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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day April 13

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Save the Date! The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day in Bessemer will be Saturday, April 13 starting at 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. or when capacity is met.

The City of Bessemer Public Works Laydown Yard, 1205 15th Avenue, North, Bessemer is one of the three locations.

The other locations are the First Baptist Church Gardendale-South location on Main Street in Gardendale and Classic Car Motoring, 3900 Grants Mill Road in Irondale.

This annual household hazardous waste service is a partnership with Jefferson County.

Storm Water Specialist Freddie Freeman stated, "This service provides an opportunity for the citizens

of Bessemer to properly dispose of household hazardous waste materials at no cost. Certified contractors will be present at sites accepting items."

Items accepted include ammunition, appliances, batteries, paint, household cooking grease, electronics, paper shredding, tires, prescription drugs, batteries, pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers.



Taste of Bessemer at Bessemer Civic Center

8th Annual Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Expo April 11

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
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According to the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bessemer Area is a ONE STOP SHOP. The 8th Annual Taste of Bessemer Job Fair and Business Expo is scheduled for Thursday, April 11 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The event, sponsored by the Bessemer Area

Chamber of Commerce, will be held at the Bessemer Civic Center, 1130 Ninth Avenue, SW.

Among the vendors participating will be 70 food vendors, business vendors and non-profit organizations.

Bad Boy Butch with 98.7 will provide the entertainment.

The first Taste of Bessemer was held in 2015 at the civic center.

Tickets are currently on sale at the chamber office on 18th Street in historic downtown Bessemer. The cost of the ticket is \$15 per person and the deadline to purchase tickets is April 8. The event is free to children ages 4 and under.

For more information, contact the Bessemer Chamber at 205-425-3253 or bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com.



Photo by Jason Knighten

Big Saver Thrift Store catches fire



Saban Center Establishes Strategic Partnership with Leading Architectural and Cultural Planning Firms

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Exciting news emerges from the Saban Center as it joins forces with five esteemed architectural and cultural planning firms renowned for their innovation and successful project execution. This strategic alliance aims to shape the future landscape of the Saban Center, a multifaceted institution dedicated to education, science, arts, recreation, and discovery.

The collaborative partners include Steinberg Hart, Davis Architects, CambridgeSeven, Theatre Projects, and Lord Cultural Resources, each bringing unique expertise to the table.

Steinberg Hart, a globally recognized architecture firm with nearly 70

years of experience, is celebrated for its innovative designs that enrich lives. With offices across major cities in the United States, Steinberg Hart has an extensive portfolio spanning education, arts, and cultural projects nationwide.

Partnering with Steinberg Hart, Davis Architects, a distinguished firm based in Birmingham, Alabama, brings a century of experience in architecture, interior design, and planning. Together, they will shape the architectural vision of the Saban Center, ensuring it stands as a masterpiece that reflects the center's transformative mission.

CambridgeSeven, an architecture firm established in 1962, is known for its award-winning designs worldwide. With expertise in various sectors, including museums and exhibitions, CambridgeSeven will play a pivotal role in conceptualizing immersive exhibits crucial to the Saban Center's educational experience.

Theatre Projects, with a legacy of over 65 years, specializes in creating venues that promote storytelling and community interaction. Collaborating

with the Saban Center, Theatre Projects will provide strategic planning guidance, ensuring sustainable operations and fostering community engagement through initiatives like the Tuscaloosa Children's Theatre.

As a global leader in cultural-sector planning, Lord Cultural Resources brings invaluable expertise to the Saban Center project. With a track record spanning over four decades and engagements across the globe, Lord Cultural Resources will craft the operational framework necessary to integrate educational, cultural, and community elements seamlessly.

These partnerships mark a significant step towards realizing the Saban Center's mission of providing innovative facilities that foster learning and community engagement. With the collective vision of these esteemed partners, the Saban Center is poised to become a beacon of excellence in STEM education.

For more information about the Saban Center, please visit www.saban-center.org.

Photo by the Saban Center

Gov. Ivey Gives Heartfelt Easter Message

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Standing in the office of the governor, Governor Kay Ivey offered a meaningful Easter greeting last Friday, Good Friday, March 29.

She spoke of the Easter message, the central feast of Christianity which commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus found

in Matthew 28:5-6. Which reads, "And the angel answered and said unto the woman, "Fear not, for I know that you seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for he is risen."

Governor Ivey stated, "These verses are powerful and remind us of the love our Savior Jesus Christ has for all of us."

During the Easter holiday weekend, she

reminded all Alabamians to remember that Jesus Christ died for our sins. He gave his life for us.

As she extended Easter greetings, Governor Ivey encouraged us to rejoice in the victory of His resurrection, triumph over death and know that we have the hope of eternal life.

Christ is risen indeed!



Alabama Adventure Amusement Park and Splash Adventure Water Park

Alabama Adventure Hiring 400 Summer Employees

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
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Alabama Adventure Amusement Park and Splash Adventure Water Park in Bessemer are now hiring for the 2024 season. They are two great parks for one great price.

The theme parks will open on May 11 at 10:30.

There are 400 positions to be filled at the parks.

The positions are ideal for students, teachers and even the recently retired who are looking for summer work or just love a fun, exciting summer job.

Director of Human Resources and Marketing Alex Ramsey said, "We are very excited about the opening of the 2024 season. The most important aspects of the parks are the people, staff and guests. They

make it the special place that it is."

No previous experience is required and all training is done in-house.

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Known in and around his hometown of Bessemer, Al Earl "Guitar" Williams is no stranger to blues lovers. He is recognized for the electrifying sound of his guitar and harmonica. Earl discovered his interest in music at the tender age of seven and crafted his own guitar by using a cigar box, broomstick, and fishing cord. This marked the beginning of Earls musical career. At the age of nine Earl became a regular fixture on the porch of Mr. Gip, now a backyard juke joint in Bessemer, Al. Earl currently plays in numerous venues and with various blues artists. Whenever chitlin circuit legend Benny Latimore plays in the Birmingham area Earl joins him on stage. Earl is the REAL DEAL!!

BEE Winner: Jennifer Bonds

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

DCH extends our heartfelt congratulations to Jennifer Bonds, who serves as a patient care assistant and unit secretary on 6 North, for being named the latest recipient of the BEE Award. Jennifer was nominated by RN Heather Jones, who commended her for going above and beyond in her role as a patient sitter. Heather shared how Jennifer willingly sacrificed her break time to comfort a patient through song. She recounted hearing their voices harmonizing joyfully down the hall. Jennifer remained by the patient's side until they drifted off to sleep peacefully. Her actions that night truly embodied the values of teamwork and compassion. We are immensely proud to have Jennifer as a member of our 6 North team! Congratulations, Jennifer! The BEE Award, which stands for Being Exceptional Everyday, celebrates outstanding service from our

non-nursing staff members. This award is open to employees from all departments, excluding RNs. Nominations for the BEE Award are welcome from patients, their families, physicians, DCH employees, and volunteers. If you have experienced or witnessed exceptional service from a team member at DCH, we encourage you to nominate them for the BEE Award. To submit a nomination, please visit dchsystem.com/recognition.



DCH Health System Welcomes David Roberts as VP of Construction/Engineering

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

The DCH Health System is thrilled to announce the appointment of David Roberts as the Vice President of Construction/Engineering, effective April 15th.

Roberts brings a wealth of experience to his new role, having previously served in various capacities within the healthcare sector. Most recently, he held the position of Contract Manager at The University of Alabama, overseeing construction and renovation projects for the Alabama Department of Mental Health facilities in Tuscaloosa, including Bryce Hospital, Harper Center, and Taylor Hardin Secure Medical Facility.

Prior to his tenure at The University of Alabama, Roberts spent over two decades at DCH

Health System, where he served as the Corporate Director of Construction/Engineering. During his time there, he played a pivotal role in supervising multiple departments and managing numerous projects, notably contributing to the construction of the Lewis and Faye Mander-son Cancer Center.

"We are delighted to welcome David back to DCH in this capacity," remarked Luke Standefer, Administrator/Senior Vice President. "His extensive background in healthcare and construction, combined with his previous experience at DCH, makes him an invaluable addition to our leadership team. We are confident that his expertise will greatly contribute to our ongoing efforts to enhance and expand the

services we offer to the community."

Roberts holds a master's degree in chemical engineering and a bachelor's degree in chemistry, both from The University of Alabama.

His return to DCH marks a significant milestone as the organization continues its mission to provide exceptional healthcare services while striving for continuous improvement and growth.



Tuscaloosa City Initiates Construction of Fire Station 6

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

A significant milestone was reached as the City of Tuscaloosa commenced the construction of Fire Station 6 on Thursday, March 21st, at 11 a.m.

The groundbreaking ceremony featured addresses from Mayor Walt Maddox, Councilor John Faile, and Fire Chief Randy Smith.

Mayor Walt Maddox expressed optimism about the impact of Fire Station 6, stating, "The establishment of Fire Station 6 holds im-

mense significance for the community it serves. Fire stations endure through generations, and I am confident that this modern facility will uphold our standard of excellence and cater to the needs of our residents effectively."

The new Fire Station 6 will be situated at the junction of Hargrove Rd E and Loop Rd.

Councilor John Faile shared his enthusiasm, remarking, "This fire station marks a pivotal moment for our firefighters, granting them a dedicated space

once again."

Replacing a station that would have celebrated 57 years this year, Fire Chief Randy Smith emphasized the broader community impact, stating, "This station's significance extends beyond the department and the City; it serves as a vital community resource, enhancing our training capabilities and ensuring sustained service for years to come."

Completion of Fire Station 6 is anticipated by spring 2025.

UAB Hospital's New Stroke Launchpad Revolutionizes Emergency Stroke Care

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

In the race against time to prevent the devastating effects of stroke, every second counts. Recognizing this urgency, UAB Hospital's Emergency Department (ED) has pioneered a groundbreaking approach to streamline stroke diagnosis and treatment: the stroke launchpad.

Introduced in July 2023, the stroke launchpad has emerged as a game-changer, amplifying efficiency, collaboration, and patient outcomes. Nestled within the ED's premises, this specialized area serves as the nerve center for a multidisciplinary team of experts dedicated to swift and precise stroke interventions.

The launchpad's strategic location facilitates rapid decision-making regarding crucial treatments such as administering clot-dissolving medications like tenecteplase and considering advanced catheter-based procedures like thrombectomy. By centralizing stroke care, the launchpad optimizes resource allocation and minimizes delays, ensuring patients receive

timely interventions that can make all the difference.

Efficiency Amplified Dr. Kevin S. Barlotta, overseeing quality and patient safety within UAB's Department of Emergency Medicine, underscores the launchpad's impact on Door-to-Needle (DTN) time – a pivotal metric for stroke care. "Efficiency and accuracy are paramount in stroke management," explains Dr. Barlotta. "The launchpad empowers us to deliver prompt interventions, keeping us within the therapeutic window. Placing patients in close proximity to the CT scanner expedites diagnosis and treatment initiation."


Anticipating incoming stroke cases, emergency personnel alert the ED in advance, enabling direct routing to the stroke launchpad. Dr. Barlotta highlights the remarkable progress: "Our target DTN is 60 minutes. Since September 2023, we've consistently achieved DTN below 60 minutes, with a noticeable trend towards sub-45 and even sub-30-minute DTNs."

Unified Care Approach Centralization is pivotal in optimizing stroke care delivery. Dr.

Barlotta elaborates, "The launchpad epitomizes teamwork. By consolidating resources, including STAT nurses, CT specialists, pharmacy, neurology, and ED staff, we foster synergy in a single location adjacent to the CT scanner. This unified approach expedites diagnostic imaging and facilitates prompt treatment decisions, whether it's administering thrombolytics or planning further interventions."

The launchpad's success resonates profoundly in UAB's context, given its substantial volume of stroke patients. "Despite facing unprecedented ED traffic, our team's commitment to innovation has paid off," reflects Dr. Barlotta. "The launchpad epitomizes our dedication to enhancing collaboration and elevating stroke care standards. Ultimately, our aim is to optimize patient outcomes, making the launchpad a resounding success."

Innovative and patient-centric, UAB's stroke launchpad embodies a paradigm shift in emergency stroke care, underscoring the transformative potential of streamlined processes and interdisciplinary collaboration in saving lives.



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NEWS



Wildfire in Concord

BY MATT BRYANT
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The Alabama Forestry Commission was notified Thursday evening on March 28, 2024 of a wildfire in the Concord community of West Jefferson

County. The fire was contained by a fire break perimeter around 2:30 a.m. Friday morning as the fire reached around 150-acres of damage. No structures were damaged. As the fire continues to burn inside the contained

perimeter, smoke is still likely to be seen in the area. Concord Fire Department said they are unsure of the cause of the fire, but the Alabama Forestry Commission had reason to think it may have had something to do with the start of turkey hunting season.

Tuscaloosa Bar Shooting

BY MATT BRYANT
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Tuscaloosa police are investigating a shooting that left two men injured Saturday morning March 30, 2024.

The Tuscaloosa Police Department, officers were

called to Dave's Crimson Bar at 12:30 a.m. after a man fired shots into the building. Witnesses told police a man was involved in an altercation inside the bar before he went outside and fired shots into the building.

A man was transported

to DCH Regional Medical Center for treatment of serious injuries. A second man arrived at DCH shortly after with not life-threatening injuries.

There is no suspect in custody at this time. The Tuscaloosa Violent Crimes Unit is investigating.

Registration for the 41st Alabama State Games Off and Running

Registration for the 41st Alabama State Games opened March 1 at ALAGAMES.com and has been growing steadily. Soccer, baseball and first-year-sport Powerlifting have been leading the way as teams and individuals announce their intentions to go for gold in 20-plus sports June 7-9 in Birmingham and Jefferson County.

"After just one month, the number of registrants for the Alabama State Games speaks volumes about the passion and enthusiasm this state has for sports," said Alabama State Games Executive Director Laura Creel Burt. "After seeing the number of participants we had in 2023 - our first year back in Birmingham and Jefferson County after several years away - we had a great feeling about what the future held. Day by day we are seeing it reflected."

An added incentive for the 41st Alabama State Games hosted by the City of Birmingham and Jefferson County is the \$40,000 in scholarships that will be awarded on June 7. Athletes who register for the Games and then attend both the State Farm Athlete Leadership Summit and the Opening Ceremony inside Legacy Arena at the BJCC will be entered into a drawing where 32 academic scholarships will be awarded. The Alabama State

Games has awarded \$363,000 to date in academic scholarships.

Burt added: "The Alabama State Games uses sports as a vehicle to promote academic success, healthy lifestyles and good citizenship. The scholarship initiative embodies our commitment to our mission. Through sports - a common thread that connects every one of all ages - we can see the thrill they experience while achieving success."

Registration and event information can be found at ALAGAMES.com. Follow the Alabama State Games on Facebook and Instagram.

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- ** High School and collegiate Majorette teams are invited to participate as teams and as individuals.
- *** NFHS/AHSAA teams are eligible to register and will compete against other NFHS/AHSAA member schools

Quilted Sketches: Robert Clark's Journey of Quilt Making

By Jakiya Dudley, Digital Media Specialist

Tuscaloosa, Ala. - From a simple pencil and paper to first place winner at the county fair, Robert Clark has always had a passion for art. Robert Clark, a Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant enjoys expressing himself through the intricate strokes of a pencil. "Drawing has always been my first love since the day I was able to hold a pencil in my hand," Clark said.

In high school, he looked forward to attending his art courses each day. The more he poured

his imagination onto paper, the more he started to appreciate his own talents. Realizing his hand-drawn canvas of Mickey Mouse was remarkable, he entered it into the Tuscaloosa County Fair. He won first place in the contest. Not only did he win, but he also won a sense of achievement in that moment. "I was extremely proud of this accomplishment, and it honed my passion even more from then on," Clark noted.

Susan Dockery, Robert's mother, provided unwavering support and encouragement for Robert's love of drawing

since she, too, is an artist. Ms. Dockery's art niche consisted of making quilts. She longed for her son to learn to sew as well, but he did not believe he could do it in the beginning. Ms. Dockery challenged his doubt with motivation by telling him, "Of course you can! All it takes is faith and determination."

Clark's creativity was brought to life on a whole new level as his passion for drawing was met with his mother's love of quilt-making. Ms. Dockery suggested Robert start by sewing his silhouette drawing of renowned Coach Paul Bear Bryant onto a quilt, which he agreed on.

"It took me a full day to make, but it exceeded my expectations when I was finally done," Clark said.

While learning this new skill, he soaked up the moment of his artistry evolving while also regaining a positive bond with his mother. "Since Robert has been more in touch with his creative side, it has really brought us closer together," Dockery said. "I couldn't be more proud of him." He is currently in progress creating his second quilt which will be a beautiful tulip. Clark gives credit to the Lord for his love of art being the very thing that helped him transform his life.



Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant Robert Clark



Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant Robert Clark and his mother Susan Dockery, pictured with the handmade quilt of Coach Paul Bear Bryant.

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JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000120

ESTATE OF: GRACE DULANEY, an alleged protected person

TO: Joanne Davis, Carol Lynn Quinn, Any and All Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown and to any and all interested parties;

Take notice that on the 27th day of February 2024, Jefferson County Department of Human Resources filed a petition for the protective placement an/or service

for an appointment of a Guardian/Conservator for Grace Dulaney, An Alleged Incapacitated Person.

Notice is hereby given the above-named person and all persons in interest that said petition for appointment of Guardian/Conservator has been set for hearing on the 3rd day of April 2024, at 11:30 a.m. All persons in interest should be and appear in this Court on said day of hearing to object to said petition and make such other defense in the premises as to them that may seem meet and proper.

WITNESS MY HAND, this the 7th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER 24BES000131

IN THE MATTER OF: THE CONDEMNATION OF:

STATE OF ALABAMA JOHN R. COOPER, DIRECTOR OF THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Petitioner,
VS.
ANDREW M. BOTTSFORD; RENASANT BANK; MCCALLA FIRE DISTRICT; J.T. SMALLWOOD, JEFFERSON COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR.
Defendants.

On the 4th day of March 2024, came the State of Alabama, Ex Rel John R. Cooper, Director of The Alabama Department of Transportation, by its Attorney of Record, John E. Rollins, and filed its complaint, for the condemnation of certain lands therein described for and on behalf of the said State of Alabama Department of Transportation for use for public road purposes, said lands belonging to Defendants listed.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the 16th day of April 2024 at 10:00 a.m. be set as a day for hearing said Complaint for Order of Condemnation and the proof to be submitted in support of same and upon said hearing an order be made appointing three commissioners to assess the damages and compensation to which the owners

of the said lands may be entitled for the taking of said lands.

It is further ordered that notice of the filing of said Complaint and of the days set for hearing thereof be given

Andrew M. Bottsford, Renasant Bank c/o CT Corporation System, McCalla Fire District; J.T Smallwood, Jefferson County Tax Collector; and any and all unknown party or parties claiming any right, title, lien or interest in and to the property described in this complaint.

Any and all unknown heirs or devisees, of the individual defendants; Any and all unknown claimants of the property hereinafter described who may have any right, title or interest in said property whose names, ages, addresses and conditions are unknown and cannot be ascertained after exercise of reasonable diligence by publication once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, at which time they or any other parties interested in said cause may appear and contest the same if they think proper. Please note that an answer may be filed by each defendant within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

This the 13th day of March 2024.

ELIZABETH NORTH
JUDGE OF PROBATE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL.

Western Star
March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: 24BES000152 ROSEMARY M HOWARD DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court

of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

RHONDA NELSON
Personal Representative(s)
3/22/2024
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
Attorney of Record

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR

STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES000191

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF:

K.S.F., A MINOR NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 8TH day of MARCH, 2024, came ZYLSTREAL ANDERSON, Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.S.F., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and

the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000167

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF: K.L.P., JR., A MINOR NOTICE TO: KENDARIS LAMAR PELTON, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, came NINA R. STEELE, Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.L.P., JR., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000164

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RUBY COCKRELL, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ETAUN COCKRELL MURRELL
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000165

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CATHERINE COURINGTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

LINDA DIANE DECKER
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: 24BES000160 VASOLA FARNES DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 1 Ph day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

PEGGY F SPARKS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/2024
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000166

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CHARLES RICHARD HANDLEY, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of MARCH 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHARLES ROCKY HANDLEY DEBRAH WILLIAMS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/22/2024
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000083

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ADDIE BEE GOLDEN, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT / of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26th day of February 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DEBORAH GOLDEN-SMITH
JAMES T GOLDEN
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/05/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000056

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LEVIS BULLARD BARTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE Elizabeth North, Judge of the Probate Court of Jef-

erson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Martha Hosey
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 23BES000422

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RONNIE DIXON, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 3rd day of January 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ELLEN BERRY PRATT
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

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PROBATE NOTICE

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS TO PROBATE WILL STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 24BES000155 ESTATE OF: JAMES HARRISON, DECEASED

On the 8th day of March, 2024, came ALVIN HOLLEY and filed his petition in writing therewith producing and filing in this Court an instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of JAMES HARRISON, deceased, and praying for such orders decrees and proceedings as will duly and legally effect the Probate and record of said instrument as such will.

And the 16th day of May, 2024, at 10:15 A.M., having been set as a day for hearing said petition and the proof to be submitted

in support of same and it further appearing that the following next of kin of said deceased are: viz:

CHERYL HARRISON TAYLOR, Any and All Known and Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in Jefferson Co., Al. Notice is hereby given the said named next of kin and all other persons in interest, to be and appear in this Court on said 16th day of May, 2024, to contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

Done this the 18th day of March, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star
March 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000070 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PATRICIA HODGES WILEMON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court

of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Patti Wilemon
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000138 IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF: K.M.S., A MINOR NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 5TH day of MARCH, 2024, came L.H., Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.M.S., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to

be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge of Probate
Western Star
March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000193 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: STEPHEN C SMITH, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 20th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County,

Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Marks Smith
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000190 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DERRICK D. TAYLOR, SR., DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 20TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DERRICK D TAYLOR JR
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000173 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RONALD WAYNE CHAMBERS, SR., A/K/A RONALD W. CHAMBERS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

WILLIAM LEE CHAMBERS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000148 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LUCILLE R LEAMAN DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 7th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DONNA LUCILLOE LEAMAN
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/22/2024
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000121 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NANCY ELIZABETH MITCHELL, A/K/A NANCY WOOD MITCHELL, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JAMES MCDONALD MITCHELL
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000080 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JACOB STANO JR, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Alan Johnston
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000161 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: TE YANA UNDERWOOD, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is

hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

BRODERICK UNDERWOOD
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000157 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RICHARD EUGENE MCGUFFIE, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, no-

tice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JESSICA Q COGSWELL
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000181 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MARY RENEE WOLFE, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Sheila Mcisaac
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/2024
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000086 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JOYCE EVELYN WIGGINS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of February 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ROBERT DONALD WIGGINS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024
Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES00046 ESTATE OF: PAUL L. VINES, JR., a.k.a. PAUL LOFTUS VINES, JR., DECEASED.

To: Richard S. Alley, Jr. and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take notice;

On the 13th day of March 2024, came Barbara B. Taylor, Executor for the Estate of Paul L. Vines, Jr., a.k.a. Paul Loftus Vines, Jr., deceased and filed her ac-

counts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 3:00 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Nafel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000162 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DORIS JEAN MCCALB, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

BRANDY JEAN HEFFNER
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000158 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MILDRED CHRISTINE RUNIONS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

AARON RUNIONS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS TO PROBATE WILL STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 22BES000580 ESTATE OF: EARNEST GRAY SCOTT, DECEASED

On the 7th day of March, 2024, came BARBARA SCOTT and filed her petition in writing therewith producing and filing in this Court an instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of EARNEST GRAY SCOTT, deceased, and praying for such orders decrees and proceedings as will duly and legally effect the Probate and record of said instrument as such will.

And the 1st day of May, 2024, at 9:00 A.M., having been set as a day for hearing said petition and the proof to be submitted in support of same and it further appearing that the following next of kin of

said deceased are: viz: SHARON FALLIN, EARNEST SCOTT, JR., WILLIAM SCOTT, CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, Any and All Known and Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in Jefferson Co., Al. Notice is hereby given the said named next of kin and all other persons in interest, to be and appear in this Court on said 1st day of May, 2024, to contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

Done this the 14th day of March, 2024.

Judge James P. Nafel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

ALABAMA LEGAL JOURNAL

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

THAT WHEREAS, on the 10th day of March 2010, Dorothy Anderson, (hereinafter called Mortgagor) did execute and deliver to Urban Financial Group, (hereinafter called Mortgagee) a mortgage on the real property hereinafter described, which mortgage was duly recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Jefferson County, Alabama, on the 19th day of March 2010, as Book

LR201060 Page 24925 and assigned to Reverse Mortgage Solutions on the 10th day of March 2010 and recorded at Book LR201061 Page 6078 which was then corrected on the 4th day of November 2014 and recorded at Book LR 201463 Page 23076; the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development on the 25th of November 2014 and recorded at Book LR201464 Page 9246; Anders Capital Group on the 9th day of

February 2024 and recorded at Instrument Number 2024012722; and LLAGC Community Investment Fund on the 9th day of February 2024 and recorded at Instrument Number 2024012723;

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the debt secured by said mortgage, and said mortgage is subject to foreclosure;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that, will sell at public auction to

the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Jefferson County Courthouse in the City of Birmingham, Alabama, between the lawful hours of sale on the 24th day of April 2024, the property described in said mortgage deed as follows:

The land described herein is situated in the State of Alabama, County of Jefferson, and is described as follows:

Lot 19 in block "A", spivey's addition to Pratt City,

Alabama, Map of which is recorded in ap Book 4, at page 40 in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson County, Alabama.

Parcel Number(s): 22-19-3-1-72-RR-0

Also commonly known as: 121 Fairfax Ave, Birmingham, AL 35214

Subject to any matters of record which pertain to or affect the title to said property.

The proceeds of said sale shall be applied in accordance with the provi-

sions of the above mentioned mortgage. The sale is subject to Alabama laws of redemption.

BY: J. ALAN LIPSCOMB,

Its Attorney OF COUNSEL: Benton & Lipscomb

P.O. Box 471 Fairhope Alabama, 36533

(251) 928-0282

Western Star March 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

PROBATE NOTICE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000153

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RUSSELL G. JONES, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

VIOLET E CHAFFINCH

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000122

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BEVERLY ANN BAKER, A/K/A BEVERLY A. KAUCHICK, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8th day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

WILLIAM ROY LEDBETTER

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000156

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DAVID LEONARD BARRY, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

LINDA DIANE BARRY

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 21BES000339

ESTATE OF: Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr., Deceased.

To: Brenda Jolley, Est of Kenneth Scott Collum, Glenn Bittle, Charles Bishop, Mathew J. Jolley, Crystal Jolley Canterbury, Angela Jolley Fuller, Steve Foster, Terry M. Weeks, Sungmi Cho, LuAnn Stiriz, Tammy Lynn Cleghorn, Shiloh Stacey, Michael E. Whalen, Amy J. Whalen, Toni Fancher Rowe Link, Marjorie Garber and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate,

take notice;

On the 11th day of January 2024, came Andrew Laplante, Esq., Personal Representative for the Estate of Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr. deceased and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 1:30 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000025

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NINNIAN A MCCLAIN, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

KENNETH A MCCLAIN

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/2024

4/5/2024

4/12/2024

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000165

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CATHERINE COURINGTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

LINDA DIANE DECKER

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 20BES000227

ESTATE OF: Betty Atchison, Deceased.

To: Brenda Jolley, Est of Kenneth Scott Collum, Glenn Bittle, Charles Bishop, Mathew J. Jolley, Crystal Jolley Canterbury, Angela Jolley Fuller, Steve Foster, Terry M. Weeks, Sungmi Cho, LuAnn Stiriz, Tammy Lynn Cleghorn, Shiloh Stacey, Michael E. Whalen, Amy J. Whalen, Toni Fancher Rowe Link, Marjorie Garber and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take

notice;

On the 11th day of January 2024, came Andrew Laplante, Esq., Personal Representative for the Estate of Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr. deceased and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 1:30 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000159

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ANITA LOUISE VINES BANKS, A/K/A ANITA L. BANKS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHARLES ALAN BANKS

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000171

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BILLY COLLINS, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, no-

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CASSANDRA D COLLINS

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000091

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BARBARA REYNOLDS LOVELL DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge

of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

TERRY REYNOLDS LOVELL

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/2024

4/5/2024

4/12/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER 24BES000137

IN THE MATTER OF: THE CONDEMNATION OF: STATE OF ALABAMA JOHN R. COOPER, DIRECTOR OF THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION VS.

ELAINE TUCKER CALLAHAN; THE ESTATE OF MARGARET VICTORIA BROWN; EMILY DAVIDSTON; MARGARET ANN DAVISTON; ABNER VINCENT BROWN, JR.; WANDA J. BROWN; MCCALLA FIRE DISTRICT; J.T. SMALLWOOD, JEFFERSON COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR; AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTY OR PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT TITLE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBE IN THIS COMPLAINT

On the 5th day of March 2024, came the State of Alabama, Ex Rel John R. Cooper, Director of The Alabama Department of Transportation, by its Attorney of Record, John E. Rollins, and filed its complaint, for the condemnation of certain lands therein described for and on behalf of the said State of Alabama Department of Transportation for use for public "road" school purposes, said lands belonging to Defendants listed.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the 16th day of April 2024 at 10:30 a.m. be set as a day for hearing said Complaint for Order of Condemnation and the proof to

be submitted in support of same and upon said hearing an order be made appointing three commissioners to assess the damages and compensation to which the owners of the said lands may be entitled for the taking of said lands.

It is further ordered that notice of the filing of said Complaint and of the days set for hearing thereof be given

Elaine Tucker Callahan; the Estate of Margaret Victoria Brown; Emily Davidson; Margaret Ann Daviston Andrew Daviston Abner Vincent Brown, Jr; Wanda J. Brown; McCalla Fire District; J.T Smallwood, Jefferson County Tax Collector; and any and all unknown party or parties claiming any right, title, lien or interest in an to the property described in this complaint.

Any and all unknown heirs or devisees, of the individual defendants; Any and all unknown claimants of the property hereinafter described who may have any right, title or interest in said property whose names, ages, addresses and conditions are unknown and cannot be ascertained after exercise of reasonable diligence by publication once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Alabama, a newspaper published in this County, at which time they or any other parties interested in said cause may appear and contest the same if they think proper. Please note that an answer may be filed by each defendant within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

This the 7th day of March 2024.

ELIZABETH NORTH
JUDGE OF PROBATE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL.

Western Star
March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000145

IN THE MATTER OF: MARY SUSAN BATTLES, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 7th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE JUDGE ADMIN, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

MATTHEW OLAN BATTLES

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 Attorney of Record

PUB ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 22BES000823

ESTATE OF: MARION TAYLOR WILLIAMS, JR., Deceased.

To: Rachel Lea Warren, Robert Marion Williams, Mary Altha Williams and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take notice;

On the 19th day of December 2023, came Marjorie G. Evans, Personal Repre-

sentative for the Estate of Marion Taylor Williams, Jr., deceased and filed her accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 2:30 p.m. be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper. This the 5th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 15, 22 & 29, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000184

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PETER TYRELL DAWSON III, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 18TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Pro-

bate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ASIA JANAE DENSMORE

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

ALABAMA LEGAL JOURNAL

INVITATION FOR BIDS

INVITATION FOR BIDS ITB #29-24 HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferso County Commission Purchasing Agent, Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M., until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on April 24, 2024, for ITB #29-24 "HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES. All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx>

Interested parties must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as

specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

A performance bond will be required in the amount of \$25,000.00

All questions must be submitted in writing to procurementservices@jccal.org

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on April 10, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at the Jefferson County Shades Valley Training Facility located at 1330 Oak Grove Road, Birmingham, AL 35209. For special accommodations please call 205-325-5381 ext. 1810.

Western Star
March 29 & April 5, 2024

INVITATION FOR BIDS

ITB# 31-24 "Fire Extinguisher Annual Inspection and Maintenance"

JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferson County Commission Purchasing Agent Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M., until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on 4/23/2024, for Fire Extinguisher Annual Inspection and Maintenance.

All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx> Interested parties

must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

All questions must be submitted in writing to procurementservices@jccal.org attention Florencie Patton and Harriett Bell.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 11:00 am (CST) in Suite 830 of the Jefferson County Main Courthouse. For special accommodation please call 205-325-5381.

Western Star
March 29 & April 5, 2024

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND FOR DIVISION AND DISTRIBUTION/PAYMENT DEBTS STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY

PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES000358

ESTATE OF: JERRY ARMSTRONG, DECEASED

On the 6th day of November, 2023, came Shannon Morrison, the Personal Representative, for the Estate of Jerry Armstrong, Deceased, and filed her petition in writing, praying for the sale of certain lands described as follows:

6314 Stoker Dr Bessemer, AL 35023

Said property belonging to said estate, the sale being for the purpose of paying debts and or division and distribution among the heirs and devisees, upon the grounds that said property cannot be equitable divided among the joint owners (or that personal property is insufficient therefore) and it appear-

ing to the Court from said petition that the following heirs are non-residents of the State of Alabama:

William Brian Armstrong and any and All Unknown Heirs and Creditors, whose names, ages, conditions and addresses are unknown

And whereas the 1st day of May 2024, at 10:30 a.m. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. This the 30th day of March 2024.

James P. Naftel
Judge of Probate
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024

NOTICE OF SALE

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of Alabama Self Storage Act Section 8-15 there now being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to, shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of; the contents of the following storage units to satisfy an owner's lien, as set forth by Alabama Self Storage Act. Not all units may be available for sale. All sales are for Cash only and unit must be entirely cleaned out within 24 hours of sale. A refundable cleaning deposit will be required for each successful bid. The auction shall be conducted at Discount Self Storage at 1027 Woodward Road, Midfield, AL 35228 on April 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Unit A10 Antonio Webb, 1033 4th Ct. W. Birmingham, AL 35204, Furniture, misc. items.

Unit B30 Felicia Curry, 1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Boxes, Appliances, misc. items.

Unit C02 Margo Ingles, 702 Oak Grove Ave. Greenville, TN 37745, Furniture, Boxes, misc. items.

Unit D03 Felicia Curry,

1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Furniture, Tools, TV's.

Unit D13 Lotoya Wilkins, 1668 19th Pl SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Household items.

Unit E06 Margo Ingles, 702 Oak Grove Ave. Greenville, TN 37745, Antique children's toys & furniture, totes.

Unit E14 Jody Yancey, 1008 Hillandale Dr. Fairfield, AL 35064, Boxes, furniture, wrapped items.

Unit E27 Ricky Tooley, 2229 Wesley Ave. SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Furniture, totes, misc. items.

Unit E28 Donnell Campbell, 6132 Ct. M. Birmingham, AL 35228, Industrial Fan, Furniture, Tools, misc. items.

Unit E37 Terita King, 2307 Pearson Ave SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Furniture, Totes, misc. items.

Unit G12 Sabrina Elington, 837 Alden Ave. Birmingham, AL 35228, 4-Wheeler, Pressure Washer, Tools, misc. items.

Unit G22 Felicia Curry, 1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Boxes, furniture.

Western Star
April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT

OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000154

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

DARRYL LANGDON LOVELADY, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, no-

tice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DREW EVAN LOVELADY

Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000196

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

RODERICK WAYNE WILKINS DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 22nd day of MARCH 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

MICHAELANGELO WILKINS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000187

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

LAWRENCE E. SULLIVAN, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 19TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

NANCY E RICE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000189

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

LEWIS MICKEL HAMILTON, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHERYL HAMILTON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY

PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000185

ESTATE OF: RONA J. MORGAN, DECEASED

TO: BARRY PATRICK MORGAN, Any and All Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Addresses are Unknown

And to any and all interested parties;

On the 19TH day of MARCH, 2024, came SHARI JEAN SALVAGE, and filed her Petition for letters of administration with the will annexed, in the matter of the Estate of RONA J. MORGAN, Deceased.

CASE NO. 24BES00100

NOTICE REGARDING ESTATE OF JOHN MILLARD

WHATLEY, JR., DECEASED

TO THE HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF JOHN MILLARD

WHATLEY, JR., DECEASED

AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Take notice that JOHN MILLARD WHATLEY, JR., Deceased, a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, expired on December 24, 2020; that a Petition for a Summary Distribution on the Estate of John Millard Whatley, Jr., Deceased, has been filed

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 11:15 A.M., has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

This the 27TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
Judge of Probate
Centreville Press
April 5, 12 & 19, 2024

in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson County, Alabama, on the 21st day of February 2024, as provided in the "Alabama Small Estates Act"; that you may take any action you deem appropriate regarding this

estate, including notice to the Court, of any legal cause why this estate should not be distributed according to said Act within 30 days from the date of this publication.

This the 28th day of March 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT BESSEMER DIVISION
April 5, 2024

PROBATE NOTICE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000182

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

EDNA WARD a/k/a EDNA MAE WARD DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 18th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffers-

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ROBIN WATSON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000198

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

CHARLOTTE F WILSON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 22nd day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

KRISTEN FARRIS
RUTH BURLESON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000183

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

JAMES WESLEY TUBBS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JAMES WILLARD TUBBS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
04/19/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 23BES000767

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

HENRY LOUIS HINKLE, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jef-

erson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ANGELO HINKLE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000101

ESTATE OF: ALANTIS PRUITT, DECEASED

TO: A'NYA HESTER, IYANA HESTER, The Heirs and Creditors and To Whom It May Concern

And to any and all interested parties;

On the 21ST day of FEBRUARY, 2024, came JAMES PRUITT, as beneficiary of ALANTIS PRUITT, Deceased, having expired on DECEMBER 31, 2023, a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, and filed his Petition for Summary Distribution in this matter as

provided in the "Alabama Small Estates Act".

And whereas the 11TH day of APRIL 2024, at 10:30 A.M., has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by one time publication for one week in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

This the 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
Judge of Probate
April 5, 2024

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY

PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES000327

ESTATE OF: RACHEL KOEBCKE, DECEASED

To: Heaven Koebecke, Sam Hartill, Jason Hartill, Harmony Allen, and any and all other parties interested in said estate, take notice;

On the 7th day of March 2024, came Richard Koebecke, the Personal Representative for the Estate of Rachel Koebecke,

deceased, and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 15th day of May 2024, at 2:00 p.m. be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 1st day of April 2024.

Judge is James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
04/5/24
4/12/24
4/19/24

ALABAMA LEGAL JOURNAL

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice to Contractors Federal Aid Project No. IM-I022(319) JEFFERSON 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 April 26, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Pavement Preservation on I-22 from the Coalburg Road Interchange to the I-65 Interchange in Birmingham. Length 3.160 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 Forty-five (45) Working Days. A 1.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

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

Minimum wage rates for this project have

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

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

The bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This Bracket should not be used in preparing a

bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award this contract.

The Bracket Estimate On This Project Is From \$2,288,699 To \$2,797,298 .

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 autho-

lyzed representatives, upon requests that are received before 10 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

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

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

U.S.C. 2000D TO 2000D-4 and Title 49 code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of The Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federal-

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The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

JOHN R. COOPER
Transportation Director
Western Star
April 5, 12 & 19, 2024

Notice to Contractors Federal Aid Project No. NH-FMGR 0007(562) JEFFERSON 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 April 26, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Resurfacing (Micro-Surfacing Seal Coat, Type II & Type III), Guardrail Installation, and Traffic Stripe on SR-7 (US-11) from the intersection of SR-75 in Roebuck to the I-459 Interchange. Length 2.862 mi.

The total amount of uncompleted work un-

der contract to a contractor must not exceed the amount of his or her qualification certificate.

The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In Thirty (30) Working Days. A 2.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

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

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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 \$909,214 To \$1,111,261 .

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 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

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

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NOTICE OF AUCTION

Notice of Sale:

In accordance with Section 32-13-1, Code of Alabama 1975, notice is hereby given to the owners, lien holders and other interested parties that the following described abandoned vehicle will be sold at public auction for cash to the highest bidder on 06/10/2024 at 12pm. Location Copart Auto Auctions 3101 Davey Allison Blvd Hueytown, AL 35023.

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2HGFG3B54FH518828	2015	HONDA	CIVIC	BLACK
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2GTEC19T311341611	2001	GMC	NEW SIERRA	GOLD
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Sealed proposals for the construction of **Flush Valve Repair and Replacement** will be received by the Warrior River Water Authority (WRWA), Oak Grove, Alabama (Owner) located in the WRWA Office, 8900 Lock 17 Road, Bessemer, AL 35023 until **10:00 a.m.**, the prevailing time, on **May 7, 2024** at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read. The bid is comprised of the following principal item:

Miscellaneous Flush Valve Repair and Replacement

Plans and Specifications may be inspected at the WRWA office at the address above, and they may be inspected or obtained from the of-

ice of Municipal Consultants, Inc., 200 Century Park South, Suite 212, Birmingham, Alabama 35226, upon payment of **\$75.00**. Cost of plans and specifications are non-refundable.

All Bidders must be responsible, meeting the criteria and requirements set forth in the specification documents. Prequalification of Bidders is not required.

This project is considered a "Public Works" project and is governed by competitive bid laws as contained in Title 39 of the Alabama Code. Bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, and Bond Agents should be familiar with this code.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities. No Bidder may withdraw his bid with-

in sixty days from the date set for receiving of the same. There will not be a Pre-Bid Conference for this Project.

This project is governed by the applicable bid laws and practices of the State of Alabama and the US Department of Treasury. This project is supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number SLFRP 1176, awarded to the Jefferson County Commission by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

By: Greytan K. Glaze
Title General Manager

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Consulting Engineers
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ADVERTISEMENT INVITATION FOR BIDS

ITB# 33-24 "Fire Extinguisher Inspection and Maintenance- ESD"

JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferson County Commission Purchasing Agent Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M. , until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on 5/7/2024, for Fire Extinguisher Inspection and

Maintenance - ESD.

All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx> Interested parties must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

All questions must be submitted in writing to

procurementservices@jccal.org attention Florencie Patton and Harriett Bell.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 11:00 am (CST) in Suite 830 of the Jefferson County Main Courthouse. For special accommodation please call 205-325-5381.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA RIVERFALL CREDIT UNION Plaintiff,

v. KIHJA STACY, Defendant. CASE NO. DV 2023-900616.00

NOTICE OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

The above-styled cause of action has been filed in the District Court of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. The Plaintiff is seeking a judgment from the Defendant in

the principal sum of \$16,046.15, plus interest subsequent thereto and costs thereon relative to an account stated for merchandise received.

The Defendant, Kihja Jacole Stacy, whose address is 3776 Highway 5, Brent, AL 35034, in Bibb County, Alabama, and whose whereabouts are otherwise unknown, must answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff within fourteen (14) days from the date of the last publication by filing an answer with the Tuscaloosa County District Court and serving a copy of said answer

upon counsel for the Plaintiff at the following address: S. Scott Hickman, 2600 7th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, telephone number 205-248-2616, or a judgment by default may be rendered against her in Case No. DV-2023-900616.00, currently pending in the District Court of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

Done this the 5th day of April, 2024.

District Court Clerk, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama
Western Star
April 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2024

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NEWS

Empowering Parents: Alabama's 'Parental Right to Know Bill' Enhances Classroom Transparency

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

In a significant stride towards fostering transparency and parental involvement in education, Alabama Governor Kay Ivey recently signed the 'Parental Right to Know Bill' into law. It mandates that public school teachers in Alabama must post their curriculum online, granting parents and guardians unparalleled access to the educational content being taught in their child's classroom.

The move aims to bridge the communication gap between educators and parents, offering them a comprehensive understanding of the learning materials and objectives their children are exposed to throughout the academic year. State Superintendent Dr. Eric Mackey, who played a pivotal role in shaping the bill, emphasized that this ini-

tiative is not intended to encumber teachers but rather to augment parental engagement in their child's education.

This will not prevent educators from losing their rights or professional judgment. It does not take away from a teacher's ability to make changes on a day-to-day basis as they need to. This reassurance draws a line on the legislation's intent to facilitate collaboration between teachers and parents while respecting educators' expertise and flexibility in adapting teaching methods to meet students' needs.

Informed parental involvement is key to enhancing student success. Parents need to be engaged in the learning process. That was really the force behind this and how to help parents engage in what's going on in the child's classroom.

By making curriculum materials readily

accessible online, parents are empowered to actively participate in their child's educational journey. Armed with knowledge about the curriculum, parents can better support their children's learning at home, reinforce classroom lessons, and address any concerns that may arise regarding the content being taught.

The 'Parental Right to Know Bill' establishes a formal process for parents and guardians to voice their concerns or objections regarding classroom instruction. Under the new law, parents can question the curriculum or request a meeting with the teacher to discuss their apprehensions. This provision draws a line of the importance of open dialogue and collaboration between educators and parents in shaping the educational experience of students.

Tuscaloosa City Schools and University of Alabama Forge Free Ride Path to Address Teacher Shortage

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

In response to a pressing need for teachers, Tuscaloosa City School District and the University of Alabama have collaborated on an innovative solution. With six openings to fill and a typical annual hiring requirement of around 100 teachers, the district has sought to tackle the challenge head-on.

Superintendent Dr. Mike Daria emphasized the importance of innovative thinking in addressing the teacher shortage. The partnership with the University of Alabama aims to provide aspiring educators with a unique opportunity: a tuition-free pathway to becoming teachers, with one caveat.

Under this arrangement, students pursuing teaching careers will receive a full tuition scholarship within the University of Alabama's College of Education. The Tuscaloosa City School District will supplement this by contributing to the cost of college courses. Additionally, students will

have the opportunity for paid internships while studying education at UA.

In return, graduates commit to teaching within the Tuscaloosa City School District for a minimum of two years.

The primary objective of the initiative is to increase the number of potential teachers within the Tuscaloosa City School District. By investing in aspiring educators and providing incentives for them to remain in the local community, the program aims to address both the statewide and local shortage of teachers.

Financially, the school district will allocate \$5,000 per student, sourced from the general fund and Elevate Tuscaloosa, a city-connected initiative. The University of Alabama will cover the majority of the tuition scholarship, making the collaboration a mutually beneficial investment.

Dr. Daria views this program as a strategic investment in the future of education. By leveraging resources and partnerships, the aim is to culti-

vate high-quality teachers who will positively impact the community for years to come.

Scheduled to commence in May 2025, the Teach in Bama scholarship program has specific eligibility criteria. Prospective students must maintain a 3.0 high school GPA, earn a minimum of three hours of UA Early College Credit by December 18, 2024, and participate in the UA Early College Summer Residential Program and the Teach in Bama Institute during the summer months.

Recipients of the scholarship are required to enroll and complete a minimum of 12 hours in an approved teacher education program to retain their funding.

Through this initiative, Tuscaloosa City Schools and the University of Alabama are not only addressing the immediate need for teachers but also investing in the future of education, ensuring that aspiring educators have the support and resources necessary to thrive in their careers while serving the local community.

Plain & Simple
"Slow down and enjoy the simple pleasures in life"
By: Sheila Duncan

Strawberry Icebox Cake

Ingredients:
8 oz. cream cheese, at room temperature
1 cup powdered sugar
3 cup heavy cream, divided
1 tbsp. Vanilla bean paste or extract
1 tbsp. Lemon zest
20 graham cracker sheets
1 1/2 lb. Strawberries, sliced about 1/4-inch thick (about 4 1/2 cups)

Directions:
Beat the cream cheese in the bowl of a stand mixer with the beater attachment until smooth. Add the powdered sugar; beat until smooth. Scrape down the sides of the bowl. Add 1 cup of the heavy cream and beat at low speed until smooth. Add the remaining 2 cups of cream; beat at medium to medium-high speed until soft peaks form, increasing the speed as the mixture begins to thicken. Fold in the vanilla and lemon zest. Spoon 1/4 cup of the cream mixture into the bottom of a 9-by-9-inch pan or baking dish; spread into a thin, even layer. Top with the graham crackers in a single, even layer, breaking them as needed to fit. Spread about 1 1/2 cups of the cream mixture over the graham crackers, smoothing into an even layer using a spoon or offset spatula. Top the cream mixture with an even layer of the berries (about 1 1/2 cups). Sprinkle evenly with 1/4 cup of the almonds, if using. Repeat one more time, then top with a final layer of graham crackers, cream mixture, and berries. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate at least four hours or up to overnight.

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Bid# BCS-2024-41 (REPOST)
HVAC System - Greenwood AMENDED

Besemer City Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids 30-ton split air conditioning unit with 15-ton gas packaged unit for Greenwood Elementary School Cafeteria. This is to include removal and disposal of existing equipment/ductwork. Installation of all equipment and ductwork to be performed on or after May 17, 2024 and an anticipated completion date of July 22, 2024. All respondents are required to submit 1 (one) copy of their bid.

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT BESSEMER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1621 5TH AVENUE NORTH, BESSEMER, AL 35020 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2024 @ 4:00 P. M.

The envelope should be labeled:
Bid# BCS-2024-41
HVAC System - Greenwood Bessemer Board of Education Finance Department
ATTN: Patricia Stewart, CSFO 1621 5th Avenue North Bessemer, AL 35020

HVAC SYSTEM GREENWOOD

RFP Posted	March 18, 2024
*Mandatory Site Visit at 4:00 p.m.	April 2, 2024
Deadlines for Inquiries	April 2, 2024
Proposals Due by 4:00 p.m.	April 10, 2024
Board Work Session	April 11, 2024
Commencement of Services (projected)	May 27, 2024

The bids will be opened and read publicly at the Bessemer Board of Education in the Boardroom during the scheduled Work Session on April 11th, 2024 @ 5:30pm. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDER TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE SEALED BID IS RECEIVED IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT ON/BEFORE APRIL 10TH, 2024. ANY BIDS RECEIVED AFTER THE DESIGNATED DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BUT WILL BE KEPT ON FILE. THE BOARD HAS THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

For more details and specifications, please visit our website at www.bessk12.org, under Departments/ Business & Finance/Bids tab or contact Reginald Mitchell at 205 432-3900.

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Besemer Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for the Child Nutrition Program for the following locations:

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Bid# RD 23-40
Commercial Roll-up Doors

Jonesboro Elementary School
Bid# WF 23-39
Add on Walk-in Freezer

BID ANNOUNCEMENT AMENDED (EXTENTION)

All respondents are required to submit 2 (two) copies of your proposal. Sealed Bids Will Be Received By The Finance Department Located At Bessemer City Board Of Education, 1621 5th Avenue North, Bessemer, Al 35020 Until Wednesday, April 10, 2024 @ 12:00 P. M.

**Please refer to the Bessemer Board of Education website (www.bessk12.org) Business & Accounting Department for a detailed RFP, time sensitive information, scope of work and required documents. **

SOUTHERN STYLES

The promise of the Resurrection is God's promise of hope, love and joy



DONALD JAY HOWTON, III
WESTERN STAR,
SOCIAL EDITOR

The glorious Resurrection of Jesus Christ, following his crucifixion and death, is the foundation of Christianity.

Easter Sunday is only the beginning.

The Greek word for Resurrection, anastasis means to arise. In the New Testament we learn of the raising of our bodies at the last day. Isaiah 26: 19 states, "But your dead will live; their bodies will rise."

The promise of the Resurrection, the promise of hope, love and joy, is a truth found in the Gospel of John 11: 25-26, "I am the Resurrection

and the life. Whoever believes in me though he die, yet shall he live and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

The Paschal Candle will burn for the next fifty-days.

The observance of the Great Fifty Days of Easter is a Fifty-day feast known as Eastertide where we celebrate with joy the Resurrection of Christ. This celebration of the Paschal feast is in preparation for Pentecost, the beginning of the Christian church.

During the Great Fifty Days, reflect on Jesus returning to the apostles alive and speaking to them about His Resurrection, the kingdom of God and the promise of eternal life and glory.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Have a Happy, Blessed and Holy Easter Season.



Stephen Calvert and The Reverend Timothy Hoff



Tom Juenger, Ashley, Lincoln, Elijah, Violet Elise and Jeremy Smithson



Joy Davis and Clint Davis



The Reverend Timothy Hoff and Judge Billy and Nancy Patton

GOOD AFTERNOON

A chat with Mr. Easter Bunny, He has the chocolate, Hoppy Easter



DONALD JAY HOWTON, III
WESTERN STAR,
SOCIAL EDITOR

Mr. Easter Bunny is still hopping with excitement. It was delightful sitting down with him recently for an interview. The Easter Bunny, one of the symbols of Easter, dresses in brightly colored clothes and brings Easter eggs and chocolates to all the good little boys and girls. Also, in his cane basket are toys and candy,

especially chocolate bunny rabbits. We all love chocolate. In some foreign countries, Mr. Easter Bunny is referred to as the Easter Rabbit or Easter Hare. He loves to dye and paint his eggs and create beautiful designs on them. His cousin, the White House Bunny, first appeared in 1969 and the White House tradition was born.

What is your favorite color? Mr. Bunny: I am an Auburn fan, so naturally my favorite colors are orange and blue. However, I love all the pastel colors; they are so cheerful.

What does the Easter egg symbolize? Mr. Bunny: It is a symbol of rebirth and new

life. When was the first Easter Egg roll at The White House? Mr. Bunny: It is my understanding that there was an Easter egg hunt held during Abraham Lincoln's administration. However, the first official Easter Egg Roll was held in 1878. Every year on Easter Monday, The White House hosts the annual Easter Egg Roll on the South lawn.

What is your favorite type of music? Mr. Bunny: Of course, I like Hip-Hop.

Who is your favorite author? Mr. Bunny: Well that is a silly question! My favorite author is Beatrix Potter, of course.

What is your

favorite meal? Mr. Bunny: I love a fresh carrot salad with a side dish of crispy celery. I have quite a sweet tooth so for dessert nothing beats a delicious carrot cake with crême cheese frosting and chocolate covered strawberries.

Do you have a second job? Mr. Bunny: I do not, but if I did, I would work at an animal shelter. What could be more rewarding than finding homes for rabbits and other furry friends?

Do you have any hobbies? Mr. Bunny: I really enjoy a good game of Hide and Seek with my fellow rabbits.

Do you ever take a vacation? Mr.

Bunny: Not really, but if I ever did, I would enjoy visiting the Bunny Islands.

What is your favorite movie? Mr. Bunny: I love the classics such as Willy Wonka and the

Chocolate Factory. He loved candy too.

How do you relax? Mr. Bunny: When I have finished all of my deliveries, I relax with a cup of chamomile tea and a good book.



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Quote of the Week
by Donald J. Howton

**Christ the Lord is Risen today,
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~ Charles Wesley




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Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day April 13

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Save the Date! The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day in Bessemer will be Saturday, April 13 starting at 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. or when capacity is met.

The City of Bessemer Public Works Laydown Yard, 1205 15th Avenue, North, Bessemer is one of the three locations.

The other locations are the First Baptist Church Gardendale-South location on Main Street in Gardendale and Classic Car Motoring, 3900 Grants Mill Road in Irondale.

This annual household hazardous waste service is a partnership with Jefferson County.

Storm Water Specialist Freddie Freeman stated, "This service provides an opportunity for the citizens

of Bessemer to properly dispose of household hazardous waste materials at no cost. Certified contractors will be present at sites accepting items."

Items accepted include ammunition, appliances, batteries, paint, household cooking grease, electronics, paper shredding, tires, prescription drugs, batteries, pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers.



Taste of Bessemer at Bessemer Civic Center

8th Annual Taste of Bessemer Job Fair & Expo April 11

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

According to the Bessemer Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bessemer Area is a ONE STOP SHOP. The 8th Annual Taste of Bessemer Job Fair and Business Expo is scheduled for Thursday, April 11 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The event, sponsored by the Bessemer Area

Chamber of Commerce, will be held at the Bessemer Civic Center, 1130 Ninth Avenue, SW.

Among the vendors participating will be 70 food vendors, business vendors and non-profit organizations.

Bad Boy Butch with 98.7 will provide the entertainment.

The first Taste of Bessemer was held in 2015 at the civic center.

Tickets are currently on sale at the chamber office on 18th Street in historic downtown Bessemer. The cost of the ticket is \$15 per person and the deadline to purchase tickets is April 8. The event is free to children ages 4 and under.

For more information, contact the Bessemer Chamber at 205-425-3253 or bessemerchamber.events@gmail.com.



Photo by Jason Knighten

Big Saver Thrift Store catches fire



Saban Center Establishes Strategic Partnership with Leading Architectural and Cultural Planning Firms

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

Exciting news emerges from the Saban Center as it joins forces with five esteemed architectural and cultural planning firms renowned for their innovation and successful project execution. This strategic alliance aims to shape the future landscape of the Saban Center, a multifaceted institution dedicated to education, science, arts, recreation, and discovery.

The collaborative partners include Steinberg Hart, Davis Architects, CambridgeSeven, Theatre Projects, and Lord Cultural Resources, each bringing unique expertise to the table.

Steinberg Hart, a globally recognized architecture firm with nearly 70

years of experience, is celebrated for its innovative designs that enrich lives. With offices across major cities in the United States, Steinberg Hart has an extensive portfolio spanning education, arts, and cultural projects nationwide.

Partnering with Steinberg Hart, Davis Architects, a distinguished firm based in Birmingham, Alabama, brings a century of experience in architecture, interior design, and planning. Together, they will shape the architectural vision of the Saban Center, ensuring it stands as a masterpiece that reflects the center's transformative mission.

CambridgeSeven, an architecture firm established in 1962, is known for its award-winning designs worldwide. With expertise in various sectors, including museums and exhibitions, CambridgeSeven will play a pivotal role in conceptualizing immersive exhibits crucial to the Saban Center's educational experience.

Theatre Projects, with a legacy of over 65 years, specializes in creating venues that promote storytelling and community interaction. Collaborating

with the Saban Center, Theatre Projects will provide strategic planning guidance, ensuring sustainable operations and fostering community engagement through initiatives like the Tuscaloosa Children's Theatre.

As a global leader in cultural-sector planning, Lord Cultural Resources brings invaluable expertise to the Saban Center project. With a track record spanning over four decades and engagements across the globe, Lord Cultural Resources will craft the operational framework necessary to integrate educational, cultural, and community elements seamlessly.

These partnerships mark a significant step towards realizing the Saban Center's mission of providing innovative facilities that foster learning and community engagement. With the collective vision of these esteemed partners, the Saban Center is poised to become a beacon of excellence in STEM education.

For more information about the Saban Center, please visit www.saban-center.org.

Photo by the Saban Center

Gov. Ivey Gives Heartfelt Easter Message

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Standing in the office of the governor, Governor Kay Ivey offered a meaningful Easter greeting last Friday, Good Friday, March 29.

She spoke of the Easter message, the central feast of Christianity which commemorates the Resurrection of Jesus found

in Matthew 28:5-6. Which reads, "And the angel answered and said unto the woman, "Fear not, for I know that you seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for he is risen."

Governor Ivey stated, "These verses are powerful and remind us of the love our Savior Jesus Christ has for all of us."

During the Easter holiday weekend, she

reminded all Alabamians to remember that Jesus Christ died for our sins. He gave his life for us.

As she extended Easter greetings, Governor Ivey encouraged us to rejoice in the victory of His resurrection, triumph over death and know that we have the hope of eternal life.

Christ is risen indeed!



Alabama Adventure Amusement Park and Splash Adventure Water Park

Alabama Adventure Hiring 400 Summer Employees

BY DONALD JAY HOWTON
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Alabama Adventure Amusement Park and Splash Adventure Water Park in Bessemer are now hiring for the 2024 season. They are two great parks for one great price.

The theme parks will open on May 11 at 10:30.

There are 400 positions to be filled at the parks.

The positions are ideal for students, teachers and even the recently retired who are looking for summer work or just love a fun, exciting summer job.

Director of Human Resources and Marketing Alex Ramsey said, "We are very excited about the opening of the 2024 season. The most important aspects of the parks are the people, staff and guests. They

make it the special place that it is."

No previous experience is required and all training is done in-house.

Available positions include ride attendants, lifeguards, slide attendants, retail, food and beverage, quality control, admissions, security and even more.

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BEE Winner: Jennifer Bonds

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

DCH extends our heartfelt congratulations to Jennifer Bonds, who serves as a patient care assistant and unit secretary on 6 North, for being named the latest recipient of the BEE Award. Jennifer was nominated by RN Heather Jones, who commended her for going above and beyond in her role as a patient siter. Heather shared how Jennifer willingly sacrificed her break time to comfort a patient through song. She recounted hearing their voices harmonizing joyfully down the hall. Jennifer remained by the patient's side until they drifted off to sleep peacefully. Her actions that night truly embodied the values of teamwork and compassion. We are immensely proud to have Jennifer as a member of our 6 North team! Congratulations, Jennifer! The BEE Award, which stands for Being Exceptional Everyday, celebrates outstanding service from our

non-nursing staff members. This award is open to employees from all departments, excluding RNs. Nominations for the BEE Award are welcome from patients, their families, physicians, DCH employees, and volunteers. If you have experienced or witnessed exceptional service from a team member at DCH, we encourage you to nominate them for the BEE Award. To submit a nomination, please visit dchsystem.com/recognition.



DCH Health System Welcomes David Roberts as VP of Construction/Engineering

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

The DCH Health System is thrilled to announce the appointment of David Roberts as the Vice President of Construction/Engineering, effective April 15th.

Roberts brings a wealth of experience to his new role, having previously served in various capacities within the healthcare sector. Most recently, he held the position of Contract Manager at The University of Alabama, overseeing construction and renovation projects for the Alabama Department of Mental Health facilities in Tuscaloosa, including Bryce Hospital, Harper Center, and Taylor Hardin Secure Medical Facility.

Prior to his tenure at The University of Alabama, Roberts spent over two decades at DCH

Health System, where he served as the Corporate Director of Construction/Engineering. During his time there, he played a pivotal role in supervising multiple departments and managing numerous projects, notably contributing to the construction of the Lewis and Faye Mander-son Cancer Center.

"We are delighted to welcome David back to DCH in this capacity," remarked Luke Standefer, Administrator/Senior Vice President. "His extensive background in healthcare and construction, combined with his previous experience at DCH, makes him an invaluable addition to our leadership team. We are confident that his expertise will greatly contribute to our ongoing efforts to enhance and expand the

services we offer to the community."

Roberts holds a master's degree in chemical engineering and a bachelor's degree in chemistry, both from The University of Alabama.

His return to DCH marks a significant milestone as the organization continues its mission to provide exceptional healthcare services while striving for continuous improvement and growth.



Tuscaloosa City Initiates Construction of Fire Station 6

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

A significant milestone was reached as the City of Tuscaloosa commenced the construction of Fire Station 6 on Thursday, March 21st, at 11 a.m.

The groundbreaking ceremony featured addresses from Mayor Walt Maddox, Councilor John Faile, and Fire Chief Randy Smith.

Mayor Walt Maddox expressed optimism about the impact of Fire Station 6, stating, "The establishment of Fire Station 6 holds im-

mense significance for the community it serves. Fire stations endure through generations, and I am confident that this modern facility will uphold our standard of excellence and cater to the needs of our residents effectively."

The new Fire Station 6 will be situated at the junction of Hargrove Rd E and Loop Rd.

Councilor John Faile shared his enthusiasm, remarking, "This fire station marks a pivotal moment for our firefighters, granting them a dedicated space

once again."

Replacing a station that would have celebrated 57 years this year, Fire Chief Randy Smith emphasized the broader community impact, stating, "This station's significance extends beyond the department and the City; it serves as a vital community resource, enhancing our training capabilities and ensuring sustained service for years to come."

Completion of Fire Station 6 is anticipated by spring 2025.

UAB Hospital's New Stroke Launchpad Revolutionizes Emergency Stroke Care

SPECIAL TO THE STAR

In the race against time to prevent the devastating effects of stroke, every second counts. Recognizing this urgency, UAB Hospital's Emergency Department (ED) has pioneered a groundbreaking approach to streamline stroke diagnosis and treatment: the stroke launchpad.

Introduced in July 2023, the stroke launchpad has emerged as a game-changer, amplifying efficiency, collaboration, and patient outcomes. Nestled within the ED's premises, this specialized area serves as the nerve center for a multidisciplinary team of experts dedicated to swift and precise stroke interventions.

The launchpad's strategic location facilitates rapid decision-making regarding crucial treatments such as administering clot-dissolving medications like tenecteplase and considering advanced catheter-based procedures like thrombectomy. By centralizing stroke care, the launchpad optimizes resource allocation and minimizes delays, ensuring patients receive

timely interventions that can make all the difference.

Efficiency Amplified Dr. Kevin S. Barlotta, overseeing quality and patient safety within UAB's Department of Emergency Medicine, underscores the launchpad's impact on Door-to-Needle (DTN) time – a pivotal metric for stroke care. "Efficiency and accuracy are paramount in stroke management," explains Dr. Barlotta. "The launchpad empowers us to deliver prompt interventions, keeping us within the therapeutic window. Placing patients in close proximity to the CT scanner expedites diagnosis and treatment initiation."

Anticipating incoming stroke cases, emergency personnel alert the ED in advance, enabling direct routing to the stroke launchpad. Dr. Barlotta highlights the remarkable progress: "Our target DTN is 60 minutes. Since September 2023, we've consistently achieved DTN below 60 minutes, with a noticeable trend towards sub-45 and even sub-30-minute DTNs."

Unified Care Approach Centralization is pivotal in optimizing stroke care delivery. Dr.

Barlotta elaborates, "The launchpad epitomizes teamwork. By consolidating resources, including STAT nurses, CT specialists, pharmacy, neurology, and ED staff, we foster synergy in a single location adjacent to the CT scanner. This unified approach expedites diagnostic imaging and facilitates prompt treatment decisions, whether it's administering thrombolytics or planning further interventions."

The launchpad's success resonates profoundly in UAB's context, given its substantial volume of stroke patients. "Despite facing unprecedented ED traffic, our team's commitment to innovation has paid off," reflects Dr. Barlotta. "The launchpad epitomizes our dedication to enhancing collaboration and elevating stroke care standards. Ultimately, our aim is to optimize patient outcomes, making the launchpad a resounding success."

Innovative and patient-centric, UAB's stroke launchpad embodies a paradigm shift in emergency stroke care, underscoring the transformative potential of streamlined processes and interdisciplinary collaboration in saving lives.



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Wildfire in Concord

BY MATT BRYANT
WESTERN STAR STAFF

The Alabama Forestry Commission was notified Thursday evening on March 28, 2024 of a wildfire in the Concord community of West Jefferson

County. The fire was contained by a fire break perimeter around 2:30 a.m. Friday morning as the fire reached around 150-acres of damage. No structures were damaged. As the fire continues to burn inside the contained

perimeter, smoke is still likely to be seen in the area. Concord Fire Department said they are unsure of the cause of the fire, but the Alabama Forestry Commission had reason to think it may have had something to do with the start of turkey hunting season.

Tuscaloosa Bar Shooting

BY MATT BRYANT
WESTERN STAR STAFF

Tuscaloosa police are investigating a shooting that left two men injured Saturday morning March 30, 2024.

The Tuscaloosa Police Department, officers were

called to Dave's Crimson Bar at 12:30 a.m. after a man fired shots into the building. Witnesses told police a man was involved in an altercation inside the bar before he went outside and fired shots into the building.

A man was transported

to DCH Regional Medical Center for treatment of serious injuries. A second man arrived at DCH shortly after with not life-threatening injuries.

There is no suspect in custody at this time. The Tuscaloosa Violent Crimes Unit is investigating.

Registration for the 41st Alabama State Games Off and Running

Registration for the 41st Alabama State Games opened March 1 at ALAGAMES.com and has been growing steadily. Soccer, baseball and first-year-sport Powerlifting have been leading the way as teams and individuals announce their intentions to go for gold in 20-plus sports June 7-9 in Birmingham and Jefferson County.

"After just one month, the number of registrants for the Alabama State Games speaks volumes about the passion and enthusiasm this state has for sports," said Alabama State Games Executive Director Laura Creel Burt. "After seeing the number of participants we had in 2023 - our first year back in Birmingham and Jefferson County after several years away - we had a great feeling about what the future held. Day by day we are seeing it reflected."

An added incentive for the 41st Alabama State Games hosted by the City of Birmingham and Jefferson County is the \$40,000 in scholarships that will be awarded on June 7. Athletes who register for the Games and then attend both the State Farm Athlete Leadership Summit and the Opening Ceremony inside Legacy Arena at the BJCC will be entered into a drawing where 32 academic scholarships will be awarded. The Alabama State

Games has awarded \$363,000 to date in academic scholarships.

Burt added: "The Alabama State Games uses sports as a vehicle to promote academic success, healthy lifestyles and good citizenship. The scholarship initiative embodies our commitment to our mission. Through sports - a common thread that connects every one of all ages - we can see the thrill they experience while achieving success."

Registration and event information can be found at ALAGAMES.com. Follow the Alabama State Games on Facebook and Instagram.

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Quilted Sketches: Robert Clark's Journey of Quilt Making

By Jakiya Dudley, Digital Media Specialist

Tuscaloosa, Ala. - From a simple pencil and paper to first place winner at the county fair, Robert Clark has always had a passion for art. Robert Clark, a Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant enjoys expressing himself through the intricate strokes of a pencil. "Drawing has always been my first love since the day I was able to hold a pencil in my hand," Clark said.

In high school, he looked forward to attending his art courses each day. The more he poured

his imagination onto paper, the more he started to appreciate his own talents. Realizing his hand-drawn canvas of Mickey Mouse was remarkable, he entered it into the Tuscaloosa County Fair. He won first place in the contest. Not only did he win, but he also won a sense of achievement in that moment. "I was extremely proud of this accomplishment, and it honed my passion even more from then on," Clark noted.

Susan Dockery, Robert's mother, provided unwavering support and encouragement for Robert's love of drawing

since she, too, is an artist. Ms. Dockery's art niche consisted of making quilts. She longed for her son to learn to sew as well, but he did not believe he could do it in the beginning. Ms. Dockery challenged his doubt with motivation by telling him, "Of course you can! All it takes is faith and determination."

Clark's creativity was brought to life on a whole new level as his passion for drawing was met with his mother's love of quilt-making. Ms. Dockery suggested Robert start by sewing his silhouette drawing of renowned Coach Paul Bear Bryant onto a quilt, which he agreed on.

"It took me a full day to make, but it exceeded my expectations when I was finally done," Clark said.

While learning this new skill, he soaked up the moment of his artistry evolving while also regaining a positive bond with his mother. "Since Robert has been more in touch with his creative side, it has really brought us closer together," Dockery said. "I couldn't be more proud of him." He is currently in progress creating his second quilt which will be a beautiful tulip. Clark gives credit to the Lord for his love of art being the very thing that helped him transform his life.



Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant Robert Clark



Tuscaloosa Day Reporting Center participant Robert Clark and his mother Susan Dockery, pictured with the handmade quilt of Coach Paul Bear Bryant.

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PUBLICATION FOR PETITION OF APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN/CONSERVATOR STATE OF ALABAMA

JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000120

ESTATE OF: GRACE DULANEY, an alleged protected person

TO: Joanne Davis, Carol Lynn Quinn, Any and All Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown and to any and all interested parties;

Take notice that on the 27th day of February 2024, Jefferson County Department of Human Resources filed a petition for the protective placement an/or service

for an appointment of a Guardian/Conservator for Grace Dulaney, An Alleged Incapacitated Person.

Notice is hereby given the above-named person and all persons in interest that said petition for appointment of Guardian/Conservator has been set for hearing on the 3rd day of April 2024, at 11:30 a.m. All persons in interest should be and appear in this Court on said day of hearing to object to said petition and make such other defense in the premises as to them that may seem meet and proper.

WITNESS MY HAND, this the 7th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER 24BES000131

IN THE MATTER OF: THE CONDEMNATION OF:

STATE OF ALABAMA JOHN R. COOPER, DIRECTOR OF THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Petitioner,
VS.
ANDREW M. BOTTSFORD; RENASANT BANK; MCCALLA FIRE DISTRICT; J.T. SMALLWOOD, JEFFERSON COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR.
Defendants.

On the 4th day of March 2024, came the State of Alabama, Ex Rel John R. Cooper, Director of The Alabama Department of Transportation, by its Attorney of Record, John E. Rollins, and filed its complaint, for the condemnation of certain lands therein described for and on behalf of the said State of Alabama Department of Transportation for use for public road purposes, said lands belonging to Defendants listed.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the 16th day of April 2024 at 10:00 a.m. be set as a day for hearing said Complaint for Order of Condemnation and the proof to be submitted in support of same and upon said hearing an order be made appointing three commissioners to assess the damages and compensation to which the owners

of the said lands may be entitled for the taking of said lands.

It is further ordered that notice of the filing of said Complaint and of the days set for hearing thereof be given

Andrew M. Bottsford, Renasant Bank c/o CT Corporation System, McCalla Fire District; J.T Smallwood, Jefferson County Tax Collector; and any and all unknown party or parties claiming any right, title, lien or interest in and to the property described in this complaint.

Any and all unknown heirs or devisees, of the individual defendants; Any and all unknown claimants of the property hereinafter described who may have any right, title or interest in said property whose names, ages, addresses and conditions are unknown and cannot be ascertained after exercise of reasonable diligence by publication once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, at which time they or any other parties interested in said cause may appear and contest the same if they think proper. Please note that an answer may be filed by each defendant within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

This the 13th day of March 2024.

ELIZABETH NORTH
JUDGE OF PROBATE
OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL.

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March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: 24BES000152 ROSEMARY M HOWARD DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court

of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

RHONDA NELSON
Personal Representative(s)
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Attorney of Record

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR

STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES000191

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF:

K.S.F., A MINOR NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 8TH day of MARCH, 2024, came ZYLSTREAL ANDERSON, Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.S.F., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and

the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000167

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF: K.L.P., JR., A MINOR NOTICE TO: KENDARIS LAMAR PELTON, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, came NINA R. STEELE, Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.L.P., JR., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000164

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RUBY COCKRELL, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ETAUN COCKRELL MURRELL
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
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4/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000165

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CATHERINE COURINGTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

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Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: 24BES000160 VASOLA FARNES DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 1 Ph day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000166

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CHARLES RICHARD HANDLEY, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of MARCH 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHARLES ROCKY HANDLEY DEBRAH WILLIAMS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/22/2024
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000083

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ADDIE BEE GOLDEN, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT / of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26th day of February 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DEBORAH GOLDEN-SMITH
JAMES T GOLDEN
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/05/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000056

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LEVIS BULLARD BARTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE Elizabeth North, Judge of the Probate Court of Jef-

erson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Martha Hosey
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 23BES000422

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RONNIE DIXON, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 3rd day of January 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ELLEN BERRY PRATT
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/29/24
4/5/24
4/12/24
Attorney of Record

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PROBATE NOTICE

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS TO PROBATE WILL STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 24BES000155 ESTATE OF: JAMES HARRISON, DECEASED

On the 8th day of March, 2024, came ALVIN HOLLEY and filed his petition in writing therewith producing and filing in this Court an instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of JAMES HARRISON, deceased, and praying for such orders decrees and proceedings as will duly and legally effect the Probate and record of said instrument as such will.

And the 16th day of May, 2024, at 10:15 A.M., having been set as a day for hearing said petition and the proof to be submitted

in support of same and it further appearing that the following next of kin of said deceased are: viz:

CHERYL HARRISON TAYLOR, Any and All Known and Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in Jefferson Co., Al.

Notice is hereby given the said named next of kin and all other persons in interest, to be and appear in this Court on said 16th day of May, 2024, to contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

Done this the 18th day of March, 2024.

Judge Elizabeth North
JUDGE OF PROBATE
 Western Star
 March 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000070 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PATRICIA HODGES WILEMON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court

of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Patti Wilemon
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/2024
 4/5/2024
 4/12/2024
 Attorney of Record

CHANGE OF NAME PUBLICATION FOR A MINOR STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000138 IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF: K.M.S., A MINOR NOTICE TO: UNKNOWN FATHER, ADDRESS UNKNOWN

On the 5TH day of MARCH, 2024, came L.H., Mother and Petitioner for the Change of Name for K.M.S., A Minor

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 9:30 A.M. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to

be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. Please note that an answer may be filed within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

Given under my hand, this, the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024.

Judge of Probate
 Western Star
 March 22, 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000193 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: STEPHEN C SMITH, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 20th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County,

Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Marks Smith
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/2024
 4/5/2024
 4/12/2024
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000190 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DERRICK D. TAYLOR, SR., DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 20TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DERRICK D TAYLOR JR
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 4/12/24
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000173 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RONALD WAYNE CHAMBERS, SR., A/K/A RONALD W. CHAMBERS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000148 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: LUCILLE R LEAMAN DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 7th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Nafel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000121 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NANCY ELIZABETH MITCHELL, A/K/A NANCY WOOD MITCHELL, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000080 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JACOB STANO JR, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000161 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: TE YANA UNDERWOOD, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000157 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RICHARD EUGENE MCGUFFIE, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, no-

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

WILLIAM LEE CHAMBERS
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 4/12/24
 Attorney of Record

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DONNA LUCILLOE LEAMAN
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 03/22/2024
 03/29/2024
 04/05/2024
 Attorney of Record

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JAMES MCDONALD MITCHELL
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 4/12/24
 Attorney of Record

erson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Alan Johnston
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/2024
 4/5/2024
 4/12/2024
 Attorney of Record

hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

BRODERICK UNDERWOOD
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/22/24
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 Attorney of Record

tice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JESSICA Q COGSWELL
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/22/24
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000181 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MARY RENEE WOLFE, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Sheila Mcisaac
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/29/2024
 4/5/2024
 4/12/2024
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000086 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: JOYCE EVELYN WIGGINS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12th day of February 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ROBERT DONALD WIGGINS
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024
 Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES00046 ESTATE OF: PAUL L. VINES, JR., a.k.a. PAUL LOFTUS VINES, JR., DECEASED.

To: Richard S. Alley, Jr. and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take notice;

On the 13th day of March 2024, came Barbara B. Taylor, Executor for the Estate of Paul L. Vines, Jr., a.k.a. Paul Loftus Vines, Jr., deceased and filed her ac-

counts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 3:00 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Nafel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
 Western Star
 3/22/24
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000162 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DORIS JEAN MCCALEB, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

BRANDY JEAN HEFFNER
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/22/24
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000158 IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: MILDRED CHRISTINE RUNIONS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jeffer-

erson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

AARON RUNIONS
 Personal Representative(s)
 Western Star
 3/22/24
 3/29/24
 4/5/24
 Attorney of Record

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS AND NON-RESIDENTS TO PROBATE WILL STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 22BES000580 ESTATE OF: EARNEST GRAY SCOTT, DECEASED

On the 7th day of March, 2024, came BARBARA SCOTT and filed her petition in writing therewith producing and filing in this Court an instrument of writing purporting to be the last will and testament of EARNEST GRAY SCOTT, deceased, and praying for such orders decrees and proceedings as will duly and legally effect the Probate and record of said instrument as such will.

And the 1st day of May, 2024, at 9:00 A.M., having been set as a day for hearing said petition and the proof to be submitted in support of same and it further appearing that the following next of kin of

said deceased are: viz: SHARON FALLIN, EARNEST SCOTT, JR., WILLIAM SCOTT, CHRISTOPHER SCOTT, Any and All Known and Unknown Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Whereabouts are Unknown

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in Jefferson Co., Al. Notice is hereby given the said named next of kin and all other persons in interest, to be and appear in this Court on said 1st day of May, 2024, to contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

Done this the 14th day of March, 2024.

Judge James P. Nafel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
 Western Star
 March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

ALABAMA LEGAL JOURNAL

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

THAT WHEREAS, on the 10th day of March 2010, Dorothy Anderson, (hereinafter called Mortgagor) did execute and deliver to Urban Financial Group, (hereinafter called Mortgagee) a mortgage on the real property hereinafter described, which mortgage was duly recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Jefferson County, Alabama, on the 19th day of March 2010, as Book

LR201060 Page 24925 and assigned to Reverse Mortgage Solutions on the 10th day of March 2010 and recorded at Book LR201061 Page 6078 which was then corrected on the 4th day of November 2014 and recorded at Book LR 201463 Page 23076; the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development on the 25th of November 2014 and recorded at Book LR201464 Page 9246; Anders Capital Group on the 9th day of

February 2024 and recorded at Instrument Number 2024012722; and LLAGC Community Investment Fund on the 9th day of February 2024 and recorded at Instrument Number 2024012723;

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of the debt secured by said mortgage, and said mortgage is subject to foreclosure;

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that, will sell at public auction to

the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the Jefferson County Courthouse in the City of Birmingham, Alabama, between the lawful hours of sale on the 24th day of April 2024, the property described in said mortgage deed as follows:

The land described herein is situated in the State of Alabama, County of Jefferson, and is described as follows:

Lot 19 in block "A", spivey's addition to Pratt City,

Alabama, Map of which is recorded in ap Book 4, at page 40 in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson County, Alabama.

Parcel Number(s): 22-19-3-1-72-RR-0

Also commonly known as: 121 Fairfax Ave, Birmingham, AL 35214

Subject to any matters of record which pertain to or affect the title to said property.

The proceeds of said sale shall be applied in accordance with the provi-

sions of the above mentioned mortgage. The sale is subject to Alabama laws of redemption.

BY: J. ALAN LIPSCOMB,

Its Attorney OF COUNSEL: Benton & Lipscomb

P.O. Box 471 Fairhope Alabama, 36533

(251) 928-0282

Western Star March 29, April 5 & 12, 2024

PROBATE NOTICE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000153

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RUSSELL G. JONES, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

VIOLET E CHAF-FINCH

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000122

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BEVERLY ANN BAKER, A/K/A BEVERLY A. KAUCHICK, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 8TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the

Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

WILLIAM ROY LED-BETTER

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000156

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: DAVID LEONARD BARRY, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

LINDA DIANE BARRY

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 21BES000339

ESTATE OF: Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr., Deceased.

To: Brenda Jolley, Est of Kenneth Scott Collum, Glenn Bittle, Charles Bishop, Mathew J. Jolley, Crystal Jolley Canterbury, Angela Jolley Fuller, Steve Foster, Terry M. Weeks, Sungmi Cho, LuAnn Stiriz, Tammy Lynn Cleghorn, Shiloh Stacey, Michael E. Whalen, Amy J. Whalen, Toni Fancher Rowe Link, Marjorie Garber and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate,

take notice;

On the 11th day of January 2024, came Andrew Laplante, Esq., Personal Representative for the Estate of Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr. deceased and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 1:30 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000025

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NINNIAN A MC-CLAIN, DECEASED
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Ala-

bama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

KENNETH A MC-CLAIN

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/2024

4/5/2024

4/12/2024

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000165

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CATHERINE COURINGTON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 12TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

LINDA DIANE DECKER

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION CASE NO. 20BES000227

ESTATE OF: Betty Atchison, Deceased.

To: Brenda Jolley, Est of Kenneth Scott Collum, Glenn Bittle, Charles Bishop, Mathew J. Jolley, Crystal Jolley Canterbury, Angela Jolley Fuller, Steve Foster, Terry M. Weeks, Sungmi Cho, LuAnn Stiriz, Tammy Lynn Cleghorn, Shiloh Stacey, Michael E. Whalen, Amy J. Whalen, Toni Fancher Rowe Link, Marjorie Garber and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take

notice;

On the 11th day of January 2024, came Andrew Laplante, Esq., Personal Representative for the Estate of Robert Bruce Atchison, Jr. deceased and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 1:30 P.M., be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 14th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000159

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: ANITA LOUISE VINES BANKS, A/K/A ANITA L. BANKS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 11TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHARLES ALAN BANKS

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000171

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BILLY COLLINS, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 13TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, no-

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CASSANDRA D COLLINS

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/22/24

3/29/24

4/5/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000091

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: BARBARA REYNOLDS LOVELL DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21st day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge

of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

TERRY REYNOLDS LOVELL

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/2024

4/5/2024

4/12/24

Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER 24BES000137

IN THE MATTER OF: THE CONDEMNATION OF: STATE OF ALABAMA JOHN R. COOPER, DIRECTOR OF THE ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION VS.

ELAINE TUCKER CALLAHAN; THE ESTATE OF MARGARET VICTORIA BROWN; EMILY DAVIDSTON; MARGARET ANN DAVISTON; ABNER VINCENT BROWN, JR.; WANDA J. BROWN; MCCALLA FIRE DISTRICT; J.T. SMALLWOOD, JEFFERSON COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR; AND ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTY OR PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT TITLE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN AND TO THE PROPERTY DESCRIBE IN THIS COMPLAINT

On the 5th day of March 2024, came the State of Alabama, Ex Rel John R. Cooper, Director of The Alabama Department of Transportation, by its Attorney of Record, John E. Rollins, and filed its complaint, for the condemnation of certain lands therein described for and on behalf of the said State of Alabama Department of Transportation for use for public "road" school purposes, said lands belonging to Defendants listed.

It is therefore ordered by the Court that the 16th day of April 2024 at 10:30 a.m. be set as a day for hearing said Complaint for Order of Condemnation and the proof to

be submitted in support of same and upon said hearing an order be made appointing three commissioners to assess the damages and compensation to which the owners of the said lands may be entitled for the taking of said lands.

It is further ordered that notice of the filing of said Complaint and of the days set for hearing thereof be given

Elaine Tucker Callahan; the Estate of Margaret Victoria Brown; Emily Davidson; Margaret Ann Daviston Andrew Daviston Abner Vincent Brown, Jr; Wanda J. Brown; McCalla Fire District; J.T Smallwood, Jefferson County Tax Collector; and any and all unknown party or parties claiming any right, title, lien or interest in an to the property described in this complaint.

Any and all unknown heirs or devisees, of the individual defendants; Any and all unknown claimants of the property hereinafter described who may have any right, title or interest in said property whose names, ages, addresses and conditions are unknown and cannot be ascertained after exercise of reasonable diligence by publication once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Alabama, a newspaper published in this County, at which time they or any other parties interested in said cause may appear and contest the same if they think proper. Please note that an answer may be filed by each defendant within 30 days from the date of this last publication notice.

This the 7th day of March 2024.

ELIZABETH NORTH
JUDGE OF PROBATE OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL.

Western Star
March 15, 22, 29 & April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000145

IN THE MATTER OF: MARY SUSAN BATTLES, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 7th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE JUDGE ADMIN, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

MATTHEW OLAN BATTLES

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

March 22, 29 & April 5, 2024 Attorney of Record

PUB ON FINAL SETTLEMENT STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY BESSEMER DIVISION PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 22BES000823

ESTATE OF: MARION TAYLOR WILLIAMS, JR., Deceased.

To: Rachel Lea Warren, Robert Marion Williams, Mary Altha Williams and ANY and all other parties interested in said estate, take notice;

On the 19th day of December 2023, came Marjorie G. Evans, Personal Repre-

sentative for the Estate of Marion Taylor Williams, Jr., deceased and filed her accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 17th day of April 2024, at 2:30 p.m. be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper. This the 5th day of March 2024.

Judge James P. Naftel

JUDGE OF PROBATE

Western Star

March 15, 22 & 29, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000184

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: PETER TYRELL DAWSON III, DECEASED

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 18TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Pro-

bate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ASIA JANAE DENSMORE

Personal Representative(s)

Western Star

3/29/24

4/5/24

4/12/24

Attorney of Record

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

INVITATION FOR BIDS ITB #29-24 HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferso County Commission Purchasing Agent, Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M., until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on April 24, 2024, for ITB #29-24 "HOUSING REHABILITATION SERVICES. All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx>

Interested parties must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as

specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

A performance bond will be required in the amount of \$25,000.00

All questions must be submitted in writing to procurementservices@jccal.org

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on April 10, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. at the Jefferson County Shades Valley Training Facility located at 1330 Oak Grove Road, Birmingham, AL 35209. For special accommodations please call 205-325-5381 ext. 1810.

Western Star
March 29 & April 5, 2024

INVITATION FOR BIDS

ITB# 31-24 "Fire Extinguisher Annual Inspection and Maintenance"

JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferson County Commission Purchasing Agent Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M., until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on 4/23/2024, for Fire Extinguisher Annual Inspection and Maintenance.

All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx> Interested parties

must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

All questions must be submitted in writing to procurementservices@jccal.org attention Florencie Patton and Harriett Bell.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2024 at 11:00 am (CST) in Suite 830 of the Jefferson County Main Courthouse. For special accommodation please call 205-325-5381.

Western Star
March 29 & April 5, 2024

NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND FOR DIVISION AND DISTRIBUTION/PAYMENT DEBTS STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY

PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 23BES000358

ESTATE OF: JERRY ARMSTRONG, DECEASED

On the 6th day of November, 2023, came Shannon Morrison, the Personal Representative, for the Estate of Jerry Armstrong, Deceased, and filed her petition in writing, praying for the sale of certain lands described as follows:

6314 Stoker Dr Bessemer, AL 35023

Said property belonging to said estate, the sale being for the purpose of paying debts and or division and distribution among the heirs and devisees, upon the grounds that said property cannot be equitable divided among the joint owners (or that personal property is insufficient therefore) and it appear-

ing to the Court from said petition that the following heirs are non-residents of the State of Alabama:

William Brian Armstrong and any and All Unknown Heirs and Creditors, whose names, ages, conditions and addresses are unknown

And whereas the 1st day of May 2024, at 10:30 a.m. has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do. This the 30th day of March 2024.

James P. Naftel
Judge of Probate
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024

NOTICE OF SALE

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of Alabama Self Storage Act Section 8-15 there now being due and unpaid charges for which the undersigned is entitled to, shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder or otherwise disposed of; the contents of the following storage units to satisfy an owner's lien, as set forth by Alabama Self Storage Act. Not all units may be available for sale. All sales are for Cash only and unit must be entirely cleaned out within 24 hours of sale. A refundable cleaning deposit will be required for each successful bid. The auction shall be conducted at Discount Self Storage at 1027 Woodward Road, Midfield, AL 35228 on April 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Unit A10 Antonio Webb, 1033 4th Ct. W. Birmingham, AL 35204, Furniture, misc. items.

Unit B30 Felicia Curry, 1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Boxes, Appliances, misc. items.

Unit C02 Margo Ingles, 702 Oak Grove Ave. Greenville, TN 37745, Furniture, Boxes, misc. items.

Unit D03 Felicia Curry,

1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Furniture, Tools, TV's.

Unit D13 Lotoya Wilkins, 1668 19th Pl SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Household items.

Unit E06 Margo Ingles, 702 Oak Grove Ave. Greenville, TN 37745, Antique children's toys & furniture, totes.

Unit E14 Jody Yancey, 1008 Hillandale Dr. Fairfield, AL 35064, Boxes, furniture, wrapped items.

Unit E27 Ricky Tooley, 2229 Wesley Ave. SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Furniture, totes, misc. items.

Unit E28 Donnell Campbell, 6132 Ct. M. Birmingham, AL 35228, Industrial Fan, Furniture, Tools, misc. items.

Unit E37 Terita King, 2307 Pearson Ave SW. Birmingham, AL 35211, Furniture, Totes, misc. items.

Unit G12 Sabrina Elington, 837 Alden Ave. Birmingham, AL 35228, 4-Wheeler, Pressure Washer, Tools, misc. items.

Unit G22 Felicia Curry, 1321 60th St W. Birmingham, AL 35228, Boxes, furniture.

Western Star
April 5 & 12, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT

OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000154

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

DARRYL LANGDON LOVELADY, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE OF SAID DECEDENT,

having been granted to the Undersigned on the 14TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DREW EVAN LOVELADY
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000196

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

RODERICK WAYNE WILKINS DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE OF SAID DECEDENT,

having been granted to the Undersigned on the 22nd day of MARCH 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

MICHAELANGELO WILKINS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000187

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

LAWRENCE E. SULLIVAN, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION WITH WILL ANNEXED UPON THE ESTATE OF SAID DECEDENT,

having been granted to the Undersigned on the 19TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

NANCY E RICE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000189

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

LEWIS MICKEL HAMILTON, DECEASED LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION UPON THE ESTATE OF SAID DECEDENT,

having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHERYL HAMILTON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000185

ESTATE OF: RONA J. MORGAN, DECEASED

TO: BARRY PATRICK MORGAN, Any and All Heirs, Whose Names, Ages, Conditions and Addresses are Unknown

And to any and all interested parties;

On the 19TH day of MARCH, 2024, came SHARI JEAN SALVAGE, and filed her Petition for letters of administration with the will annexed, in the matter of the Estate of RONA J. MORGAN, Deceased.

CASE NO. 24BES00100

NOTICE REGARDING ESTATE OF JOHN MILLARD WHATLEY, JR., DECEASED

TO THE HEIRS AND CREDITORS OF JOHN MILLARD WHATLEY, JR., DECEASED

AND TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Take notice that JOHN MILLARD WHATLEY, JR., Deceased, a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, expired on December 24, 2020; that a Petition for a Summary Distribution on the Estate of John Millard Whatley, Jr., Deceased, has been filed

PROBATE NOTICE

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

DREW EVAN LOVELADY
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
3/22/24
3/29/24
4/5/24
Attorney of Record

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

MICHAELANGELO WILKINS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

NANCY E RICE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

CHERYL HAMILTON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

And whereas the 16TH day of MAY, 2024, at 11:15 A.M., has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

This the 27TH day of MARCH, 2024.
Judge Elizabeth North
Judge of Probate
Centreville Press
April 5, 12 & 19, 2024

in the office of the Probate Judge of Jefferson County, Alabama, on the 21st day of February 2024, as provided in the "Alabama Small Estates Act"; that you may take any action you deem appropriate regarding this

estate, including notice to the Court, of any legal cause why this estate should not be distributed according to said Act within 30 days from the date of this publication.

This the 28th day of March 2024.
Judge Elizabeth North
JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT BESSEMER DIVISION
April 5, 2024

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000182

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

EDNA WARD a/k/a EDNA MAE WARD DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 18th day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ROBIN WATSON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000198

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

CHARLOTTE F WILSON, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 22nd day of March 2024, by the HONORABLE James P. Naftel, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

KRISTEN FARRIS
RUTH BURLESON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 24BES000183

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

JAMES WESLEY TUBBS, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 26TH day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE JAMES P. NAFTEL, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama,

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JAMES WILLARD TUBBS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
04/19/2024
Attorney of Record

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY, ALABAMA CASE NUMBER: 23BES000767

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

HENRY LOUIS HINKLE, DECEASED

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY UPON LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of said decedent, having been granted to the Undersigned on the 21ST day of MARCH, 2024, by the HONORABLE ELIZABETH NORTH, Judge of the Probate Court of Jefferson County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ANGELO HINKLE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

PUBLICATION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION STATE OF ALABAMA JEFFERSON COUNTY PROBATE COURT CASE NO. 24BES000101

ESTATE OF: ALANTIS PRUITT, DECEASED

TO: A'NYA HESTER, IYANA HESTER, The Heirs and Creditors and To Whom It May Concern

And to any and all interested parties;

On the 21ST day of FEBRUARY, 2024, came JAMES PRUITT, as beneficiary of ALANTIS PRUITT, Deceased, having expired on DECEMBER 31, 2023, a resident of Jefferson County, Alabama, and filed his Petition for Summary Distribution in this matter as

provided in the "Alabama Small Estates Act".

And whereas the 11TH day of APRIL 2024, at 10:30 A.M., has been set as a day for hearing said petition and the testimony to be submitted in support of same.

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by one time publication for one week in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

This the 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2024.
Judge Elizabeth North
Judge of Probate
April 5, 2024

deceased, and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 15th day of May 2024, at 2:00 p.m. be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 1st day of April 2024.
Judge is James P. Naftel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Western Star
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4/19/24

son County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

ROBIN WATSON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

KRISTEN FARRIS
RUTH BURLESON
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
03/29/2024
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
Attorney of Record

notice is hereby given that all persons having Claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

JAMES WILLARD TUBBS
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
04/05/2024
04/12/2024
04/19/2024
Attorney of Record

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ANGELO HINKLE
Personal Representative(s)
Western Star
4/5/2024
4/12/2024
4/19/2024
Attorney of Record

It is therefore ordered that notice of the filing of said petition and of the day set for hearing same be given by one time publication for one week in the Western Star, a newspaper published in this County, notifying all parties in interest to appear and contest said petition if they think proper so to do.

This the 26TH day of FEBRUARY, 2024.
Judge Elizabeth North
Judge of Probate
April 5, 2024

deceased, and filed his accounts, vouchers, evidence and statement for a Final Settlement of same.

It is therefore ordered that the 15th day of May 2024, at 2:00 p.m. be appointed a day for making such settlement at which time all parties in interest can appear and contest the same if they think proper.

Done this the 1st day of April 2024.
Judge is James P. Naftel
JUDGE OF PROBATE
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice to Contractors Federal Aid Project No. IM-I022(319) JEFFERSON 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 April 26, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Pavement Preservation on I-22 from the Coalburg Road Interchange to the I-65 Interchange in Birmingham. Length 3.160 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 Forty-five (45) Working Days. A 1.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

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

Minimum wage rates for this project have

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

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

The bracket range is shown only to provide general financial information to contractors and bonding companies concerning the project's complexity and size. This Bracket should not be used in preparing a

bid, nor will this bracket have any bearing on the decision to award this contract.

The Bracket Estimate On This Project Is From \$2,288,699 To \$2,797,298 .

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 autho-

lized representatives, upon requests that are received before 10 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

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

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

U.S.C. 2000D TO 2000D-4 and Title 49 code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of The Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrimination in federal-

ly-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
Western Star
April 5, 12 & 19, 2024

Notice to Contractors Federal Aid Project No. NH-FMGR 0007(562) JEFFERSON 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 April 26, 2024 and at that time publicly opened for constructing the Resurfacing (Micro-Surfacing Seal Coat, Type II & Type III), Guardrail Installation, and Traffic Stripe on SR-7 (US-11) from the intersection of SR-75 in Roebuck to the I-459 Interchange. Length 2.862 mi.

The total amount of uncompleted work un-

der contract to a contractor must not exceed the amount of his or her qualification certificate.

The Entire Project Shall Be Completed In Thirty (30) Working Days. A 2.00% DBE Contract Obligation Is Required.

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

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 \$909,214 To \$1,111,261 .

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 AM., on the day previous to the day of opening of bids.

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

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

U.S.C. 2000D TO 2000D-4 and Title 49 code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of The Secretary, Part 21, nondiscrim-

ination in federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

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JOHN R. COOPER
Transportation Director
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NOTICE OF AUCTION

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Sealed proposals for the construction of **Flush Valve Repair and Replacement** will be received by the Warrior River Water Authority (WRWA), Oak Grove, Alabama (Owner) located in the WRWA Office, 8900 Lock 17 Road, Bessemer, AL 35023 until **10:00 a.m.**, the prevailing time, on **May 7, 2024** at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read. The bid is comprised of the following principal item:

Miscellaneous Flush Valve Repair and Replacement

Plans and Specifications may be inspected at the WRWA office at the address above, and they may be inspected or obtained from the of-

ice of Municipal Consultants, Inc., 200 Century Park South, Suite 212, Birmingham, Alabama 35226, upon payment of **\$75.00**. Cost of plans and specifications are non-refundable.

All Bidders must be responsible, meeting the criteria and requirements set forth in the specification documents. Prequalification of Bidders is not required.

This project is considered a "Public Works" project and is governed by competitive bid laws as contained in Title 39 of the Alabama Code. Bidders, subcontractors, suppliers, and Bond Agents should be familiar with this code.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technicalities. No Bidder may withdraw his bid with-

in sixty days from the date set for receiving of the same. There will not be a Pre-Bid Conference for this Project.

This project is governed by the applicable bid laws and practices of the State of Alabama and the US Department of Treasury. This project is supported, in whole or in part, by federal award number SLFRP 1176, awarded to the Jefferson County Commission by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

By: Greylan K. Glaze
Title General Manager

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200 Century Park South Suite 212 Birmingham, AL 35226
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ADVERTISEMENT INVITATION FOR BIDS

ITB# 33-24 "Fire Extinguisher Inspection and Maintenance- ESD"

JEFFERSON COUNTY, AL

Bids will be received by the Jefferson County Commission Purchasing Agent Michael D. Matthews, Ph.D., C.P.M. , until 4:00 (CST) p.m. on 5/7/2024, for Fire Extinguisher Inspection and

Maintenance - ESD.

All Solicitation information including forms, and specifications are available for download free at <https://jeffcobids.jccal.org/Search.aspx> Interested parties must meet bidder requirements and qualifications as specified in the bid documents on or before the date that the bids are due.

All questions must be submitted in writing to

procurementservices@jccal.org attention Florencie Patton and Harriett Bell.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 11:00 am (CST) in Suite 830 of the Jefferson County Main Courthouse. For special accommodation please call 205-325-5381.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF TUSCALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA RIVERFALL CREDIT UNION Plaintiff,

v. KIHJA STACY, Defendant. CASE NO. DV 2023-900616.00 NOTICE OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

The above-styled cause of action has been filed in the District Court of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. The Plaintiff is seeking a judgment from the Defendant in

the principal sum of \$16,046.15, plus interest subsequent thereto and costs thereon relative to an account stated for merchandise received.

The Defendant, Kihja Jacole Stacy, whose address is 3776 Highway 5, Brent, AL 35034, in Bibb County, Alabama, and whose whereabouts are otherwise unknown, must answer the Complaint of the Plaintiff within fourteen (14) days from the date of the last publication by filing an answer with the Tuscaloosa County District Court and serving a copy of said answer

upon counsel for the Plaintiff at the following address: S. Scott Hickman, 2600 7th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, telephone number 205-248-2616, or a judgment by default may be rendered against her in Case No. DV-2023-900616.00, currently pending in the District Court of Tuscaloosa County, Alabama.

Done this the 5th day of April, 2024.
District Court Clerk, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama
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April 5, 12, 19 & 26, 2024

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NEWS

Empowering Parents: Alabama's 'Parental Right to Know Bill' Enhances Classroom Transparency

BY SHEILA DUNCAN
REPORTER

In a significant stride towards fostering transparency and parental involvement in education, Alabama Governor Kay Ivey recently signed the 'Parental Right to Know Bill' into law. It mandates that public school teachers in Alabama must post their curriculum online, granting parents and guardians unparalleled access to the educational content being taught in their child's classroom.

The move aims to bridge the communication gap between educators and parents, offering them a comprehensive understanding of the learning materials and objectives their children are exposed to throughout the academic year. State Superintendent Dr. Eric Mackey, who played a pivotal role in shaping the bill, emphasized that this ini-

tiative is not intended to encumber teachers but rather to augment parental engagement in their child's education.

This will not prevent educators from losing their rights or professional judgment. It does not take away from a teacher's ability to make changes on a day-to-day basis as they need to. This reassurance draws a line on the legislation's intent to facilitate collaboration between teachers and parents while respecting educators' expertise and flexibility in adapting teaching methods to meet students' needs.

Informed parental involvement is key to enhancing student success. Parents need to be engaged in the learning process. That was really the force behind this and how to help parents engage in what's going on in the child's classroom.

By making curriculum materials readily

accessible online, parents are empowered to actively participate in their child's educational journey. Armed with knowledge about the curriculum, parents can better support their children's learning at home, reinforce classroom lessons, and address any concerns that may arise regarding the content being taught.

The 'Parental Right to Know Bill' establishes a formal process for parents and guardians to voice their concerns or objections regarding classroom instruction. Under the new law, parents can question the curriculum or request a meeting with the teacher to discuss their apprehensions. This provision draws a line of the importance of open dialogue and collaboration between educators and parents in shaping the educational experience of students.

Tuscaloosa City Schools and University of Alabama Forge Free Ride Path to Address Teacher Shortage

BY SAVANNAH LOGAN
REPORTER

In response to a pressing need for teachers, Tuscaloosa City School District and the University of Alabama have collaborated on an innovative solution. With six openings to fill and a typical annual hiring requirement of around 100 teachers, the district has sought to tackle the challenge head-on.

Superintendent Dr. Mike Daria emphasized the importance of innovative thinking in addressing the teacher shortage. The partnership with the University of Alabama aims to provide aspiring educators with a unique opportunity: a tuition-free pathway to becoming teachers, with one caveat.

Under this arrangement, students pursuing teaching careers will receive a full tuition scholarship within the University of Alabama's College of Education. The Tuscaloosa City School District will supplement this by contributing to the cost of college courses. Additionally, students will

have the opportunity for paid internships while studying education at UA.

In return, graduates commit to teaching within the Tuscaloosa City School District for a minimum of two years.

The primary objective of the initiative is to increase the number of potential teachers within the Tuscaloosa City School District. By investing in aspiring educators and providing incentives for them to remain in the local community, the program aims to address both the statewide and local shortage of teachers.

Financially, the school district will allocate \$5,000 per student, sourced from the general fund and Elevate Tuscaloosa, a city-connected initiative. The University of Alabama will cover the majority of the tuition scholarship, making the collaboration a mutually beneficial investment.

Dr. Daria views this program as a strategic investment in the future of education. By leveraging resources and partnerships, the aim is to culti-

vate high-quality teachers who will positively impact the community for years to come.

Scheduled to commence in May 2025, the Teach in Bama scholarship program has specific eligibility criteria. Prospective students must maintain a 3.0 high school GPA, earn a minimum of three hours of UA Early College Credit by December 18, 2024, and participate in the UA Early College Summer Residential Program and the Teach in Bama Institute during the summer months.


Recipients of the scholarship are required to enroll and complete a minimum of 12 hours in an approved teacher education program to retain their funding.

Through this initiative, Tuscaloosa City Schools and the University of Alabama are not only addressing the immediate need for teachers but also investing in the future of education, ensuring that aspiring educators have the support and resources necessary to thrive in their careers while serving the local community.

Plain & Simple
"Slow down and enjoy the simple pleasures in life"
By: Sheila Duncan

Strawberry Icebox Cake

Ingredients:
 8 oz. cream cheese, at room temperature
 1 cup powdered sugar
 3 cup heavy cream, divided
 1 tbsp. Vanilla bean paste or extract
 1 tbsp. Lemon zest
 20 graham cracker sheets
 1 1/2 lb. Strawberries, sliced about 1/4-inch thick (about 4 1/2 cups)
Directions:
 Beat the cream cheese in the bowl of a stand mixer with the beater attachment until smooth. Add the powdered sugar; beat until smooth. Scrape down the sides of the bowl. Add 1 cup of the heavy cream and beat at low speed until smooth. Add the remaining 2 cups of cream; beat at medium to medium-high speed until soft peaks form, increasing the speed as the mixture begins to thicken. Fold in the vanilla and lemon zest. Spoon 1/4 cup of the cream mixture into the bottom of a 9-by-9-inch pan or baking dish; spread into a thin, even layer. Top with the graham crackers in a single, even layer, breaking them as needed to fit. Spread about 1 1/2 cups of the cream mixture over the graham crackers, smoothing into an even layer using a spoon or offset spatula. Top the cream mixture with an even layer of the berries (about 1 1/2 cups). Sprinkle evenly with 1/4 cup of the almonds, if using. Repeat one more time, then top with a final layer of graham crackers, cream mixture, and berries. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate at least four hours or up to overnight.



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Bid# BCS-2024-41 (REPOST)
HVAC System - Greenwood AMENDED

Bessemer City Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids 30-ton split air conditioning unit with 15-ton gas packaged unit for Greenwood Elementary School Cafeteria. This is to include removal and disposal of existing equipment/ductwork. Installation of all equipment and ductwork to be performed on or after May 17, 2024 and an anticipated completion date of July 22, 2024. All respondents are required to submit 1 (one) copy of their bid.

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED BY THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT BESSEMER CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1621 5TH AVENUE NORTH, BESSEMER, AL 35020 UNTIL WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10TH, 2024 @ 4:00 P. M.

The envelope should be labeled:
 Bid# BCS-2024-41
 HVAC System - Greenwood Bessemer Board of Education Finance Department
 ATTN: Patricia Stewart, CSFO 1621 5th Avenue North Bessemer, AL 35020

HVAC SYSTEM GREENWOOD

RFP Posted	March 18, 2024
*Mandatory Site Visit at 4:00 p.m.	April 2, 2024
Deadlines for Inquiries	April 2, 2024
Proposals Due by 4:00 p.m.	April 10, 2024
Board Work Session	April 11, 2024
Commencement of Services (projected)	May 27, 2024

The bids will be opened and read publicly at the Bessemer Board of Education in the Boardroom during the scheduled Work Session on April 11th, 2024 @ 5:30pm. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PROSPECTIVE BIDDER TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE SEALED BID IS RECEIVED IN THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT ON/BEFORE APRIL 10TH, 2024. ANY BIDS RECEIVED AFTER THE DESIGNATED DATE AND TIME WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED BUT WILL BE KEPT ON FILE. THE BOARD HAS THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

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Bessemer Board of Education will be accepting sealed bids for the Child Nutrition Program for the following locations:

Abrams Elementary School
 Bid# RD 23-40
Commercial Roll-up Doors

Jonesboro Elementary School
 Bid# WF 23-39
Add on Walk-in Freezer

BID ANNOUNCEMENT AMENDED (EXTENTION)

All respondents are required to submit 2 (two) copies of your proposal. Sealed Bids Will Be Received By The Finance Department Located At Bessemer City Board Of Education, 1621 5th Avenue North, Bessemer, Al 35020 Until Wednesday, April 10, 2024 @ 12:00 P. M.

**Please refer to the Bessemer Board of Education website (www.bessk12.org) Business & Accounting Department for a detailed RFP, time sensitive information, scope of work and required documents. **

SOUTHERN STYLES

The promise of the Resurrection is God's promise of hope, love and joy



DONALD JAY HOWTON, III
WESTERN STAR,
SOCIAL EDITOR

The glorious Resurrection of Jesus Christ, following his crucifixion and death, is the foundation of Christianity.

Easter Sunday is only the beginning.

The Greek word for Resurrection, anastasis means to arise. In the New Testament we learn of the raising of our bodies at the last day. Isaiah 26: 19 states, "But your dead will live; their bodies will rise."

The promise of the Resurrection, the promise of hope, love and joy, is a truth found in the Gospel of John 11: 25-26, "I am the Resurrection

and the life. Whoever believes in me though he die, yet shall he live and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

The Paschal Candle will burn for the next fifty-days.

The observance of the Great Fifty Days of Easter is a Fifty-day feast known as Eastertide where we celebrate with joy the Resurrection of Christ. This celebration of the Paschal feast is in preparation for Pentecost, the beginning of the Christian church.

During the Great Fifty Days, reflect on Jesus returning to the apostles alive and speaking to them about His Resurrection, the kingdom of God and the promise of eternal life and glory.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia! Have a Happy, Blessed and Holy Easter Season.



Stephen Calvert and The Reverend Timothy Hoff



Tom Juenger, Ashley, Lincoln, Elijah, Violet Elise and Jeremy Smithson



Joy Davis and Clint Davis



The Reverend Timothy Hoff and Judge Billy and Nancy Patton

GOOD AFTERNOON

A chat with Mr. Easter Bunny, He has the chocolate, Hoppy Easter



DONALD JAY HOWTON, III
WESTERN STAR,
SOCIAL EDITOR

Mr. Easter Bunny is still hopping with excitement. It was delightful sitting down with him recently for an interview. The Easter Bunny, one of the symbols of Easter, dresses in brightly colored clothes and brings Easter eggs and chocolates to all the good little boys and girls. Also, in his cane basket are toys and candy,

especially chocolate bunny rabbits. We all love chocolate. In some foreign countries, Mr. Easter Bunny is referred to as the Easter Rabbit or Easter Hare. He loves to dye and paint his eggs and create beautiful designs on them. His cousin, the White House Bunny, first appeared in 1969 and the White House tradition was born.

What is your favorite color? Mr. Bunny: I am an Auburn fan, so naturally my favorite colors are orange and blue. However, I love all the pastel colors; they are so cheerful.

What does the Easter egg symbolize? Mr. Bunny: It is a symbol of rebirth and new

life. When was the first Easter Egg roll at The White House? Mr. Bunny: It is my understanding that there was an Easter egg hunt held during Abraham Lincoln's administration. However, the first official Easter Egg Roll was held in 1878. Every year on Easter Monday, The White House hosts the annual Easter Egg Roll on the South lawn.

What is your favorite type of music? Mr. Bunny: Of course, I like Hip-Hop.

Who is your favorite author? Mr. Bunny: Well that is a silly question! My favorite author is Beatrix Potter, of course.

What is your

favorite meal? Mr. Bunny: I love a fresh carrot salad with a side dish of crispy celery. I have quite a sweet tooth so for dessert nothing beats a delicious carrot cake with crème cheese frosting and chocolate covered strawberries.

Do you have a second job? Mr. Bunny: I do not, but if I did, I would work at an animal shelter. What could be more rewarding than finding homes for rabbits and other furry friends?

Do you have any hobbies? Mr. Bunny: I really enjoy a good game of Hide and Seek with my fellow rabbits.

Do you ever take a vacation? Mr.

Bunny: Not really, but if I ever did, I would enjoy visiting the Bunny Islands.

What is your favorite movie? Mr. Bunny: I love the classics such as Willy Wonka and the

Chocolate Factory. He loved candy too.

How do you relax? Mr. Bunny: When I have finished all of my deliveries, I relax with a cup of chamomile tea and a good book.



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Quote of the Week
by Donald J. Howton

**Christ the Lord is Risen today,
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~ Charles Wesley




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