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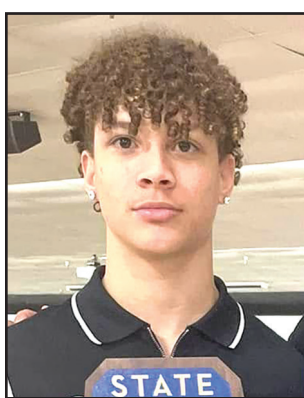
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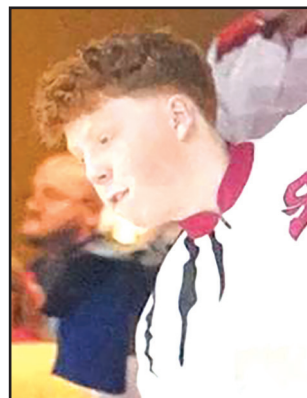
Photo by Chris McCarthy



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The Etowah boys bowling team won the AHSAA Class 1A-5A state championship earlier this week in Mobile.

Submitted photo



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The Southside High boys bowling team finished third at the Class 6A7A state tournament earlier this week in Mobile.

AHSAA photo by David Holtsford

Local agency receives grant

Governor Kay Ivey recently awarded more than \$900,000 in grants to four organizations that serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in 14 north Alabama counties.

Family Services of North Alabama, which serves Etowah, Cherokee, DeKalb and Marshall counties, will use its \$138,809 portion of the grant for services including forensic interviews and exams to victims of sexual assault.



GOV. KAY IVEY

“These funds will enable organizations to provide a safe haven for victims fleeing dangerous situations and assistance for those who need to rebuild their lives,” Ivey said. “I commend these agencies for responding with care and compassion to the needs of people in dire situations.”

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants with funds made available by the U.S. Department of Justice.

“These organizations do incredibly important work for victims of truly heinous crimes,” said ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell. “ADECA joins Gov. Ivey in her steadfast support of programs that provide professional care to victims in their time of need.”

Other organizations receiving grants are One Place of the Shoals, Domestic Violence Crisis Services and Crisis Services of North Alabama, Inc.

ADECA administers a wide range of programs that support law enforcement, victim programs, economic development, water resource management, energy conservation and recreation.



Lee Hedgepeth/Inside Climate News

Smoke emits from the James H. Miller Jr. Electrical Generating Plant in Jefferson County, Ala. The plant was placed in the number one spot on the EPA's worst emissions list in 2023.

Tuberville files CRA resolution to repeal EPA ‘Methane Tax Rule’

By Kaitlin Hoskins
News Editor

On Tuesday, February 4, U.S. Senator Tommy Tuberville (R-AL) and U.S. Senator John Hoeven (R-ND) introduced a resolution — under the Congressional Review Act (CRA) —

against the Methane Emissions Reduction Program implemented in the 2022 passing of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA).

In the IRA, Congress amended the Clean Air Act (CAA) to create CAA section 136, also known as the Methane Emissions Reduction Program.

Under the amendment, Congress directed the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to collect a waste emissions charge — also called “methane tax rule” — on methane waste emissions from certain oil and gas production facilities.

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GCHS seniors sign scholarships

By Chris McCarthy
Publisher



Gadsden City High School

Together...We Are the Titans!

Chris McCarthy/Messenger

Gadsden City seniors Nemo Samples T.J. Worthy, Alex Swafford and Taylor Barber (pictured, from left) signed college football scholarships on Wednesday, Feb. 4 at the GCHS library.

Four Gadsden City High seniors had their hard work in the classroom and on the football field pay dividends earlier this week.

Taylor Barber (Delta State University), Nemo Samples (Tusculum University), Alex Swafford (Murray State) and T.J. Worthy (Tennessee-Chattanooga) signed college scholarship on Wednesday, Feb. 5 at the GCHS library.

“All four of these guys understand the value of hard work,” said GCHS head football coach Ali Smith. “Nemo has a passionate love for the game, Taylor is eager to learn, Alex is a joy to coach and T.J. is a once-in-a-lifetime player to come along. He’s not only a great athlete but a hard worker on and off the field. If they do what they’re supposed to do and keeping working hard, they’ll all have successful college careers.”

Since their freshman seasons, the above foursome helped Gadsden City win 27 games with three straight playoff appearances, including the state quarterfinals in 2023.

Barber’s 2024 numbers included 86 tackles, including 20 for a loss, 10 sacks, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery. He made the Class 6A All-Region 8 team.

Samples finished with 97 tackles, including 24 for a loss, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery. He made the 2023 and 2024 All-Region teams and was selected to play in the AHSAA North/South football game.

Swafford had 34 receptions for 516 yards and five touchdowns. He also was an All-Region selection.

Worthy’s career numbers include 413 carries for 2,884 yards and 42 touchdowns and 67 catches for 1,200 yards and 18 TDs. He was named first-team All-Region and All-State following his junior and senior seasons and played in the 2024 North/South game. He set school records with most rushing touchdowns, longest run in a single game and most rushing touchdowns in a season. He is Gadsden City’s all-time career leader in rushing yards, receiving yards and receiving touchdowns.

This signing class made it 105 college signees in six years under Smith.

“I cannot stress enough how big of a deal this is,” said Smith. “Especially in this day and age with the NIL and the transfer portal. It takes a village to go through this process with coaches, teachers, counselors, trainers and other folks. So many people put in so much time to help these young men to have an opportunity to play college ball, and we’re fortunate to have them at this school.”



OBITUARIES



Stanley V. Burger

TILLISON BEND - Stanley Vernon Burger went peacefully to his heavenly home on February 4, 2025.

Funeral services will be held at Morgan Funeral Chapel on Saturday, February 8, 2025. The family will receive friends for visitation in the Chapel from 11:00 am prior to the service at 12:30 pm. Interment will be at Rainbow Memorial Gardens. Pastor Tim Wallace to officiate.

Pallbearers will be Corey Burger, Sam Burger, Luke Burger, Jack Rush, Mark Smith & Jason Pierce.

Honorary pallbearers are Wayne Knight and the Gadsden Mall walkers.

Stanley was born on September 3, 1935. He was raised in Tillison Bend and he attended Glencoe High School where he played football. He proudly served our country during the Korean Conflict in 1955. After the Korean Conflict, he returned to college at Jacksonville State University where he walked on to play football. Stanley was on the offensive line for the Gamecocks. It was at Jacksonville State where he met Beulah Richey, the love of his life. They raised their 2 sons Bryan and Craig in Whorton's Bend.

Stanley was a loving husband, father, pops and friend. His legacy will live on.

He was preceded in death by his parents Leonard and Grace Burger, his siblings, Clarence (Audra) Burger, Erston (Ann) Burger, Dorothy (Gene) Smith and Pat Burger.

Stanley is survived by his wife of 66 years, Beulah Richey Burger, his sons Bryan (Shannon) Burger and Craig (Tammie) Burger, his grandsons, Corey (Jenna) Burger, Sam Burger and Luke Burger and great-grandchildren, Kate and Drew Burger, and sister-in-law, Idora Burger.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Grace Bible Church-Missions Fund 3322 Rainbow Dr,

Rainbow City, AL 35906. Special thanks to The Staff for Emergency and Cardiac Care Unit at Riverview Hospital, Lynn Ala and caregivers at Healing Hearts Homecare and the Dementia and Rehab unit at Gadsden Healthcare.



Danna Kaye Young

ATTALLA - Danna Kaye Young, age 75, of Attalla, Alabama passed away on Sunday, February 2, 2025.

Funeral Service will be held at 1:00pm on Friday, February 7, 2025 at Cherry Street Baptist Church. Visitation will be held prior to the service at the church from 11 until 1pm. Burial at Oak Hill Cemetery. Bro. Larry Garrard to officiate the service.

Danna was a dedicated teacher in the Attalla School System for 37 years. She devoted nearly 30 years to the music ministry at Cherry Street Baptist Church as a pianist and a member of the choir. Her greatest joy in life was time with her family, especially her beloved grandchildren. As much as she loved her family, nothing compared to her love for Christ and her faith in Him.

She was preceded in death by Sam and Imonell Stallings.

Danna is survived by her loving husband of 53 years, Bruce Young; sons; Brian (Amy) Young, and Craig (Amanda) Young; grandchildren, Nicholas (Shea) Young, Natalie Young, Addison Young, Micah and Caroline Young; and great granddaughter, Harper Angel Young.

Pallbearers will be Nicholas Young, Rick O'Neal, David O'Neal, Blaine Dollar, Scott Ryan, and Bobby Cline.

Special thanks to Marshall Cancer Care Center staff, especially nurse Tammie and volunteer Kathy Aswell, and Shepherd's Cove Hospice.

Bobbie Joe "BJ" Fickle

Bobbie Joe Fickle was born December 11, 1942 in Wichita Falls, TX and was

welcomed into heaven by our Lord on Monday, February 3, 2025. We are sure that our mother was there to meet him at the gates and a joyous reunion was had.

In 1961, Bobbie graduated from Wichita Falls High School where he was a member of ROTC and was always proud to say that he was a Wichita Falls Coyote. While in high school, he also worked for his grandparents at their dry cleaning business and enjoyed taking his favorite girl with him to drag races on the weekends.

Bobbie married his high school sweetheart, Glenda Baker, on January 20, 1962 and they were married for 53 years.

After graduating high school and getting married, he began working at Gobleman's Dairy as well as MeadowGold Dairy in order to provide for his family.

While working at the dairies, he welcomed daughters, Debra Kay followed by Tammy Jo a few years later. It was also during this time that Bobbie met his "brother from another mother", Ron Dearman.

Eventually, Bobbie came home with the news that he had gotten a job with Beatrice Foods as a chemical sales rep and the family would be moving to Alabama. It was in Alabama that the family settled permanently and welcomed their third daughter, Ami Shea. B.J., as he was known to many, traveled all over the United States selling products to companies such as Coca-Cola, Dole, and Peter Pan.

Bobbie was preceded in death by his father, Harold Walton Fickle, mother, Evelyn Louise Fickle, father-in-law, Ogal Baker, life-long love and wife of 53 years, Glenda Kay Fickle, brother-in-law, Donald Baker, and brother, Ted Fickle.

He leaves behind to cherish precious memories and carry on his legacy, daughters, Debbie (Nathan) Barnwell, Tammy (Bob) George, and Ami (Rickey) Hardy, grandchildren, Derek (Callie) George, Ryan (Kathryn) George, Breanna (Carlos) Gutierrez, and Jacob (Montoria) Hardy, great grandchildren, Adelynn Hardy, Baker George, Brynlee Hardy and Natalie George. Mother-in-law, Dorothy Baker, brothers-in-law, Terry (Kate) Baker, and David (Judy) Baker, sister-in-law, Phyllis Baker. Chosen daughter, Angela Walker and chosen brother, Ron (Marian) Dearman as well

as numerous nephews and nieces.

Special thanks to Gadsden Regional Medical Center employees, especially his SICU nurses, Edwin and Cheyanne, as well as A-Med Ambulance Service for showing such great care and compassion to our Dad along with his family.

Visitation will be Friday, February 7, 2025 at Collier Butler Funeral Home from noon until 2 pm with graveside services to follow at 2:30 pm at Rainbow Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will be Bob George, Rickey Hardy, Nathan Barnwell, Derek George, Ryan George, and Jacob Hardy.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths" Proverbs 3:5-6

Jerry Leroy Chatham

CENTRE - Jerry Leroy Chatham, age 78, of Centre, Alabama passed away on Sunday, February 2, 2025. A funeral service will be held at 3:00 pm on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at Collier-Butler Funeral Home. Bro. Mike Spray will officiate. The family will accept friends from 1:30 pm until the hour of the service at the funeral home on Saturday.

Jerry was in the United States Navy. During his service, he received many medals, including the national defense service medals. After he was honorably discharged from the service, Jerry joined the police academy. He later went on to become a federal officer where he was very active and even had jobs protecting presidents.

Jerry had a servant's heart. He was truly the definition of a selfless man and always quietly helped others. He would help so many, but never wanted praise for his good deeds. Jerry will be deeply missed.

Jerry was preceded in death by his parents Charles and Mary Lou Chatham; sister, Kim Chatham; daughter, Jeanie Chatham; and sister-in-law, Valerie Boswell.

He is survived by the love of his life, his wife, Beverly Chatham; grandchildren, Patrick (Rachel), Ryan (Maddie), and Maggie (Brian); great grandchildren, Colton and Samuel; and sister and brother-in-law, Cindy and Lonnie Whisenhant.

The family wishes to express a special thanks to ACG Hospice, K.K., Randi, Zack, and all friends and family for their care.



Wanda Yates Brumbelow

Wanda Yates Brumbelow was born October 3, 1937, in Clay County, Alabama, to Rufus and Zenobia Yates of Ashland, Alabama. She went home to be with the Lord on February 4, 2025, at the age of 87.

Wanda is preceded in death by her parents, Rufus and Zenobia Yates; her first husband, Cecil G. Taylor; her second husband, Melvin Brumbelow; her sister, Runette Hulsey; and her brother-in-law, Dale Jacobs. She is survived by her sister, Joyce Jacobs; her brothers, Bobby (Pat) and Terry (Joy) Yates; her daughter, Danette Dunn (Darrell); her son, Gerald Taylor (Donna); three grandchildren, Dallas Dunn (Danna), Kristin Dunn (Shaun), Curtis Taylor (Karis); four great-grandchildren, Kameron and Priscilla Kate Dunn and Trey and Liliana Taylor.

Wanda was involved in church work in a number of different churches over the years. She and her husband, Melvin, spent a few years in the country of Albania doing missionary work in church orphanages.

The last 25 years of her life, she served the Lord faithfully at Lighthouse Baptist Church in Ashville, where her son, Gerald, is the pastor. She had a heart for the lost and winning souls. She loved going door-to-door, passing out gospel tracts, and telling people what the Lord had done for her and that Jesus would save them if they put their trust and faith in Him.

She was greatly loved by all who truly knew her, and she will be greatly missed.

The family would like to express gratitude to Jerry and Melissa Tinsley, Amanda, Tonya, Kim, and all other staff at Oak Landing Assisted Living, Attalla, Alabama, and to Riverview Regional Medical Center Emergency Department and fifth floor nursing staff.

Celebration of Life will

be held Saturday, February 8, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. at Collier-Butler Funeral Home, Gadsden, Alabama. Rev. C. Gerald Taylor and Rev. Shaun Dunn will officiate. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service at 10:00 a.m. Burial will follow at William's Southside Cemetery.



Jerry Chandler, Sr.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Jerry Chandler, Sr., of Rainbow City, Alabama. Jerry was born on July 4, 1946. Jerry was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert W. Chandler and Gloria G. Chandler; and his brother, Wayne Chandler.

He married his beloved wife Gloria J. Chandler in 1965 and together they had two children, Kimberly J. Sutton (David Sutton) and Jerry E. Chandler, Jr. (Susan A. Chandler). Jerry is survived by his sister, Linda Kizzire (Wayne Kizzire); his sister-in-law, Glenda Chandler; his five grandchildren, Melanie A. Holmes (Jon M. Holmes), William J. Chandler, Jacob A. Chandler, Chandler S. Lang, and Michaela R. Sutton; and his two great-grandchildren, Greyson C. Castillo and Weston C. Holmes.

Jerry served in the United States Navy as a Senior Chief Petty Officer and retired after 22 years of service. Furthermore, Jerry also served 22 year with the Social Security Administration. In addition to his professional work, Jerry was actively involved in the Gideons International society and he was a member of the Southside Baptist Church. Jerry was also active in the Tennessee Disaster Relief.

Jerry's funeral service will be held Collier-Butler Funeral Home on Monday, February 10, 2025. The family will be receiving visitors from 10:00 am to 11:00 am and the funeral service will be held at 11:00 am. Following the service, Jerry will be laid to rest at the Alabama National Cemetery (Montevallo, AL) at 02:00 pm. The graveside service will be open to friends and family.

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NEWS

Gadsden State celebrates Black History Month

Gadsden State Community College is proud to honor Black History Month with two events.

On February 10 at 1:30 p.m., the East Broad Campus will host a Black History Month Celebration in the Science Building Auditorium. The event will feature Jerome McQueen, PE, as the guest speaker. A distinguished professional engineer, McQueen will share his insights and experiences on leadership and excellence within the engineering field. The event is open

to students, faculty, staff and the community.

The celebration continues February 26 from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. at the Gadsden Job Corps Center Gymnasium on the Valley Street Campus. This marks the third annual Black History Month Program in partnership with the Gadsden Job Corps Center. This year's program will feature Dr. Quentin J. Lee, Superintendent of Talladega City Schools, as the keynote speaker. Dr. Lee will discuss the National HBCU

Week Conference Theme, Raising the Bar: Where Excellence and Opportunity Meet. Attendees will also enjoy a performance by the renowned Gadsden State Show Band.

Both events are free and open to the public. Gadsden State encourages all students, faculty, staff, and community members to participate in these celebrations of history, culture and excellence.

For more information, please visit gadsdenstate.edu.



Submitted photos

On Thursday, Jan. 16, the Coosa Christian gymnasium was named in honor of Otis Toney, who oversaw the construction of the building almost 20 years ago. His name is inscribed on the gym floor. Since the facility opened in 2006, Toney has sponsored several basketball programs, including Upward Sports and Faith First, for boys and girls from kindergarten to sixth grade. In 2018 alone, 167 youths participated in the program. Toney stated that it was a great honor to have the gym named after him since the school's nearby football stadium is named in honor of his lifelong friend, Phillip Ellen.

Methane Tax Rule targeted by Tuberville - From 1A

Methane is the main component of natural gas, and it is also produced when extracting crude oil.

A scientific study released in December of 2022 showed that the oil and natural gas industry releases about three times more methane than EPA estimates show. According to experts, methane leaks happen across the production system, during drilling and transporting the fossil fuels.

The Methane Emissions Reduction Program's fees apply to those production facilities that exceed 25,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent emissions (CO₂e). According to scientific studies on the impacts of greenhouse gases, carbon dioxide and CO₂e supercharges "the natural greenhouse effect, causing global temperatures to rise."

In 2024, when the amendment was passed, the waste emissions charge was \$900 per metric ton of CO₂e emitted and scheduled to increase to \$1,200 in 2025 and \$1,500 in 2026.

In an emailed press release on the introduction of the CRA resolution, Tuberville states that the emissions charge would "increase [U.S.] dependence on foreign nations for energy and cause higher energy costs for consumers."

Emissions reports from 2022 show energy production in Alabama was responsible for 109.3 million metric tons of carbon dioxide emissions.

Alabama Power's James H. Miller Jr. Electric Generating Plant — also called Plant Miller — was the country's largest single producer of greenhouse gas pollution in 2023, according to the EPA's annual Greenhouse Gas Reporting program.

Plant Miller released almost 16.6 million tons of greenhouse gas in 2023, the most of any single power plant, factory, refinery or other industrial facility in the country.

That amount is about 1.2 million tons more than the second-place emitter, Missouri's Labadie Power Plant outside St. Louis, which emitted about 15.4 million tons.

The 2023 report marked the ninth consecutive year that Plant Miller was the number one single producer

of greenhouse gas in the United States.

According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, about three-fifths of Alabama's natural gas production comes from onshore wells, and most of that onshore production is in the form of coalbed methane — a natural gas produced from coal seams. The state's coalbed methane wells are located primarily in the Black Warrior Basin in northwestern Alabama. The state also has offshore production in Alabama waters in the Gulf of Mexico.

The majority of natural gas consumed in Alabama goes to power plants as fuel for electricity generation. Since 2007, the electric power sector has been the largest natural gas-consuming sector in the state. It received 62 percent of total natural gas deliveries in 2023. Individual consumption only makes up about four percent of the state's natural gas usage.

Alabama is among the top 17 producers of oil and among the top 16 producers of natural gas in the United States.

Alabama's natural gas production has steadily declined since 2005. The oil and gas industry contributed \$1.71 billion to Alabama's gross domestic product (GDP) in 2023. Also in 2023, Alabama produced 3.6 million barrels of crude oil and imported \$3.04 billion in crude petroleum oils.

In 2022, Alabama had some of the cheapest gas prices at the pump, but also ranked highest in how much money spent on gasoline per capita. Alabamians spent just over \$11 million on gasoline in 2022. That means Alabama's population of five million people spent an average of \$2,200 per person that year.

"The last thing hardworking Americans need right now are more taxes and higher prices," Tuberville said. "I look forward to seeing this disastrous methane tax overturned and working with President Trump to make America energy independent once again."

The CRA joint resolution of disapproval that Tuberville and Hoeven introduced is backed by Alabama's other U.S. Senator, Katie Britt, and Republican Senators Roger Marshall, Kansas; Mike Lee, Utah; James

Lankford, Oklahoma; Steve Daines, Montana; Kevin Cramer, North Dakota; Shelley Moore Capito, West Virginia; Cynthia Lummis, Wyoming; James Risch, Idaho; Rick Scott, Florida; Ted Cruz, Texas; Rand Paul, Kentucky; Mike Crapo, Idaho; Jim Justice, West Virginia; John Kennedy, Louisiana; Cindy Hyde-Smith, Mississippi; Mike Rounds, South Dakota; Tim Sheehy, Montana; Thom Tillis, North Carolina; Markwayne Mullin, Oklahoma; Roger Wicker, Mississippi; Pete Ricketts, Nevada; and John Barrasso, Wyoming.

The energy and natural resource sector has made sizeable campaign donations to all of the senators who signed the joint CRA resolution — donations to the tune of a combined nearly \$16.5 million. Tuberville and Britt have received large campaign contributions from the energy and natural resource sector in the form of donations from political action committees (PACs) and individuals. Since 2019, Tuberville's campaign has received \$345,199 and Britt has received \$582,273. The contribution amounts vary from senator to senator. The recipients with the largest contributions from the energy and natural resource sector are Montana Senator Steve Daines with \$1,102,747, Wyoming Senator John Barrasso with \$1,454,098 and Texas Senator Ted Cruz with \$1,877,518.

According to the Congressional Review Act, once a joint resolution disapproving an agency's final rule is submitted, a simple majority in both the House of Representatives and the Senate is needed for the measure to head to the president's desk. If a president vetoes a resolution, a two-thirds majority vote in both chambers would be necessary to override.

If the resolution passes both the House and the Senate, President Donald Trump is likely to sign it. If so, the resolution of disapproval prohibits the original rule — in this case, the Methane Tax Rule — from either going into effect, or continuing in effect immediately and "shall be treated as though the rule had never taken effect."

"EPA has been engaging with industry, states and

communities to reduce methane emissions so that natural gas ultimately makes it to consumers as usable fuel — instead of as a harmful greenhouse gas," said Michael Regan, then EPA administrator said in a statement in November of 2024.

Trump's appointed and confirmed leader of the EPA Lee Zeldin, was sworn in on January 29, 2025. In his guide to the future of America's environmental agency outlined on the EPA website, Zeldin outlined a five-pillar approach, in the second pillar, titled "Restore American Energy Dominance", Zeldin echoed Tuberville's concern for foreign energy dependence.

"Pursuing energy independence and energy dominance will cut energy costs for everyday Americans who are simply trying to heat their homes and put gas in their cars," Zeldin said. "This will also allow our nation to stop relying on energy sources from adversaries, while lowering costs for hardworking middle-income families, farmers, and small business owners. I look forward to working with the greatest minds driving American innovation, to ensure we are producing and developing the cleanest energy on the planet."

In Loving Memory

Kathy Lynn Wright Brown

A life so beautifully lived deserves to be beautifully remembered.

Mrs. Kathy Lynn Wright Brown, of Gadsden, traded time for eternity on Monday, February 3, 2025 at the age of 65.

Kathy was born in Gadsden on August 4, 1959 to parents Lee Edward Wright and Dorothy Lou Lipscomb Wright.

Kathy graduated from Gadsden High School in 1977 and completed her Bachelor's in Psychology at Jacksonville State University in 1980. She was a proud member of THE Kappa Beta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Kathy loved the Lord with her whole heart. She was always singing merry melodies, laughing and playing games with her family.

Kathy united in holy matrimony to Walter Brown on August 6, 1986. Kathy enjoyed serving alongside her husband. They were youth ministers for more than 30 years at Union Baptist and United Christian Church in Gadsden and Cherokee Christian Church in Centre, AL.

Kathy worked at Gadsden State Community College in the Public Relations department and retired with 25 years of service in August 2024.

Kathy traded mortal for immortality on Monday, February 3, 2025 surrounded by family. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lee Edward and Dorothy Lou Wright; her older brothers, Michael, Maurice and Alan Wright.

Those left to cherish her legacy including her devoted husband, Walter Brown; sons, Jared and Detrick Brown; daughter, Unjole Brown; grandchildren, Trey Brown, Dazha Jelks and JaKobe Brown; and several beloved great-grandsons; her brothers, Gerald, Kenneth and Dyran (Cynthia) Wright; and a host of cherished nephews, nieces, great-nephews and great nieces.

A public visitation was held Wednesday, February 5 at Adams-Buggs Funeral Service - Etowah Chapel. A graveside burial service was held Thursday, February 6 at Rainbow Memorial Gardens.

Kathy Brown was a friend of this publication. When we were blessed to be able to speak with her it lightened our whole day. It was impossible to finish a conversation with Kathy and not have a smile on your face. Her laughter was contagious and the music she held in her heart was beautiful. She spread joy and love everywhere she went. We will miss her and the joy she shared with us throughout the years.

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Gadsden State to host homecoming

Gadsden State Community College is gearing up for its Homecoming celebration on Feb. 13 with a variety of events for students, alumni and the community. The highlight will be a doubleheader basketball game against Calhoun Community College with the women's game tipping off at 5:30 p.m. and the men's game to follow in Beck Gymnasium. The theme for the 2025 Homecoming is Let's Glow Cardinals!

"Homecoming this year promises plenty of fun, flair and school spirit," said Student Activities Lynn Patterson Director. "We're excited to see everyone's Cardinal spirit as we 'glow' into Homecoming."

Each day during Homecoming Week, there will be themed Dress-up Days for employees and students: Feb. 10 is Beach Day, Feb. 11 is Western Day, Feb. 12 is Decade Day and Feb. 13 is Spirit Day.

Costume parades will be held at noon each day in the Cardinal Café

on the Wallace Drive Campus.

"This gives students and employees the chance to show off their creative side," Patterson said. "We always have a lot of fun during Dress-up Days."

A tailgate party with food and games will be open to the public from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Beck Conference Center. There is no charge to attend, and everyone is invited for the pre-game celebration. At 5:30 p.m., the Gadsden State Alumni Association is hosting an alumni reception in the Beck Conference Center.

"This is a special gathering for alumni to take a few minutes to connect before the basketball games," said Hillary Folsom, director of Advancement and Alumni Relations.

In addition to the tailgate party and alumni reception, the Gadsden State Show Band will perform from 4:45 p.m. until tip-off in the Beck Gymnasium. Homecoming royalty will be crowned during halftime of

the women's basketball games. Students will vote for Homecoming King and Queen beginning Feb. 3 via their student accounts.

At the conclusion of the women's game, three awards will be presented by the Gadsden State Alumni Association: Distinguished Alumni of the Year, Emerging Alumni of the Year and Outstanding Faculty/Staff Alumni of the Year.

"We are so excited to welcome back alumni for an evening of networking and reminiscing while honoring the outstanding contributions of our alumni," Folsom said. "Homecoming is a perfect way to bring the Gadsden State family together."

During halftime of the men's game, Student Activities will host a Glow Party and Dance. It is open to everyone and will take place on the floor of the gymnasium. Glow-in-the-dark items will be distributed to participants.



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Sales tax holiday coming Feb. 21-23

Alabama will observe its 14th annual Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday from Friday, February 21, to Sunday, February 23.

Alabamians are encouraged to restock emergency supplies in homes, workplaces and vehicles during this three-day tax holiday.

Certain emergency preparedness items will be exempt from the state's four-percent state sales tax, and in some cities and counties, local taxes are waived on those items as well. The tax holiday means shoppers can save as much as 10 percent on these items in some areas of the state.

Etowah County has waived its taxes for the holiday, as has major cities within Etowah County.

From 12:01 a.m. February 21 to midnight February 23, shoppers will save on tax-exempt items including the following items priced at \$60 or less:

- Flashlights, lanterns
- Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
- Batteries
- First-aid kits
- Cell phone charger
- Two-way radios

- Manual can openers
- Tarps and plastic sheeting
- Duct tape
- Fire extinguishers
- Tie-down kits, bungee cords or rope

Other tax-free items include coolers, ice packs, plywood, window film and smoke/fire/carbon monoxide detectors. Portable generators and power cords costing \$1,000 or less are also tax free.



February 9 | 2:30 p.m.

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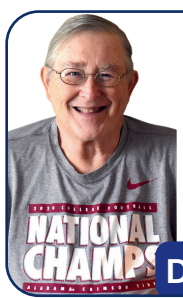
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LIFESTYLE

Early local historian Charles L. Stewart



Looking at the History

Danny Crowover

Charles L. Stewart of Alabama City would have the late historian Will I. Martin gallivanting over Alabama to write about some of the little-known historical places of the state, especially in this area.

Stewart, himself a disciple of the late historian Ed D. Hamner of Attalla, never tired of reading his historical sketches es-

pecially about the Native Americans. Stewart recalled visiting in 1935 the site of a tornado that cut a big scar on the north end of Mount Chimney in Calhoun County. Large trees and great stones were washed down into the valley, creating a dam across part of it.

In 1925, Stewart spent the night with a farm family by the name of Money in Cherokee County. During his stay, Stewart was shown a cannon ball that Mr. Money had plowed up in his field.

Since the field was part of a Civil War a battleground, Stewart was almost certain that the cannon ball came from the artillery of Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest, since he carried artillery along with his cavalry command. Stewart also picked up several bullets on that battlefield.

Stewart also visited the grave of a promi-

nent pioneer woman in Calhoun County, about three miles out from Jacksonville just off the Weaver Station Road. The woman's name was Mrs. Mary Polly Fite, who was born on Sept. 27, 1799, and died on Jan. 17, 1904. The headstone is a simple marble shaft bearing the insignia of the Daughters of the American Revolution. According to the inscription, Mrs. Fite was the daughter of Colonel John Armstrong, who fought in the American Revolution.

The Fite and Armstrong families were long prominent in Calhoun County. The D.A.R. marked the battlefields around Alexandria and Jacksonville. The town of Alexandria was first named Coffeyville in honor of one of Andrew Jackson's generals, but later was changed because of General Coffey's alleged cruelty to the Native

Americans.

Stewart also paid a visit to the battlefield of Horseshoe Bend in Tallapoosa County. He walked through the scene of battles, especially the famous Montgomery Tree. It was said that General Montgomery gave a pep talk to his troops under the branches of this giant tree just before sending them into battle. The City of Montgomery was named in his honor.

The Creeks were the tribe Jackson defeated. It is said that the first white man who arrived in Alabama found a tribe of Indians at the foot of Cheaha Mountain that had learned the art of making iron tips for their arrows. No other tribe in North America had mastered that art.

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Appreciating God's gift of peace of mind



Memoir Musings

Sandra Bost

After an eight-year hiatus, the circus came to Birmingham last weekend. The last time we saw it was in 2016 with our kids. We drove to Atlanta to say farewell to the elephants, which was our daughter's favorite. It was a memorable time. We couldn't make our schedules work to catch the re-invented show this year, but I am glad it is back in the area.

Growing up in Northwest Georgia, the coming of the circus marked our annual trek to the Omni Arena in Atlanta. It was an event we looked forward to every year. If I close my eyes, I can still hear the ring master's announcement of "Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls" to direct our attention to the center ring for my favorite act, Gunther and his tigers. I can smell the livestock as the animals entered the stage floor in the opening parade carrying the most beautiful performers wearing the most extravagant costumes. I can taste the cotton candy and feel my frozen hand from holding the rain-

bow snow cone. And I can't forget the fiber optic flashlight that my sister and I waved wildly with growing fervor after each act.

It truly was the Greatest Show on Earth, at least until 1982, when a beautiful aerialist, juggling batons while swinging from her hair, fell to the ground. My family and I watched in horror as her hair slipped from the clasp that was keeping her suspended over the bare floor. It was the only time I remember there being complete silence in the arena. Thank goodness that the clowns and the elephants were brought out immediately. The elephants encircled the center ring, forming a pachyderm wall while the medics loaded her limp body into the ambulance and took her to the hospital. She survived the terrifying accident, and, according to archives, rejoined the act in 1988.

Memories! It's strange how you can go years without thinking about something when suddenly you hear, see or smell a particular thing that sparks a memory, and they all come flooding back in technicolor and surround sound. It's an amazing thing. It's good to remember. It's good to sit with your thoughts in the quiet and let your mind settle. To sit, as Wordsworth would applaud, in "pensive mood."

Lately, my mind has been less than pensive and more reminiscent of a circus. All three rings are action-packed. The trapeze artists are swinging, the clowns are being

catapulted from canons, the globe is filled with zooming motorcyclists and the ring master is singing songs that he is making up from the words people are saying to me (okay, maybe that's just myself).

Finding the self-discipline to focus has been difficult. I have sat in front of blank pages on my computer for hours, hoping reports for work would fill themselves out. I have racked my brain, tried Google searches and looked at pictures for inspiration so that I could write for you. I have taken walks, drunk water, tried to limit sugar and even done several chores in thinking that completing tasks would clear my anxious mind.

Nothing worked until I turned the radio on one morning. I typically have some type of talk radio or podcast streaming, but this time the dial was set on a Contemporary Christian channel. As I listened to the words of the songs, my mind began to clear. That's when I remembered that familiar phrase from Isaiah 46:10 - "Be still and know that I am God." I wanted to argue that I *had* "been still," but the peace of mind was so nice that I just let it be. It was a sweet reminder that sometimes in the striving of daily life (the chores, the inundation of information, the pressures to please and perform, etc.) we forget to be still. We forget that God is "before all things and in Him all things hold together" (Philippians 1:17). It's the "before all things" that gets me.

Often there's so much to do that I wake up running before I take time to be still and remember that God is before this day. He already knows the end from the beginning. He knows all of the plans I have for the day, but He also knows what needs to be accomplished.

Maybe you are in a circus season, in the way that your mind is struggling to find peace. Try turning on the radio or singing a hymn from your memories. Let the Peace of God fill you as you still yourself and remember. He is able to hold you together!

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Finding ways to enjoy relaxing

Each spring, I take my creative writing class on a field trip to Birmingham. We go to Reed Books and the Museum of Fond Memories, owned by Jim and Liz Reed, who also edit and produce the *Birmingham Arts Journal*.

Reed Books is one of my absolute favorite places to visit. If you've never been there, you need to go. It is part used and antique bookstore, part museum of ephemera. There are posters, postcards, political pins, plastic wall hangings, dolls, paper dolls, folios, vintage comics, paper airplanes, mobiles and so much more. The bookstore is a little nook in downtown Birmingham that holds space for yesteryear and allows patrons to browse for new-ish books alongside antiques. I always look for the miniature books at Reed and have found several that are smaller than an index card.

My students really enjoy these trips, and many of them have never been to a bookstore of this kind. Seeing much-loved books and items that tell stories by their inscriptions and scrap paper bookmarks is often a new experience. Sitting in the floor

while flipping through an old comic, chatting with the owner about publishing poetry or photography and what books to read, sorting through old posters and laughing at The Leg Lamp from *A Christmas Story* is a marvelous way to spend a morning. I hope we get to make the trip many more times.

It is almost that time of year. The pollen will soon start to cause headaches and sinus issues. Spring break is in the near future and midterms are nearly here.

We are all ready for a break, for a change and for a rest. It's as if all the anxiety and stress from the end of last year has finally caught up with us. Finding ways to de-stress can be challenging when the weather is as crazy as it is in Alabama this time of year, especially if you really just want to relax.

My go-to is usually reading a new collection of stories or re-reading a favorite book or even writing some stories of my own. Research shows that just six minutes of reading can lower stress by up to 60 percent.

Reading a good story, being swept away by the characters and plot, learning about

something new, and exploring the life of an historical figure can lower your stress and anxiety 68 percent more than listening to music, up to 300 times more than just taking a walk, and 600 times more than gaming.

Lately I've been on the lookout for other de-stressors and feeling a little stir-crazy, so making art, going for a walk and taking a drive to Birmingham has been relaxing.

Last year, I had the opportunity to combine crafting and nature at a workshop for the *Cardinal Arts Journal* hosted by the Windy Van Hooten Teaching Garden in Whorton Bend. I had not been there before, and it is an incredible space. About a dozen of us enjoyed the rainy fresh air under the outdoor pavilion, complete with a fire in the giant fireplace. We gathered sticks and leaves and painted and taped and crafted together. It was one of the best days I've had recently, and I left feeling refreshed and relaxed.

That week, I also I another refreshing day when I took students back to the bookstore in Birmingham. We walked downtown, admired the jasmine and redbuds



blooming everywhere, found some books, ate delicious food together and listened to music. It was a lovely day and did a lot to decrease my cabin fever.

Tonight I think I'll curl up and read a few of the Doris Lessing short stories Mr. Reed sold me from his Museum of Fond Memories.

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THE MESSENGER'S PICK FOR EVENT OF THE WEEK

Adopt Your Valentine Event

Feb. 7-15: The Gadsden Humane Society and Pet Rescue Center is hosting a Valentine's Day adoption drive between February 1 – 15. Adoption fees are \$50, which includes spay/neuter, vaccines and microchips. To see available animals, visit hsprac.com.



A sweet and spicy Queso Fundido

Aji Amarillo, which translates to "yellow chile pepper," is grown in Peru and is native to South America. Long considered a staple ingredient in Peruvian cuisine, this moderate-heat pepper with fruity notes reminiscent of passionfruit and mango is going to spice things up in kitchens worldwide in the year ahead.

That's according to the McCormick Flavor Forecast 25th edition, a well-researched annual report exploring the culinary trends shaping the future of flavor in homes, restaurants and grocery stores.

To bring this delicious complexity into your own kitchen, try the recipe below for Queso Fundido from McCormick.

Ingredients:

- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 medium onion, finely diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 teaspoons Aji Amarillo Seasoning
- 1/2 cup cooked, crumbled Mexican chorizo

- 2 cups shredded Oaxaca cheese, divided
- 1 cup crumbled Cotija cheese, divided
- 1 1/2 tablespoons chopped cilantro
- 1 1/2 tablespoons sliced green onions

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Heat oil in medium cast-iron skillet on medium high heat. Add onion and garlic, cook and stir until deep golden brown and slightly charred. Remove from skillet; mix with 3 teaspoons of the Aji Amarillo Seasoning.

Place 1 1/2 cups Oaxaca cheese and 1/2 cup Cotija cheese in skillet. Layer with the onion mixture and cooked chorizo, top with remaining cheese.

Bake until the cheese is bubbling, about 5 to 7 minutes.

Remove from oven and garnish with cilantro, sliced green onions and 1 teaspoon Aji Amarillo seasoning. Serve hot with tortilla chips.

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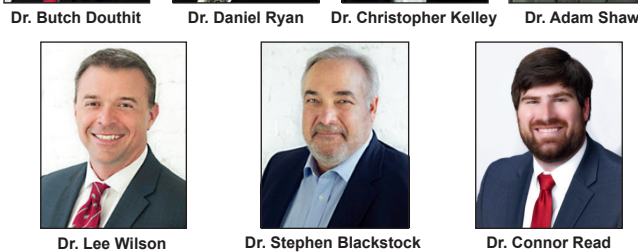
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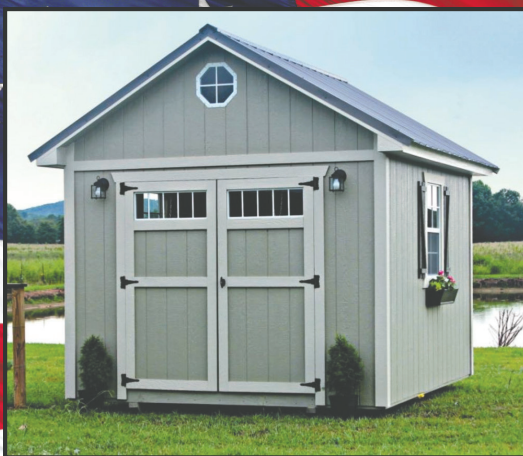
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Disappointments do not define us - they refine us



In 1920, a spirited young man named Oswald Smith stood resolutely before the scrutinizing eyes of an examining board, the gatekeepers of missionary selection. For as long as he could remember, a flicker of destiny had ignited Oswald's heart - a fervent yearning to spread the Gospel and serve in distant lands. With every moment leading to this pivotal day, he fervently cried out to God, imploring Him to open the doors to a life of purpose. He now stood on the precipice of his dream, his heart racing with anticipation. But then came the crushing blow: the board denied his request.

The examining board had deemed Oswald unfit, and in that instant, the world he envisioned shattered around him. The weight of disappointment settled heavily on his shoulders, but Oswald refused to be defined by rejection. With a heart resolute in faith and conviction, he resolved that if the path to becoming a missionary was barred, he would forge a new route - one that would empower others to answer the call.

In a remarkable turn of purpose, Oswald dedicated himself to founding a church, a vibrant community pulsating with the spirit of evangelism. Under his guidance, this church blossomed, nurturing and sending

forth more missionaries than any other church of its era, each one a torchbearer of hope and light. Oswald Smith became a beacon in the Kingdom of God, his legacy shaping lives and spreading the Gospel far and wide.

Such is the profound strength of unwavering resolve. When we refuse to be bound by the weight of our circumstances, we carve out a path to triumph, illuminating the way for ourselves and those who may follow in our footsteps.

Have you encountered disappointment recently? Life has a way of taking unexpected turns, often leading us down roads we never anticipated, and those moments can feel overwhelming. Yet, do not let that darkness consume you - there is a greater purpose unfolding! Persist in your journey. Seek Him relentlessly. Knock on heaven's door with fervent prayers and be persistent in asking for His infinite wisdom and guidance.

Disappointments do not dictate who we are; rather, they sculpt and refine us into a stronger version of ourselves. Let's rise from the ashes of setback and embrace the victory that God has already laid before us! Remember, your moment of breakthrough could be just beyond the horizon. Stay uplifted and continue to forge ahead in faith! Be encouraged knowing that He always has a better plan, so if one door shuts, He is ready to open another door on your behalf, and His ways are always better than our ways!

Isaiah 55:9: "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts."

Jeremiah 29:11: "For I know the plans I

have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future".

Psalm 34:18: "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Romans 8:28: "And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose."

Psalm 25:4: "Show me the path where I should go, O Lord; point out the right road for me to walk."

Isaiah 45:2-3: "I will go before you and will level the mountains; I will break down gates of bronze and cut through bars of iron. I will give you hidden treasures, riches stored in secret places, so that you may know that I am the Lord, the God of Israel, who summons you by name."

Romans 16: 25-27: " Now to Him who is able to establish you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery which has been kept secret for long ages past, but now has been disclosed, and through the Scriptures of the prophets, in accordance with the commandment of the eternal God, has been made known to all the nations, leading to obedience of faith; to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be the glory forever."

Lord, please give us eyes to see that just because we have a dream or desire that does not get filled the way we think it should be filled, You always have a better way and a better plan for our lives. Your ways are far greater than our ways!

If you would like continued prayer, feel free to email me at tonif77@gmail.com. I would love to pray for you!

Bible Verse of the Week



“
Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us. Hereby know we that we dwell in Him, and He in us, because He hath given us of His Spirit.”

- 1 John 4:11-13
 King James Version

Grace upon grace

I used to live next door to a pastor, and he and his family were a great testimony to Christ. They helped my family in a real time of need, bringing much needed joy in the midst of sorrow. They did simple but meaningful things, like building us a tire swing while we were out of town and helping plan a paintball party for my son. We had no paintball equipment whatsoever, and our neighbor was able to borrow enough supplies for 10 participants and even secured a free place to play.

I was overwhelmed. It was more than I expected and more than I imagined. More than a gift, it was grace.

My neighbor's wife was a Hospice nurse. Unlike most of us, she was capable of walking into a room filled with impending death and bring light and life. She not only monitored vital signs, administered medication and managed pain but also hold the hand of the dying and pray people towards heaven in the exact moment of their final breath. More than a gift, it was grace.

My neighbor friend eventually separated from his church position and took a job within the same Hospice care as his wife, becoming the company's chaplain. Being true to who he was, he sought meaningful ways to fill a patient's final days with bright spots. Being a minister, he spent time with dying patients as a friend and counselor. He learned the patient's favorite things - the little things, the big things and the only important things left when looking into the inevitable. He sought to bring one last bright moment before the dark.

My neighbor came to me beaming one afternoon eager to tell me a story. A young patient in his spiritual care had just received an amazing gift. My friend had learned that the young man was a huge NASCAR fan, so he emailed his favorite driver's racing team in letting them know the severity of young man's plight. He requested a hat, a tee shirt or any small gift or swag, letting the team know it would be a cherished gift that would literally be taken to the grave, and soon.

Envisioning a NASCAR funeral with his young friend buried in his favorite gear, something much more marvelous happened. A return email requested a meeting with the patient at the Talladega Municipal Airport right beside the Talladega Super Speedway. The team wanted to meet and greet this precious patient and give him the gift of a lifetime, and that is exactly what happened.

A major effort had to be expended to safely move the patient, including tons of paperwork, liability waivers, medical transport, etc. It was clearly known that the patient could very well not survive this wonderful opportunity. You're not supposed to live this well just before you die, right? But it happened! The patient got to spend an entire hour with not only his favorite driver but with the father of this driver, who was a NASCAR legend as well. Showered with gifts and personal attention, this was so much more than the patient ever imagined. It was gift upon gift, it was grace upon grace.

What is grace? Grace is getting what we do not deserve and could not earn. It is our most needed gift. "For by grace you have



been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God." (Ephesians 2:8).

In God's economy, He has chosen to gift us with everything we need for our salvation, sanctification and even glorification. And we see correlations in Scripture. Look at the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is titled "full of grace" (Luke 1:28). This unique gift of the Father, to Mary alone, allowed her to bring forth His Son Jesus, "full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). And look at St. Stephen, the Church's first martyr. Scripture says he was "full of grace and power" (Acts 6:8). This gift, available to us all through Christ alone, allowed Stephen to proclaim the truth with great courage and persevere even unto death, attaining the crown of righteousness (2 Timothy 4:6-8).

But all glory be to Jesus Christ, that by the Sacrament of Himself through His Church, "from His fullness we have all received, grace upon grace" (John 1:16).

Brian Cook's book "The Devotion to Christ" can be found on Amazon. He is available for speaking and teaching engagements and may be contacted at thedtc@protonmail.com or thedevotiontochrist@gmail.com.



Verse for Kids

“
And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.”

- Genesis 2:7
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SPORTS

Blue Devils deliver the goods at state tournament



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The Etowah High boys bowling team gathers for a photo after winning the Class 1A-5A state championship on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the Bowlero Bowling Center in Mobile. Pictured, kneeling, from left: Chris Beitel, McKaden Jones, Grayson Hunt. Standing, from left: coach Johnathan "Bink" Wise, Ben Beitel, E.J. Teal, Jaxson Bush, Damon "Dae Dae" Devine, coach Shawanna Roper. (Not pictured: coaches See page 2B for article.

SHS boys place 3rd, girls 5th at state bowling tournament

By Chris McCarthy
Publisher

The Southside High bowling teams acquitted themselves well earlier this week in Mobile.

The Panthers boys placed third overall and the girls finished fifth at the AH-SAA Class 6A/7A state tournament at the Bowlero Bowling Center.

"Our kids were obviously disappointed that they didn't achieve their goals, but they had a lot of fight against some pretty stiff competition," said Southside head coach Jason Bozeman. "It's a big step up from 1A-5A to 6A/7A, and our kids showed that they belonged. They didn't go out easy, that's for sure."

In the tournament's opening round on Monday, Feb. 3, the Panthers (27-3) dropped to the consolation bracket after losing by one pin, 1,406 to 1,405, against Dothan. However, Southside proceeded to beat James Clemens, 1,514 to 1,254 and Stanhope-Elmore, 1,487 to 1,438 to advance to the consolation third round against Dothan on Feb. 4, in which Southside exacted a measure of revenge with a 1,525

to 1,379 victory. The Panthers then fell to Thompson, 1,661 to 1,550, in the consolation finals.

Brady Ellis and Dalton Suther paced Southside in traditional round single game scoring on Monday at 210, followed by Trey Morgan at 203.

Morgan bowled a 269 traditional round on Tuesday, while Ellis (211) and Suther (210) also topped 200 in the traditional round.

The Lady Panthers (22-3) opened the tournament on Feb. 3 with a 1,264 to 999 win over Foley before falling to Hoover, 1,323 to 1,259 in the winner's bracket semifinals. Southside rebounded with a 1,338 to 914 over Stanhope-Elmore in the consolation second round, setting up a third round consolation match against James Clemens, which defeated Southside by a score of 1,337 to 1,168.

Southside's Bella Perkins posted the top traditional round in Monday's action, rolling a 225. She was followed by Cora Clontz at 204, Keira Phillips at 180, Brayleigh Peppers at 179 and Katelyn Phillips at 176.

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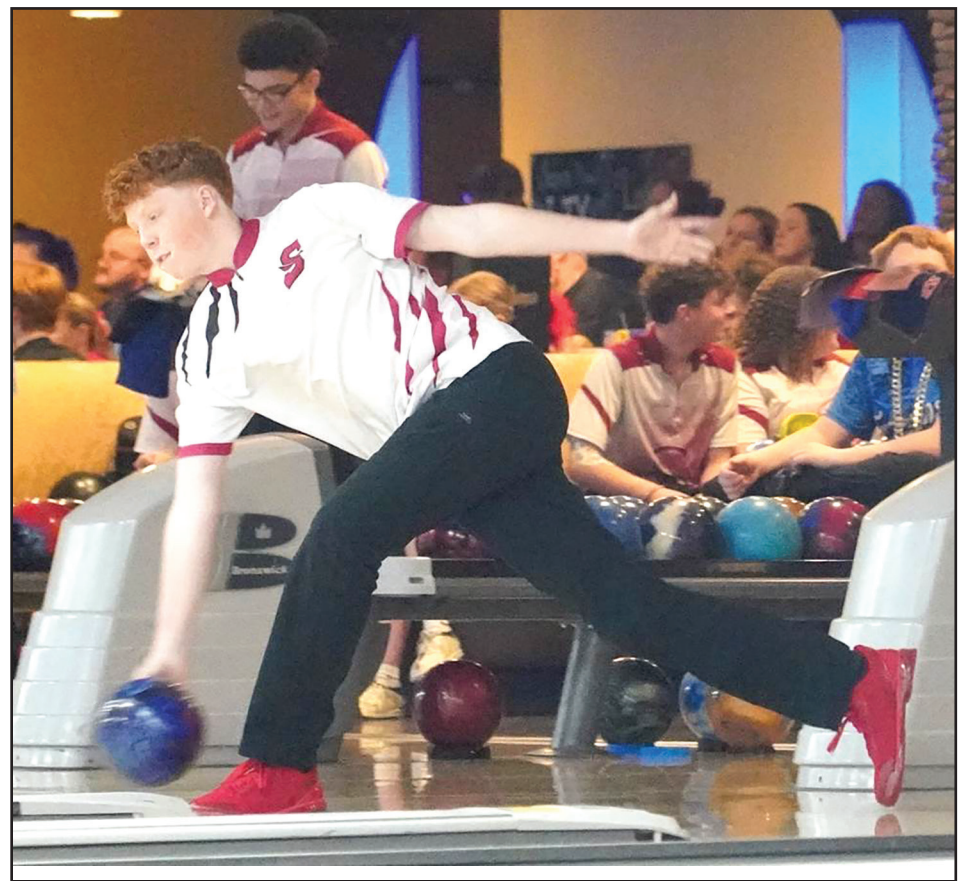


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Southside's Evan Clay competes during the Class 6A/7A state bowling tournament on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the Bowlero Bowling Center in Mobile.



Chris McCarthy/Messenger

Longtime Etowah High boys basketball coach James Graves was recognized as the winningest coach in program history prior to the Blue Devils game against Oneonta in the Class 4A Area 11 Tournament semifinals on Monday, Feb. 3 in Attalla. Graves guided his Blue Devils teams to 368 wins, three Elite Eight appearances, six Sweet 16 berths and six area championships. Pictured, from left: Tyson Davis, EHS assistant boys basketball coach Tommy Davis, EHS Principal Ryan McClendon, Graves, Attalla City Schools Superintendent Jeff Colegrove.

Etowah rallies past Corner in 1A-5A state bowling finals

For the second time in the past three years, the Etowah High boys bowling team displayed their true blue colors in the post-season.

A week after sweeping the competition at the North Regionals, the Blue Devils (19-1) went 4-1 at the AHSAA state tournament to win the Class 1A-5A first place blue plaque on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the Bowlero Bowling Center in Mobile.

Etowah won its first three matches at state before falling to Corner, which handed the Blue Devils the first loss of the season at 1,467, to 1,411 in the first championship match despite a 268 game from Jaxon Bush.

"Our kids are humble but very competitive, so they had a good mindset going into the finals," said coach Shawanna Roper. "We knew that Corner is a great team and that we had to be at our best. The great thing about this team is that they all love each other and support one another. Everyone has the other one's back, and it showed [in the tournament]."

The Blue Devils (18-0) swept their way through the traditional round format on Feb. 3, beating Mobile Christian, 1,409 to 1,194; Beauregard, 1,333 to 1,323; and Corner, 1,412 to 1,294. Etowah then beat Corner 1,404 to 1,341 in the winners' bracket final.

Corner came out of the championship traditional round with a 911-874 lead, and the Yellow Jackets won the first Baker game 194-170 to hold a 61-pin lead with two Baker games remaining. Corner proceeded to push Etowah to the brink in taking a 38-pin lead in the final Baker game of

the second finals match.

But the Blue Devils won game 2 with a 193-170 edge, and the Etowah lineup of Ben Beitel, Jaxon Bush, E.J. Teal, Grayson Hunt and Damon Devine won the final Baker game, 187-148, to pull out a 1,424 - 1,423 victory to clinch the state title by one pin.

That pin came courtesy of Bush, who needed seven pins to secure the win. The senior sent down exactly seven pins to clinch the championship.

"Jaxon came up to me earlier in the match and asked if I was nervous," said Roper. I said of course I was, and he looked at me and said we got this thing. That's the moment that I knew we'd win. I could tell that the rest of the kids felt the same way, and they went out and got the job done."

Roper appreciated the support from assistant coaches Blink Wise and Darione Adkison.

"As far as I'm concerned, there is no head coach," she said. "We all contribute in some way or another, and I'm fortunate and blessed to have these two guys to be a part of this program. We definitely would not have gotten as far as we did without them."

The Blue Devils won the AHSAA North Regional Tournament on Thursday, Jan. 30 at Spare Times Bowling Center in Trussville.

Etowah edged John Carroll Catholic, 1,509 to 1,497, in winners bracket finals Hunt rolled a 222 in the traditional round of the finals, followed by Bush at 214 and E.J. Teal at 189.

In the combined scoring, Teal placed first at 453. He was runner-up in single game scoring at 259, while Hunt rolled a 222



Photo courtesy of David Holtsford/AHSAA

Etowah's Jaxon Bush gets set to roll during the Class 1A-5A state bowling tournament on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at the Bowlero Bowling Center in Mobile.

score. Etowah bested Clements, 1,507 to 1,379 in the opening round, then beat Scottsboro, 1,403 to 1,314, in the semifinals. Teal had a 453 two-game series with a 259 high game,

the second-best score of the day. Ben Beitel rolled a 202 game for Etowah, while Jaxon Bush finished at 214.

Etowah falls in area in Graves' final game

By Chris McCarthy
Publisher

James Graves' last game as Etowah High boys basketball coach came a bit earlier than he and his team would have liked.

Facing Oneonta in the Class 4A Area 11 Tournament semifinals on Monday, Feb. 3 in Attalla, the Blue Devils came up short in overtime, 54-52, to end their season and leave Graves with a career win total of 368 games.

It looked as if Etowah would advance to the tournament title game after building a 16-point lead midway through the third quarter, but the Redskins finished out the period with an 18-2 run that tied the game at 35-35. The Blue Devils did not help their cause when four turnovers led to eight points for Oneonta during that stretch.

A three-point basket from Bennett Reeves at the 4:05 mark of the fourth quarter provided Etowah with a seven-point lead, but the Blue Devils were hampered by missed shots and turnovers during the next few minutes. The Redskins took advantage, knocking down three 3-point baskets over the final 90 seconds of regulation to force a 47-47 tie.

The four-minute extra session proved no better for Etowah. Jacob Turner's basket at 1:27 tied the game at 52-52, but a missed shot and a turnover led to Oneonta having possession with 11 seconds left. The Redskins worked the ball to Britten Zeh, who drove the lane and converted a lay-up with two seconds remaining. The Blue Devils' last-second shot attempt fell short of the basket, sending the Redskins to the tournament championship game against Hokes Bluff on Wednesday, Feb. 5.

"This [loss] was nobody's fault but our own," said Graves. "We got up by 18 points and then started to throw



Chris McCarthy/Messenger

Etowah's Jacob Turner (left) drives the lane as Oneonta's Maddox Imperato defends during the Blue Devils' 54-52 loss in the Class 4A Area 11 Tournament basketball semifinals on Monday, Feb. 3 in Attalla.

the ball away and do dumb things. Give [Oneonta] credit. They made some big 3's and got back into the game. We missed too many free throws and we didn't make enough baskets to give ourselves a chance to win."

Eleven points from Jacob Turner helped Etowah take a 17-12 lead entering the second quarter. The Blue Devils limited Oneonta to four points during the period, and Peyton Morrison's three-point basket at the buzzer sent

Etowah into halftime ahead 26-17.

A 7-0 run to start the second half pushed the Blue Devils' advantage to 33-17, but that double-digit cushion was not quite enough to hold off the Redskins down the stretch. Reeves and Turner both finished with 13 points, followed by Christian Morrison with 10 and Jameson Scissum with nine. Zeh led Oneonta with 16 points.

GSCC cager recognized

Gadsden State's Keshawn Watkins has been named the Alabama Community College Conference Division I Player of the Week for the week of January 27. The honor comes after the freshman guard/forward's outstanding performance in the Cardinals' 86-82 victory over Shelton State, during which he posted a double-double with 26 points and 12 rebounds. Watkins currently averages 15 points and nine rebounds per game, solidifying his status as one of the top contributors for the Cardinals. Watkins is the second Gadsden State player to earn Player of the Week honors this season, following in the footsteps of teammate Giovanni Nannucci, who received the same recognition in November.

"Keshawn's all-around dominance on both ends of the floor played a key role in the team's success," said GSCC men's head basketball coach Deddric Tarver. "Keshawn is a very quiet person who makes a lot of noise with his play on the court. I love his passion for the game. He works hard every day, and it's paying off. He is the type of player who shows up when it matters most, and we're really proud of him."

A product of Lee-Huntsville High School, Watkins has already drawn attention from several four-year universities to continue his career at the next level. Tarver said the potential and talent Watkins brings to the team is largely due to his strong work ethic.



Photo courtesy of Gadsden State

Southside at state tourney - from 1B

"Our girls beat James Clemens twice this year, including one for the regional title," said Bozeman. "So it was quite an upset. It just goes to show that no matter who you are bowling against, if you're not on your game, anything can happen. You definitely can't take anyone lightly at a state tournament."

Bozeman pointed to the mental toughness required to be successful in bowling.

"In this sport, you have to have an immediate short-term memory, especially in the Baker format where each of the five bowler gets two frames," he said. "So every time you leave a frame open, you give your opponent the opportunity to jump head of you. You need to be able to shake off a bad throw and move on to the next frame."

Bozeman certainly has a good deal

of experience coming back next season, especially on the girls team with every starter returning.

"It was my first time experiencing this, and I learned a lot," said Bozeman. "We're excited to get the ball rolling for next year. We have three starters from the boys coming back, so they'll have the opportunity to be leaders. All three of them told me that they didn't want to feel this way again, so that's a very good sign."

Bozeman pointed to his assistants as crucial to the development and success of both teams.

"Billy Cox helps with the boys, and he's a walking encyclopedia of bowling. Ashlee Hull, who won a state title when she was here at Southside, knows what it takes to be successful. I'm very blessed to gain knowledge from those two people."

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STATE OF ALABAMA, COUNTY OF ETOWAH

Whereas, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Booker T. Taylor, to WinSouth Credit Union, on July 25, 2013, said mortgage, being recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County as Document Number 3389357 on July 30, 2013, 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, WinSouth Credit Union, 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 March 4, 2025, the following described real estate situated in Etowah County, Alabama, to-wit:

The South 145 feet of the West 225 feet of Lot Number Four (4), and the North 35 feet of Lot Number Five (5) in Block Number One (1) of Second Addition of Paden Farm Subdivision, as recorded in Plat Book "C", "C", Page 275, Probate Office, Etowah County, Alabama, less and except that part of Lot 5, Block 1, more particularly described as follows: The North 5 feet of the East 200 feet of Lot Five (5) in Block One (1) of the Second Addition of Paden Farm Subdivision according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book "C", Page 275, in the Probate Office, and lying and being in Etowah County, Alabama. Commonly known as 150 Paden Road, East Gadsden, AL 35903. Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. 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 Etowah County. This property will be sold without warranty or recourse, expressed or implied as to title, use and/or use and/or enjoyment and will be sold subject to the rights of redemption by those parties entitled to redeem under the laws of the State of Alabama.

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BY: /s/ Jay E. Stover
JAY E. STOVER, ITS ATTORNEY 301 Broad Street
Gadsden, Alabama 35901
Phone (205) 546-9205

January 31, 2025, February 7, and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA, COUNTY OF ETOWAH

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT default has occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by MARK BLACKWELL and CANDI BLACKWELL dated December 14, 2012, to originally in favor of LIBERTY BANK, recorded on December 21, 2012 in Instrument Number 3378409 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama, and which Mortgage was modified by that certain Modification of

Mortgage dated March 27, 2020 executed by MARK BLACKWELL and CANDI BLACKWELL, as Mortgagors, to LIBERTY BANK, as Mortgagee, recorded on April 9, 2020 in Instrument Number 3500587 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama, and which was duly assigned by LIBERTY BANK to DRY GROUND INVESTMENTS, LLC on December 5, 2024, recorded on December 5, 2024 in Instrument Number 3584449 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama. Because of said default, the undersigned Mortgagee under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in the mortgage as amended and assigned, DRY GROUND INVESTMENTS, LLC, as mortgagee/assignee will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in front of the courthouse door of the Etowah County Courthouse at Gadsden, Alabama, on the 25th day of February 2025, during the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate located in ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA, to-wit:

Beginning at the Southeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 10 South, Range 5 East, Etowah County, Alabama; thence North 89 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West along the South line of said Northwest Quarter for a distance of 770.00 feet to a point on the East right of way line of Leeth Gap Road; thence North 27 degrees 58 minutes 07 seconds West along said East right of way line for a distance of 135.10 feet to a point of the South right of way line of Sardis Road; thence North 79 degrees 26 minutes 19 seconds East along said South right of way line for a distance of 250.00 feet; thence continuing along said South right of way line the following: North 71 degrees 39 minutes East for a distance of 150.00 feet; thence North 63 degrees 12 minutes East for a distance of 200.00 feet; thence North 50 degrees 58 minutes 50 seconds East for a distance of 287.32 feet; thence leaving said South right of way line South 02 degrees 30 minutes 43 seconds East for a distance of 464.47 feet to the point of beginning; said parcel containing 4.7 acres more or less and lying in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 11, Township 10 South, Range 5 East, Etowah County, Alabama; According to the survey prepared by Donald R. Jarrells PLS/AL. Reg. No. 9979 dated December 14, 2000.

The property address, which is for information purposes only, is 4110 Sardis Road, Boaz, Alabama 35956. This property will be sold on an "as is, where is" basis, subject to any easements, encumbrances, mineral rights, if any, and exceptions reflected in the mortgage as amended and assigned and those contained in the records of the Office of the Judge of Probate of the County where the above-described property is situated, without warranty or recourse, express 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. The successful bidder must tender a non-refundable deposit of Fif-

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Attorneys and Auctioneer for DRY GROUND INVESTMENTS, LLC, Mortgagee/Assignee
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February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Tara Maddox Langdale was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 11/22/2024 to the Estate of David Jackson Maddox, 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

Virginia Chance was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/09/2024 to the Estate of Randall Joe Chance, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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Judge of Probate

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FILE CLAIMS

Kenneth Lee Godfrey was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/16/2024 to the Estate of John E. Godfrey, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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Judge of Probate

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FILE CLAIMS

David Atley, III was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/20/2024 over the Estate of Bertha Lee Atley-Clowney, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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Judge of Probate

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FILE CLAIMS

Heather Arp Bellew was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/03/2025 to the Es-

tate of Dean Jerome Arp, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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Judge of Probate

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FILE CLAIMS

Robert Andrew Beck was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/06/2025 over the Estate of Sharon Ann Freeman Beck, 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

Heath Watkins was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 05/31/2024 to the Estate of Carolyn Sue Dial, deceased, Probate Court of Etowah County, Alabama notifies all persons that claims not filed within six months will be barred.

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Judge of Probate

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FILE CLAIMS

James Matthew Turner was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/17/2025 to the Estate of Cynthia Dover Turner, 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

Phillip Heath Troiani was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/13/2025 to the Estate of Paul James Troiani, 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

Jacob Millican, Esq. was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 11/20/2024 to the Estate of Delores Runyan Frazier, 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

Bradley Sewell was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/08/2025 to the Estate of Barney Jerry Sewell, 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

Kathy R. Holland was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/09/2025 to the Estate of Rickey R. Holland, deceased, Pro-

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FILE CLAIMS

Charles A. Bryant and Cynthia D. Crawford was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/07/2025 to the Estate of Charles Edward Bryant, 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

Timothy Gene Kitchens was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/14/2024 over the Estate of Ginger Denise Norton, 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

Kristi Bohannon was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 10/18/2024 to the Estate of Carole Cornell, 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

Kimberly Dawn Hester Rigby was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/04/2024 over the Estate of Denise Carol Geer, 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

Maria B. Perry was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/04/2024 over the Estate of Johnnie Frank Perry, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

William Bryan Stone, II was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/06/2024 to the Estate of Ann C. Stone, a/k/a Eugenia Ann Stone, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Richard E. Govignon was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on

12/13/2024 to the Estate of Richard Govignon, 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

Raley L. Wiggins was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/13/2024 over the Estate of Elecia Diane Reeves, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Nancy Ramey Hunt and Donna Ramey Nicholson was/were appointed Co-Personal Representative(s) on 12/11/2024 to the Estate of Francis Y. Ramey, a/k/a Mary Frances Ramey, 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

Charlott Annett Rothstein Keys was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/13/2024 over the Estate of Daniel Frederick Keys, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Joe Gamberi was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/23/2024 to the Estate of Robert Allen Bruton, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Stacey Gary was/were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 12/27/2024 over the Estate of Emma Faye Gary, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Christopher William Richardson and Jennifer Lynn Richardson was/were appointed Co-Personal Representative(s) on 12/30/2024 to the Estate of Mark Dewayne Richardson, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Cheryl R. Midgley was/

were appointed Personal Representative(s) on 01/08/2025 to the Estate of Charles S. Midgley, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

FILE CLAIMS

Bennett D. Tucker, Jr., Amanda Tucker Cabaniss and Traci Tucker Dewar was/were appointed Co-Personal Representative(s) on 01/09/2025 to the Estate of Bennett D. Tucker, 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

February 7, 14 and 21, 2025

LEGAL NOTICE

There will be a hearing held on Wednesday February 12, 2025 at 9:30 AM concerning the deceased Jerry Ford who died January 28, 2025 at McGuffey Health and Rehab in Gadsden. Jerry Ford last known address was 705 Gardner Drive Jacksonville, AL 36265.

February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF ESTATE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES DANIEL PRUETT, DECEASED

CASE NO: 2025-00072

A Petition for Summary Distribution of the Estate of JAMES DANIEL PRUETT, Deceased, having been submitted to the Honorable Scott W. Hassell, Judge of Probate, by Petitioner, Alice Berrey Pruett, on the 3rd day of February 2025; Notice is hereby given that all persons contesting said Petition shall file a response thereto with the Judge of Probate, Etowah County, within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Done this the 3 day of February 2025

Scott W. Hassell
JUDGE OF PROBATE

February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF: NATHAN M. CHADWICK, ALLEGED INCAPACITATED

Case #: 2024-453

TO: Tera Hollis and any unknown family Please take notice that a PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP & CONSERVATORSHIP of the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 24 day of FEBRUARY 2025 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 17TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

Scott W. Hassell
PROBATE JUDGE

January 24, 31, and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH

COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
JOHNNY STEVEN
MOORE, INCAPACITATED

Case #: 2024-400

TO: Any interested party

Please take notice that a PETITION FOR THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY belonging to the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 24th day of FEBRUARY 2025 at 1:00 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 28TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

Scott Hassell
PROBATE JUDGE

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
BOBBY J. MCCAIN,
INCAPACITATED

Case #: S-3778

TO: Any unknown family

Please take notice that a PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP & CONSERVATORSHIP of the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 5th day of MARCH 2025 at 2:30 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 27TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

Scott Hassell
PROBATE JUDGE

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
KAREN FAYE
WILLIAMS TUCKER,
INCAPACITATED

Case #: I-282

TO: Any unknown family

Please take notice that a MOTION TO AMEND LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP of the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 25TH day of FEBRUARY 2025 1:00 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 28TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025

Scott W. Hassell
PROBATE JUDGE

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
PRICE K. EATMAN,
INCAPACITATED

Case #: 2024-227

TO: Any interested party

Please take notice that a PETITION FOR THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY belonging to the above referenced incapacitated individual was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, and further, that the 19th day of MARCH 2025 at 1:30p.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 31ST DAY OF JANUARY 2025.

Scott Hassell
PROBATE JUDGE

February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MYRA K. CROCKETT, DECEASED.

Case No.: 2024-00626

TO: ANY INTERESTED PARTY

Please take notice that a Petition to Approve Sale of Real Property was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Etowah County, Alabama and further, that the 31st day of MARCH, 2025 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 31st DAY OF January 2025

Scott W. Hassell
Judge of Probate

February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF EDWARD BYNUM, DECEASED.

Case No.: S-12247

TO: ANY INTERESTED PARTY

Please take notice that a Motion to Compel Final Settlement was filed in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Etowah County, Alabama and further, that the 4th day of MARCH, 2025 at 10:30 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 24th DAY OF JANUARY 2025

SCOTT W. HASSELL
JUDGE OF PROBATE

February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Unknown family members, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Brenna Gilbert and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Brenna Gilbert was filed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center on the 24TH day of JANUARY 2025.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 24th day of FEBRUARY 2025, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: John Babbino, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Stephen J. Babbino and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Stephen J. Babbino was filed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center on the 27TH day of JANUARY 2025.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of

Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 5th day of MARCH 2025, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Donna Chi, whose last known address is 2715 Pleasant Valley Road, Apt. 4, Attalla, AL 35954 Theresa Ducote, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Leeann M. Burch and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Leeann M. Burch was filed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center on the 27th day of JANUARY 2025.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 5th day of MARCH 2025, 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

January 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP AND PETITION FOR LETTERS OF CONSERVATORSHIP

Notice to: Ben Pike, whose whereabouts are unknown

You will take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship for the person of Gregory Lee Pike and a Petition for Letters of Conservatorship over the estate of Gregory Lee Pike was filed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center on the 31ST day of JANUARY, 2025.

A hearing on the Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Petition for Letters of Conservatorship is set on the 18th day of MARCH 2025, 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

February 7, 14 and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Gadsden Police Department Street Crime Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: CV-24-900493-SJS

PLAINTIFF
VS.
1 Gambling Device
\$615.00 U.S. Currency

DEFENDANTS
In Re: Chirag Hasmakh Patel
105 Nicholas Avenue
Rainbow City, AL, 35906

Property Sized From: 1701 South 11th Street Gadsden, AL. 35904

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY CURRENCY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property and currency. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 14th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest

est in said currency.

DONE this the 13th day of January, 2025.

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 17, 24, 31, and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Gadsden Police Department Street Crime Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: CV-24-900422-SJS

PLAINTIFF
VS.
12 Gambling Device
\$10,240.00 U.S. Currency

DEFENDANTS
In Re: Michael Cook
316 Goldenrod Avenue
Gadsden, AL. 35901

Property Sized From: 211 S. 4th Street Gadsden, AL. 35901

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND CURRENCY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property and currency. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 14th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest in said currency.

DONE this the 9th day of January 2025.

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 17, 24, 31, and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Gadsden Police Department Street Crime Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: CV-24-900596-WBO

PLAINTIFF
VS.
2 Gambling Device
\$977.52 U.S. Currency

DEFENDANTS
In Re: Mahmood Albusasi
Address Unknown

Property Sized From: 1101 West Meighan Boulevard Gadsden, AL. 35901

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND CURRENCY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property and currency. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 27th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest in said currency.

DONE this the 16th day of January 2025.

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 24, 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Gadsden Police Department Street Crime Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: CV-24-900424-BTC

PLAINTIFF
VS.
10 GAMBLING DEVICES
\$946.00 U.S. CURRENCY
Mp25 .25 Auto
SN#1817218

DEFENDANTS
In Re: ELIJAH BYNUM
1209 Monte Vista Drive
Gadsden, AL. 35901

Property Seized From: 1229 Franklin Street

COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: CV-24-900424-CDR

PLAINTIFF
VS.
12 Gambling Device
\$4,886.00 U.S. Currency

DEFENDANTS
In Re: James Elliott
285 Yancey Drive
Hokes Bluff, AL. 35903

In Re: John Turner
216 Casey Drive
Gadsden, AL. 35903

Property Sized From: 213 E. Broad Street Gadsden, AL. 35903

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY AND CURRENCY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property and currency. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 15th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest in said currency.

DONE this the 15th day of January 2025.

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 24, 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Gadsden Police Department Street Crime Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO: CV-24-900424-CDR

PLAINTIFF
VS.
2 Gambling Device

DEFENDANTS
In Re: Sanjay Patel
Address Unknown

Property Sized From: 232 West Meighan Boulevard Gadsden, AL. 35901

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 15th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest in said currency.

DONE this the 15th day of January 2025.

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 24, 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF CONDEMNATION-FORFEITURE ACTION

STATE OF ALABAMA, ex rel: Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit,

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO: CV-24-900424-BTC

PLAINTIFF
VS.
10 GAMBLING DEVICES
\$946.00 U.S. CURRENCY
Mp25 .25 Auto
SN#1817218

DEFENDANTS
In Re: ELIJAH BYNUM
1209 Monte Vista Drive
Gadsden, AL. 35901

Property Seized From: 1229 Franklin Street

Gadsden, AL. 35904

TO ANY PERSON, CORPORATION OR OTHER ENTITY CLAIMING AN OWNER'S BONA FIDE INTEREST IN THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY:

WHEREAS, the State of Alabama has filed its complaint in the above-described action seeking condemnation, forfeiture, and ultimate disposition of the above-described property and currency. You are hereby notified that you must answer said Complaint by the 25th day of March 2025. Failure to file such answer shall result in your loss of any claimed owner's or other interest in said currency.

DONE this the 23rd day of January 2025

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk
Etowah County, Alabama

January 31, February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

Case No.: CV-2024-900248

Crook, Carl, Plaintiffs, VS
Martin, Quincia, Martin, D'Andrea, Defendants.

Quincia Martin who may claim an interest in the property located at 726 Sunnydale Drive, Gadsden, AL. 35901, must file an Answer with the Clerk of the Court within 30 days of the last date of this notice of thereafter a judgement by Default may be rendered against them.

David C. Livingston
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 161
Gadsden, AL. 35901
(256)546-9300

January 24, 31, February 7, and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

RUSSELL EDWARDS, PLAINTIFF, VS.
CASE NO.: CV-2024-900277
CASEY RYAN SHERRELL, DEFENDANT.

CASEY RYAN SHERRELL is hereby notified that Russell Edwards, has filed a Complaint in the Circuit Court for Etowah County, Alabama. The style of said action being identified as CV-2024-900277. The above named person, entities and all other persons or entities, known or unknown, are hereby notified that they must file an answer to said complaint in the identified civil action on or before or thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against them in said Civil Action No. CV-2024-900277.

Dated: 1/30/25

Cassandra Johnson,
Clerk, Etowah County
Circuit Court

F. Michael Haney
Attorney for Plaintiff
235 Broad Street
Gadsden, Alabama
35901
(256) 546-1656

February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

PUBLICATION NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

DANNY STOWERS, VS
CASE NO: DV-24-900834
CHRISTIAN FORD

NOTICE OF BREACH OF CONTRACT AND NEGLIGENCE ACTION
CHRISTIAN FORD'S whereabouts are unknown, must answer DANNY STOWER'S Complaint for Breach of Contract and Negligence and other relief by CHRISTIAN FORD, or thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against Christian Ford in Case No: DV-24-900834, Circuit Court of Etowah

Dated: 1/30/25

Cassandra Johnson,
Clerk, Etowah County
Circuit Court

F. Michael Haney
Attorney for Plaintiff
235 Broad Street
Gadsden, Alabama
35901
(256) 546-1656

February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

PUBLICATION NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

DANNY STOWERS, VS
CASE NO: DV-24-900834
CHRISTIAN FORD

NOTICE OF BREACH OF CONTRACT AND NEGLIGENCE ACTION
CHRISTIAN FORD'S whereabouts are unknown, must answer DANNY STOWER'S Complaint for Breach of Contract and Negligence and other relief by CHRISTIAN FORD, or thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against Christian Ford in Case No: DV-24-900834, Circuit Court of Etowah

Dated: 1/30/25

Cassandra Johnson,
Clerk, Etowah County
Circuit Court

F. Michael Haney
Attorney for Plaintiff
235 Broad Street
Gadsden, Alabama
35901
(256) 546-1656

County, Alabama.

Dated: February 4, 2025

Cassandra Johnson,
Circuit Clerk

Clark Hall
Attorney for the Plaintiff
750 Forrest Avenue
Gadsden, AL. 35901
(256)549-4357

February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMAKATHY LEE,
PLAINTIFF

VS

CASE NO.: CV-2025-900021

SAMMY HERRON,
ET AL.,
DEFENDANTS

The Defendants, Sammy Herron, Estella Herron, and Cicero Curry, whose whereabouts are unknown, and any other persons claiming any present, future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in the lands described below, must answer Plaintiff's Complaint filed in the above referenced court and case number within thirty (30) days of the completion of the publication of thereafter a judgement of default may be rendered against you in the above-styled case.

The subject property is described as follows: LOT 1, BLOCK A, HIGHLAND PARK ADDITION, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK "B", PAGE 164, IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA.

Done the 30th day of January, 2025.

Cassandra Johnson
Clerk of the Circuit
Court of Etowah County

Jason Knowles,
Knowles & Sullivan,
LLC
413 Broad Street
Gadsden, AL 35901
256-547-7200

February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

In The Matter of the Adoption Petition of BRANDON SCOTT WILDER

CASE NO.:
2025-00001

TO: Bradley Watts
Address Unknown

Please take notice that a petition for adoption of a child born to Brooke Ellen Perry, a.k.a Brooke Perry Wilder, has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner(s) named above. The minor child's date of birth is March 30, 2011. As a notified party, you may appear in the adoption proceeding to contest or support the attached petition. Please be advised that if you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of service of this notice with counsel for said Petitioner, whose name and address are as shown below and with the Clerk of the Probate Court at the following address: P.O. Box 187, Gadsden, AL 35902. If you fail to respond within thirty (30) days and appear at the hearing, the Court may construe that failure as an implied consent to the adoption and waiver of a right to appear and of further notice of the adoption proceedings. If the adoption is approved, your parental rights, if any, will be considered terminated.

Attorney for Petitioner:
Shannon L. Millican
255 South 8th Street
Gadsden, AL 35901

Given under my hand this the 2nd day of January 2025.

Scott W. Hassell
Judge of Probate

January 31, February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE OF DAY SET FOR HEARING ON THE PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ALABAMA

SOUTHERN JUDICIAL DIVISION AT PELL CITY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BARRY DELANO BRADFORD, SR., deceased

CASE NO. S-2024-452

TO:

BEVERLY LISA BRADFORD RANDLE
105 PENN DRIVE
GADSDEN, AL 35903

Please take notice that a Petition for Probate of Will in the Estate of BARRY DELANO BRADFORD, SR. was filed in my office by Barry Delano Bradford, Jr. And, the 18th day of February, 2025 at 9:30 am has been set as the date and time for a hearing, at which time you may appear and consent to the same, or contest said Petition.

Done this the 7th day of January, 2025.

Andrew Weathington,
Judge of Probate

Blair and Parsons, P.C.
1711 Cogswell Avenue
Pell City, AL 35125
205-884-3440

January 10, 17, 24, and 31, 2025

NOTICE OF COMPLAINT FOR BILL TO QUIET TITLE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

DONALD BERKEY and JUANITA BERKEY,
Plaintiff,

vs.

CV-2025-900032

A PARCEL OF LAND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Lot Number Nineteen (19) in Block Number Eight (8) in the Woodlawn Addition, according to the map thereof recorded in Plat Book "A", Page 15, Probate Office, and being in Gadsden, Etowah County, Alabama.

DELORES ANN VAUGHN, RANDOLPH WELLS and ALMA WELLS, INCLUDING

ANY HEIRS OR DEVISEES OF THE SAME AND THOSE WHOSE ADDRESSES ARE UNKNOWN AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES, including any persons claiming any present interest therein and including any person claiming any future, contingent, reversionary, remainder, or other interest therein, who may claim any interest in the above described property, Defendants.

The Defendants, Delores Ann Vaughn, Randolph Wells and Alma Wells and/or their heirs or next of kin, and any other individuals who may claim an interest in the aforementioned property, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Bill to Quiet Title filed by Donald and Juanita Berkey, within thirty (30) days of the completion of the publication or thereafter a judgment of default may be rendered against you in the aforementioned case.

Done the 23rd day of January, 2025.

CASSANDRA JOHNSON
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Etowah County

Joshua B. Sullivan
Knowles & Sullivan,
LLC
413 Broad Street
Gadsden, Alabama 35901
Phone (256)547-7200
Fax (256)467-6322

January 24, 31, February 7 and 14, 2025

NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION TO QUIET TITLE TO REAL PROPERTY

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

Paul Skelton, Plaintiff,
V.

Civil Action no.
CV-2024-900380

A tract of land described as Lot Numbers Twenty-two (22) to Thirty-three (33), both inclusive, in Block Number One (1), and Lots Numbers Six (6), Seven (7), Nine (9), Ten (10), Eleven (11), and Twelve (12), in Block Number Two (2), in Skelton's Re-arrangement of Lots Numbers 26, 27 and 28, in Block Twenty-five (25), of Cloverdale Subdivision, according to map of said Rear-

rangement recorded in Plat Book "D", page 23, Probate Office, Etowah County, Alabama, and lying and being in Attalla, Etowah County, Alabama, Nell Skelton, the unknown heirs of Nell Skelton, if any, and all other persons claiming any present, future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in said property, Defendants, are hereby notified that Paul Skelton, Plaintiff, has filed in the Circuit Court of Etowah County, Alabama, a complaint for quiet title and other relief. The style of said action being identified as CV- 2024-900380. The above named person, entities and all other persons or entities, known or unknown, are hereby notified that they must file an answer to said complaint in the identified civil action on or before 3/31/2025, or thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against them in said Civil Action CV-2024-900380.

Done this 3rd day of January 2025

CASSANDRA JOHNSON,
CLERK OF COURT

Attorney for the Plaintiff
Elizabeth P. Haney,
PO Drawer 287
Gadsden, AL 35902

February 7, 14, 21, and 28, 2025

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the 2025 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made: Relating to Etowah County; to provide for the sale, use, and destruction of certain abandoned, stolen, and unclaimed property by the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit; and to specify requirements for the sale and disposition of proceeds thereof.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA: Section 1. This act shall only apply to Etowah County.

Section 2. (a) The Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit shall keep and maintain a record of all abandoned and stolen personal property recovered by the drug enforcement unit. These records shall state the description of the property, the date of recovery of the property, and the serial or other identifying number of the property. If the property is a firearm, the records shall state the description of the firearm, the date of recovery of the firearm, and the serial or other identifying number, if any. The records shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable times.

(b) All abandoned or stolen property recovered by the drug enforcement unit shall be stored in a suitable place to protect the property from deterioration.

Section 3.

(a)(1) As often as necessary, the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit may sell at public auction, including an Internet auction, to the highest bidder all abandoned or stolen personal property that have been recovered by the drug enforcement unit and have remained unclaimed by the rightful owner for a period of not less than six months.

(2) If the abandoned or stolen property is a firearm, the person holding the auction must hold a federal firearm license issued by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), and all sales involving a firearm shall meet the firearm transfer requirements of federal law.

(b) Prior to the auction, the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit shall give notice by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in Etowah County once a week for two successive weeks or by posting notice in a conspicuous place at the Etowah County Court-house for a period of at least 20 days. The notice shall contain the place, date, and time of each auction and a general description of items of personal property to be sold at the auction.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), if the abandoned or stolen personal property is of a perishable nature and reasonable attempts to locate and identify the owner of the property are not successful, the property may be sold at once without notice.

(d) The drug enforcement unit shall attempt to obtain the best possible price for the property.

Section 4. (a) Prior to the sale of abandoned or stolen property under this act, the owner of the property may claim the property at any time by submitting sufficient proof of ownership as determined by the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit. (b) The drug enforcement unit may require the owner to pay a pro rata share of the costs, if any, of publication of notice of the sale of the property.

Section 5. (a) If abandoned or stolen property is sold under this act, the proceeds of the sale shall be held in a separate account for a period of six months for the owner.

(b) During the six-month period described in subsection (a), upon demand by the owner and submission of sufficient proof of ownership, the drug enforcement unit shall pay to the owner the proceeds of the sale, less any cost of recovery, storage, maintenance, and sale of the property.

(c) If the proceeds are not claimed within six months, after deducting and paying all expenses incurred in the recovery, storage, maintenance, and sale of the property, the net proceeds shall be paid to the Drug Enforcement Forfeiture Account in the county treasury. The funds in the account may be expended based on vouchers submitted to the county and shall be used solely for law enforcement purposes. The receipts and expenditures of funds shall be audited by the Examiners of Public Accounts.

Section 6. If abandoned or stolen property is sold at public auction, as provided in this act, the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit shall make a notation in the storage record of the sale and the amount received for the property. The person making the sale may reject any and all bids if the amount bid is unreasonably low and may continue the sale, from time to time, at his or her discretion.

Section 7. Notwithstanding any other provision of this act to the contrary, any abandoned or stolen firearm that has been obtained by the Etowah County Drug Enforcement Unit and that has been unclaimed for a period of six or more months, as provided in this act, may be used by the drug enforcement unit at its discretion for law enforcement purposes or, if unlawful or not safe for use, in the discretion of the drug enforcement unit, destroyed.

Section 8. This act applies to any abandoned or stolen property held on or after the effective date of this act.

Section 9. This act shall become effective on October 1, 2025.

January 17, 24, 31, and February 7, 2025

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

PROJECT:
Right of Way Mowing of Highway 431, 11 and Cleveland Avenue

OWNER:
The City of Attalla,
Alabama

The City is requesting separate sealed bids for the Right of Way Mowing of Highway 431, 11, and Cleveland Avenue. The bids will be received at the City Hall of Attalla at 612 4th Street NW, Attalla, AL, 35954 until 9:00 A.M. CDST on Thursday February 13, 2025 in the Council Chambers and then at said place publicly opened and read aloud.

The Contract Documents may be examined or a copy may be obtained at the Attalla City Hall. Please contact Jason Nicholson at 256-441-9200 or jnicholson@attallacity.org for obtaining the Contract Documents.

The Owner reserves

the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract to the lowest and responsible bidder. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

THE CITY OF ATTALLA
BY: Larry Means,
Mayor

January 24, 31, and February 7, 2025

ADVERTISEMENT FOR COMPLETION PORTABLE ICE-SKATING RINK

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 Portable Ice Skating Rink project no. 3563, and has made request for final settlement of said Contract. This notice is to appear for four consecutive weeks, beginning Friday January 31, 2025 and ending on Friday February 21, 2025. 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
Phone 205-655-9006

January 31, February 7, 14 and 21, 2025

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Federal Aid Project No. STPSU-2819(252) ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Director of Transportation at the office of the Alabama Department of Transportation, Montgomery, Alabama until 10:00 AM on February 28, 2025 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Widening, Resurfacing, and Traffic Stripe on Black Creek Parkway from the junction of Willis Creek Road to the junction of 11th Street in Gadsden. Length 0.566 mi.

The total amount of uncompleted work under contract to a contractor must not exceed the amount of his or her qualification certificate. The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In Thirty-five (35) Working Days. A 5.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

A Bidding Proposal may be purchased for \$5.00. Plans may be purchased for \$17.00 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 \$682,493 To \$834,159.

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

Federal Highway Act.

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

In accordance with the rules and regulations of The Alabama Department of Transportation, proposals will be issued only to prequalified contractors or their authorized representatives, upon requests that are received before 10 A.M., 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

February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS STATE PROJECT NO. ATRP2-28-2023-418 ETOWAH COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received by the Director of Transportation at the office of the Alabama Department of Transportation, Montgomery, Alabama until 10:00 AM on February 28, 2025 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Micro-Milling, Resurfacing, and Traffic Stripe on Church Street from the junction of SR-77 to the junction of SR-25 (US-411) to include Traffic Signal Installations at various locations in Rainbow City. Length 0.357 mi.

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

The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In One Hundred Twenty (120) Working Days. A 0.50% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

A Bidding Proposal may be purchased for \$5.00. Plans may be purchased for \$12.00 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.

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 \$1,119,291 To \$1,368,022.

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 A.M., 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.

Section 34-8-8. Code of Alabama 1975 as amended states in part as follows: "... it will be necessary for him or her to show evidence of license before his or her bid is considered." Further, Section 34-8-8, Code of Alabama 1975 as amended also states in part as follows: "All Owners, Architects, and engineers receiving bids pursuant to this chapter shall require the person, firm, or corporation to include his or her current license number on the bid."

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JOHN R. COOPER
Transportation Director

February 7, 14, and 21, 2025

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Clerk, City of Gadsden, Alabama, at the City Hall, 90 Broad Street, Room 411, Gadsden, Alabama until 2:00 P.M., Friday, February 28, 2025, for the 2025 ANNUAL DRAINAGE & CONCRETE WORK CONTRACT, Bid Request No.3594, located in the City of Gadsden, Alabama.

Bids submitted prior to the bid opening by mail shall be directed to "City Clerk, P.O. Box 267, Gadsden, Alabama 35902-0267" or in person delivered to the office of the City Clerk, Room 401, City Hall, 90 Broad Street, Gadsden, Alabama.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the above time and place. Specifications and contract documents are open to the public for inspection at the City Hall. Electronic (pdf) specifications and contract documents can be distributed at no cost. All bidders must be registered with the City of Gadsden Engineering Department in order to submit a bid. Bids received from unregistered bidders will be rejected.

The bidder shall file with his bid either a cashier's check drawn on an Alabama bank, payable to the City of Gadsden, Alabama, or a bid bond executed by a surety company duly authorized and qualified to make such bonds in Alabama, in an amount equal to the lesser of five percent (5%) of the bid or ten thousand (\$10,000).

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any and all bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish and pay for the satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond or Bond in the amount required by Section 39-1-1(a), Code of Alabama 1975, and evidence of insurance as required by the bid documents within ten (10) days after being notified that he has been awarded the contract.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof. The bidder must comply with all requirements of the public works bid law Section 39-2-1 et seq., Code of Alabama 1975.

Any bidder, whether a resident or non-resident of the State of Alabama, must comply with all applicable provisions of Section 34-8-1, et seq., Code of Alabama, 1975, including requirements for licensing as a general contractor and the necessity to show evidence of license before the bid will be considered.

ered by the awarding authority. A current license number must be included on the bid.

This is a tax-exempt contract.

Bidders must comply with the President's Nos. 11246 and 11375 which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidders must also comply with Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, and Section III of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 170lu.

By signing this contract, the contracting parties affirm, for the duration of the agreement, that they will not violate federal immigration law or knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien within the state of Alabama. Furthermore, a contracting party found to be in violation of this provision shall be deemed in breach of the agreement and shall be responsible for all damages resulting therefrom.

Bidders must certify that they do not and will not maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on a basis of race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. Bidders must also certify they will make facilities handicap accessible to the extent required by law.

THE CITY GADSDEN, ALABAMA

Craig Ford, Mayor

Iva Nelson, City Clerk

February 7, 2025

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Clerk, City of Gadsden, Alabama, at City Hall, 90 Broad Street, Room 411, Gadsden, Alabama until 2:00 PM, Friday, February 21, 2025, for the 2025 ON-CALL TRI-AXLE DUMP TRUCK CONTRACT FOR ASPHALT HAULING SERVICES,

Bid Request No. 3595. Bids received after the deadline will not be considered.

Bids submitted prior to the bid opening by mail shall be directed to "City Clerk, P.O. Box 267, Gadsden, Alabama 35902-0267" or in person delivered to the office of the City Clerk, Room 401, City Hall, 90 Broad Street, Gadsden, Alabama.

The bid request number 3595, bid title, and bid opening date must appear on the outside of the sealed envelope.

Bids must be in compliance with the specifications referred to and signed in full. By submitting a bid, bidder acknowledges that they have read and understand all of the bid packet requirements.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the above time and place. Specifications are open to the public for inspection at the Engineering Department. A digital copy (pdf) of the bid packet may be obtained at no cost by contacting the City of Gadsden Engineering Department either by phone: (256)-549-4520, or email: hwilliamson@cityofgadsden.com. All bidders must be registered with the City of Gadsden Engineering Department in order to submit a bid. Bids received from unregistered bidders will be rejected.

The right to reject any or all bids and to disregard any minor irregularities is reserved by the owner.

THE CITY GADSDEN, ALABAMA

CRAIG FORD, Mayor

Iva Nelson, City Clerk

February 7, 2025

LEGAL ZONING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on Thursday, February 27, 2025 at 8:30 a.m., the Board of Adjustment of the City of Gadsden will hold a public hearing in the

City Council Chamber, First Floor, at City Hall, 90 Broad Street, Gadsden, Alabama to give all persons who desire an opportunity to be heard in opposition to or in favor of the following request:

"A request for Special Exception to operate a Child Day Care located inside a home. The Property is Zoned R-1, Single Family Residence on the following described property:

For a point of beginning, start at the Northeast Corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) and from thence run in a Southerly direction and along the East line thereof a distance of 317 feet to a point in the present South line of Hoke Street; thence in a Westerly direction and along the present South line of Hoke Street a distance of 374.7 feet, which is the point of beginning, and from said point of beginning run in a Southerly direction and at right angles to the present South line of Hoke Street a distance of 200 feet; thence in a Westerly direction and parallel with the present South line of Hoke Street a distance of 60 feet; thence in a Northerly direction, at right angles to Hoke Street, a distance of 200 feet to the present South line of Hoke Street; thence Easterly and along the present South line of Hoke Street a distance of 60 feet to the point of beginning, and being a part of the Northwest Quarter (NW 1/4) of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) in Section Twelve (12), Township Twelve (12) South of Range Six (6) East of Huntsville Meridian in Etowah County, Alabama, and being subject to the restrictions mentioned in the deed from Joe Rhea and wife, Bessie Rhea, to Virginia B. Altham, dated February 19, 1945, and recorded in Deed Record "6-Y", Page 346, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Etowah County, Alabama. (Property Ad-

dress being 1405 Hoke Street)

February 7 and 14, 2025

LEGAL NOTICE

The following storage units will be auctioned on 2/12/2025 beginning at 10:00 a.m. on the business premises of Southtowne Mini Warehouses. Southtowne is located at 199 Woodland Drive, off of Steele Station Road in Rainbow City, Alabama.

Marcia Hardney Unit 24C and 170

Jacob Graham Unit 171

Laken Varner Unit 730

Dewayne Harden Unit N1

Shane Smith Unit 419

Taylor Pattollo Unit 535

Brook Tuck Unit 802

Bonnie Michelle Unit 750

John Kennon Unit 553

Pinky Prewitt Unit 569 and 618

Richard Pettys Unit 579

Kristie Bell Unit 585

Maegan Garrard Unit 614

Lisa Rydel Unit 5A-8 and 5A-9

Holly Trup Unit 38-11

Tarameka Ash Unit 733

Southtowne Mini Warehouses 199 Woodland Drive Rainbow City, AL. 35906

January 31 and February 7, 2025

LEGAL NOTICE

The following storage units will be auctioned on 2/14/2025 on the business premises of 77 Storage. 77 Stor-

age is located at 2800 Forestdale Road, Southside, AL 3590.

Allison Phillips Unit - G13

February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will proceed to take possession of the following described abandoned vehicle(s) on March 5, 2025

2017 Buick Regal VIN: 2G4GL5EX9H9196140

2006 Chevy Silverado VIN: 1GCEK14T46Z129499

A&J Towing, LLC. 4975 Hopper Road Altoona, AL. 35952

January 31 and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION

In accordance with the Alabama Abandoned Motor Vehicle Act, Alabama Code Sections 32-13-1 through 32-13-8 notice is hereby given to the owners, lienholders, and other interested parties. The following motor vehicles will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at 9:00 am., March 7, 2025 at Team One Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram of Gadsden, Gadsden, Alabama. Seller reserves the right to reject any bid and the right to bid.

2013 Dodge Dart VIN: 1C3CDFBH9DD111107

January 31 and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will proceed to take possession of the following described abandoned vehicle(s) on March 5, 2025

2011 Hyundai Sonata VIN: 5NPEB4AC2B4082609

Timothy Watson

305 12th Avenue SW Attalla, AL. 35954

January 31 and February 7, 2025

NOTICE OF VEHICLE POSSESSION

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will proceed to take possession of the following described abandoned vehicle(s) on March 6, 2025

2015 Nissan Rouge VIN: JN8AS5M V3FW759253

2013 GMC Sierra VIN: 1GTN1TEXXDZ153273

1993 Jeep Wrangler VIN: 1J4FY19P6PP209196

2012 Ford Focus VIN: 1FAHP3F26CL402591

2010 Chev Traverse VIN: 1GNLRFED6AS122277

A&J Towing, LLC. 4975 Hopper Road Altoona, AL. 35952

February 7 and 14, 2025

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 2018 Ford Fiesta vin# 3FADP4A-JXJM103393 The public auction will be held at Matt's Towing 927 B 5th Ave NE Attalla AL 35954 at 10:00am on 3/31/2025. 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.

February 7 and 14, 2025

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 2010 Toyota Corolla vin# JTDBU4EE9AJ072304 The public auction will be held at Matt's Towing 927 B 5th Ave NE Attalla AL 35954 at 10:00am on 03/25/2025. 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.

February 7 and 14, 2025

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February 7 and 14, 2025

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