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FAITH

Make a joyful noise

Ugandan Kids Choir visits Cullman



SHANE BARNETTE

Cullman County Schools Superintendent and Cornerstone Church of the Nazarene Executive Board Chairman Shane Barnette hung out with the choir, and even housed several members in his home during their stay in Cullman.

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CULLMAN – On its 2017 American tour, the Ugandan Kids Choir made a stop in Cullman Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, performing Wednesday evening at Cornerstone Church of the Nazarene.

Pastor Rev. Joe McNulty, who has been at Cornerstone less than a year, first encountered the choir at his previous church in New Jersey during its 2016 tour, and decided to bring the students to Cullman after he moved here.

"What I'm trying to do," said McNulty, "is to bring in different things at least once a quarter- something that we can just open up to the community, and let the community know that the church is here and just wants to be a blessing to them."

Alexis Sullivan, a representative of the organization Childcare Worldwide and the choir's tour leader, explained what brings these students from Uganda to the U.S., "The children are serving as ambassadors for our organization. They're spreading awareness, hope and joy about child sponsorship, because they are now sponsored. All 10 of our kids in the choir range between the ages of 10 and 12, and all of them have become sponsored through our child sponsorship program. And they have seen a significant difference in their lives since becoming sponsored, so they're trying to raise the same chance for education for other children in other countries that we work in.

"They go around to different churches, schools and museums performing, singing and dancing, and spreading awareness about child sponsorship and the importance of education in developing countries."

Childcare Worldwide sponsors more than 7,000 children in seven countries, and has a list of thousands more who are awaiting sponsorship.

And kids who are telling others about the importance of education wouldn't be setting a good example if they neglected their own, even for an international tour. The 10 members have their own traveling school and tutors who hold class on the choir's off days. In fact, when The Tribune dropped in on them at Cornerstone Thursday morning, they were all hard at work on lessons.

But they are kids, and it didn't take too much prodding to get them to pause for a few minutes to sing a little.

See the video of their impromptu performance at www.facebook.com/william.mann.5099/videos/1147495342061681/.

The kids also made a stop at West Point Middle School on Wednesday, where they attended West Point the school's basketball game against Cullman Middle School. A post on the choir's official Facebook page (www.facebook.com/UgandanKidsChoir) said, "The girls were invited to cheer with the cheerleaders in the bleachers and I think we have some future cheerleaders on our hands! Thank you Cullman County Board Of Education for inviting us!! We had a blast! Go » PAGE 8

PREP FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Addison cruises past Hubbertville, 45-13, to advance to round 2



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MATT NORRIS/DAILY MOUNTAIN EAGLE

Addison's Luke Chambers (8) had a 24-yard touchdown reception in the second quarter.

Developer, Marine veteran Roy Drinkard receives key to the city



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Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry, Roy Drinkard and Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs at Friday evening's event where Drinkard received a key to the city and a special certificate from Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey.

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CULLMAN – In a brief ceremony on a cool and breezy Friday evening on First Avenue, Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs presented developer Roy Drinkard the key to the city of Cullman as part of the city's Veterans Day weekend activities. In addition to his numerous business ventures, Drinkard, at 97 years of age, is the oldest living United States Marine.

The ceremony was led by Dennis Berse, and featured Jacobs, Sheriff Matt Gentry, Sgt. Christopher Cross from the Cullman Armed Forces Recruiting Center, and local Sons of the American Revolution chapter President Hal Thornton.

Berse presented Drinkard a certificate sent by Gov. Kay Ivey, which referred to Drinkard as a "respected Alabamian who has served his community and the state of Alabama with dignity, honor, and grace." She thanked him for his service to the state and to his nation.

Jacobs presented Drinkard the key to the city, along with a certificate, noting his » PAGE 7

OP ED

In Alabama, we have our veterans' backs

Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

Dedication. Honor. Commitment. Sacrifice.

Those are the traits that come to mind when I think about our nation's veterans. I saw these qualities lived out every day by my dad. Boadman Nettles Ivey, my father, served in WWII as part of a field artillery division. From him I learned to love my country, to offer myself to serve my fellow citizen and to stand up for what is right, even when doing so might be difficult.

Though I have a profound and deep respect for my dad, he isn't the only person to possess these qualities; they are shared by most everyone who has ever served in the United States Armed Forces.

From the moment a man or woman puts on the uniform and pledges to "support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies foreign and domestic," he or she enters into an elite class of citizen-soldiers. Veterans, distinguished by their character, duty and service, make great contributions to our society not only on the battlefield, but in our communities.

Though one may leave the active service, a veteran never truly stops serving.

Once their military careers end, many veterans choose Alabama as their home.

In fact, one in 10 Alabamians are veterans. Our state has benefited greatly from those who have been stationed at Fort Benning, Fort Rucker, Maxwell Air Force Base, and Redstone Arsenal, among others.

Alabama is enriched because these highly-skilled veterans have chosen to continue their public service by pursuing career opportunities, in many cases, in local and state government. I am proud to have men and women who have worn the military uniform as part of my staff and cabinet, including Jeff Dunn and Brian Hastings, among others. Before becoming Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Corrections, Colonel Jeff Dunn had a distinguished career in the Air Force. Likewise, Colonel Brian Hastings, who serves as Director of the Alabama Emergency Management Agency, held significant Air Force commands.

Throughout my career in public service, I have placed importance on supporting the work of the military in Alabama.

From helping lead the Alabama Military Stability Commission, to having recently signed into law new legislation allowing veterans to more easily further their educations, supporting those who protect our nation has been at the forefront of my agenda.

This month, I announced that veterans will no longer be required to pay entrance fees at any of our state parks. As long as I am governor, it will be the policy of our state to honor those who have protected our freedoms.

Alabama has always been and continues to be a veteran-friendly state, but at the same time, veterans have been very good to Alabama. The leadership military men and women provide, and their tireless commitment to public service, » PAGE 7

Vinemont man charged with selling meth

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GOOD HOPE – A Vinemont man was arrested on Monday, Nov. 6 in Good Hope and charged with two counts of unlawful distribution of a controlled substance.

Zackery Allen Sparks, 26, was arrested by the Cullman Police Department (CPD).

According to the CPD, at the time of the arrest, officers Trey Higginbotham and Cole Kelley recovered methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia. Sparks was also charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

The CPD said the two distribution warrants stemmed from an undercover operation during which Sparks allegedly sold methamphetamine to Sgt. Chris Thomason and officers Higginbotham, Dustin Colburn and Kelley.

Sparks was transported to the Cullman County Detention Center and has since made bond.



CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Zackery Allen Sparks

Cold Springs celebrates area veterans

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

BREMEN – Cold Springs High School held its annual Veterans Day program Thursday morning and the program was full of contributions from the student body. The Royal Blue Band was there to provide music for the event including tributes to all the branches of the armed forces, the national anthem and "Taps." Several students also helped lead the program, including Emi Harbison, who performed "God Bless the USA."

U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Tyson Smith was a guest speaker, emphasizing the sacrifices veterans have made and continue to make for their country.

"I always like to bring up Memorial Day on this special day as well to further remind us of the sacrifices that have been made for us," said Smith. "Both holidays represent men and women who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for their country and the freedoms that we enjoy today. Veterans Day is extremely important to us because us veterans get to celebrate with our brothers and sisters as one, whether they be humanitarian or in combat."

Smith talked about the freedoms citizens of the United States enjoy today thanks to the sacrifices of the armed forces.

One of the local veterans being honored at this year's event was Vietnam Army veteran David Speegle. This was Speegle's third year to participate in the program and he said he's always been happy with the quality of the event.

"I've come to this three or four times and it's always been great," said Speegle. "I think it's important so that the young people coming up can realize the price that was paid for our freedom, and just knowing that someone stood there for them."



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Speegle had a message for all people observing Veterans Day: take it to heart and think about it when enjoying the freedoms that they might take for granted.

"Freedom is not free. Someone has to pay the price, and with the rebellion going on today in our government, in a world that wars against government, we are what we are today because of the people that stood up to make us what we are," he said.

"So that's why we need people today to stand up and make us what we should be instead of some of the things that are happening in the world like they are today."

Good Hope students lead school's Veterans Day program

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

GOOD HOPE – Good Hope High School held its annual Veterans Day ceremony Thursday afternoon and the outside of the gym was covered in patriotic poems written by some of Good Hope's students. In the gym lobby, there were even more poems and messages to veterans from the students that set the mood for the celebration.

The program was lead entirely by the students and featured ceremonial presentations like the Pledge of Allegiance and the presentation of the colors and some educational ones like an explanation of the history of Veterans Day and the history of the armed forces anthems.

Good Hope Principal John Hood said he is proud to honor local veterans with the program and thinks it's important for the students to be responsible for running it.

"Anything we can do to recognize our veterans is important because they've done so much for us and we can never do anything to repay them and honor them enough," Hood said.

"It's also very important to have the students involved in it because the leadership that they gain from this is something that they can carry on with them forever.

"So, getting them involved in this and letting them be a part of this so that they can gain respect for the veterans is something they can have forever.

"This is the first year that students have been the primary leaders of the program, so I've been excited about that part of it, and we're trying to work toward everything being student-led.

"Anything we can do to have the students be the main people to lead our assemblies, we do that."

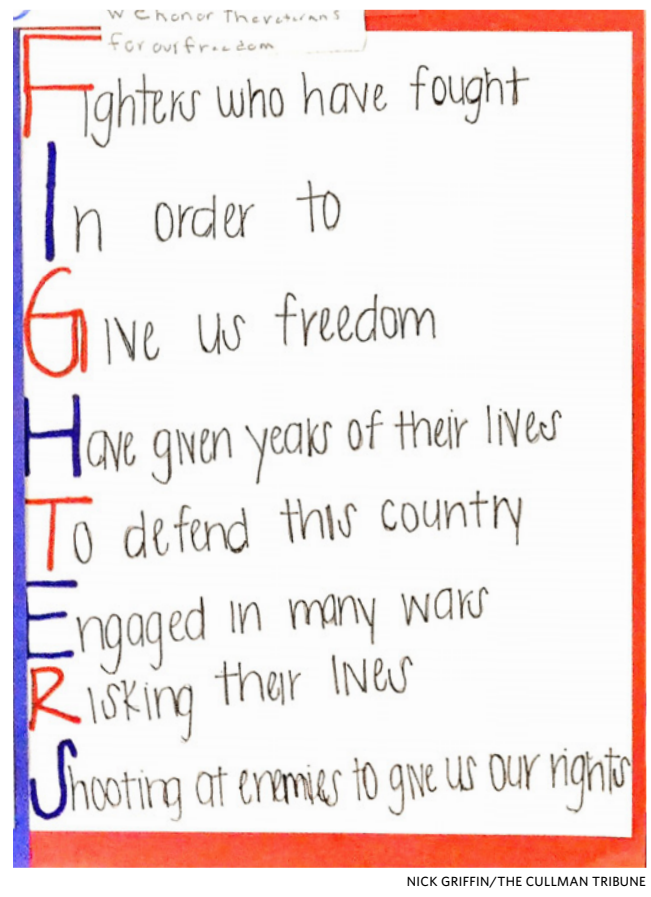
The Good Hope Raider Band was also a big part of the day's events, providing several pieces of music for the ceremony. They got things started by performing the national anthem, then performed "America the Beautiful" and the armed forces anthem medley, "Armed Forces on Parade." "Taps" was performed by band member Makala Cone.

The keynote speaker for this year's program was U.S. Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Tyson Smith, who talked about the sacrifices that have been made to make the United States what it is.

"I always like to bring up Memorial Day on this special day as well to further remind us of the sacrifices that have been made for us. Both holidays represent men and women who were willing to make the ultimate sacrifice for their country and the freedoms that we enjoy today.

"Veterans Day is extremely important to us because us veterans get to celebrate with our brothers and sisters as one, whether they be humanitarian or in combat."

Smith went on to talk about the freedoms that we enjoy in the United States today thanks to the sacrifices of our armed forces.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

"As a combat veteran, after multiple tours in Iraq and Afghanistan, I can tell you that there is truly no place like the United States of America.

"When I speak to you about some of the freedoms that we have and some of the things I've seen overseas, I'm thankful that I can come here and speak my mind freely, practice my religion and express my emotions, thoughts and ideas peacefully without serious consequences," shared Smith. "All of that is thanks to the veterans that you see here today, who fought in conflicts like Vietnam, Panama, Grenada, Iraq and Afghanistan. So, as we celebrate today, let us remember that freedom isn't free, and it does demand a price. It's individuals like our local veterans who have paid that price and it's up to us to carry on that torch and represent the United States both here and abroad."

Blessed are the peacemakers - Matt 5:9



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Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on April 19, 2005 by Tabitha A. Bonner, a single woman, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book 1424, Page 163 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on December 5, 2017:

Thirty-three (33) acres, more or less, in the Southwest Quarter (SW ¼) of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of Section Sixteen (16), Township Twelve (12), Range Four (4) West Viz Beginning at a sweet gum near a branch at a corner of lot sold to J.W. Johnson 270 feet E of the SW corner of said lot; thence due E to the Cullman and Bremen Highway; thence along W boundary of said highway to an intersection with a line parallel to and ten feet south of a store building; thence on said parallel line 152 feet to an intersection with a line parallel with and ten feet W of the small dwelling house; thence with last named parallel line 83 feet to the Brushy Pond Highway; thence along the S side of said highway to the N line of said forty acre lot; thence due W to the NW corner of said lot; thence S 880 feet to the NW corner of said J.W. Johnson lot; thence with the boundaries of the said J.W. Johnson lot to the place of beginning.

LESS AND EXCEPT: Begin at the NW corner of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 12, Range 4 West and go E 640 feet to the center of the old abandoned Brushy Pond Road, then go in a Southerly direction along the center of said road 923 feet to the point of beginning, then go back along center of said road in a Northerly direction 260 feet, then go in a Westerly direction and perpendicular to said road 170 feet, then in a Southeasterly direction to the point of beginning, this land being one-half acre, more or less.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT: Begin at the NW corner of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 12, Range 4 West and go E 640 feet to the center of the old abandoned Brushy Pond Road, then go in a Southerly direction along center of said road 663 feet and then go in a Westerly direction and perpendicular to said road 170 feet to a point of beginning, continue along said perpendicular 84 feet to NW corner, then Southeasterly along a meandering Branch 167 feet to SW corner; thence in Easterly direction 294 feet to Southeast corner; thence 20 feet along abandon Brushy Pond Road; thence back to point of beginning. .

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT: From the SE corner of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 West; thence W along the S boundary of said forty to the intersection with the W R.O.W. of old Hwy. # 69; thence S21°00'W along said R.O.W. a distance of 31.2 feet to the point of beginning; thence an interior angle of 90°00' a distance of 340.6 feet to a point; thence an interior angle of 90°00' a distance of 192 feet to a point; thence an interior angle of 90°00' a distance of 340.6 feet to a point on the West R.O.W. of old Hwy. #69; thence an interior angle of 90 degrees 00' a distance of 192 feet to the point of beginning, lying and being in the NW ¼ of SW ¼, and the SW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 West and containing 1.5 acres, more or less.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT: From the SE corner of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 West, go W along the S boundary of said forty to a point on the W right-of-way of Old Hwy. #69; thence continue along same said line a distance of 77 feet to the point of beginning; thence N66°45'W a distance of 267.5 feet to a point; thence S88°00'W a distance of 114.6 feet to a point; thence S7°00'E a distance of 73.8 feet to a point on the S boundary of said forty; thence E along said boundary a distance of 354 feet to the point of beginning, lying and being in the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 West and containing three tenths of an acre, more or less. Situated, lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama.

ALSO LESS AND EXCEPT: Beginning at the NW corner of the SW ¼ of the NW ¼, Sec. 16, T12S, R4W and go E 640 feet more or less to the center of the old abandoned Brushy Pond Road; then go in a Southerly direction along center of said road 663 feet more or less to a point; then go in a Westerly direction 254 feet more or less to the center of a meandering branch; then go in a Northwesterly direction 1200 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

All of the above described property situated, lying and being in Cullman County, Alabama.

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Notice is hereby give to all owners, secured parties and lienholders of the following described motor vehicles, which I have a right to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, in accordance with the State of Alabama abandoned vehicle law, Statues, Chapter 13, Section 1-8, Title 32 and Alabama Law Act Number 83-494-S-80.

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3FAHP07Z77R167006	2007	Ford	Fusion
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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Some changes call for adjustments



Bill King
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It was four o'clock last Sunday morning and I was wide-eyed awake. That's one to two hours before my normal "come back to life" time. I tried my best to go back to sleep, but all I did was spend the next thirty minutes wallowing in the bed like a big hog rolling around in the mud. Sleep would not return, no matter how much I called for it, so I finally got up and wrote this column. It's still dark outside, and quiet, and I'm tired.

The problem was that the time changed during the night. I have never understood why the time changes at two in the morning, or why on a Sunday morning. Why not change it on Saturday morning so those of us who attend church on Sundays wouldn't show up at the wrong time and wonder where everybody is, or fear that the rapture has occurred and we've been left behind. Why not change the time on Friday afternoon at four o'clock? People who work from nine to five could go home an hour early. Forget about that so called, "Extra hour of sleep" because that has never worked out for me anyway! I think the same people who say that, are the ones who claim there's a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Personally, I've never found either one.

Much to my chagrin, we have once again abandoned Daylight Saving Time and fell back to Standard Time. Personally, I wish we would save daylight all year long. I like daylight, especially in the afternoons. I don't especially care for having lunch about the same time as the sun goes down!

Some clocks reset automatically when the time changes. My cell phone clock, my computer clock, and my television, all seem to magically have the correct time the next morning. One of these nights I'm going to stay awake until two o'clock to watch them all make the change. My microwave clock, coffee maker clock, that big ole battery operated clock that hangs on the wall in our great room, and my body's internal clock, evidently don't get the message. They all still have the old time when morning rolls around and that's where my problem comes in. I don't ever get that extra hour of sleep because my body's alarm clock won't play along. It simply will not reset automatically. I don't own a rooster, but I understand that they still crow according to the old time. It doesn't matter if I stay up an hour, or even two hours, later than normal, like the roosters, I still wake up according to the old time.

We manually adjust all our clocks the next morning, but I've learned to make sure that Jean has not already reset them or things can really get confusing. My internal clock is not quite as easy to adjust. It will eventually come around to the right time, but it takes about a week.

There are several times in our lives when changes occur and we have to make adjustments. My mother suddenly became a widow when she was only forty-eight years old. She spent the next thirty-two years of her life trying to adjust.

I spent almost twenty years of my life living in the same house, in Rainsville, Alabama. Since then I have lived in seven different cities, in four states and I've lost count of how many houses. Each move called for an adjustment.

Change is inevitable. When life gives us changes, many times, but not always, the best thing we can do is adjust.

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Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1933

These Holly Pond students left for college: Misses Reathel Whatley, Jewell Tanner and Reathel Sticher are attending Jacksonville State Teacher College. Miss Mary Ellen Sandlin is attending the University of Alabama. Buford Wisener is at Jacksonville State and Gurnie Foote and Samuel Gibbs are in college in Bowden, Georgia. Raymond Hammock and John Isom are at Howard College. Etheridge Sanford is in Berea, Kentucky. These are fine young people in our churches and other social activities.

Mrs. Howell's Boarding House has meals for 25 cents and lodging is 50 cents a night. Room and board is $5.50 per week.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Daniels will arrive Sunday for a visit of several days with her mother, Mrs. A.A. Rollo.

The students are Florence State College this year are Alpheus Brannon and Mary Colfax Christian from Fairview.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Veigl, of Route Five have a new baby son born on September 9.

The party given by John Dumler on Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Misses Daisey, Lilly and Sadis Box were the Sunday evening guests of the A.V. Keller family.

The Etha Community has a singing each week which everyone is invited to attend.

Charlie Chandler, of West Point is improving.

Those married recently include: Earl Chandler, 20, to Miss Murine Bullard, 16; Elmer Fulmer, 23, to Miss Lottie Mae Hamby, 16; Clyde McClentock, 21, to Miss Edith Edwards, 18 and Edgar Chandler, 24, to Gertrude Hancock, 20.

Miss Mozelle House, of Holly Pond died on Monday from severe malaria fever at Cullman Hospital. Her father, Reverend W.O. House, age 59, also died on Sunday. He was also suffering from malaria fever.

Yost's 5, 10 and 25 cents store has just opened in Cullman.

Write injuries in sand, kindnesses in marble.

From The Files Of 1952

The crowded conditions at Cullman High School are being partially relieved by the abandonment of the Community Cannery.

Ring, a five-year-old mixed breed coon dog owned by Marvin Ashwander, of Hanceville, took top honors at the coon dog field trials at the State Fair.

Doctor and Mrs. E.B. Barnes have a daughter whom they have named Kathy. Their son, Dickie, is six.

Carolyn Peinhardt exhibited the Grand Champion Guernsey at the State Fair this week.

One hundred fifty members of the J.W. Daniel family held a reunion at Sportsman Lake recently.

Cullman native, James S. Richard, M.D. has opened an office in the Peoples Drug Building.

Billy W. Nichols, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Nichols, of Hanceville, was electrocuted by an electric fence on Sunday. He was buried at Leodocia.

The undefeated Cullman Bearcats will face the undefeated Coffee Yellow Jackets this Friday night.

John A. Hunt, 36, of Hogansville, Georgia was killed in an automobile accident on September 26. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Lela Mae Hunt; two sons, Jerry and Don Hunt; his parents, Reverend and Mrs. W.O. Hunt, of Holly Pond; four brothers, Henry, Owen, Grover and Guy Hunt and one sister, Mrs. Lessie Glasscock. He was buried at New Hope Cemetery.

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Poet's Corner

Sparrow Fall

By: Franklin Battles
Altoona Alabama

Traffic creeping Creeping, slowly creeping Creeping agitated

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Meek falls in round 1 to Pickens County, 35-7

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REFORM – The Meek Tigers were looking for a huge road win in the first round of the 2017 AHSAA 1A playoffs at Pickens County, and looking for their first win in three games against the Tornadoes, but the Tigers fell, 35-7.

Each defense stood tall for most of the first quarter. Off a Meek punt, Pickens County took over at the 23-yard line and went on a seven-play, 77-yard drive that ended with a 13-yard hard-nosed run by Ja'Corian Cosby to put the Tornadoes on the scoreboard with 47.7 seconds remaining in the opening quarter. A blocked punt by the Tigers' Haydon Twilley put the Tigers in business after Payton Key returned it to the 12-yard line, but they couldn't get anything going, and they turned the ball over on downs. Pickens County started at the 9-yard line, and embarked on an amazing 13-play, 91-yard drive that ended with AlJaron Edwards finding Elliott Petty for a 13-yard score to increase the lead to 14-0 with 3:50 remaining in the first half. Each defense forced a turnover on the next series to keep it a two-score game heading into the locker rooms.

The Tigers forced a Pickens County turnover to start the second half as Aaron Billups had the ball stripped away, and Mason Irving recovered it and returned it to the 41-yard line. But again, they were forced to punt; the Meek defense answered by forcing another Tornado punt. Jermaine Hill picked off a Key pass on Meek's next series. And the Tornadoes capitalized, scoring on a 14-yard quarterback keeper by Edwards to make the score 20-0 with 3:01 remaining in the third quarter. Back-to-back punts by both teams saw Pickens County get the ball back at the 38-yard line, and Twilley picked off an Edwards pass and took it 35 yards for the score to make it a 20-7 game with 9:59 remaining in the contest.

But Jacaurian Washington gave the Meek defense fits on the next series, getting 35 yards on the first play. After the play, a face mask penalty on Meek put the Tornadoes at the 10-yard line, and Washington scored from there to increase the lead to 28-7. Pickens County added a late touchdown on a 63-yard pass from Edwards to Ta'Darien McIntosh to make the final score 34-7.

John Mark Abercrombie was held in check, getting 52 yards on 17 carries. He, along with Twilley, and the rest of the defense, had a great showing. The Tigers finish the season 7-4 under first-year head coach David Norwood, and look to continue that success going into next season.



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Bearcats end season with 14-0 loss to Ramsay

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

BIRMINGHAM – The Cullman Bearcats went on the road in round one of the AHSAA state playoffs to face the defending 6A state champion Ramsay Rams and came up short in a physical, defensive matchup, 14-0. The Bearcats' defense held the Rams' offense to just 268 yards of offense and seven points, but a 60-yard punt returned for a touchdown by Ramsay senior returner Starling Thomas made it difficult for the 'Cats to close the gap.

Special teams plays made a big difference early in the game. The Bearcats muffed their first returnable punt early in the first quarter and the return touchdown came late in the same quarter to give the Rams an early 6-0 lead.

The Rams' offense played with good field position most of the night thanks to a stingy defensive performance that held Cullman to just 29 total yards in the first half.

The Rams carried a 14-0 lead into the locker room at halftime thanks to the return and a 15-yard touchdown run from senior running back Kobe Belcher.

Belcher was the workhorse for the Ramsay offense, carrying the ball 43 times for 203 yards.

Belcher was a big part of a 23-play drive that took nearly 10 minutes off the game clock to end the first half.

The drive ended with a fourth-down stop inside the 5-yard line from the 'Cats defense, but Ramsay's ability to control the clock was a big factor in the game.

Cullman's offense moved the ball more effectively late in the fourth quarter after the 'Cats defense forced a fumble from Belcher inside their own 5 to keep Ramsay out of the end zone. The 'Cats took over with just less than two minutes remaining in the game.

Senior quarterback Fletcher Jennings connected with freshman wide out Isaiah Jones for 40 yards over the middle on third down to keep the drive alive, and after a few more completions to sophomore running back Jayden Sullins, Cullman was in the red zone with less than a minute to play. The Rams' defense held Cullman out of the end zone on four straight plays and intercepted Jennings as time expired.

Jennings completed 14 of his 20 passes for 74 yards and ran for an additional 24 yards.

An emotional season for the 'Cats wraps up at 7-4 as they head into the offseason looking to bounce back with another competitive team in 2018.

West Point loses heartbreaker to Brooks, 41-30, in round 1

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

KILLEN – The 2017 football season has ended for the West Point Warriors after falling to Brooks in an offensive shootout 41-30 in the first round of the 2017 AHSAA 5A playoffs. Both teams combined for nearly 800 yards of offense on the night; the game came down to just a handful of key, momentum-shifting plays.

The Warriors forced a three-and-out on Brooks' first possession and took advantage of good field position with a 29-yard field goal from junior Steven Rodriguez to take an early lead.

Brooks quickly answered with a 41-yard touchdown pass, but the Warriors took back the lead on their next possession with a 58-yard touchdown pass from junior quarterback Rylan Jones to senior wide receiver Raylon Moore.

Moore led the game in receiving with two catches for 94 yards.

Brooks closed the first half strong with three touchdowns in the last four minutes of the second quarter, including a fumble from Jones that Brooks returned 66 yards for a score and a 3-yard touchdown run with just 30 seconds in the half to carry a 34-16 lead into the locker room.

Despite the big plays for Brooks in the second quarter, both teams were nearly identical in terms of yardage at halftime with West Point putting up 242 yards and Brooks posting 244.

The third quarter was quiet with neither team able to score and draining nearly all the time from the quarter on just one possession each. On its first possession of the fourth quarter, West Point cut into the lead thanks to a 36-yard flea flicker from Jones to Moore that set up a 3-yard touchdown run from Jones just a couple of plays later.

Brooks responded with a long drive that killed more than six minutes of game time that ended with a 10-yard touchdown to go up 41-23 with a little more than four minutes remaining.

Thanks to some big runs from junior running back Hunter Persall, the Warriors quickly got down the field and scored on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Jones to Persall to cut the lead back to 11 with three minutes to play.

Persall finished the night with a game-high 195 yards on 27 carries as well as three catches for 25 yards and a touchdown.

The Warriors' defense came up with a big stop on fourth down on the next possession but the offense couldn't gain a first down and the ball went back over to Brooks with a little more than a minute left in the game.

After taking a couple of knees, Brooks ended the game with a 41-30 victory over the Warriors.

Despite an impressive night on offense, the Warriors were not able to overcome turnovers and couldn't get enough stops to keep up with the Brooks offense.

The Warriors close out this season 6-5 and will start looking ahead to next season with a lot of impact players returning for 2018.

Addison cruises past Hubbertville, 45-13, to advance to round 2

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ADDISON – It was a cold start on a chilly Thursday night for Addison, but it didn't take the Bulldogs long to warm up; they steamrolled over Hubbertville 45-13 on their way to the second round of the 2017 AHSAA 1A state playoffs.

Hubbertville started the game with the ball and marched it right down the field, running over the Addison defense with a trio of bruising backs. John Upton, Daniel Holliday and Gage Key combined for 51 yards and looked as if they were going to score, but the Bulldog defense stood strong when it had to, causing a fumble at its own 6, with a pile of blue and gold falling on the ball at the Addison 17.

The Bulldogs capitalized on the turnover quickly, when, on second-and-11, quarterback Zayne Guthrie called his own number and followed his lead blocker into the flat where he did the rest, racing 84 yards to pay dirt. The 2-point conversion failed, but the Bulldogs took a 6-0 lead with 5:12 left to play in the first.

When the Lions took over, they picked up where they left off, running up and down the field.

After the Lions picked up a first down, the Bulldogs looked as if they had Hubbertville stopped, but a pass from Ethan Echols to Brady Tucker on a fake punt went for 26 yards and a first down.

However, the trick play seemed to wake up the Bulldogs, who quickly shut down the Lions and forced a punt.

Addison and Hubbertville played the field position game for the rest of the first quarter and into the second until Addison took over on its own 35 following the third Lions punt of the night.

On first-and-10 Logan Wilkins turned and stuck the ball in the gut of Tyler Borden, who sprinted 65 yards for the touchdown. After the failed 2-point conversion, Addison enjoyed a 12-0 lead.

The Bulldogs forced a three-and-out on the next Hubbertville possession, setting themselves up at fisrt-and-10 at their own 42. It took them just six plays to cross the goal line for the third time in the game when Guthrie hit Luke Chambers for a 24-yard touchdown in the front corner of the near side end zone. The 2-point conversion failed again, but the Bulldogs took a comfortable 18-0 lead.

Addison went three-and-out to open the second half but were very fortunate when the Lions muffed the punt; the Bulldogs recovered at the Hubbertville 27. Addison converted a fourth-and-10 to keep the drive alive. On the very next play, Guthrie found Wilkins for a 16-yard touchdown. The 2-point conversion failed, and it was 24-0.

Hubbertville finally dented the scoreboard in the third when the Lions converted a 15-play drive that consumed more than seven minutes in the quarter into points on a Holliday 2-yard touchdown run. The 2-point conversion came up short, making the score 24-6.

Addison answered quickly with a 53-yard touchdown carry by Borden. The Bulldogs converted the 2-pointer, widening the lead to 32-6.

Borden added his third score on the night on the very next Bulldog possession when he went 29 yards up the middle for the TD. The 2-point conversion failed, making the score 38-6 with 10:51 left to play.

Hubbertville got a late score on a 1-yard plunge by Holliday. The Lions converted the PAT, but Addison answered with a 43-yard touchdown run by Braxton Preuitt down the far sideline. Addison added the PAT to cruise to a 45-13 victory.

The Bulldogs will face the Hackleburg Panthers in the second round of the 2017 AHSAA playoffs.

Broncos' season ends with 35-0 loss to West Morgan in round 1

Ryan Guthery
Tribune Correspondent

TRINITY – The Holly Pond Broncos traveled to take on the West Morgan Rebels Thursday night in the first round of the 2017 AHSAA 3A state playoffs. The Broncos played tough all night, but the Rebels looked impressive, dominating the game and getting a 35-0 shutout.

The Broncos got the ball to start the game, but after picking up several first downs, ended up having to punt the ball away.

The Rebels got ahold of the football, and it wasn't long before Gabe Peluso found Maurice Gray for a 62-yard touchdown to put the Rebels up 7-0, after the PAT, with 7:11 left in the opening quarter.

The Rebels quickly got the ball back when Isaac Huguley intercepted a Bronco pass. West Morgan marched down the field, chewing up most of the rest of the quarter, but with 37 seconds left, Peluso took in in from 1 yard out to extend the Rebels' lead to 14-0 after the extra point.

Early in the second quarter Peluso went 56 yards, scoring again, putting the Rebels up, after the PAT, 21-0.

Later in the second, the Rebels had a chance to tack on a field goal, but Holly Pond blocked the attempt to keep the score at 21-0 at halftime.

Fresh out of the locker room, the Broncos forced a fumble to get the ball back, but another interception, this time by Samuel Thorne, gave it back to the Rebels. On the ensuing play Peluso scored from 31 yards out to put the Rebels up 28-0 after the extra point, with 8:33 remaining in the third.

The Rebels added another touchdown, with 3:02 remaining in the quarter, when Thorne scored on a 1-yard plunge.

The last quarter was a battle of defenses, and neither offense got anything going. It was a grind to the end, with the Rebels conserving the shutout, 35-7.

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Holly Pond honors veterans with reception, service of celebration

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HOLLY POND – On Thursday morning, Holly Pond's elementary, middle and high schools came together to honor local veterans ahead of Saturday's observance of Veterans Day. After a well-attended breakfast reception where they shared stories with each other and with mingling students, veterans filed into a packed gym where various student groups made presentations to celebrate those who served and remember those who fell. The day's events continue a long school tradition of veterans' recognitions at Holly Pond.

High school Principal Kim Butler said, "It's been huge here for a long time. I don't remember when it started; it's been going on 20 years or more. It's just an opportunity to honor our veterans. They're a huge part of this community, and why we're here. So we just love the opportunity to honor them each year."

The military celebration was a collaboration between the Key Club and Ms. Melba Palys, the Holly Pond Middle School Student Government Association, the Bronco Band, musical ensembles, drama team and JROTC. Contributing faculty and staff included high school science teacher Chelsie Alldredge, band director Evan Curtis, middle school English teacher Beth Metcalfe and elementary school music teacher Melissa Roberts.

Groups performed patriotic songs, including a multi-voice rendition of "The Star-Spangled Banner," and the band played instrumental arrangements of the official anthems of the five military branches as their veterans stood to be recognized. A student team put on a shadow play behind cloth screens, dramatizing both the service and struggles of veterans. Students read the WWI poem "In Flanders Fields," and the school honored fallen soldiers as Bronco Band trumpeter Madison Fields played "Taps."

Essay contest winner Maureen Worthington read her essay on why she is proud to be an American, which concluded with statements that seemed to sum up the spirit of the moment:

"The last but certainly not the least reason I am proud to be an American is because of every soldier who has fought for this country. It is because of every man who has given his life to save others. They fought for our freedom, our rights, and our protection. And that's why we are here today, to thank them. We should all be proud. We all should be grateful and thankful.

"We are all proud to be Americans. We all live here proudly and freely. We are the land of the free because of the brave. I am proud to be an American for having freedoms that other countries can only dream about. I was born an American. I will live an American life. I shall die an American. I am forever thankful to live in the United States."



CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

A drama team puts on a shadow play honoring the veterans.

Obituary Announcements: Nov. 11-12

Dennis T. Mann, 67, of Hanceville passed away on Thursday, November 9, 2017 at Grandview Medical Center. No services are planned at this time. He was born April 16, 1950 in Tennessee to Will Hardin Mann and Virginia Maynard Mann. He is survived by his wife, Layne Mann; sons, Chris (Meg) Mann and Jason (Savann) Mann; stepdaughter, Shacey (Jason) Marcum and grandchildren, Tristan Mann, Troy Mann, Magnus Mann, Dustin Mann, Kelsey Mann, Sayer Marcum and Stratton Marcum.

Ethel Jane Pigg, 73 of Cullman, entered into rest on Friday, November 10, 2017 at The Folsom Center in Cullman. Ethel was born on April 12, 1944 to Hoyt and Bonnie Wood Green. A private service will be held at a later date. Ethel is survived by her son, Jeff Pigg; daughter, Tina Humphries; brother, Michael Green; sister, Judy Turney. She was "Nanny" to 6 grandchildren, Amber Reynolds and her husband Kevin; Brittany Ponder, Ashley Humphries and her husband Chris Ratliff, and David Pigg; 2 great grandchildren, Evie and Griffin Reynolds. She was preceded in death by her parents, Hoyt and Bonnie Green; and sister, Betty Reeves.

Jean Bryan Waldrep passed away peacefully in her home, surrounded by her family and loved ones, on November 8, 2017. She was 96. A mother and grandmother, a former teacher's aide and Sunday school teacher, Jean loved children, especially her own, but any and all little ones. Her job teaching children was a true and fulfilling calling. Jean loved life, she loved to have fun, and she loved to travel. Spontaneous road trips - Opryland, anyone? - weren't unusual. "Gallivanting" was part of her regular vocabulary. Her friends and family will always remember her laugh, her wonderful sense of humor and her corny mom jokes. She was a hard worker, though, a city girl who quickly learned to milk cows, pick cotton and hoe fields with the best of them. She was a strong woman with a soft heart. Most of all, she will be remembered as a cornerstone of the community and the bedrock of her family. She was there for whoever needed her, with an open mind and without judgment. She truly was a contributing member to the greatest generation. She is preceded in death by her husband, Hurshel, and daughter Elayne Ivey. She is survived by her children Paula (Dan) of Fairview, Don (Diane) of Tuscaloosa, Theresa (Marcus) of Atlanta, Perry (Regina) of Greenville, South Carolina; eight grandchildren; nine great grandchildren and six great-great grandchildren. The funeral will be held at Welcome Baptist Church in Baileyton on Saturday, November 11, at 11 a.m., and another visitation will be held an hour before the funeral at the church.

Funeral service for Hattie Belle Cole, age 76 of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at Sardis #2 in Winston County; burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery, with Bro. Joey Smithson officiating. She will Lie-in-State at the church form 1 p.m. until service time on Sunday. Cullman Funeral Home is directing. Mrs. Cole was born on August 17, 1941 to the late William Henry & Hettie Emelie Wisham Bodrey, she passed away on Friday, November 10, 2017 at C.R.M.C. She is preceded in death by her parents, and 2 sisters. Survivors include her Husband – Scotty D. Cole; 2 – Sons – Scotty D. Cole II & Sonny (Debra) Jones of Athens; Daughter – Kandy (Richard) Sanders of Cochran, GA; 2 – Step-Daughters – Cindy Cole Cork & Dana Cole Stewart; 1 – Brother; 6 – Sisters; and a Host of Grandchildren & Great-Grandchildren. The family will receive friends for visitation on Saturday, November 11, 2017 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Ann Moyers Heck, age 88, passed away at her home on Sunday, November 5, 2017. Mrs. Heck was born August 3, 1929 in Anniston, AL to Alden "Jack" and Alice Moyers. She is preceded in death by her parents; Jack and Alice Moyers, husband; Hubert Heck, son; Jon Heck, and sister; Wanda Early. Survivors include her son; Paul (Jill) Heck, daughter, Dr. Dana (Dan) Kessler, six grandchildren; Taylor Heck, Cameron (Tabitha) Heck, Hannah (Ryan) Wheeler, Will (Treyla) Kessler, Eric Kessler, and Peter Kessler, seven great-grandchildren; Rylan, Cullen, and Kenzie Heck, Sam and Noah Kessler, and Landon and Haley Wheeler, and sister; Honey Hubbard. The family invites friends to a memorial gathering at Ann's home from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Saturday, November 11, 2017. In lieu of flowers, consider a donation to your favorite charity. A couple of Ann's favorites were Operation SMILE and The Humane Society. Heritage Funeral Home is assisting with arrangements.

Funeral Service for Hubert Charles Pitts, age 65 of Cullman, will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 12, 2017 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Richard Roberts officiating. Burial will be at Union Cemetery, Hanceville, AL. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Pitts passed away on Friday, November 10, 2017 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. He was born August 22, 1952 to James Herbert and Velma Pitts. He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Velma Pitts, wife, Helen Pitts, and brother, Ricky Pitts. Survivors include his daughter, Brandie Bearden, son, Adam (Jennifer) Pitts, grandchildren; Haley Bearden, Taylor Bearden, Brayden Pitts, and Aleeah Pitts, brothers; Carlton (Vicky) Pitts, Daniel Pitts, Robert (Verna) Pitts, Jeffery (Becky) Pitts, and sister, Darlene (Randy) Pate. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Ruth Pauline Smith, 101, are Sunday, November 12 at 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home; with interment in Center Hill Cemetery. Visitation on Saturday from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Mrs. Smith passed away on Friday, November 10, 2017. She was preceded in death by her parents, Charlie Clements Law and Gertie Wilson Law; and her husband, Robert Terry "Bob" Smith. She is survived by her daughter, Peggy Ann (Henry) Clark; grandchildren, Larry D. (Karen) Clark and William Bennett (Joy) Clark; great grandchildren, Kristal (Brett) Goelz, Tabitha (Shawn) Burrell, Jamie (Mark) Womack, John (Carla) Sharp and Christian Sharp; thirteen great-great-grandchildren; two great-great-great grandchildren; brother, Gilbert (Faye) Law; sister, Euna Irving; loving nephew, Reece (Diane) Law and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

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Drinkard (from Front)

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Backs (from Front)

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Those who have served in the Armed Forces understand the phrase: "I've got your six," meaning someone is watching your back and is standing ready to protect you at all costs. I am thankful that thousands upon thousands of Alabamians have stood strong, promising to protect and serve while on active duty and afterward.

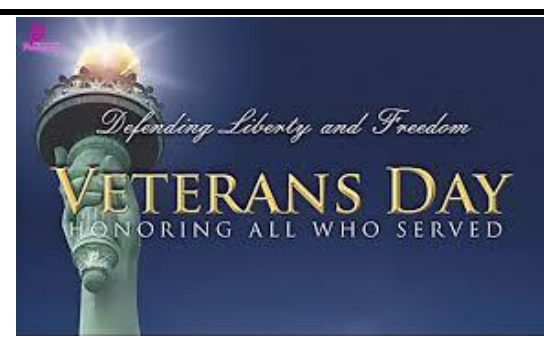
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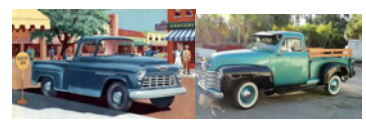
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Choir (from Front)

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The choir's next stop will be this Sunday in Scottsboro, where it will perform in the 8:30 and 11 a.m. services at First United Methodist Church.

Then the choir will continue on to Georgia, the 24th state on this year's tour.

For more information on Childcare Worldwide, visit www.childcareworldwide.org.

For more about Cornerstone Church of the Nazarene, visit www.cullmancornerstone.com.

Upcoming Cornerstone events:

Veterans' recognition service at 10 a.m. this Sunday morning, with speakers who are veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars, and music by the West Point High School Band.

In February, Cornerstone's Wednesday evening suppers will be open to the public, with community leaders coming to speak.

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