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File photos by Jessica Norrell

Fair fun for the family





## CCSO to obtain new raft, trailer with JAG Grant

By: Noah Chandler
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**CULLMAN** – Following a fatal incident on the Black Warrior River the Cullman County Sheriff's Office realized it was in need of several essential tools, including an ATV, raft, and a durable trailer. Now with the help with aide of a nearly $11,000 grant, the CCSO will be able to finally purchase the needed equipment.

"When we had the young woman drown at the Black Warrior we had to purchase an ATV to get divers and rescue workers down to the scene," CCSO Chief Deputy Max Bartlett said. "With terrain like we were dealing with, it would have taken a lot more time and energy."

Bartlett said it has been a priority of Sheriff Rainey to make sure the deputies working under him have all the resources needed.

"The Sheriff is good to make sure we have all the equipment the deputies need to properly do their jobs," he said. "We spend a lot of time and effort to make sure we have the best for our deputies; some of the things we have, other agencies don't."

The total cost of the new equipment , excluding the ATV, is $11,414. The JAG Grant will cover $10,255 while the CCSO will be responsible for the remaining balance of $1,159.

"The Sheriff (Rainey) will authorize use of discretionary funds to pay for the reminder of the balance," he said. "The ATV which was purchased also came out of the discretionary fund."

It is with the aide of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant administered by the Department of Justice's Office of Justice Programs which allows the CCSO to pay for a majority of the cost of the new raft and trailer.

The CCSO has secured a quote p2

## CRMC Foundation Announces 22nd Annual Golf Tournament

By: Maria Stanford • CRMC Contributor

**CULLMAN** — The CRMC Foundation announces the 22nd Annual Million Dollar Hole-In-One Golf Extravaganza scheduled for Monday, September 9 at TP Country Club with registration beginning at 11:00 am.

The Foundation is looking for players and sponsors so don't miss your opportunity to register now for this fun afternoon outing. The day's activities will include a putting contest, helicopter ball drop, the Million Dollar Hole-In-One qualifying, and final shoot out contests.

Various levels of sponsorships are available, teams can sign-up to play for $500 or individuals can sign up for $125 each. Contributions are tax-deductible. For more information contact 256-737-2565 or crmcfoundation@crmchospital.com.

## CRMC Foundation "Great Gatsby Party" to Benefit Refresh-A-Room Campaign

Contributed

**CULLMAN** – The Cullman Regional Medical Center Service Guild will be honoring Past and Present CRMC Hospital & Foundation Board members at the "Great Gatsby Party" on Friday, September 27 at the Top of the Town beginning at 6:30 p.m., with entertainment provided by the Edd Jones Orchestra.

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# Eucharistic Procession Held at St. Bernard

By: Joyce Nix
St. Bernard Contributor



**CULLMAN** - On Wednesday, St. Bernard Preparatory School Students joined in a Eucharistic Procession, in which the Blessed Sacrament was carried to and reserved in the Swisher Classroom Building Chapel.

Beginning in the Abbey Church with Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rev. Bede Marcy, O.S.B. preached about proclaiming the role of Christ in the everyday activities of our studies, sports, and relationships.

Then, with seven Knights of the Altar assisting, the Blessed Sacrament was carried around the quadrangle and to the classroom building.

During the procession, a schola of St. Bernard students led by Rev. Joel Martin, O.S.B. sang the Litany of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Arriving at the classroom building, the Blessed Sacrament was placed on an Altar of Repose, festively prepared for this occasion by the High School Ladies of the Altar.

St. Bernard students packed the first floor hallway and sang the Tantum Ergo as the Blessed Sacrament was incensed. After a brief period of adoration, final benediction was given and the Eucharist was reposed in the school chapel as the students sang Holy God. Fr. Bede said the procession was a very powerful and moving liturgy for the students, and they have already begun to inquire about plans for the next procession!

# "Fall and Winter" film screening and Q & A with Canadian filmmaker Matt Anderson at WSCC on Thursday

By: Kristen Holmes
WSCC Contributor

**HANCEVILLE** – Wallace State Community College and The Evelyn Burrow Museum present "Fall and Winter" with filmmaker Matthew Anderson as part of the South Arts Southern Circuit Tour of Independent Filmmakers on campus at the Burrow Center Recital Hall on Thursday, Sept. 12, at 7 p.m. Following a screening of the film, "Fall and Winter," Anderson and the audience will engage in a discussion about the film and his work as a filmmaker. A reception with the filmmaker will follow. Admission is free.

"Fall and Winter" is an epic and spectacular journey across the U.S. in search of what is causing our unfolding global crisis. Pollution, droughts, and diminishing resources now threaten the very engine driving these catastrophes: civilization itself.

This stunning film takes you on a Koyaanisqatsi-style journey, reaching to the past to understand the origins of the catastrophic environmental transitions we now face. Over two years, director Matt Anderson traveled 16,000 miles to document firsthand the environmental destruction and urban wastelands across America. Some of today's most progressive thinkers, from anthropologists and bio-architects to psychologists and journalists, collectively recreate a story of humanity and the history of Earth, presenting a desperately needed survival guide to make the transition in the coming ecological and psychological crisis.

Matt Anderson is a Canadian filmmaker. After growing up on a small island off the coast of Vancouver he attended Vancouver Film School and subsequently moved to New York to pursue filmmaking. He has directed countless commercials, music videos, and short documentaries.

The Southern Circuit Tour of Independent Filmmakers is a program of South Arts. Southern Circuit screenings are funded in part by a grant from South Arts in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts. South Arts is a nonprofit regional arts organization founded in 1975 to build on the South's unique heritage and enhance the public value of the arts. South Arts' work responds to the arts environment and cultural trends with a regional perspective. South Arts offers an annual portfolio of activities designed to address the role of the arts in impacting the issues important to our region, and to link the South with the nation and the world through the arts. www.southarts.org

This is the first film in a series of independent films to be shown at Wallace State in 2013-14. Wallace State is one of 24 venues across the southeast selected as a screening venue and awarded a grant from the Southern Circuit Tour of Independent Film Makers. For more information about WSCC's screening of "Fall and Winter," call 256-352-8118 or 8457, or visit wallacestate.edu/artscalendar.

# Raft (from Front)

for a new Forest River enclosed 8.5' x 20' trailer and a Rescue ONE 12' 6" Inflatable Boat. (For a complete breakdown, please see attached photo.)

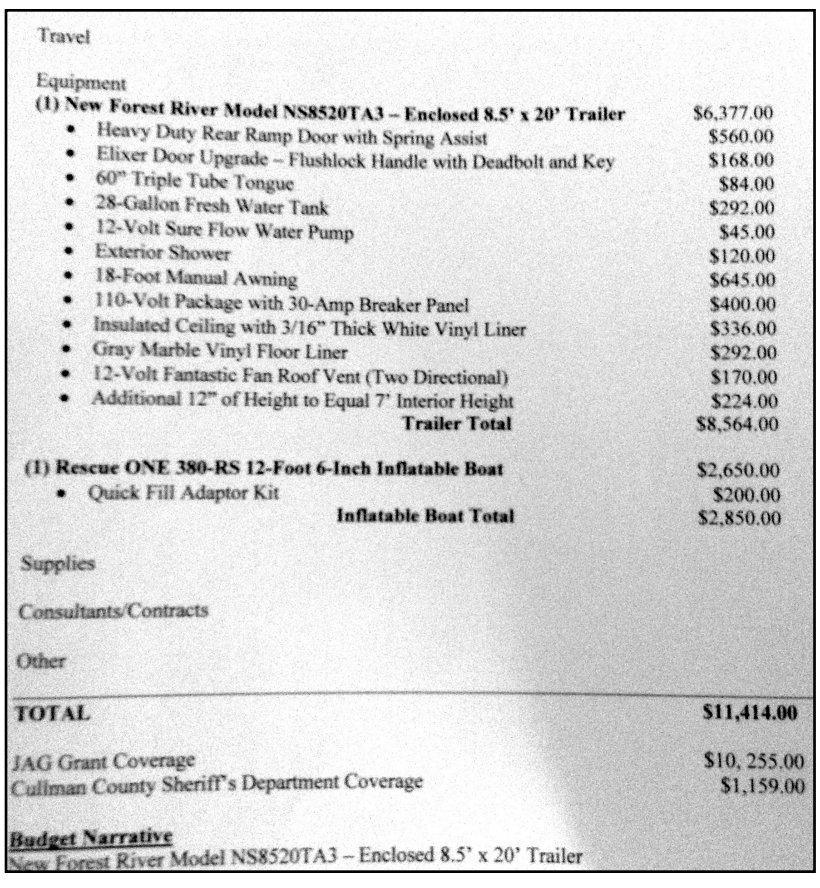
The outboard motor will be purchased separately and is projected to be safer than conventional motors, while allowing access to many previously inaccessible areas.

"We will be purchasing a jet propelled motor, so we won't have to worry about a diver coming up into the prop. Down on the Mulberry or Black Warrior River it is too shallow for a large boat but to fast for a smaller boat. This new raft and water jet propelled motor will help us stay safer while performing search and rescue operations," he said.

The order hinges own approval from the Cullman County Commission. The commission will meet Tuesday morning, beginning with a work session at 8:30 a.m. at the Cullman County Courthouse.

"Once we have permission from the council then we will proceed with the order," he said.

*Check with CullmanSense.com for more on this story.*



Travel

Equipment

| | |
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| **(1) New Forest River Model NS8520TA3 – Enclosed 8.5' x 20' Trailer** | $6,377.00 |
| • Heavy Duty Rear Ramp Door with Spring Assist | $560.00 |
| • Elixer Door Upgrade – Flushlock Handle with Deadbolt and Key | $168.00 |
| • 60" Triple Tube Tongue | $84.00 |
| • 28-Gallon Fresh Water Tank | $292.00 |
| • 12-Volt Sure Flow Water Pump | $45.00 |
| • Exterior Shower | $120.00 |
| • 18-Foot Manual Awning | $645.00 |
| • 110-Volt Package with 30-Amp Breaker Panel | $400.00 |
| • Insulated Ceiling with 3/16" Thick White Vinyl Liner | $336.00 |
| • Gray Marble Vinyl Floor Liner | $292.00 |
| • 12-Volt Fantastic Fan Roof Vent (Two Directional) | $170.00 |
| • Additional 12" of Height to Equal 7' Interior Height | $224.00 |
| **Trailer Total** | $8,564.00 |
| **(1) Rescue ONE 380-RS 12-Foot 6-Inch Inflatable Boat** | $2,650.00 |
| • Quick Fill Adaptor Kit | $200.00 |
| **Inflatable Boat Total** | $2,850.00 |
| Supplies | |
| Consultants/Contracts | |
| Other | |
| **TOTAL** | **$11,414.00** |
| JAG Grant Coverage | $10, 255.00 |
| Cullman County Sheriff's Department Coverage | $1,159.00 |

**Budget Narrative**
New Forest River Model NS8520TA3 – Enclosed 8.5' x 20' Trailer

# Sleep Apnea… Is It Only Affecting Your Sleep?

By: Amy Linton
CRMC Contributor

**CULLMAN** — Cullman Regional Medical Center's WomenFirst & SeniorChoice Programs are pleased to offer the lunch and learn seminar "Sleep Apnea... Is it Only Affecting Your Sleep" on Thursday, September 12 in CRMC's Col. Cullman Room in the Community Education Center in Professional Office Building 2 (1912 AL Highway 157, POB 2, Cullman, AL 35058).

Join Jim Eddins, Respiratory Therapist and Regional Clinical Specialist with seminar sponsor ResMed, as he discusses how Sleep Apnea can affect multiple areas of your health other than your sleep.

Registration begins at 11 a.m., followed by lunch and the seminar from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Cost of the lunch and learns program is $5 for WomenFirst & SeniorChoice members and $8 for others. Reserve your spot online at www.crmchospital.com or call 256-737-2600.

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## What's Online

**NASA Launches Satellite to Study how Sun's Atmosphere is Energized**

NASA's Interface Region Imaging Spectrograph (IRIS) spacecraft launched Wednesday at 7:27 p.m. PDT (10:27 p.m. EDT) from Vandenberg Air Force Base, Calif. The mission to study the solar atmosphere was placed in orbit by...

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**Cullman accepts sanctions/ suspension handed out down from AHSAA**

In a press release issued by Cullman City Schools, superintendent Dr. Doreen Griffeth announced the school system has accepted all sanctions handed down to Cullman High School's football program by the AHSAA...

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**Q&A: How ACA Will Affect People With Autism**

Autism advocates celebrated what they thought was a major victory when President Barack Obama signed the Affordable Care Act in 2010: They expected the law to require all insurance companies to cover pricey, potentially lifelong treatments for those with the...

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# Lasting Effects from Financial Crash Mean New Normal in States

By: Jake Grovum • Stateline

The effects of the worst economic downturn since the Great Depression are forcing changes on state governments and the U.S. economy that could linger for decades.

By one Federal Reserve estimate, the country lost almost an entire year's worth of economic activity – nearly $14 trillion – during the recession from 2007 to 2009.

The deep and persistent losses of the recession forced states to make broad cuts in spending and public workforces. For businesses, the recession led to changes in expansion plans and worker compensation. And for individual Americans, it has meant a future postponed, as fewer buy houses and start families.

Five years after the financial crash, the country is still struggling to recover. "In the aftermath of [previous] recessions there were strong recoveries. That is not true this time around," said Gary Burtless, a senior fellow at the Brookings Institution. "This is more like the pace getting out of the Great Depression."

**States Slashed Spending**

The recession forced states to cut spending across the board, a reversal from a general trend of 1.6 percent growth each year, according to the National Association of State Budget Officers. States cut spending by 3.8 percent in fiscal year 2009 and by another 5.7 percent in fiscal 2010, the first such consecutive declines since the organization began tracking spending in 1979.

As NASBO found, the situation forced states to cut areas "often considered politically sacrosanct," such as education, public assistance programs, and transportation. It remains to be seen whether the losses will ever be recouped.

Education comprises a significant portion of state budgets. In the 2012-2013 school year, for example, 35 states had K-12 funding that was below pre-recession levels when adjusted for inflation, according to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP), a left-leaning think tank. Some states reeled from spending cuts percent of almost 22 percent compared to 2008. Higher education funds fell too. Nationally, states cut spending by more than 28 percent per college student from 2008 to 2013 when adjusted for inflation, according to the center. Arizona's reductions topped 50 percent; 36 states cut by more than 20 percent. Only two states, Wyoming and North Dakota, didn't reduce higher education funding.

Those cuts had different consequences for students. In colleges, it meant skyrocketing tuition, while in K-12, it often meant cuts to programs such as summer and after-school programs, along with bigger classes sizes. Some states cut enrollment for pre-K as well.

Michael Leachman, director of state fiscal research at CBPP, said both had the effect of stripping state education systems that are vital in preparing students and building feeders to the economy. "These are very deep and concerning cuts at a time when it's recognized having a more educated workforce is crucial to the country's future," he said.

**Fewer State Workers**

The reductions also significantly shrunk public workforces. State and local cuts to public employees outlived the worst of the layoffs in the private sector.

State and local governments have shed 681,000 jobs since their peak in August 2008, by far the largest drop of any recession in the past half century, according to the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government.

State and local government wages grew by 1.1 percent in 2012, compared to 1.7 percent growth in the private sector, according to data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Many states embraced significant labor changes, such as scaled back health and retirement plans along with pay freezes, salary cuts, and furlough days.

The unemployment stampede crushed unemployment insurance funds. Jobless claims grew from an average of 321,000 per week in 2007 to almost 670,000 at the peak in March 2009. States' unemployment insurance trust funds were forced to borrow nearly $50 billion from the federal government to cover costs.

Many states have repaid those debts, but 17 still owe the federal government almost $20 billion and others have debt on the private market. Even those with less or no debt are still reeling: Some have razor-thin balances even today (Rhode Island's is just over $500,000 with more than $162 million in debt).

Designed to ebb and flow with unemployment, the trust funds are meant to be flush during good times and drawn upon during downturns. Because of poor accounting and tax cuts, many states were unprepared for the recession and were unable to cover costs. The debt has forced some states to cut jobless benefits to levels not seen since 1935 Social Security Act created the program. It could mean unemployment insurance, the safety net's first line of defense against joblessness, may be missing in action when the next crisis hits.

*For more on this story visit CullmanSense.com. Stateline reporter Pamela M. Prah contributed to this story. Stateline is a nonpartisan, nonprofit news service of the Pew Charitable Trusts that provides daily reporting and analysis on trends in state policy.*

# WIC Program seeks public comment about 2014 State Plan

By: Carolyn Battle

**MONTGOMERY** – The Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) provides nutrition education and supplemental foods, and serves women and children whose incomes are up to 185 percent of poverty. Special emphasis is placed on targeting infants and high-risk pregnant women.

The WIC Program regulations require public comment from interested individuals in the writing of the 2014 State Plan of Program Operations for the WIC Program.

The plan may be reviewed between Sept. 3-17, 2013, online at adph.org.

Written comments may be e-mailed via the adph.org website or mailed to the following address by Sept. 17, 2013:

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WIC Program, Attention Carolyn Battle
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201 Monroe St.
P.O. Box 303017
Montgomery, Ala. 36130-3017
Telephone: 334-206-5673

# Walker County Earth Team Receives National Award

Contributed by Alabama Forestry Commission

**AUBURN** – The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Earth Team in Jasper, Alabama, received the 2013 National Earth Team Chief's Field Award for the Southeast Region.

The Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and the NRCS field office staff work together to administer Farm Bill programs and conservation education. Together they coordinated quality projects that earned them this award.

These activities included tree giveaways at the Arbor Day Program and the annual tree sale at the local Wal-Mart garden center to help citizens become aware of the importance of trees to the environment. Tours, clinics, and workshops like the Forestry Landowner Tour, Beef Herd Health Clinic, Wildlife Management Seminar, and Estate Planning for Landowners Workshop helped land managers learn best management practices from their peers. Conservation education activities to engage and teach area youth were also organized. These included land, livestock, and forestry judging contests, tractor driving contest, and Outdoor Classroom events.

Partnering with state and local agencies is important to the success of planning the workshops and educational activities. Round table discussions are held that allow everyone to provide input on topics and speakers. Earth Team Volunteers are able to get a sense of ownership by being involved in planning events from concept to completion. Some of these partners include the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Alabama Department of Natural Resources Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, Alabama Forestry Commission, Walker County Forestry Planning Committee, Walker County Soil and Water Conservation District, and Earth Team Volunteers.

Jasper NRCS District Conservationist Daniel Goins and Walker County District Administrative Coordinator Katherine Patton both agree that without the help of the volunteers it would not be possible to educate as many students and landowners as they do throughout the year. They especially would not have achieved the National NRCS Chief's Field Office Award without these special talents.

The Walker County Soil and Water Conservation District is also proud to have received the Alabama 2013 State Conservation Education District of the Year Award for the first time.

Dr. William Puckett, Alabama NRCS State Conservationist, said, "We are proud of the conservation achievements of the NRCS/SWCD staff and the Earth Team in Walker County. They are very deserving of this award."

# ADPH reopens areas to Oyster Harvesting

By: Jeff McCool

State Health Officer Dr. Donald E. Williamson announced recently the reopening of portions of Areas I, II, and III of Mobile Bay that were temporarily closed to the harvesting of oysters on Aug. 20, 2013.

This includes Portersville Bay, Grand Bay, and Heron Bay. The order will become effective at 6 a.m., Sept. 7, 2013.

All public oyster reefs are managed by Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Marine Resources Division for harvest. Catchers are reminded to check with MRD for information regarding areas open for harvest.

The Alabama Department of Public Health will continue to monitor bay waters and shellfish to ensure bacteriological safety.

For additional information concerning the opening, contact Jeff McCool, Alabama Department of Public Health, in Mobile at 251-662-7511 or 251-331-0617.

# National Recovery Month Marked by Statewide Events, Celebrate Recovery Challenge

By: Contributed Kris Vilamaa

**MONTGOMERY** – Governor Bentley will soon proclaim September as Recovery Month in Alabama. National Recovery Month seeks to promote the societal benefits of prevention, treatment, and recovery from mental illnesses and substance use disorders. The observance celebrates people in recovery, lauds the contributions of treatment and service providers, and promotes the message that recovery is possible.

The most updated statistics (from 2011) reiterate how important it is to increase awareness and recovery efforts:

- 45.6 million Americans aged 18 or older had mental illnesses in the past year
  - Just 31.6 million received mental health treatment
- Approximately 11.5 million adults had serious mental illnesses
- 20.6 million Americans aged 12 or older were classified with substance use disorders in the past year
  - Only 2.6 million people actually received treatment for substance use disorders
- 8 million adults reported having co-occurring disorders, meaning they have both a mental illness and substance use disorder

The Division of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Services, in partnership with several community providers and advocacy groups, has coordinated rallies, runs, open houses, and many other events that will take place throughout the month. For information on these events, regularly visit the department's events calendar at http://www.mh.alabama.gov/COPI/EventsCalendar.aspx or call the MH/SA Division at 334-242-3961.

This year will also see the return of last year's highly successful inaugural Celebrate Recovery Challenge. The Celebrate Recovery Challenge recognizes the best Recovery Month event in Alabama, as chosen by the public. Last year, more than 8,600 votes were cast, and The Addiction Coalition in Birmingham was crowned the winner. This year's voting will be held October 8-13. More information about the Celebrate Recovery Challenge can be found on the department's website at http://www.mh.alabama.gov/celebraterecoverychallengeinfo.aspx, and the most updated information will be shared on the department's Facebook and Twitter pages.

# CullmanSense's High School Football Roundup - Week 2

By: Josh McBrayer
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Week two is in the books and just as last week, the games were full of quality action. An overtime game, a milestone win for a coach, and a dramatic return for a player. All this and more unfolded across the county in week two so let's get into the action, shall we?

**Holly Pond vs. Brindlee Mountain**

**HOLLY POND** - Brindlee Mountain coughed up the football four times Friday night but the Lions were able to overcome the miscues to almost double up the Holly Pond Broncos 28-15.

Holly Pond looked as if they were going to take an early lead just seconds into the game after recovering the kickoff that was fumbled by Brindlee Mountain. However it was not to be as the Lion's defense held strong forcing a turnover on downs.

The visiting Lions would take advantage of the momentum swing and drive the length of the field capping the drive with a touchdown rush up the middle by junior Mark Cox.

A successful 2 two point conversion firmly cemented "big mo" on the Brindlee Mountain sideline just four minutes and twenty seconds into the contest.

After giving up another touchdown at the end of the first quarter, Holly Pond got on the board in the second quarter.

Following a Brindlee Mountain punt, the Broncos were able to sustain a drive, thanks to some strong rushes, and finished with a touchdown pass from Lambert to Phillips for the six. A two point conversion pulled Holly Pond to within seven, 15-8, with 5:54 left in the first half.

The third quarter was kind to Holly Pond as Lambert again put the ball in the hands of his receiver, this time Tony Vasquez, for the touchdown strike. With the PAT, Holly Pond pulled even with Brindlee Mountain with 12 minutes left to play. However the turnover bug once again bit the Broncos as a fumble directly turned into a Brindlee Mountain touchdown.

The Broncos had one lat chance to stage a dramatic comeback when the Lions coughed up the ball at midfield with the Broncos recovering.

Unfortunately for Holly Pond, they were unable to move the ball. On the ensuing possession, Tristen Palmisano sprinted up the middle of the Holly Pond defense for the score, icing the game. The PAT was good making the score 28-15, which turned out to be the final.

**West Point vs. Athens**

**ATHENS** - The West Point Warriors opened up the season last week with a victory over the Brewer Patriots and looked to leave Athens the same way, however the Golden Eagles had a very different idea.Athens scored early and often with the first of seven touchdowns coming midway through the first quarter when Tarik Malone ran it in from 31 yards to quicky put the Golden Eagles up 7-0 following the PAT.

Athens struck again late in the first quarter when Stephen Farmer found his receiver Harper Ward for a 23 yard TD strike, putting the eagle up 14-0 at the end of the first quarter.

Things were looking up for the Warriors early in the second quarter when Athens missed a West Point punt that the Warriors recovered in Athens territory, but West Point could not muster an offensive drive and were forced to give the ball back to Athens.

On the next possession the Eagles scored again, running up and down the field and capping off the drive with a 5 yard plunge by Shaun Johnson. Late in the first half the Eagles scored again on a bomb from Farmer to Derek Teague for a 38 yard TD making the score 28-0 at the half.

West Point scored their one and only touchdown of the game in the fourth.

Following a 38 yard punt return for a touchdown by Teague, the Warriors moved the ball down the fie;d and got on the board with an Austin Young touchdown run.

The Warriors played hard the entire 48 minutes of the game but could not overcome the Golden Eagles scoring onslaught and fell to Athens 49-7.

**Vinemont vs. Danville**

**VINEMONT** - After receiving the opening kickoff, the Vinemont Eagles were held to a three-and-out by the Danville Hawks defense. The strong showing of the defense was a wake up call for the Eagles however, as a bad toss by Hawks QB Dallas McAbee would be recovered by Taylor Evans of the Eagles.

Vinemont would use its committee of running-backs, consisting of Taylor Evans, Trey Guthrey, and John Michael Dye, to capitalize on the short field and score on a 5-yard rush by Dye. This put the Eagles up 6-0 early.

Danville came back out, and after gaining a first down, McAbee would throw three incomplete passes and the Hawks were forced to punt.

Their defense came out just as aggressive as they were in the beginning of the game and held the Eagles to yet another three-and-out.

The Hawks' offense came back out looking to turn things around, but once again turned the ball over, this time on an interception by the Eagle's Tyler Boland.

Boland, coming off of a torn LCL and hamstring, was more than eager to get back on the field. This was his first of two interceptions on the night. After yet another stop by the Hawks defense, Vinemont was forced to punt.

The Hawks were able to work their way down the field, led by QB McAbee's rushing skills, and were at 3rd and goal on the 12-yard line. A deep shot from McAbee to the corner of the end-zone would be picked off by Boland and the Eagles took over on their own 20.

After a short run by Dye, Evans would take it 78 yards up the sideline for a touchdown. This would put the Eagles up 12-0 at the half.

The second half opened up with a good stop by Vinemont's defense, forcing the Hawks to punt. However, the punt was dropped by Dye and Danville took over at the 27-yard line. McAbee again used his legs to lead the Hawks, this time for a touchdown, cutting the Vinemont lead to five, 12 to 7.

Giving up the touchdown lit a fire under the Eagles and they dominated the rest of the contest. They would score three more times on the ground one each from Dye, Evans, and Guthrey. They ended to game 32-7 and extending their win streak to two.

The big story of the night was the return of Tyler Boland. No one wanted to be on the field more tonight than Boland. Boland has been working nonstop to get back on the field after his injury, and tonight it showed.

After playing a limited role on offense in the first half, Boland came out the second half and showed that he was ready to play.

After a 9-yard rush for a first down, the Eagles ended their first drive of the second half with a touchdown followed by a beautiful pass from Kurtis Brawner to Boland for a two point conversion.

Two drives later Brawner would again hit Boland, this time for a 30 yard gain on 2nd and long. Boland ended the game with two INT, 15 rushing yards, 30 rec yards, a two point conversion, and multiple deflections.

Despite Boland's success in the game, he was more focused on the team's efforts as a whole. Coach Alan Scott highlighted this unselfish attitude after the game.

When asked his thoughts on Boland's performance, the first thing Coach Scott mentioned was that "[Boland] will tell you that this is a team. A player who can come out and lead

United Way of Cullman County
Presents




"Fabulous In the French Quarter"

Thursday, September 12, 2013
Preview of Tablescapes: 11am – 1pm
Tickets: $10.00
Dinner, Tablescapes, Live Entertainment,
Silent Auction:
6pm – 9pm
Tickets: $65.00
Top of the Town, 316 2nd Ave. SW
Tickets can be purchased at the United Way Office.
304 First Ave. NE (The old train depot)
RSVP Deadline: September 5, 2013
256.739.2948
Proceeds help benefit United Way and their 13 Partner Agencies.

Tickets Available Today




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CALLING ALL
EXHIBITORS!!

Saturday, Sept. 7 8AM-1PM
•Receive individual entries in **Handicraft, Sewing and Canning**
•Receive individual entries in **Art** (Exhibit Building)
(Fairgrounds will close at 1:30 PM)

Sunday, Sept. 8 1PM-5PM
•Receive individual entries in **Photography** (Exhibit Building)
•Receive individual entries in **Art** (Exhibit Building)

Monday, September 9
9AM-5PM •**Set Up Exhibit Booths**
Commercial, Community Clubs, 4-H, FCCLA, FFA
Noon-6PM •Receive individual entries in **Handicraft, Sewing and Canning**
•Receive individual entries in **Art** (Exhibit Building)

Tuesday, September 10
9AM-5PM •**Set Up Exhibit Booths**
Commercial, Community Clubs, 4-H, FCCLA, FFA
Noon-6PM •Receive individual entries in **Handicraft, Sewing and Canning**
•Receive individual entries in **Art** (Exhibit Building)

Wednesday, September 11
1 PM - 6PM •Receive THE FOLLOWING field crops & Honey (Agriculture Exhibit Building)
Department M - **Field Crops**
Division I - **Corn**
Division II - **Hay**
Division III - **Cotton**
Division IV - **Soybeans**
Division V - **Potatoes**
Division VI - **Pumpkins**
Division VII - **Peppers**
Division VIII - **Watermelons**
Division IX - **Vegetables**
Division X - **Tomatoes**
Division XI - **Current Season Gourds**
Division XII - **Apples**
Division XIII - **Pears**
Department N - **Apiculture**
**All the Honey Entries**

Thursday, September 12
8 AM - 10 AM •Receive entries in Horticulture (Dept. O)
8AM - 11AM •Receive individual entries in Food Department I Culinary Foods D
9AM - 11AM •Receive Division III FCCLA and FFA Food Entries

Information on Rules and Check-in times for all competitive exhibits is available at...
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# High School Football Roundup - Week 2 (Continued)

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**Good Hope vs. Hanceville**

**GOOD HOPE** - 48 minutes was not enough time to settle county rivalry between the Good Hope Raiders and the Hanceville Bulldogs. For that, they would need overtime.

The Bulldog's dented the scoreboard first with a 9 yard rush by Junior Brontae Harris. However, it would take Good Hope just seconds to answer. On the ensuing kickoff, Jared McClure took it to the house, 92 yards for the score. After the end of one, the score stood at seven each.

Good Hope took their first lead of the game when, after a recovered fumble, Senior QB Sebastian Fendley took his team down the field and finished the scoring drive himself, going in from 17 yards out. The PAT was unsuccessful making the score 13-7.

Hanceville looked to answer and was in the middle of a potential scoring drive when Senior Justin Turner intercepted the pass and returned it for a TD.

The score was taken off the board due to a hold but the Raiders still retained possession and took over on their own 45 yard line.

However the Raiders would not be denied as Fendley found Austin Crumbly in the back of the endzone for a 35 yard touchdown as the last seconds melted off the clock in the second half. The two point conversion failed but the Raiders took a 19-7 lead to the locker room.

Opening the third, Hanceville came out running the ball with great efficiency. BJ Smalls capped the drive, plunging in from the 4 yard line. The two point conversion was good, helping the Bulldog cut the lead to 19-15.

Hanceville would regain the lead in the fourth when Brontae Harris ran a punt back 30 yards for a touchdown and led the Raiders 22-19 after the successful PAT.

After a stalled drive, Good Hope was forced to try a 17 yard field goal, not a gimmie by any means in high school. With all of the pressure falling on his shoulders, Collin Harris came in and split the uprights, knotting the score at 22 all and effectively forcing overtime.

After a strong showing by the Raider defense, Fendley showed why he is one of the best quarterbacks in the county, running it in from the five yard line and giving Good Hope a trilling 28-22 overtime victory.

**Cold Springs vs. Sulligent**

**SULLIGENT** - For the first time in 10 years, Cold Springs has opened the season 2-0. The Eagles went into Sulligent and shocked the Blue Devils 47-27 for their second win of the season.

"Sulligent is a good football team," coach Rod Elliot said of the week two match up. "We are really proud of our kids."

Logan Campbell blew up offensively, scoring four times including touchdown runs of 30 yards, 25 yards, and 10 yards to go along with his 80 yard kickoff return TD and 75 yard punt return to set up another score.

Nick Rollo added a 75 yard touchdown run.

The Eagles look to go 3-0 next week as they host Hale County.

**Cullman vs. East Limestone**

**CULLMAN** - Coming off a 13-10 sluggish looking win over Walker where the outcome was in doubt up until the final 18 seconds of the game, the home opener for the Bearcats looked much, much different.

"We needed to score points," Cullman quarterback Tyler Glenn simply put it. "We didn't get points on the board last week and we were lucky to win with 13 points. It just shows the firepower and what we have been wanting all summer long to come out and do on offense."

Cullman made up for the lack of last week's scoring in a big way, hanging 28 points on the visiting East Limestone Indians in the first half on their way to a 45-27 victory to make the Bearcats 2-0 on the season and 1-0 in 5A Region 8 play.

The 'Cats scored early and often thanks to some big runs from Garrett Crider and high percentage passes from Glenn to set the tone early.

Crider ran all over the Indians, amassing 137 yards and two touchdowns on just 13 carries in the first half. He added another touchdown in the second half on a 55 yard TD run to help him finish with 226 yards on 21 carries to go with his pair of TDs.

"Garret has been doing an amazing job since his sophomore year," said Glenn of his companion in the backfield, "and I am just glad that we have someone like Will Crenshaw that can come in when Garrett needs a breather."

Glenn was quick to give all of the praise but he had a big hand in the blowout. Slinging the ball all over the field, he finished the first half 16 of 19 for 166 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

He attempted just three passes in the second half, converting two of them to finish 18 of 22 for 225 yards and two scores.

"I thought our kids did a great job staying focused." said head coach Mark Britton. "I think the difference was first game jitters and things like that. We didn't really feel like we carried our practice into the game last week."

Whatever the Bearcats did different this week sure paid off in a big way.

Not only did they crush their first region opponent of the year but the win marks the 107th win for Britton at Cullman, making him the all time wins leader at Cullman, surpassing the Bearcat legend Oliver Woodard.

"You know, it hasn't really soaked in," said Britton about the milestone. "It is truly an honor," said Britton but he went on to say, "In my opinion, in my mindset, coach Woodard will always be THE guy."

We hope you enjoyed our coverage of high school football this week as much as we enjoyed bringing it to you!

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# No. 18 WSCC volleyball splits four matches at Pensacola State Invitational, opens conference play with road win

By: Russell Moore
WSCC Contributor

**HANCEVILLE** – Wallace State's nationally-ranked volleyball team was busy over the Labor Day weekend.

The Lions split four matches at the Pensacola (Fla.) State Invitational, winning matches against Labette (Kan.) Community College, and Andrew (Ga.) College, while losing to Pensacola State and Florida State-Jacksonville.

In a 25-17, 25-11, 25-18 victory over Labette, freshman Bethany Johnson paced the way with a team-high 17 kills and added six digs.

Montana Clark finished with 15 kills and 12 digs, Kianna Delaney had 10 kills, four digs, and three blocks, Taylor Traglia contributed 33 assists, Nicole Penny had 13 assists and Rosemary Wendel had 22 digs.

Wallace State (7-3, 1-0 ACCC) defeated Andrew College 25-10, 25-8, 25-3 behind Delaney's 13 kills, eight digs and three blocks. Kaci Kirk collected 14 assists and two digs in the win, Traglia finished with 13 assists and two digs, Olivia Walker had seven digs and five kills, and Johnson added four kills.

Johnson combined for 34 kills and three blocks in the losses to Pensacola State and Florida State-Jacksonville.

Delaney had 23 kills and 20 digs combined, BreAnna Thompson finished with 20 kills, Penny collected 36 assists, Traglia had 26 assists, Clark added 14 kills, and Wendel had 26 digs.

Before traveling to Florida, Wallace State recorded a victory at Jeff Davis in the team's Alabama Community College (ACCC)/Region 22 opener, winning 25-12, 25-12, 25-11.

Johnson had 13 kills and 6.5 blocks against the Warhawks, Delaney had 11 kills, Kirk finished with 13 assists, Payton Norris added 10 digs and Traglia, Norris, Johnson, and Delaney each had two assists.

Wallace State has a pair of conference games on the road this week, traveling to Southern Union today and to Faulkner State Thursday.

The Lions' conference home opener is Sept. 11 vs. Southern Union.

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- **Nia Dance/Ageless Grace Fitness Classes:** Includes yoga stretching, anti-aging tips, and more with instructor Ann Caretti. Class is held Tuesdays at 10:00am at the Cullman Civic Center.
- **Oil Painting and Acrylic Classes:** Classes are held Mondays from 6:30-9:30pm at the Cullman Art Guild with instructor Delancey Gardner. Class is $20 per month, call 256-734-9157 for details.
- **Dog Obedience Classes:** Tina Cagle Parker will be holding dog obedience classes at the Cullman Civic Center on Tuesday nights beginning on Tuesday, August 13 at 6pm. Class is 6 weeks after first week orientation. Puppy class at 6pm and adult class at 7pm. $65 per dog; register at the Civic Center.
- **CLUCKNBREW:** CP&R will be holding Clucknbrew, a wingfest event on Saturday, September 7 at Depot Park. There will be a wing cook off, live music, beer, a kid's zone, games, and more. The event will be held from 3pm-9pm. Call 256-734-9157 for details.
- **Fall Baseball/Softball Registration:** August 1-20 at the Cullman Civic Center for ages 6-8 and 9-12. Cost per child is $75 or $350 per team. Fall Men's and Coed softball is also registering from August 1-20 at Heritage Park for $350 per team. Call 256-739-9931 for details.
- **Wilderness Survival Classes:** Held at Hurricane Creek Park on Sunday afternoons at 1pm, this course teaches basic survival skills including building a shelter, fire, finding safe water, and navigating. Register in advance by calling 256-734-2125.
- **First Time Rock Climbing:** Available for anyone interested in trying rock climbing with little or no experience. The program is offered on Saturday mornings at Hurricane Creek Park to anyone 6&up. A professional guide will be on site and all gear is included. Reserve ahead at 256-734-2125.
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# FAIR PARADE







By: Natalie Bonner

**CULLMAN** - The first weekend in September is a blur of colors and activities for Cullman as it boasts its usual festivities. Saturday was the anticipated annual Cullman County Fair Parade with crowd favorites and city and county school representatives participating in the traditional march downtown.

The parade started at 2 p.m. and drew a large crowd from one end of town to the other. Hoots and hollers were heard all around as floats filled with beloved community members, organizations, alma maters, and the like drifted steadily past the stream of supporters.

"It was hot, but it was enjoyable," community resident Pamela Deberardinis said. "I walked in the parade earlier. We gave out candy from Cullman Caring for Kids."

While it was certainly a scorcher with a high near 91 degrees, there was a great crowd turnout. Many families came out to show their support and cheer on their loved ones.

Wanda Collins of Hanceville said, "The bands have been awesome today. The parade has been well organized. We are here rooting our girls on."

The young and old alike enjoyed themselves with the ever-changing scenery of parade participants.



Whitt Waters, a precocious 4-year-old attendee said, "I had fun. I watched my sister. She's a cheerleader."

Tons of candy and small prizes were tossed out to the shouting crowd. Most bags seemed to go empty long before the end of the parade. One lesson learned was to share the candy.

Wide-eyed 7-year-old Kadence Pace expressed her feelings about the candy distribution. "I only got 2 suckers," she preciously stated. She said her favorite thing about the fair parade was Good Hope.

Tradition is certainly key to this event. Generations gathered to support their families and showcase their roots.

No matter whom you rooted for in the crowd, this annual event drew support from all over and enhanced the sense of community present in Cullman.

## Tips on Getting Your Car or Truck Tailgate-Ready

**(StatePoint)** For many sports fans "tailgate" is their favorite word of the season -- a time to party-hearty in the great outdoors, or at least in a huge stadium parking lot.

Not surprisingly, tailgating has evolved over the years. If there's a baseball game or NASCAR race, someone's next to his car, truck, van, SUV, or even RV.

Non-sports fans have embraced tailgating too, taking the fun to concerts, camping, and other outdoor get-togethers.

"Tailgating used to be a pickup truck and keg of beer. Now it's an art form," says Peter MacGillivray, vice president of events and communication for the Specialty Equipment Market Association, a 50-year-old automotive trade organization with 6,500-plus member companies. To get your rollicking party started, MacGillivray is offering ideas for turning your vehicle into party headquarters:

- Get in bed: Keep the bed area of your truck protected and stylish, with colorful spray-on bed liners, complete bolt-on bed liners, a rubber bed floor, or tailgate mats. A specially made tent can fit over the truck bed.
- Team player: It's not hard to show your allegiances. Look for vinyl team graphics that adhere to the sides of your vehicle. Use wheel covers, floor mats, and dash covers adorned with your team logo.
- There's a hitch: Lots of cool products are available that attach to your tow hitch, including fold-out tailgating tables, and TV mounts. Dual-hitch receivers double your towing capacity so you can bring more tailgating accessories.
- Food service: Don't let the lack of fridge impede your grub situation. Use wheel well storage units and ice chests to hold beverages.
- Game on: Flat screen TVs and sound systems designed for cars and trucks are ideal for tailgating.

For more ideas on spiffing up your vehicle for tailgating, visit your local camping, sporting goods or auto parts store for inspiration, or visit www.EnjoyTheDrive.com.




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# Cluck-n-Brew: Wings & Beer for a Cause





## First annual Cluck-n-Brew provided food and fun, raised funds for community playground project

By: Natalie Bonner

Following the Cullman Fair Parade was the first annual Cluck-n-Brew, a community event themed around wings and beer. It was located at Depot Park and lasted from 3-9 p.m.

Admission was $5 for adults and children were free of charge. Tickets were sold for wings, beer, and food with proceeds to benefit a community playground project.

The first event of its kind here in Cullman, Cluck-n-Brew was modeled after a similar event held in Hilton Head, S.C. called Wingfest. Like its inspiration, the Cullman version had its own wing cook-off competition with monetary prizes awarded to first and second place.



Waid Harbison, marketing director for Cullman City Parks & Recreation, was very enthusiastic about the event.

"It's basically a big fundraiser for our community playground project. We are out here selling wings and beer to raise these funds. It's something the city of Cullman just really hasn't had – a really great playground – something big, something fun for the kids to do, and something really safe."

Harbison explained that there was a need for this playground in the community, and that all involved wanted to meet that need. "People want to get involved in the community and they want to know that their money is going to help something like this."

The fun and free-spirited event attracted crowds of all kinds. From the seasoned wing eater and beer aficionado to the sports enthusiasts and energetic kids, there seemed to be something for everyone.

Sara Petty, a community resident and mother of two, attended the event with her family. "We were looking for something fun for all of us to do," she said.

Kids were undoubtedly entertained at Kidzone, an area filled with games of all kinds and bouncy house inflatables. Smiling kids ran amok as they tried to catch up with one another.

Harbison said that 90 percent of the proceeds would go to the Park & Recreation Foundation to be invested in the community playground project.

He commented that while Cullman has many parks with playgrounds, there is indeed a greater need for a central playground in the community.

Harbison said, "There are a lot of playgrounds at parks, but we are revamping Ingle Park to be the playground of our community. It's going to be roughly 4 or 5 times bigger than the playground at Heritage Park. It will be completely fenced in, padded, very safe, and have a community aspect to it."

The innovative event was a fundamental approach to securing funds needed for the project. Vendors smiled and greeted the crowd as people filled up on tasty wings and other delicious foods while keeping cool as they sipped on cold beer.

Mark Reeling, a vendor representative from Smokin' Racks & Juicy Butts, said they received lots of great feedback on their wings.

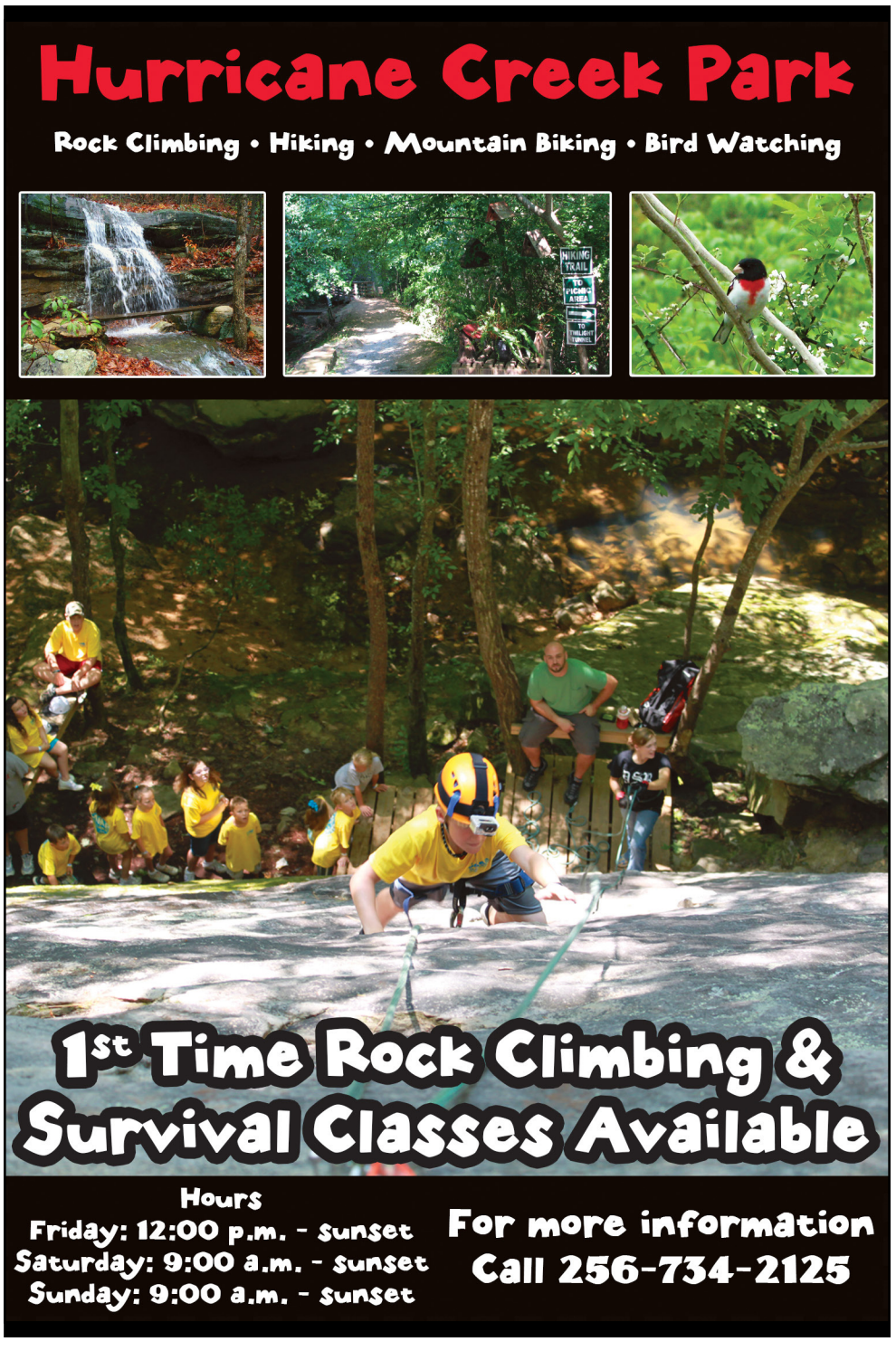
"I had a lady say that our wings were the best she's ever had," Reeling stated. "And that's what makes it worth it. Not how many tickets you wind up with."

At the heart of the event was the desire and need for a central playground in Cullman, and the event hit a homerun with its sportsbar-influenced main attractions of wings and beer. Verbal affirmations from the crowd confirmed the event's success and its desired annual presence.

"These local businesses are making a statement that they are involved in the community and they want to make a difference. We are all committed to the same goal here," Harbison finished.







# – Calendar –

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## Tuesday

**Festhalle Farmers' Market**
The Festhalle Farmers' Market is once again open for business on Tuesdays through the spring and summer, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Come visit your local farmers as they offer their homegrown produce for your dinner table.

**Fairview Senior Center Open Tuesdays**
Fairview Senior Center opens its door in the Town Hall each Tuesday morning for all seniors. Activities and games include rook, dominoes, and other entertaining events. A covered dish meal will be available until 12 noon. For more info please call 256-796-5424.

**Cullman Caring for Kids in Need of Donations**
If you are able to contribute to Cullman County's Community Food Band, the 'Caring for Kids' organization, they would be grateful. Non-perishable food items are needed, and of course cash enables them to purchase needed products to fill their empty shelves. Please call 256-739-1111 to see how to help or mail checks or money orders to Cullman Caring for Kids, P. O. Box 698, Cullman, Alabama 35056-0698. Thanks in advance for anything you can do.

**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.

**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.

## Wednesday

**'Wii Bowling' at the Donald E. Green Senior Center**
The entertainment for senior citizens is 'Wii Bowling' at the Donald E. Green Senior Center starting at 1 p.m. Everyone is invited. Come enjoy some exercise (but not too physical!) and fellowship with friends. They bowl every Wednesday and Friday afternoons at 1 p.m.

**Good Hope Senior Center Open Wednesdays**
Good Hope Senior Center welcomes all senior citizens to come visit on Wednesday mornings for music, games such as rook, dominoes, Wii bowling and many other activities. A covered dish lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. All welcome!! The Senior Center is located inside the Good Hope Town Hall.

**Latter Day Saints Genealogy Library**
The Genealogy Library at the Latter Day Saints (L.D.S.) Church is open to the public each Wednesday night from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Don Jones is available to open the Library at other times, if needed, so please contact him at 256-784-5098.

**Girls & Boys Club at Spirit Life**
Spirit Life Church will host a Girls & Boys Club meeting for those 12 and under every Wednesday beginning at 7 p.m. at the church. All are welcome. Please call the church for further info 256-739-3326.

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**Tips for Improving Customer Service**
The Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce offers a seminar on 'Tips for Improving Customer Service' from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. in the Chambers Business Room. Guest speaker will be Lacy Beasley, a municipal retail consultant with The Shopping Center Group. All welcome but please RSVP by calling the Chamber at 256-734-0454 to reserve a seat.

**Baileyton Senior Center open Thursdays**
Baileyton Senior Center opens its doors every Thursday morning with music, games, activities, rook, dominoes, Wii Bowling, and fun for all. A covered dish lunch is served at 1130 am. For more information please call 256-796-6447.

**Elks Lodge Buffet Lunch**
Cullman Elks Lodge opens their doors to the general public on Thursdays for their buffet lunches served from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. each Thursday. Meal is $8.00 for two meats, vegetables, drink! So come visit your neighbors and enjoy a great meal to boot.

**First Community Bank Women's Investing Class**
All women are invited to attend a FREE 'Women's Investing' Class at 12 noon at First Community Bank. This free educational lunchtime meeting is being held to help women learn more about investing for themselves. Bring your own lunch. This is NOT a sales meeting. For additional information please contact Heather Branch at 256-734-4863.

**New Vision Support Group**
There is a New Vision Support Group which will meet at 10 a.m. and everyone interested in this subject is welcome to attend. The program is at Hilltop Community Center. Additional information is available by calling Linda Estes, 256-739-4653.

**ROOT Classes at Grace Episcopal Church**
All are welcome to attend special ROOT (Radically Overcoming Obstacles Together) classes each Thursday night beginning at 6 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church. Food and fellowship begin at 6 p.m. followed at 7 p.m. by the meeting. For additional information please check out Facebook (www.facebook.com/pages/TheRoot) or www.agccullman.com. Come to one class just to see if you are interested in this topic and its purpose. You might be surprised how these meetings can affect your life.

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**Rock Climbing at Hurricane Creek Park**
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**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!

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## Looking Ahead

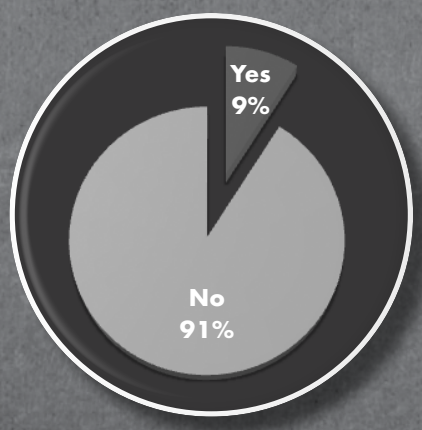
**Cathoiic Women of the Birmingham Diocese Meeting**
Members of the Catholic Women of the Birmingham Diocese will gather at Benedictine Sisters Retreat Center on Wednesday, September 18. Guest speaker will be Sister Elisabeth Meadows, OSB, who serves as Associate Director of the Retreat Center. Cost for this program is $10.00 and includes lunch. The event runs from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and reservations are requested by Wednesday, Sept. 11. Please call Pat at 256-339-8009 to reserve your spot or email: patarentz2@gmail.com. All Catholic women in the Cullman area are urged to attend this special event.

**Cullman Oktoberfest**
This year's Cullman Oktoberfest will be held October 5-12, 2013 at Festhalle Market Platz and Cullman County Museum. For more information e-mail jburks@cullmancity.org and visit www.cullmanoktoberfest.com.

**PorktoberQue**
Oktoberfest meets Barbecue Competition in Dothan, Alabama September 27-28, 2013. This KCBS sanctioned BBQ competition draws teams from across Alabama and features $5,000 in prize money and an entry to the American Royal for the cookoff/ BBQ winner. It is also a stop on the Alabama BBQ Trail and has a points award for national barbecue team rankings. Spectators enjoy polka music, country and rock bands, an indoor Biergarten, outdoor "man cave" and loads of shopping opportunities. Barbecue and Bratwurst dominate the food menus from regional vendors, and beer is available in several areas. Sponsored by MIke Schmitz Auto group- come take a test drive for free tickets, or take a drive at PorktoberQue for great deals! FREE ADMISSION IF YOU DRESS UP IN LEDERHOSEN OR A GERMAN OUTFIT! Kids welcome, many kid's activities available. See porktoberque.com for details.

## Last Week's Poll

**Should the United States get involved in Syria?**




**This Week's Poll**

Have you won the top prize at a carnival game?

Vote Today at CullmanSense.com/Poll

## Reflections of History

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## This Week in History

**September 9th**
- 1776 – Continental Congress renames "United Colonies," "US"
- 1881 – Egyptian military coup under Colonel Arab "Al Wahid"
- 1942 – Japanese planes drop incendiary bombs on Oregon

**September 10th**
- 1872 – Karl Marx speaks in Amsterdam
- 1910 – Great Idaho Fire destroys 3 million acres of timber
- 1943 – German troops occupied Rome and took over the protection of Vatican City

**September 11th**
- 1789 – Alexander Hamilton appointed first Secretary of Treasury
- 1928 – Ty Cobb last hitting appearance, pops out against Yankees
- 2001 – 19 Islamist terrorists hijack four commercial jets, killing nearly 3,000 in New York, Virginia and Pennsylvania

**September 12th**
- 1624 – First submarine tested in London
- 1928 – Katharine Hepburn's New York stage debut in "Night Hostess"
- 1953 – Senator John F. Kennedy, 36, marries Jacqueline Bouvier, 24

**September 13th**
- 1789 – First loan to U.S. Government from New York City banks
- 1961 – "Car 54 Where are You?" premieres on TV
- 1989 – Desmond Tutu leads biggest anti-apartheid protest march in South Africa

**September 14th**
- 1814 – Francis Scott Key inspired to write "Star-Spangled Banner"
- 1872 – Britain pays U.S. $15 M for damages during Civil War
- 1948 – Ground breaking ceremony for United Nations world headquarters

**September 15th**
- 1620 – Mayflower departs from Plymouth England with 102 pilgrims
- 1904 – Wilbur Wright makes 1st flight
- 1963 – 4 children killed in bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham
- 2011 – Together with male and female, 'indeterminate' can now be listed as a gender on Australian passports

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# Myth, Mirth, Magic, and Mechanics in Atlanta: Experiencing Dragon*Con

By: Dillon Lee • Entertainment Editor
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Defining Dragon*Con is as elusive and mythical as its namesake. Held each Labor Day in Atlanta among the bustle of the NCAA Kick Off game, Dragon*Con fills downtown with pop culture enthusiasts of every breed and variety. From Thursday night to Monday afternoon, you can not travel 10 feet without seeing an elaborate costume celebrating some aspect of "geek" culture.

Other annually held conventions are focused and honed, concentrating on one element of Geek culture- comic books, Star Wars, Star Trek, etc. Dragon*Con defies such limited parameters. It is one part convention where fans of obscure and widely popular films, television, books, and movies discuss their shared passion and get to hear from and meet the talent behind their passions, and one part conference where innovators, writers, thinkers, scientists, artists, and intellectuals share their ideas and particular talent with anyone willing to listen. Musicians from a wide range of styles perform throughout the convention and put on large concerts to packed event halls.



Photos by John Thomas McDole

In effect, Dragon*Con is multiple conventions, separated into tracks- ranging from Paranormal Investigations to Technology to Gaming. The crowds that pack the four main host hotels are a testament to the diversity of interests. The Marriott Marquis, the de facto hub of the activities, sports a sleek modern series of open mezzanine and convention hall levels, dotted with restaurants, bars, and the occasional Starbucks. Here, day, night, or early morning, is the place to people watch.

Though the levels are tightly packed, crowds mill around the most spectacular costumes, ranging from the authentic to the massive. Witnessing this centrally located mass of revelers quickly reveals the attendees individual attraction to this sprawling event. One distinct group makes their way bemused down the escalators and through the mezzanines, heading towards one of the myriads of panels and workshops. These convention goers often wait in line for hours in order to hear experts or celebrities speak on their favorite topic.



Then there are the autograph hunts. They make their way towards the "Walk of Fame" to grab an autograph from their favorite celebrity in order to add to or complete their life long collection. A smaller contingent of these autograph and fame seekers spend their time in the "Artists Alley" where pin-up, comic book, and genre artists line row after row, signing and selling their work and providing custom artwork and sketches.

Last and mostly, there are the costumers or "Cosplayers." People who come to the Con just to show off their meticulously made costumes. Many attendees never go to a panel, never seek an autograph, never go to a concern- they are there to be seen and see. For these Dragon*Con regulars, it is all simply an excuse for a four day long Halloween party.

Saturday morning, Atlanta residents and children make their way to downtown to witness the most celebrated public spectacle of the weekend- the Dragon*Con parade. A route that twists through Peachtree Street is usually led by a line of Ghostbusters all with a variety of vehicles based on the famous "Ecto-1" from the film. After that the crowd is awed by superheros, hobbits, time travelers, Disney characters, film villains, wizards, knights, maidens, monsters, and more Stormtroopers than you can count. Even if the crowd lining the streets have no interest in attending the convention, they all love the parade. Children beam as representations of their heroes leap from the page and screen and wave to them from just feet away.

Smattered amongst all these participants are those that come simply to take pictures or those who have made the journey to connect with friends. More often the average Con goer is a combination of these archetypes. Regardless of their motives, everyone there is a fan- a dedicated fan of something. And in being there, though specific interests may not align, you know you are among like minded individuals. Each attendee shares the membership in an exclusive club, the love of something culturally significant and therefore greater than themselves. Even the football fans that fill Atlanta during the same weekend can appreciate that common factor. Just as they live vicariously through the gridiron trials of their chosen team, so too does the crowd of geeks amassed for love of something equally deserving of passion.

Anyone would be hard pressed not to find something to love at Dragon*Con. Few events bring together genre film stars, writers, NASA scientists, innovators, designers, and artist like Dragon*Con.

Even if its just a view of the Marriott mezzanine bristling with camera flashes and brightly colored costumes like a fever dream of Saturday morning cartoons, it is hard not to crack a smile at Dragon*Con.

For more information and pictures go to www.dragoncon.org.

# Comics

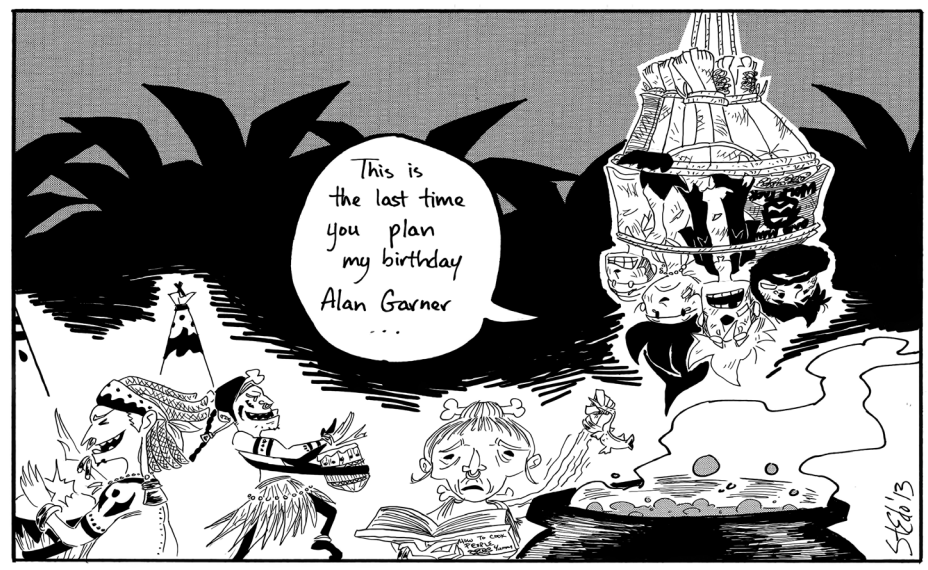
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# Filmmaking Masterminds: Quentin Tarantino Part III

By: Jackson Hogan
Entertainment Reporter

***Funky Fresh Detour: Jackie Brown***

In this week's edition of CullmanSense's series on the films of Quentin Tarantino, we are delving into Tarantino's arguably most underrated film.

His third effort, *Jackie Brown*, is in many ways a detour from his other works. Both Tarantino's previous films (*Reservoir Dogs, Pulp Fiction*) as well as his later movies (*Kill Bill, Django Unchained*) flow within the same current, yet *Jackie Brown* is distinct, an embodiment of a very different set of movie sensibilities that still has Quentin's thumbprint.

A crime drama at its core, *Jackie Brown* weaves the lives of several characters into a web of intrigue and hidden motives. The titular character (played by Pam Grier) is an airline hostess past her prime, working for a mediocre Mexican airline. To supplement her income, she smuggles money to the U.S. on her trips back from Mexico for an arms dealer named Ordell Robbie (Samuel L. Jackson). When caught by an A.T.F. agent (Michael Keaton), things go akimbo. As the storyline progresses, the viewer is introduced to characters played by Robert De Niro, Bridget Fonda, and in an exceptional performance, Robert Forster. Eventually the film culminates in a suspenseful plot surrounding Robbie's retirement fund of 500,000 dirty dollars, dealing with how it must get back to the U.S., and who will leave with the cash.

With Tarantino's other films, the plot usually acts strictly as a vehicle for the ingenious dialogue, uncanny performances, and incredible cinematography. His plots are always clever and distinct, but they never steal the spotlight. However, *Jackie Brown* is the exception to the rule. As an adaptation of a novel, the movie is narrative driven. This is in stark contrast to Quentin's norm of interconnected but independent scenes or "chapters". This movie works as a whole piece, flowing smoothly and effortlessly from moment to moment in a slow ride towards the final scene.

With that said, the best of *Jackie Brown* is a spot on portrayal of the zeitgeist of early 70s film. It truly captures all that was significant of that particular era of cinema, rendering the final product a very personal departure of Tarantino's.

Though not necessary to understand Tarantino's contributions to film, it certainly will hold a special place in the viewer's heart as a movie of a different breed.

# Mawmaw - A True Labor Day Reflection

By:

Brent

McDonald



Cullman Resident

At different times in life, we find ourselves so caught up in the stresses and worries of the world that we lose focus on the reality of Truth and the things that matter the most. During the process of this carnal minded thinking, we can become so ungrateful for the things and people in our lives.

While eating at a country café a few months ago, I had an awakening encounter, a very bold eye-opening experience.

This would have many times been over looked but this certain day, it was shinning as bright as the sun in front of me. A light that was undeniably speaking. A message from God!

It was in a small barbecue place in the heart of Snead, Alabama; a small town located forty minutes south of Huntsville. I was sitting at a table with my family while enjoying the wonderful food and reflecting on what I like to call, "small talk". We had almost finished our meal when an elderly lady working in the back caught my attention.

I know when God is speaking to me, this was indeed one of those times! I had just gotten my ticket and stood up to pay for our meal and the closer that I got to the register, the more realistic it became.

This elderly lady was washing dishes and as my heart was breaking, I questioned the cashier who was taking my money as to who the hard working lady was.

As I asked, I looked for the answer to be, "she owns this place." However, it wasn't. The answer that I received broke my heart more than just watching her take her frail-shaking hands as she reached for a light switch to turn it on.

The answer was, "she has been working here since we opened thirteen years ago."

I asked if she was kin to anyone who owned it, thinking it may be the owners mom and I was told that she came and put in her application right after the café opened.

"She has been working here since!" Said the cashier. She then proceeded to laugh as she expressed to me that the workers call her Mawmaw.

Through the response of my many questions, it was as if I was living her life while thinking of all the years she has used her frail hands to turn on light switches at the break of dawn to work and provide for her family while being the example that is being unseen by a ungrateful generation in today's world.

America was built by hard workers like "Mawmaw". This lady is one out of many fading, past examples of what a true, honest laborer is.

Knowing that things are not given to you. Knowing that those around you are just pieces of the one big puzzle to what a true Nation Under God can be when everyone pulls their own weight.

Mawmaw is eighty-six years old and still pulling her weight, doing her part as an American. Sadly, many from her prime years have passed on but we are still feeling the effects today for their hard work and dedication to our country.

It's those God-fearing individuals who have left behind the free, prosperous nation that we live in today.

If you are one of those honest workers working daily to provide for your family, all while being the Godly parent and example that you should be to those who are looking up to you, I commend you! Thank you for your hard work and dedication to not only your family but, putting in your piece of the puzzle to make it all go together for the good of everyone!

However, if you are one who needs to learn a few things on how to work and what it takes to provide for yourself and your children, I urge you to find someone who has worked their whole life, someone like Mawmaw!

Watch them and I promise you, you will learn a few things that will advance your life and future for the good.

Remember, God speaks to those who are on constant watch to hear His voice. Are you watching?

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# Calling for Limited Military Action

Contributed

**WASHINGTON, DC** — In his weekly address, President Obama makes the case for limited and targeted military action to hold the Assad regime accountable for its violation of international norms prohibiting the use of chemical weapons. The President realizes the American people are weary after a decade of war, which is why U.S. action would not include U.S. boots on the ground.

Instead, the President has put forward a proposed authorization that is focused on his clearly stated objectives – preventing and deterring the use and proliferation of chemical weapons (CW) within, to, or from Syria, degrading the Assad regime's capacity to carry out future CW attacks, and deterring this behavior in others who would otherwise feel emboldened to use such weapons. The President acknowledged it is not a decision he made lightly, but failing to respond to such actions poses a serious threat to our national security.

**Remarks of President Barack Obama**
**Weekly Address - The White House**
**September 7, 2013**

Almost three weeks ago in Syria, more than 1,000 innocent people – including hundreds of children – were murdered in the worst chemical weapons attack of the 21st century. And the United States has presented a powerful case to the world that the Syrian government was responsible for this horrific attack on its own people.

This was not only a direct attack on human dignity; it is a serious threat to our national security. There's a reason governments representing 98 percent of the world's people have agreed to ban the use of chemical weapons. Not only because they cause death and destruction in the most indiscriminate and inhumane way possible – but because they can also fall into the hands of terrorist groups who wish to do us harm.

That's why, last weekend, I announced that, as Commander in Chief, I decided that the United States should take military action against the Syrian regime. This is not a decision I made lightly. Deciding to use military force is the most solemn decision we can make as a nation.

As the leader of the world's oldest Constitutional democracy, I also know that our country will be stronger if we act together, and our actions will be more effective. That's why I asked Members of Congress to debate this issue and vote on authorizing the use of force.

What we're talking about is not an open-ended intervention. This would not be another Iraq or Afghanistan. There would be no American boots on the ground. Any action we take would be limited, both in time and scope – designed to deter the Syrian government from gassing its own people again and degrade its ability to do so.

I know that the American people are weary after a decade of war, even as the war in Iraq has ended, and the war in Afghanistan is winding down. That's why we're not putting our troops in the middle of somebody else's war.

But we are the United States of America. We cannot turn a blind eye to images like the ones we've seen out of Syria. Failing to respond to this outrageous attack would increase the risk that chemical weapons could be used again; that they would fall into the hands of terrorists who might use them against us, and it would send a horrible signal to other nations that there would be no consequences for their use of these weapons. All of which would pose a serious threat to our national security.

That's why we can't ignore chemical weapons attacks like this one – even if they happen halfway around the world. And that's why I call on Members of Congress, from both parties, to come together and stand up for the kind of world we want to live in; the kind of world we want to leave our children and future generations.

**Legal Advertisement**

The City of Cullman's Alcohol Review Committee will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 9th, 2013 at 4:00 pm, in the Administrative Conference Room of City Hall, located at 204 Second Avenue NE. Comments will be received on the proposed approval for the sale of alcohol in the City of Cullman by the following applicants:

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| Jacob Wood (Blue Moose Café) | 223 2nd Avenue SE | Special Events Alcohol License |
| Cullman Parks and Recreation Board | Cullman Civic Center | Special Events Alcohol License |
| Cullman Parks and Recreation Board | Special Events Area | Special Events Alcohol License |

*Note: Special Events Area is as follows: 405 2nd Ave NE, 305 2nd Ave NE, 304 1st Ave NE, 209 1st Ave NE, 201 2nd Ave NE, 211 2nd Ave NE, 200 1st Ave NE, A portion of Clark St NE from 2nd Ave NE to CSX railroad, A portion of Arnold St NE from 2nd Ave NE to the railroad, A portion of 1st Ave NE from Clark St NE to 601 2nd Ave NE.

# Exhibition at the Fair

By: Noah Chandler
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**CULLMAN** – With the Cullman County Fair just a few days away many residents are ready to hit the rides. While many are attracted to the glitz of flashing lights and the hum of generators pumping electricity into the amusements, many other residents view the fair as their own opportunity to shine.

Whether it be in baked goods, photography, canning expertise, or sewing abilities, the Cullman County Fair has always offered a wide variety of competitions to its residents. And this is year is no exception.

Below are the dates and times for each specific fair entry, including information regarding registration labels.

**Monday, September 9**
Fair Authorities will receive individual entries in Handicraft, Sewing, and Canning as well as Art entries today from 12 noon until 6 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 10**
Fair Authorities will receive individual entries in Handicraft, Sewing, and Canning as well as Art entries from 12 noon until 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 11**
Fair personnel will receive the following Field Crops & Honey exhibits from 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Agriculture Exhibit Building in groups as follows:

- Department M - Field Crops
- Division I – Corn
- Division II – Hay
- Division III – Cotton
- Division IV – Soybeans
- Division V – Potatoes
- Division VI – Pumpkins
- Division VII – Peppers
- Division VIII – Watermelons
- Division IX – Vegetables
- Division X – Tomatoes
- Division XI - Current Season Gourds
- Division XII – Apples
- Division XIII – Pears
- Department N - Apiculture - all the Honey Entries

**Thursday, September 12**
The following entries into competition for the 2013 Cullman County Fair judging are as follows:

- 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. - all entries in Horticulture Dept. O will be received
- 8 a.m. until 11 a.m. - all individual entries in the Food Department 1 and Culinary Foods D
- 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. - all entries in Division III FCCLA and FFA Food

**Exhibitor Label Information**
Required for All Entries: For Exhibitor Labels call 256-734-0661 or come by Fair Office at Sportsman Lake Fairgrounds to pre-register so labels will be ready when you come to enter exhibits. Name, address, and telephone number required to register. Information on rules and regulations and check-in times for all competitive exhibits check cullmanfair.com or 256-734-0661.

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## CRMC (from Front)

cial invitation to the community to join us for this memorable evening as we honor the many Cullman County citizens that have helped make our hospital one of the leading healthcare facilities in the State of Alabama," CRMC Service Guild President Nell Dunlap said.

"All proceeds from the event benefit the Foundation's Refresh-A-Room Capital Campaign."

A donation of $75 per person secures your reservation. To reserve your tickets, contact the CRMC Foundation via e-mail at crmcfoundation@crmchospital.com, or via telephone to 256-737-2565.

# It's Fair Time! (from Front)

**CULLMAN** - It's time. You drive down the road and see trailer after trailer hauling different, brightly colored pieces of metal.

You think to yourself, what could that be? Then you realize it is September then it hits you....FAIR!!

That's right, it is that time of year again. Time for hotdogs, funnel cakes, stuffed animals, and rides. The Cullman County Fair is coming to town.

For 11 days the grounds just outside of Sportsman's Lake park will be full of trailers, livestock, rides, exhibits, and food.

The fair is an annual event that the county looks forward to every year and one that brings a boom to our local economy.

It is also a great opportunity for families, with or without children, to come out and enjoy the festivities and spend some quality time with each other.

The Cullman County Fair will kick off Thursday, September 11th at 5 p.m. with gate/ticket prices as follows:

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12** Regular Gate Price from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. Regular Ride Tickets available. $22.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13** Regular Gate Price from 5 p.m. until midnight. Regular Ride Tickets available. $25.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14** Regular Gate Price from 2 p.m. until Closing. Regular Ride Tickets available. $25.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15** Regular Gate Price from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. Regular Ride Tickets available. $25.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16** 5 p.m. until closing Regular Gate admission.

Regular Ride Tickets and $22.00 armbands available. Megapass/armbands good.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17** 5 p.m. until closing: Regular Gate admission Regular Ride Tickets or $22 armband may be purchased after admission to grounds. Megapass/armbands good.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18** Regular Gate Price from 5 p.m. until Closing Regular Ride Tickets available. $22.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19** Regular Gate Price from 5 p.m. until Closing. Regular Ride Tickets available. $22.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20** Regular Gate Price from 5 p.m. until midnight Regular Ride Tickets available. $25.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21** Regular Gate Price from 2 p.m. until Closing. Regular Ride Tickets available. $25.00 Armband available after regular admission. Megapass/armbands good.

**Sunday, September 22** Gates open at 2:00 p.m. $25.00 Armband available. Megapass/armbands good.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23** School Day. All school children will receive free admission between 12 p.m. - 6 p.m. Regular Ride Tickets and $22.00 Armbands available. Megapass/Armbands good.

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# NASA to Share the Universe with Instagram Users through Its Images

By: John Yembrick

**WASHINGTON** – NASA is launching an official Instagram profile that will take its fans on an out-of-this-world journey through images of Earth and beyond.

"We're constantly looking to expand our social media portfolio to include tools that will best tell NASA's story of exploration and discovery," said NASA Press Secretary Lauren Worley.

"Instagram has a passionate following of users who are hungry for new and exciting photos. We believe we have some of the most engaging images on and off the planet -- and we can't wait to engage with Instagrammers."

Aeronautics, astrophysics, Earth science, human spaceflight and more, the NASA account will provide a comprehensive view of the agency by sharing new and historic images and videos.

The first NASA posts will highlight the scheduled launch of the agency's Lunar Atmosphere and Dust Environment Explorer (LADEE) at 11:27 p.m. EDT Friday, from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility on Wallops Island, Va.

LADEE is a robotic research mission that will orbit the moon to gather detailed information about the structure and composition of the thin lunar atmosphere and determine whether dust is being lofted into the lunar sky. Using Instagram, NASA will post historic moon images and real-time photos from the launch complex before and during Friday's scheduled liftoff.

To follow NASA's new Instagram account, visit: http://instagram.com/nasa

Instagram complements NASA's strong social media presence on Twitter, Facebook, Google+, YouTube, Flickr, Foursquare, Reddit, and other sites. All are aimed at engaging and inspiring the public with NASA's unique content.

The agency's primary Twitter account, @NASA, has almost 5 million followers -- more than any other federal agency. NASA's innovative use of social media is recognized as one of the best in federal government.

Along with the new official NASA account, the agency's Goddard Spaceflight Center and Ames Research Center also have profiles on Instagram. To follow, visit: http://instagram.com/nasagoddard and http://instagram.com/nasaames.

# One in Five Married Households Has Foreign-Born Spouse

By: Jake Grovum • Stateline

One in five married households has at least one spouse who was born outside the United States, the Census Bureau reported Thursday. Three states and the District of Columbia have 12 percent or more households where one spouse is American-born and the other is not. Immigration trends have contributed to the growing number of foreign-born Americans, and the Census Bureau found 21 percent of married households in the U.S. in 2011 had at least one foreign-born spouse. (See Stateline map) In California, Nevada, Hawaii, and the District of Columbia, at least 12 percent of the married households included one American-born spouse and another foreign-born person, which the Census Bureau calls "mixed-nativity." The national average is 7.4 percent.

Hawaii had the highest percentage of such households, at 16 percent. Mississippi, South Dakota, and West Virginia had the lowest percentages, each at 2 percent. Generally, the mid-Atlantic and western states had higher percentages and Midwestern and southern states had lower percentages, except for the immigration hubs of Florida, Texas, and Illinois. Most of the foreign-born spouses – 40 percent – were born in Latin America and the Caribbean. About one in four were born in Europe or Asia.

The general trend for households broadly follows immigration and integration trends, the Census Bureau said. Most foreign-born spouses in "mixed-nativity" households were citizens, and the Census Bureau said as more immigrants assimilate in the U.S., the percentage of such households is likely to grow. "As the immigrant population has grown, so has the chance that a native-born person will meet and marry a foreign-born spouse," Elizabeth Grieco, chief of the Census Bureau's Foreign-Born Population Branch, said in a statement.

Overall, the population of foreign-born Americans has increased from 14.1 million in 1980 to 40 million in 2010. Of the foreign-born spouses, 61 percent are naturalized citizens and 39 percent are non-citizens, the Census Bureau said. The report did not include same-sex married couples.

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