. How many left of my generation of cousins?? I started naming but was afraid I

Brent News

Alice Wilson celebrated her 70th birthday Saturday, September 21 at the Sawmeal Restaurant with family and friends. Everything was beautiful. Decorations were done by Cici's Dream Works, event plan-

can wing it. Speedy recovery to Mr. Pig Wilkerson. Happy birthday to Barbara Sanders and

This past week has been really hot and humid and is the flu season so be careful. Whatever you may be going through be

ner and decorator. If you can dream it, they of good cheer. Just knowing God is always near.

By: Sheila Duncan

Ingredients Vegetable oil, for brush-

1 cup sour cream 3/4 cup panko bread-

crumbs 1 large egg 3 carrots

3 stalks celery plus 1 tablespoon chopped celery leaves

1 pound ground bison or beef

4 scallions, finely chopped 1 tablespoon chopped

fresh parsley 1 clove garlic, grated

1/4 teaspoon cayenne

pepper Kosher salt

1 tablespoon unsalted butter

1 cup low-sodium chicken broth

1/2 cup ketchup

1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese (2 ounces) Directions

Preheat the oven to 400 a baking sheet with vegetasour cream, the panko and egg in a large bowl; let sit

5 minutes. the panko mixture. Add the meat, celery leaves, half of the scallions, the pars-36 mini meatballs (about 1 prepared baking sheet. Bake sticks and blue cheese dip.

3/4 cup Buffalo hot sauce until browned and cooked through, about 12 minutes.

Meanwhile, melt the butter in a Dutch oven or large pot over medium-high heat. Add the remaining scaldegrees F and lightly brush lions and cook until wilted. 1 minute. Add the chicken ble oil. Mix 2 tablespoons broth, hot sauce and ketchup; bring to a boil, then reduce the heat to medium low. Simmer until the sauce Grate 1 carrot and 1 cel- thickens slightly, about 8 ery stalk into the bowl with minutes. Add the meatballs; simmer until tender, about 8

more minutes Mix the blue cheese and ley, garlic, cayenne and the remaining 3/4 cup plus 1/2 teaspoon salt and mix 2 tablespoons sour cream in with your hands until com- a medium bowl. Cut the rebined. Dampen your hands maining 2 carrots and 2 celand shape the mixture into ery stalks into sticks. Transfer the meatballs to a bowl inch each); arrange on the and serve with the vegetable

Roast Beef and Cheese Sliders

1 small yellow onion 1 small green bell pepper

1 tablespoon fresh parsley leaves, for garnish (optional)

3 tablespoons unsalted butter 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt

1 (12-ounce) package Hawaiian sweet rolls, such as King's 6 slices American cheese, preferably

24 thin slices deli roast beef (about 24 ounces)

6 thin slices provolone cheese **DIRECTIONS**

Arrange a rack in the middle of the oven and heat the oven to 350°F. Thinly slice 1 onion and dice 1 green

bell pepper. Finely chop 1 tablespoon fresh parsley leaves for garnish, if desired. Melt 3 tablespoons unsalted butter in a

large skillet over medium heat. Remove 1

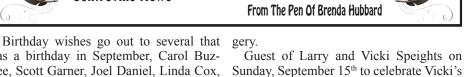
tablespoon melted butter to a small heat-

and 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt to the skillet, and cook until soft and browned, 8 to 10 minutes. Without separating the rolls, cut 1 pack-

age Hawaiian sweet dinner rolls in half horizontally with a serrated knife. Place the bottom half of the rolls in an 11x7- or 9x13-inch baking dish.

Arrange 6 slices American cheese on the rolls, overlapping the slices as needed. Top with 24 thin slices roast beef (about 2 slices per roll). Spread the onions and peppers in an even layer over the beef. Arrange 6 thin slices provolone cheese over the beef, overlapping the slices as needed. Place the top half of the rolls over the cheese. Brush the tops of the rolls with the reserved melted butter.

Cover the baking dish tightly with aluminum foil. Bake for 15 minutes. Uncover and bake until the cheese is melted, and the rolls are lightly browned, about 5 minutes more. Sprinkle with the parsley if desired. Separate the sliders with a serproof bowl. Add the onions, bell pepper, rated knife before serving.



ding Anniversary.

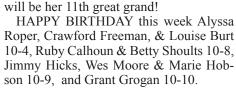
Betty Shoults who recently underwent sur-





daughter Carly Garcia and husband Scott

are expecting a baby girl early 2025. This



PRAYERS for healing and recovery for all those affected by Hurricane Helene. As I write this, Chad & Stacey Thompson are concerned for family in NC. With power and communication down and so many roads closed, they have had no communication as to their well being

neatly trimmed when I visited last week. Please remove old flowers when you visit. Donations for upkeep can be mailed to William Deason, 262 Grover Lane, Centreville, AL 35042. Mark for Little

Call 478-396-2513 to share your news.

would miss some. So, just show up!!!!!

From the Pen of Dorothy Clark

Have a blessed week

Auldiyna Cutts.



Buffalo-Buffalo Meatballs

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PROBATE NOTICE

In the Probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama In the matter of the estate of:

Milton Kenneth Caldwell, deceased Case No. 2024-PC084 **Publication Notice**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased, Milton Kenneth Caldwell having been granted to Blaze Landon Caldwell on the 17th 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 the estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Michael L. Murphy Attorney at Law 44 Court Square East PO Box 38 Centreville, AL 35042 Centreville Press September 27, October 4 & 11, 2024

In the probate Court of Bibb County, Alabama In the matter of the estate of James Roy Kornegay, Deceased Case No. 2024-PC081 **Notice of Probate Court**

Proceeding

Notice is hereby given by the Probate Court that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by on the 11th day of September, 2024, and that 30 days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant Blaze Landon Caldwell

Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of James Roy Kornegay. This the 11th day of Sep-

to the law of Alabama, the

tember, 2024. Stephanie W. Kemmer Judge of Probate Michael L. Murphy Attorney for Petitioner 44 Court Square East Centreville, AL 35042 Centreville Press September 20, 27 & Oc-

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF MORT-**GAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF BIBB THIS IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OB-TAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Default having been

made in the payment of the debt secured by that certain mortgage executed by Roslyn Washington and Wayne Washington, Mortgagor(s), to CitiFinancial Corporation, LLC, Mortgagee, on June 25, 2008, said mortgage being recorded on June 30, 2008 in the Probate Office of Bibb County, Alabama in Book 217, Page 326, and later assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust, by reason of such default, having declared all the indebtedness secured by said mortgage due and payable, and such default continuing, notice is hereby given that, acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust will sell at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door in the City of Centerville, Bibb County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale on October 15, 2024 following described

real estate situated in Bibb County, Alabama, to wit: A certain lot in West Bloc-

ton, Alabama, described as follows: Begin at a point on a road or street, Sixty- One

feet West of the Northwest corner of the lot now owned by Dan Collins for a starting point and run South Fifty-Six feet; thence West Forty-Four feet thence North Fifty-Six feet; thence East along the road or street Forty-Four feet to point of beginning, in Bibb County, Alabama.

Subject to all restrictions, reservations, rights, easements, rights-of -way, provisions, covenants, terms, conditions and building set back lines of record.

Commonly known 530 Azalea Lane, West Blocton, AL 35184 Parcel ID #: 05-06-13-3-

006-042.000 THIS PROPERTY WILL

BE SOLD ON AN "AS IS, WHERE IS" BASIS, WITH-OUT WARRANTY OR RE-COURSE, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AS TO TITLE, USE AND/OR ENJOY-MENT AND WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT REDEMPTION OF ALL PARTIES ENTITLED THERETO.

Said sale will be made subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, whether or not now due and payable), any matters

by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens. zoning encumbrances, restrictions, ordinances, covenants, and matters of record superior to the mortgage first set out above and restrictions of record in the Probate Office aforesaid, matters of survey, and to any Federal or State Tax liens, if any, and/or special assessments, if any, which might adversely affect the

which might be disclosed

Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by the above described mortgage to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Igloo Series IV Trust, Mortgagee, and the proceeds thereof will be applied as provided for in the terms of said mortgage.

title to the premises.

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 successful bidder must tender a non-refundable deposit of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) in certified funds made payable to McMichael Tay-

AMENDMENTS

lor Gray LLC at the time and place of the sale. The balance of the purchase price must be paid in certified funds by noon the next business day to McMichael Taylor Gray LLC at 3550 Engineering Drive, Suite 260, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092. McMichael Taylor Gray,

LLC reserves the right to award the bid to the next highest bidder should the highest bidder fail to timely tender the total amount due. The Mortgagee/Transferee reserves the right to bid for and purchase the real estate and to credit its purchase price against the expenses of sale and the indebtedness secured by the real estate. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.

U.S. Bank Trust National Association, as Trustee of the Ialoo Series IV Trust AS ATTORNEY IN FACT

FOR Roslyn Washington and Wayne Washington

TONI B. SMOKE, Attorney for Mortgagee McMichael Taylor Gray,

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MTG File No.: AL2023-00419-1

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PUBLICATION NOTICE

In the Juvenile Court of Bibb County, Alabama In the matter of Callen Jakaylan Monique Case No: JU-2023-000099.03

Order of Publication In this cause it is made to appear to the Court by the Affidavit of the Petitioner, Dottie Smith, that the whereabouts of the above-named child's father is unknown. It further appears that the Petition alleges the said child to be dependent and in need of the protection of the State of Alabama. Therefore, the Petitioner is requesting the Parental Rights be terminated and permanent custody of said child be vested in Petitioner.

tober 4, 2024

It is therefore, ordered that publication be made in the Centreville Press, a newspaper of general publication published in Bibb County, in the State of Alabama for four (4) consecutive weeks requiring the father of the child Jallen Lee Callen, to appear and plead to, and answer to the Petition of Parental Rights, which is set for Final Hearing before this Court on January 28, 2025.

Done this 18th day of September, 2024.

Craig A. Cargile Juvenile Judge Centreville Press September 27, October 4,

NOTICE OF SALE

11 & 18, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Milton McKinney DBA McKinney Wrecker gives notice of foreclosure of lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 11/6/2024, 10:30am at 4901 Truman Aldrich Parkway, West Blocton, AL 35184-2101, pursuant to subsection 32-13-3 of the Alabama Statutes. Milton McKinney DBA McKinney Wrecker reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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October 4 & 11, 2024

STATE OF ALABAMA PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Alabama Legislature at its 2024 Regular Session enacted Act No. 2024-301 (HB302), proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 2022;

WHEREAS, in conformity with Section 284 of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, as amended, the Legislature has ordered an election by the qualified electors of the state upon such proposed amendment; and

WHEREAS notice of this election, together with the proposed amendment, is required by law to be given by proclamation of the Governor, which shall be published once a week for at least four successive weeks immediately preceding the day appointed for the election;

NOW, THEREFORE. I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, an election will be held in the State of Alabama in the manner and form provided by law upon the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of 2022 of the State of Alabama:

AMENDMENT PRO-POSED BY ACT NO. 2024-301

(a) All sixteenth section and indemnity school land that is owned in fee simple by the Franklin County School System, is located in Fayette County and Walker County, and is for the exclusive use of schools in the Franklin County School System is vested in the Franklin County Board of Education. The board may manage, sell, lease, and control the land and any timber, minerals, or other natural resource of the

land. (b) Any proceeds generated from the sale of timber, minerals, or other natural resource of the land, or from the lease or sale of the land or its natural resources, shall be paid to the Franklin County Board of Education and deposited into the Franklin County Board of Education General Fund.

(c) It is the intent of the Legislature that this amendment supersede any other provision of this constitution that may be construed as conflicting with this amendment as it relates to the land and the rights, power, and control thereof and to the sale. lease, or other disposition

of the land and timber, minerals, or other natural resource of the land, and any proceeds and interest

earned therefrom.

(d) Upon ratification of this amendment, all proceeds realized from the sale, lease, or other disposition of the land or the sale of timber, minerals, or other natural resource of the land occurring before ratification of this amendment, and held in trust by the State of Alabama, shall continue to be held

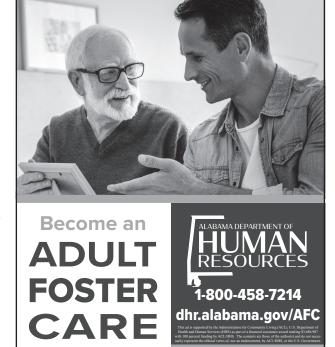
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in trust, and any proceeds and interest derived from those transactions shall be paid to the Franklin County Board of Education.

FURTHER, I proclaim and direct that this proclamation shall be published once a week for the four successive weeks immediately preceding Tuesday, November 5, 2024, in every county as required by law.

Centreville Press October 4, 11, 18 & 25,

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NEWS

WOODSTOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting Date: September 16, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Woodstock, Alabama met in a Regular Council Meeting at the Town Hall on Monday, September 16, 2024, 5:00 P.M. A quorum being Mayor Jeff present: Dodson called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Dodson. The following Council Members were present: Ronnie Kinard, Kellie Parks, Don Bowling, Ernestine Johnson, Lee Mears. Police Chief Len Price, Director of Library Media Services Michele Dickey and Town Attorney Boozer Downs were also present. Various Public were in attendance. COUNCIL APPROVAL:

Council Member Ronnie Kinard made the motion to approve the September 3, 2024 minutes as previously submitted by email. Motion was seconded by Council Member

Lee Mears and motion

so carried.

Council Member Ronnie Kinard made the motion to pre-approve Town Attorney Boozer to attend the 2024 Municipal Law Seminar on October 24-26, 2024. Motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and motion so carried. (Including the Conference Registration, Accommodations. Mileage, Meals Incidentals.)

Council Member Don Bowling made the motion to approve the following:

Bibb County Schools Foundation, (Classroom Grant) \$500.00_

Lakeview Schools (Classroom Grant) \$500.00

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

Council Member Ernestine Johnson made the motion to table discussion of the following for the Sewer Department:

Gamble Footing, LLC – Mulching \$5,200.00

Motion was seconded Council Member Ronnie Kinard and motion so carried.

Council Member Don Bowling made the motion to approve the following invoice for the Police Department:

Galls, Inc. - Vest for Police Officer Latham

\$849.99

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

Council Member Lee Mears made the motion to approve the following for the Sewer Department:

Reach Plumbing Labor for Air Release Valves Installation (ARV) \$780.00

Morrow Water Technologies, Inc. (ARV) \$10,476.00

Motion was seconded Council Member Ernestine Johnson motion so carried. Council Member Kellie

Parks made the motion to approve the following invoice for

the Parks & Recreation Department:

Rally Sports, LLC – Fall Ball Uniforms \$2,674.00 US Foods – Concessions \$773.94

Sam's Club Concessions \$457.74

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

Council Member Ernestine Johnson made the motion to approve the following invoice for the Municipal Court Office:

Government Portal -EMV Chip Reader (1 unit) \$300.00

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

MAYOR'S II. REPORT:

Tombigbee RC&D Grant Award

Mayor Dodson announced the Town had been awarded a grant in the amount of \$10,000 from Tombigbee RC&D for the Infrastructure Maintenance Accessibility Project.

2024 Woodstock Music Festival Profit & Loss

Bowling made the motion to approve the Profit & Loss Statement from the 2024 Woodstock Music Festival, as attached to said minutes. Motion was seconded by Council Member Kellie Parks and motion carried unanimously.

2024 ASPARC T-Shirt Proceeds from Woodstock Music Festival

Town Clerk Tiffney McCulley announced that the Alabama Suicide Prevention and Resource Coalition (ASPARC) t-shirt proceeds totaled \$1,270.09, as shown on the profit & loss report attached to said minutes. A motion was made by Council Member Ernestine Johnson to approve the donation to ASPARC in the amount of \$1,270.09. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ronnie Kinard and motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Court Clerk <u>Position</u>

Council Member Ernestine Johnson made the motion to approve accepting applications and allowing Mayor Dodson to interview candidates

Council Member Don for the vacant Municipal Court Clerk position. Motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and motion carried unanimously.

> Resolution #2024-09-01 - Bank Account <u>Signatories</u>

Council Member Ernestine Johnson made the motion to adopt Resolution #2024-09-01, updating signatories on all bank accounts. Motion was seconded by Council Member Kellie Parks and motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: comments Public Director were heard. of Library and Media Services Michele Dickey announced that Woodstock Community Library has received a \$2,500.00 Building Fund Donation.

There being no further business to come before the Town Council at this time, Council Member Ronnie Kinard made the motion to adjourn at 5:59 P.M. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lee Mears and upon being put to a vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

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LEGALS

MORTGAGE FORE-CLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed on August 15, 2005 by William C. Sloan and Sandra L. Sloan, husband and wife, originally in favor of Ameriquest Mortgage Company, and recorded in 158 at 232 on August 29, 2005, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Bibb County, Alabama, and secured indebtedness having been transferred to DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc.. LOGS Legal Group LLP, as counsel for Mortgagee or Transferee and under and by virtue of power of sale contained in the said mortgage will, on November 13, 2024, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder at the main entrance of the Bibb County, Alabama, Courthouse in the City of Centreville, during the legal hours of sale, the following real estate situated in Bibb County, Alabama, to wit:

ALL THAT PARCEL OF LAND IN TOWNSHIP OF BIBB COUNTY, BIBB COUNTY, STATE OF ALABAMA, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED IN DEED BOOK 87, PAGE 87, ID# N/A, BEING KNOWN AND DESIG-NATED AS METES AND BOUNDS PROPERTY. **DESCRIP-**LEGAL "A" TION: EXHIBIT I, ROGER MOORE, A

REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR IN SAID COUNTY AND STATE, **HEREBY CERTIFY** THE FOLLOWING, TO BE A TRUE AND AC-**CURATE DESCRIP-**TION OF THE ABOVE MAP OR PLAT TO WIT: A PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING, 2.00 ACRES, MORE OR LOCATED IN LESS, THE NW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4, SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 22 SOUTH, RANGE 6 WEST, BIBB COUNTY, ALABAMA, DESCRIBED AS FOL-LOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID 1/4-1/4 SECTION AND RUN NORTH 0 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 30 SEC-ONDS WEST ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY 204.75 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 90 DE-GREES EAST 357.29 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF A GRAVEL ROAD, SAID THE POINT BEING POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN NORTH 21 DEGREES 15 MIN-EAST ALONG UTES CENTERLINE SAID 91.4 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 0 DE-GREES 27 MINUTES 34 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CEN-TERLINE 101.45 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 05 DEGREES 23 MIN-UTES 01 SECONDS WEST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 101.27

24 MINUTES 24 SEC-ONDS EAST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 35.78 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 90 DE-GREES EAST 270.03 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 0 DEGREES MINUTES WEST 323.36 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 90 DE-GREES WEST 295.0 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. ALSO THE FOLLOWING DE-SCRIBED RIGHT OF 25 FEET IN WIDTH, THE C/L DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COM-**MENCE** ΑT THE **NORTHWEST** COR-NER OF THE ABOVE TRACT. DESCRIBED POINT BEING SAID IN THE CENTERLINE OF A GRAVEL ROAD; THENCE RUN NORTH 07 DEGREES 22 MIN-UTES 01 SECONDS **ALONG** SAID EAST CENTERLINE 166.27 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 25 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 11 SEC-ONDS EAST ALONG SAID **CENTERLINE** 119.12 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 08 DE-GREES 15 MINUTES SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID CEN-TERLINE 101.63 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 67 DEGREES 20 MIN-**UTES** 39 SECONDS EAST ALONG SAID CENTERLINE 272.40 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 59 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 39 SEC-ONDS EAST ALONG

SAID CENTERLINE 722.0 FEET TO THE IN-TERSECTION OF THE CENTERLINE OF CAR-SON RIDGE ROAD, SAID POINT BEING THE TERMINATION OF SAID RIGHT OF WAY. I FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE BUILDING SHOWN IS LOCATED WITH RESPECT TO LOT BOUNDARIES AS SHOWN, THAT THERE ARE NO RIGHT OF WAYS, EASEMENTS, JOINT OVER OR **ACROSS** SAID PREMISES EX-SHOWN. **CEPT** AS THAT THE PREMISES SURVEYED DOES NOT ENCROACH ON AD-JOINING PROPERTY, AND THAT I HAVE CON-SULTED THE AVAIL-ABLE FLOOD HAZARD **BOUNDARY** MAPS AND FOUND THAT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS NOT LO-CATED IN A SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA. HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ALL PARTS OF THIS SURVEY AND DRAWING HAVE BEEN COMPLETED IN AC-CORDANCE WITH THE CURRENT REQUIRE-MENTS OF THE STAN-DARDS OF PRACTICE FOR LAND SURVEY-ING IN THE STATE OF ALABAMA TO BEST OF MY INFOR-MATION, KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF For informational pur-

poses only, the property address is: 301 Stormi Lane, West Blocton, AL

named insured on insur-

35184.

Any property address provided is not part of the legal description of the property sold herein and in the event of any discrepancy, the legal description referenced herein shall control.

This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of Furtherforeclosure. more, the property to be offered pursuant to this notice of sale is being offered for sale, transfer and conveyance AS IS, WHERE IS. Neither the mortgagee, nor the officers, directors, attorneys, employees, agents or authorized representative of the mortgagee make any representation or warranty relating to the title or any physical, environmental, health or safety conditions existing in, on, at or relating to the property offered for sale. Any and all responsibilities or liabilities arising out of or in any way relating to any such condition, including those suggested by Code of Ala. (1975) § 35-4-271, expressly are disclaimed. This sale is subject to all prior liens and encumbrances and unpaid taxes and assessments including any transfer tax associated with the foreclosure.

The successful bidder

must tender a non-re-

Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$5,000.00) in certified or cash funds at the time and place of the sale. The balance of the purchase price must be paid in certified funds by close of business on the next business day thereafter at the Law Office of LOGS Legal Group LLP at the address indicated below. LOGS Legal Group LLP reserves the right to award the bid to the next highest bidder, or to reschedule the sale, should the highest bidder fail to timely tender the total amount due. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure pro-

DLJ Mortgage Capital, Inc., and its successors and assigns

Mortgagee or Transferee LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP 10130 Perimeter

Parkway, Suite 400 Charlotte, NC 28216 24-024243 Attorneys for Mortgagee

or Transferee Centreville Press October 4, 11 & 18, 2024

TIMBER SALE

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

The University of Alabama will offer for sale merchantable timber. as designated by the University Forester, on tracts located in Bibb, Jefferson, and Tuscaloosa Counties. If relevant, these tracts can be 100% FSC Certified, upon request of the Purchaser. The timber will be sold by sealed bids which will be publicly opened at the Office of University Lands and Real Estate Services, on the University of Alabama campus, 1115 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401, at 10:00 a.m. on October 24, 2024. Bids should be delivered to that office on or before that time, sent by email to bmfox@ua.edu, or sent by mail to The University of Alabama, Attn: University Lands and Real Estate Services, P.O. Box 870176, Tusca-

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loosa, Alabama 35487-0176. Only bids which are submitted on the bid form prepared by the Office of University Lands and Real Estate Services will be considered. No verbal or phone bids will be accepted. If a bid is mailed, the bid should be posted in sufficient time to ensure its receipt prior to the bid submission deadline of 10:00 a.m., October 24, 2024. Mailed bids should be marked "TIMBER BID, 10-24-24" in the lower left-hand corner to en-

sure bid security. A Performance Deposit in the amount of \$3,500 will be required of the successful bidder to guarantee its fulfillment of the terms of the sale contract. The deposits will be required at the time of execution of timber contract. Consideration and approval of the successful bid will be done October 24, 2024, by the University of Alabama Forester, to ensure the bids meet the proposed estimates approved by the University of Alabama Board of Trustees.

Purchaser of the timber and logging contractor (if not the same) must carry workman's compensation insurance and both vehicular and general liability insurance in amounts of not less than \$1,000,000 personal damage and \$1,000,000 property damage. Purchaser and logger (if not the same) will add University as additional

ance. A certificate of insurance will be required upon the execution of the contract of sale. It shall be the responsibility of the bidder to determine to his own satisfaction the volume of the timber offered for sale. The University reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities. For a bid package, call the University Office of University Lands and

Real Estate Services at 205-348-3510 during office hours. All information on these tracts can also be found online at the following address: http:// universitylands.ua.edu/ university-lands-bids/.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bibb County Commission, under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, Title III, opens up for public comment from September 20, 2024 through October 25, 2024 for allocating the required 15% for carrying out of the following Fire Prevention efforts: Educational fire prevention activities such as school programs and landowners tours; Performing prescribed burning projects throughout the county to prevent wildfire hazard; and, assisting Bibb County Volunteer Fire Departments in prevention efforts involving Federal Excess Property. The funds detailed below are applicable to the Forestry Commission for the proposed donation and purchase of the following for purposes of Wildfire Prevention in Bibb

County: Local Forestry

Equipment/Equipment Upgrades and Facility Improvements

Approximate Total for FY 24/25 \$27,506.53 PLEASE SUBMIT CORRESPONDENCE TO: **Bibb County Commission** Attn: Forestry

158 Davidson Drive Centreville, AL 35042

LIFESTYLE



ber 1, 1912, the headlines of the Montgomery Advertiser reported,

Step-Father, P.A. Woods, at Capitol"; "Dead Man Is Shot Four Times with 41 Caliber Revolver— **Slayer Offers Him Pistol** For A Duel"

In 1912, a property dispute arose over the division of land owned by P.A. Woods of Odenville, Alabama. His stepson, 18-year-old farmer Will Oakley from St. Clair County, was involved. The conflict had been ongoing, and just before the murder, Woods, Will, and his halfuncle, J.G. Oakley (president of the convict board), met at the State Capitol Building in Montgomery to give testimony on the

Will had been wearing a pistol in a shoulder holster all day, and it was mostly visible. This unsettled his stepfather and uncle because Will had a reputation for a quick temper. At one point during the testimony, Will remarked that he had been in the army and wasn't afraid of anyone.

After the hearing ended, just before 3 o'clock, Will became furious when the case didn't go in his favor and started threatening his stepfather. He warned him not to leave the building without a bodyguard. Mr. Oakley grew uneasy, fearing his nephew might be crazy enough to kill someone. Unfortunately, his fears soon became reality.

Will and his stepfather stood across from each other at Oakley's desk, arguing for several minutes. Suddenly, Will pulled out two pistols from his coat and offered one for a duel. Mr. Woods begged him not to kill him. Fearing for his life, his brother-in-law left to get help. Moments later, four gunshots were heard, and Will Oakley fled down the stairs of the capitol building.

Will quickly fled the building, heading down Washington Street toward the county jail to turn himself in. A black man who heard the shots and saw him running followed him. Will was apprehended by the sheriff just before entering the jail. He was immediately arrested, and a knife were taken from ing so," and made no fur-

most likely came from the first shot to his neck, which pierced his jugular. which implied they came after the victim was alwas confirmed by the powand neck of P.A. Woods.

Will Oakley was eventually sent to prison, and over time, the excitement around the shooting faded. Few people know his story, but a strange phenomenon linked to the murder still occurs in the capitol

The morning of Novem- two 41-caliber pistols and building, keeping the tale alive. Employees and state him. Refusing an attorney, officials working in the of-Will said, "I shot a man, fices of the State Convict "Will Oakley Kills and I was justified in do- Board have witnessed water mysteriously running in ther statements. He was the bathroom sinks. Oddly, charged with murder the the faucets turn on without anyone nearby, and the The coroner's report water flows until someone stated that the fatal shot turns it off. Despite years that killed P.A. Woods of renovations and repairs, the water continues to run on its own.

> Legend claims the ghost The three remaining shots of Will Oakley haunts were all in the abdomen, the capitol building, trying to wash the blood off his hands at the scene of ready on the ground. This his crime. Some believe Will's restless spirit is der burns found on the face trapped, possibly with unfinished business or seeking redemption for his sins. Whether his soul will find peace is unknown, and it's unlikely anyone would dare to ask him. If he's still trying to cleanse over a century of guilt, his rea-





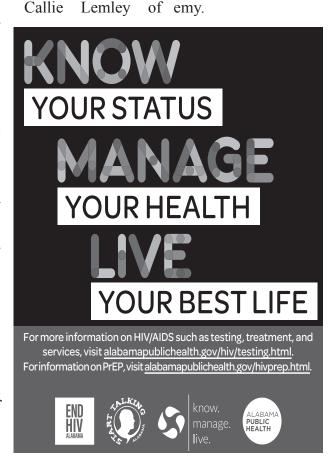
Callie Lemley of Woodstock selected to UA Early College Summer 2024 Director's List

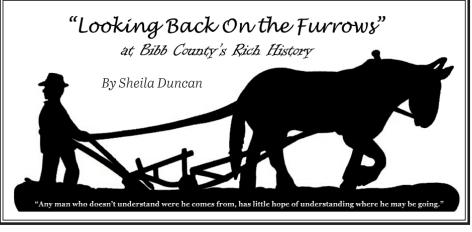
dents enrolled in UA lowing student: Early College during Summer Semester 2024 at The University of Alabama were named to the director's list with an academic

record of 3.6 or higher. The director's list recognizes students enrolled in classes through the UA Early College program. UA Early College allows high school students to get a head start on their college courses. High sophomores, school juniors and seniors enrolled in UA Early College can choose from more than 80 different online and oncampus courses and earn up to 30 hours of college credit.

The summer 2024

A total of 298 stu- list includes the fol- Woodstock, AL attends Bessemer Acad-





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.

DATE 1933 BIBB COUNTY BANKING CO. FAIL TO OPEN SATURDAY

Bibb County Banking & Trust Company has requested the State Superintendent of Banks

To assume charge of and liquidate its affairs on account of depleted cash reserve and

insufficient collections to take care of natural shrinkage in deposits. It is believed that the

depositors and all creditors of the Bank will suffer no loss, but there will of course be some delay in reducing the assets of the Bank to cash with which to discharge the liabilities of the institution. This was one of the oldest business institutions in the county, having served the public more than thirty-six years. There are no irregularities, nor is there basis for criticism of the bank authorities, all of whom are reliable and trustworthy, The President of the bank, the Cashier, who is a son of the President, and the Directors, are all men honored and esteemed as possessed of good business judgment and of unquestioned honor and integrity. Mr. W. R. Young, Jr., of West Blocton, has been appointed by the State Banking department as liquidator for this Bank. As soon as the Bank- Examiner finishing examining the records, Mr. Young will begin liquidatng the affairs of the Bank.

CENTREVILLE HAS NEW HARD-WARE STORE

In another section of this issue of The Press appears the advertisement of Pierson Hardware Company, owned and operated by Mr. J. D. Pierson. This new store js located in the Cleveland Building and will open for business Friday morning. Turn to the ad and note the many specials listed. Mr. Pierson states that these specials are only a few of the many

items that he is offering at greatly reduced prices.

position to buy

very lowest prices, and position therefore will be in position to undersell his competitors. Mr. Pierson is well known in Bibb County and has many friends.

He has had several years experience in the hardware business, and knows his customers wants and the prices they are willing to pay, Among the specials offered for Friday and Saturday are Plow Lines 36 feet long for 15e. The other specials are regular prices which these prices which these items will be sold at all times.

DATE 1948

The above picture was taken in front of the old courthouse which was Greene end now lives in built prior to the present Birmingham

He states that he was in court house. From what can learn this picture was his entire stock at the taken about 1900 or 1901. a year or two before the present Court House was constructed. From left toright, bottom row:

John Reddick, Carlisle Pratt & Suttle, E. H. Crawford, L. H. Nunnellee. From left to right, top row: W. E. Fancher, Nelson Fuller, | end not Theodosia Pratt, Judge W. L. Pratt. John Reddick and Carlisle Suttle were Deputy Sheriff's under E. H. Crawford who was Sheriff at that time.

L. H. Nunnellee was Editor of The Press; W. E. Fancher, Circuit Clerk: Nelson Fuller, County Treasurer; Theodosia Pratt was assisting Judge Pratt as Clerk and Judge Pratt was Probate Judge. Miss Theodosia Pratt was later married to Mr. W. A.



Elder Abuse, Neglect & **Exploitation**

Submit a report to the Alabama Department of Human Resources **Adult Protective Services Division**

1-800-458-7214 aps@dhr.alabama.gov







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NEWS

BRENT CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date: September 16, 2024

by Lynn Hamric

Mayor Bobbie White called the meeting to order at 5:00 o'clock and led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Tom Owings opened with prayer.

Roll Call: Barbara Morrison - 5:02 Tracy Sanders – Absent Chad Jones – Absent Tom Owings -5:02

Jerry Conway – 5:02 A motion to approve the minutes was made (Owings) and seconded (Con-

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

Police Report – None Court Report - Hard copy in council notebooks. Request to Address Council:

Attorney Adcock addressed the council with regard to the approval of an application for the Brent Mini Mart grocery/wine/ beer license. This business has undergone a change in the corporate structure and this is a state requirement. There are no other changes. A motion to approve was made (Conway) and

seconded (Owings). Motion carried.

> Personnel Action – None Other Business:

The Brent City Attorney/ Prosecutor has taken a job with the State of Alabama. It was recommended that J.R. Krebs be hired in these. positions for a period of six months at the current compensation rate. A motion to approve this hire was made (Conway) and seconded (Morrison). Motion caried.

Mayor White read the Resolution for Feb. 21-25, 2025 for the Severe Tax Exemption Holiday. A motion to approve was made (Morrison) and seconded (Conway). Motion

Mayor White presented a proposal from Chris Crocker. Chris proposes to retire on May 31, 2025. He would like to continue to serve as the SRO at the rate of \$40,000 annually. This is the amount the Board of Education currently reimburses the city for the salary. There would be no benefits. Chris must be unemployed for a peri-

od of 30 days per AL Retirement. This would be contingent upon the BOE continuing to supply the funding. No action taken.

General Fund Budget - There being no changes from the proposed budget presented at the previous council meeting, a motion to approve was made (Owings) and seconded (Conway). Motion carried.

Mayor White announced the dedication of Mt. Ebel church on Sunday, September 22 at 3:00 o'clock. Everyone is invited to attend. Lynn Hamric advised that she would notify the Centreville Press.

Lynn Hamric asked about the recent VA Event. Mayor White stated that even though the weather was threatening there was good a good number (50) in attendance. She was hopeful that more veterans would avail themselves of the myriad of services available. She would like to see this repeated, perhaps in the spring.

There being no additional business the meeting ad-

BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION

Meeting Date: September 23, 2024

By: Lynn Hamric

Commission Chair Charles Caddell called the meeting to order at five o'clock.

Public Comment – Bryan Logan, Cedar Grove, thanked the commission for suspending the spraying of herbicides on rightof-ways.

Public Comment From Other Elected Officials -None

Roll Call:

ent – Lightsey, Caddell, Downs, Corbell and Sta-

Information Items: A/P check runs available for

review. Consent Agenda:

Department Road purchase of seven (7) loads of #78 stone in the amount of \$2,887.50. A motion to approve was made (stabler) seconded (Corbell). Motion carried. New Business:

A motion to approve the September 9, 2024

minutes. Approved

Motion to approve payment of insurance for the Registrars was made (Stabler) seconded (Corbell). Motion carried.

County Administrator: Request approval of the budget as presented. Motion to approve made (Corbell) seconded (Lightsey). Motion car-

ried. Request to approve the holiday schedule. This is the same as in previous year(s). Motion to approve (Downs) seconded

(Corbell). Motion carried. Request approval to purchase an artificial

Christmas tree for the front of the courthouse. This is a 22' tall tree and 12' diam base. It is assembled in 4' sections and can be added on to. It comes with lights and a 5 yr warranty. Brian stated he has asked the city to pay half. He has not heard back. The cost is \$12,112.54. Matt Downs wants to wait to hear back from the city. Commissioners pres- A motion was made to wait until we hear back from the city (Stabler) seconded (Corbell). Motion carried. The county would store and maintain the tree. Decorations will need to be purchased.

The next regular meeting is scheduled on Columbus Day. A motion was made to meet on Oct. 28 (Stabler) seconded (Downs). Motion carried.

West Blocton Baseball has asked for a donation that is to be matched by Major League Base-The funds raised are al to go toward the new field. A motion was made (Corbell) and seconded (Downs) to table the request until contact is made with the Board of

Education. County Engineer: Jeff reported on various projects that have been awarded funding (\$195,000 - county 10%)

match); (\$165,000 county 10% match). Bids for 2024-2025

have been rec'd for:

alum. pipe; liquid asphalt and hot plant mix. More than twenty years ago work was suspended on a dirt road (Sharpsburg). Terry Savage requested maintenance be restored before the 20 yr cutoff. This is approximately one-tenth of a mile and has three driveways. A motion was made to reinstate maintenance (Downs) seconded (Corbell) Motion carried.

A request has been made (Barton Road) for work to be done to reroute drainage. A motion to table this was made (Downs) seconded (Stabler). Motion carried.

EMA Director –

Kirk requested the county pay for his recertification in euthanasia in the amount of \$250.00. A motion to approve was made (Corbel) seconded (Downs). Motion carried. Commissioner Caddell abstained.

Kirk requested the county pay for the certification in euthanasia in the amount of \$350.00 for Landon Gray. motion to approve was made (Stabler) seconded (Lightsey). Motion carried

County Attorney -Upon recommendation by Anthony Johnson and upon a motion by (Stabler) seconded (Downs), the request for appoint-

Assistant was not approved. Motion carried. Discussion Items by Commissioners: - None

ment of Kelli Turner as

A motion to adjourn was made (Corbell) seconded (Downs). Motion carried.

Fall Right Back into Fun: Griffin Farms Pumpkin Patch Opens for 2024 Season

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN REPORTER

Get ready to spice up your fall at Griffin Farms Pumpkin Patch, where fun meets festive this October! With October sports, homecomings, and allaround chaos filling up your calendar, it's time to carve out a day just for family fun on the farm. Opening on October 5th, 2024, Griffin Farms is back with an action-packed month of Saturdays (10-6) and Sundays (12-6) to give you four weekends to conquer your pumpkin patch bucket list. So go ahead and throw on your matching outfits (come on, you know you want to) and hit the road with the family over to West Blocton.

There is an admission, and trust me, you'll get more than your money's worth. Included in your ticket are family-friendly activities like the animal barn, a massive corn crib packed with 25 tons of kernels (kernels taken home via stuck in your kids shoes at the end of the day is kindly included with admission), a corn maze, tractor training tricycles, hamster wheels, hay mountain, and even a bison enclosure (yep, you read that right - bison! In Bibb County! Move over, Birmingham Zoo). Add in slides, swings, a toddler playground, and a 30'x70' jump pad for the little ones, and your kiddos will be entertained for hours. For the thrill-seekers, the 18-foot rock wall, a 450-foot zipline, and a parent-powered mini zipline are bound to get hearts racing-but make sure you're at least 46 inches tall for the high-flying fun.

If that's not enough, the farm also boasts some classic coun-

firetruck to explore, and even a truck slide. For the competitive types, try your hand at the basketball courts or step up to the batting cages for just a quarter to smash through 10 pitches. Plus, bungee trampolines and mechanical bull rides add even more excitement to your day at the farm. Griffin Farms has thought of everything, from a wagon ride out to the pumpkin patch to the giant tire mountain and firetruck photo ops.

Of course, no pumpkin patch visit is complete without grabbing a jack-o'-lantern. Pick out your perfect pumpkin, but act fast—the biggest and best ones go quickly!

If you're looking for a bite to eat between all the fun, Griffin Farms has you covered with a delicious selection of food vendors. From Devil Dawgs to Wilson's Kettle Corn, and even Da Pickle Pimp (yes, really), there's something to satisfy every craving.

Don't miss their special events either. On October

try thrills like a barrel train, 12th, the 10th Annual Classic Car Cruise-In sponsored by Crank-N-Chrome Garage rolls onto the farm, offering a treat for car enthusiasts alongside all the fall fun. And for homeschooling families, Homeschool Day is set for October 14th, offering early access to all the farm's activities from 9 am-1 pm.

Griffin Farms is a family-friendly venue, so please leave the smoking, vaping, drugs, alcohol, and pets at home (service dogs are always welcome). With fall in full swing, there's no better time to grab your family and head to the farm for some good old-fashioned autumn excitement. Visit www.GriffinFarmAL.com for more info or check out their Facebook page for the latest updates.

Be there, or be square! (Like the hay bales they also have there, even though they are rectangular - but they are colloquially known as square bales, and I don't make the rules.)



Community Connect

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What marketing strategies would you use to promote Centreville Main Street as a vibrant and attractive destination? "I would like to focus on our central location, environmental resources and historic small-town charm. To me, Centreville is perfectly located, just a short drive from three of Alabama's largest cities. We have one of the most biodiverse river systems in our backyard that brings travelers from all over to come and visit. And our historic court square and business district has the potential to provide a great welcoming atmosphere to visitors. This is why we launched our Façade Improvement Grant

Program when we did." Describe your leadership style. How do you inspire and manage your team? (This is one of my favorite questions) I would classify my leadership style as Servant Leadership. I feel like this leadership style is best for this position. I love to help others; I live to serve people, and I try to help everyone that I can. I also will not ask a board member or volunteer to do anything that I would not do myself. This leadership style, in my opinion, yields the most involvement from board and volunteers because they see

that I care and love what I do."

How would you build and maintain a strong working relationship with the board of directors? I do this by creating a close and unique relationship with each one and having a flexible schedule to meet when they are available. I also try to regularly schedule time to spend with each one of my board members to help increase involvement, get feedback and discuss new ideas or passion projects of theirs. Each one aided in us getting our designation and are on this board for a reason. They all believe in the future growth of our city, and I want them to know they are appreciated. From day one, they have all been there to help make sure I have everything I need to succeed in this role. I truly mean it when I say I have the best Board of Direc-

tors. What motivates you to work in the Main Street revitalization field? "I think back to when I was growing up, I always wished we had a "main street" or historical district full of different shops and family friendly activities. I also like the variety each day brings, and I love knowing I am helping to restore a once thriving business district."

How do you stay updated with the latest trends and best practices in community development and urban planning? "The main ways I like to stay up to date is with best practices in community / economic development and urban planning are through annual conferences, research and building relationships with other Main Street communities across the State and Country. Main Street Alabama has an excellent network of professionals that are always eager to help and provide advice."

What do you hope to learn or achieve in this role that you haven't in your previous positions? "I am actively working to increase my knowledge of grant writing. This is something I do not have much experience in right now. My first grant application got approved earlier this month which was very exciting, but I have long way to go. I have learned a lot since I first started, and I am excited for all there is to come. I have truly love what I do, and I am excited for people to see." Exploring your commu-

nity allows you to uncover its hidden gems and forge meaningful connections with your neighbors. Thank you, Katie Cheslock, for taking the time to answer our questions so that we may get to know you and your family on a more personal level.

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Mt. Ebell

Mt. Ebell from page 1 At first, the small congregation didn't have a name, but they soon moved to a log house at what is now 105 Martin Luther King Drive in Brent, AL. They worshipped there until one of the deacons, Lum Wilson—known affectionately as "Uncle Lum"-offered the use of his home, which was located directly behind the site of our current old church building at 35 Nicholson Street in Brent. Eventually, "Uncle Lum" donated the very piece of land where our old church now stands.

In the early 1920s, a small church building was constructed on the new piece of land, with Rev. Odom serving as pastor.

After the church was built, the congregation was given a permanent name. Initially, it was called Mount Easterbell Baptist Church, in honor of Bro. Lum Wilson's wife, Easter. Later, the name was shortened to Mount Ebell Baptist Church, which remains

the name today. For 112 years, Mt. Ebell Baptist Church has had twenty pastors. The current pastor, Rev. Gregory Dumas, has served the longest, with a tenure of 26 years. Throughout various challenges, this congregation has persevered. They have faced many problems and resolved many of them, holding onto both sad memories and cherished good expe-

riences. Despite the ups

and downs that life brings, the Mt. Ebell Baptist Church family remains committed to following God's guidance and being a light in a lost and sinful world.

"Today, the Mt. Ebell Baptist Church Family proudly dedicates this building, a wonderful gift from God. It is set apart for sharing the gospel and has been made possible through the support and sacrifices of many generations, reflecting our unwavering commitment to faith, community, and service. May this space serve as a beacon of hope and love, inspiring all who enter to grow in their relationship with Christ and to spread His message to the world around us."

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BCHS vs. NORTHRIDGE FOOTBALL

Choctaws Rip through the Jaguars

BY WHITNEY BUZBEE

On Friday, September 27th the Bibb County Choctaws traveled to Tuscaloosa to play the Northridge Jaguars. The Choctaws left Tuscaloosa with another

the Jaguars for a final score of 42-13. This brings the Choctaws to 5-1 for the carried the ball for touchdowns, with Leverette also

Choctaws!

win as they ripped through completing 10 of 13 passes and punting the ball, and Macain McMillan made a touchdown reception. season. Bibb County's The Choctaws will travel Jordan Leverette, Jay Har- to West Blocton this week ris and Ki'Zyas Clark all to take on the Tigers. Go





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NEWS

The LIFT Foundation's FIRST annual Dr. Elizabeth Jacobson **Memorial PCA Rodeo**

BY SHEILA DUNCAN REPORTER

On Friday, September 20th, and Saturday, September 21st, 2024, the Lift Foundation hosted the Dr. Elizabeth Jacobson Memorial PCA Rodeo at Alabama Bombshell Equine in Brierfield, Alabama (646 Burt Spur Road, Bri-

2024, honors the memory of Dr. Elizabeth (Libby) Jacobson, MD, who tragically lost her battle with mental health.

Libby's Inspiration For Tomorrow (LIFT) was created in her loving memory.

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erfield, AL 35035). The cowboys and cowgirls foundation, established in from across the Southeast competed, with approximately \$43,930 in prizes awarded throughout the weekend. Congratulations to all the winners, and plans are underway for next year's event!

(photo source Bunky Mercado @ Event Images and 3R Rodeo Company)









Brandy Snipes, Technical Program Management Specialist with Mercedes-Benz, presented at Bibb County Career Academy on September 24. Ms. Snipes informed students about the Automotive Tech, Mechatronics, and high school apprenticeship programs. A number of Bibb County Schools graduates have completed these very competitive programs and are now employed with Mercedes-Benz U.S. International, Inc.

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