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SENSORY-FRIENDLY 'MARY POPPINS' TO TAKE FLIGHT

Wallace State Theatre production will include sensory-friendly show



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The directing team (foreground) watches the cast walk through a dance sequence Thursday.

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HANCEVILLE – On Oct. 25-28, the Wallace State Community College (WSCC) Theatre program will take audiences back to 1910-era London's Cherry Tree Lane for its fall production of the classic "Mary Poppins." And the creative team behind the show has promised that we will see the world's most magical nanny fly.

The Tribune dropped by the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre at WSCC on Thursday to watch a little rehearsing and talk with Show Director Lauren Salerno and Technical Director Noah Carpenter, both about the show itself, and about their announcement that the production would include a Sunday matinee that might be north Alabama's first ever sensory-friendly theater performance.

"It's a great big show," said Salerno. "There's a lot of moving parts, but we have a newly-renovated theater that gives us a lot more capability than we had before, so I wanted to do something this year to showcase the space or the new things that we could do. So, for the first time, we are flying someone on stage. I've not done that before. She's going to fly! We've got a company coming in to rig the system.

"Also, I chose this show, really, because I felt like I had the right students for the parts. I've kind of been waiting to do this show, and then I sort of got just the right talent this year to do it.

"You know, it's colorful and fun. It's a lot like the movie, but there's also some new songs and new pieces to the story that we get in the musical."

The "wow" factor: flying and other technical challenges

"I think that the music and choreography's really fun," said Salerno. "There are big dance numbers. 'Step in Time' is a really cool number. There's a lot going on: you know, they dance on the rooftops. It's visually really cool, and it's big.

"I'd say, you know, she's going to fly and Bert flies as well. So, they're in the air, and they're even dancing a little bit in the air sometimes."

Carpenter added, "In my experience, any time you put somebody in the air, everybody just kind of sits back in their seats, and that's kind of always a wow factor.

"Our flying company, they'll come in and do all of our training and stuff, and they'll kind of leave us to it, so that's always a fun aspect of flying. But, really, a lot of the other technical aspects are just Mary's magic: like anytime she makes something appear from somewhere that you wouldn't expect it or brings control and order back to complete chaos, like, all of those are very technical aspects that have to be done from behind the scenes."

Salerno chimed in, "Noah, what do you mean? It's magic!"

"This is going to be a beautiful show to be able to come in and see," said Carpenter. "I have already started dreaming about our lighting design for the show, and we are hoping to be able to make a lot of live transitions happen with the design."

Sensory-friendly performance

The Sunday matinee performance of Mary Poppins will feature a sensory-friendly approach to appeal to audience members on the autism spectrum, and others.

Carpenter explained, "A sensory-friendly show is mainly targeted to audiences who have sensory disorders, or that in one way or another fall onto the spectrum. The show's purpose is to take the theater, which so much of the time is an uninviting place to these audiences, and make some small but impactful changes that will help make the show easier for these patrons while not removing any of the art or magic of the show for them.

"As the technical director, a lot of the pieces in a sensory-friendly show do land in my plate. We do adjustments to lighting to eliminate any strobe lights or bright flashes, we leave the house lights up a little bit to prevent the stage from being too bright and overwhelming for patrons, and then on the sound side everything is turned down just a little and we soften any harsh sound effects like crashes or explosions. In addition to these things, a sensory-friendly show has a very open-door policy to allow patrons to come and go as they need to if they are overstimulated, and a lot of the house rules are relaxed: patrons are able to interact in the ways that best help them enjoy the show; they can sing along or clap, or anything they need to help them take it all in.

"The program is also a little different for a show like this, because we use it as kind of a roadmap for patrons and give warnings about parts of the show that might be overstimulating for certain patrons, and also include character comparisons for our characters compared to who they were in the movie, to cut down on confusion."

The master controls for sound and stage lighting will be turned down just a little, and the house lights will stay slightly brighter than usual to allow audience members to see things happen around them better.

A special printed program will also alert parents and caretakers to points in the show where startling or noisy events will take place, to give them the opportunity to prepare.

Salerno talked about why she chose to add such an option to the performance schedule:

"We've never done a sensory-friendly production. It's definitely on my radar, because a lot of theater companies are starting to do that sort of thing. I had a mom email me to ask if we were going to do one, because she would like to bring her child, but she had recently been to a performance that wasn't sensory-friendly, and she didn't feel that it was a positive experience for her child.

"And I thought, 'Why aren't we doing that? We should be doing that.'

"So I talked to my department chair, and we decided that Sunday afternoon would be a good time to offer that, because it's a daytime show. And I can't imagine that we'll ever do a production again where we don't have a sensory-friendly opportunity, because you

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CRIME

Cullman Police investigating alleged drugging, sexual assault

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CULLMAN – The Cullman Police Department is investigating allegations of an alleged drugging and possible sexual assault. The incident allegedly occurred on Aug. 11, 2018 at a private residence in the city.

Lt. Gene Bates said the alleged victim, a 20-year-old female, reported she was invited to an acquaintance's home and while there, she believes she was drugged and possibly sexually assaulted by the acquaintance's husband.

He said the victim went to Cullman Regional soon after the incident and was sent to the Crisis Center in Birmingham, where she saw a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE).

"A rape kit was done, and they took blood and urine samples," said Bates.

"That is the one good thing in this case. If someone believes they have been the victim of a sex crime, go immediately to the hospital. Many times, the victim, either due to embarrassment, fear or whatever reason, does not immediately report it or go to a hospital.

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PREP FOOTBALL

Ellis, running game carry Fairview to 31-14 win over West Morgan



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Fairview Quarterback Dayne Black reaches for the end zone in the Aggies' 31-14 win over West Morgan.

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Cullman Savings Bank commits $100K to Cullman County Schools over next 10 years



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Left to right: Cullman Savings Bank Executive Vice President T'aira Ugarkovich, Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette, Cullman Savings Bank President/CEO John Riley III, Cullman County Schools Special Projects Coordinator Dr. T.J. Franey and Cullman Savings Bank Senior Lender Matt Townson pose for a photo on Friday.

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Ashland man charged in Cullman County child abuse case

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CULLMAN – An Ashland man has been arrested and charged in a Cullman County child abuse case. Shannon Dewayne Waldrop, 35, was arrested on Wednesday.

According to the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), investigators began working with the Cullman County Department of Human Resources (DHR) after a report of possible abuse was made against Waldrop.

"CCSO investigators worked with DHR to determine that there was probable cause to arrest Mr. Waldrop," said a statement from the sheriff's office.

"I would like to thank everyone for the hard work in this case. I ask everyone to keep the victim in their prayers," said Sheriff Matt Gentry.

Waldrop is charged with torture, willful abuse of child under 18 years of age.

He is being held in the Cullman County Detention Center on a $50,000 cash bond.

The CCSO said more charges may be pending.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Shannon Dewayne Waldrop

Arrest reports: Oct. 9-11

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for Oct. 9-11, 2018. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; **FTA** = failure to appear

TUESDAY, OCT. 9 THROUGH WEDNESDAY, OCT. 10, 2018
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2018

Ball, Kareem, 18
- first-degree receiving stolen property

Billings, Kevin Dwayne, 46
- second-degree theft of property

Childers, Scotty Ray, 36
- second-degree burglary
- FTA- liability insurance required

Fuqua, Tommy Doyle, 55
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Henry, Patrick O'Neal, 21
- FTA- driving while suspended

Lacy, Kimberly Ann, 35
- second-degree burglary

Matthews, Megan Taylor, 18
- drug court sanction-court appearance

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2018

Barnes, Justin Tyler, 27
- FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Curington, Crystal, 33
- FTA- speeding

Dodd, Dennis Jason, 46
- FTA- third-degree theft of property

Green, Charles Kevin, 27
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Green, Shannon Lee, 43
- contributing to truancy

Griffin, George Ervin, 19
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Johnson, James Richard, 50
- FTA- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Waldrop, Shannon Dewayne, 35
- torture, willful abuse of a child under 18

Whitaker, Michael Wayne, 47
- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument (2 counts)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
Wednesday, Oct. 10, 2018

Johnson, Joyce W., 57
- second-degree criminal mischief

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No report provided.

THURSDAY, OCT. 11, 2018
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No report provided.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Overton, Brandon G., 28
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- third-degree criminal trespassing

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No report provided.

Find arrest reports online Monday-Friday at www.CullmanTribune.com.

Mary Poppins (from Front)

want everybody to be able to experience theater. You want everybody to be able to experience the arts. And if people are uncomfortable, or if they feel they're being judged in any way, that's not going to happen, and then you feel like you can't offer them that.

"I'm going to bring my kid to that one, because there's a lot more freedom; like if people need to move, if people need to make noise, it's okay.

"We've already talked to the cast about it, about just always continuing on with the show, and knowing that there may be other elements that day, and that the best thing to do is just to say 'Yes' and move on through it.

"We're also going to do photographs of the cast members out of costume, so people know that they're real people, you know. And I think we'll have to say that Mary Poppins flies, so that they'll be prepared for her to take flight.

"The good news is about this production is that, while there's a lot of orchestration and singing, there's not a tremendous amount of giant sound effects or, there's a couple of lighting things, but again the auditorium lights will be kept on a bit low, so there are less triggers."

Carpenter added, "This is revolutionary. I think, as much as I've looked into it--because it's a project of mine right now, like this will probably be the first sensory-friendly (show). I think Red Mountain's done a couple of sensory-friendly shows, but north Alabama: this is the first sensory-friendly theater show that I can find. And really, what it does is like it's going to open a door for people who like the magic in theater (which) is so much more intensified and stuff for these patrons.

"And like, for me, it's super personal, because I'm extremely dyslexic. So, to be able to open up theater and know what it's done in my life; and, if I had not had a theater that opened up to me, I wouldn't be here talking to you.

"So, just for us to be some of the frontrunners in Alabama, doing that, making that movement for these patrons, is something super special that we're able to do in the show, also."

Salerno concluded, "I think that there's no way you can't have fun if you come see the show."

Cast
- Mary Poppins: Samantha Drake
- Bert: Rayce Cleghorn
- George Banks: Justin Weygand
- Winifred Banks: Cheyenne Smith
- Jane Banks: TBA
- Michael Banks: TBA
- Katie Nanna / Ensemble: Abigail Pass
- Policeman / Ensemble: Carson Partain
- Miss Lark / Ensemble: Caroline Grimes
- Admiral Boom / Ensemble: Riley Adams
- Mrs. Brill / Ensemble: Chloe Nutt
- Robertson Ay / Ensemble: Blake Tetro
- Miss Andrew / Ensemble: Isabella Allred
- Park Keeper / Ensemble: Cole Lawrence
- Neleus / Ensemble: Conner Gully
- Queen Victoria / Ensemble: Anna Eads
- Bank Chairman / Ensemble: Eli Parker
- Von Hussler / Ensemble: Dallas Fields
- Northbrook / Ensemble: Samuel Hewitt
- Bird Woman / Ensemble: Jes Fortenberry
- Mrs. Correy / Ensemble: Lacey Johnson
- Fannie / Ensemble: McCoy Cleghorn
- Annie / Ensemble: Essence James
- Valentine / Ensemble: Sabrina Myers
- Teddy Bear / Ensemble: Emily Douglas
- Mr. Punch / Ensemble: Alexa Dempsey
- Doll / Ensemble: Ashlynn Teeling
- Toy / Ensemble: Brooke Norris
- Ensemble: Jorrelle Webster

Creative team
- Director: Lauren Salerno
- Technical Director: Noah Carpenter
- Musical Director: David Giambrone
- Assistant Choreographer: Duke Cleghorn
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Technical/stage crew
- Assistant Stage Managers/ Props: Breanna Spangler, Abby Moody
- Props Crew Head: Hannah Glassco
- Props Crew: Ashlynn Teeling, Sabrina Myers, Essence James, Blake Tetro
- Make-Up: Emily Douglas, McCoy Cleghorn, Lacey Johnson, Jes Fortenberry, Caroline Grimes,
- Set Crew Head: Chloe Nutt
- Set: Isaiah Washington, Meredith Jordan, Victoria Sports, Carson Partain, Conner Gully, Riley Adams, Eli Parker, Justin Weygand, Rayce Cleghorn,
- Light Crew Head: Samuel Hewitt
- Light Crew: Dallas Fields, Cole Lawrence
- Hair/ Wigs: Weslie Beasley, Abigail Pass
- Costumes: Samantha Drake, Cheyenne Smith, Isabela Allred

Mary Poppins
- Oct. 25-28, in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre on the Wallace State campus
- Admission is $5 for children, $10 for adults
- Thursday, Oct. 25 at 7 p.m.
- Friday, Oct. 26 at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, Oct.27 at 7 p.m.
- Sunday, Oct. 28 at 2 p.m.

Assault (from Front)

Timing is very important."

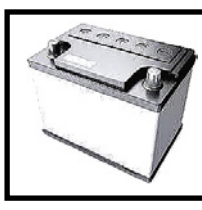
No arrests have been made in the case and attempts by the CPD to contact the husband and wife have so far been unsuccessful.

Bates said it can take 3-6 months for a rape kit to be processed, due to a backlog at the state forensics lab.

"When we get the forensic results back, we will make a determination on what, if any, charges will be filed," said Bates.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MILDRED CHRISTINE CAMP, Deceased.) CASE NO.: PC2018-208

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

Letters Administration having been granted to **Anthony R. Camp**, as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Mildred Christine Camp**, deceased, on the 26th day of September, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 26th day of September, 2018.

Anthony R. Camp
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CULLMAN COUNTY FAIR 2018

2018 Cullman County Fair Princesses crowned

Christy Perry, Maggie Darnell

CULLMAN – The 2018 Cullman County Fair Princess Pageants were held Thursday night in the Coca-Cola Theatre on the Cullman County Fairgrounds.

This year's princesses

- 2018 Little Miss Cullman County Fair Princess Auburn Parker-Deanne Burtis
- 2018 Junior Miss Cullman County Fair Princess Kailey White
- 2018 Teen Miss Cullman County Fair Princess Katie Lee

Other winners

Little Miss Winners

- 1st Runner Up: Layla Knightly Franks
- 2nd Runner Up: Kloe White
- Most Photogenic: Kynleigh Wood

Junior Miss Winners

- 1st Runner Up: Siddalee Drake
- 2nd Runner Up: Jessalyn Nichols
- Most Photogenic: Lexi McCormick

Teen Miss Winners

- 1st Runner Up: McKenna Pesola
- 2nd Runner Up: Zoe Vincent
- Most Photogenic: Katie Lee

CULLMAN COUNTY FAIR 2018

St. Paul's student Carter Daily wins inaugural Cullman County Fair Spelling Bee

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CULLMAN – On Wednesday evening, the Cullman Lions Club hosted its first ever spelling bee at the Cullman County Fair, welcoming nine competitors 9-12 years of age from around the county (by entry number):

- Drew Williamson, Cullman Middle School
- Ryli Jo Norris, home school
- Connor Lancaster, St. Paul's Lutheran School
- Destiny Siegel, Good Hope Middle School
- Matthew Howell, home school
- Ariona Norris, home school
- Jordan Graham, home school
- Christian Knott, Fairview Elementary School
- Carter Daily, St. Paul's Lutheran School

It took seven rounds to whittle the field down to three finalists: Siegel, Graham and Daily. After Siegel exited in the eighth round, Graham and Daily matched each other in both right answers and errors through nine more rounds of words like "indelible," "clichés," "chivalrous," "espionage," "acclamations," "Babylon," "fascist," "ligatures," "gluttonous" and "electrolysis."

Carter Daily takes first place

A correct spelling of "grenadier" after a Graham miss led to a Daily victory on the follow-up word: "diffidence."



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Spelling Bee winners Destiny Siegel, third place; Carter Daily, first place and Jordan Graham, second place, with Cullman Lion Randy Kraft

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JERALD HENRY MCMURREY, Deceased. **CASE NO: PC2018-317**

NOTICE OF HEARING OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JERALD HENRY MCMURREY

TO: JERALD HENRY MCMURREY, JR., TAMMY MCMURREY, MARCUS MCMURREY, WAYLON MCMURREY, SEAN MCMURREY OR ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN HEIRS OF THE DECEDENT AND ANY INTERESTED PARTIES.

Please take notice that a hearing for the Petition of Wanda Butler McMurrey, to admit to probate the Last Will and Testament of Jerald Henry McMurrey, deceased, has been set for the **10th day of January, 2018, at 9:00 a.m.** at the Cullman County Courthouse, Room 101, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055, before the HONORABLE TAMMY BROWN, Judge of Probate.

DONE this the 10th day of October, 2018.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2018-324

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BENNIE GENE TUGGLE, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to David Kyle Tuggle on the 27th day of September, 2018, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

David Kyle Tuggle
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DOYLE MATHERSON, Deceased. **CASE NO.: PC2018-295**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary having been granted to **Bonnie Curry,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Doyle Matherson**, deceased, on the 10th day of October, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 10th day of October, 2018.

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Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

IN THE PROBATE DIVISION OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

In the Matter of the Estate of: Juanita Graham, Deceased. Case No. 25-PC-2018-314 **Notice to Creditors**

Letters of Testamentary of said Deceased having been granted to Alferd C. Graham, on the 2nd day of October, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by the law or the same will be barred.

Alferd C. Graham
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Juanita Graham

Josh O'Neal,
Attorney for Personal Representative

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for three (3) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown,
Cullman County Judge of Probate

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: PAUL WAYMON LINDLER, DECEASED. **CASE NUMBER: PC2018-278**

Letters Testamentary of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 3rd day of October, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

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To: Publisher of **THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE**

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Tammy Brown
Honorable Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

IN THE ESTATE OF JOYCE MILLER, DECEASED.

PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
CASE NO.: PC-2018-313

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **PAMELA ANN MILLER** on the 26th day of September, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of the Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

PAMELA ANN MILLER
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Hon. Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

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Dominant 2nd half leads Raiders to 23-7 win over Haleyville

Preston Prewett
Tribune Correspondent

GOOD HOPE – Looking to bounce back after their loss last week, the Good Hope Raiders hosted the Haleyville Lions in a big Class 4A, Region 5 matchup Friday night. The Raider defense and running game were too much for Haleyville as Good Hope improved to 6-1 on the year with the 23-7 win. Haleyville fell to 2-5 for the year.

The Haleyville offense started the game off throwing the ball and never swayed far from it the entire contest. Haleyville's first possession saw completions of 12 and 11 yards, but a false start and a holding penalty forced the Lions to punt the ball away, allowing Good Hope to take over with great field position at the 47. Matt Dixon started the Raider offense off with a few carries, but Drew Maddox stole the show and brought the fans to their feet with a quick 36-yard scamper for a touchdown. The following 2-point conversion failed, giving Good Hope a 6-0 lead.

The Lions immediately went back to the air but found little success against the Raider defense and were forced to punt the ball away on their second possession. Good Hope started its signature ground and pound attack, marching 43 yards down the field before showing a little trickery with a fake reverse that allowed Preston Bagwell to hit Matt Schwaiger in stride for a long 36-yard gain. Dixon capped off the eight-play, 74-yard drive with a 4-yard bull run to put the Raiders on top 13-0.

Haleyville saw its next possession extend into the second quarter, putting together a long, 18-play, 73-yard, clock eating drive. The Lions' offensive line started getting some penetration on the Raider front, allowing the Haleyville backs to gain some yards on the ground, but it was the passing game that took the Lions to the end zone and put them on the board 13-7.

A host of Raiders got some touches and yards on their final possession of the half, but a holding call and an incidental facemask put a stop to any momentum that had started.

Bailey Quick executed a perfect punt on fourth down, sticking the Lions at their own 1-yard line to finish out the half. The Good Hope defense held Haleyville to only 85 total yards in the first half while the offense racked up 186 total yards with 130 of that coming on the ground.

Good Hope received the ball the start the second half but wasn't able to get much going as the drive ended with a Haleyville interception at the 42-yard line. The Lions took advantage and took to the air again, completing seven passes and driving 53 yards down the field. The Raider defense came up big time, holding on for a huge fourth-down stop at their own 1-yard line, allowing the Good Hope offense to take over on downs. Unfortunately, the offense saw fourth down come quickly, only managing 6 yards on its first three downs. Being pinned deep near their own end zone didn't faze Coach Alan Scott as he called a gambler's dream fake punt that was executed perfectly by Quick. Quick hit Isiah Green for a 40-yard gain on a call that really gave the Raiders a shot of adrenaline. They pounded the ball down the field on the back of a 34-yard Colton Bagwell gain. Good Hope topped off the 10-play, 77-yard drive with a 29-yard field goal, giving the Raiders a 16-7 lead.

Haleyville came out firing in the fourth quarter, trying to get its offense ignited, but the Good Hope defense was just too much as Preston Bagwell dove for a tipped ball and came up with a huge interception to stop the Lions at the 37. The Raiders quickly capitalized on the momentum by handing the ball off to Colton Bagwell, who went 63 yards down the field for the final Good Hope score of the game that put the Raiders on top, 23-7.

The Lions tried desperately to get something going on their next possession, but Preston Bagwell came up huge again as he made a quick jump on the Haleyville receiver and came up with his second interception of the night. The Good Hope offense ended up punting the ball away on fourth down and downed the ball inside the Haleyville 5-yard line. The Lions came out with a flurry of passes, but the Raider defense was too much for them as time expired.

Colton Bagwell ended the night with eight rushes for 138 yards and one touchdown. Dixon ended with 11 rushes for 51 yards and a touchdown. Quick ended with nine rushes for 48 yards and five completions for 82 yards and an interception.

Good Hope is now 6-1 on the year and 3-1 in Region 5 and will travel to Curry next week for another big regional matchup as the postseason starts to get closer.

Running game propels Addison to 43-18 victory over Tanner, securing playoff spot

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ADDISON – Addison (Class 2A, Region 7) looked to rebound from its first region loss last week as the Bulldogs faced off against Tanner in a big region game at home Friday. The running game made a huge difference; the Bulldogs rushed for 373 yards on the night and took the game, 43-18. With the victory, Addison clinched a spot in the playoffs.

The Rattlers started out strong, running the ball and finishing the drive with a 22-yard touchdown pass to put them on the board first with 9:16 remaining in the opening quarter. The Bulldogs looked to counter on their first series but wound up turning the ball over on downs when Zayne Guthrie was a yard short on a fourth-and-12 from the 27-yard line.

After forcing the Rattlers to punt on their next series, Addison got its running game rolling. The Bulldogs started at the 43 where Guthrie broke free for a 37-yard run to start the drive, and he finished the drive off with a 21-yard run as he broke free from several defenders to find the end zone and take an 8-6 lead after the two-point conversion. The Bulldogs added to their lead on their next drive. Caleb Crider and Grant Rice had big runs during the drive and Rice finished it off with a 10-yard run that made it 16-6 Addison. Tanner answered right back with a 70-yard touchdown pass that cut the lead to 16-12.

The running game was in full effect once again as Gage Gilliland found a big hole on the left side and scored on a 37-yard run to increase Addison's lead to 24-12. Crider added to the Bulldogs' lead on a 31-yard run that put the score at 30-12 going into the half. The Bulldogs ran for 236 yards in the first half while the defense allowed just 66 rushing yards.

Addison was backed up at its own 6-yard line to start out the second half, but on the first play, Rice found a big hole up the middle and scored on a 94-yard run to make it 36-12. The Bulldogs added the final score of the night on a Crider 1-yard run to make it 43-12. After allowing 221 yards in the first half, 155 of them through the air, the Bulldog defense stepped up its game and allowed just 82 total yards in the second half.

Rice led the running attack for the Bulldogs with 147 yards and a pair of scores. Guthrie finished with 95 yards and a score. Crider added 69 yards and a pair of touchdowns. Gilliland finished with 38 yards and a touchdown. The Bulldogs improve to 6-2 overall and 3-1 in region play and are now in a 3-way tie with Red Bay and Colbert County for the top seed in the region after the Tigers defeated the Indians, 12-7.

The Bulldogs will stay in region play next week when they travel to take on Tharptown next Thursday night.

Warriors handled at home by Dora, 50-29

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WEST POINT – West Point's defense had its hands full Friday night when the Warriors fell 50-29 at home against the visiting Dora Bulldogs.

Dora (4-3 3-2) scored three first-quarter touchdowns, the first on a 25-yard run by quarterback Averion Berry for a 6-0 edge.

Jordan Foy got the first of two touchdowns on a 12-yard run at the 2:24 mark. Brady Spradlin kicked it to 13-0.

The last score of the quarter came as Tavares Howard took a handoff and hit Darrien Wilkerson for a 40-yard strike to extend the lead to 20-0 after one frame.

West Point got its only points of the half on its next possession as Rylan Jones dove in from a yard out to narrow the lead to 20-7.

Dora answered on the next set of downs when Spradlin connected on a 42-yard field goal to make it 23-7.

The Bulldogs' final score of the half came as Ikea Hosea scored the first of two touchdowns, this one on a 7-yard run for a 29-7 halftime lead.

Dora and West Point each scored twice in the third quarter. Dora got another 12-yard touchdown run from Foy and added a 52-yard run from Hosea. West Point got an 8-yard run from Jones, who also ran in the 2-point conversion. Will Cochran then hit Jones with a 40-yard strike ending the third-quarter scoring with Dora leading, 43-22.

Each team tallied one fourth-quarter score. Dora struck first when J.C. Collins raced 29 yards to pay dirt.

The Warriors closed out the night's scoring when Jones passed to Cochran for 43 yards to make the final score 50-29 in favor of the Bulldogs.

West Point falls to 2-5 on the year, 0-5 in the region, with a road matchup against Corner coming up next week.

Pickens County blows by Meek, 67-20

Nick Griffin, Brian Hamilton

REFORM – The Meek Tigers had a long road trip to deal with this week when they hit the road for a regional matchup against the Tornadoes of Pickens County. Meek fell behind early and wasn't able to chip into the Tornadoes' lead until it was too late. Pickens County scored early and often to pull away from the Tigers, 67-20.

The Tornadoes jumped out to a 20-0 lead by the end of the first quarter and their defense continued to give Meek trouble most of the night. Pickens County added to its lead in the second quarter with two more touchdowns that put the Tornadoes on top 34-0 going into the locker room at halftime. The Tornadoes tacked on two more scores in the third quarter to stretch their lead to 46-0 headed into the final frame.

The Tigers were able to get some offense going in the fourth quarter, scoring three times to cut into the lead, but it was too late for Meek, and Pickens County put the game away, 67-20.

Pickens County moves to 4-3 on the year and 4-1 in Class 1A, Region 6 with a road game against Berry Fayette coming up next week. Meek drops to 3-5 the season and 1-4 in the region and will travel to Marion County next week.

Broncos shut out on the road, 28-0

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BLOUNTSVILLE – Holly Pond and J.B. Pennington faced off in a 3A, Region 5 contest Friday night, and the visiting Broncos were shut out, 28-0.

There was nothing doing in the first quarter, and the second started much the same until the Tigers got on the board midway through the game.

Pennington scored two unanswered touchdowns to make it 14-0 going into the half.

The third quarter started off strong for the Tigers, who made it 21-0 with a touchdown on the ground just three minutes into the quarter.

Holly Pond ended up getting nowhere against the Tigers' defense.

However, when the Tigers received the ball, they were able to work quickly on offense. Pennington scored its fourth touchdown of the night to make it 28-0.

In the fourth, the defenses showed out and neither team found the end zone or the uprights.

The road loss drops the Broncos to 5-3 on the season and 2-3 in the region with on off-week coming up.

Holly Pond will be back on the field when they host Vinemont in another critical Region 5 matchup on Oct. 26.

Fairview (from Front)

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TRINITY – On the first Friday night of the 2018 football season that actually had weather that felt as fall should feel, Coach George Redding took his Fairview Aggies (2-4) to take on Coach Mikel Riggs' West Morgan Rebels (1-6).

Fairview began the game moving the ball 9 yards on three plays. With the ball on their own 49-yard line, the Aggies attempted to convert the first down. The Rebels stopped Dayne Black's run and took over at Fairview's 48-yard line. With West Morgan threatening, Fairview's defense needed to stop the Rebels. The first two plays netted minus-6 yards and an incomplete pass forced the Rebels to punt.

Fairview began its second possession deep on its own end of the field. On the second play, quarterback Black ran through the defense 56 yards to the Rebels' 25-yard line. Three plays later, Tyvn Ellis scored on a 2-yard run. Black completed the drive with a 2-point conversion to make the score 8-0.

The ensuing kickoff was out of bounds and the Rebels began their drive on their own 35.

The combination of quarterbacks, John Phillips and Wesley Whisenant, helped West Morgan drive down for a touchdown. The 16-play, 65-yard drive was highlighted by two fourth-down conversions on the arm and legs of Phillips, capped off by a 14-yard touchdown run from Whisenant. Whisenant completed the 2-point conversion pass to make the score 8-8 with 11:49 to go in the first half.

Both teams struggled with penalties and turnovers. The Aggies intercepted a pass and the Rebels recovered a Fairview muffed punt deep in Fairview territory.

West Morgan managed only 7 yards on the next three plays. On fourth down, Fairview was penalized for being offsides, giving the Rebels a first down.

Two plays later, Phillips ran 25 yards for a touchdown. The PAT was no good, and the Rebels led at the half, 14-8.

At halftime, Fairview's passing game was struggling, going 2 for 6 for minus-8 yards. The Aggies intercepted Phillips on the first play of the second half and it quickly became apparent that Redding was going to run the ball and challenge the Rebels to stop the Aggies running game. Five straight runs by Black and Ellis completed the drive and Ellis finished it by scoring on a 29-yard run. The 2-point conversion was good, making the score 16-14, Fairview.

Fairview's defense held the Rebels to limited yardage and Fairview looked to be driving to another touchdown when Black appeared to score from the 15 yards out. The touchdown was called back on an illegal procedure penalty. On the next play, Ellis scored from 20 yards out. Unfortunately, Fairview was penalized for holding, nullifying another touchdown.

Three plays later, the drive ended when West Morgan intercepted Black's pass.

Fairview's defense continued its great second half, forcing West Morgan to turn over the ball on downs twice. Continuing to run the ball, Fairview completed an eight-play drive with Black scoring on a 4-yard touchdown run. With the successful two-point conversion, Fairview led 24-14 with 4:06 left in the game.

After Fairview forced the second turnover on downs, Ellis scored on a 40-yard touchdown run. Devan Jennings converted the PAT to make the final score 31-14. Fairview's run game ended up being the difference in the ballgame, aided by a stellar defensive performance.

Fairview ended the game with 370 yards of rushing. Black led the way with 200 yards rushing followed by Ellis with 127 yards.

Fairview improves to 3-4 on the year and 2-3 in the region, while West Morgan falls to 1-7. Fairview hosts the Randolph Raiders from Huntsville next week.

Trojans hand Bearcats 47-17 loss on senior night

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CULLMAN – It was senior night in Oliver Woodard Stadium Friday and for the final home game of the season, the Cullman Bearcats welcomed a very solid Muscle Shoals Trojans team. The Trojans are one of the top teams in 6A, Region 7 this season and picked up another important game in the region with a 47-17 road win over the 'Cats.

Cullman came out with an aggressive mindset to start the game and ran a double pass on its first play from scrimmage, but it was intercepted by the Trojans. Just one play later, Muscle Shoals burst through the middle of the defense for a 78-yard touchdown that made it 7-0 after less than a minute had been played.

Points were hard to come by for most of the first half, and Cullman trailed 7-0 until midway through the second quarter when quarterback Max Dueland hit running back Jayden Sullins on a deep post for 35 yards to set Cullman up at first-and-goal.

Dueland scored from 1-yard out a few plays later on fourth and goal to tie the game up at 7.

Muscle Shoals was able to respond by scoring points quickly before the half, re-taking the lead with a 33-yard touchdown pass over the middle that made it 14-7 with five minutes to play in the second quarter. The Trojans then blocked a punt on the Bearcats' next possession and returned it all the way down to the 1-yard line.

Two plays later, Muscle Shoals stretched the lead to 21-7 and that was the score when the teams headed to the locker room for halftime.

Cullman's offense was held to just 95 total yards in the first half and only 15 on the ground.

The 'Cats defense forced a punt on the Trojans' first possession of the second half and the offense was able to take advantage by moving down the field and getting some points. Sullins and his fellow running back Ezra Burks caught a 34-yard and 35-yard pass on the drive, respectively, setting up Luke Andrews for a 28-yard field goal that cut the lead to 21-10.

Muscle Shoals answered quickly on the ensuing possession, hitting another touchdown pass deep down the field for a score, this time from 36-yards out. The touchdown strike made it 27-10 Trojans midway through the third quarter. On the next Muscle Shoals possession, the Trojans made it 33-10 with a touchdown run from the 5-yard line. Cullman's defense came up with a stop on the Trojans' next possession when cornerback Jimnie Chau Le ripped the ball away from a Muscle Shoals receiver to set up his offense with a first down.

Cullman took advantage of the turnover by putting the ball in the end zone and cutting into the lead. Seth Gable scored from 1-yard out with just under 10 minutes to play to cut the Muscle Shoals lead to 33-17.

The Trojans responded quickly again with another touchdown on the following possession that made it 40-17; a short punt from the 'Cats was scooped up and returned for a touchdown late in the fourth quarter to make it 47-17. Muscle Shoals ran out the clock on its final possession to put the game away 47-17.

Sullins was the leading rusher and receiver for the Bearcats in the loss. The junior running back collected 53 rushing yards on 13 carries while also hauling in six passes for 82 yards. Dueland finished the night 14 of 27 for 198 yards. The sophomore was sacked five times in the loss.

The loss moves Cullman to 3-5 on the season and 1-3 in the region but none of that will matter next week when the 'Cats travel to face the rival Hartselle Tigers.

Winston County drops Cold Springs, 40-8

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Tribune Correspondent

BREMEN – The Cold Springs Eagles (2A, Region 5) took on the Winston County Yellow Jackets in a homecoming matchup Friday night, and the Jackets took home a decisive 40-8 victory.

Both teams got off to a rough start, leaving the score 0-0 after the first quarter.

However, the Yellow Jackets picked up tempo in the second, quickly taking the lead 8-0 with 11:38 to go in the half.

Cold Springs gained possession but couldn't gain any ground and turned the ball back over to the Yellow Jackets who quickly put up another touchdown making the score 16-0.

The Eagles regained possession and marched down the field, ultimately handing the ball to senior running back Calvin McNabb who powered through for a 3-yard touchdown, cutting the score to 16-8 with 1:04 left in the opening half.

To open the second half, the Yellow Jackets' offense pressured the Eagle defense and marched down the field, scoring a touchdown followed by a 2-point conversion to go up 24-8 over the Eagles with 7:15 left in the third.

The Eagles took possession but turned the ball over on downs on their next possession.

Both teams came out ready for battle in the fourth, but the Eagles turned the ball over on downs and the Yellow Jackets took advantage with a breakaway run of 80 yards for a touchdown, putting them up 32-8.

An Eagle fumble was then recovered by the Yellow Jackets and returned 55 yards for a touchdown, upping their lead to 40-8, which was the final score of the game.

The loss puts the Eagles at 4-3 so far this season and 2-2 in the region. Cold Springs will travel to Tarrant for another regional matchup next week.

Vinemont drops road game to Locust Fork, 38-32

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LOCUST FORK – It was homecoming for the Locust Fork Hornets as they welcomed the Vinemont Eagles for a regional showdown. The Hornets came away with a 38-32 victory in a long, close game that contained a number of missed holding and personal foul calls depending on which team you were rooting for.

The Hornets got the ball first and took nearly the entire first quarter before they punched it in from 6-yards out putting the Hornets up 6-0 with only 3:39 left in the opening quarter.

Vinemont would quickly have to punt the ball back to the Hornets, who went on another long drive but had to settle for a field goal, after getting inside the 5-yard line, extending the lead to 9-0 with 7:24 left before halftime.

On the ensuing possession the Eagles struck quickly on a 74-yard run by Dustin Moore to cut into the Hornets' lead, making the score 9-6 with exactly 7:00 remaining until halftime.

Neither team was able to score again leaving the halftime score at Hornets 9, Eagles 6.

The Eagles came out of the locker room fired up and started the third quarter strong.

Eagles running back Dallin Dinkle scored on a 62-yard run to quickly give the Eagles their first lead, 14-9, with 11:36 remaining in the quarter.

The Eagle defense pitched in as Moore picked up a fumble on the very next Hornet drive and went 33 yards for a touchdown, putting the Eagles up 20-9 with 9:31 left in the third.

Momentum was clearly on the Eagle sideline as a muffed kick-off was recovered by Moore. Three plays later, Moore capitalized with an 11-yard run to push the lead to 26-9 with 8:29 still left in the quarter.

The Hornets put an end to the huge momentum swing with an 18-yard touchdown pass cutting the Eagle lead to 26-16.

On the ensuing possession the Eagles would turn the ball over, but their defense was able to rise up and force a punt.

The Hornets got the ball back after an Eagle punt, and this time they capitalized with a 29-yard touchdown pass cutting into the lead, 26-23, with 10:07 remaining in the game.

A pick-six gave the Hornets a 30-26 lead with 8:52 left in the game.

About two minutes later, Dinkle gave the Eagles the lead back on a 4-yard run that made it 32-30 with 6:14 on the clock.

Vinemont's defense stepped up to force a punt putting the ball back in the hands of the offense with the score and the clock on the Eagles' side.

Disaster came by way of a fumble, giving the Hornets life, and five plays later a 1-yard touchdown gave the Hornets a late 38-32 fourth-quarter lead.

Vinemont got the ball with one last chance and about a minute and a half to win the game.

Two long plays set the Eagles up with a first-and-10 inside the 30-yard line, but a holding call and a pass completed short of the end zone saw the Hornets come away with a tight 38-32 victory in a game in which neither sideline appeared to enjoy the officiating.

Vinemont drops to 2-5 on the year with the loss and 1-3 in Region 5 with another big game at home next week against the J.B. Pennington Tigers.



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EDUCATION

CCBOE celebrates student, faculty attendance achievements

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CULLMAN – On Thursday evening, the Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) celebrated students and faculty who had perfect attendance through the month of September.

The average daily attendance in the early weeks of the school year is one factor used to calculate state funding allocations, and studies have shown that students who have good attendance in the first month of the school year tend to continue that pattern through the end of the year. Statistics reveal that good attendance is crucial for students, especially in high school: a ninth grader who misses as few as five days in that school year is 24 percent less likely to graduate than a student with four or fewer absences.

Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette told the audience, "I'm real excited about our attendance initiative that we did this (last) month.

"Way over half of our students had perfect attendance this month, which goes to say if we can do it for the month of September, we can do it for the rest of the year.

"So I want to encourage everybody to be there, and there'll be more encouragement later.

"Same thing for our teachers; we included our classroom teachers on this, and many of them had perfect attendance for September.

"And I'll be challenging them to be in there, because it's hard to get our students to learn everything that they need to learn if they're not here."

Of all the students and teachers with perfect attendance, 13 students (one from each grade, plus Kindergarten) and 10 teachers were chosen at random to receive prizes donated by approximately 50 local businesses and organizations.

The prizes included kayaks, a Chromebook, Nintendo 2DS, Alabama football game tickets, Rock the South tickets, a bicycle, membership at the Cullman Wellness and Aquatic Center, jewelry and gift cards.



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Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette poses with a group of students who won prizes at Thursday night's school board meeting for perfect attendance.

Students

- Francisco Ayala - 12th grade, Cold Springs High School
- Meagan Brunner - 11th grade, Vinemont High School
- Trinity Snyder - 10th grade, Vinemont High School
- Manisha Adams - 9th grade, Hanceville High School
- Ashton Rogers, 8th grade, West Point Middle School
- Joseph Ehpel, 7th grade, Hanceville Middle School
- Alexis Golden, 6th grade, Fairview Middle School
- Jackson Miller, 5th grade, Holly Pond Elementary School
- Madison Butts, 4th grade, Holly Pond Elementary School
- Kayden Wilson, 3rd grade, Vinemont Elementary School
- Haley Parker, 2nd grade, West point Elementary School
- Aiden Benefield, 1st grade, Hanceville Elementary School
- Kyleigh Lance, Kindergarten, Hanceville Elementary School

Teachers

- Monica Bates, Good Hope Elementary School
- Rachel Finley, Holly Pond Elementary School
- Tiffany Davis, Cold Springs Elementary School
- Kyle Seymore, Good Hope Middle School
- Marta Dollar, Harmony School
- Pamela Evers, Parkside School
- Alecia Crider, Good Hope Elementary School
- Raymond Brauer - Cullman Area Technology Academy
- Candace Baty, West Point High School
- Tiffany Matthews, Fairview High School

$100K (from Front)

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CULLMAN – On Friday morning, Cullman Savings Bank (CSB) President/CEO John Riley III, accompanied by Executive Vice President T'aira Ugarkovich, Vice President of Marketing Clara Kent and Senior Lender Matt Townson, presented a $10,000 check to Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette and Special Projects Coordinator Dr. T.J. Franey. According to the bank, it was the first installment in a 10-year, $100,000 commitment to the school system.

This is not CSB's first contribution to Cullman County Schools; the institution, through its Cullman Savings Bank Foundation, has made numerous monetary gifts over the years, available for the system to use for various purposes.

Barnette said about the use of the bank's contributions, including Friday's, "It's not earmarked, so we can use it to sponsor different events that we do for students, that we do for teachers. Some professional development that we do, that we bring in, we use some of it for that. Our big in-service at the beginning of the year, we use some of it for that, and things like that. So we have a lot of different projects that we can do out of this money."

Riley talked about the bank's decision to make the financial commitment, telling The Tribune, "Probably 15 years ago, we started a bank foundation where we take money each year and we put it into the foundation from the bank profits, and we use that money to put back into the community. And we give away probably $75,000 to $100,000 a year to worthy projects.

"And what's more worthy than our school system? So we try to help them in different ways, and our foundation does that in a lot of different areas of the community."

Franey cited examples of how the bank's gifts are used.

"Our Jeremiah Castille Camp, our character camp each year," she said. "We (also) have numerous students who receive scholarships that enable them to go to college at Wallace (State Community College), and those things would not be possible without Cullman Savings Bank's Foundation, and we really do appreciate their support and their partnership."

Barnette added, "They help us in many areas; just this donation is one of those. But they're always here; I don't think they've ever told us no when we've come and asked them to partner with us on some worthy cause. And they're always sponsoring students in whatever capacity we need them to, and they're always there to help. I'd just like to say how much I appreciate them."

The partnership

Ugarkovich shared about bank's partnership with the school system, "To me, it's just an appreciation, working somewhere that gives back to the community as the bank does. And we love partnering with the school system; to see the impact that it puts in our kids' lives for the future of our community is a great thing."

"As far as the kids in the community, that's what it's all about," added Townson. "And giving back, which the bank does, is hoping to give them a better future, so where they can come back and give back to the community one day."

Kent concluded, "We do appreciate the job that the county school system does. I think they do a great job with the funds that they have, and they have come up with several ideas that are really out of the box. That makes the most of the funds that they get, so it helps the entire school system."

Barnette told the bank staff, "I appreciate y'all saying that. And we are, we're trying to think outside the box, because obviously, what is inside the box across our nation has not been getting it done. And we've been able to accomplish some great things over the last couple of years, that I think affected kids and made a big difference in their lives, probably generations of lives.

"It's exciting; it really is," he smiled. "I know people get tired of hearing me say it's exciting, but it is!"

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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 13 -20

Funeral Service for Brandon Adam Hamm, age 33 of Vinemont, will be at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 3 p.m. with Malcolm Carter officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Hamm passed away on Sunday, October 7, 2018 at Huntsville Hospital. He was born Wednesday, November 28, 1984, to Scott Hamm and Eva Mae Hamm. He is preceded in death by his grandmother, Leatrell Carroll; and grandfather, Roy Harris, Sr. Survivors include his wife, Brittany Hamm; daughters, Abby, Allie, Aubrey, Bella, and Brayleigh Hamm; his parents; sister, Rachel (Doug) Bates; brothers Eric Hamm, Caleb Hamm, Keith Chumley; sister, Crystal Waldron; grandmother, Margaret Harris; grandfather, Codean Hamm, and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, family, and friends. Visitation will be from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, October 13, at Cullman Heritage.

John Phillip Heatherly, 57, of Fairview Heights, Illinois, entered into rest on October 6, 2018. Mr. Heatherly was born on July 2, 1961 in Chicago, Illinois. John served in the United States Air Force for 4 years and the United States Army for 2 years. He was a 1979 graduate of Wauconda High School in Illinois and a 1990 graduate of Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. He loved his family and friends very much. He also loved the outdoors, animals, and Alabama and Auburn football. Visitation will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018 from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where services will be held at 12 p.m. Brother Randall Prestridge will officiate. Burial will follow in Union Grove Cemetery. John is survived by his mother, Marlene Heatherly; brothers, Mark Heatherly, Michael Heatherly and his wife Teina; sister, Laura Heaps and her husband Wayman; aunts, Wilma McGee, Frances McGee, Maddie Heatherly, Gretchen Heatherly, Ann Heatherly, and Judy Heatherly; uncles, Thomas Heatherly, Jimmy Heatherly, Sonny Anderson; nieces, Amanda, Melissa, Dusti, Wendy, Julie; nephews, Seth, Nova, Kiran, Jon, Jeffery, Brandon, Ryan, Burt, Bart, Jonathan; cousins, Arturo, Joseph, Heath, Kim, Tammy, Tommy, Ann, Tony, Billy, Johnny, and Donald; and a host of friends. He was preceded in death by his father, William Heatherly; brother, Jerry Heatherly; grandparents, Vester and Bessie Heatherly, and Merrill and Valerie Anderson; uncles, Troy Heatherly, JB Heatherly, James Heatherly, Marvin McGee, and Morris Heatherly; aunts, Velma Crosslin, Dolly Anderson, Earlene Heatherly, and Bonnie Heatherly; niece, April Heatherly; and cousin, Lawrence McGee.

Katherine Susanne Akin Dinan, 42, of Woodstock, Georgia, formerly of Birmingham, passed away on Monday, October 8, 2018. She was a beloved wife, mother, daughter and sister. She was born December 29, 1975 in Birmingham. A memorial service will be held on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 3 p.m. at Huffman United Methodist Church. The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m. at the church. Graveside services will be Monday, October 15, 2018 at 11 a.m. at First Baptist Church of Fairview Cemetery. Memorials may be made in Mrs. Dinan's name to the American Cancer Society or your favorite charity. She is survived by her husband, James Dinan; daughter, Claire K. Dinan; parents, Arvis R. Akin and Susan Akin; brother, Scott G. (Tami) Akin; nieces and nephews, Noah Akin, Taylor Akin and Laura Katherine Akin and a host of other family and friends.

Karen Alesia Klugh, 70, of Cullman entered into rest on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at her home. Mrs. Klugh was born on November 8, 1947 in Cullman, Alabama. Kay was very active in her church and served as a teacher with the Bible Study Fellowship. She always believed that everyone should be treated fairly and followed that path through her life as an employee and finally as the Director of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for the State of Arkansas. A memorial service will be held at the First United Methodist Church of Cullman on October 20, 2018 at 11 a.m., officiated by Brother Reagan Brown. In lieu of flowers, the family would appreciate donations to the American Cancer Society in her name. Kay is survived by her loving husband of 31 years, Benjamin Klugh Jr.; step children, Amanda Robinson, Jeremy Klugh, Kelly Fugok and Scott Klugh; and seven grandchildren. She had six brothers and sisters, Linda (Dan) Dodson, Pam McWilliams, Steve (Barbara) Cupp, Mike (Susan) Cupp, Cecille (Bobby) Cooper, Jeff (Melanie) Cupp and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Alesia Cupp.

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WSCC SPORTS

Wallace State cross country teams heating up before postseason; men's golf's Matt Smith earns individual title

Russell Moore
WSCC

HANCEVILLE – Wallace State cross country is heating up as the postseason approaches.

Both Wallace State teams are coming off one of their best performances since the program was reestablished last fall. The men and women each recently finished third overall at Sewanee Invitational.

For the men, freshman Eli Wilhite finished fourth overall in the 8K with a 27:46. It was the highest finish for a Wallace State runner this season.

Alex Leary finished 15th overall with a 28:47 and Victor Bravo was right on his heels with a 28:51, which was good for 16th place.

Hamza Abusammour (29:54), Drake Patton (30:51), Jacob Guthrie (31:24), Brennan Wink (32:05) and Lindsay Colter (33:38) rounded out the field for Wallace State.

For the women, Jacqueline Serrano finished 11th overall in the 6K with a 25:58.

Tatiana Padgett marked Wallace State's next best finish with a 27:27, placing 22nd overall. Marlena Morales was a spot behind Padgett, earning a 27:31.

Makala Worrell (28:37), Alex McDonald (29:49), Alexandra Holt (30:44) and Miriam Smith rounded out the Wallace State field at Sewanee.

The Lions travel to Berry College in Rome, Ga., on Saturday to compete in the Berry College Cross Country Invitational before hosting the Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) meet on Saturday, Oct. 27.

Men's golf's Matt Smith earns individual title

Wallace State freshman Matt Smith won his first collegiate individual medalist title this week at the NJCAA Division I National Preview Tournament in Viera, Fla.

Smith, a Clements graduate, outlasted Eastern Florida State's Ben Ramos by two strokes, shooting a round-best 67 over the final 18 holes. Smith finished with a 4-under par 212 (73-72-67).

Smith has splashed upon the scene at Wallace State. Along with his individual title, Smith was an All-Tournament selection in the Wallace State Fall Invitational after placing third overall.

Wallace State finished seventh overall at the NJCAA Division I National Preview Tournament. Eastern Florida State won the tournament with a 5-over par 869. Odessa Community College was runner-up with a 17-over 881.

For Wallace State, Conner Bruce finished with a 16-over 232. Cody Maddox shot a 233, Anthony Lumpkin a 234 and Carter Goodwin a 235. Wallace State's next tournament is Oct. 22-23 in Scottsboro. Northeast Alabama is hosting the tournament.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Wallace-State-Community-College-Athletics-238544719506181.



WSCC

Victor Bravo and the Wallace State men's cross country team finished third recently at the Sewanee Invitational.

Funny Things from Yesterday: Buck naked

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
Tribune
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Granny and I are now in the era of great grandchildren. I didn't know this could be such a great and fun time. We now have three great grands and three more on the way. Emma Grace is 4 years old, Crosby James is 18 months old and Anna Beth is 4 months old. Number four great grand, Alder Boone, should arrive by the 24th of October. Numbers five and six are twins and are scheduled for next April. We don't know what they will be, so no names for these two yet.

Emma Grace had her birthday party yesterday and she received more presents on one birthday than I received for my whole childhood. Talk about being born 80 years to soon. This was it.

Now to get to my story for this week. Crosby James, C.J., as I affectionately call him, but his mother doesn't like for him to be called that, so don't tell her I do that... Anyway, he goes to Mother's Day Out at First Methodist Church. The other morning his mother had him dressed and ready to go. She had him sitting on the couch watching a kiddie show and told him that she had to brush her teeth and they would be on their way.

He had other thoughts of something to do. He took his shoes and socks off. Then he decided to take his shirt off. That wasn't quite enough, so he finished up by taking his pants and even his diaper off. There he was— BUCK NAKED— when his mother came back in the room. She redressed him and got him to school.

Someone told Tyler he would pay for his raising and I think Crosby and his new little brother, Alder, may make sure he does.

Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1955

Saluting – Finis Saint John was born in Cullman, attended the public schools and the Cullman County High School, Marion Institute, Howard College and the University of Alabama Law School, graduating in 1931. He is the son of the late F.E. Saint John and Nelle Fuller Saint John. He began the practice of law in Cullman in the firm founded by his father and his grandfather, the late S.L. Fuller.

He is a Kiwanian, having served as president and Lieutenant Governor of that organization. He was one of the organizers of the Cullman County Commu-

nity Chest, serving as its' president for a number of years and is now a director. He is a member of the First Baptist Church, having served as a Deacon for many years.

He was elected to the State Senatorial District in 1939, as its youngest member and served two terms. He served as a member of the Alabama Code Committee, which drafted Code of Laws of Alabama. He served as a member of the States Savings and Loan Board for four years and a like term as a member of the Gorgas Memorial Board.

He is presently a director of the Parker Bank and Trust Company and Vice-President and director of the Improved Savings and Loan Association. He is president of the Cullman County Bar Association and a member of the State and American Bar Association. He is a member of the Advisory Committee of the University of Alabama Alumni Association.

In 1932, he married Mary Harris Jackson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hogan Jackson, of Albertville, Alabama. Mr. and Mrs. Saint John have two sons, Finis, III, a senior in the Law School of the University of Alabama and Warren Jackson, a junior at the McCallie School, Chattanooga Tennessee.

A special event of Monday was Senior Class Day. Members of the senior class came into the auditorium through a little red school house.

Acting the role of a teacher, Jane Ann Thompson called on various members of the class: Marie Peinhardt to give the class history, Peggy Hart to read the class poem, Jimmy Knight to read the last will and testament, Ronnie Manor to read the prophecy and then the class song was sung by Gordon Gibson, Joel Hull, Ray Buchmann and Jane Ann Thompson. Next on the program were the giftorians, Jeanell Tubbs and Bobby Livingston.

To end the skit, all the seniors went into a rocket which was built on the stage, symbolizing the beginning of their journey into the future.

After all had "boarded" the rocket, the senior class sang the Alma Mater. Responsible for the skit, which I've heard many say was the best class day one ever, were Peggy Morrow, chairman, with Carrol Long, Wayne Dahlke and Ralph Blalock helping her.

The band picnicked Friday afternoon over at the Bledsoe's cabin at Guntersville. Dates over there included Marja Hill and Don York, Alice Fay Cobb and Robert Gray, Barbara Tompkins and Dwight Waters, Louise Hendrix and Keith Moore, Nellie Sue Griffin and Bill Cole, Florence Culpepper and Gordon Gibson, Nancy Dunlap and Johnny Gentry and Carol Bledsoe and Ray Buchmann.

Others out Friday included Dottie Cameron and Hubert Moore, Jeanette Fulmer and Elton Childers, Charlotte Fowler and Bobby Parker and Donna Kinney and Perry West.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Some boats don't float

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I sure am glad that God called on Noah, rather than me. I'm fairly convinced, had I built an ark to rescue a remnant of the righteous and a collection of the world's animals from the flood, we would have had a problem. We might be missing more than just the unicorn! My boats don't float!

I began building things at a young age. I had somewhat of an advantage, because my dad sold building supplies in his business. I had access to free lumber and nails, and Dad had tools.

He was not necessarily a huge fan of some of my building projects, mainly because I used material that he otherwise could have sold.

When I was about nine or ten, I built one of my first projects. I used pine boards to build a four legged stool. In a tone that didn't sound terribly happy, Dad asked what I had built.

The fact that he had to ask, may have said something about my early craftsmanship. I answered, "It's a stool. I built it for you!" My logic worked.

He grinned and said, "Oh, you built it for me, did you? Good job, son."

Dad also cut and sold glass in his store. He taught me how to cut glass, but I never quite mastered that art as well as he had. His glass always broke exactly where he had scored it, and sometimes mine did too.

One time I had the great idea of building a bird house with a glass bottom.Do you know that birds won't build a nest in a house with a glass bottom? I guess birds are like some people, they don't have much faith in what they can't see. Eventually, I replaced the glass with a piece of wood, and guess what.

Dad also sold clay drain tiles that people used to build septic-tank field lines. They came in large wooden containers that were probably six by six feet in diameter and about four feet high.

After he had emptied out a couple of those, I asked if I could have the crates. My buddy Ken Smith and I turned one upside down on top of another one to build ourselves a nice little clubhouse.

Please do not confuse this, as my sister did, with a playhouse! We cut openings for a door and windows. We built in a couple of bunks and actually camped in there, after we chased out the snakes and killed the spiders.

Dad also had wooden shipping pallets that bags of cement, sand, bricks, blocks, and other items came on.

In recent years, people build furniture and other items out of pallets. Long before I ever saw anyone do that, I built rafts and boats and other essential boyhood items from them. I only had one problem with those boats.

They didn't float. My ole buddy Ken road tested our first one, or I should say "creek tested" it.

It floated long enough for him to get one foot on the raft.

With one foot on the raft and the other one still on the bank of the creek, the raft began drifting out. Ken did the splits as long as possible, but eventually both he and our raft ended up at the bottom of the creek! I'm still laughing.

I am thankful that God saved Noah and his family and all those animals. I am also thankful for the many times He has rescued me, as well as my friend Ken, from foolish decisions. Some boats, as well as a few other things we build in life, simply won't float.

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Poet's Corner

The Awakening Of A Day

By: April McCay

The sunlit hues
highlight the webs
the spiders had made,
droplets of dew
now glisten
and shimmer where
once was only
shade.

As the fog lifts and
the morning
awakens the day,

The night creatures
go home
as the sun lights
their way.

Morning magic
in the air,
as caterpillars turn
into butterflies.

The magic doesn't
end there
as the birds sing and
the wind softly
blows,

The wildflowers
dance and sway
to natures music
as it echoes into
the valley below.

So arise sleepy one
and embrace
your new day,

Get up and behold
the beauty
God has made.

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Ten Things from a Tribune

Tastemaker



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Neil deGrasse Tyson



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Audrey Hepburn in "Breakfast at Tiffany's"



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Jenna Nelson Culpepper and her husband, Will Culpepper

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Contributor

In this creative new weekly series, local author, artist and all-around entertaining and eccentric (not to mention classy!) Southern gentleman Ben Johnson South introduces Cullman Tribune readers to the creative thinkers and doers in the Cullman community.

"10 Things from a Tribune Tastemaker"
This week, meet Jenna Nelson Culpepper, stylist/partner, Salon Luxe

The setting is dinner at the museum enjoying a lively chat with Mayor Woody Jacobs and Connie, who looked great, when I get captivated by a woman with beautiful, fashionable hair beside us.

I glance across the room to see if the woman's husband is there and, dammit, he is, and he also has a smart haircut.

Later, I discreetly discover their stylist is Jenna Nelson Culpepper, co-owner of Salon Luxe, and promptly stop driving to Mountain Brook every month for a trim.

Here, from the creative world of hair and beauty are 10 things from this TASTEMAKER:

1. JENNA'S "GO TO" HAIRCUTTER—Andrea Barnett, partner at Salon Luxe, or fellow stylist, Misty Fletcher, both "amazingly talented"

2. EGYPTIANS OF THE PHARAOHS / NEIL DEGRASSE TYSON—favorite sculptor and favorite scientist mentioned when I compliment her sculpting skill and science smarts

3. THE KARDASHIANS—would love to "makeover"

4. THE FANNY PACK—wishes she had invented

5. DUCHESS DONUTS—favorite Cullman indulgence

6. MICHELLE PFEIFFER ("Batman Returns"), Ashley Judd ("Double Jeopardy"), Michael Douglas ("War Of The Roses")—favorite, movie hairstyles

7. KEVIN MURPHY'S SESSION SPRAY—great hold and doesn't leave hair "brittle or gummy"

8. HOLIDAY, 2018—beauty trend is "enhanced but natural"

9. GET A "BLOWOUT"—best way to try a new stylist

10. JENNIFER ANISTON/WILL CULPEPPER (husband)—hair she loves

Other Jenna favorites
LOMA Maximum Volume Solution; Saint Augustine, Florida; The Judds "Grandpa" (song she most wants to join in on); Charlize Theron (girl crush); Audrey Hepburn in "Breakfast at Tiffany's" (look to recreate for a fashion retrospective of Cullman designer, Charles Kleibacker); MOTTO: "Hey Jude, you can't always get what you want. (Ha)"

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