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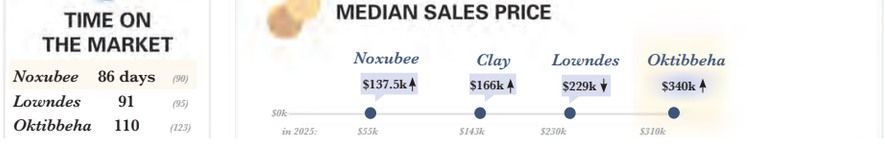


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Ty Thames

RED HOT MISSISSIPPI

Wherever a bottle of Mississippi Red Pepper Sauce goes, Ty Thames, its creator and director of shipping, knows about it.

As it has become more popular, what once was the house hot sauce on the tables of Restaurant Tyler in Starkville is spreading across the country.

"That kind of gives me a sense of reward," he said. "I see my hot sauce going to Colorado, and it's like having a little piece of me out there in the world. … Utah, North and South Dakota, Washington State. I'm selling to all these places I've never even visited."

From an idea born on a deep-sea fishing trip with friends, the Starkville chef – who also owns BIN 612 and The Guest Room – has pushed his side hustle into more than 60 retail locations across Mississippi, Tennessee and Louisiana, helping revive the popularity of a century-old heirloom hot pepper from Laurel along the way.

"You really get a taste of Mississippi and the South," Thames said. "… And it's a true taste of the South because everything is grown and made here."

More than a decade ago, while fishing in the Gulf, Thames used red chilis he bought from Bountiful Harvest Farms to make a pepper sauce. He liked it so much that when Thames returned home, he tracked down the farm's owner, Sam McLemore, about supplying peppers for more sauce.

"My only qualifications, or rules of engagement, so to speak, was it had to be a red pepper and it had to be a hot pepper," Thames said. "I didn't want the sauce to be super hot. I wanted it to be well-balanced and flavor-forward."

Then Thames, through a teammate on the Mississippi charity barbeque circuit, learned about the rooster spur pepper, named for its size and shape. With a similar heat profile as a tabasco, the heirloom first cultivated in Jones County was an ingredient in sausage made at the White House during the Jimmy Carter administration.

Thames tracked down seeds, took them to McLemore, and in subsequent years the pair built a seed bank and production base that keeps the rooster spur at the center of Mississippi Red's recipe.

"There will always be rooster spurs in the sauce," Thames said. "There are also other heirloom peppers. … That's kind of the beauty of the

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sauce. It does change a little bit."

To achieve the desired thickness, and to balance the heat, Thames uses red jalapenos. The "extra hot" version uses habaneros. Vinegar, dry herbs and a little brown sugar round out the flavors of the sauce.

"I always tell people if Tabasco sauce and sriracha had a baby, it would be Mississippi Red," Thames said.

Since the sauce hit the tables in Thames' flagship restaurant downtown, his customers started pushing him to scale up. In 2020, amid the COVID-19 pandemic, he built a production kitchen at his farm in Houston, Mississippi, which allowed him to start making 40-gallon batches. That was enough to make 30 cases at a time to supply the Oktibbeha County Farmers Cooperative and a few other small retailers.

By 2023, Thames contracted with a copacker as demand had grown the batches to 500 gallons.

"In one afternoon, they can bottle 4,000 bottles, which would take me about a month to do at my farm," he said.

Thames has also added product lines like hot honey and spice blends.

To get his products in big-box grocery stores, Thames said he needs to drop his wholesale prices by about 30 to 40%. He is also "in talks" with food purveyors like Sysco and PFG.

In the meantime, he needs more pepper growers to service his existing wholesale and retail sales, while saving profits to majorly scale up his farm and production facility in Houston.


Ty Thames

"I open the floor to anybody who would like to grow peppers (that fit Mississippi Red standards)," he said. "Because I can't buy enough peppers locally right now to meet my demand."

McLemore is doing his part, some years growing as many as 400 rooster spur plants, along with other red pepper varieties.

"We've got a guaranteed market for every red, hot pepper we can bring him every year," McLemore said. "That's pretty awesome, and we've been able to plant a whole lot of peppers on that."

But his collaboration and friendship with the Thames family goes beyond peppers and sauce.

"They have supported us in many ways, buying lots of our other products – our microgreens, our edible flowers, our tomatoes, bell peppers – that they can use in the restaurant," McLemore said. "... I bring the peppers along with anything else I have."


Sam McLemore and Ty Thames

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MEET CHRISTY FERGUSON

The newly revived Main Street Macon announced Christy Ferguson as executive director following its Aug. 13 meeting.

Ferguson, who grew up in Noxubee County, moved back to the area in 2024. While excited for her homecoming, she misses the vibrant downtown where she registered for her wedding and got her first job in 1988. Ferguson hopes her work with Main Street Macon will breathe new life into the city's downtown.

In September, reporter Paloma Green asked Ferguson what she hopes to accomplish in her role.

What does Macon mean to you?

It means home. Believe it or not, I was born in the local hospital. I had my very first job there, (at Citizens National Bank). I did turn from a teller to an actual business instructor. And I had my first teaching job there at Central Academy, and that gave me my first taste that I wanted to do more teaching. And I then, in turn, ended up going back and getting a master's degree and ended up teaching at a community college. So, to me it just means coming home. It's great, most of the time when I end up seeing anybody from previous years, because like I said I am fairly new, back three years now. But it's so great whenever I see people in the grocery store or in the Dollar General, whatever, just to sit and chat just to catch up with people.

How has Macon changed since your first job at Citizens National Bank?

Clearly we don't have the shopping options that we used to have. I just remember it being a community-driven (town with) very nice establishments. We didn't need to go out of town to shop places. …There were no boarded-up buildings. We have that now. And there were just a lot more choices of shopping in the area and we don't have that now.

How did you get involved in Main Street Macon?

I've started trying to be a little bit more active in my community. And one of the groups that I got active with was the GALS group — God's Amazing Ladies in Service — and through that organization I guess I showed my potential. As far as I was a retired business teacher. I had taught social media. I had been on several non-profits (boards). I had obtained different grants through my years of work and things like that. …Miss Vicky Rogers, who is our leader for GALS, she's like, 'Christy I really think, they are looking for somebody to do this, I know it will be unpaid.' She said, 'Well, right now it won't be paid.' She said, 'But, I really think you should do that.' And so I met with the first group that met back in June and asked some questions and had conversations with the mayor. And I guess that's sort of how the ball got rolling.

What are your short-term goals?

Kick off membership, get the ball rolling with that. Up our social media, so that others that don't live here but did live here will know and want to, in some form or way, give back to the town that raised them because a lot of people have moved away. Another main thing is us making the town look nice, as far as those buildings that are on Main Street we have a few that are boarded-up. And so we have already completed a report of all the buildings. We have about 55 of them and of those not all of them have business running.

What are your long-term goals over the next five years?

Go back to that short term goal and let's add seeking support from our city and county, because we don't have that right now. We've gone to both boards twice and I know budgets are tight but there is always a give in a budget in some fashion or form. But that would be something else on our short term goals is to seek their support because that's going to play into our long term plans.

What are those long-term plans?

There are three tiers for Main Street. We're on the bottom tier, and we would like to get to the top tier. So that will be our goal within five years to be listed as a designated community. With that, it will come with a marketing plan. So that will be another long-term goal is to have them come in and give us a polished marketing plan for Main Street Macon. We would hope to have a, what I would call an office/welcome center downtown, would be wonderful. Because currently there is no office anywhere because there is no funds for that. (We are) in those very baby steps.

What's your vision for downtown Macon if Main Street Macon is successful?

I'm just envisioning driving down Main Street (and) whenever I hit the corner and I turn down Main street from the courthouse and I don't see any boarded-up buildings. I see activity going on. I see signage inviting people in to shop. I see people hanging out outside talking on the streets. …Maybe a pocket park, something that would draw all age groups to come in and be part of our Main Street Macon family.

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Five years ago, Cody Bolton graduated from Mississippi University for Women's associate nursing degree program, well prepared to step into his career thanks in part to the help of clinical instructors who helped him find his footing.

Bolton now hopes to have the same impact as one of six Baptist Memorial Hospital-Golden Triangle nurses to be certified in September as clinical coaches in a partnership between the hospital and university designed to address the state's nurse shortage from the inside out.

"I had really good preceptors that helped me a lot whenever I was starting out, and I feel very strongly about helping people be fully prepared and feel fully comfortable because I know what it feels like sometimes to lack confidence … whenever you're going out on your own," said Bolton, who also earned his Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree from The W in 2022. "Even just teaching them small tricks that help them feel like they're more efficient … in what they're doing, I take a lot of pride in that."

The clinical coaches are tasked with serving as mentors to MUW student nurses in the Mississippi Clinical Advancement and Residency Experience, which aims to strengthen the connection between education and clinical experience by allowing students to complete a portion of their required clinical hours in the hospital, paired one-on-one with an experienced nurse.

Baptist is the second hospital in Mississippi to partner with a university for a clinical coach program.

Students in the program are also paid a stipend throughout the apprenticeship, and after graduating, they sign on for a yearlong contract with Baptist.

For nursing students like Jonathan Morales, who is set to graduate in May 2027, that preparation is invaluable. While he already has experience working as a licensed practical nurse, working with a Baptist clinical coach ensures he's already familiar with the day-to-day operations




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at the hospital once he signs his one-year contract.

"You already know that software," he said. "You know what to do, what the rules are – the protocols. So once we're done with school, we're there for a year, and then we don't have to ask as much questions to somebody that's training us."

To become a clinical coach, Baptist nurses complete a two-course certificate program at The W designed to help nurses develop their coaching methods. Bolton said the course helped him translate the informal mentoring he already does with new nurses in his unit into a more deliberate coaching method to apply with his assigned students.

"It (teaches you) how to evaluate students and how to work with them to figure out what (are) some little things that you can do during the shift … that can help," he said. "You figure out the best way they learn, the best way to give them positive feedback without tearing them down – things like that."

Once paired with a coach, students essentially shadow the nurses throughout their shifts while also earning some hands-on practice working with patients. Morales said it's a different relationship than students might have with a traditional clinical instructor.

"With a clinical instructor, in a student's mind, they don't want to sound unprepared," Morales said. "With a clinical coach, you know that person, or you're getting to know the person, and it's just building a relationship. You work with them for the whole 10 or 12 hours, so everything that they do, we are also experiencing that with them."

Morales said that relationship also helps build confidence. He felt that most while working in the pediatrics unit. With little pediatrics experience, he said it was a nerve-wracking clinical to prepare for.

"However, when I was with my clinical coach in peds, it was calming. It was more, 'This is how we do it. This is what you're going to expect,'" he said. "... There were times (when) I wasn't confident, but that's why the clinical coaches are there, to basically help you in developing your courage in practicing that one-on-one with the patient."

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JOHN FOLSOM

The Starkville Community Band has just one requirement for membership: Show up, says director John Folsom.

Membership is reserved exclusively for those who show up.

"Some community bands in Georgia and other places have extremely skilled musicians and require auditions," Folsom said. "We are a little different. We have a strict don't ask, don't tell policy: If you can play the piece, play it. If you can't play a section, don't play. You can jump in later."

That criterion has created a band that plays purely for the joy of it.

"We have band members who are middle schoolers and teens, but most of our band is made up of people in their 60s and 70s," Folsom said. "A lot of them haven't played music in years and aren't sure they can play. For them, having an opportunity to play again means the world to them."

Folsom said he was particularly excited when MSU football legend and Hall of Famer Charlie Weatherly approach him about joining the band.

"He said he in high school he played in the band during halftime, so I said, 'sure, we'd love to have you.' So here he is, at age 90, playing in the band and obviously enjoying himself."

Folsom has been director of the Starkville Community Band since 2019, overseeing the transition of the band from a group of lesser-skilled members of the Mississippi State band program to a community band in every sense of the word.

Folsom, 74, was a high school and college band director in Alabama and Georgia for 45 years. The experience of building a band from a group with varying skills has served him well.

"I never really knew what I wanted to do for a living," Folsom said. "I was graduate student when a high school band director retired. I was asked if I wanted the job. I guess you could say the job found me."

The Starkville Community Band holds two performances each in the spring and fall.

The band practices on Monday evenings at MSU's band hall, which also serves as its primary concert venue.

"The program is based on the strengths and weaknesses of the band members," Folsom said. "We want this to be a fun and successful experience for them. Really, that's the entire point."



NAOMI PALAGI

The way Naomi Palagi sees it, everyone is an artist, even if they don't realize it.

She is determined to share that message through a program she brought to the Columbus Arts Council after moving to Columbus with her husband, Jason, a biology professor at MUW.

Known primarily for her poetry, Palagi views creativity as part of everyday life.

"My paycheck comes from being a bookkeeper, but my passion is art," she said. "I write poetry, hum, restore furniture and sew. It's all connected."

The idea of encouraging people to discover their own artistic bent began to percolate in college when she and her classmate, Acacia Reed, put together a program that became "All in the Same Breath Cultural Exchange." It is an open mic-style event held twice a month, through an in-person meeting at the Rosenzweig Arts Center and a virtual meeting on Zoom, where attendees discuss or perform their current works of art for five-minute sets.

The event began in 2021 after Palagi moved to Columbus, where she saw a void of spaces artists could present their works without the judgment or monetary barriers of other events like poetry workshops or open mics.

"I wanted to be able to be around people and talk about art and do art," Palagi said. "And an open mic is not really the place for that. … There's no getting into the meat of it, and I think artists put a lot of thought into the meat of it and what it means to them."

During its first three years, All in the Same Breath was held virtually before transitioning to in-person events at Columbus-Lowndes Public Library. In 2023, it landed at the Rosenzweig Arts Center, where it's been ever since.

While it struggled with consistent attendance as locations changed, the group has finally found its footing in its new home..

Locations have change, but not the format

"The presentation can be about anything — a work in progress, a finished work, roller skating, crafts, a song, whatever it is they are pursuing," Palagi said. "After that, we have a little session where the group talks about whatever caught their attention in the presentation. It's not about offering suggestions or what can be improved, so it's not so scary."

Palagi said the events serve as an affirmation for the presenter and inspiration for the group.

"I've had people who came and insisted they didn't have anything to present, but just wanted to listen," she said. "Then, after listening to the presentations for a while, they'll say, 'You know, I do have this poem I've been working on.' That's really the goal of the program. Everything has a connection. It helps people see that."


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FRANCES SMITH

When Frances Smith and her husband, Bob, moved to her hometown of West Point in 2014 after retiring, she wanted to meet people and make a connection to the community.

To that end, she began volunteering and serving as a board member of The Mission, a residential addiction program for men. More recently, she has started an organization called Play It Forward to raise funds to install musical play equipment on the Sally Kate Winters Park playground.

What she had not expected to help her make connections in town was a game she had never heard of.

"My daughter mentioned that I should learn how to play mahjong," Smith said. "I'd never heard of it."

Mahjong is a traditional tile-based game that originated in China and is now played worldwide. In fact, the popularity of the game has taken off in the U.S., eclipsing both bridge and canasta as popular tabletop games.

"I have always been a game person," Smith said. "I grew up in a large family and we all played games. When I started to learn a little about mahjong, I began to see how adaptable it was. It's something you can play with multiple generations. The game is designed for four players, but you can play a derivation with three or even two players. It suits almost any situation. The game last about 40 minutes., so depending on what time you have, you can play as many games as you want."

No one has been a greater ambassador for mahjong than Smith, who has organized a mahjong club that features regular tournaments for both beginners and more experienced players. Smith teaches the afternoon and evening classes on alternating Tuesdays at the Louise Campbell Arts Center in downtown West Point.

The biggest event is The Mahjong March Madness Tournament, which has become a major fund-raiser for The Mission.

The tournament has already started to draw players from Memphis, Oxford, Amory, Columbus and more to register, Smith said.

"People that play it really are passionate about it and love it, and they want other players to learn about it and love it too," Smith said.

"We've also started a kids camp," Smith said. "In fact, I'm teaching a variation of the game to my 3-year-old grandchild. It's a wonderful game on so many levels ."

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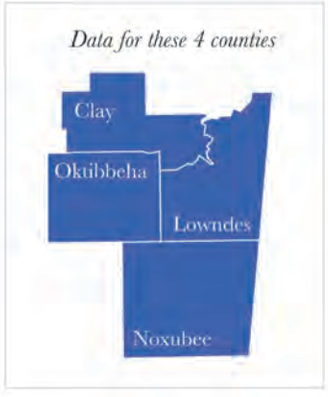
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NUMBER OF HOMES SOLD

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275 homes ↑
220 homes in 2025

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1 42 homes ↑
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1 5 homes ↓
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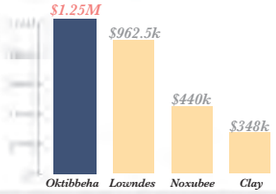
Noxubee	86 days	(90)
Lowndes	91	(95)
Oktibbeha	110	(123)
Clay	125	(98)

MEDIAN SALES PRICE

	Noxubee	Clay	Lowndes	Oktibbeha
	$137.5k ↑	$166k ↑	$229k ↓	$340k ↑
in 2025:	$55k	$143k	$230k	$310k

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	Lowndes	Obtibbeha	Clay	Noxubee
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THE SEASON FOR RYE

After becoming the general manager at Bin 612, Janna Walden no longer spends her whole shift behind the bar. But she still likes slipping back there when she can.

Walden finds the fast pace and novelty of bartending are good for her ADHD brain, although she said managing is less taxing than tending bar. Since her promotion, she has enjoyed getting off work earlier, which means she can ride her bike or go to the gym afterward. Still, she sometimes misses being behind the bar.

"When someone asks to speak to the manager, I'm like, 'damn. I wish I could just be making a drink right now,'" Walden joked.

Walden has worked in bars and restaurants for the last four years. Throughout her time in hospitality, she has tried every position except working in the kitchen. Now she is getting a taste of that, too, occasionally being thrown into the kitchen during a shift.

After a hard shift, Walden likes to go home, put her feet up and watch "Bob's Burgers" or a reality TV show. She also unwinds by cooking at home, where she can experiment with flavors.

When she has time, Walden still comes up with her own cocktail creations for the bar. She enjoys figuring out how different flavors work together, drawing inspiration from her own home cooking, "The Flavor Bible" and plain old experimentation.

Her most recent concoction, Apple of My Rye, is meant to manifest cooler fall weather.

"It's just like an apple cider, so it makes me feel like I should be wearing my sweater," Walden said. "... I think fall is just very comforting. It feels like a happy time."

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A LIFE IN CHARACTER

FOR 45 YEARS, EDWINA WILLIAMS HAS MADE MOTHER GOOSE PART OF THE FABRIC OF COLUMBUS

A new post office worker stopped at Edwina Williams' home recently. He handed her the mail, paused and asked her if he knew her from somewhere.

Williams asked him the same question.

He did. He remembered her from Franklin Elementary School, where she had visited years ago as Mother Goose.

He was in his 30s.

In Columbus, Mother Goose isn't a character from a nursery rhyme. She's Edwina Williams, who has spent half her life creating a character that has become part of the town itself.

"She is always Mother Goose, always in character," said Barbara Bigelow, longtime friend and director of Main Street Columbus. "Very rarely have I seen her just be 'Edwina Williams.' Even when I drop something off at her home, she comes out singing 'Hellllloooooo' or a short, impromptu ditty."

On Jan. 3, she will turn 90, and Columbus will celebrate 45 years of Mother Goose.

Around the town, reminders of her celebrity are everywhere.

There's a Mother Goose utility box on Main Street, painted by artist Amy Ballard. In her smiling portrait, Edwina is sitting at a baby grand piano – her favorite – in her Miz Claus outfit. "The magic of Edwina Williams," it reads, as the cow jumps over the moon behind her.

It's not unusual for her to walk into a building, hand in the air, singing.

"Every time we're out for like lunch with my parents, and Mother Goose like shows up to a restaurant, like she's gonna start singing from across the restaurant at them," said Emily Oaks, whose dad is a close friend of Edwina. "And then they're gonna be like, 'All right, come sit down with us.'"

When she walks down the street, traffic stops, literally. April Robbins posted a photo on Facebook of her child holding Mother Goose's hand through the backseat window, both smiling as she leans in.

"Look who we saw! And yes I stopped traffic," April wrote, with plenty of laughing emojis. "And the whole line of traffic waited patiently, nobody made a peep, they all understood the assignment."

During Spring Pilgrimage, if you walk through the right home at the right time, the sound of a piano greets you. There Mother Goose will be,



seated at the bench, playing her favorites.

"She loves to play her piano and, though she plays beautifully, has never had a lesson and cannot read music," Barbara said. "She plays by ear and can bang out anything you like."

In February she hosts her annual Victorian Valentine tea party at the library. The young attendees arrive dressed to the nines – some in tiny suits and floor-length dresses, others in costumes as ballerinas or even an alligator, as happened one year. She uses a puppet with atrocious manners, Sally Lou, to teach the kids etiquette.

"It is the social event of the season … for 3, 4 and 5-year-olds," Mother Goose said with a smile.

At Halloween she transforms herself into The Good Witch, visiting schools and offering tips on having a safe holiday. At Easter, she is Miz Easter Bunny.

During Christmas, she is Miz Claus. Wrapped in a red cloak, bonnet on her head, she carefully listens to each child's Christmas wishes at Wassailfest and then waves to the crowds from the bucket of the fire truck during the Christmas parade.

"I tear up every Christmas that she's up on the fire truck as Miz Claus," said Randi Robison, president of the Columbus-Lowndes Library Board.

This winter, she'll serve as grand marshal for the Columbus Christmas Parade – not for the first time. She was the grand marshal in 2015. Still, the announcement thrilled locals on Facebook.

"Well deserved," Angii Ivey Stephens commented on The Dispatch's Facebook post. "I

worked with her in the children's library when I was in college. I was blessed years later to take my niece to see her often for storytime. Great memories!"

Edwina Williams is so enmeshed with Mother Goose that formal mentions of her name in the paper are followed with "Mother Goose" in parentheses. Otherwise, it would create confusion.

She jokes that even she "forgets her own name."

"My granddaughter calls me Mother Goose," she said. "And one daughter calls me MG."

THE CAT AND THE FIDDLE

Visiting Mother Goose in her office for the first time is a delightful, slightly surreal experience. She's surrounded by shelves full of stuffed animals and puppets – each tied to one story or another. Little Goose sits at her right hand. Memorabilia and fan art adorn her walls.

Handwritten letters are tucked everywhere. Taped on her window is a note from one of her storytime attendees, the child's handwriting barely legible. The child's mother has written a clear translation under each word.

"Mother Goose," it begins. "I am sorry for being grumpy and not using my manners… "



Mother Goose sits at her desk, surrounded by her books and characters. She smiles as she shares her story.

Edwina was named after her father, she said. You pronounce her name as if saying "Edwin, but add an 'a' at the end." Born in the Delta, she moved with her family to Columbus when she was 2 years old.

She graduated from Lee High and then attended Mississippi University for Women. She began her career as a first-grade teacher.

In 1958, she married Alexander "Bam" Williams. They left Columbus twice during their marriage, once for a short year in New Orleans and then a much longer 10 years in St. Petersburg, Florida. By the time they arrived back in Columbus in the mid-70s, they had two young daughters, Lane and Lee.

Edwina was a stay-at-home mom, and Bam was getting his veterinary practice off the ground, but she missed the years she had spent teaching first grade. Soon after returning to Columbus, Williams began to substitute teach and visit elementary schools to read and tell stories.

The teachers – and Bam – encouraged her to adopt a character for those reading visits.

"So I thought about it," she said. "I thought, well, everybody knows Mother Goose."

In 1985, Mother Goose joined the Columbus-Lowndes Public Library at the invitation of then-director Chebie Bateman. Edwina hesitated, telling Chebie that she didn't have a formal library science degree, but Chebie insisted she was perfect for the role.

By this point in the interview, Mother Goose is singing the story.

"She said, 'Be on boooard, come be on board with us!'" she harmonizes, arms held wide. "So I

said, 'Fine.'"

Bam died after a short illness in December 1998 on their 40th wedding anniversary.

"I just realized I had to keep on going," she says. "And the only way I could keep going was to keep on going the way I was going. Mother Goose is going, so I have to keep up with her."

She still uses an instrument he made for her, a "boomba," she calls it. The boomba lives in her car and made an appearance at a September parade in Caledonia.

"Her family is very special to her," said Barbara. "Sometimes you will see her around town in 'Mr. Truck,' her 1990 Dodge Ram, a treasure left by her late husband."

As the years passed, Edwina and Mother Goose became harder to separate.

"When I leave my house in the morning, I am Mother Goose," Edwina says. "Whether I'm wearing my hat and apron or not, it just comes out. I step through doorways just singing."

As it nears 10 a.m., she pokes her head out of her office. Children have begun to arrive for storytime.

"Let me go on and get out there," she says. With a look back she adds, "Being Mother Goose does wonders for me. It lifts my spirits and I love to do it."

THE COW JUMPED OVER THE MOON

Mother Goose's Thursday storytimes are a fixture at the library. These days, she works 20 hours a week.

"Paaart-timeee," she sang. "Paid every twooo weeeks!"

At storytime, she is clearly in her element. This hour of music, reading and social time is the core of what she does. Mother Goose looks like entertainment, but she's teaching.

"I try to do several things for children, and they think it's fun," she said. "And the three main things I try to incorporate are the listening skills, reading skills and the social skills. Doing all of these together with song and stories, they don't know that I'm teaching them something."

As she walks out to greet everyone, children who were clinging to their parents' legs run to her, arms wrapping tightly around her pinafore. She brings out the extrovert in even the shyest kids.

"You're looking mighty cute today!" she says to each of them, hugging them back.

She takes the time to compliment something unique about each: their hair, their smile, their outfits, their eyes, their smarts – Mother Goose notices all of it. And she is sure to tell them how incredible she believes they are.

But for all her encouraging compliments and gracious guidance, there is one thing Mother Goose doesn't budge on: manners.

Every child that sits crisscross applesauce on her rug is reminded to "listen closely now."

It's partially how she's able to maintain order among such a large group of easily distracted children.

Her corrections come gently, often with humor. Even when someone has to be reminded to sit down three or four times, her patience never cracks and her smile never fades.

"Give your brain a kiss!" she tells them after each moment of learning.

Mother Goose works hard to get everyone to think. Throughout the hour she purposefully sneaks in vocabulary words like "introduction" and "audience."

She recruits a dad to help her manage show and tell, and judging by how quickly he rises to the occasion, it's clear that the parents love her

too. Most of them sing along with her songs.

Local mother Kimberly Mixon came to storytime with her own mother, Doris Mixon, and her son Timothy Vanderford. Kimberly said her grandmother – Doris' mother – attended Lee High with Mother Goose. Then, as Kimberly grew up, Doris brought her to storytime.

"As a kid, it was magical," she said. "She stepped out of the page and became the reader, and it was awesome. Even being a child with complex ADHD and dyslexia, it really encouraged me to become a reader and to understand the words within the books."

Now, Kimberly said, there are no words for what it means to bring her own son.

"To be the mother and getting this opportunity to bring my son and experience what my own mom experienced when she brought me," she said, smiling at her mom. "It's just magical."

After storytime ends, Mother Goose chats with parents while kids disperse to play areas, computer stations and library shelves. She asks how they're doing and checks on the mothers holding new babies.

She's curious about the people around her, and she knows how to keep the conversation going.

If you let it slip that you cook, she gives you a curious look and asks, "What do you cook?" Famously, Mother Goose does not cook, but she still wants to know more about people who do.

Later, when asked what she thinks has changed for children in the last 45 years, she takes a moment to consider the question. She's watched children become adults and bring in their own children. She's watched technology and institutions change. And she's certainly watched children change.

"The children have access to more technology, websites and social media," she said. "We weren't too keen on those kinds of things back then. Kids are just more observant as to things around them and the parents try to keep them informed on all things that are going on TV."

She doesn't think it's for the better or worse.

"I think it's just a change," she said. "You cannot do anything with change. You have to accept it."

For someone who has seen so much change, there is something reassuring about how much Mother Goose has stayed the same.

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MOTHER GOOSE MEMORIES

"She makes every song feel like a party." – Penelope, age 3

"I give her big hugs every time." – Eleanor, age 2

"Show and tell is my favorite, she let me bring my (toy) pistol." – Timothy, age 4

"She's definitely learned my name and face, and that genuinely makes me feel like a local more than anything else could." – Randi Robison, who moved to Columbus in 2018

"A word of advice ... don't plan a "short" shopping trip with her because everyone in the store will want to stop her, chat, grab a hug, and maybe even a song." – Barbara Bigelow

"You know, she has a license plate on her car that reads 'Mother Goose.'" – Cynthia Mutch

"Back when The Dispatch did a Christmas Parade Float, Mother Goose would ride with us and people would act like they were seeing Michael Jackson. Everyone would scream. Some would cry." – Birney Imes

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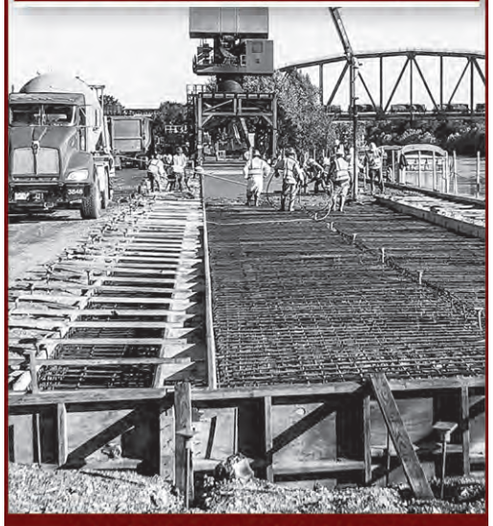
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Leña Pizza + Bagels, from all appearances, looks like any other storefront along Cleveland, Mississippi's Cotton Row.

But it does not take long to see that this is no ordinary storefront. Within 15 minutes of opening one evening in early October, a line of customers streams through the restaurant's front door.

They're all waiting for one thing – the 38th best pizza in the world.

And they won't wait long.

Dough is stretched by hand, sauce is spread and toppings added before the pies are slid into an 800-degree wood-burning oven for less than two minutes.

The smell is intoxicating as the crusts crisps and cheeses melt within the oven.

The pizzas hit the tables, and ideally, in Neapolitan tradition, they are best eaten within the first five minutes, Rory Doyle, co-owner of the pizzeria, said.



Marisol Doyle



Hey Joe's Burgers + Beer

And Doyle is right, it tastes even better than it smells. The "PepperRory," hits the mouth with a crunch from the crisped pepperonis, while the cheese pulls against the thin crust.

Doyle said he and his wife, Marisol Doyle, never set out for accolades or acclaim when starting their pizzeria and bagel shop three years ago.

But even still the food has made headlines, including earlier this year when The International Guide 50 Top Pizzas dubbed Leña among the best pizzerias in the world. They're ranked ninth in the U.S.

While Rory is a co-owner of the establishment and leads marketing, he's quick to pass credit to Marisol as the "nucleus" of the operation.

Marisol, in order to make the pizzeria a reality, traveled to Napoli, Italy, to learn the Neapolitan style at the Associazione Verace Pizza Napoletana school.

She brought the craft back to Cleveland and started doing pizza pop-ups before opening the restaurant in 2023.

"I would say that it's a labor of love because they're eating the same thing, and it brings them comfort," Marisol said of the pizza. "... (The customers are eating it) every week, and that makes me feel good because (that shows) they trust me."

For Marisol and Rory, the local support is something they have cherished but their proudest accomplishment is the spotlight their success has put on Cleveland.

"It means such a great deal to Marisol and to me, but also, I think what's probably even more special is it gives more people an opportunity to learn about Cleveland," Rory said. "... I think it's a win-win, a win for us, but also for Cleveland.

There's a lot of great reasons to come and visit Cleveland, and it's really nice that more people are coming."

THE SCENE AND SIGHTS

Cleveland is a city of nearly 11,000 residents tucked within the broader Delta area. The city is contained within a 7.5-square-mile area, making it relatively walkable.

The Cotton House, a 95-room boutique hotel, makes for comfortable accommodations during a trip to the city. Its central location in between Cotton Row's strip of downtown storefronts offers easy access to other city attractions.

Next to Cleveland's Visitor Center stands a building that acts as a doorway to "a better time," James Marqis, a tour guide at Martin and Sue King Railroad Heritage Museum, said.

The museum, beyond its 71-by-17-foot model train exhibit, offers informative displays and railroad artifacts to teach visitors about the importance of railroads to the development of Mississippi during the 20th century.

"The key to the whole thing is it's an education tool," Marqis said of the museum.

For a morning pick-me-up, Zoe's Coffee Co. offers a great selection of both specialty and seasonal lattes.

For lunch take a short walk up North Sharpe Avenue to Hey Joe's Burgers + Beer; the dimly lit restaurant interior lined with retro arcade games and sports memorabilia offers an experience to please any dive bar enthusiast.

A local favorite, the "Kevin Bacon" smashburger, is melted with your choice of cheese and topped with bacon before the bun is speared with a piece of pickled okra, an ode to the neighboring Delta State University Statesmen, unofficially dubbed the Fighting Okra.








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Beyond catching a Statesmen football game at Horace L. McCool Stadium, the university also boasts the Mathews-Sanders Sculpture Garden, a permanent exhibit in front of the Bologna Performing Arts Center.

More than 50 sculptures stand on the campus grounds, including in the front of the GRAMMY Museum.

The museum was opened in 2016 as the first sister location for the Los Angeles-based museum, because of the state's rich history to musical genres like country, the blues and rock and roll.

The 28,000-square-foot museum offers programming ranging from a 45-minute retrospective of previous GRAMMY performances, interactive exhibits highlighting significant artists and rotating displays of musical genres or specific artists each year.

Roughly seven miles east into Sunflower County is Dockery Farms, a historic 20th-century plantation and sawmill compound widely believed to be "The Birthplace of the Blues."

Visitors can take a self-guided tour of the grounds where blues legends like Howlin' Wolf, Charley Patton and Robert Johnson once got their start.

For a city of its size, Cleveland packs a surprising number of sights, tastes and culture. It's also a great home base for exploring the rest of the central Delta.

Much like that unassuming storefront on Cotton Row, Cleveland may not advertise all that it has to offer at first glance. Spend a little time there, though, and it doesn't take long to understand why it's worth the trip.

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All across the Golden Triangle, crews have been hard at work developing new production facilities, repaving roads and drafting plans for new public buildings.

STARKVILLE/OKTIBBEHA

Road work has made significant progress in Starkville, with the Highway 182 revitalization project reaching roughly 80% completion. The mile-long stretch of improvements will reduce the street to two lanes, add sidewalks, install new drainage and relocate utilities underground. The project, which begins near Long Street and goes up the west side of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, should be finished in summer 2027.

Downtown, the $7.5 million Main Street Revitalization project is on pace to be complete by February 2027. The project is expanding sidewalks, adding additional lighting and adding brickwork to the street. The project recently wrapped up construction efforts at the Jackson Street intersection and has moved to the section of Main Street in front of Regions Bank.

As part of $10 million in state-approved funds, Main Street Starkville in April received $500,000 for improvements along Jackson Street between Main Street and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Those improvements include new road striping, pedestrian crosswalks and additional street lighting. The project is currently in the design phase and is expected to begin construction in 2027.

Starkville-Oktibbeha Consolidated School District's new high school broke ground in April. The roughly $127 million project has largely completed initial dirt work and tree removal and has approved roughly $27 million in construction packages since August. The school is expected to

open by June 2028.

Starkville has nearly completed plans for a new roundabout on Highway 12 near Garrard Road. The project will be funded by an $8 million Safe Streets for All grant the city received in July 2025. The project is expected to begin construction in 2027 and is projected to be completed by 2028.

In February, the city accepted a $120,000 grant from the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks Recreation Trails Program to fund a new skate park at the Starkville Sportsplex. The remaining roughly $280,000 needed for the project is being covered by the city's 1% and 2% tourism taxes. While the project is still under design, the hope is for construction to begin in December and for the park to open in early 2027.

The George M. Bryan Airport has largely wrapped up initial dirt work for its 1,000-foot runway extension. The $10 million project is projected to be complete by December 2027. The airport is also building a new 100-by-65-foot corporate hangar, which is expected to begin construction in spring 2027. The airport also hopes to break ground on a helicopter and living quarters building sometime in November.

Southwire announced in August plans for a $256 million expansion at its Starkville facility off Highway 12. The 380,000-square-foot addition had a planned groundbreaking in October and is expected to be completed by 2028 and bring an additional 128 jobs to the area.



Southwire expansion in Starkville

COLUMBUS/LOWNDES

Columbus wrapped up about $6 million in ARPA-funded drainage work in August. The project addressed flooding issues in Wards 1, 4 and 5 and included ditch and box culvert clearing, drain replacement and erosion control. The city also used about $269,000 in ARPA funds for smaller drainage projects on Highway 45 and Summerhaven Drive, both completed in July.

In May, the city wrapped up $1.8 million in Fifth Street North improvements, including narrower lanes, new lighting, a new signal at Fifth Avenue North, sidewalks and bike lanes along the roughly 0.3-mile stretch.

The nearly decade-long Burns Bottom redevelopment is progressing on about $5.2 million in initial infrastructure improvements expected to be complete by spring 2027. Friendly City Development, which entered an $800,000 deal with the city's redevelopment board in August 2025, has sold 12 of its first 49 lots. Houses could begin going up in 2027.

In January, the city received more than $536,000 from the Mississippi Outdoor Stewardship Trust Fund for a kayak and canoe launch at Propst Park as part of the Dr. John "Jack" Kaye Cretaceous Fossil Park project. The project is undergoing an environmental impact study, with designs expected to be finalized by year's end and construction hoped to begin in spring 2027.

The city is set to begin about $3.9 million in street and parking lot repaving in October, with completion expected by spring 2027.

The city began $3 million in construction on the Terry Brown Amphitheater in June. Work includes concrete, landscaping, restrooms, a concession stand and lower-bowl seating for the 3,500-capacity venue. Concrete work is largely finished, with concession and restroom construction underway. Completion is expected by mid-April 2027.

At the Columbus-Lowndes County Airport, a new weather system has completed initial tree clearing and is expected to be installed by the



Terry Brown Amphitheater



Golden Triangle Regional Airport

end of the year or in early 2027. Construction on a new open hangar to increase capacity began in August and is expected to be complete by year's end.

Out in Lowndes County, more than 40 roads were repaved with $11 million in state and county funds. State-funded paving began in January and county-funded work in May, with both completed in September.

In January, the board of supervisors approved a roughly $209,000 bid for a 30-by-40-foot pavilion behind the Lowndes County Courthouse. Construction was completed in September.

In April, Steel Dynamics Inc. unveiled its new $300 million biocarbon facility off Artesia Road. The site will break down organic waste, including sawdust and thinnings from forests and timber mills, to produce roughly 200,000 tons of biocarbon products annually. The 90-acre site is expected to create 100 jobs by year's end.





Aurora Flight Sciences officially unveiled a 50,000-square-foot expansion and other improvements at its Lowndes County Industrial Park manufacturing site. The $43 million investment is expected to add 36 jobs over four years.

In August, DRC Industries, a Kentucky-based custom industrial packaging manufacturer, announced a $4 million investment in a new production facility on Yorkville Park Square. The facility is expected to ramp up production within two years and create 50 jobs.

Following three years of construction, the Golden Triangle Regional Airport completed its terminal expansion in July. The $12 million expansion includes an 8,200-square-foot waiting area, two escalators, an elevator and a jet bridge replacing the previous outdoor ramp.

The Tennessee Valley Authority continues construction on its $800 million Caledonia Combustion Power Plant, which broke ground in October 2025 outside the Caledonia town limits. The project reached 25% completion in August and remains on track for completion by May 2028.

WEST POINT/CLAY

West Point has plans to repave about $2 million in city and neighborhood streets. The city began those efforts earlier this year and has largely wrapped up the work. The remaining roads are expected to be completed before the end of the year.

Down Highway 45 South, West Point has been working on installing a new sewer line to increase capacity on the south side of the city limits. The line feeds into the city's main plant



New gazebo construction in downtown West Point

and will increase capacity for the city's sewage system. The $3 million project was completed in May.

In the center of the city, the West Point-Clay County Growth Alliance began its long-awaited $300,000 beautification project in May at Sally Kate Winters Park. The project includes the demolition and replacement of the park's central gazebo, construction of new benches and landscaping work. The project is expected to wrap up construction of the new gazebo by October.

Downtown, the Black Prairie Blues Museum largely completed $173,000 in renovations that included new signage, an improved stage and





New West Point mural to raise funds for the Black Prairie Blues Museum

sound equipment and new cabinetry in September. A new mural to help raise funds for operating costs at the museum was created earlier this year and has already filled five of 30 available spots, with portraits of donors' pets filling the display.

In September, the TVA fielded public input on its environmental study report for Origis Energy's $800 million solar panel and battery storage site. The site, which went public in March 2025, runs north of West Point alongside Highway 45 Alternate and is expected to produce 200 megawatts of solar power and have up to 400 megawatts of storage capacity. The project is expected to break ground in mid-2027.

MACON/NOXUBEE

Noxubee County's new $2 million emergency operations center, located near the current center on Washington Street in downtown Macon, remains on track for completion before the end of the year. County



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Downtown Macon

officials say the new building will provide a safer, more modern facility.

Main Street Macon, revived in June after a nine-year absence, has begun meeting with residents, public officials and business leaders to plan for downtown revitalization. Long-term goals include securing grant funding for sidewalk repairs, signage and pocket parks.

The Noxubee County Adult Detention Center closed in July because of problems with the building's electrical system, plumbing and structure. Supervisors approved $3,500 in sewer-clearing work, which was completed in September, and are still assessing the remaining repair costs with hopes of having clearer estimates by year's end.

In September, Macon issued a local state of emergency to address $6,850 in sewer line repairs at the Adam Street lift station. The repairs are being made alongside $1 million in federally funded improvements expected to begin after bids are received in October.

Huber Engineered Woods continues construction on its new wood mill near Shuqualak and remains on track for completion by the end of 2026. The project is expected to create about 150 jobs in logging, hauling and hospitality.

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