

THE SOUTHWEST MOBILE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

THE CORNER

NOVEMBER 2024





LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

SHARON MURRILL

“YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR BUSINESS”

WELCOME TO THE SOUTHWEST MOBILE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

This is such an exciting and festive time of year for the Chamber as the fall season brings cooler temperatures, falling leaves, football games, and the anticipation of Thanksgiving and Christmas. The community is already getting involved with local pumpkin patches and fall festivals, as the Chamber gears up for a busy calendar of fall events that will carry us through the holidays.

One of the most heartwarming initiatives is the Alabama vs Auburn Food Drive, which will run through November 18th. This drive is crucial for supporting families in our community who may not have meals for Thanksgiving. The Chamber staff works closely with local schools to identify those in need, ensuring that donations go directly to families who could use a little extra help during the holiday season. Both food and monetary donations are accepted, and everyone’s contribution can make a difference. If you’d like to be more involved, volunteers are welcome to help sort donations on Thursday, November 21st. Together, we can truly make this Thanksgiving the best one yet for our community!

In addition to the food drive, we’re also excited about the upcoming Guns and Gear Giveaway Drawing starting on November 1st and running through November 10th. This event is a fundraiser for our TALL students and gives participants a chance to win some fantastic prizes. Tickets are \$50.00, and all winners will be announced via Facebook. What’s unique about this giveaway is that if you win, your name will be placed back into the drawing for additional chances to win. Tickets are available for purchase either at the Chamber Office or online, so make sure you get yours by Thursday, October 31st!

Looking ahead to November, our Business Luncheon will be held on Wednesday, November 6th, featuring a guest speaker from the U.S. Coast Guard. This luncheon is an excellent opportunity for networking and community connection, and we’re excited to have it sponsored by the Mobile County Sheriff’s Office. To help our caterer with logistics, we kindly ask that everyone reserve their seat by 12:00 pm on Tuesday, November 5th. Recently, we’ve seen a rise in last-minute reservations which causes challenges in preparation. Your help in resolving this would be greatly appreciated so that we can make the luncheon a success for all attendees.

Finally, this is the perfect time of year for local businesses to shine. As the Chamber, we are committed to promoting our partners and helping you have a successful holiday season. If your business is offering sales, promotions, or hosting special events, please let us know! We want to share and promote your efforts with the community because “YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR BUSINESS.” Our hope is that all of our partners thrive during the holiday season and beyond.

There is so much to look forward to this season, and the Chamber is ready to support our community, our businesses, and those in need. Let’s work together to make this holiday season unforgettable!

Sharon Murrill

SWMCC Board President

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EVENT CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2024

1 Guns & Gear Giveaway Drawing

The SWMCC's Annual Guns & Gear Giveaway Drawings will take place November 1st through 10th. Winners will be announced on the Chamber's Facebook page.

19 Coffee with the Chamber

Our monthly Coffee with the Chamber is a great opportunity to network with other business leaders and representatives. This event is open for both current SWMCC partners as well as prospective partners.

5 2024 U.S. Election

The 2024 United States elections are scheduled to be held on Tuesday, November 5th, 2024. This is a presidential election year, during which the president and vice president will be elected. You can find more information about the election at www.sos.alabama.gov

21 Food Drive Sorting

Time: 10:00 am

Location: John C. Williams Auditorium

Join us on Thursday, November 21st as we prepare boxes of food for families in need. If you would like to donate non-perishable goods, the Chamber will be accepting donations through November 18th.

6 Monthly Business Luncheon

Time: 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Location: John C. Williams Auditorium

Speaker: Lieutenant Lobmeyer

Caterer: Georgia Roussos Catering

25 Christmas Tree Lighting

Time: 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Location: 5055 Carol Plantation Rd

Experience the magic of the holiday season as we gather to light up our beautifully decorated tree. Enjoy festive music, warm refreshments, and activities for the whole family.

18 CAPS

Community Action Panel Meeting

Time: 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Location: John C. Williams Auditorium

28 Happy Thanksgiving!

The SWMCC Board and Staff would like to wish you a happy Thanksgiving. The Chamber and Community Center offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th in honor of this holiday.

"The Holcim cement plant is located in Theodore and has been in operation since September 1981. The facility is a dry process plant that includes a four stage preheater and is built along the Theodore Ship canal. The plant has increased the usage of alternative raw materials and fuels to reduce its fossil fuel footprint and to lessen impacts on the environment. As part of Holcim US, we play an essential role in accelerating our world's transition to a net zero and inclusive future."



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NOVEMBER 6TH, 2024

LUNCHEON SPEAKER



Currently serving as the Aviation Information System Program Manager at the USCG Aviation Training Center, Lieutenant Lobmeyer is a Class of 2016 United States Coast Guard Academy graduate where he earned a B.S. in Government, with a focus in Security Studies. While there he was a member of the football and wrestling teams, and served as the Regimental Workplace Climate Officer where he authored the Shore Patrol Program to provide safe travel arrangements to cadets while on liberty after hours which is still in use today. Following graduation, he reported to Naval Flight Training where he would earn his Wings of Gold in 2018.

As a first tour aviator, Lieutenant Lobmeyer reported to Air Station Cape Cod to fly the HC-144A Ocean Sentry. While stationed in the Coast Guard's First District, Lieutenant Lobmeyer quickly upgraded to Aircraft Commander and executed 26 Search and Rescue cases: saving 26 lives. One particularly challenging case involved a distressed sailboat 330 nautical miles offshore in severe weather, for which he and his crew were awarded the 2019 Elmer Stone Award for USCG Search and Rescue case of the year. It was during this tour, he began working towards qualifying as an Air Operations Branch Director with deployments to Hurricanes FLORENCE, DORIAN, and HUMBERTO. He also was an active member in the community as the head coach of a youth wrestling team of over 100 children, which provided opportunity to the isolated community that had no youth programs available.

In Summer of 2022, Lieutenant Lobmeyer reported to the Aviation Training Center as a member of the Operations Department. He quickly established himself in the Safety Department as the Ground Safety Officer, managing 27 safety programs and processing all ground mishaps. Since reporting, he qualified as an Air Operations Branch Director and has been called on to respond to six Type 1 incidents to include Hurricanes IAN, IDALIA, DEBBY, HELENE, MILTON and as the first underway Air Boss for Operation Vigilant Sentry. He was also selected by Admiral Lafferty to serve as a Core Team Member of the Commandant's Accountability and Transparency Review Team, following the Operation Fouled Anchor investigation.

After receiving a full tuition grant from the National Institute of Occupational Safety, he is projected to finish his Master of Engineering degree in Industrial Safety Systems and Ergonomics from Auburn in 2026. He has submitted for a Type 1 Air Operations Branch Director qualification, which if awarded would make him the first USCG Lieutenant to ever receive the international designation.

NOVEMBER LUNCHEON SPONSOR



**MOBILE COUNTY
SHERIFF'S OFFICE**
SHERIFF PAUL BURCH

The Mobile County Sheriff's Office is the second largest in the state, with a staff of over 600 serving more than 400,000 citizens across an area of some 1,200 square miles.

The Sheriff's Office serves through four divisions: administrative services, field operations, support services and correction. Our correction division which operates the Mobile Metro Jail, has an average daily population of some 1500. In order to best fight crime while saving taxpayers

millions of dollars, the Sheriff's Office also administers a 325-bed minimum security barracks that houses prisoners who are put to work in order to earn their keep.

The fight against crime requires constant updates of technology, from text-based citizen reporting methods to Smart Policing. This concept utilizes crime analysis in order to identify trends and crime "hot spots" in order to best allocate resources.

BUSINESS OF THE MONTH



In 1916, Autry Greer, founder of Greer's, opened a grocery store in the Northwest corner of Water and St. Michael Streets. This store was a pioneer in the Cash and Carry food store concept. Self-service soon followed and evolved to the modern supermarkets in operation nationwide today. The Greer's store at Water and St. Michael was the first and, for a long time, the only store in Mobile to advertise prices. These prices were the lowest in town because other stores sold on credit and delivered.

Now 5 generations later we are still owned by the Greer family. We currently operate 29 stores in Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida with 4 Greer's Ace Hardware Express locations in Cottage Hill/Mobile, Theodore/Dauphin Island Parkway, and Bay Minette, AL and Quitman, MS.

We love the food business and the opportunity it gives us to serve the people and communities around us. We are all about Southern hospitality, friendly service and bringing our customers the best in food and household items at great values. Whether you shop a Greer's Market, Greer's CashSaver or Greer's Food Tiger you will find the finest quality and our Greer's Gold Star Customer Service in every store with our 100% Money Back Guarantee on everything you buy!

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LUNCHEON TICKETS

If you plan to attend the Chamber's Monthly Business Luncheon, **you must purchase a ticket for the event by 12:00 noon on Tuesday, November 5th.** Event tickets are available online at www.swmchamber.com. Prospective partner and guest tickets are \$20.00 per person, while current partners can purchase a discounted ticket at \$15.00 per person. If your business purchased prepaid luncheon tickets, please email info@swmchamber.com to reserve your seat(s). **Individuals who purchase a ticket online or reserved a prepaid seat will be eligible for the new "Fast Pass" Registration.** An email will go out to those who are eligible on November 5th with further instruction on this new process.

For anyone who does not preregister, you will be charged \$20.00 per person at the door (depending on availability). This change applies to all attendees, regardless of whether they are representing a renewed partner or prospective partner.

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FIRST RESPONDER SPOTLIGHT

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE

Congratulations to Officer Colin Pate from the Mobile Police Department Precinct II on being selected as the Officer of the Month. Officer Pate was recognized for his accomplishment at our Business Luncheon on Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024. The SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce would like to say thank you for your outstanding efforts and continued commitment to our community! He is pictured to the right, alongside Captain Matthew James and Century Bank representatives: Donna Abercrombie, Jason Prater, and Janet Johnson.



Deputy Darian Pennington was also recognized for his efforts on Wednesday, October 2nd by being named the Deputy of the Month. The Chamber would like to thank him for making the sacrifices he has to protect others in our community. Deputy Pennington is pictured to the left with his superior and Century Bank representatives: Donna Abercrombie, Jason Prater, and Janet Johnson. We would also like to thank Sheriff Paul Burch for his continued support of this recognition program. The Chamber is proud to have the opportunity to recognize local first responders and greatly appreciate those who help make this recognition possible.



In addition, the SWMCC would like to commend Firefighter Brendan Hermesch of the Theodore Dawes Fire Rescue for his exceptional work. Hermesch was recognized on October 2nd as our Firefighter of the Month for his faithfulness to serve and protect our community. He is pictured to the right with a representative of the Mobile County Sheriff's Office and Chief Frank Byrd of the Theodore Dawes Fire Rescue. The Chamber is honored to have the opportunity to show appreciation towards these individuals for their bravery and dedication to our city. We appreciate the efforts of all three departments as well as their leadership for continuing to support the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber and its partners.



BROUGHT TO YOU BY

The SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce would like to thank Century Bank for sponsoring our Officer of the Month and Deputy of the Month Programs. We so appreciate their willingness to continuously recognize such outstanding members of our community. "Century Bank is a proud member of the communities we serve. Our involvement in extracurricular activities, fund raisers, organizations and other local events is a priority for directors, officers and employees of Century Bank."



The SWMCC would also like to thank the Mobile County Sheriff's Office for sponsoring our Firefighter of the Month Program. Sheriff Burch and his team are always willing to step up and help show appreciation to local first responders. "With three decades in law enforcement, he has served in several roles including uniformed patrol, general investigation, homicide investigation, and narcotics/VICE investigation. These accomplishments highlight Paul's dedication to serving the citizens of Mobile in a professional, respectful, and trustworthy manner." Without partners like Century Bank and the Mobile County Sheriff's Office, the Chamber would not be able to impact the SouthWest Mobile County Area as it has.





SOUTHWEST MOBILE COUNTY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

FOOD DRIVE

ALABAMA

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AUBURN



WHICH TEAM WILL COLLECT THE
MOST NON-PERISHABLE FOODS FOR
OUR ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE?

BOXED STUFFING
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Alabama vs. Auburn Food Drive

We invite you to participate in our Annual Alabama vs. Auburn Food Drive, a spirited event aimed at supporting our local community while celebrating the rivalry between these two teams!

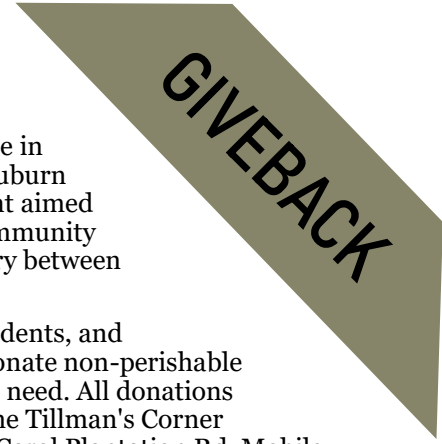
This event invites fans, students, and community members to donate non-perishable food items to help those in need. All donations should be dropped off at the Tillman's Corner Community Center (5055 Carol Plantation Rd, Mobile, AL 36619) by Monday, November 18th.

Let's show our team pride while making a positive impact! Donations will go to local families who would otherwise go without over the Thanksgiving holiday. Don't miss out on this chance to give back and cheer for your team!

Accepted Items:

Boxed Stuffing, Boxed Potatoes, Canned Fruit, Cranberry Sauce, Gravy, Cream of Soups, Cornbread Mix, Canned Yams, Chicken Broth, Rice, Seasonings, Cake Mix, Cake Icing, Brownie Mix, Cookie Mix, Canned Pumpkin, Mac & Cheese, French Fried Onions, Canned Vegetables, Pie Crust, Pie Fillings

We will also be accepting monetary donations to purchase the meat items and additional goods. Feel free to bring your donations to the Business Luncheon on Wednesday, November 6th.



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There are many trends in business but having leadership adaptability is not a new idea but a way of life. Since the pandemic, we have all learned to adapt and create more facets to our everyday lives.

What is thought leadership?

Thought leadership is the act of sharing ideas that make you interesting to other people. It's all about standing out in your industry, your unique insights and perspectives.

I own two businesses, and I love to see those repeat customers come back and continue to use my business services or shop in my retail store.

When people start to see how you think and why, they start to become advocates for you and your business. They see you are an expert in the field. This creates a boomerang effect where people say, 'I'm going to come back because what they shared was so interesting or inspiring to the point of thinking you are knowledgeable about your field.'

As an entrepreneur with limited resources, you may feel like your energy is better spent promoting your products or services than sharing your hard-earned wisdom. However, thought leadership is more about sharing insights and experiences.

In today's digital world, where customers can access information about you and your competitors with just a few clicks, it's important to control your narrative as much as possible. By withholding your ideas and values, you invite the ever-critical public to fill in the gaps on your behalf. As an entrepreneur, I want to shape what other people think about me and my business as much as I can.

You can't be a thought leader if you don't know what you're talking about. Luckily, as a small business owner, you likely already have a wealth of knowledge in your industry. You can build credibility by sharing lessons you've learned, offering business-driven insights, or proposing solutions to common problems.

You recognize patterns that others who don't have your experience don't see. You can solve problems quickly. You know which problems are even worth solving. Ultimately, that experience, your experience, helps you become more professionally valuable to the teams around you, to potential partners, but also to people that you are trying to attract as customers. We all need to learn to establish ourselves as a go-to resource!

Becoming a successful thought leader takes more than just showing off how smart you are. It doesn't matter how good your ideas are if you don't present them in a way that engages people. If you want people to take the time to listen to your podcast, read your LinkedIn post, or open your newsletter, you must transform your knowledge into wisdom that serves

them in such a way they feel inspired.

Being transparent and sharing stories about mistakes and failures makes your audience feel more connected to you. Share your scars, not your wounds. You don't want to make it just about you. You want to share enough about your experience to showcase how it can help other people. Get as close as you can to describing your thoughts, feelings, mistakes, wins, pains, and losses. People will relate, being an influencer is different than being a content writer, make your choice today about how you want your fingerprint to stand out.

Tina Poiroux

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STUDENT PROGRAMS

BUILDING TOMORROW

STAR STUDENTS

Each month, the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce recognizes students from local elementary schools for their dedication to learning. This Program would not be possible without our Star Student Sponsors. Congratulations to the

following students who were recognized on Wednesday, October 2nd, 2024:

- **Simon Dean** from Bright Academy sponsored by Burton Property Group
- **Chrislie-Anne Brazell** from Cottage Hill Christian Academy sponsored by Brian Lancaster, State Farm
- **Aubree Foster** Hollinger's Island Elementary sponsored by Evonik Corporation
- **Aubree Westforth** from Meadowlake Elementary sponsored by Pilot
- **Madison Weaver** from Nan Gray Davis Elementary sponsored by BLP Mobile Paint
- **Wesley McCormick** from Pearl Haskew Elementary sponsored by Roberts Brothers - The Sessions Team
- **Kayden Davis** from W.C. Griggs Elementary sponsored by Alabama Power



T.A.L.L PROGRAM

The SWMCC makes instilling leadership skills into today's youth a top priority through its Tillman's Corner Area Learning Leadership (TALL) Program. Investing in high school students is essential for fostering a skilled future workforce. As these students prepare to enter higher education or the job market, businesses can play a pivotal role by providing mentorship, internships, and real-world experiences. This engagement helps students develop critical skills and a better understanding of industry demands, while also creating a pipeline of talent for future recruitment. By pouring resources and support into this demographic, companies not only contribute to the community but also ensure access to motivated, well-prepared individuals who can drive innovation and growth within their organizations.

On Saturday, October 5th, our TALL Leadership students had the opportunity to volunteer at Mobile Coca-Cola Bottling Co. United's Family Fun Day! It was a fantastic opportunity to connect with the community, work as a team, and create lasting memories while supporting a long time partner. The students ended their day with a tour of the bottling facility. Thank you to Apryl Crowder and the Coca-Cola team for allowing our students this amazing opportunity!

On Monday, October 7th, our TALL students had the privilege of touring Mostellar Medical Center. The Mostellar team provided insight into not only the cutting-edge care available through their facility, but also the dedicated professionals making a difference in our community daily. We would like to thank Todd Stork, Chief of Operations, and his staff for their hospitality!



TINSEL TAKEDOWN

Tinsel Takedown: A Festive Christmas Tree Decorating Contest Supporting the SWMCC's Christmas Giveback Campaign

Get ready for a fun-filled, festive event that brings creativity, competition, and holiday cheer! We are excited to host the Inaugural Tinsel Takedown Christmas Tree Decorating Contest, and of course, it's all for a great cause—the Christmas Giveback Campaign. This campaign provides gifts and food for families in need over Christmas Break.

At our Tree Lighting on November 25th, the community will come together to showcase uniquely decorated Christmas trees. Attendees will have the opportunity to admire the dazzling displays, and each will receive one free ticket upon entry to vote for their favorite tree. But the fun doesn't stop there—if you want to support your favorite tree even more, you can purchase additional voting tickets for just \$1.00 each!

Every dollar raised from ticket sales will help to support local initiatives and make a positive impact in our community. So bring your family and friends, enjoy the holiday magic, and get involved in this exciting event. The Tinsel Takedown promises to be a festive celebration of creativity, community, and charity.

If you are interested in participating, please reach out to the Chamber staff by email at info@swmccchamber.com or phone at (251) 666-2846.



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TINSEL TAKEDOWN

at the Chamber

Help us give back this season by participating in our "Tinsel Takedown" Christmas Tree Decorating Contest! Showcase your creativity and festive spirit by decorating a tree the morning of Monday, November 25th to be voted on by Christmas Tree Lighting attendees later that night. Each attendee will receive a ticket to vote for their favorite tree, with additional tickets available for \$1.00 per ticket.

This is a great way to give back, connect with others, and celebrate the season. Participation is free for Chamber Partners or \$25.00 for outside organizations. Proceeds will go towards the Chamber's Christmas Giveback Campaign. Don't miss out on the fun, sign up today!

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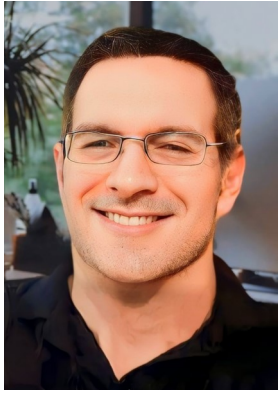
Congratulations to Tina Poiroux, SWMCC Executive Director, for receiving her Distinguished Service Award from Alabama Chambers for her career achievements and eleven years of service to the chamber industry. Your commitment and hard work have truly made a difference. Thank you for being an invaluable part of our team!



EVONIK
Leading Beyond Chemistry

BY : RON SIVAK

THE REAL ESTATE CORNER



Last month, U.S. Secretary of Transportation Pete Buttigieg; Federal Railroad Administrator Amit Bose; Mayor Sandy Stimpson and other dignitaries attended a groundbreaking ceremony marking the start of the Gulf Coast Corridor Improvement project in Downtown Mobile. The initiative will restore Amtrak service from New Orleans to Mobile, a corridor that has not had passenger service since the devastation of Hurricane Katrina in 2005. CSX will add a layover track so passenger trains do not impede freight operations at

the Port of Mobile. Amtrak will also build a new passenger platform on the site of its old stage at Cooper Riverside Park. The route will have daily stops in New Orleans, Gulfport, Bay St. Louis, Pascagoula, Biloxi and Mobile. Timelines for completion were unannounced at the event.

Sioux Falls, South Dakota-based aerospace repair provider, Aerostar, recently announced a \$4.7-million expansion of its site at the Mobile Aeroplex in Brookley. The expansion is expected to add upwards of 50 new jobs over the next three years for a total of 110 employees. Aerostar's investment will support growth of the aerospace aftermarket sector. The new test equipment will support specialized repair services for hydraulic, pneumatic and electromechanical aircraft components used in commercial airlines. Construction is currently underway, with operations planned to begin by September 2025.

Last month Governor Kay Ivy, CSX and Scannell Properties held a groundbreaking that announced the Platinum CSX Select Site designation for RailPort Logistics Mobile, a 500+ acre industrial park in Theodore. In the initial phase, Scannell will focus developing nine industrial buildings, four of which will have rail service by CSX. Additional plans include investing \$15 million for transportation infrastructure upgrades benefitting the neighboring Todd Acres Industrial Park.

The space formerly occupied by iconic Mobile eatery Spot of Tea, located at 310 Dauphin Street in Downtown Mobile, was bought last month by a local investor for \$1.29 million. The new owner plans to renovate the 1836 Zoghby-Moore building for a future development. Mary Daffin of IXL Real Estate worked for the buyer and David Kahalley of Shamrock Properties in Daphne represented the seller on the deal.

Carter's, a popular apparel brand for toddlers and babies, leased a 3,924-square-foot retail space at McGowin Park in West Mobile. Martin Smith and Cooper Smith of SRS Real Estate Partners' Birmingham office represented the landlord. Buff Teague of JLL worked for Carter's in the transaction.

Local developers are seeking planning approval to build the Colony Woods Townhomes on 8 acres in the 600 block of Dawes Road and D.R. Horton plans to develop the nearby Anglebrook subdivision with 108 lots on almost 40 acres at 2301 McFarland Road in West Mobile.

HoneyBun Donuts & Kolaches recently leased a 1,700 square foot space in the Shoppes of Midtown at 1500 Government Street. Amber Hightower Dedeaux of Vallas Realty handled the transaction.

For questions or news tips about local real estate, please email ron@hflend.com or call 251-219-8914.

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