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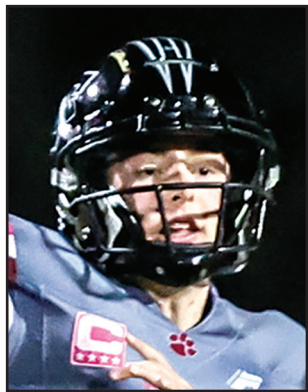


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Three local football teams came up short in the first round of the AHSAA state playoffs on Nov. 8.

Photo by Colin Edwards



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A pair local runners placed in the top 10 at the AHSAA state cross country meet on Nov. 9.

Submitted photo



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The Gadsden State mens basketball team is undefeated so far for the 2024-25 season.

Photo by Chris McCarthy

## Southside Landing getting life jacket loaner station

By Kaitlin Hoskins  
News Editor

Boaters in Southside will soon be safer after a commitment from the National Boating Safety Council's to build a life jacket loaner station.

The non-profit organization is set to install the station at Southside Landing in spring of 2025. The station is being erected in honor of Chris Day, a champion of water safety and a resident of Southside who passed away.

"Chris Day wanted to bring a loaner station to Southside," said Michael Weldon, Southside Parks and Recreation supervisor. "It's pretty special that they are recognizing him in this. Chris was a very well-liked guy in the city. He always attended our city events, and he always helped out."

The National Boating Safety Council will foot the bill of the project as well as maintain the U.S. Coast Guard-approved

life jackets.

"The Boating Safety Council will replace any damaged or missing ones at no cost to the city," Weldon said.

The loaner station will have displays on how to properly use the life jackets available. The station will include a range of sizes of life jackets.

"It will be there to use, if needed," Weldon said. "So, if you're going on your friend's boat and need a life jacket, there will be some there."

The station will boast the city's logo as well as the safety council's logo when it is complete.

"The loaner station won't be like those bike shares or anything like it," Weldon said. "It will just be there if you need it."

According to Alabama safe boating laws, everyone on board a vessel must have a life jacket available to them. Anyone being towed on skis or a tube, riding a Jet Ski or Sea Doo or boating within 800

feet below a dam must wear a life jacket. Children under eight years old are required to wear a life jacket at all times while on a boat or aquatic vessel.

"No person shall operate or give permission to operate any vessel on the waters of this state towing a person or persons on water skis, surfboard, spinners, or other similar devices unless such person or persons being towed are wearing a U.S. Coast Guard-approved wearable 'Performance Level' PFD [personal flotation device] approved for the specific activity an older style Type I, II, III, or Type V U.S. Coast Guard-approved PFD which is in good, serviceable condition and is approved for the specific activity," the law states.

According to Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's Marine Patrol Division, "all boats must be equipped with 'U.S. Coast Guard-approved wearable life jackets called personal flotation devices or PFDs. One wearable PFD is required for

each person on board and/or being towed. Each wearable PFD must be in good condition, the proper size for the intended wearer and, very importantly, must be readily accessible. Readily accessible means you must be able to put the PFD on in a reasonable amount of time in an emergency (boat sinking, on fire, etc.). PFDs should not be stowed in plastic bags, in locked or closed compartments, or have other gear stowed on top of them."

Statistics on boating and waterway safety show that 79 percent of recorded boating accident victims were not wearing life jackets at the time of their fatal accidents. According to statistics from 2022, the total number of accidents declined by 15.7 percent, and the number of non-fatal injured victims declined by 17.2 percent. But the number of fatalities increased by 8.5 percent. According to the same statistics provided, 81 percent of fatal boating accident victims drowned.

## Gov. Ivey's office awards grants to local non-profits

Governor Kay Ivey recently awarded \$2.6 million to assist Alabamians who are homeless or in jeopardy of becoming homeless.

United Way of East Central Alabama, which serves Etowah, Calhoun, Cherokee and DeKalb counties, received \$250,000 to provide emergency shelter and homeless prevention. 2nd Chance, which serves Etowah, Calhoun, Cleburne and Talladega counties, received \$150,000 to provide emergency shelter and rapid rehousing assistance to domestic violence victims.

The grants were awarded to 12 municipalities or non-profit agencies within Alabama. In most cases, municipal governments contract with agencies specifically created to help homeless people, victims of violence or those who face

temporary situations in which they lose their place of residence.

"Emergency Solutions Grants are in many cases that last bit of rope from which those who are facing tough situations can pull themselves up to safety and go on to rebuild their lives," Ivey said. "I commend local governments and regional organizations for their participation in a program that truly helps people in a critical time in their lives."

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants from funds made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. ADECA administers a wide range of programs that support law enforcement, victim programs, economic development, water resource management, energy conservation and recreation.

"ADECA is pleased to be a partner in a program that gives people a helping hand and ensures they have a roof over their heads, particularly as we near the holiday season," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said. "ADECA joins Governor Ivey in commending the organizations whose work is so crucial to helping people facing tremendous challenges in their lives."



GOV. KAY IVEY



Courtesy of City of Gadsden

Gadsden City officials cut the ribbon on the new animal barn at Noccoalula Falls Park on Thursday, November 7. The new barn project began after the previous barn caught fire in May of 2021.

## Gadsden celebrates new animal barn

By Kaitlin Hoskins  
News Editor

A little over three years since a fire at the Noccoalula Falls Park petting zoo and animal barn, the City of Gadsden is celebrating the opening of a new animal barn.

City officials, park staff members and citizens gathered together on Thursday, November 7 to officially cut the ribbon on the new facility and meet some of the newest members of the park.

The new animal barn was built with a fire suppression system, ac-

cording to Gadsden Mayor Craig Ford.

"The barn now has a fire suppression system in it, so [a fire] hopefully doesn't happen again," said Ford. "We also have cameras that are linked to our new fire department over at the mountain so they can see if a fire happens, they can respond quicker, so we don't have this situation occur again."

The previous barn burned to the ground in May of 2021, killing about 75 animals.

The new facility was built with funds provided by the insurance

pay-out on the previous barn's incident. A \$1.196 million bid from Bob Smith Construction was accepted in 2023.

The new habitat features alpacas, goats, miniature horses, pigs, alligators, sloths, Guinea pigs and more.

The petting zoo and animal barn is within the park at Noccoalula Falls. It can be visited every day between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

In other areas at Noccoalula Falls, the campground renovation and building of a new fire station are underway. Those projects are on schedule to be completed in 2025.

See more photos from the ribbon cutting ceremony of the new animal barn on Page 4A.



Little Caesars





# OBITUARIES



**William "Bill"  
Erwin Martin II**

**GADSDEN** - William "Bill" Erwin Martin II, age 47, of Gadsden, Alabama passed away on Wednesday, November 6, 2024.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 16, 2024 at the Mega SportsPlex RBC, 625 Kinzie Lane Rainbow City, AL 35906. A celebration of life will follow at 4:00 p.m. at Taivas Farm, 1713 Green Valley Road Glencoe, AL 35905.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Stovall Foundation; visit [www.thestovallfoundation.com/get-involved](http://www.thestovallfoundation.com/get-involved)



**Lollie Mae Walker**

**ATTALLA** - Lollie Mae Walker, aged 92, passed away peacefully on November 7, 2024, in Attalla, AL.

Born on January 28, 1932, Lollie was known for her loving disposition and strong faith, which she nurtured at Reed Memorial Baptist Church, where she was a devoted member. Lollie's life was marked by her deep commitment to her family and her faith.

Lollie was preceded in death by her beloved husband, George E. Walker (Ed), and her children, James, Linda, and Doug Walker.

She is survived by her sister, Kathy Roberts; her children, Faye Walker, Brenda Bartley (nee Walker), and Ed Walker; and her daughter-in-law, Edie Walker (James). Lollie was also a cherished grandmother to Roscoe Walker, Jason

Walker, Tammy Burrell (nee Walker), Jim Walker, Sheila Walker, as well as Deon Walker and Deanna Brewer (nee Walker). Her legacy extends to many great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren and many other family members, who will miss her dearly.

A service to celebrate Lollie's life will be held at Morgan Funeral Chapel in Attalla, AL, on Saturday, November 16, 2024. Friends are invited to gather from 11:00 AM until the service at 12:00 PM. Following the service, interment will take place at Oak Hill Cemetery.

Lollie's memory will forever be cherished by those who were fortunate to know her.

*Morgan Funeral Chapel is in charge of arrangements*

## **Ella Dean Meeks Teague**

**ATTALLA** - Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, November 16, 2024, at Antioch Church of Christ, for Ella Dean Meeks Teague, age 92, of Attalla, who passed away November 11, 2024. Chris King will officiate. Interment will follow in Antioch Church of Christ Cemetery. Village Chapel Funeral Home and Crematory is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Teague was a member of Antioch Church of Christ and was preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Annie Murphy; brothers, Leon and Charles Murphy; daughter, Shelia Lehr; son, Eddie Teague; sons-in-law, Eddie Gardner and Jimmy Clayton; grandsons, Ryan Jones, Blake Harp, and Justin Harp; great grandsons, Branton and Raylin Harp; husbands, J.C. Meeks and Billy Teague.

She is survived by her children, Ivan (Phyllis) Meeks of Attalla, AL, Deborah (Neil) Robison of Sand Rock, AL, Karen (Dusty) Rowland of Boaz, AL, Kevin (Von) Meeks of Winder, GA, Joel (Stacy) Meeks of Fort Payne, AL, Tim (Rhonda) Meeks of Attalla, AL, Edward (Tracy) Meeks of Attalla, AL, Melissa Clayton of Collinsville, AL, Tammy (Mark) Hemrick of Glencoe, AL, Deborah (Terry) Epps of Guntersville, AL; siblings, Janice (James) Gleason, Wayne (Carol) Murphy; (47) grandchildren; (59) great grandchildren; (6) great great grandchildren.

Grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

The family will receive

friends Friday from 6 until 8 p.m. at the funeral home. There will be no visitation Saturday at the church.

## **Howard R. McClung**

**ATTALLA** - Howard R McClung, age 84, of Altoona, Alabama passed away on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

## **Lisha Beth Hayes**

**GADSDEN** - Ms. Lisha Beth Hayes, 62, of Gadsden, AL passed away on Tuesday, November 12, 2024.

She is survived by her loving family.

Services to be announced. *Arrangements under the direction of West Gadsden Funeral Home.*



**Scarlet Jan  
"Granny" Bowman**

**GADSDEN** - Scarlet Jan "Granny" Bowman, 74, born on April 4, 1950 in Gadsden, Alabama, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, November 9, 2024 surrounded by her friends and family. Granny, as she was most well-known, is the daughter of the late Guy E. Armstrong and Evelyn Irene Bartlett Armstrong. Granny is preceded in death by her soul mate, James "Big Jim" Bowman, stepson, James "Jay" Bowman, Jr., sisters, Barbara Brown (Billy), Claudia Blanks (Troy), and a brother, Allen Armstrong.

She is survived by her sisters, Dianna Grant (Guy, Jr), Becky Chumley, and Rhonda Carr (Phillip), her sons, Shannon Watson, Jonathan Bowman (Christen), and Richard "Buck" Alford (Danielle), a stepdaughter, Amy Turner (Neil), and grandchildren Britni Hoyt (Andrew), Tyler Watson, and Hayden Turner. Jan is also survived by her life-long best friend and sister, Carolyn Boatfield.

After growing up in Etowah County and graduating from Emma Sansom High School in 1968, she went on to create a beautiful family, a career in customer service, and wonderful memories that would always

give her a good laugh. Quilting, gardening, watching crime dramas and loving on all her fur babies were her favorite hobbies. Granny devoted her time to The Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail where she became a part of the Silver Lakes family, who she frequently mentioned in the many stories she told. One of her proudest moments was when she was awarded the "White Glove" Service Award in 2018, a prestigious recognition for her homemade cookie recipes that are still used on The Trail today.

Jan always enjoyed a competitive day on the water and showed the boys who was boss by catching more fish from the "wrong side" of the boat. She loved her Crimson Tide and played a crucial role in the dynasty that stands today. Roll Tide!

Granny will be missed by all who knew her. A beautiful soul who left her mark on this small town in Alabama.

A special thank you to Natalie at Gadsden Health and Rehab, for being a beautiful friend.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to: SouthernCare New Beacon Hospice

412 S 5th Street  
Gadsden, Alabama 35901  
p. 256-546-5566  
Private service to be held at a later date.

## **LaShundon D. Patrick**

**GADSDEN** - Mr. LaShundon D. Patrick, 41, of Gadsden, AL, passed away on Sunday, November 10, 2024.

Mr. LaShundon "Shun" Darelle Patrick was born on August 28, 1983 in Gadsden, AL to Evelyn "Burt" Patrick & Reico Malone.

He was a graduate of Emma Sansom High School in 2001.

He was employed with KTH for 12 years.

Shun was a loving father, husband, provider, son, brother, and friend to all that he met. He was the life of the party and did everything he could to make you feel welcome and a part of the family. He was also an avid Alabama Football fan and enjoyed chilling with his wife and children. He loved football, basketball and being a handy man.

He is preceded in death by: grandparents, Peggy & James Patrick; Uncle, John Cothran.

He leaves to cherish his beautiful memories to: His loving wife, Dedra Patrick; son, J'Shun Patrick, daugh-

ter, JaNiyia Patrick, his loving mother, Evelyn Patrick; father, Reico Malone; James (Squeeler) Stephens; sisters, Lola and Jaime Wright; brothers, Reico (Elizabeth) Patrick, and Roderick Rudolph; special uncles, Sheldon Montgomery and James Patrick; mother-in-law, Rekiana Harvey; father-in-law, Larry Terrell; sister-in-laws, Nedra (Tavarus) Tuck, The'Andra (Ervin) Smith, Antonio (Makeila) McCants and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

Public viewing was held on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

Funeral services will be at 12 noon on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the New Liberty Tabernacle of Praise, Eulogist: Pastor Willie Simmons.

We ask that you please keep this family in your hearts and prayers.

*Arrangements under the directions of West Gadsden Funeral Home.*



**Nolan Deason**

**RAINBOW CITY** - Memorial service for Nolan Deason age, 33 of Rainbow City was held on Thursday, November 14, 2024 at Glencoe Hokes Bluff Funeral Home with Rev. Scott Hassell officiating.

Nolan passed away on Tuesday, November 5, 2024. He is preceded in death by his mother, Regina Conner Deason; grandmothers, Helga Stiltner and Irene Deason; grandfather, Darrell Deason; great-grandparents, Ernest and Ernesta Conner.

Left to cherish his memory are father, Robbie Deason (Kathy Allen); grandfather, Danny and Carol Conner; special aunt, Sasha Rozelle (Larry); special cousins, Bayne Cline and Kaylyn Rozelle; aunts, Denise Hinton (Woody) and Terece Morrelli; uncles, Darren Deason, Jason Deason (Ashley), and Justin Mabrey (Julie); special dog, Blue; and a host of loving family.

Nolan was of the Christian Faith. He is a 2010

graduate of Coosa Christian High School. Nolan loved music, playing the guitar and piano, and singing. He loved his dog, Blue; he will be missed dearly.

Family requests donation be made to your favorite charity, instead of flowers.



**Ivy C. Hardy  
Williams**

**GADSDEN** - Ms. Ivy C. Hardy Williams, 63, of Gadsden, passed away on Friday, November 8, 2024.

Ivy was born January 10, 1961, in Gadsden, AL, to Elder Gilbert Lee Hardy, Sr., and the late Mrs. Jessie Mae Hardy.

She gave her life to Christ at an early age and again, re-dedicated herself later in life. She was a member of St. John F.B.H. Church of God of the Americas.

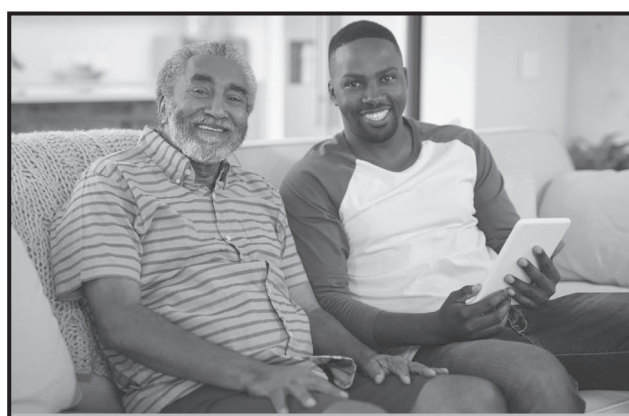
She graduated from Litchfield High School in 1979, served our country in the United States Army, and later retired from Publix Groceries as Customer Service Manager.

Ivy resided in Mableton, GA, with her fiancé Larry Powe until the Lord called her home on November 8, 2024.

Ivy was preceded in death by her loving mother, Mrs. Jessie Mae Hardy, and brothers, L.T., Michael, and Gilbert L. Hardy, Jr.

She leaves to cherish her precious memories to her loving father, Elder Gilbert Lee Hardy, Sr., fiancé Larry Powe, four brothers and five sisters: Cedric (Sheila) Hardy, Kerri Cammack, Romae Thompson, Trent Hardy, Gerald (Jaida) Hardy, Gerard (Kymberly) Hardy, Patrice (Rory) Calhoun, Alexia (Antonio) Gibson, Juanita Hardy; three aunts: Mrs. Mary Hughes, Mrs. Amanda Baxter, Mrs. Bessie Calloway. She also leaves her fiancé's siblings, and a host of cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be at 1:00 pm on Friday, November 15, 2024 at the St. Paul Overcoming Church of God. Eulogist: Elder Gilbert Hardy Sr.; Interment: Lincoln Hill Memorial Gardens.



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# NEWS

## Holiday Tour of Homes date set for December 8

For more than 50 years, the Woman's Club of Gadsden hosted a holiday tour of delightfully decorated homes. This year's event, Christmas in the Bend, is scheduled for Sunday, December 8 and will feature four fabulous homes located in Gadsden's Whorton Bend community along with including the historical Woman's Clubhouse and the Gunn-Bellenger Home, both which are located on Chestnut Street.

Tickets are \$20 each and may be purchased at the door of any of the tour locations. Advance tickets may be purchased at Johnson's Giant Foods, Family Savings Credit Union, Alabama Gift Company, Willow Tree and Kay Smith School of Performing Arts. Tickets list all the locations included on the tour. Proceeds benefit the Woman's Club scholarship fund and preservation of the historic clubhouse. The Woman's Club of Gadsden is a 501 c 3 nonprofit, to which donations are tax-exempt to the fullest extent allowed by law.

Participants may begin the tour, which lasts from 1 to 5 p.m., at any of the locations included in the tour. Directions to each location are printed on the ticket, as well as a QR Code for more information. Light refreshments will be provided at the Woman's Clubhouse. Participants touring the homes are asked to wear flat shoes, as no heels will be allowed in the homes.

Woman's Club president Valerie Pugliese and Kathy Milam are co-chairs of the event.

"The Tour of Homes' time-honored holiday tradition will not disappoint our loyal attendees this year," said Pugliese. "Christmas in the Bend includes four exceptional homes, all in close proximity to each other, and beautifully decorated in the unique characteristics of each homeowner. We would like to thank our homeowners, our sponsors and our volunteers who make the tour possible each year. This event will be one you will not want to miss, and your support is paramount to the success of our mission and scholarship program. Be sure to save the date and get your tickets early."

Participating sponsors for this year's event include Alabama Cancer Care, Dr. and Mrs. Elias Ghafary, Hampton Inn of Gadsden; Hampton Inn of Attalla; Family Savings Credit Union; The Exchange Bank of Alabama; GKL Companies Inc; B. Craig Lipscomb, Architect LLC; Tammy Driskill, Attorney; People's Bank of Alabama; River Bank & Trust; Nectar Ghafary; Jean Pettis; Allenstein and Allenstein, LLC; Dr. and Mrs. Tom Pugliese, Long Furniture, Win-South Credit Union, Moonrise Farm and Gallery at 808.

### The Woman's Club of Gadsden House 862 Chestnut Street

Built in 1905, the clubhouse is listed on the Alabama Historical Register and National Register of Historic Places and features many period pieces. Guests will enjoy seeing each room uniquely decorated. This year the clubhouse will feature a tree dedicated to all the former presidents of the Woman's Club in honor of the centennial celebration. The upstairs rooms, which are often used by brides and grooms for weddings or receptions, will be decorated to honor these festivities which mark romantic occasions with lasting memories, including a bride's tree that is the feature in the designated bride's room. The clubhouse is available year-round for event rental.

### The Gunn-Bellenger House 872 Chestnut Street

The historic Gunn-Bellenger House was built in 1886 by local merchant and banker Edward Hollingsworth. He and his wife Julia lived in the home until 1901 when local dentist Charles Logan Gunn purchased the home. The house remained in the Gunn family for 90 years. Gunn's daughter Carolyn Gunn Bellenger, an educator in the Gadsden City Schools for 30 years, inherited the home and lived there until her passing. She bequeathed the house to the City of Gadsden in 1990. The Gunn-Bellenger House was added to the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage in 1984 and placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1993. The house is currently under private ownership and is being renovated and restored to be used as a beautiful event space for weddings, showers or private events.

### The Lipscomb Home 4265 Whorton Bend Road

The beautiful farmhouse-style home of Craig Lipscomb, Alabama District 30 State Representative, and Angela Lipscomb, CPA, Controller of GKL Companies, Inc., is filled with natural light that enhances the exquisite holiday decorations that are a collaborative effort of Vanessa Durham, the Cozy Nest and Katie Ellison of Bloom and Brush Floral Designs. The home's 60 windows allow the Lipscombs to enjoy a spectacular view of the mountains and farmland. Their eight-year-old home features three bedrooms, an office, a media room, potting room, living room, kitchen and dining room. Angela notes, "Our kitchen and dining room allow us ample room to celebrate with friends and family. Our son Clark and daughter Carleigh enjoy sharing good times and special events that of-



Courtesy of Woman's Club of Gadsden

The Woman's Club of Gadsden clubhouse is part of the Tour of Homes.

ten culminate in our specious kitchen and dining room, which comfortably seats 12." Angela's favorite space is the media room, where the family enjoys the football season with spectacular views of the beautiful farmland fields of cotton and corn.

### The Brown Home 572 River Road

The majestic traditional style home of Cason Brown, Senior Vice President, Program Operations at Glenwood, and Jessica Brown, director of marketing at Family Savings Credit Union, was built in 1997. The Brown's love hosting friends and family and have the perfect setting for both indoor and outdoor events. Their spacious four-bedroom home includes a beautifully remodeled kitchen where you will find a whimsical tree decorated with cherished ornaments from Jessica's and Cason's childhood as well as homemade creations from their four-year old son, Miles. The family gathers every Sunday in their theater room to watch football and enjoy movies. Jessica said, "Christmas is my favorite time of year, and it is evident with the 10 uniquely decorated trees throughout the home, including a stunning 12-foot tree in the living room. Each tree tells a story and adds to the magic of the season." The house is enriched by the warmth of the personal touches and meaningful memories and filled with cherished decorations passed down through generations, including photos that reflect life passages and values.

### The Cochran Home 233 River Ridge Road

The beautiful home of Phillip and Ellen Cochran is an executive-style home built in 2001. Ellen remarked, "We love the neigh-

borhood and wanted a home that would be perfect here and not go out of style." The three-level home includes five bedrooms, a kitchen with a morning room and breakfast room, a great room, two dens, a playroom, a daylight basement, a pool and boat launch. Ellen said, "A family makes the house a home, and ours holds many special memories from the past 23 years." Located on the Coosa River, the Brown Home features a huge wall of windows in the great room that allows natural light to fill the home throughout the year.

### The Clough Home 381 Beech Ridge Road

Jon Clough, Senior Lead Technical Success Manager-AT&T Business, and Amy Clough, home and financial administrator, welcome visitors to their newly built modern farmhouse completed in March 2024. The main level offers a stunning open floor plan with exposed beams both in the great room and master bedroom. A gourmet chef-style kitchen with a generous walk-in pantry and abundant natural light is ideal for cultivating fresh herbs year-round. The stunning master retreat features a custom-built master closet and generously sized adjoining walk-through laundry area. The inviting outdoor area offers ample space for social gatherings and creating cherished memories. Ellen remarked, "We particularly enjoy our morning coffee on the deck followed by evening stargazing and observing the many deer, squirrels and other wildlife. We also enjoy savoring the delicious meals we prepare in the well-appointed chef-style kitchen."

Submitted by Kay Smith-Foster

## GSCC to perform 'Merry Wives of Windsor' in new black box

The Gadsden State Community College Theatre Program will present "The Merry Wives of Windsor" at 7 p.m. Nov. 21-23 in the brand-new black box theatre.

"The black box is a flexible theatre with the ability to adapt to the needs of the production," said Joe Fuselli, director of the college's theatre program. "The feel is much more intimate. Actors will be much closer to the audience providing a more immersive experience."

The new black box theatre is located in the Meadows Library on the East Broad Campus. Fuselli said in addition to the intimacy of the space, it also allows students to experiment with new styles and approaches to storytelling.

"The new theatre is a testament to Gadsden State's commitment to enhancing the performing arts for our community and to providing students with hands-on experience in a professional setting," he said.

"The Merry Wives of Windsor" is a comedic tale by William Shakespeare that explores love, mischief and mistak-

en identity. It follows Sir John Falstaff, a boastful and scheming knight.

"Falstaff attempts to woo two wealthy married women, Mistress Ford and Mistress Page," Fuselli said. "He hopes to gain access to their husbands' money; however, the women, aware of his intentions, decide to teach him a lesson by hatching a series of hilarious tricks to humiliate Falstaff. In the end, he is thoroughly embarrassed. The play concludes with reconciliation and merriment, highlighting themes of wit, deception and social class."

Under Fuselli's direction, the cast and crew will bring Shakespeare's humor and charm to life in the performance space.

"We are excited to perform 'The Merry Wives of Windsor' as our inaugural production in the new black box theatre," he said. "This space gives us so much creative freedom, and the cast is excited to share this classic comedy with the community in such a unique environment. It is a special way to highlight the play and provide incredible opportunities for our students."

## Gadsden Eye Associates' surgeon performing new procedure

Gadsden Eye Associates recently announced that Dr. Mark Hill is the second eye surgeon in Alabama to perform the iDose TR procedure, a minimally invasive, outpatient treatment that helps to lower eye pressure in patients with open-angle glaucoma or ocular hypertension (high eye pressure).

"For those with glaucoma, preserving vision and decreasing pressure in the eyes are priority," said Hill. "The iDose TR implant offers patients continuous flow of medication to the eye without the need for routine drops with proven safety and tolerability to manage the progression of this disease."

The iDose TR implant is placed directly in the

eye through a tiny incision that is smaller than the one used for cataract surgery. This treatment is an alternative to prescription eye drops for patients. The implant is 200 times smaller than a single drop of glaucoma medication.

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the most common form of the disease in the U.S. and affects approximately 95 percent of individuals diagnosed with glaucoma.

Dr. Hill is a graduate of the University of Alabama School of Medicine and completed his residency in ophthalmology at the University of Alabama Eye Foundation Hospital in Birmingham. He is a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology and serves on the Board of Directors of the Alabama Academy of Ophthalmology. Dr. Hill specializes in no-stitch cataract surgery, micro-invasive glaucoma surgery, refractive cataract surgery, eyelid surgery and the treatment of eye diseases such as glaucoma, diabetes and macular degeneration.

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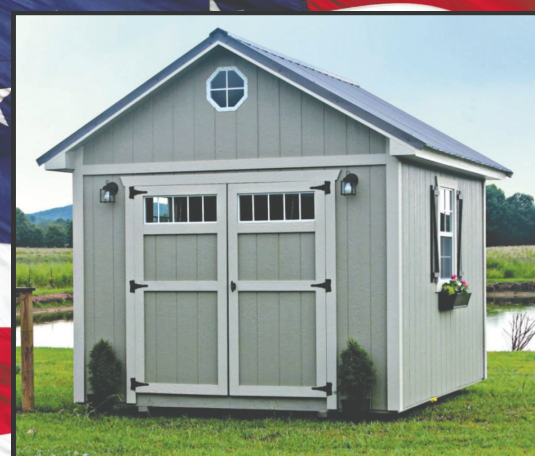
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**Pets of the Week**



**Sonny**

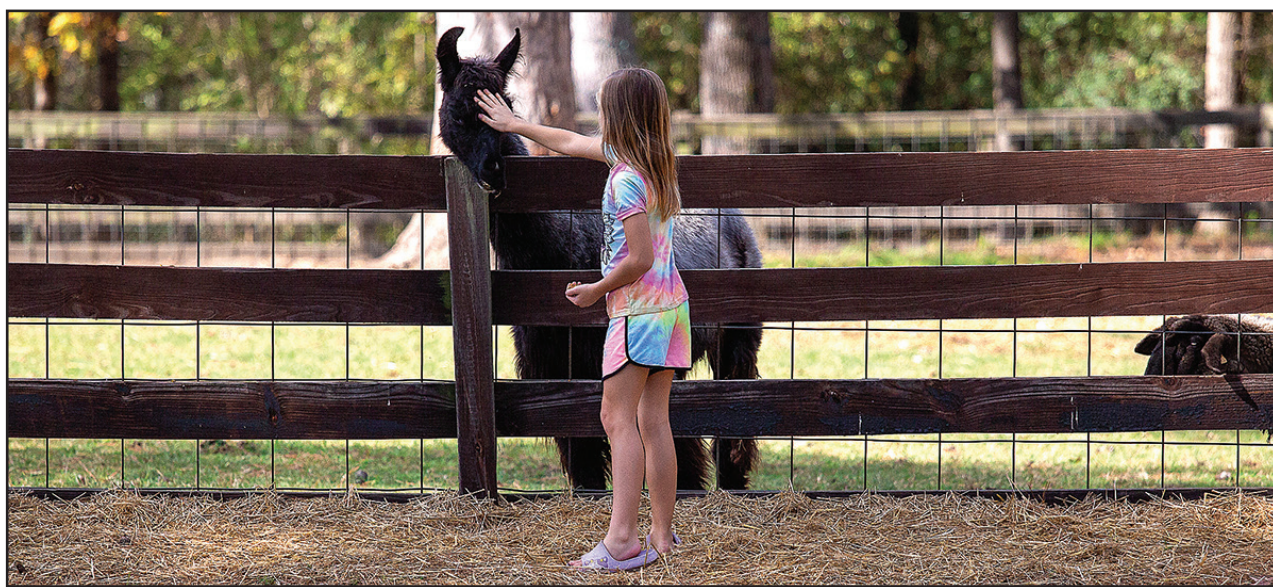
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**Zelda**

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**Gadsden celebrates new animal barn**



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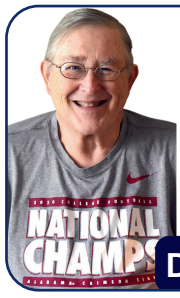
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# LIFESTYLE

## The Vagabond - Wagering with the Gadsden Nuptial Association



**Looking at the History**

**Danny Crownover**

One of the most unusual organizations formed in this area was the Gadsden Nuptial Association in the early 1880s, which was nothing but a gambling institution. Similar organizations were operating in the

rest of the U.S., and for some time the craze seemed to be almost universal.

The company issued something like a marriage insurance in which anybody could place a bet that a certain young man or young woman would or would not marry within six months.

The company had an office in the building once occupied by Dobson's Department Store at Fourth and Broad streets in downtown Gadsden. Officers and secretaries were kept busy explaining and issuing policies. The office was usually full of people trying to find out about the method of operation and on who might have a notion to marry.

A marriage policy could be taken out in favor of anybody, and for that reason speculators hunted out youths who had designs on marriage and placed policies on them. If the boys married within a reasonable time period, the speculator received the benefit.

In other words, the gambler bet that a certain young man or young woman would marry. One man owned 40 such policies, while another man carried \$150,000 of the insurance. He was counting his riches in advance, as were many designing females of his acquaintance.

In 1882, *The Gadsden News*, owned by Payne Johnson and edited by Jehu Wellington Vandiver, began an editorial campaign

against the racket by pointing out the weak foundation of the Gadsden Nuptial Association. The editorial noted the one who marries first will be paid and then the company will burst into everlasting fragments.

The first editorial of this kind caused many policy holders to realize that such a scheme could not last, and that in the long run it would explode and leave considerable financial wreckage in its wake. That is what eventually happened, although those persons behind the local company were honest and were themselves victims of a crazy idea.

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## The 2026 Alabama governors race is well underway

Over the past year, I've been on a speaking tour throughout the state leading up to the general election on November 5. The reason for my visiting and speaking to civic organizations was to discuss the national presidential race and its evolution, as well as how the race for the White House affects Alabamians.

2024 was one of the most unusual, interesting and topsy-turvy presidential contests I can remember. It was entertaining, to say the least. After my talks to civic organizations, I left time for questions from the audiences. You would think that the first and most important questions would pertain to the presidential contest. However, that was not the most prevalent inquiry. In almost all 30 venues, the most-asked question was who will run for governor in 2026.

My answer is always that it will indeed be one of the most interesting and entertaining governor races in decades. With Kay Ivey unable to run for another term, there will be no incumbent. There are three obvious successors to the throne that are immediately brought to the forefront - Lieutenant Governor Will Ainsworth, Attorney General Steve Marshall and Agriculture Commissioner Rick Pate. All three must go somewhere else because all three are term-limited in their current posts.

Ainsworth, who is considered the prohibitive favorite by all Montgomery insiders, has been doing his homework and been campaigning non-stop for the governor's office for the past six years. He has locked up the Montgomery political lobbying

money. This, in and of itself, probably puts him miles ahead of Marshall and Pate.

Ainsworth does not need any of the big lobbyists' money; he has enough funds on his own. His daddy's money is enough to fund several governor's races. His father has already shown that he will help his boy as much as he needs.

However, Ainsworth's move to garner the big Montgomery money is an astute political maneuver because it prohibits his competitors from gaining access to these donors. After all, money is the "mother's milk of politics," and this is Ainsworth's calling card.

Marshall and Pate cannot compete with Ainsworth financially. Marshall has built a following among the ultra-right-wing and social conservative base, but these folks do not have any money, and the ones who do have it will not give. Again, money is the "mother's milk of politics." Therefore, Pate and Marshall are relegated to being also-rans in the brass ring race. However, they would be big dogs in the lieutenant governor's race, which looks to be drawing quite a crowd.

My response to audiences early in the year was Ainsworth is the early favorite because of his family money, but there is a big vacuum for an unknown candidate. 2026 could be another 1978 where a Fob James-like candidate comes out of the dark and buys the governor's office. A 60-ish businessman who built his own business and made his own money is more attractive than a 40-year-old boy whose daddy has a

lot of money.

The most popular and successful mayor in the state, Tommy Battle of Huntsville, would be a major player for governor. However, being mayor of the largest and most prosperous city in the state, if not nation, is a better job than being governor of Alabama.

Over the past month or so, a name has surfaced in the 2026 governor's race that will turn the tide and change the landscape of the race. Tommy Tuberville is rumored to be considering a run for governor in 2026. His U.S. Senate seat is up for election in 2026. Tuberville took his seat at age 65, which is not the best age to arrive in the U.S. Senate and attain any power under the seniority system. He is 70 years old and looking at another six-year term as a 70-ish back bencher.

Tuberville has his detractors, but polling reveals he is very popular in Alabama. He has over 75 percent name identification



**INSIDE THE STATEHOUSE**

**Steve Flowers**

with high positives, whereas Ainsworth, Marshall and Pate only have 20 percent. Tuberville would automatically become the favorite, with Ainsworth and Marshall probably looking hard at Tuberville's U.S. Senate seat. Tuberville needs to decide and move quickly, though, the race has begun.

Steve Flowers is Alabama's leading political columnist. His weekly column appears in over 60 Alabama newspapers. He served 16 years in the state legislature. Steve may be reached at [steve@steveflowers.us](mailto:steve@steveflowers.us).

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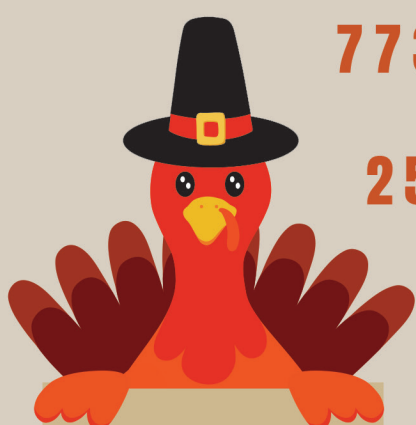
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# Happy National Adoption Day!

World Adoption Day was November 9, and National Adoption Day is coming up on the Friday before Thanksgiving. My family and many other families I know have reason to celebrate these commemorative days. In our family, we celebrate "Gotcha Day" with a small gift and a nice dinner.

This week, I had the honor of witnessing and celebrating the official adoption of a child by friends of mine. Several of us have been touched by our own adoption stories, and I think the beautiful job the judge does in these cases really brought all of our own experiences back to us. For me, it was a gift I was not expecting when I showed up to celebrate with my friends.

As part of the official act, the judge asks the adoptive parents a series of questions and describes how he envisions their decision to adopt. Watching and listening

reminded me of the intentionality of adoption, and for myself it reaffirmed the intentions I have had for my children and their futures. We often get pulled along by the currents of life, finding ourselves wherever we end up. When people, moments and decisions come into our lives that require a pausing, slowing down and consideration, we are given an opportunity to pay attention in ways we often forget when we are going through the daily grind. Watching a family that I love and consider my own family pause to make this decision official was a poignant reminder of this opportunity.

For anyone interested in fostering, information can be found at [dhr.alabama.gov](http://dhr.alabama.gov). There are also many resources online that provide information about the need for foster families in our county and state. There are many children of all ages who need

someone who will intentionally be there for them.

There are many well-known celebrities who have experienced life-changing and intentional love and grace through adoption. A brief list includes Leo Tolstoy, Melissa Gilbert, Eleanor Roosevelt, Steve Jobs, Sarah McLaughlin, J. R. R. Tolkien, Faith Hill, Jon Lennon, Sandra Bullock, Willie Nelson, Edgar Allen Poe, Eric Clapton, and even Aristotle.

One writer put it this way: "parenting isn't just about giving birth to a child; it is about being witness to that child's life."

Being seen, heard, loved and appreciated are basic human desires and needs that we can gift to those in our lives.

This year, as National Adoption Day nears (November 23) may we all remember that love is not a finite resource, and may we show those around us the same



life-changing, intentional grace and love that so many before us have given and received.

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## Sweet Potato Pie and Shoe Peg Corn and Green Bean Casserole

### Sweet Potato Pie

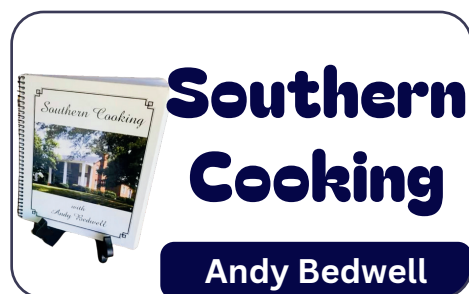
- 2 ½ cups cooked, mashed sweet potatoes
- 1 ½ cups sugar
- ¼ cup butter
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 tablespoon lemon flavoring
- 4 eggs, well beaten
- ¾ cup milk
- 2 unbaked pie shells

Mix sweet potatoes, sugar, butter, nutmeg, lemon flavoring, beaten eggs and milk together. Pour mixture into pie shells and bake at 325 degrees for 45 minutes.

Andy's Note: My mother has made these pies for years and the lemon flavoring is the secret ingredient. They are so good and are really delicious when they are cold, straight from the refrigerator. We decide every Thanksgiving if we want sweet potato casserole or sweet potato pies. Sandra, my aunt, who does not love to cook makes these pies for different occasions. Her family loves sweet potato pie. Be sure that you add that lemon flavoring. It makes a difference!

### Shoe Peg Corn-Green Bean Casserole

- 2 sleeves of Ritz crackers
- 1 ½ sticks of margarine, melted
- 3 cans French style green beans, drained
- 1 can of shoe peg white corn, drained
- 1 (8 ounce) can water chestnuts, drained and sliced
- 8 ounces sour cream
- 2 cups extra sharp cheese, freshly grated



- 1 can cream of chicken soup
- 1 medium onion, chopped

Crumble one sleeve of crackers into a lightly greased dish. Melt one stick of margarine and combine with beans, corn, chestnuts, sour cream, cream of chicken soup, onions and cheese. Pour over crumbs. Crumble remaining crackers and sprinkle over the top. Dot remaining margarine over top of the crumbled crackers. Bake at 325 degrees until bubbly around the edges, about 45 minutes.

Andy's Note: I always add something to the top of nearly all of my dishes. Try adding parsley to this one before baking. This recipe looks even better in an oval shaped casserole dish, in my opinion. Mary Virginia gave me one year ago that I use.

Happy Fall Cooking,  
Andy Bedwell

"Southern Cooking with Andy Bedwell" can be purchased at Alabama Gift Company in downtown Gadsden and The Messenger on Rainbow Drive.

### THE MESSENGER'S PICK FOR EVENT OF THE WEEK

## Game and Dance Night at the Rainbow City Community Center

**NOVEMBER 15:** Maranatha Alabama invites all adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families a free game and dance night at the Rainbow City Community Center. This event is intended to provide an environment allowing for adults to develop meaningful relationships with one another. Caretakers are welcome to attend or drop their adult off to enjoy themselves, however, the adult must be able to participate with minimal supervision. For more information contact Chiho Sullivan at 256-485-3225 or via email at [info@maranathaalabama.org](mailto:info@maranathaalabama.org).



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**November 21**  
The Greater Gadsden Greeters, a women's social club, invite newcomers to the area to our monthly coffee at a member's home on Thursday, November 21 at 10 a.m. The Greater Gadsden Greeters are not affiliated with any denomination and would love to meet you. To find out more information, please visit <https://gadsden-greeters.wixsite.com/thegreeters>.

**November 22 - 24**  
Experience all the magic of the holiday classic with original costume designs, dazzling scenery and a host of characters as the Downtown Dance Conservatory presents "The Nutcracker Princess" at Gadsden City High School. The Downtown Dance Artists Company perform along with a children's cast. Show times are Friday, November 22 at 6 p.m., Saturday, November 23 at 1 p.m., Saturday, November 23 at 6 p.m. and Sunday, November 24 at 2 p.m. Tickets are on sale now.

**November 23**  
Smith Tomato will present the 4th annual "A Country Christmas Event at the Coosa Landing" on November 23 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Over 70 art and craft vendors and food vendors will be present. There will be free pictures with Santa Claus and a table to write letters to Santa. Admission is \$8 per person, kids 12 and under are free.

**November 28 - Jan. 4**  
Christmas at The Falls will begin on

Thursday, November 28 from, 4 - 9 p.m. and will run through Jan. 4. The exhibit will be closed from December 24 -25. Come see millions of Christmas lights! Tickets are on sale now. Call 256-549-4663 or visit [NoccalulaFallsPark.com](http://NoccalulaFallsPark.com)

**November 29 - Jan. 4**  
Get ready for the 2nd annual Christmas on the Coosa ice-skating experience. The ice rink returns on November 29 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The real ice rink near Moragne Park will close for the season on Jan. 4. For more information, call Janet Tarrance at 256-549 4658 or Valerie Galbreath at 256-549-4643.

**November 29 - 30**  
Plaid Friday and Small Business Saturday are coming to downtown Gadsden November 29 - 30. Wear your plaid with pride and shop local. Visit downtown Gadsden for Plaid Friday and shop and dine with our small businesses. Avoid the rush of Black Friday and spend an enjoyable day with friends and family instead. Santa will be walking around too.

**December 2**  
Join the City of Southside for a Christmas Parade and tree lighting event at Southside City Hall from 5 - 7 p.m. December 2. The free event will feature food trucks, the Pride of Southside Marching Band and Santa will also make an appearance. For more information, contact City Hall.

**December 3**  
Join the City of Gadsden for the annual Christmas Parade down Broad Street. The parade begins at 6 p.m.

**December 5**  
Join the City of Attalla for a Christmas Parade and tree lighting event in downtown Attalla. The tree lighting will be held at 5:30 p.m. and the parade will begin at 6 p.m. The event is free to attend.

**December 6**  
Join the City of Gadsden for a Christmas tree lighting event at 344 South 1st Street at 6 p.m. Music from the Theatre of Gadsden Christmas Carolers will begin at 5 p.m. and music from Gadsden Christmas Brass Band will begin at 5:15 p.m. The event is free to attend.

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# DEVOTIONALS

## God thought of us before we were born



I am sharing a devotion this week, called *The Father's Business Ministry*, written by Sylvia Gunter. There are several people I have been talking with recently who need to know they are important and have been created with a purpose. This devotion emphasizes those things, so I wanted to share it in hopes that anyone who reads it will be encouraged in knowing that God does not create accidents. Rather, He is intentional about all He does. Please keep this in mind as you read, and may your mind and heart be strengthened and encouraged in the Lord.

"Hear God's Word for you in Psalm 139:16-17: 'All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be. How precious to me are your thoughts, O God, how vast is the sum of them.'

"God nurtured you in the womb, and since your conception, He has watched over you. Your days were not written haphazardly. Your life is not a random thing. His thoughts of you are precious and too vast to count. He thinks of you continuous-

ly and of new ways that He can bless you, just because you are His special child. He has written the script of your life. He chose every part of it. He is looking forward to revealing the chapters to the story He has already written.

"God thought through all the details - your siblings, your birth order, large family or small family, city family or rural. He foresaw your pain, too. He knew that out of that brokenness comes a larger story, just like when Jesus took the loaves and blessed them and broke them and then multiplied them to feed many. Because of His love, His power and His blessing on you, He causes all the pain and negative things to be transformed into good things in His story for your life. So, take courage. God has given you everything you need to be an overcomer, to have victory over the negative parts of your heritage and to live in the beauty of all that He placed within you.

"In God's master plan and design, He chose and designed every part of your spiritual heritage. He reached back into generations past and chose different parts of your heritage. Your generational blessings go back a thousand generations (Deuteronomy 7:9). He chose the spiritual treasure chest of generational blessings that is set aside with your name on it. You are blessed to be an heir to this spiritual treasure. Seek God for it and ask Him to release it at His appointed and appropriate time.

"Love is who God is and what He does. He says of you, 'You are My beloved

child, in whom I am well pleased.' That's what He said of Jesus, and you are in Jesus and Jesus is in you. You are beloved. That is your incarnate identity. He pours out His loving kindness on you every day in big ways and little ways. Be blessed to receive your belonging and worth in His love. Be blessed as God's love validates and affirms that you are special, His covenant child. God thinks you are the best. Be blessed to celebrate your identity and legitimacy. Today, be aware of your belonging, inclusion, significance and worth in Him.

"Deuteronomy 1:31 says, 'In the wilderness, there you saw how the Lord your God carried you, as a father carries his son, on all of the road which you have walked until you came to this place.' If you are weary with life and things seem overwhelming, remember the Lord is with you. There are days when we just need Him to walk alongside us, but when times are more challenging, He carries us, providing even more support."

Lord, thank You for creating me and for planning my life with such detail. Most of all, I praise and thank You for walking alongside me in this life and never leaving me in the good times and the challenging times. I am so thankful to be Your child. If interested in learning more about this ministry, do an internet search for "The Father's Business - Home of the Ministry of Sylvia Gunter."

If you would like continued prayer, feel free to email me at [tonif77@gmail.com](mailto:tonif77@gmail.com). I would love to pray for you!

### Bible Verse of the Week



**For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.**

- John 3:16  
King James Version



### Verse for Kids

**I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.**

- Psalm 139:14  
King James Version

## The Rock as opposed to the rock

The following joke works great if you say it out loud: "Why are people uncomfortable around pregnant elephants? Everyone is uncomfortable discussing 'the elephant in the womb!'"

I made up that joke one year as we sat around the Thanksgiving table. I was extremely proud of it because my father is a very creative joke teller, and I felt this one worthy of his legacy. Papa indeed was proud. He and I enjoy making up and telling jokes and stories because we get to wordsmith a bit. And to me, a "play on words" is always good for a laugh.

But my focus on words wrecked me as I worked my way towards Catholicism. The two biggest hurdles to my conversion from Protestantism were, of course, the Pope and Mary. My heart gradually grew to understand the "Mary stuff," but the "Pope stuff" really strained my brain. Again, it was the words that were being ascribed to the Papacy that really irked me. A quick example - when Jesus prays for Christian unity in John 17 (one my most favorite passages that truly reflects the whole purpose my writing and teaching ministry), in verse 11 Jesus calls His Father "Holy Father." Well, "Holy Father" is one of the titles for the Pope! So, this passage that calls for unity seemed to me to breed an immediate disunity. Are the Catholics doing this on purpose?

But ultimately, I was convinced of the Papacy, not by Catholics but by Scripture, by Jesus Himself.

Matthew 16:13-20 includes a very unique interaction between Jesus and Peter. The "Statement of Faith" by Peter in verse

16 is met with an astonishing response. Peter is renamed according to his future purpose and calling, a high privilege based on Genesis 3:20. Of all things, Peter is renamed "rock." For any first century Jew, this would have set off alarm bells, for who is called Rock in the Old Testament other than God Himself? Psalm 18:46 says, "The Lord lives! Blessed be my Rock! Let the God of my salvation be exalted." Oh boy, what is Jesus teaching us?

Jesus continues in verse 19, saying that Peter will receive "the keys of the kingdom." Again, the Apostles must have really perked up recalling Genesis 41:37-44 when Joseph was put in charge of all of Pharaoh's house and the entire kingdom of Egypt.

Or better yet, consider Isaiah 22:22, where Eliakim, as Chief Steward, was given "the key to the House of David" with which "he shall open, and no one shall shut; And he will shut, and no one shall open." Yes, Matthew 16:19 is a direct repeat of this handing over of authority. At this point I was getting very uncomfortable, for there was direct correlation with God as "Rock" and Peter as "rock," as well as the image of the Chief Steward of the King's Kingdom operating with the "keys" of the King's authority.

But why is this needed by the Church and provided for by Christ?

In Acts 15:6-29, we see the very first church council, known as the Jerusalem Council. The goal was to prevent the splitting of the Church into denominations of a "Jewish Christian Church" and a "Gentile Christian Church." It is an urgent issue, and to honor the prayer of Jesus in John 17,



unity must be preserved. As the Scriptures record after "much dispute" (verse 7), Peter "rose up" and spoke, testifying to the works of God through the Gospel. After Peter spoke, the assembly fell silent and listened to testimonies. With that issue settled, it was time to decide how to proceed in unity.

The visible head of the Church had spoken with the authority of the invisible Head of the Church - Jesus Christ Himself. The "Rock" had spoken through the "rock" and the "Holy Father" had spoken through the "holy father." The "Papa" had spoken with Peter the first Pope.

But how can we put our hope in a Pope? To be clear, our hope is in the Lord (Psalm 33:22). But a good Pope makes it very easy, for as Paul says, "Imitate me as I imitate Christ" (1 Corinthians 11:1). We Catholics trust in the Lord.

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# SPORTS

## Roundups & Rundowns

### Girls basketball

Vada Willmore scored 11 of her 13 points in the third quarter to help Sardis post a 69-52 victory over Sylvania on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

The Lady Lions trailed 17-15 after one period before leading 29-23 at halftime and 53-27 after three quarters.

Also for Sardis, Delaney Lee scored 13 points, Mollie Brock finished with 11 points, eight assists and seven rebounds and Jordyn Knight added 10 points.

Zoey Mayo scored a team-high 12 points and Kennedy Nix added nine in West End's 41-29 victory over Crossville on Tuesday, Nov. 12.

Westbrook Christian started the 2024-25 season by going 2-1 over the past week.

On Nov. 7, the Lady Warriors defeated Faith Christian, 61-24, in Rainbow City.

Raylee Neal paced Westbrook with 17 points, followed by Avery Snead with 15 and Addi Hamontree with 10. Kyle Wyatt distributed five assists, while Ellison Stewart came up with five steals.

On Nov. 9, the Lady Warriors beat Meek, 50-43.

Jordan Brooks scored 14 points, while Neal added 11 and Hamontree chipped in 10.

On Nov. 11, Westbrook fell to Sylvania, 66-40. Brooks scored 17 points, while Wyatt finished with 13. Caroline Taylor grabbed eight rebounds.

### Mens basketball

Gadsden State extended its unbeaten streak to 5-0 with three recent wins.

On Nov. 11, Mekhi Fitts and Keshawn Morris both had double-doubles as the Cardinals edged Snead State, 76-74 at Beck Gymnasium.

Fitts finished with 19 points and 10 rebounds, while Watkins had 15 points and 10 rebounds. Gio Nannucci scored 18 points, followed by Shannon Jones with eight, Cristian Willis with six and Demarreon Baldwin with five. Baldwin and Braden Duckworth grabbed six and five rebounds, respectively, while Jones distributed four assists.

On Nov. 8, four players scored in double figures in Gadsden State's 96-93 victory over East Georgia State. Watkins paced the Cardinals with 27 points, followed by Willis with 19 and Baldwin and Fitts with 18 each. Fitts pulled down eight rebounds, followed by Baldwin and Watkins with seven each and Willis with five. Nannucci added six points and four assists.

On Nov. 7, Gadsden State beat Gordon (Ga.) State, 88-78. Watkins and Wills each scored 22 points, with Watkins clearing 11 rebounds and Willis grabbing four. Fitts registered a double-double of 18 points and 17 rebounds, while Baldwin and Jones both chipping in nine points. Nannucci added eight points and five assists.

## Mountain Brook upends Southside in first round

By Chris McCarthy  
Publisher

Southside's inability to move the chains cost the Panthers' dearly in the first round of the Class 6A state football playoffs on November 8.

Out of Southside's first eight offensive possessions against Mountain Brook, four resulted in punts, two ended on failed fourth down conversion attempts and one was cut short on an interception.

The Spartan offense had no such difficulties in gaining real estate, as Mountain Brook (8-3) scored points off their first seven offensive possessions on the way to a 45-7 victory at Barney Hood Stadium.

The Panthers lone score, a 3-yard touchdown run by Jordan Bryan, came with 18 seconds left in the game. The Mountain Brook defense held the Panthers to five first downs, including one in the first half.

Four touchdown passes from Cayden Hofbauer helped Mountain Brook race out to a 31-0 lead at halftime. Hofbauer tossed two more TD passes in the second half to stretch the lead to 45 points before Bryan's late score.

"We knew going in that Mountain Brook is a great football team and that we couldn't make any mistakes if we were going to win, and unfortunately we did," said Southside head coach Ben Stewart. "I thought our guys played their butts off, but few big plays here and there (by Mountain Brook) kind of opened the game up and got us out of what we normally do."

The Spartans finished with 420 total yards while limiting Southside to 125, including only 37 on the ground.

Hofbauer was 11 for 16 in passing for 219 yards and six touchdowns, with three going to Archie Andrews, who ended up with six receptions for 125 yards. Stuart Andrews paced the Spartan rushing game with 85 yards and a touchdown on 14 carries.



Chris McCarthy/Messenger

Southside's Josh Peoples (18) makes a catch as Mountain Brook's Sam Smith attempts a tackle during the Panthers' 45-7 loss in the first round of the Class 6A state football playoffs on Nov. 8 at Barney Hood Stadium.

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Photo courtesy of Alex Chaney

Hokes Bluff's Connor Ford (11), Clayton Helms (77) and Drew McCarver (10) tackle Madison Academy's Cole Norris at the goal line during the Eagles' 28-7 loss in the first round of the Class 4A state football playoffs on Nov. 8.

## Hokes Bluff falls in Class 4A first round

In the first round of the Class 4A state last Friday (Nov. 8), Hokes Bluff pitched a second-half shutout against a Madison Academy team that was averaging almost 30 points per game.

Unfortunately for the Eagles, the Mustangs (7-4) scored 28 points in the first half, eventually earning a 28-7 victory at Mike Roberson Field.

The Eagles' lone score came at the 3:39 mark of the third quarter on Bryce Whitaker's 53-yard touchdown run and Leon Chenn's extra point.

Madison Academy out-gained Hokes Bluff by a 336 to 127 margin, including a 211 to 106 advantage on the ground. The Mustangs also had 18 first downs compared to seven for the Eagles (8-3). It was the second straight season Madison Academy defeated Hokes Bluff in the first round.

"[Madison Academy] was pretty physical, and it was just one of those nights when things didn't go right early on and we couldn't recover," said Hokes Bluff head coach Mike Robertson. "We outscored them 7-0 in the second half, but you can't get behind by 28 points and expect to win. Give [Madison Academy] credit; they've had our number for the past couple of years."

Charleston Owens was involved in three of Madison Academy's four touchdowns, passing for two and running for another. He was 9 for 11 in passing for 125 yards. No. 37 rushed for 196 yards and a touchdown on 37 carries. Joshua Williams had four receptions for 33 yards and a score.

Whitaker finished with 69 rushing yards on 12 carries and was 5 for 8 in passing for 21 yards. Drew McCarver and Anderson Morgan both had two receptions. Whitaker had eight tackles, followed by Morgan and Conner Ford with six each and Brodie Brogdon with four.

"You always want to keep playing, but we had some really good wins this year," said Robertson. "It was a lot of fun and it was very rewarding. We had a great bunch of guys, and a lot of them are coming back next year."

## GCHS comes up short at Clay

Courtesy of al.com

Gadsden City could not overcome several self-inflicted wounds in its Class 6A first round playoff game against Clay-Chalkville on Nov. 8, as the Cougars (9-2) scored touchdowns off two of three Titan turnovers en route to a 33-3 victory.

Clay-Chalkville took the lead for good when Xavier Starks returned the opening kickoff 71 yards for a touchdown. The Cougars extended the advantage to 14-0 on a 33-yard touchdown run by Aaron Osley.

Gadsden City (6-4) scored its only points of the game on a 31-yard field goal by Christopher Tomas inside the final minute of the first quarter. The Cougars' Joseph Del Toro kicked field goals of 23 and 29-yards in the second quarter, however, and Clay-Chalkville held a 20-3 lead at halftime break.

The Titans found some momentum on their first two series of the second half but gave up interceptions each time deep inside Clay-Chalkville territory. After Joshua Ivy picked off a GCHS pass on the first drive, Torey Page came up with an

interception on the second possession and returned it 65 yards for a TD.

Clay-Chalkville then recovered a fumble off a bad snap, and the Cougars scored on the first play of the ensuing drive on a 3-yard touchdown run by Joshua Woods.

"I don't think the score was indicative of how much of a well-fought ball game it was," said GCHS head coach Ali Smith. "We were able to move the ball well, but we just couldn't get into the end zone. We shot ourselves in the foot too many times, like missed tackles and dropped balls and turnovers."

For GCHS, Kai Franklin was 11-of-22 in passing for 49 yards and added 40 rushing yards on 10 carries. T.J. Worthy had 12 carries for 45 yards. Matthew Sparks had seven receptions for 31 yards, while Alex Swafford and Keyshawn Curry both caught two passes.

"The injury bug really got us in the second half of the season, but you've got to find a way to overcome that," said Smith. "Since they were freshman, this senior class worked their tails off every day to keep getting better, and it's a shame that

they weren't able to advance past the first round."

Chris McCarthy contributed to this article.



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vs. USF	W. 42-16
@ Wisconsin	W. 42-10
vs. Georgia	W. 41-34
@ Vanderbilt	L. 35-40
vs. S. Carolina	W. 27-25
@ Tennessee	L. 17-24
vs. Missouri	W. 0-34
@ LSU	W. 42-13
<b>vs. Mercer</b>	<b>Nov. 16</b>
@ Oklahoma	Nov. 23
vs. Auburn	Nov. 30

**Nov. 16 vs. Louisiana Monroe  
at 11:45 a.m. on ESPN, FuboTV**

vs. Ala. A&M	W. 73-3
vs. California	L. 14-21
vs. New Mexico	W. 45-19
vs. Arkansas	L. 24-14
vs. Oklahoma	L. 24-24
@ Georgia	L. 13-31
@ Missouri	L. 17-21
@ Kentucky	W. 24-10
vs. Vanderbilt	L. 17-7
<b>vs. Louisiana Mon.</b>	<b>Nov. 16</b>
vs. Texas A&M	Nov. 23
@ Alabama	Nov. 30

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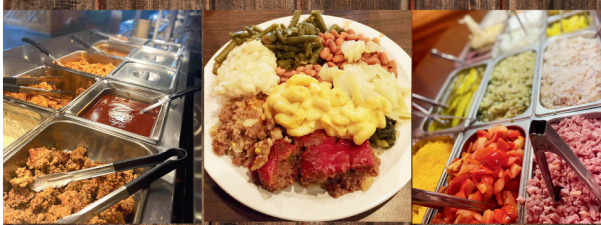
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# ALABAMA & AUBURN 2024 SCHEDULE



## Local Sports Schedule

## Nov. 15 - Nov. 21

## Local high school football statistics

**High School Basketball**  
**Friday, Nov. 15**  
 West End at Glencoe  
 Gadsden City at Hazel Green  
 Etowah at St. Clair County  
 Hokes Bluff at Saks  
 Ashville at Plainview  
**Saturday, Nov. 16**  
 Gadsden City at Jasper  
**Monday, Nov. 18**  
 Southside at Douglas  
 Etowah at Albertville  
**Tuesday, Nov. 19**  
 Sardis at Hokes Bluff  
 Westbrook at West End  
 Guntersville at Southside

Gaylesville at Glencoe  
 Tuscaloosa County at Ashville  
 Gadsden City at Plainview  
**Thursday, Nov. 21**  
 Westbrook at Etowah  
 Ramsay at Gadsden City  
 Sand Rock at Hokes Bluff  
 Geraldine at Gaston  
 Alexandria at Ashville  
**Bowling**  
*All home matches played at The Alley at the Gadsden Mall*  
**Friday, Nov. 15**  
 Gadsden City at West Point  
**Monday, Nov. 18**  
 Gadsden City, Southside at Huffman  
 Etowah at Springville

**Tuesday, Nov. 19**  
 Gadsden City at Oxford  
 Coosa Chr., Etowah at St. Clair Co.  
**Wednesday, Nov. 19**  
 Gadsden City at Hewitt-Trussville  
 Etowah at Oxford  
**Thursday, Nov. 21**  
 Etowah, Southside at Rocket City Classic  
**Wrestling**  
**Saturday, Nov. 16**  
 Southside at Piedmont Tournament  
**College Basketball**  
**Monday, Nov. 18**  
 Gadsden State at Snead State

**Reporting this week:**  
 Coosa Christian, Gaston, Etowah,  
 Gadsden City, Glencoe, Hokes Bluff,  
 Sardis, Southside, West End, Westbrook

Rushing				
Name	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Blevins, Westbrook	189	1,737	9.2	26
Whitaker, Hokes Bluff	145	1,510	10.4	21
Martin, Sardis	123	1,026	8.3	9
Worthy, Gadsden City	125	937	7.5	14
Scissum, Etowah	102	935	9.2	12
K. Garrett, Southside	109	809	7.4	0
Terry, Coosa Chr.	60	763	12.7	8
Barron, Hokes Bluff	125	747	6.0	11
Hale, Hokes Bluff	80	612	7.7	8
Chapman, Sardis	93	596	6.4	6
McMurray, Glencoe	91	586	6.4	2
Skaggs, Gaston	52	537	10.3	8
Boggs, Glencoe	94	535	5.7	6
Boyd, Southside	74	518	7.0	3
Wilson, Coosa Chr.	97	444	4.6	10
Chapman, Sardis	75	422	5.6	5
Hudson, Glencoe	64	404	6.3	4
Wood, Westbrook	73	353	4.8	2
Hamby, West End	92	319	3.5	4
Strong, Southside	32	303	9.5	4
Carter, Hokes Bluff	59	300	5.1	4

Passing				
Name	Att.	Comp.	Yards	TD
Scissum, Etowah	205	124	2,056	21
Franklin, Gadsden City	224	140	1,928	20
Chapman, Sardis	217	131	1,556	10
Potter, Ashville	164	98	1,431	13
Justus, Coosa Chr.	147	87	1,183	16
Blevins, Westbrook	130	76	1,161	10
Hamby, West End	146	68	932	8
Sarratt, Southside	70	49	718	3
Clay, Gaston	115	48	688	2
Whitaker, Hokes Bluff	84	46	546	3
Bryan, Southside	41	24	400	4
Sollie, Westbrook	39	29	400	5
Johnson, Glencoe	55	24	351	7

Receiving				
Name	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Whidden, Sardis	40	581	14.5	5
Johnson, Westbrook	39	610	15.6	3
Mayo, West End	37	539	14.6	4
Knight, Etowah	37	543	14.7	2
Sparks, Gadsden City	35	315	9.0	3
Kilgo, Westbrook	30	452	15.1	6
Worthy, Gadsden City	28	571	20.3	9
Swafford, Gadsden City	27	417	15.4	4
Morgan, Hokes Bluff	24	344	14.3	2
Curry, Gadsden City	24	259	10.8	0
Richardson, Etowah	23	406	17.7	5
Peoples, Southside	23	300	13.0	3
Reeves, Etowah	22	403	18.3	1
Hopper, Sardis	21	215	10.2	4
Martin, Sardis	22	245	11.1	0
Yow, Gadsden City	19	297	15.6	2
Williams, West End	17	362	21.3	4
Huckbay, Ashville	15	323	21.5	1

Tackles	
Name	No.
Patterson, West End	117
O'Bryant, Coosa Chr.	104
T. Jones, Westbrook	100
Wright, Westbrook	80
Legg, Westbrook	79
Dumas, West End	76
Whiteside, Westbrook	72
Howard, West End	70
Walters, Sardis	70
Mickler, Coosa Chr.	68
Skaggs, Westbrook	58
Hamby, West End	57
Ramsey, Westbrook	57
McCarver, Hokes Bluff	54
McGee, Sardis	54
Franklin, Coosa Chr.	52
Marotz, Westbrook	51
Coe, Sardis	51
McCarver, Hokes Bluff	46
Mays, Coosa Chr.	46
Haney, Westbrook	46
Palmer, Coosa Chr.	45
Motes, Coosa Chr.	45
Davis, Hokes Bluff	42

Sacks	
Name	No.
Wright, Westbrook	7
Shields, Hokes Bluff	5
Mays, Coosa Chr.	4
Whittemore, Southside	4
Jones, Westbrook	4
Palmer, Coosa Chr.	4
Skaggs, Westbrook	4

Interceptions	
Name	No.
Johnson, Coosa Chr.	7
Edwards, Coosa Chr.	4
McCarver, Hokes Bluff	3
Bogle, Gaston	3
Payne, Sardis	3

## Alabama, Auburn have cupcake games on deck



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### Week 12

#### Alabama Week 11 Review

Alabama's playoff hopes received a massive boost after a dominant 42-13 road victory at LSU last weekend. The Crimson Tide stifled the LSU offense from start to finish, holding Garrett Nussmeier and the Tigers to two field goals until the last minute of the game. Jalen Milroe had his most effective game on the ground this season in rushing for 185 yards and four touchdowns on only 12 carries. Alabama outgained LSU 420-343, but a good portion of those LSU yards came on the final drive when the game was already decided. The primary advantage for Alabama came on the ground, as the Tide outrushed the Tigers by a 311 to 104. UA also won the turnover battle at 3-0. The Crimson Tide, which improved to 7-2 on the season and 4-2 in the SEC, now have a path to the SEC title game. Alabama hosts Mercer this Saturday (Nov. 16).

#### SEC Week 12 rankings

1. Texas (8-1, 4-1)
2. Alabama (7-2, 4-2)
3. Georgia (7-2, 5-2)
4. Ole Miss (8-2, 4-2)
5. Texas A&M (7-2, 5-1)
6. Tennessee (8-1, 5-1)
7. LSU (6-3, 3-2)
8. South Carolina (6-3, 4-3)
9. Vanderbilt (6-4, 3-3)
10. Arkansas (5-4, 3-3)
11. Missouri (7-2, 3-2)
12. Florida (4-5, 2-4)
13. Oklahoma (5-5, 1-5)

14. Auburn (3-6, 1-5)
15. Kentucky (3-6, 1-6)
16. Mississippi State (2-8, 0-6)

#### Week 12 Previews and Predictions

Last week: 4-2; season: 75-25  
 Game of the Week

**Tennessee at Georgia (-10).** No SEC team is in better shape for a playoff bid at the moment than Tennessee. The Volunteers have only one loss and are heavily favored to reach 10 wins, even with a projected loss on Saturday at Georgia. The Bulldogs will be in the playoffs if they win out, and Georgia might be catching a break Saturday if UT quarterback Nico Iamaleava is out with a concussion. Either way, expect the Bulldogs to stifle the Vols' offense en route to a massive victory. *Prediction: Georgia 27, Tennessee 10.*

**Texas at Arkansas (+13.5).** Many consider the Longhorns to be one of the five best teams in the country, but one issue with their resume is that they have no quality wins. So, if Texas loses to rival Texas A&M at the end of the year, they will be hoping the committee values the eye test enough to put them in the field. Of course, Texas can make it easy on itself by winning out and reaching the SEC title game, but the Longhorns have a pair of tricky games remaining, starting with an Arkansas team fresh off a bye week. *Prediction: Texas 38, Arkansas 20.*

**Murray State at Kentucky.** Reaching a bowl game is almost out of the question for the Wildcats since they have Texas on deck, but Kentucky has a chance to salvage its season with a win over Louisville in a rivalry game to end the year. It's been a disappointing season for Mark Stoops, and a loss this Saturday would move it to the catastrophic level. *Prediction: Kentucky 41, Murray State 10.*

**Louisiana-Monroe at Auburn (-24).** The Tigers enter their home stretch needing three straight wins to reach a bowl game, and this Saturday's

game against UL-Monroe will be the only one in which they are favored. AU quarterback Payton Thorne did not practice during the open week due to a shoulder injury, but this is a game Auburn should win comfortably regardless of his status. Nevertheless, Auburn did lose at home to New Mexico State a season ago, so nothing is guaranteed for Hugh Freeze and the Tigers. *Prediction: Auburn 38, UL-Monroe 10.*

**Mercer at Alabama.** Through nine games, Alabama has faced one of the toughest schedules in college football. The Crimson Tide survived that stretch at 7-2, and the schedule lightens considerably as they look to secure a playoff bid. After this week's bye-game, UA plays two of the worst teams in the SEC in Oklahoma and Auburn. A 10-2 record would all but guarantee the Tide a spot in the playoffs, and Alabama would have a chance to host a first-round game. *Prediction: Alabama 55, Mercer 3.*

**LSU at Florida (+4).** Despite the third loss of the season, LSU still has a path to reach the College Football Playoffs. The Tigers can still reach the SEC championship game since they only have two conference losses, but they'll need to win out and receive some help elsewhere. Florida recently announced that Billy Napier will return for another season, and the Gators still have a path for bowl eligibility. *Prediction: LSU 31, Florida 24.*

**Missouri at South Carolina (-13.5).** While neither of these teams has a realistic chance of making the playoffs, it's still a slight possibility in the very least if there is chaos elsewhere. Shane Beamer deserves consideration for SEC Coach of the Year thus far, and his Gamecocks should earn win No. 7 this Saturday against a hobbled Missouri team. *Prediction: South Carolina 34, Missouri 13.*

**New Mexico State at Texas A&M (-39).** The Aggies enter the home stretch with everything in front of them. Their path to the playoffs is simple - win out. A win over Texas would secure a bid in the SEC title game, and the Aggies would likely make the playoffs even with a loss in Atlanta. *Prediction: Texas A&M 52, New Mexico State 12.*

## Area runners compete at state XC meet

By Chris McCarthy  
 Publisher

A pair of local runners finished in the top 10 at the AHSAA cross country state meet on Saturday, Nov. 9 at Oakville Indians Mounds Park in Danville.

Southside's Evan Christopher placed sixth out of 250 runners in the Class 6A boys race with a time of 15:46.57. Hokes Bluff's Ethan Patterson came in eighth out of 173 runners in Class 4A with a time of 16:58.13.

The area's only other top 20 finisher was Glencoe's Dakota Ensminger, who placed 17th in Class 3A boys at 17:45.66.

In Class 4A girls, Ashville's Allie Cone finished 29th out of 149 runners with a time of 21:25.40. In a field of 254 runners in Class 6A girls, Southside's Lydia Kay placed 33rd with a time of 20:06.84.

Two Westbrook Christian runners finished in the top 40 in the Class 3A boys competition of 152 runners. Luke Pilotte placed 32nd with a time of 18:26.36, while Joseph Minkin's time of 18:51.17 earned him 37th place.

Also competing for the Southside boys were Tanner Griggs (17:32.91), Levi Kay (17:49.03), Jackson Brown (18:13.90), Jonathan Russell (18:54.20), Keaton Yingling (19:32.79), Pranjal Sharma (19:36.82), Micah Little (20:04.84), Chase Hall (21:10.10) and Mason Borgers-roske (21:32.60).

Also competing for the Southside girls were Marlee

Tucker (20:49.09), Payton Ridley (21:07.52), Taylor Dortch (21:23.06), Lucy Valentine (22:30.38), Mallory Tucker (22:50.54), Adalyn Phillips (22:57.66), Riley Hulsey (23:15.36), Madelyn Chandler (23:16.97) and Laney Ridgeway (24:15.99).

Competing for Gadsden City in Class 6A boys were Adam Ghonim (19:01.19) and Freddy Hernandez-Peréz (19:32.74).

Also competing for the Glencoe boys were Owen Beason (19:27.66), Braxton Fortenberry (20:24.00), Brayden Clifton (20:26.96), Aiden Gray (24:14.92) and Daniel Bradley (26:31.50).

Competing for the Glencoe girls were Marie Giles (25:16.99) and Crosby Smith (26:19.70).

Competing for Sardis in Class 5A boys was Braxton Jones (18:37.71).

Competing for West End in Class 1A-2A girls were Kenzi Nix (23:56.25), Emma Franklin (24:02.72), Carolina Rainey (24:08.76), Jada Wright (24:09.34), Karlee Tarpley (24:36.21), Tensley Young (24:53.17), Kennedy Nix (28:03.89), Kyra Brusaw (29:27.36), Lydia Murillo (29:59.49) and Miracle Ball (33:28.13).

Competing for West End in Class 1A-2A boys were Justin Smith (19:34.52) and Jarrin Vaughn (19:30.03).

Also competing for the Westbrook boys were Mason Glover (21:20.98) and Cruz Brennan (22:19.19). Competing for the Westbrook girls was Keidy Morski (26:12.79).

## Southside falls to Mtn. Brook - from 1B

"We played complementary football tonight," said Mountain Brook head coach Chris Yeager. "The defense gave the offense good field position, the offense took care of the ball and the special teams kept (Southside) bottled up. We knew coming into the game that we were playing a good football team, and it's gratifying to have this type of success against a team like (Southside). It definitely felt like it was our best game of the year so far."

For Southside (6-5), Bryan was 5 for 9 in passing for 61 yards and rushed six times for 35 yards. Koal Garrett gained 25 yards on nine attempts and caught three passes for 18 yards. Josh Peoples had four receptions for 16 yards, while Brian had two receptions for 45 yards.

Stewart acknowledged the contributed of the team's 23 seniors.

"Those kids mean everything to me, and I owe these guys a lot. A lot of people

would say that they wouldn't rely on a bunch of 16, 17 and 18-year olds for job security, but for me and my career and

my family, that's what I do. These guys fought their butts off for me, and I'd go to war with them every single day."

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# LEGALS

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF ETOWAH Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Martha Handy F/K/A Martha K Williams to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Rocket Mortgage, LLC, its successors and assigns dated April 13, 2023; said mortgage being recorded on April 18, 2023, as Instrument No. 3556400 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC in Instrument 3578626 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, ALABAMA. The undersigned, Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, 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 Etowah County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 9th day of December, 2024 the following property, situated in Etowah County, Alabama, to-wit: LOT NUMBER SIX (6), DRUID PARK 1ST ADDITION TO RAINBOW CITY, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK "H", PAGE 87, PROBATE OFFICE, ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA, AND LYING AND BEING IN RAINBOW CITY, ALABAMA.

Said property is commonly known as 412 Waldrop Rd, Rainbow City, AL 35906. 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.

ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC F/K/A QUICKEN LOANS, LLC as holder of said mortgage  
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC  
505 20th Street North, Suite 1775  
Birmingham, AL 35203 (205) 216-4238  
FT21@mccalla.com  
File No. 24-06399AL  
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## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Brittany D Spivey an unmarried woman, originally in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Renasant Bank, its successors and assigns, on September 2, 2022, said mortgage recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama, in Instrument Number 3546173; the undersigned Renasant Bank, as Mortgagee/Transferee, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse at Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, on January 3, 2025, during the legal hours of sale, all of its rights, title, and interest in and to the following described real estate, situated in Etowah County, Alabama, to-wit: Lot 40 in Parcel 2, as shown by the plat of Cone Mills Corporation, Dwight Division, in Plat Book "F", Pages 51-65, in the Probate Office of Etowah County, Alabama. Property street address for informational purposes: 803 N 32nd Street, Gadsden, AL 35904. THIS PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD ON AN "AS IS, WHERE IS" BASIS, WITHOUT WARRANTY OR RECOURSE, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AS TO TITLE, USE AND/OR ENJOYMENT AND WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO THE RIGHT OF REDEMPTION OF ALL PARTIES ENTITLED THERETO. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. The successful bidder must tender a non-refundable deposit of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) in certified funds made payable to Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. at the time and place of the sale. The balance of the purchase price plus any deed recording costs and transfer taxes must be paid in certified funds by noon the next business day at the Law Office of Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. at the address indicated below. Tiffany & Bosco, P.A. 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. Renasant Bank, ("Transferee") Tiffany & Bosco, P.A., 2501 20th Place South, Suite 300, Homewood, AL 35223 www.tblaw.com TB File Number: 24-09311-CE-AL 11/01/2024, 11/08/2024, 11/15/2024

REDSTONE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Mortgagee

## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Whereas, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Billy H. Freeman, Jr., an unmarried man, to Family Savings Federal Credit Union on the October 28, 2019, said mortgage being recorded at Instrument #3493014, Mortgage Records, Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama, and the undersigned, by reason of such default, having declared the entire remaining indebtedness secured by said mortgage to be immediately due and payable, and said mortgage subject to foreclosure, and such default continuing, notice is hereby given, that acting under the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned, Dana L. Rice, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in front of the Courthouse door in Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on December 9, 2024, the following described real estate situated in Etowah County, Alabama, to-wit: Lots Number Eight (8), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11) and Twelve (12) in the J. T. Morris subdivision to Hokes Bluff, Alabama, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book "C", Pages 122-123, Probate Office, Etowah County, Alabama. Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses

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## MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by a certain Mortgage made by Dakota Kree Farley, A Married Woman, (the "Mortgagor"), in favor of Redstone Federal Credit Union dated June 29, 2023, and filed for record on June 29, 2023, in Instrument Number: 3559916, in the Probate Office of Etowah County, Alabama (the "Mortgage"), the undersigned Redstone Federal Credit Union (the "Mortgagee"), as Mortgagee, under and by vir-

of the power of sale contained in the Mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in front of the main entrance of the Etowah County, Alabama, Courthouse in the City of Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, on the 29th day of November, 2024, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate situated in Etowah County, Alabama, to-wit: Lots 20 and 21 in Block 38 in the Bellevue Highlands First Addition, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book "B", Pages 286-290, Probate Office, Etowah County, Alabama.

This property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis, subject to any easements, encumbrances, and exceptions reflected in the Mortgage and those contained in the records of the Office of the Judge of Probate of the County where the above-described property is situated. This property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied, as to title, use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure.

The Mortgagee 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; contact Charles Howard Grisham at the phone number shown below prior to attendance at sale.

REDSTONE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION Mortgagee

CHARLES HOWARD GRISHAM, ESQUIRE Attorney for Mortgagee Post Office Box 5585 Huntsville, AL 35814-5585 (256) 837-5100

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of foreclosure. 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 part of the foreclosure process. The undersigned, Dana L. Rice, Its Attorney Turnbach, Warren, Rice, Frederick & Smith, P.C. P. O. Box 129 Gadsden, Alabama 35902 (256) 543-3664

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## FILE CLAIMS

Wanda Steward was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/24/2024 over the Estate of Terry Lynn McClendon, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Amy Janel Morris Dillard was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/24/2024 over the Estate of Patricia Jean McEwen Morris, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Phyllis Laveta Denson was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/27/2024 over the Estate of James Harold Rogers, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Elsie Dean Spence was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/17/2024 over the Estate of Steven Robert Adams, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Nicole Teal Morris was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/16/2024 over the Estate of Cheryl Ann Meroney, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

John Gerald Hill was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/20/2024 over the Estate of Mary Ann Hill, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

Billy Fox was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/18/2024 over the Estate of Mary Ethel Fox, deceased, Probate

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Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Mary Beth Nix A/K/A Mary Phillips Nix was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/20/2024 over the Estate of Fred Lee Cochran, Jr., deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Nancy Rosser Beasley was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/20/2024 over the Estate of Russell Ellis Rosser, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Randall Gunter was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/27/2024 over the Estate of Betty Jane Gunter, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

David Glidden was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/10/2024 over the Estate of Betty Anne Downs, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Sheila White was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/14/2024 over the Estate of Shelby V. White, Jr., deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Lesa Ortiz was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/14/2024 over the Estate of Ralph L. Phillips, Jr., deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Kristi Bohannon was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/18/2024 over the Estate of Carole Cornwell, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Amy Bates was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on

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10/22/2024 to the Estate of John Virgil Bates, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

David Michael Wallace was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 07/30/2024 over the Estate of Ruby Elizabeth Gilliland, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

Harold Hicks was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/27/2024 over the Estate of Donna Hicks, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

Robert Wad Byars was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 09/27/2024 over the Estate of Mark Alan Dorries, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

Susan Kay Roach was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/02/2024 over the Estate of Theodore H. Spindle, Jr., deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Maya Derico was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/07/2024 over the Estate of Sandra Lynn Derico, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Douglas Wade Holland was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/10/2024 over the Estate of Judy Ann Holland, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

William Bradley Hersberger was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/11/2024 over the Estate of Janice Faye Price, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

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Richard A. Rhea was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/15/2024 over the Estate of Beulah Mann, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Celeste Graham Baskerville a/k/a Celeste Graham Dunigan was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/15/2024 over the Estate of Sandra Gail Graham, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

April Culbert was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/17/2024 over the Estate of Fred W. Roberson, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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## FILE CLAIMS

Sondra N. Corley was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/17/2024 over the Estate of John Hawk, Sr., deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Daniel L. Williams was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/21/2024 to the Estate of Timothy W. Williams, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

James R. Phillips was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/23/2024 to the Estate of Suzanne K. Phillips, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## FILE CLAIMS

Michael Thad Alverson was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/23/2024 over the Estate of Roy E. Alverson, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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## LEGAL NOTICE

There will be a hearing held on Monday November 25, 2024 at 9:30 AM concerning the deceased Harvey Sheppard who died September 28, 2024 at Riverview Regional Medical center in Gadsden, Harvey Sheppard last known address was 35 Little Street Gadsden, AL 35904.

November 15, 2024



NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EDDIE JAMES MORGAN, DECEASED.

TO: Rhonda Morgan and Juliet Morgan WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN

Please take notice that a Petition to Probate Will was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Etowah County, Alabama and further, that the 17th day of DECEMBER, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. was appointed a day and time for hearing on said Petition, thereof at which time you may appear and support and/or contest the Petition, if you so choose.

DONE THIS THE 22nd DAY OF DAY OF October 2024.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF: WALLAGE CURRY, ALLEGED INCAPACITATED

Case #: 2024-678

TO: Daquan Curry and any unknown family

Please take notice that a PETITION FOR LET-TERS OF GUARDIANSHIP & CONSERVATORSHIP of the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 11th day of DECEMBER 2024 at 1:30 p.m. was appointed a day and time for hearing on said Petition, thereof at which time you may appear and support and/or contest the Petition, if you so choose.

DONE THIS THE 7TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2024.

Scott Hassell PROBATE JUDGE

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Gerald Sheets, Jr., whose whereabouts are unknown

Jeffery Sheets, whose whereabouts are unknown

Kenneth Sheets, whose whereabouts are unknown

Christopher Sheets, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Regina Sheets and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Regina Sheets was filed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center on the 28th day of OCTOBER 2024.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 16th day of DECEMBER 2024, at 2:30 p.m., in the Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama, 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, AL, 35901.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Charles Maier, whose whereabouts are unknown

Donna Seabolt, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Lillian K. Maier and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Lillian K. Maier was filed by Riverview Regional Medical Center on the 28th day of OCTOBER, 2024.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 17th day of DECEMBER 2024, at 1:30 p.m., in the Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama, 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Alabama 35901.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Any unknown family member, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Martha Files Vangorder and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Martha Files Vangorder was filed by Riverview Regional Medical Center on the 6th day of NOVEMBER 2024.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 18 day of DECEMBER 2024, at 2:00 P.m., in the Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama, 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Alabama 35901.

Scott W. Hassell Judge of Probate

November 8, 15, and 22, 2024

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

KELLEY AUTO AUCTION, LLC, Plaintiff VS MJK Auto Sales Limited Liability, Co.; TERENCE TAYLOR; AND TRAVIS MOORE, Defendant

The Defendants, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Plaintiff's Complaint for sale and Division within thirty (30) days of the completion of the publication or thereafter a judgement of default may be rendered against you in the aforementioned case.

Done the 7th day of November 2024.

Cassandra Johnson, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Etowah County, Alabama

Megan Phillips Huizinga, Attorney for Plaintiff Knowles & Sullivan, LLC 413 Broad Street Gadsden, AL 35901 256-547-7200

November 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2024

PUBLICATION NOTICE NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION

TO: Kendall Faith Moody, last known address: 4546 Pine Mountain Road, Remlap, AL 35133.

YOU WILL HEREBY TAKE NOTICE THAT, on the 27th day of February, 2024

YOU WILL HEREBY TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, Kendall Faith Moody, whose last known address is 4546 Pine Mountain Road, Remlap, AL 35133 is required to answer

Dustin Alan Goforth's Petition within fourteen (14) days after the last publication of this notice or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against you in Case No. . CS- 20024-900023 District Court of Etowah County.

Stephanie Gillilan Attorney at Law 834 Chestnut Street Gadsden, AL 35901

November 15, 22, 29, and December 6, 2024

PUBLICATION ON NAME CHANGE (UNKNOWN OR UNDISCLOSED PARENT)

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

In Re: Jasie Renee Abromitis, A minor child, Petitioner

Case No. 2024-00151

NOTICE TO: THE FATHER, WHOSE NAME AND WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN, THE PARENT OF: A CHILD BORN TO KRISTEN RENEE ABROMITIS

You will take notice that a Petition for Change of Name of a child born on December 19, 2013, to Kristen Renee Abromitis, was filed on the 7th day of March, 2024, alleging that the father of said minor child's name and whereabouts are unknown, and have not been disclosed to the Court, and whose relationship of said parent, whose whereabouts are unknown to the aforesaid minor child, is that of the presumed father.

Minor child's birth date is December 19, 2013.

Please be advised that should you intend to contest this name change, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein with Clark Hall, at the address shown below, and with the Clerk of the Probate Court, Etowah County Courthouse, 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, AL 35901.

Done this the 6th day of November 2024.

SCOTT W. HASSELL, JUDGE OF PROBATE

Name and address of Attorney Clark Hall 750 Forrest Avenue Gadsden, AL 35901 (256) 549-4357

November 8, 15, and 22, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

Civil Action No.: 31-CV-2023-900504

KENNETH GOLDWIRE, MARCHE GOLDWIRE, and NAMON MARTIN, Plaintiffs,

CHARLES KIRKPATRICK, LESLIE DARLENE, LEROY EDWARDS, and DEBRA SATTIEWHITE, Defendants,

TO: LEROY EDWARDS or his heirs or devisees, if deceased, whose whereabouts are unknown, and which cannot be ascertained after the exercise of reasonable diligence.

You are hereby notified that on the 7th day of December 2023, a complaint for Ejectment was filed in the Circuit Court of Etowah County, Alabama, and the following are the names of all parties to the action: KENNETH GOLDWIRE, MARCHE GOLDWIRE, NAMON MARTIN, CHARLES KIRKPATRICK, or his heirs or assigns if deceased, and Estates of, unknown heirs or devisees, LESLIE DARLENE, or her heirs or assigns if deceased, and Estates of, unknown heirs or devisees, LEROY EDWARDS, or his heirs or assigns if deceased, and Estates of, unknown heirs or devisees, DEBRA SATTIEWHITE, or her heirs or assigns if deceased, and Estates of: unknown heirs or devisees, and ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PERSONS WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN, who are believed to have some right, title, interest in or claim to the real property which is the subject of this litigation as described in EXHIBIT A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if set out in full.

All persons having an interest in said lands or any portion thereof, claiming any title thereto or any encumbrance or lien thereon, are hereby directed to plead, answer, demur, or otherwise respond to the Complaint on or before December 6, 2024 else at the expiration of 30 days after last publication suffer judgment by default to be rendered against them, it being intended that this notice shall be used to perfect service against all parties who cannot be personally served with a copy of the Complaint.

Done on this 13th day of November 2024

/s/ William B. Ogletree Circuit Judge

Cassandra Johnson Clerk of the Circuit Court Etowah County; Alabama

Attorney for the Plaintiff Alexander V. Davies, III. 201 20th Street South Irondale, AL 35210

EXHIBIT A Lot 4, in Block 8, in Glendale Subdivision to East Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama, as recorded in Plat Book "E" page 53, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson County, Alabama.

Parcel ID: 15 06 13 2 000 051.000 Commonly known as: 1036 Glendale Avenue, Gadsden, AL 35901

November 15, 22, 29, and December 6, 2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR COMPLETION

River Bank Repair & Concrete Sidewalk Replacement At the Twin Bridges Golf Course

In accordance with Chapter 1, Title 39, Code of Alabama, 1975, Bob Smith Construction, Inc. hereby gives written notice of the completion of a contract with the City of Gadsden, Alabama, for the River Bank Repair & Concrete Sidewalk Replacement At the Twin Bridges Golf Course, project no. 3564, and has made request for final settlement of said Contract. This notice is to appear for four consecutive weeks, beginning November 1, 2024 and ending on November 22, 2024. All persons having any claim for labor, materials or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify Heath Williamson, Architect for City of Gadsden, P.O. Box 267, Gadsden, AL 35902-0267 during this period.

Bob Smith Construction, Inc. 8076 US Highway 11 Springville, AL. 35146 (205) 655-9006

November 1, 8, 15, and 22, 2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Etowah County Commission at 800 Forrest Ave Suite 113, Gadsden, AL 35901 until 2:00 PM CST, Tuesday, December 10th, 2024 for:

NEW ENTRANCE CANOPY FOR ETOWAH COUNTY JAIL 827 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Alabama 35901

at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read. A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference for General Contractors who wish to submit a bid will be held at job site front entrance, Etowah County Jail, 827 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, Alabama 35901 at 2:00 PM CST, Monday, December 2nd, 2024. A cashier's check or bid bond payable to Etowah County Commission in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, but in no event more than \$10,000, must accompany the bidder's proposal. Performance and Payment Bonds and evidence of insurance required in the bid documents will be required at the signing of the Contract.

Drawings and specifications may be examined at the office of Bill Whittaker Architecture, 236 Martin Street, Anniston, Alabama 36206. Contact: Bill Whittaker at 256-689-0238 Bid Documents may be obtained from the Architect upon deposit of \$250.00 per set/project, which will be refunded in full on the first two (2) sets issued to each general contract bidder submitting a bonafide bid, upon return of documents in good condition within ten days of bid date. Other sets for general contractors and sets for subcontractors and dealers may be obtained upon a non-refundable deposit of \$150.00. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect or copies thereof. All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Engineer; the bidder shall

show such evidence by clearly displaying his or her current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technical errors if, in the Owner's judgement, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted. Bidder certifies by submitting a response to this bid request that neither the company nor any of its employees who will provide or perform services under this contract have been debarred, suspended or otherwise declared ineligible from receiving Federal contracts and subcontracts. Alabama law (section 41-4-116, code of Alabama 1975) provides that every bid submitted and contract executed shall contain a certification that the vendor, contractor, and all of its affiliates that make sales for delivery into Alabama or leases for use in Alabama are registered, collecting, and remitting Alabama state and local sales, use, and/or lease tax on all taxable sales and leases in Alabama. By submitting a response to this solicitation, the bidder is hereby certifying that they are in full compliance with Act No. 2006-557; they are not barred from bidding or entering into a contract pursuant to 41-4-116, and acknowledges that the Owner may declare the contract void if the certification is false.

Etowah County, Alabama (Local Awarding Authority) Bill Whittaker P.C., Architecture (Architect)

November 8, 15, and 22, 2024

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDSETOWAH COUNTY COMMISSION NORTHEAST ALABAMA REGIONAL MEGASITE INTERSTATE 59 UTILITY CROSSINGS

Sealed bids for the Northeast Alabama Regional Megasite Interstate 59 Utility Crossings Project will be received at the Etowah County Commission Chambers located on the First Floor of the Courthouse, Room 108, 800 Forrest Avenue, Gadsden, AL 35901 until Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 10:00 A.M. local time, at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read.

The Project includes the following Work: Approx. 400 LF of 12" Fusible PVC Force Main Inside of 16" Fusible PVC Encasement installed via directional drilling under Interstate 59. Approx. 400 LF of 16" Fusible PVC Water Main Inside of 24" Fusible PVC Encasement installed via directional drilling under Interstate 59. Installation of all other related appurtenances.

Information for the Project can be found at the following designated website: www.gmcnetwork.com

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is Goodwyn Mills Caewood, LLC, 2400 5th Avenue South, Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35233, Attn: Clara Posala (clara\_posala@gmcnetwork.com). Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office, during the hours indicated above, upon payment of a deposit of \$20.00 for a onetime administrative fee for digital access/file sharing and/or \$100.00 for each set. Said cost represents the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, therefore no refund will be granted. Checks for Bidding Documents shall be payable to "GMC." Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instructions to

Bidders.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract to the best and most responsible bidder. All bidders shall submit, upon request, a list of projects "successfully completed" in the last 2 years, having a similar scope of work and approximate construction cost as specified in this project. All bidders must comply with requirements of the Contractor's Licensing Law of the State of Alabama and be certified for the type of work on which the proposal is submitted. Each bidder must deposit, with his bid, security in the amount, form, and subject to the conditions provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

All Bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Engineer; the Bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying the license number on the outside of the envelope in which the Proposal is delivered.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the opening thereof.

Owner: Etowah County Commission By: Tim Ramsey Title: Commission President

November 15, 22, and 29, 2024

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS FEDERAL AID PROJECT NO. IM-1059(426) DEKALB AND ETOWAH COUNTIES, 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 December 06, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Roadway Reconstruction (Pavement Removal, Grading, Drainage, Base, and Pavement) on I-59 (Southbound Roadway) from 0.390 mile south of the CR-276 (Stephens Gap Road) Overpass to a point 0.500 mile south of the SR-68 Interchange northwest of Collinsville. Length 10.690 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 By March 12, 2027. A 2.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

A Bidding Proposal may be purchased for \$5.00. Plans may be purchased for \$114.00 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 \$43,101,880 To \$52,680,075. The proposed work shall be performed in confor-

mity 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 prequalified 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.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JOHN R. COOPER Transportation Director

November 15, 22, and 29, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Attalla Board of Adjustments will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 25, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Attalla City Hall located at 612 4th Street NW, Attalla, AL 35954. The following item will be considered:

Variance requested and filed by Dr. Duane Mohon, property owner, and Justin Woodward with Complete Signs to replace an existing sign located on the property with a billboard. The variance is requested to waive the requirement of 800' between 2 (two) billboards.

Mandy Cash, City Clerk

November 15 and 22, 2024

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF ATTALLA

THE CITY OF ATTALLA WILL HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS TO DISCUSS THE REMEDIES FOR NUISANCE/ ABATEMENT CASES THAT WILL COME BEFORE THE ATTALLA CITY COUNCIL ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2024 AT 5:00 P.M. LOCATED AT 612 4TH STREET NW, ATTALLA, ALABAMA. THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES WILL BE DISCUSSED.

1103 4TH STREET, NW, ATTALLA, AL 35954

1109 4TH STREET, NW, ATTALLA, AL 35954

1113 4TH STREET, NW, ATTALLA, AL 35954

1114 3RD STREET, NW, ATTALLA, AL 35954

707 3RD STREET, NW, ATTALLA, AL 35954

Mandy Cash, City Clerk

November 15 and 22, 2024

ORDINANCE NO. O-50-24

REZONING 2208 Industrial Avenue

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF GADSDEN, ALABAMA, that the Official Zoning Map of the City of Gadsden adopted by Ordinance No. O-02-82, as amended, is hereby further amended by changing the zoning classification district for the following described property from a R-1, Single -Family Residence District, to a B-2, General Business District.



Lots 3 and 4 Block 6 in Kyle Addition to Alabama City, also known as Kyle North Car Line Addition, as recorded in Plat Book "A", page 184, Probate Office Etowah County, Alabama. Lot 3 Block 6, PPIN-37545, Parcel # 15-03-06-1-000-009.000, Book D-12, Page 3369523. Lot 4 Block 6, PPIN-37546, Parcel # 15-03-06-1-000-010.000, Book D-12 Page 3369523. (Property address being 2208 Industrial Avenue).

Adopted by the City Council of Gadsden on November 5, 2024.

Iva Nelson, City Clerk

November 15, 2024

**ORDINANCE NO. O-51-24**

Amending Budget for Fund 002 - American Rescue Plan

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GADSDEN, ALABAMA, that the American Rescue Plan Funds Budget

(Fund 002) of the City of Gadsden, Alabama, established by Ordinance No. O-11-21, and previously amended by ordinance numbers O-39-22, O-12-23, and O-53-23 is further amended as follows:

Any unused funds as of 10/01/2024 will be utilized as needed under the category of REPLACING LOST PUBLIC SECTOR REVENUE which includes "any service traditionally provided by a government, including construction of roads and other infrastructure, provisions of public safety and other services, and health and educational services."

Adopted by the City Council of Gadsden on November 5, 2024.

Iva Nelson, City Clerk

November 15, 2024

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that the Contents of the following storage building will be SOLD by Off Campus Storage on November 22, 2024

at 10:00 a.m. at 474 George Wallace Drive, Gadsden, AL. 35903

Angela Johnson-Unit 26

Antwon Powell - Unit 70

Marcus Calloway Unit 106

Kristidis Tolbert-Unit 141

Peggy Caldwell-Unit 39

Jessica Body - Unit 94 and 133

Whitney Hunter - Unit 9 and 153

Off Campus Storage 474 George Wallace Drive Gadsden, AL. 35903

November 15 and 22, 2024

**NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will proceed to take possession of the following described abandoned vehicle(s) on January 3, 2025.

2016 Make: DODGE Model: CHARGER R/T VIN: 2C3CDXCT-4GH257527

UNI Automotive Group 2075 Hwy 77 Attalla, AL. 35954 (256)538-6600 November 8 and 15, 2024

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION OF ABANDONED VEHICLES**

Please take NOTICE that the Kelton Wrecker LLC will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following abandoned motor vehicles:

2012 KIA SORENTO LX VIN: 5XYKTD29C9G241660

1999 BUICK REGAL VIN: 2G4WB52K6X1589601

2004 NISSAN ALTIMA VIN: 1N4A-L11DX4C187504

2005 CHEVROLET IMPALA VIN: 2G1WF52EX59360493

2003 FORD F-150 XLT VIN: 1FTRW08L83KB05320

2000 NISSAN FRONTIER VIN: 1N6ED-27T3YC322029

The public auction will be held at Kelton Wrecker LLC located at 1625 Forrest Ave Gadsden AL 35901 at 8:00 AM on 12/27/2024. The seller shall have a right to reject any bid that is unreasonably low and may postpone the public auction until another time and place. In addition, the seller expressly reserves the right to bid and purchase at the public auction.

November 15 and 22, 2024

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION OF ABANDONED VEHICLES**

Please take NOTICE that Matt's Towing will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following abandoned motor vehicle 2016 Toyota

Corolla VIN#5YFBURHE XGP404103 The public auction will be held at Matt's Towing 927 5th Ave NE Attalla AL 35954 at 10:00am on 12/30/2024 The Seller shall have a right to reject any bid that is unreasonably low. The seller expressly reserves the right to bid and purchase at the public auction.

November 15 and 22, 2024

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION OF ABANDONED VEHICLES**

Please take NOTICE that Matt's Towing will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following abandoned motor vehicle 2005 Ford Explorer VIN#1FMZU64K85UA10006 The public auction will be held at Matt's Towing 927 5th Ave NE Attalla AL 35954 at 10:00am on 12/27/2024 The Seller shall have a right to reject any bid that is unreasonably low. The seller expressly reserves the right to bid and purchase

at the public auction.

November 15 and 22, 2024

**NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION**

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will proceed to take possession of the following described abandoned vehicle(s) on 12/27/2024.

2003 LND R Range Rover VIN: SALME11443A120322

2009 CADI CTS VIN: 1G6DU57V690169783

1994 MERZ S CLASS VIN: WDB-GA51E3RA175979

2012 DODG CHARGER VIN: 2C3CDXB-G4CH112499

Tommy Tows 1912 3rd Street Attalla, AL. 35954 (256) 490-3715

November 15 and 22, 2024

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**VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**JOB TITLE:** Temporary Program Analyst **SALARY:** Based on qualifications **TOUR OF DUTY:** Full-time, Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm

This position is in the Etowah/St. Clair County Farm Service Agency (FSA) Office located in Gadsden. The incumbent serves at the basic trainee level and works on different as-signments as required to assist higher graded employees who are responsible for administering USDA farm programs.

**PRIMARY DUTIES** Greets customers and answers general questions. Answers the telephone, prepares correspondence, and makes appointments with farmers and other customers. Assists in preparing applications, eligibility forms with farmers and loads application data in the computer for payment processing. Operates a computer workstation in the performance of their duties. Performs other duties as assigned.

GENERAL

**QUALIFICATIONS** All candidates must be a U.S. citizen, high school graduate or equivalent, and must be at least 18 years of age, or 17 years of age for current high school graduates.

**TO APPLY**

Candidates who meet the basic eligibility requirements may file for consideration by sending the following information to the address below. Resumes must be received by close of business (4:30PM) on Friday, November 29, 2024.

- Resume must include your country of citizenship, education, and work experience.
- College transcript, if applicable

Resumes may be mailed through the U.S. Postal Service or any other commercial or private carrier (i.e., Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc.). Emailed and faxed resumes are acceptable. Please use the following address:

Amanda Gore, County Executive Director Phone: 256-546-2336 Ext. 2 Fax: 855-789-9083 Etowah/St. Clair County Fann Service Agency 312 South 3rd Street, Suite A Gadsden, AL 35901

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