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Putting the Pieces Together

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Photo by Noah Chandler

CULLMAN – Over the weekend parents, professionals, and caregivers joined together for the Making A Difference Autism Conference to learn new techniques to better aide those in their lives dealing with Autism.

"We are supported by the Autism Society of Alabama and we are working in conjunction with the Cullman City Parks & Recreation Therapeutic program this weekend to host the Making A Difference Autism Conference," said Cullman Autism Networking Group Co-Leader, Jessica Dyson.

Dyson was excited that so many parents and professionals took part in the conference.

CANG has been working diligently to help spread awareness, along with valuable information, which Dyson said is one of the main focuses.

The first day was spent at the Cullman Wellness & Aquatic Center where the focus was on the function of teachers and professionals who work with children with autism.

Saturday the focus shifted to parents and caregivers.

The daylong conference featured a variety of seminars ranging from how to appropriately handle a child who may lash out in a fit of rage to using the latest technology to help bridge the gap between the parent and/or caregiver and the child.

"Mostly it is to offer training in those different areas. Laura Parks from United Cerebral Palsy was here demonstrating new apps for the iPad which can help teach social and language skills, while others speakers focused on developmental issues and social skills.

Tasha Segrest's son Jordan was diagnosed five years ago at the age of four.

She said there are multiple difficulties in everyday life for her son and being able to attend a local conference which is targeting many of the challenges her family faces is a blessing.

"It [Autism] is difficult, especially the social part of it."

"He doesn't have a lot of friends and he has a lot of trouble with his feet because he toe walks," she said.

"This conference is important mainly because of the parents."

"I've learned a lot by speaking with other parents who've gone through what I'm going through."

"If you don't have the support of others you'll lose your mind. You have to have that support."

For more information on this story, visit cullmansense.com

Cullman County Football Week Two Wrap-Up

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Week two of the high school football season was an exciting one. Cullman, Fairview, Good Hope, and Vinemont all won their games, remain undefeated, and have notched their scorecards up to 2-0 as this season begins to lose its infancy. Holly Pond won its game while West Point and Cold Springs lost, moving each team to 1-1. Hanceville dropped their regional opener and are still looking for their first win, as they are 0-2.

Cullman (1-0) at East Limestone (0-1)
by: Josh McBrayer

EAST LIMESTONE – For the second straight week Cullman sealed the deal in the fourth quarter, this time against East Limestone, as the Bearcats came from behind to win 30-21.

The Bearcats won the toss and elected to receive the opening kick-off. It looked as if the strategy of taking the ball first would result in early points for Cullman as Crocker hooked up with Houston Turner for 17 yards and Troy Forrest for nine yards, moving the Bearcats down the field in quick order. Cullman had the ball 2nd and 11 at the Indian 31 yard line when Crocker looked for Turner again but this time defensive back (who is also the quarterback and punter) Matthew Franks stepped in front of the pass for the interception and ending the Bearcat drive, with East Limestone taking over on their own



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In Brief

WSCC PTK Honor Society Sets Date for Third Annual 5k and Fun Run

By: Russell Moore

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Event will take place Sunday, September 23 at Tom Drake Coliseum.

HANCEVILLE – Wallace State Phi Theta Kappa will sponsor its third annual Think Local First 5K and Fun Run on Sunday, September 23, at Wallace State's Tom Drake Coliseum, continuing its efforts to support the Benefitting Backpacks 4 Africa college project.

The 5K run will begin a 3 p.m. and the 1-mile Fun Run will begin at 4 p.m. The top three male and female finishers in each 5K age group will earn a certificate, and the overall male and female winner will receive a cash prize.

Each Fun Run participant will receive a ribbon.

Registration for the 5K is $5 and it guarantees a T-shirt as long as postmarked by September 17. Registration for the Fun Run is free. Race day registration will take place from 2 to 2:45 p.m. for the 5K and until 3:45 for the Fun Run. All runners are asked to donate new, unused school supplies to help support Backpacks 4 Africa.

Wallace State Phi Theta Kappa is a chapter of the national Phi Theta Kappa honor society and makes community service part of its mission.

For more information about the race, contact Wallace State PTK sponsors Brandon Smith at 256-352-8207 (brandon.smith@wallacestate.edu) or Stacey Moore at 256-352-8241 (stacey.moore@wallacestate.edu).

Upcoming Wallace State Continuing Education Classes

By: Kristen Holmes

Wallace State Contributor

HANCEVILLE – The Continuing Education Department at Wallace State Community College announces the following upcoming courses:

Patient Care Assistant Program
Patient Care Assistants work directly with patients under the supervision of a registered or licensed practical nurse. They have a variety of duties depending on the type of facility and the type of patient.

These include taking vital signs, feeding, and bathing. Many people become PCA as a first step toward nursing, medicine, and other patient care careers.

Classes begin September 11. The fee is $790 plus expenses. To register call 256-352-7826.

ServSafe Test-Prep and Certification Course
Participants will gain valuable knowledge in the following areas: sanitation, the flow of food, purchasing and receiving, storing foods, safety, food preparation, facilities and equipment, regulatory agencies, and inspection, and crisis management.

This program is designed specifically for food handling employees of restaurants, hospitals, nursing homes, schools, daycares, and other food service professionals.

Classes will be held September 10, 11, and 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. The fee of $150 includes the certification exam. Participants must register in advance. Call 256-352-7826 to register.

Alabama Physical Therapy Jurisprudence Workshop
This workshop will discuss the structure and functions of the Alabama Physical Therapy Practice Act and Administrative Code.

Participants will learn to articulate their role in physical therapy practice as well as the roles of others with whom they work, and distinguish between legal and ethical violations within clinical scenarios.

The workshop will be held September 12 from 2 to 4 p.m. for two continuing education contact hours.

The fee is $75. Call 256-352-7826 to register.

COPD Update
Participants in the COPD Update, four continuing education contact hour class, will learn about the Global Initiative for Chronic Obstructive Lung Disease, gain an understanding of the disease components of COPD and the coping mechanisms necessary for COPD patients, learn the basic pharmacological needs of a COPD patient, and learn how to apply the key areas of COPD Rehabilitation in the clinical setting.

Registration is $40. The class will be held on September 14 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Facebook for Seniors
Senior adults are increasingly joining social media to stay in contact with friends and family. Facebook for Seniors will provide the information participants need to get started with the most popular social media platform. The fee is $25 for this class, which will be held Tuesday, September 18, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Computers for Seniors
This is a basic course to help acquaint seniors with computers and their features. Seniors will enjoy this relaxed and informative format designed for those who are just beginning to work with the computer.

The fee is $25 for this class, which will be held Tuesday, September 18, 1 to 4 p.m.

For more classes offered this fall, view the continuing and community education section of the Wallace State Fall Semester Schedule online at www.wallacestate.edu.

Call 256-352-7826 to register.

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ADECA Announces Funding for 2011 Tornado Victims

By: Jim Byard, Jr.

ADECA Director

MONTGOMERY – Families whose homes were damaged or destroyed in the April 2011 tornadoes that struck north and central Alabama could be eligible for financial assistance under a program announced today by Jim Byard Jr., director of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs.

Owners of single-family homes in the affected 30 counties could receive up to $25,000 to repair or rebuild their houses if they meet eligibility requirements. A total of $6-8 million is available for the program that is funded by a Community Development Block Grant.

"Although it has been nearly a year and a half since these storms struck, many Alabamians are still hurting and need help," Byard said.

"Governor Bentley pledged all available resources to help people recover, and acting on his behalf, ADECA secured these additional federal funds to aid people who have been unable to get the assistance they need."

Three regional organizations, each serving a designated group of counties in the affected area, will take applications during the next two months. Priority of funding will be given to low-income persons; the elderly and disabled; households with children; and displaced persons.

Applicants will be required to provide proof that they own their home, that their house was damaged by tornadoes in April 2011, proof of income, and that they have received no funding or reimbursement from other sources to cover the full amount of damage to the structure. In addition to repairs and rebuilding, eligible projects can include demolition and cleanup.

More than 250 people died and 2,200 were injured during a two-week period in April 2011 when the state was struck by multiple tornadoes. According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency 6,237 houses and 1,275 mobile homes were destroyed.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development provided the state with funding for this assistance.

All three agencies accepting applications have been working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency on other programs and projects involving the 2011 tornadoes.

Contact Information
Community Action Partnership of North Alabama Inc.
1909 Central Parkway SW, Decatur
Toll Free Number (855) 469-3267
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Jason and Kristyn Pair of Vinemont announce the arrival of their daughter, Kaylee Michelle Pair, at 9:53 a.m. on August 29, 2012, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She weighed 8 pounds 8 ounces and was 21 inches in length. She is the granddaughter of Leanne and Keith West, Ken and Kim Landrum, Kathy and Jim Buchanan, and James "P-nut" and Carol Pair. She is the great-granddaughter of Joyce and Garry Clark, Michael "Scooter" Harden, Joyce West and the late Tony West, the late Oxford and Stella Ray, and the late James Olan and Gladys Pair. She is the great-great-granddaughter of Thessel Clark.

No(ah)-It-All: : Hate Versus Hate, Who Wins?

By: Noah Chandler

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Assuming the airwaves will be jammed Tuesday with replays of the hours following the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and the flight that crashed into a Pennsylvania field, one question lingers for this man. When did battling hate with hate become protocol?

For most Americans, the days following September 11, 2001, were somber at best. To cope with the devastation, some citizens elected to drive to the crash sites to help in any way they could. Whether they were helping to feed rapid responders, shuttling workers to and from the site(s), or just lending moral support, these individuals were working out their own grief and disbelief the only way they knew how: by helping.

Others felt the need to dig deep inside their racist hearts to help aide all the vile rhetoric and speak out violently against all of the Middle East. One instance which stands out to me occurred on September 12, just 24 hours after the fall of both towers.

While standing in line for several hours to donate blood I overheard a variety of comments directed at all of the Middle East, not just at the hijackers and the organizations to whom they held allegiance. Some were calling for then-President Bush to "kill'em all."

Before being called up to make a donation the questions of why people felt so much hatred began to seep in. While the blood flowed, the mind raced, categorizing the many fear-laden statements and trying to fully understand the blanket of hatred for an entire country, home or abroad. It was understandable to be upset at the men who arranged the deadly flights, the entity that funded them, and anyone associated with the plots of that infamous day. However, wasn't indiscriminate hatred for an entire group of people what led to the attacks in the first place?

How can we really be a nation trying to achieve peace if the citizens are viewed as wanting to see death and destruction on an unseen scale? How do the actions of a few invoke a response large enough so that many citizens of a large country would want to wage war on sheep herders and oppressed women, along with the terrorists?

It was evident that the individuals who destructively flew the planes that day had blind hatred for one group of people, not caring about the individuals. What about a statement like "bomb'em all?" Does this not fall into the category of blind hate? For the longest time I could not rationalize why so many wanted to see truly innocent people suffer. That's when this question was posed: could it be that fear clouds our judgment?

I understand now that people were reacting out of fear. The mentality of "get them before they get me" took hold of people and that's when logical thinking flew out the door. However, I will also say that the celebrations of the people in the Middle East came as no shock to me.

A great man once said that "Fear is stronger than love. All that love doesn't mean anything when it comes to fear." This is an excellent statement.

The nation's people were fearful of more attacks; fearful of their loved ones potentially being killed, fearful that life wouldn't carry on as we had all become accustomed to. Most likely it was simply the fear of the unknown. Would we be attacked again? If so, when and where? This fear began to run our lives as news agencies, and I use that term incredibly loosely, began to run up-to-the-minute terror alerts, complete with graphs and statistics.

The men accountable for the murders of September 11, 2001 should be punished for their actions, along with anyone – family included – who may have aided them in any way. Most have already been killed or incarcerated. Do I believe we should bomb an entire country to kill one man? Absolutely not. To think otherwise would place me in the same category as those trying to extinguish my life and that is something that just cannot be done.

Am I wrong for thinking this way? I'll leave that up to you to decide.

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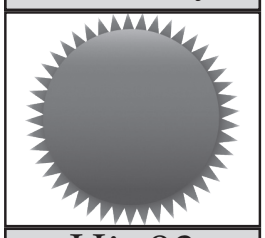
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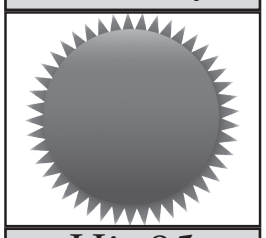
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Night: Clear, with a low around **55**.

Calm wind.

Tuesday



Hi: 85
Lo: 59

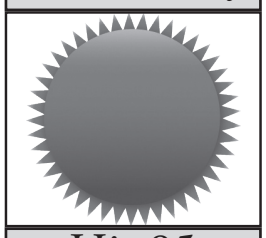
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Calm wind becoming southeast around 5 mph in the morning.

Night: Mostly clear, with a low around **59**.

Calm wind becoming southeast around 5 mph.

Wednesday



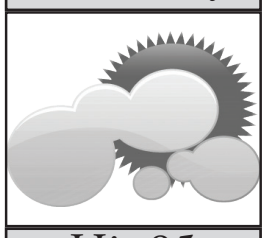
Hi: 85
Lo: 59

Day: Sunny, with a high near **85**.

Night: Mostly clear, with a low around **59**.

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Thursday



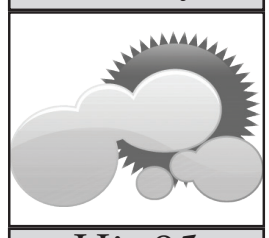
Hi: 85
Lo: 62

Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near **85**.

Night: Mostly clear, with a low around **62**.

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Friday



Hi: 85
Lo: 63

Day: Mostly sunny, with a high near **85**.

Night: A 10 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms.

Partly cloudy, with a low around **63**.

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Saturday



Hi: 84
Lo: 63

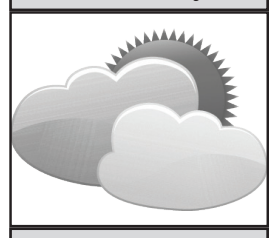
Day: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near **84**.

Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around **63**.

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Sunday



Hi: 84

Day: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near **84**.

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CullmanSense Week Two High School Football Roundup (Continued from Front)

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It did not take long for the Indians to take advantage of the turnover. Three plays after the interception, senior Torren Haley sprinted around the right corner where he picked up a key block and flew down the sideline for a 65 yard touchdown run. The PAT was good and East Limestone had a 7-0 advantage with 5:44 left to go in the first.

Cullman had great field position, after a failed onside kick, at the Indian 47 and looked to capitalize. Running backs Corey Parrish and Wesley Hendrix got the drive moving in the right direction with back-to-back runs of four and eight yards. Crocker followed with a five yard pass to Forrest and a 10 yard pass to Hendrix and the Bearcats found themselves with a 1st and 10 at Indian 20 but the drive stalled here and Cullman was forced to settle for a field goal. The score stood at 7-3.

The next scoring play came from the Indians, East Limestone converted a 4th and inches and were in great shape at the Cullman 33 yard line. Here, Franks turned and handed the ball to Matthews who busted up the middle and ran 33 yards to pay-dirt. The PAT was successful and the East Limestone squad was up on the visiting Bearcats 14-3.

After swapping possessions, Cullman forced an East Limestone punt and got the ball back with a little over two minutes left in the half.

Due to great clock management from the Cullman coaches, Crocker was able to mount a scoring drive right before the half. He went 4 of 5 on the drive, finding Hendrix for 15, Winfield Moon for 9, and Mason Jones for five. He then hit Hendrix again, this time for 31 yards and the touchdown with 56.7 seconds left on the clock. The PAT was good and Cullman trailed by only four, 14-10, going into halftime.

Cullman came out of the locker room fired up after the final drive of the fist half and looked to get a big stop on defense to open the second half. This was not to be as East Limestone, on the first play from the scrimmage in the second half, gave the ball to Haley, who for the second time had a run of over 80 yards, took the ball 84 yards for the touchdown, giving his team a 21-10 lead just 23 seconds into the second half.

Cullman got the ball back but quickly found themselves having to punt on 4th and 8, or so East Limestone thought. The ball was snapped to Crocker and he found a wide open Winfield Moon for 7 yards and Cullman was in business at the Indian 16. Garrett Crider wasted no time scoring when he punched it in on the very next play for 16 yards out. The PAT was no good and Cullman trailed 21-16 but had the all-important momentum on their side.

The Bearcat defense would once again clamp down on the Indians and force a three and out while the offense would reward their hard working teammates. Crider rumbled up the middle for a nice 14 yard gain to the 50 but lost two yards on the next play. Facing a 2nd and long, the Bearcats went to the air and Crocker once again found Hendrix, this time for 20, setting up a 1st and 10 from the East Limestone 32. Here Crocker let it fly and Keary Thomas made a great over-the-shoulder catch while dragging his feet in the corner of the end-zone for the 32 yard touchdown. The PAT was good and Cullman led for the first time in the ball game, 23-21, with 5:59 left in the 3rd quarter.

Cullman got the ball back via a turnover on downs on their own 44 with around seven minutes left in the fourth. Here is where the Bearcats shine. They moved the ball methodically toward the end-zone, chewing up precious clock along the way. The drive was capped off by the third touchdown pass of the night by Crocker. He again found Houston Turner who made a great catch at the goal line, between two defenders. Cullman went up 30-21. The ensuing kick-off was a squib kick that was recovered by Cullman and allowed the Bearcats to run out the clock and end the game.

Cullman improved to 2-0 while East Limestone dropped to 0-2.

Cold Springs Distracted, Fell to Sulligent 28-7
By Noah Chandler

COLD SPRINGS – Following a blowout victory against Decatur Heritage last Friday, the Eagles of Cold Springs came out in force on the team's first drive, easily scoring. However, this would prove to be the only scoring for the home team as Cold Springs fell to Sulligent 28-7.

The Eagles' took time off the first quarter clock, methodically driving 80 yards. Quarterback Justin Jones put the Eagles ahead on a quick 10-yard scamper, but this was the only time Cold Springs would find themselves in scoring position.

Penalties on both sides of the ball kept the game creeping along as Sulligent took their best shots in the first half. The team carried an insurmountable 20-7 lead into the locker room.

As the second half began so did the parade of flags, as the referees lit up Cold Springs with over 80 penalty yards, along with another 70+ yards tacked on to Sulligent.

Cold Springs will travel to Hale County next Friday as the Eagles try to improve on their 1-1 record.

Good Hope (1-0) at Hanceville (0-1)
by: Grant Smith

HANCEVILLE - The Good Hope Raiders overcame two muffed punts while forcing five Hanceville turnovers and held on to win the Class 3A, Region 7 opener for the teams at Ray Talley Stadium.

Using the running and passing of Sebastian Fendley and the hard running of Jerrod McClure, the Raiders got on the scoreboard with a 30 yard touchdown pass from Fendley to Chis Raper. The point after by Tyler Speakman gave the Raiders a 7-0 lead with 6:35 left in the opening quarter.

Hanceville got on the scoreboard just a little over three minutes later following a muffed Raider punt.

Caleb Hurst put the Bulldogs on the board with a three yard run. Kolby Smith added the point after and with 3:13 left in the first quarter; the game was tied 7 apiece.

After holding Good Hope on downs, Hanceville scored again, this time on a 21 yard pass from Hurst to Heath Dean. Smith added the point after and the Bulldogs led 14-7.

Good Hope used a seven minute drive to cut into the Bulldogs' lead as Fendley capped off the drive with a six yard touchdown run. The point after failed and Hanceville led 14-13 with 1:49 left in the half.

After another muffed Raider punt, Hanceville would score again, this time on a 14 yard pass from Hurst to Dante Reese. Smith added the point after and the Bulldogs led 21-13 with 14.8 left in the half.

Good Hope would strike first in the third quarter as McClure returned a Hanceville fumble 16 yards for the score. Fendley ran it in on the two-point conversion to tie the game at 21 with 7:13 left in the quarter.

After forcing the Bulldogs to punt, the Raiders reclaimed the lead on a three yard run by Fendley. Speakman added the point after and Good Hope led 28-21 with 6:02 left in the third quarter.

Late in the third quarter, the Bulldogs would cut into the Raider lead on a three yard run by Hurst. The point after attempt failed and the Raiders led 28-27 with 2:14 left in the third.

During the third quarter, Good Hope scored a pair of touchdowns in 1:12 seconds.

The final score came early in the fourth quarter as McClure hauled in a 40 yard touchdown pass from Fendley. The point after was blocked and Good Hope led 34-27.

Hanceville had opportunities to possibly tie the game, but the Raiders stopped the Bulldogs on down inside the Good Hope 30 and ran out the clock to pick up their second win in as many games.

Good Hope improves to 2-0 while the Hanceville Bulldogs drop to 0-2.

Vinemont (1-0) at Danville (1-0)
by: Clay Speer

DANVILLE – Typically, Danville has been a dominating force for Vinemont when it comes to football. That was not the case Friday night as Vinemont came back to steal a win from Danville 21-16.

Both sides started off with a bang, from the acrobatic catch of Blake Melton, to the persistent running from Danville. The first half was neck and neck. Vinemont scored on the first drive with a great run outside by Ty Jones who had 229 rush yards and three touchdowns. Danville retaliated with a great 25 yard touchdown pass to tie the game 7-7. The score remained knotted at seven through the first half as each side saw drives stall because of penalties.

The second half however, was a different story. Danville gained its first lead of the game early in the third quarter with a field goal. This was a huge victory for the defense after a fumbled punt gave Danville the ball on the Vinemont 10 yard line. Vinemont's defense, led by Logan Wallace, two sacks, and several tackles for loss, really did an excellent job containing the talented Danville offense. Vinemont, however, quickly answered with another touchdown run by Ty Jones to give them the lead 14-10 going into the fourth quarter.

At the start of the fourth quarter Danville's offense drove the ball 90 yards down the field to score and retain the lead 16-14 after a missed extra point.

Vinemont got the ball back but immediately found themselves in a hole. After a sack and an incomplete pass it was third and fifteen with a little over a minute left in the ball game. Vinemont would then give the ball to their playmaker Ty Jones. Jones ran the ball 45 yards for a Vinemont touchdown to give them a 21-16 lead with less than a minute left to play.

Danville, not a team who gives up, drove on Vinemont and was in Eagle territory on the 46 with 16 ticks left on the clock. Here is where Vinemont's defense came up big on 4th and two. Blake Melton and Blaine Black combined for a crucial sack that gave the Eagles the ball back and allowed quarterback Duncan Hopper to take a knee and end the game.

Vinemont goes to 2-0 while Danville falls to 1-1.

Fairview (1-0) at Douglas (1-0)
by: Michael Bryant

ALBERTVILLE – It's rare in high school football that you see two teams come out so evenly matched that it could take only one play to be the difference maker, but that is exactly what went down as the Fairview Aggies (1-0) traveled to Douglas to take on the home team Eagles. In a game that saw an offensive shootout in the first half, and a defensive battle in the second half, the Aggies were able to clamp down on the Douglas Eagles for a 40-26 win.

Fairview got the ball first and immediately went to work as they returned the kick from their own 25 to the Douglas 30. It would not take long for them to put it in the end zone. A 15 yard pass from Luke Bailey and a 15 yard run from Marco Rodriguez put Fairview up 6-0.

After what looked like a disastrous start for Douglas as the were hit with two penalties that backed them up 15 yards, quarterback Carlton Peppers threw a 61 yard bomb to wide out Austin Woods to take the early lead after the made extra point.

Douglas would have the ball again after a Aggie three and out. Thanks to Keenan Lewis and Nathan Ledbetter, Douglas would grind out 54 yards on the ground to take a 13-6 lead.

Down, but not out Fairview started its next possession from their 30. Fairview quarterback Luke Bailey would throw bomb to Dexton Gregory for 66 yards and the score. They would make the two point conversion to take a 14-13 lead.

Fairview would kick off, but Douglas would fumble it away and Fairview would recover at Douglas' 36. This time they let Marco Rodriguez get the bulk of the carries as he would take it three times for 4, 9, and 6 yards getting into the end zone and letting Fairview take a 20-13 lead.

Douglas and Fairview would trade three and outs on each of their next possessions. On the next drive, Douglas Quarterback Peppers would take the Fairview punt himself and get a nice return of 25 yards. A Fairview personal foul would move them within 15 yards of the goal line. A run by Peppers and two runs by running back Nathan Ledbetter would get them into the end zone and tie the game up at 20 apiece.

SPORTS

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After the kick-off and on the first play from scrimmage, Bailey would find Jake Chandler for 40 yards. The Fairview offense would wear on the small Eagles defensive line, tiring them out as the Aggies would rush for an additional 20 yards with tail back Trent Shoemaker getting the bulk of the carries. The Aggies would go up 27-20 and keep the lead for good.

Douglas went three and out on their next possession and Fairview would get a huge break as the Douglas punter would kick it over his head for a 7 yard loss. Fairview took advantage of an already tired Douglas defense and Luke Bailey ran it in from 4 yards out. Not giving up, Douglas' Carlton Peppers would throw for 50 yards and run for another 2 yards to end the half down only 34-26 and score his third touchdown of the night.

Defense was the name of the game in the second half, The only score came from Bailey who ended the night with three touchdowns and Fairview grabbed the win, 40-26.

Fairview improves to 2-0 while Douglas drops out of the ranks of the undefeated, 1-1.

Brindlee Mountain (0-1) at Holly Pond (0-1)
by: Howard Cole

HOLLY POND – The Holly Pond Broncos brought home the first win of the regular season, by outscoring the Brindlee Mountain Lions, 18-13.

Holly Pond was the first to score with just over eight minutes left in the first quarter when Clay Bodine caught a 15 yard pass touchdown pass. The PAT was no good and the score stood at 6-0. The Lions quickly evened the score at 6-6 when Spencer Kitchens rushed for the score but the Lions could not convert the PAT.

Midway into the second quarter, Brindlee Mountain coughed up the ball on the 21 yard line which opened the door for Holly Pond to get on the board again. QB Austin Hoffman completed a 10 yard touchdown pass to Jacob Jones with a little more than two minutes left in the half, putting the broncos back on top, 12-6.

The next score would not come until the fourth quarter when the Brindlee Mountain Lions scored and converted the PAT to grab a 13-12 lead.

Holly Pond would answer when Hoffman found Carter Hays in the end zone for the game winning score with 1:07 left to play. A Bronco interception by Chris Whitehead shut the door on any Brindlee Mountain attempt at a comeback.

Holly Pond picks up their first win and improving to 1-1 while Brindlee Mountain loses to a Cullman County team for the second straight week and falls to 0-2.

Athens (0-1) at West Point (1-0)
by: Johnny Thornton

WEST POINT - A 41-9 final margin by the Athens Golden Eagles over the West Point Warriors Friday night doesn't indicate how much closer this 5A, Region 8 game really was. Athens took a pair of West Point fumbles, returning them 85 and 95 yards that allowed them to hold the Warriors at arms' length.

The Golden Eagles were up 14-0 in the first quarter when they scored on a 74-yard drive to open the series and then took the ball 44 yards to the end zone after West Point failed on a fake punt, turning the ball over on downs inside its 50.

Down but not out, A.J. Lamar's Warriors took advantage of a botched onside kick by Athens, taking over in good field position at the WP 40.

Two runs by Tristian Dubberly gained 30 yards with quarterback Bryant Farley hooking up on a nine-yard pass to Jordan McKenzie. They had the ball for seven plays and were looking at a second and goal from the three when a miscue determined the outcome.

The ball hit the hands of Farley from the shotgun in which he couldn't pick up. Strong safety Valdarian Collier got the pigskin from his 15 and scampered 85 yards to extend the Golden Eagles lead to 20-0.

After giving the ball up on downs at the Athens 26 late in the half, the Warriors again had a chance to try and score before the period ended.

They marched from the West Point 26, getting the ball inside the 10 with 3.6 seconds left. The Warriors settled for a field goal in which Tyler Smith booted from 27 yards out and the Warriors were down at the break 20-3.

On their second series of the third quarter, the Warriors were in great shape at the Athens 39 following a 20-yard punt return from McKenzie. Farley had positive passing gains of 15 to Dubberly and 17 to Will Wrenn and a five-yard run by Tate Duckett. The Warriors had the ball inside the 10 when Kobe Smtih was separated from the football with Jarrett McClin taking it 95 yards to put the game out of reach at 27-3.

A 62-yard drive for the Warriors finally ended in the Athens end zone. On the first play of the fourth period, the Warriors scored when Farley hit Dubberly from six yards out. The Warriors missed a two-point conversion and were behind 27-9.

Two touchdowns were added to the Athens' side following the West Point score.

West Point drops to 1-1 while Athens improves to 1-1.

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Cullman County Football Week Three Preview

By: Josh McBrayer
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CULLMAN – It may be to believe, but we are already heading toward week three of the ten week high school football season and we have already seen some great games. Come from behind wins, nail biters, blow-outs, and a team getting their first win in three plus years, but that is just a sign of things to come.

West Point (1-1) at Cullman (2-0)
The West Point Warriors head to Cullman to take on the Bearcats in week three. The Bearcats are fresh off a come from behind victory over the East Limestone Indians where they owned the fourth quarter for the second week in a row. West Point looks to get back on track. After dominating the Brewer Patriots on the ground in the season opener, they ran into a buzz saw in the form of the Athens Golden Eagles. Cullman tries to stay in the ranks of the unbeaten while West Point hopes to erase the memory of a 49-14 loss to the Bearcats a year ago. This will be a regional match-up you don't want to miss.

Cordova (0-2) at Vinemont (2-0)
Cordova and Vinemont are a tale of two teams. Cordova has been outscored 86-19 in their first two losses while Vinemont has won their first two games with a dominating rushing attack. The Eagles are a team that is here to make their regional opponents take notice. They are looking to improve to 3-0 while avenging last year's loss to Cordova.

Guntersville (0-2) at Fairview (2-0)
Fairview has had the lights on the scoreboard popping to the tune of 72 points in two games, on their way to a perfect 2-0 mark. This week they welcome regional rival Guntersville to town and look to remain perfect on the season by sending the Tigers back home 0-3. Guntersville won last year's contest 35-19.

Hanceville (0-2) at Hamilton (2-0)
One year removed from a magical undefeated season, the Hanceville Bulldogs look for their first win of the season when they travel to Hamilton to take on the Aggies. The Bulldogs defeated Hamilton, 42-26, for the first time in four years last season and they hope to make it two years in a row.

Winston County (1-1) at Good Hope (2-0)
Good Hope head coach Chris Moss has got his Raiders off to a fast start this year, going 2-0, 1-0 in regional play. His team looks to keep the "pedal to the metal" as they host the Winston County Yellow Jackets. The two teams did not meet last year but the Raiders look to establish a winning tradition against the Yellow Jackets.

Holly Pond (1-1) at New Hope (1-1)
Holly Pond picked up their first win of the 2012 campaign in a nail biter against Brindlee Mountain. New Hope on the other hand, lost their first game of the year to Sylvania in a tight contest. Each team looks to draw from their different outcomes last week and secure a victory this Friday.

Cold Springs (1-1) at Hale County (0-2)
The Cold Springs Eagles snagged their first win of the year in week one but then fell 28-7 to Sulligent in week two. They look to get back on track against the 0-2 Hale County Wildcats who are coming off a 39-0 loss to Aliceville. This will be the first meeting between the two teams.

There you have it. Week three's match-ups. There are some good games on the card for Friday. CullmanSense will be there, how about you?

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	Hanceville	7	21	27	27		27	
09/07/2012 - 7:00pm	Sulligent	7	20	20	28		28	View Story
	Cold Springs	7	7	7	7		7	
09/07/2012 - 7:00pm	Athens	14	20	27	41		41	View Story
	West Point	0	3	3	9		9	
09/07/2012 - 7:00pm	Cullman	3	10	23	30		30	View Story
	East Limestone	7	14	21	21		21	
09/07/2012 - 7:00pm	Fairview	14	34	40	40		40	View Story
	Douglas	13	26	26	26		26	
09/07/2012 - 7:00pm	Vinemont	7	7	7	21		21	View Story
	Danville	7	7	10	16		16	

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Community Matters

Alabama Shining Star Pageant

By: Waid Harbison

CCPR Contributor

CULLMAN – 30 contestants showed their true beauty last Friday night at the Cullman Civic Center during the Alabama Shining Star Pageant sponsored by the Cleft Palate Foundation and Cullman City Parks & Recreation.

The contestants, a group of several men and a competitive field of women competed in 6 different categories from Tiny Miss Alabama Shining Star to Senior Miss Alabama Shining Star.

Over 300 spectators gathered to watch the crowning of contestants all with various special needs.

The Cullman City Parks and Recreation Department's new Therapeutic Recreation program, which launched in February of 2012, has had a wide variety of successes this year including the Alabama Shining Star Pageant.

Cullman Park & Recreation Therapeutic Recreation Coordinator Hollie Gutierrez defined the event as both exciting and emotional.

"It was a blessing to be part of this event," said Gutierrez.

With all of the proceeds benefiting the Cleft Palate Foundation, Gutierrez said it was not only a beneficial and encouraging event for all of the participants, but also anyone faced with Cleft Palate.

"Chasity McCrae, a large donor and supporter of the Cleft Palate Foundation, has done a phenomenal job directing and organizing this pageant," she said.

Gutierrez was contacted a nearly a month ago by McRae who coordinated and directed the pageant in order to give special needs individuals the same opportunity as anyone else.

McRae's daughter, Anna Lee, was born with Cleft Palate two years ago, and at three months old was asked to be in a regular pageant.

"I said no," McRae said about the pageant.

"I knew she would not be looked at like all of the other girls would, and after that experience, as a parent of a special needs child, I wanted to provide the opportunity for all special needs individuals to have that opportunity."

McRae started the pageant last year that was held at Vinemont Middle School and consisted of about 25 contestants.

After partnering with the City Parks & Recreation Department for a new venue, the pageant took to a new level in its second year.

The pageant is free to the contestants, which McCrae says is a help to any special needs family. In addition to providing free entry, Wallace State Community College's Cosmetology students provided free make-up and flair to the participants.

"We were really shooting for this year to be so much better and provide them with the best facilities and program, just like any other pageant," said McCrae. "We were so blessed to have partnered and worked with Hollie to make this happen."

The over thirty participants all walked away with a trophy and a crown in the categories of Best Smile, Best Eyes, Best Personality, and the winners and runner-ups of each category.

Many of the participants sported dresses from local stores that were willing to donate or sell merchandise at a low price to the contestants.

"It was just such a blessing," McRae stated after the event. The event was staffed by a set of judges, emcees, and a stage crew, all who volunteered their time in support of the cause.

"We were so glad to be able to do this with Chasity, the Cleft Palate Foundation, and Wallace State," Gutierrez said.

"This has been a wonderful event for all of the participants, and it was great to see them all enjoy themselves and have such a great time."

McCrae and the City Parks & Recreation Department plan to make the pageant an annual activity. Winners of each category are as follows: Mr. Alabama Shining Star, Tyler Brannon, Tiny Miss Alabama Shining Star, Marley Lamon, Littl Miss Alabama Shining Star, Madison Borden, Junior Miss Alabama Shining Star, Deidra Lewis, Miss Alabama Shooting Star, Laura Auston, and Senior Miss Alabama Shining Star, Darlene Quick.













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Lifestyle

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Little Miss Cullman



As I have told you all in the past, I was the first grandchild on both sides of the family. They did this to me.

If you know me at all, you know I am NOT a pageant participant. Well, just call me a liar when you see this picture. I WAS actually in a pageant. I guess when you are two years old and the victim of two sets of very biased and proud grandparents you have no choice.

Was it child abuse? Nahhhhh….they just thought they had the most beautiful granddaughter in the world, or at least in Cullman.

There's proof! I won the title of "Little Miss Cullman" at the ripe old age of 2. Have you ever seen the show "Toddlers and Tiaras?" Back in 1963 the way the toddlers looked then compared to that show is way different.

I can only imagine how long it took my mom to get me to sit still long enough to curl all that red hair. And look at the bangs! You can tell I didn't sit still for a minute when they tried to fix those. I also have a deer in the headlights look on my face. What were they doing to me? Check out the paper crown with the glitter! Pretty snazzy, huh?

I can read that little mind of mine. "Why did they have to give me these gaudy flowers with the lace all over them? What kind of toy is that to give a kid? I can't wait to get out of this scratchy dress! What am I going to do with this big cup looking thing? There's no juice in it!"

And check out my fat little hands and double chin. I might pass for the little girl on TV they call "Honey Boo Boo." No, lets not go that far.

I have no memory of that day or the honor bestowed upon me. Maybe that's a good thing. Maybe that's like when people have a traumatic experience and they don't remember it.

I wonder…did I have a talent in this contest, or did I just stand there and look cute? I doubt I sang a song or did a tap dance. You don't see any fake eyelashes that are 3 inches long or big red lips like on TV; just plain little tomboy me in a frilly dress, wearing a crown, holding flowers and a silver cup with nothing in it.

I won't hold it against them. They were proud of me and thought I was the cuter that a speckled pup in the sunshine. I can kind of understand it, being that I am the proud grandmother of a very handsome, genius of a grandson.

I don't think there is a cuter little boy in all of Cullman. I mean he can practically talk and is only 6 weeks old! I think he will be walking next week or at the latest next month! He is VERY advanced! Yeah, I get it…ha, ha.



Photos by Annette Harris

Papa's Goulash

Papa used to make this a lot. I always thought it was spaghetti, but he called it goulash. It is a little different than spaghetti and its delicious!

Ingredients:

- 1 pound ground chuck
- 1 bell pepper, chopped/diced*
- 1 white onion, chopped/diced*
- 1 medium can of diced tomatoes
- 1 teaspoon granulated garlic
- 1 medium jar of Ragu sauce-regular
- 1 pound spaghetti noodles broken up into 1" pieces
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 teaspoon oregano

*Papa used to use a small food processor to dice the onion and bell peppers. I think this made a difference in the taste.

Instructions:

1. Brown ground chuck with onion and bell pepper until done, drain.
2. Put all the seasonings in with the meat, onions, and peppers.
3. Add the can of diced tomatoes.
4. Add the Ragu.
5. Add 2 cups of water.
6. Let all of this cook for about 30 minutes on low, stirring occasionally.
7. Boil the spaghetti after breaking it up into small pieces. This somehow makes a difference in the texture and taste. Drain.
8. Pour the spaghetti in with the sauce and mix together.

Delicious!

Mother's Milk Cookies

*Don't let the name fool you. These are very healthy cookies for anyone and they DO NOT have "Mother's Milk " in them. They are named this because they are very good for women that are breast-feeding, to help in the production of milk.

*The trick is to let people eat them and then tell them the name…otherwise they won't touch them. I promise.

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 c. whole wheat flour
- 1 3/4 c. oats
- 1 tsp baking soda
- 1 tsp salt
- 3/4 c. almond butter or peanut butter
- 1/2 c. butter, softened
- 1 c. flax
- 3 T brewer's yeast
- 1/3 c. water
- 1 tsp cinnamon
- 1/2 c. sugar
- 1/2 c. brown sugar
- 2 tsp vanilla
- 2 large eggs
- 2 c. (12oz) chocolate chips
- 1 c. chopped nuts of your choice

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit.
2. Combine flour, baking soda, cinnamon, and salt in a bowl.
3. In a large bowl, beat almond butter, butter, sugar, brown sugar, vanilla, brewer's yeast, flax, and water until creamy.
4. Mix in eggs.
5. Gradually beat in flour mixture.
6. Mix in nuts and chocolate chips.
7. Add oats slowly, mixing along the way.
8. Place balls of dough onto greased baking sheets or baking stones.
9. Press down each ball lightly with a fork.
10. Bake 12 minutes.



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Monday, September 10th

Cullman County Public Library Storytime
Storytelling at the main branch of Cullman County Public Library will be held at 10 a.m.

21st annual CRMC Foundation's Million Dollar Hole-in-One Golf Extravaganza
Golf teams step on the Terri Pines Country Club Golf Course to take part in the 21st annual CRMC Foundation's Million Dollar Hole-in-One Golf Extravaganza. This annual event is one of the Foundation's primary fundraisers and this year should be no exception. Registration is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon. Then the golfing begins! There will be a helicopter ball drop at 12:55 p.m. and the golf teams will begin their afternoon with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Those interested in entering the event can contact CRMC Foundation by calling 256-737-2565 or through e-mail crmcfoundation@crmchospital.com. There is a $500.00 per team fee or $125.00 for each player. All monies raised will benefit the hospital's 'Refresh-a-Room Capital Campaign'. Come out this afternoon and cheer on your favorite golfing team

Dog Obedience Training Classes
Dog obedience training classes are being offered by Cullman City Parks and Recreation Dept. for six weeks, one hour each Monday starting August 20. Fee for the classes is $50.00 and there are two time periods, one for puppies under 6 months at 6 p.m. and the second class which starts at 7 p.m. is for dogs older than 6 months and up. Sheri Davis who is a certified instructor will be in charge of the classes. For further info and to register your pets please contact Ms. Davis at 256-734-4256. These classes will be each Monday night, starting August 6, and continuing for 6 weeks. Come learn how to interact with your pet so they will obey your commands.

Cullman Kiwanis Club
The Cullman Kiwanis Club invites all local men and women who are interested in taking part in community service along with great fellowship, fun, networking and learning to attend their weekly luncheon meeting at 12 noon each Monday in the All Steak's third floor banquet room. Come see what Kiwanis is all about and enjoy a great luncheon meal as well.

Bosom Buddies Support Group
Members of the Bosom Buddies Support Group meet at 6 p.m. and invite those seeking help to come to the meetings. You are not alone and can find needed information and ideas from the members of this organization. The meeting is held in the Ave Maria room in POB II on the campus of CRMC hospital. There is no cost for this meeting. Please call Mary Dyer for additional info at 256-734-8729.

Making Choices - BODYWORKS
A series of FREE sessions on healthy living will be offered. Sessions to include mindful eating to 'reading' a food. Teens to adults are welcome. There are morning classes from 10 until 11:30 a.m. and evening classes from 4 until 5:30 p.m. for your convenience. For further information please call Donna Shanklin at the County Extension Office at 256-737-9386. Classes are scheduled for each Monday at this time. Please attend first meeting or call to pre-register if you are interested in this program.

Overeaters Anonymous Gather at Grace Episcopal
Members of Overeaters Anonymous meet every Monday, at 9:30 a.m. at Grace Episcopal Church in the Carriage House located on Church premises. Further information is available at 256-747-6218 or 256-352-1143. Everyone is invited to attend these gatherings.

GED Classes at Desperation Church
GED learning classes are held each Monday night from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Desperation Church. For additional information please contact Ed Oaks at 256-737-9564 or 256-735-6811. These classes are open to the public and everyone who wants to obtain their GED is welcome to participate.

Cornerstone Revival Ladies Prayer Meeting
A Ladies Prayer meeting is conducted each Monday night at 7 p.m. at Cornerstone Revival Center. For additional information call 256-796-2899. All interested women are invited to attend.

Aqua Zumba Classes at CWAC
Everyone is invited to take part in the Aqua Zumba classes that are offered each Monday at Cullman Wellness & Aquatic Center beginning at 7 p.m. in the center's indoor pool. Please call 256-775-7946 for additional information!

Tuesday, September 11th

Cullman County Public Library Storytime
'Tales with Tina' on tap for Storytelling time at the main branch of the Cullman County Library today at 10 a.m.

Take Off Pounds Sensibly
Anyone interested in ideas for weight loss are invited to attend the TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) group as they meet each Tuesday night at 6 p.m. at Benedictine Manor. Jeanne Latham (256-734-7146) or Ginger McMinn (256-739-3925) will share information concerning their meetings. Everyone is welcome to attend TOPS and receive encouragement from others who are interested in weight loss.

Alzheimer's Caregivers Support Group Meeting
Calling all Alzheimer's caretakers. Come join our support group as we meet at 5:30 p.m. Come see how others fare in their efforts and maybe learn something helpful for your own situation. Meetings are free and open to the public. They are held on the campus of CRMC in the Depot Room of POB II. Please call Jane Farley for additional info at 256-737-2038.

Country Dance at VFW Post 2214
Come join the Ladies' Auxiliary of VFW Post 2214 for their weekly Tuesday night country-dance and enjoy the music and fellowship!! Admission is $5.00 per person and concessions are available each dance night. Everyone is invited to this event.

Good Hope Farmers' Market
Good Hope Farmers' Market is open for the summer and filling up tables with all sorts of great tasting produce, all grown locally. Hathcock Park in Good Hope is the site and hours each Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday are from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Come get some great veggies and other homegrown items to treat your family to some awesome tasting meals during these summer months. You can't beat the taste of 'fresh' from the garden!

Farmers' Market at Festhalle
The Cullman Farmers' Market at the Festhalle Market Platz is open for spring. The Market opens every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. Come see what our local farmers and growers have in store for you from week to week.

Emotions Anonymous Support Group Meeting
An Emotions Anonymous Support Group meets each Tuesday at noon at Grace Episcopal Church Carriage House. Those interested are invited to attend these group sessions. Further information is available through the Group Director's office at 256-734-3605 or 256-796-8440.

Knit 1, Read 2
The Knit 1, Read 2 group meets every Tuesday at the Cullman County Public Library, Main Branch, at 3 p.m. This group welcomes all newcomers.

Ladies' Auxiliary VFW Dance at Post 2214
The Ladies' Auxiliary of VFW Post 2214 invites the community to their weekly Tuesday night dances at the VFW Post building. The country line dance starts at 7 p.m. each Tuesday night, with admission only $5.00 per person. Concessions are available and all proceeds benefit the Auxiliary's local projects.

North Central Alabama Genealogical Society Meeting
Members of the North Central Alabama Genealogical Society meet every Tuesday in the basement of the Wallace State Community College Library for informal study and to help new researchers. The meeting is from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and those interested are invited to this free gathering. Come learn about your 'roots!' Call Von at 256-739-2843 for more information.

Wednesday, September 12th

Bone Marrow Registry at Northbrook Baptist Church
Donors who would like to find out more about and possibly donate bone marrow to help save lives are welcome to check out the procedure today at a community-wide Bone Marrow Registry which is taking place this afternoon from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. at Northbrook Baptist Church. To volunteer and obtain more info about this procedure and its life-saving benefits can contact Rachel Harris at 205-552-9371 or thru email at rharris@nmdp.org.

Author Elizabeth Musser to speak at Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church
Author Elizabeth Musser will speak tonight at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church on Psalm 1836, "Keep My Feet On Thy Path." A nursery will be provided and further information can be obtained by calling 256-739-0505. Everyone is invited to attend this special seminar.

Free Community Meal at Living Waters Ministries
A free community meal is offered each Wednesday night at Living Water Ministries beginning at 5 p.m. Living Water is located in the East Park Plaza on the left side of Highway 278 just past the entrance to St. Bernard Monastery. Everyone is welcome to attend these Wednesday night gatherings. Further information can be obtained by calling James Moore, 256-338-9145. Donations also are gratefully accepted.

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Thursday, September 13th

Yard Sale
There will be a 'big' yard sale Thursday and Friday, at the Yeager Building sponsored by Walker Brothers. Hours are from 6:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. Breakfast is available from 6:30 am until 10 a.m., and lunch will be available from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

All funds received from this event will go toward Cullman Long Term Recovery Committee as well as the Cullman Caring for Kids organization. Come by and see what bargains you can obtain while helping two worthy causes! Final day of this sale is Saturday, September 15, from 6:30 am until 1 p.m. only!

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DivorceCare Support Group
Daystar Church sponsors a DivorceCare Support Group each Thursday night at 6 p.m. at the Church. Additional information is available by calling Daystar Church at 256-737-0800.

Elks Lodge Buffet Lunch
Come join the Cullman Elks Lodge members as they fire up the ovens and open their doors to the public for their weekly lunch buffet at the Lodge Home. The cost is $8.00 per person, which includes two meats and veggies, plus tea. Everyone is invited to enjoy the fellowship and delicious meals each Thursday from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous Meeting
Overeaters Anonymous meets each Thursday evening at 4:45 p.m. in the Carriage House at Grace Episcopal Church. Everyone is invited to attend these sessions. Further information can be obtained by calling 256-747-6218 or 256-352-1143. There also is a group, which meets on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the same place. Meetings are open to everyone interested.

Friday, September 14th

Flu Shots Available at Depot Park
Flu shots will be available today at Depot Park from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. There is a $5.00 charge if you are not on Medicare or Medicaid.

Emergency Preparedness Seminar
In preparation for possible emergency situations, such as the tornado of 4/27/11, the Cullman County Emergency Management Agency is holding a free seminar for the public from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Depot Park. This informational seminar will touch on such emergency disastrous situations as natural and man-made disasters. There will be displays on special rescue equipment available here in Cullman and how local responders will handle the situations that might arise. Kelly Allen, EMA's assistant director, can be reached at 256-736-3975. Come see for yourself what to do in emergency situations and be prepared in the future!!

Friday Night Dance at the VFW
Cullman's VFW Post 2214 invites everyone to come to their weekly Friday night dances at the VFW Hall from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. The cost is $5.00 per person and music by the Golden Oldies and Country with the Midnight Highway Band will be filling the air. Funds raised go toward the building rental. Get your dancing shoes on and come out for a great evening of fun and entertainment tonight!

Saturday, September 15th

Rug Hooking at Peinhardt Living History Farm Today
A rug hooking class will be offered today at Peinhardt Living History farm starting at 9:30 a.m., with a $10.00 fee for supplies to be provided for the course. Please pre-register by calling Carolyn Peinhardt Johnson at 256-734-0850 or thru cullmanfiber@yahoo.com. Come learn how they did things in the 'olden days'!

Natural Childbirth Classes
This class is for those who are considering having natural childbirth. Your education, desires and personal support network greatly influence a positive outcome. In this class you will learn: details about stages and phases of labor, relaxation techniques & comfort measures, how your birth partner can help you during labor, physiological positions and movements for labor, about medical interventions, the role of hormones during labor & birth, and much more. There are two class locations in the city; please call (256) 962-0975 for directions and registration. Visit http://www.birthingbeautiful.com for more.

VFW Saturday Night Dance
The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 2214 invites everyone to their weekly Saturday night dances which begin at 7 p.m. and last until 10 p.m. The Boogie Night Band provides music on Saturday nights. Entrance fee is $5.00 for each individual. Come on out and bring your dancing shoes and enjoy an evening of great music, fun and fellowship!

Sunday, September 16th

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University
Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University begins at Grace Episcopal Church from 5:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come to the first class which is a free preview to learn more about this 9-week course, a biblically based curriculum that teaches people how to handle money. Child care will be available. For more information or to sign up go to daveramsey.com/findaclass and search near Cullman and select Grace.

Monday, September 17t

Cullman County Public Library Storytime
Storytelling at the main branch of Cullman County Public Library will be held at 10 a.m.

Making Choices - BODYWORKS
A series of FREE sessions on healthy living will be offered. Sessions to include mindful eating to 'reading' a food. Teens to adults are welcome. There are morning classes from 10 until 11:30 a.m. and evening classes from 4 until 5:30 p.m. for your convenience. For further information please call Donna Shanklin at the County Extension Office at 256-737-9386. Classes are scheduled for each Monday at this time. Please attend first meeting or call to pre-register if you are interested in this program.

Overeaters Anonymous Gather at Grace Episcopal
Members of Overeaters Anonymous meet every Monday, at 9:30 a.m. at Grace Episcopal Church in the Carriage House located on Church premises. Further information is available at 256-747-6218 or 256-352-1143. Everyone is invited to attend these gatherings.

GED Classes at Desperation Church
GED learning classes are held each Monday night from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Desperation Church. For additional information please contact Ed Oaks at 256-737-9564 or 256-735-6811. These classes are open to the public and everyone who wants to obtain their GED is welcome to participate.

Cornerstone Revival Ladies Prayer Meeting
A Ladies Prayer meeting is conducted each Monday night at 7 p.m. at Cornerstone Revival Center. For additional information call 256-796-2899. All interested women are invited to attend.

Aqua Zumba Classes at CWAC
Everyone is invited to take part in the Aqua Zumba classes that are offered each Monday at Cullman Wellness & Aquatic Center beginning at 7 p.m. in the center's indoor pool. Please call 256-775-7946 for additional information!

Looking Ahead

'Kalightoscope Christmas' trip Planned for Seniors in December
The final Senior Spirit Tour event of 2012 will be their travels to Louisville, Kentucky, December 3 through 6. Final payment for those with reservations is October 19, so make your plans and get signed up for another great time traveling with this fun group of 'Seniors' who are very much 'young at heart!!' $530.00 is the cost per person in a double room. This fee covers motor coach transportation, lodging for three nights, holiday dinner show, Christmas Village, Mega Caverns, Snow Fairy Castle attraction, Royal Breakfast, Mistletoe Marketplace, Princess Diane exhibit, Derby Playhouse, Louisville Slugger Museum, Joe Huber Farms, Corvette Car Museum, and lots more. Sounds like quite a delightful trip! Be sure to get your name in the pot so you can enjoy a magical holiday start early in December that will carry you with happy memories throughout the Christmas season!!! Please contact Angie Jochum for further info at 256-734-4803.
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Vendors, Sponsors & Volunteers Signup for 3rd Annual Mud Creek Arts & Crafts Festival
Vendors, sponsors and volunteers are being given the opportunity to sign up now for the upcoming 3rd Annual Mud Creek Arts & Crafts Festival which will take place in downtown Hanceville on October 20th. Hosted by the Hanceville Business Council from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 20th, they have listed events planned for the day so everyone will know what a great event it will be. Sign up for your special spot now! This is an admission FREE event featuring arts and crafts vendors, a sidewalk art show, a judged art show, entertainment, kids' activities, an historical walking tour of homes, churches, and buildings in Hanceville, and a German style lunch with much more planned! Proceeds raised during the day will go toward Hanceville schools. Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce's Erika M. Mead is helping coordinate this event and she can be reached at 256-734-0454 or EMead@CullmanChamber.org. Sign up now for a great day to spotlight your 'arty' works or to help volunteer for this fabulous family Fall event!

Community Matters

Community Matters: Cullman City Parks and Recreation Announces New Media Sponsorship

By: Dustin Isom
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CULLMAN – Over the past 20 years the staff at Cullman City Parks & Recreation has worked tirelessly to develop one of the most prestigious parks systems in the nation. As a three time consecutive finalist for the National Gold Medal Award, CCPR seems to have figured out how to involve the entire community when planning for the future.

Now with much of the world shifting towards a digital platform, CCPR wanted to make sure they stayed ahead of the curve to help keep local, community events well covered by the media. Following several meetings, CCPR inked a media sponsorship deal with CullmanSense.

"CullmanSense is one of several great ways to get out the word in Cullman, and with the online aspect of *CS* and their focus on community and local events, Parks & Recreation opted to be a part of *CS*," said CCPR Marketing Director Waid Harbison.

One of the perks of the sponsorship is the addition of the CCPR tab on *CS* online. The new tab will serve multiple functions, including events listing, little league scores, and much more.

"The new sponsorship with CullmanSense should allow us to post local baseball, softball, swimming, tennis, and any other results and info on park and recreation to CullmanSense's site so parents and interested people can find it online easily organized in one location with pictures and articles.

Information will also of course always be posted on our website," Harbison said. "Having our own tab on the site is a great way to keep all of our activities together in one place and be able to professionally report on everything going on at CCPR. It is great to know that all of our events, activities, and sports will be covered."

CS Publisher Noah Chandler was pleased with the new sponsorship agreement saying "community coverage is our focus and the Cullman City Parks and Recreation is a huge part of the Cullman community."

"Our motto is 'Community Matters.' What does that mean? It means that the community matters to us along with the matters of the community," he said. "For a while now residents have asked us to cover youth sporting events. Well, I'm proud to say that the time has finally arrived."

Not only will local sporting events be covered, i.e. little league, summer league, etc., a host of other CCPR organized events typically overlooked will now be covered. Harbison said residents can expect a few exclusives on the CCPR tab.

"Some exclusives will include team photos and rosters of all of our athletic teams, news and updates on all of our upcoming events and activities, and coverage of our events," he said. Those range from articles on youth and adult athletics to special programs like the Midnight Run, Christmas Arts & Crafts Show, Rock the South, Archery, and more."

This isn't the first time a media outlet has sponsored events for the parks department. Over the years local news outlets have stepped in to fill the gaps whenever time permitted. Harbison said that CCPR has a great relationship with local media but this is the first time one outlet has been heavily involved with CCPR.

"CCPR has had a few media sponsors in the past such as local TV station *Channel 27* for the State Swim Meet, which they agreed to cover the meet live and do results, and *The Cullman Times* has sponsored events with us before such as Concerts in the Park," he said. "However CullmanSense will be the first to sponsor multiple activities and programs. Cullman has a great selection of media sources that have always supported us at Parks and Recreation and we are glad to begin working with the CullmanSense in addition to others in the area."



$5 Jewelry & Accessories Sale Benefit Hospice of Cullman County

By: Lindsey Dossey
CRMC Contributor

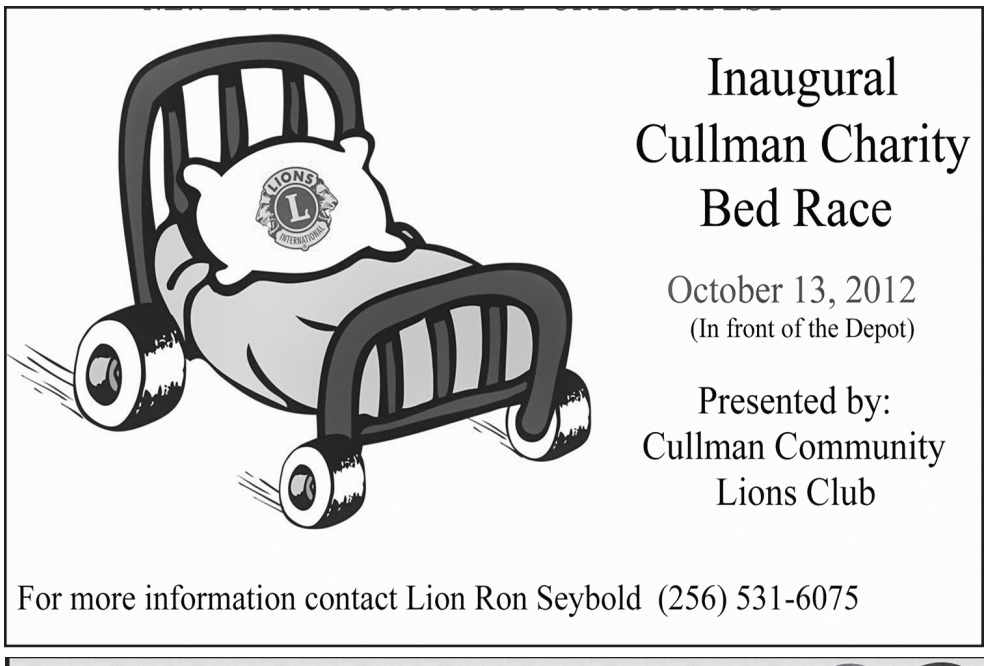
CULLMAN — Hospice of Cullman County is partnering with Masquerade Fundraising on Thursday, September 13 from 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. and Friday, September 14 from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. to host a Fall $5 Jewelry & Accessories Sale with all proceeds going to Hospice of Cullman County Inc., Indigent Care Fund.

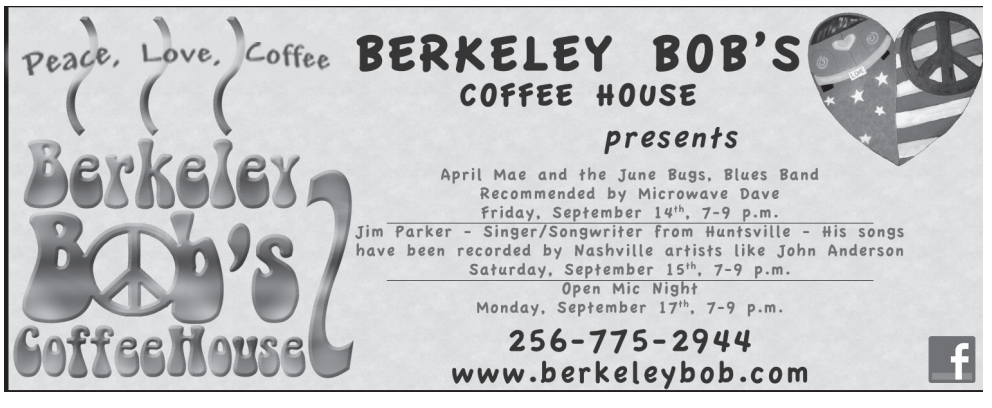
Get suited to support your favorite SEC football team with a grand selection of collegiate items, or simply get an early start on your Christmas shopping.

You won't believe the quality and quantity of beautiful merchandise available – scarves, bags, purses, rings, necklaces, bracelets, bags, watches, holiday jewelry, children's jewelry, and so much more.

You can buy all of your Christmas gifts at this sale and no one will even suspect you paid only $5 for these items.

For more information on this and other upcoming Hospice fundraising opportunities, contact the Hospice office at (256) 739-5185 or visit online at www.hospiceofcullmancounty.com.







PUZZLES, COMICS, AND JOKES

THIS WEEK'S WORD SEARCH TOPIC IS: YARD SALES

BY: DUSTIN ISOM

Complete this week's word search for your shot at two large 2 topping pizzas from Papa John's of Cullman. Send your entry to CullmanSense, 101 1st Avenue Northeast, Suite 230, Cullman, AL 35055.

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Clothes	Collectibles	Furniture	Gadgets	Gloves	Grab Bag
Haggle	Junk	Lamps	Mirrors	Puzzles	Records
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GETTING CORNY

Send your jokes to:
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1. Why were the scrambled eggs uncomfortable at the prom?



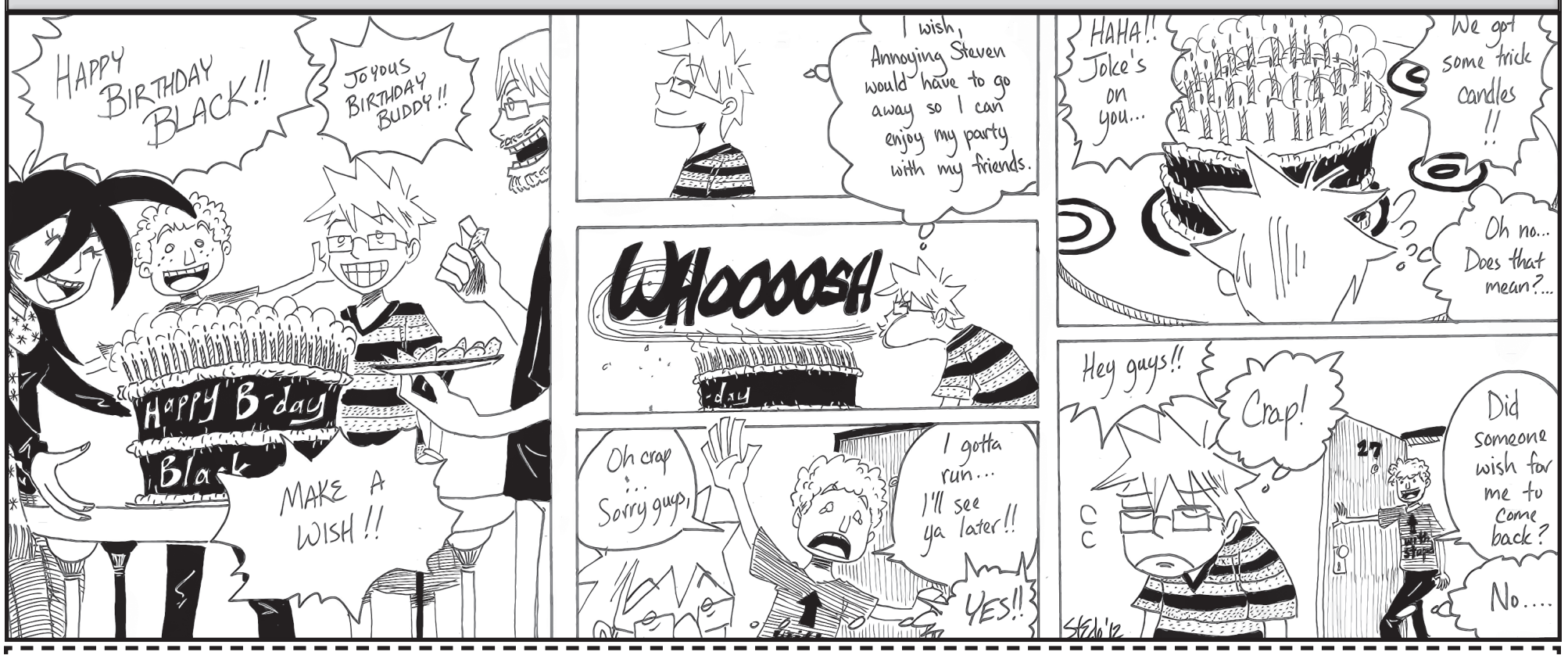
2. Why wasn't the taxi cab passenger able to reach her destination?





1. They were feeling a little over easy. 2. She was driven away from it.

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