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LIFESTYLE

Hee Haw hilarious!



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Roy Clark (Tommy Kohlenberg) and Bonnie Cleghorn (Ramona Jones) perform "Send the Light" Monday at the Donald E. Green Senior Center as part of the Senior Outreach Organization's presentation of "The Hee Haw Show."

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CULLMAN – The Donald E. Green Senior Center was transformed into "Kornfield Kounty" Monday afternoon for the Senior Outreach Organization's presentation of "The Hee Haw Show," the first performance of its kind for the organization and a huge success. It was standing room only at the senior center!

Directed by Jamie Brown, the cast and band practiced three times a week for three months for the big show. Roy Clark and Grandpa Jones (Tommy Kohlenberg and Terrell Dobbins) opened the show and cracked jokes with Minnie Pearl (Jolene Hammick).

Several all-star guests performed on the Hee Haw stage including Loretta Lynn (Barbara Whitehead), Eddie Arnold (Buddy Bailey), Johnny Cash (Roy Moon), Marty Robbins (Cletus Hopkins) and Bonnie Cleghorn (Ramona Jones). The Hee Haw Gospel Quartet had hands clapping, feet stomping and folks singing along to "I'll Fly Away" and "She'll Be Coming 'Round the Mountain."

Perhaps the greatest reaction came when Grandpa Jones and the Hee Haw Gang performed a spirited rendition of "Mountain Dew." Grandpa Jones also sang an old favorite "Old Rattler." Roy Clark took the stage delivering "Five Pounds of Possum in My Headlights" and "Rabbit in a Log," which moved many to dance and clog.

Pfft!! You Was Gone!!

Of course, it wouldn't be Hee Haw without the skits! The cast performed several segments of the most famous weekly segment, "Where Oh Where Are You Tonight?"

The Gossip Girls, Vern and Ida Lee Nagger (Ed Hevey and Sharon Mc Clanahan), Cornfield Jokes and the Hee Haw Jug Band brought huge laughs.

"Gloom, Despair and Agony" was performed by Dwight Johnson, Jim Anderton, Terrell Dobbins and Tommy Kohlenberg. Faye Ratliff, Ann Anderton, Jolene Hammick, Sharon McClanahan and Margie Johnson made up the Hee Haw Jug Band.



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Show Director Jamie Brown, in black, is surrounded by members of the "Hee Haw" cast Monday at the Donald E. Green Senior Center.

Junior Samples (Robert Shumate) stopped by in an attempt to sell a good used car. Known for selling clunkers, Samples made sure everyone knew his phone number, BR 549!

The show was a wonderful escape and trip down memory lane.

It concluded with "Good Night Everybody" from the Hee Haw Gang. The cast thanked Jamie Brown for all her hard work and presented her with a dozen long stem red roses.

Brown said, "I can't be prouder of this cast. I've never seen a group of people that's put their heart in this show as much as they have. The seniors have got their stuff together!"

Seniors are encouraged to come out and join the Senior Outreach Organization on the first, second and third Saturday nights of each month at The Link of Cullman County from 5-8:30 p.m. for a great meal, fellowship, live music and dancing. The address is 708 Ninth St. SE in Cullman.



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Ruth Duke recently celebrated her 101st birthday.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Meet Ruth Duke

PET OF THE WEEK

Sneakers looking for her forever home

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CULLMAN – Cullman County Animal Shelter volunteer Donna Ruttkay introduces The Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week:



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Sneakers

Sneakers is a 1-year-old hound mix. She's a laid-back, low-energy pet with a possible future as a companion, comfort or therapy dog. She easily makes friends, both human and canine, and has even helped socialize other new dogs to shelter life. Her two closest shelter mates, Citrus and Sally, have recently been adopted, so she's a little lonely now.

Sneakers enjoys time with humans, but won't be all over you. She knows how to respect personal space.

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior. Several of the shelter's dogs have even been "hired" to work as special needs service dogs.

Sneakers' adoption fee is $90 which includes: DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, spaying, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

Please consider adopting to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or visit them at 935 Convent Road NE. Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.



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Arrests and incidents reported on Feb. 4

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests and incidents reported on Feb. 4, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 31

- domestic violence; Hwy. 157
- possession of drug paraphernalia; County Road 1352
- domestic violence; County Road 1114
- harassment; County Road 586
- burglary; 4th St. SW, Hanceville
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle; Hwy. 69 N
- possession of drug paraphernalia; County Road 1030

Feb. 1

- possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65 N, mile marker 308
- unlawful possession of marijuana; Beech Ave. SE
- theft of property; Wesley Ave.
- theft of property; County Road 1114
- theft of property; County Road 541
- burglary; County Road 225
- harassment; County Road 463
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 N
- possession of drug paraphernalia, illegal possession of prescription drugs, unlawful possession of a controlled substance; Hwy. 91
- theft of property; County Road 1711
- theft of property; County Road 703
- harassment; County Road 1182
- trespassing, menacing; County Road 1605

Feb. 2

- unlawful possession of marijuana; I-65 N, mile marker 311
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E
- burglary; County Road 1718
- harassment; I-65 S, mile marker 308
- unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle; Hwy. 31
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia, resisting arrest; County Road 747
- theft of property; County Road 1609
- receiving stolen property; Hwy. 91
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157

Feb. 3

- unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; County Road 1598
- burglary; Schwaiger Road
- shooting into occupied dwelling; County Road 1194
- harassment; County Road 1577
- domestic violence; County Road 1114
- theft of property; Hwy. 278 E
- unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle; County Road 984
- harassment; County Road 109

ARRESTS

Jan. 31

Barr, Cameron Darien, 27
- second-degree burglary

Hudgins, Kristopher Steven, 27
- third-degree burglary
- first-degree theft of property

Hunter, Jonathan Paul, 40
- carrying a pistol without a license

Jenkins, Jessica Lynn, 18
- FTA- leaving the scene-misdemeanor
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Moore, Brittany Nichole, 33
- FTA- second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument

Pigg, Zackary Scott, 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Sides, Rachel Danielle, 33
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Tucker, Jamie Richelle, 46
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Feb. 1-3

Anderson, Melvin Jr., 26
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Berry, Brandon Lewis, 33
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Bloodworth, Thomas Lee, 25
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Bowling, Alodie Brooke, 42
- FTA- first-degree receiving stolen property

Brannon, Thomas James, 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Copeland, Barbara Ann, 46
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Edwards, Regina Banks, 50
- driving while suspended
- failure to signal turn
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Fanning, Warren Dewayne, 32
- FTA- first-degree attempted theft
- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument
- FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)
- FTA- second-degree theft of property
- FTA- unlawful braking and entering of a vehicle (2 counts)

Glasscock, Adam Derek, 37
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- resisting arrest
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Hale, Timothy Lucius, 23
- parole violation- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance
- probation violation- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Hopkins, Johnny Michael, 36
- FTA- no tag
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance
- FTA- driving while suspended

Hulme, Joyce Renee, 53
- probation violation- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Johnson, Ollie Jamal, 22
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Jones, Tarail Jamard, 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Lindsey, Kristian Lashea, 35
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Mathews, Megan Taylor, 19
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance

McBride, Whitney Leigh, 33
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Murphy, Bama Schenell, 34
- second-degree bail jumping- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree bail jumping- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Newsome, Marcus Wendell, 26
- probation violation-third-degree burglary

Noble, Cruz, 31
- probation violation-third-degree burglary

Overton, Joseph Randell, 27
- judge's order- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- judge's order- public intoxication (2 counts)

Quinn, Jesse Charles, 45
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Roach, William Lamar, 42
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Shelton, Jacqueline Rose, 51
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Sigers, Quintin Jarrod, 28
- carrying a pistol without a license
- second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Turrentine, Cricket Lynne, 45
- writ of arrest- child support

Wiggington, Jason Scott, 37
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 1

- identity theft; person
- harassment; person; 2nd Ave. SW
- first-degree theft of property; person; Cullman Shopping Center; '01 Toyota Sequoia; $4,000
- fourth-degree theft of property; Hobby Lobby; Town Square Shopping Center; miscellaneous; $290
- leaving the scene of an accident; person; Cherokee Ave. SW; damage to '12 Kia Optima; $1,200
- third-degree theft of property, fourth-degree theft of property; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; misc. merchandise; $1,432

Feb. 2

- attempted first-degree theft by deception; person; cash
- leaving the scene of an accident; person; Hwy. 157/Hwy. 69; damage to '11 Dodge Charger; $200
- fourth-degree theft of property; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; misc. merchandise; $109
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Logan St. SW

Feb. 3

- fourth-degree theft of lost property; person; 2nd Ave. SW; cash

ARRESTS

Feb. 1-3

Carter, Joshua A., 22
- fourth-degree theft of property

Cummings, Shannon M., 38
- third-degree theft of property
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Cummings, Madyson B., 21
- fourth-degree theft of property

Mathews, Megan T., 19
- FTA- DUI

Pearce, Terrance G., 54
- DUI

Pennington, Tommy C., 56
- public intoxication

Norton-Jensen, Rachel K., 34
- public intoxication

Wigginton, Jason S., 37
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Fanning, Warren D., 32
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ELOISE ABBOTT, Deceased. * CASE NO PC-2019-018

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Christopher Abbott, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Eloise Abbott, Deceased, on the 17th day of January, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Feb. 5-9

Swamp John's Dinner- Tuesday, Feb. 5
Johnson's Crossing Volunteer Fire Department, Station 1
Tuesday, Feb. 5 from 4-7 p.m.
$11 per plate
1542 County Road 617, Hanceville, AL

Lunch at VFW Post 2214- Tuesday, Feb. 5
112 Veterans Dr. SW, Cullman
Everyone come to Tuesday's lunch at the VFW Post in Cullman. Starts at 11:30, $5 per plate. We have carryout if you can't stay and eat with us. We always have a great time. Love to see new folks and enjoy the usual group. See you on Tuesday!

TOPS Meeting- Tuesday, Feb. 5
TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly- meets every Tuesday at the Donald E. Green Senior Center, 1625 Cleveland Ave. SW Cullman.
Weigh-in 3-3:30 p.m.
Meeting 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Contact- Candy Wachter 256-338-1272
Facebook- TOPS AI0073 Cullman

Yoga at the Library- Wednesday, Feb. 6
Every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Cullman County Public Library, 200 Clark St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055
Bring your own mat, strap and block. These items are optional.

Cullman High School Jazz Band's 23rd Annual Big Band Dance- Friday, Feb. 8
The Cullman High School Jazz Band's 23rd Annual Big Band Dance is coming up Friday, Feb. 8 from 7-9 p.m. at the Cullman Civic Center. Admission is $10.

Senior Appreciation Reception- Saturday, Feb. 9
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Alabama Sec. of State John Merrill will attend from 11 a.m.-noon.
Brushy Pond Community Center
2729 County Road 143
Bremen, AL 35033
Light refreshments and door prizes
Community meeting at 3 p.m.

Book Signing & Special Event- Saturday, Feb. 9
11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Ave Maria Grotto
1600 St. Bernard Drive, Cullman
Featuring: Br. Benedict Dyar, OSB, Benedictine Monk, St. Bernard Abbey
Signing: "The Flame of Telbyrin: A Tale of Heroism & Faith"
Anthony Maranise, religion professor, University of Memphis & Oblate of Saint Benedict
Signing: "Cross of a Different Kind: Cancer & Christian Spirituality"
Michael Waters, partner, Jones-Walker (Birmingham) & Rhodes Scholar
Signing: "Departure Points: Essays from Youth on Oxford..."

Senior Outreach Organization Dinner and Entertainment- Saturday, Feb. 9
The Senior Outreach Organization meets on the first, second and third Saturday of each month at The Link of Cullman County. (It is not affiliated with The Link of Cullman County, it is only renting the building.) The meal begins at 5 p.m. and the entertainment starts at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m. The Link of Cullman County, 708 9th St SE, Cullman

Bingo at the American Legion- Saturday, Feb. 9
Everyone is invited to Bingo every Saturday night at 6 at American Legion Post 4. 181 Reid Road, Good Hope

Gospel Singing- Saturday, Feb. 9
A gospel singing will be held on Saturday, Feb. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cullman County Commission on Aging building, 1539 Sportsman Lake Road, Cullman. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 256-796-6072.

Find more events at www.CullmanTribune.com/Calendar.

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BUSINESS

Regions Bank announces Will Harding as Cullman market executive

Jennifer Elmore
Contributor

CULLMAN – Regions Bank on Monday announced Cullman native Will Harding has joined the bank and will serve as market executive and commercial relationship manager in Cullman and surrounding communities.

Harding succeeds Market Executive Clayton Ingram, who retired in December 2018 after 38 years of service with the bank.

"Cullman is my home and is a special place for me and my family. I am honored to lead the collaboration of Regions' teams in Cullman as we serve our customers and our community," Harding said. "Regions is uniquely positioned to offer the comprehensive services of a larger bank while also providing local bankers who are constantly in touch with the needs of people and businesses here at home. I am committed to building on Clayton Ingram's legacy of serving clients in whatever financial stage of life they are in while also building on our strong foundation of community support."

Harding's entire banking career has been spent serving people and business in Cullman and nearby areas.

Specifically, Harding has served clients with commercial, agricultural and real estate lending needs. Harding has also served on various boards in the community, including the Cullman City Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism Board, Cullman Regional Medical Center Foundation, Rotary Club of Cullman and St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church.

As market executive, Harding will leverage his local experience and market insights to help expand Regions' client base throughout Cullman County while also taking a strategic, proactive role in addressing needs affecting the broader community.

Harding will focus Regions' local teams on reaching the objectives of Regions360, the bank's comprehensive approach to meeting customers' needs. Through Regions360, the company's bankers learn the unique goals of each customer and collaborate with colleagues from Regions' various banking departments to develop holistic solutions that are customized for individual clients.

Additionally, Harding will work with colleagues and community members to identify opportunities for the bank to make a meaningful difference through volunteer service, nonprofit support, delivering financial education and more.

Harding is a 2006 graduate of Auburn University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Business and Economics. He later continued his education at the Louisiana State University Graduate School of Banking.

"Will's expertise, combined with the experience of our entire Cullman team, will help Regions further strengthen its focus on this vibrant community," said Jay Dennis, commercial banking leader for Regions in central Alabama.

"We are tremendously grateful for the legacy of service and leadership provided by Clayton Ingram during his many years with Regions. All of our local teams – and our customers – will continue to benefit from the dedication to superior service that Clayton inspired among all of us."

During Ingram's service, he was instrumental in growing Regions' market share in Cullman, helping it grow from the smallest bank in the area in 1980 to the largest in 2018.

In retirement, Ingram will serve on Regions' local advisory board while continuing to provide expertise and perspectives on local banking services.

"I am fortunate to have had a 38-year career with Regions Bank doing something I love, working with a team of great associates and loyal clients" said Ingram. "Will Harding is a strong leader, and I am confident he will lead our Regions teams to new levels, prioritizing the financial needs of our clients and assisting in our community's success."



REGIONS BANK

Will Harding

Duke (from Front)

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Ruth Harris Duke recently celebrated her 101st birthday with family and friends. She was born in Welti on Dec. 12, 1917 and has lived in or near the community her entire life.

Ruth's father was just 12 years old when he moved to Welti. His was among six families who came by wagon from Georgia to settle Welti in 1904. He came with his parents and his grandparents, Sam and Lucy Harris. Sam and Lucy bought three tracts of land totaling 720 acres and began farming.

World War I was nearing its end when Ruth was born. There was snow on the ground causing the doctor to have to walk to the Harris's home. According to Ruth, snow was still on the ground two weeks later when her daddy traveled to Georgia. The trip brought good news, as Ruth's father learned he would not be drafted.

Said Ruth, "He was a farmer with young children. The war was closing down so he got to stay home."

Ruth and her six siblings grew up on their parent's farm and they worked very hard.

Ruth said, "We done everything by hand. We hoed cotton, chopped cotton, sowed corn by hand."

Sometimes they would work the fields for other farmers and were paid 75 cents a day.

She recalled, "First time I ever got a dollar, we went and chopped cotton. We got finished a little before night. Of course, they provided our dinner. Mr. Sticher gave us $1 apiece and we said, 'But we don't have any change.' He said, 'I don't want no change. Aren't you satisfied?' We said, 'Yeah,' and he told us to go home. That was the first time I had made a dollar in a day."

Ruth also attended Welti School through the ninth grade. Her father needed the kids to help on the farm and didn't think he could afford for them to take the bus to Fairview to finish high school. Despite all the work, the kids did find time for some fun. They enjoyed candy pulling, singings and board games.

Ruth said, "We didn't get bored. I had a friend who only had a brother and she said that she was so envious of us. My sister Millie said, 'I'm envious of you! You get three times the dresses and no hand me downs.'"

Ruth spoke about her mother and how she was in charge of doctoring the kids. Overall, the Harris clan was healthy and only experienced ailments such as the mumps, measles and colds. Her mother was a big believer in castor oil.

Ruth laughed, "She would drain some juice out of a can of peaches and put in castor oil so we wouldn't taste it, but we did. I didn't like canned peaches until I was grown. They tasted like castor oil."

Without hesitation, Ruth chose the 4th of July as her favorite holiday.

She said, "A clan of about 8-10 families would go to the river for usually two nights. We would play in the water up to our knees. There was a coal mine down there and we would get the water from the mine. The water was cooler. We would make lemonade with the water from the coal mine in a new wash tub. You see, we didn't have ice back then and didn't until we had electricity. I was nearly grown before I ever tasted iced tea. I thought it was terrible. I didn't like it but I do now.

"The men would have to come home to milk the cows. They would bring back milk. They would make coffee and it was just a relaxing time. The men would sleep on the ground, but the women and children made pallets out of quilts and slept in the wagons."

Christmas was also a fun time for the Ruth and her siblings.

She said, "As long as I stayed at home, we always had Santa Claus. Of course, we knew what it really was, but we still waited and didn't want our presents until Christmas morning. Most of the time we got some clothing and then a toy. We didn't have a fireplace but we had a heater. Momma would line up the chairs and put each child's gifts in their chairs. It wasn't much. A book or a toy, but our toys weren't expensive.

"When my brothers were old enough, Daddy got them their guns. One year my youngest brother's gun didn't arrive for Christmas. Daddy felt so sorry, but the gun was there a couple days later. The boys' biggest gift was their rifles."

The Harris Family Farm produced almost everything the family would need. The rolling salesman came by and they could get some necessities, but from time to time, they would need to make a trip to town.

Ruth said, "I remember the rolling salesman had stale butter and he would sell it as axel grease for buggies and wagons. Anyway, it took us a couple of hours to get to town in the wagon. We would hitch the mules in town, and over the railroad tracks, we would shop at Watson's and W.O. Kelly's. We had to buy sugar, flour, coffee and material. We made our own clothes. One time momma found some really pretty material upstairs at Stiefelmeyer's for 8 cents a yard. She bought 3 yards and made me and my sisters three pretty dresses. They cost 24 cents."

They also repurposed feed sack and other sacks to make clothes and other household linens.

Ruth laughed, "I remember a neighbor of ours was outside hanging clothes and she said, 'All I've got is sacks and rags and the rags are made out of sacks.'"

Times were hard for the Harris family, especially during the Great Depression.

Ruth's daddy had bought the family a Model T prior to the Depression and Ruth said, "It needed new tires and he didn't have the money for tires. He stored the car and it sat in the storage until the tires rotted off of it. He eventually sold it as scrap."

The car wasn't the only possession the Harris Family worried about losing.

Ruth continued, "Cotton dipped to $40 a bale and daddy couldn't pay the land note. It was $83. Daddy tried to get his brother to buy it, but he couldn't get the money out of savings. Daddy went to the Federal Loan and said, 'You'll just have to take my farm. I can't make the payment.' The Federal Loan told him, 'We don't want your farm and nobody can buy it. Nobody's got the money to buy it. You just go home and make you another crop and hope it will be better by time to make your payment.' Next year, he did make the payment."

As the Great Depression continued into the late 1930s, Ruth was in her late teens. She enjoyed going to the area singings at the local churches. She met a tall redhead named Hanley Duke. Hanley and Ruth dated for one-and-a-half years before marrying in 1938. She was 21 years old and Hanley was 24.

She said, "We went and found the preacher to marry us. We didn't have big church weddings back then, and we didn't wear the big white dresses."

To be continued next week...Life with Hanley



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Coming from Georgia, 1904

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2019027

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILMAN LEE FLACK, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Bobby G. Burks and Bettie Joyce Horton on the 1st day of February, 2019 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.

Bobby G. Burks and Bettie Joyce Horton
Personal Representatives

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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Cullman EMS to host 4th annual 911 Chili Cook-Off Feb. 23

Mary Beth Sellers
Cullman Regional

CULLMAN – Cullman Regional's Cullman Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is hosting its fourth annual 911 Chili Cook-Off on Saturday, Feb. 23 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. with all proceeds benefiting The Link of Cullman County. The registration fee for entering a team is $20. The contest is open to all law enforcement, firefighters, EMS personnel and dispatchers.

Tasting is open to the public for a $1 donation per sample. Community members are encouraged to attend and vote for their favorite chili.

First-, second- and third-place prizes will be awarded by popular vote from the community; there will also be an award for the hottest chili.

Attendees will also have a chance to win door prizes and enter a raffle for Rock the South tickets.

"This event is a time where those who serve their community come together for some friendly competition," Cullman EMS Director James Curtis said.

"It's a great way for us to be able to meet the people of the community we serve, as well as an opportunity to give back to our community."

The 911 Chili Cook-Off will take place at Desperation Church (202 Elizabeth St. NE, Cullman). For more information or to register your team, contact Curtis at 205-903-4486 or james.curtis@cullmanregional.com.













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CULLMAN COUNTY YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Championship Saturday recap; 8 teams capture county crowns

Noah Galilee, Nick Griffin

GOOD HOPE – Cullman County Youth Basketball Tournament action tipped off early Saturday morning with eight county championships on the line, starting with the third-grade girls.

West Point 8 – Cullman 7 (third-grade girls)

Action was fast-paced for the first period with a combined eight points scored in the first, but the defenses were able to take control the rest of the way. Cullman's Emma Eastman got into the action early along with McKinley Varden who added two more points. West Point got into the scoring action with back-to-back buckets from Kara Parker and Jaylee Jones to tie the score at 4-4 going into the half.

The second half picked up with the same pace as the first, as both teams fought hard to score. Smothering defense by both teams made getting a shot off difficult. Cullman's Dracen Bates added in a free throw to extend Cullman's lead to 5-4.

That's when Jones for West Point picked up the pace and took the lead with a jumper to move the Lady Warriors ahead 6-5 late in the third. Jones added another basket to put West Point comfortably ahead, 8-5. Cullman drew within one point with less than a minute to play with an Eastman layup, but that wasn't enough for the Lady Bearcats. West Point held on to win this year's third-grade girls' county championship, 8-7.

Cold Springs 13 – Good Hope 12 (third-grade boys)

The Eagles were able to take a lead in the second quarter on a pair of free throws from Ayden Light, but a deep three from Good Hope's Cohen Moore gave the Raiders a 5-7 advantage going into the halftime break.

The Eagles' Eli Voce tied the game at seven early in the second half and Cooper Johnson knocked down a pair of free throws to put Cold Springs on top 10-8 early in the fourth quarter. Eli Drake scored inside to tie the game at 10, and a layup from Moore put Good Hope in front 12-10. Voce netted a free throw to cut the lead to one and added another basket to put the Eagles ahead 13-12 late in the fourth quarter. The Raiders weren't able to tie the game back up and Cold Springs claimed this year's third-grade boys' county championship.

Cold Springs 19 – Holly Pond 13 (fourth-grade girls)

Cold Springs' Holly Bruer hit a pair of free throws to put the Lady Eagles up 2-0 early over Holly Pond, and Madison Butts hit a buzzer beater to tie the game at 2-2 at the end of the first quarter. Bruer hit an open layup to put Cold Springs up 4-2 early in second quarter. Butts continued the scoring streak with two made free throws to tie the game back at 4-all.

The Lady Broncos' Lila Sellers hit a shot to pull ahead 6-4, and Butts continued the scoring later with another stop and pop to extend the lead to 8-4. Bruer cut into the lead with a breakaway layup, pulling the Lady Eagles within a basket. Cold Springs wouldn't be deterred as they sank a basket to end the half tied at 10-all.

Holly Pond's Sellers stopped and popped to take the lead on the first possession of the second half, 12-10. Bruer brought the Lady Eagles to within a point after splitting a pair of free throws and followed that with a hard rebound and basket that put the Lady Eagles up 13-12. Emmylou Early hit a shot in the lane to extend the Cold Springs lead to 15-12 with 2:45 left in game.

A rebound and put back from Olivia Parker extended the Cold Springs lead to 17-12 with just over a minute left in the game and Parker dropped in another easy layup to extend lead to 19-12 with 22 seconds left in the game. The Lady Eagles won it 19-13 to take home this year's fourth-grade girls' county championship.

Fairview 27 – Parkside 13 (fourth-grade boys)

The Aggies were able to take an early 5-1 lead in the first quarter and led things 7-1 by the start of the second. The run continued for Fairview as the Aggies stretched the lead to 9-1 on a layup from Camden Cullen early in the second quarter, but Parkside was finally able to get back on the board and made it a 9-3 game.

Levi Hunt scored to make it 11-3 Aggies, but the Panthers were able to trim it to 11-5 by the half. The offense really kicked in for Fairview in the second half after a 3-pointer from Conner Scott stretched the lead to 16-5. Scott added another shot from three-point range and laid one in on off a steal to give the Aggies a daunting 21-5 lead at the end of the third quarter.

Parkside was able to trim the lead to 21-8 early in the fourth, but the Fairview lead was too much for the Panthers to overcome and the Aggies held onto win it 27-13, capturing this year's fourth-grade boys' county title.

Cold Springs 21 – Vinemont 18 (fifth-grade girls)

Vinemont and Cold Springs squared off for the fifth-grade girls' title and neither team could take more than a one-possession lead for the entire game. Caroline Miller scored for Vinemont late in the first quarter to tie the game at 4-4, and a 3-pointer from Reagan Robinson put the Lady Eagles up 7-4 early in the second.

A steal and bucket from Cold Springs' Sadie Smith cut the Vinemont lead to 9-7 late in the second quarter and that lead held at the halftime break. Maddie Davis knocked down a shot to tie the game at 9-9 early in the third, and both teams traded baskets the rest of the way until Ella Dickerson got a shot to fall with less than a minute to play in the period to put Cold Springs up 15-14 at the start of the fourth quarter.

Robinson hit another shot around the 4:00 mark of the period to cut the Vinemont lead to 17-16 and later tied the game at 18 with a layup. Dickerson added a free throw later in the fourth to go up 19-18 and Alyssa Guess sealed the 21-18 win for Cold Springs with a layup late in the game.

West Point 38 – Vinemont 29 (fifth-grade boys)

The Warriors and the Eagles were the two finalists in the fifth-grade boys' division and West Point was able to hold off Vinemont to claim this year's county title.

The Eagles got off to a 3-0 start in this one, but the Warriors were able to come back and take an 8-7 lead late in the first quarter on a mid-range jumper from Jackson Shelton. Briar Taylor added another basket as the opening period expired to give West Point a 10-7 lead by the start of the second quarter.

A 3-pointer from Vinemont's Cheston Wilhite tied the game at 10-10 early in the second and he added another trey midway through the period to put the Eagles ahead 15-14. The Warriors were able to answer late in the second and Shelton scored just before the half to put West Point on top 18-14 at the break.

J.J Minck scored to put the Warriors up 28-18 late in the third quarter, but Vinemont was able to trim the lead before the start of the fourth. Dakota Samples knocked down a free throw just before the end of the third to cut the lead to 28-23 at the start of the fourth.

Baskets from Shelton and Micnk stretched the lead to 32-23 at the start of the final period, but scores from Vinemont's Colby Kilpatrick and Wilhite made it a 32-27 game. The Eagles weren't able to get any closer after that, and West Point pulled away to win it 38-29, capturing this year's fifth-grade boys' county championship.

Good Hope 26 – Sacred Heart 18 (sixth-grade girls)

This was a tight matchup for most of the first half, but the Lady Raiders were able to create some separation in the third quarter and pulled away to win it in the final period. Good Hope's Cammi Graves knocked down a shot to take an early 4-2 lead, but Sacred Heart was able to take a 5-4 lead midway through the first on a basket from Makenzie Cruce.

The Lady Raiders retook the lead by the end of the opening period and Addyson Burgess made it a 9-5 game after knocking down a free throw early in the second. Ava McSwain scored later in the second to cut the lead to 9-8, but a put-back layup from Good Hope's Mattie Wix gave the Lady Raiders a 12-8 advantage at the half.

Burgess scored to make it a 14-8 game early in the third, and baskets from Graves and Lexi Collins put Good Hope on top 18-8. Sacred Heart was able to cut the lead to 18-12 at one point, but the Lady Raiders still maintained a 22-13 lead at the start of the fourth.

McSwain scored midway through the fourth to cut the Good Hope lead to 24-17, but a basket from Chloe Eisher put the game out of reach at 26-17, and the Lady Raiders pulled away to win this year's sixth-grade girls' county championship.

Fairview 25 – Hanceville 22 (sixth-grade boys)

This one ended up coming down to just one possession, but the Aggies were able to take a big lead early in the opening period. Alex England and Rhett Boyd each scored to make it 4-0, and a 3-pointer from Gavin Pace made it 7-0. The Bulldogs were able to cut the lead to 7-4 by the end of the first quarter on two scores from Marquies Leeth.

Leeth cut the lead to 7-5 with a free throw, and Ashton Hurst tied the game at 7-7 shortly after that. Both teams traded buckets in the remainder of the quarter, tying the game at 9-9 going into the half.

Nic Gregory netted a pair of free throws to give the Aggies an 11-9 lead, but Dalton Pirkle scored for Hanceville to tie the game back up. Boyd scored off a Bulldog turnover to give Fairview a 15-11 lead late in the third and the Aggies continued to build on it. AJ Wood scored twice late in the third quarter to cap off an 8-0 Fairview run and give the Aggies a 19-11 lead at the start of the fourth.

Leeth scored eight unanswered points for Hanceville to erase the Fairview lead and tie the game at 19 midway through the fourth quarter. Carson Jones scored to end the Bulldog run and put the Aggies up 21-19, followed by another bucket from Boyd that stretched the lead to 23-19 late in the game. Hurst scored to trim the lead to 23-21, but a late score from Wood made it 25-21 and Hanceville couldn't get back in front before time expired. Fairview held on to win it 25-22 and claim this year's sixth-grade boys' county championship.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cold Springs celebrates after securing this year's fourth-grade girls' county championship



THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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West Point High, East Elementary, Cullman Middle win Future Champions Kickoff Classic

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HANCEVILLE – Archery season is back in Cullman County and a field full of local squads competed in last weekend's Future Champions Kickoff Classic, held at the Cullman Basketball Complex in Hanceville.

East Elementary, Cullman Middle School and West Point High School each finished first in their respective divisions and Vinemont Elementary and Cullman High School were both able to take home second-place finishes.

The Eagles finished with the same score as East Elementary, but two 10s on the scoreboard broke the tie.

TOP 12 INDIVIDUAL FINISHERS BY SCHOOL
(Up to 12 archers may contribute to the team score.)

EAST ELEMENTARY
3,006 - FIRST PLACE
- Aubrey Corry: 264 and 8 10s – 2nd place elementary girls
- Reed Flores: 263 and 12 10s – 4th place elementary boys
- Easton Walker: 263 and 5 10s – 5th place elementary boys
- Karli Jo Ballenger: 254 and 8 10s – 5th place elementary girls
- Dylan Tisdale: 249 and 6 10s – 7th place elementary boys
- Carson Defoe: 248 and 9 10s – 8th place elementary boys
- Brooklyn Walker: 247 and 8 10s – 6th place elementary girls
- Cameron Yeager: 247 and 7 10s – 9th place elementary boys
- Joshua Au: 244 and 7 10s – 11th place elementary boys
- Carson Stancil: 244 and 3 10s – 12th place elementary boys
- Braxton Brooks: 242 and 4 10s – 14th place elementary boys
- Keyonna Puckett: 241 and 2 10s – 8th place elementary girls

VINEMONT ELEMENTARY
3,006 – SECOND PLACE
- Tucker Robinson: 272 and 13 10s – 3rd place elementary boys
- Clairebeth Johnson: 266 and 7 10s – 1st place elementary girls
- Jayden Friedrich: 262 and 7 10s – 3rd place elementary girls
- Cheston Wilhite: 259 and 8 10s – 6th place elementary boys
- Emily Coats: 258 and 6 10s – 4th place elementary girls
- Emma Hathaway: 243 and 4 10s – 7th place elementary girls
- Ethan Rabren: 243 and 3 10s – 13th place elementary boys
- E.J. Sharpe: 241 and 5 10s – 15th place elementary boys
- Halli Joiner: 240 and 2 10s – 10th place elementary girls
- Owen Rust: 239 and 7 10s – 17th place elementary boys
- Jagger Lee: 238 and 7 10s – 18th place elementary boys

HANCEVILLE ELEMENTARY
2,461 – FOURTH PLACE
- Drake Bentley: 234 and 6 10s – 22nd place elementary boys
- Eder Herrera: 224 and 4 10s – 29th place elementary boys
- Samuel Abney: 224 and 4 10s – 30th place elementary boys
- Parker Guthery: 223 and 3 10s – 31st place elementary boys
- Hunter Weeks: 214 and 2 10s – 37th place elementary boys
- Jackson Cleek: 213 and 5 10s – 38th place elementary boys
- Caden Hogland: 210 and 1 ten – 46th place elementary boys
- Ashley Gonzales: 205 and 5 10s – 31st place elementary girls
- Izaiha Acuff: 202 and 2 10s – 51st place elementary boys
- Isaac Graves: 202 and 1 ten – 52nd elementary boys
- Alyssa Harvell: 178 and 4 10s – 40th place elementary girls
- Hunter Black: 175 and 2 10s – 69th place elementary boys

WELTI ELEMENTARY
1,598 – SIXTH PLACE
- Sarabeth Jackson: 225 and 7 10s – 18th place elementary girls
- Silas Reynolds: 222 and 1 ten – 32nd place elementary boys
- Ryan Miller: 184 – 63rd place elementary boys
- Riggs Fulmer: 162 – 76th place elementary boys
- Morgan Bartlett: 154 and 2 10s – 51st place elementary girls
- Dane Mauldin: 152 and 1 ten – 78th place elementary boys
- Jordan Pierce: 127 – 85th place elementary boys
- Mason Johnson: 114 and 1 ten – 87th place elementary boys
- Kaitlyn O'rear: 109 – 61st place elementary girls
- Devin White: 88 – 91st place elementary boys
- Kaylee Burgess: 43 – 72nd place elementary girls
- Maddie Mickle: 18 – 73rd place elementary girls

CULLMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL
3,292 – FIRST PLACE
- Brinley Hurt: 284 and 18 10s – 1st place middle school girls
- Brianna Willoughby: 281 and 14 10s – 2nd place middle school girls
- Evan Dockery: 279 and 13 10s – 1st place middle school boys
- Julian Skinner: 276 and 14 10s – 2nd place middle school boys
- Carson Starnes: 276 and 14 10s – 2nd place middle school boys
- Ava Ray: 276 and 13 10s – 4th place middle school girls
- Hayden Scott: 276 and 10 10s – 4th place middle school boys
- Emily Leigeber: 270 and 14 10s – 5th place middle school girls
- Maddie Lindsey: 269 and 14 10s – 6th place middle school girls
- Jack Yeager: 269 and 9 10s – 6th place middle school boys
- Ayla White: 268 andm9 10s – 7th place middle school girls
- Cole Carden: 268 and 9 10s – 7th place middle school boys

FAIRVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL
2,871 – FOURTH PLACE
- Grant Laney: 273 and 11 10s – 5th place middle school boys
- Hannah Butler: 263 and 9 10s – 10th place middle school girls
- Grace Simmons: 256 and 12 10s – 14th place middle school girls
- Zane Spears: 251 and 7 10s – 17th place middle school boys
- Zane Roberts: 248 and 6 10s – 20th place middle school boys
- Morgan Bates: 241 and 6 10s – 26th place middle school girls
- Braxton Young: 237 and 5 10s – 34th place middle school boys
- Linkon Patrick: 230 and 5 10s – 40th place middle school boys
- Alex England: 221 and 2 10s – 43rd place middle school boys
- Seth Veal: 218 and 4 10s – 45th place middle school boys
- Andrew Mendoza: 218 – 47th place middle school boys
- Emily Pesina: 215 and 3 10s – 36th place middle school girls


COACH SARAH MARTIN

East Elementary finished in first place at the Future Champions Kickoff Classic after posting a score of 3,006.

HANCEVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL
2,802 – FIFTH PLACE
- Olivia Stallings: 264 and 8 10s – 8th place middle school girls
- Jacob Keith: 260 and 9 10s – 12th place middle school boys
- Dalton Pirkle: 258 and 5 10s – 14th place middle school boys
- Andrew Crittenden: 247 and 3 10s – 24th place middle school boys
- Ava Starnes: 244 and 7 10s – 25th place middle school girls
- Nate Kubia: 244 and 5 10s – 25th place middle school boys
- Conner Hogan: 236 and 5 10s – 35th place middle school boys
- Tristen Burks: 233 and 4 10s – 38th place middle school boys
- Camran Payne-Benefield: 220 and 3 10s – 44th place middle school boys
- Dominic Kittle: 217 and 4 10s – 49th place middle school boys
- Haley Guthery: 206 and 1 ten – 41st place middle school girls
- Tyler Quick: 203 and 5 10s – 56th place middle school boys

WEST POINT MIDDLE SCHOOL
- Madilyn Branum: 276 and 14 10s – 3rd place middle school girls

WEST POINT HIGH SCHOOL
3,266 – FIRST PLACE
- Ronnie Gentry: 286 and 18 10s – 2nd place high school girls
- Matthew Dunagan: 284 and 19 10s – 4th place high school boys
- Carter Duke: 278 and 17 10s – 8th place high school boys
- Lily Owen: 278 and 13 10s – 3rd place high school girls
- Skyler Rittenberry: 277 and 14 10s – 6th place high school girls
- Lauren Taylor: 277 and 14 10s – 6th place high school girls
- Emma Tucker-Hillman: 276 and 16 10s – 8th place high school girls
- Cameron Haynes: 275 and 15 10s – 9th place high school boys
- Marshal Doherty: 272 and 14 10s – 11th place high school boys
- Mackenzie Tidwell: 261 and 8 10s – 13th place high school girls
- Zoe Mattox: 255 and 9 10s – 16th place high school girls
- Ava Moody: 247 and 7 10s – 18th place high school girls

CULLMAN HIGH SCHOOL
3,233 – SECOND PLACE
- Kilie Cosper: 290 and 20 10s – 1st place high school girls
- Austin Russell: 285 and 19 10s – 2nd place high school boys
- Claude Thomas: 283 and 16 10s – 5th place high school boys
- Samantha Johnson: 278 and 13 10s – 4th place high school girls
- Sarah Kate Dockery: 277 and 16 10s – 5th place high school girls
- Jackson Miner: 275 and 13 10s – 10th place high school boys
- Drake Speakman: 267 and 7 10s – 14th place high school boys
- James Parrish: 265 and 8 10s – 15th place high school boys
- Abby Gragg: 264 and 9 10s – 11th place high school girls
- Emily Bell: 258 and 5 10s – 14th place high school girls
- Joseph Ruse: 246 and 6 10s – 20th place high school boys
- Cody James: 245 and 5 10s – 21st place high school boys

FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL
- Tucker Bennett: 269 and 12 10s – 13th place high school boys
- Eason Foster: 237 and 4 10s – 23rd place high school boys
- Maggie Butler: 232 and 4 10s – 23rd place high school girls
- Austin Chambers: 215 and 3 10s – 27th place high school boys
- Daniel Allred: 117 – 28th place high school boys

VINEMONT HIGH SCHOOL
- Jarrett Friedrich: 271 and 12 10s – 12th place high school boys

EDUCATION

58 Cullman-area students named to UA's Dean's, President's Lists for fall 2018 term

Richard LeComte
Contributor

TUSCALOOSA – A total of 58 Cullman-area students enrolled during the 2018 fall term at The University of Alabama were named to the Dean's List with an academic record of 3.5 or above or the President's List with an academic record of 4.0 (all As), according to the university. The UA Dean's and President's Lists recognize full-time undergraduate students. The lists do not apply to graduate students or to undergraduate students who take less than a full course load.

Cullman-area students on the lists include:
- Ryan Harris, of Addison, Dean's List
- Alyssa Price, of Addison, Dean's List
- Reagan Smothers, of Addison, Dean's List
- Charlsie Burden, of Baileyton, President's List
- Summer Walker, of Baileyton, President's List
- Darby Hamm, of Blountsville, Dean's List
- Rebekah Calvert, of Bremen, Dean's List
- Nathan Mattox, of Bremen, Dean's List
- Amanda Whatley, of Cullman, President's List
- Paden Adams, of Cullman, President's List
- Peyton Blair, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Taylor Cox, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Morgan Dyer, of Cullman, President's List
- William Franey, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Connor Jefferson, of Cullman, President's List
- Claire Jenkins, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Hannah Lowery, of Cullman, President's List
- Leahrose Mami, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Josie Oliver, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Bethany Pappas, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Sally Ann Pappas, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Jessica Patterson, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Laura Powers, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Benjamin Pruitt, of Cullman, President's List
- Anit Rama, of Cullman, President's List
- Jillian Richard, of Cullman, President's List
- Kolby Robinson, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Samuel Roden, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Dawson Shugarts, of Cullman, President's List
- Logan Shugarts, of Cullman, President's List
- Cassandra Thomason, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Matthew Thompson, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Trey Tucker, of Cullman, Dean's List
- David Turner, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Jordan Van Gundy, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Eric Voce, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Austin Weaver, of Cullman, President's List
- Casey Winsett, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Valarie Yarbrough, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Bryeleigh Davis, of Cullman, Dean's List
- Jarett Anders, of Falkville, Dean's List
- Emily Mickelson, of Falkville, President's List
- Victoria Abbott, of Hanceville, Dean's List
- Carrie Doss, of Hanceville, President's List
- Mallory Harper, of Hanceville, Dean's List
- Jeremy Hurst, of Hanceville, Dean's List
- Hope Mason, of Hanceville, Dean's List
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- Emily Amin, of Locust Fork, Dean's List
- Rachel Haynes, of Logan, Dean's List
- Christopher Eastman, of Vinemont, Dean's List
- Bailee Ponder, of Vinemont, Dean's List
- William Wrenn, of Vinemont, Dean's List
- Abigail Young, of Vinemont, Dean's List

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Community with Carol: Becky Goff with United Way of Cullman County

Carol Berry
Tribune Columnist

Becky Goff has been the executive director of the United Way of Cullman County since Oct 1, 2018. I had never met Becky until she came to do our interview, but four hours later, I felt I'd made a new friend.

Her excitement and love for her new position were apparent in the first 10 minutes.

The United Way organization has been a part of Becky's life since 1989, after she did an internship with it in college.

After that she was hooked on one of the oldest nonprofit organizations in the world.

The United Way began in 1894 as the vision of a woman, a rabbi and a priest. They saw the need to organize all the different entities trying to provide help to others.

They made sure they were legitimate and that the money donated went to the people, not into the pockets of the person over the entity. United Way continues to do this today.

Local organizations interested in applying for funding need to be registered health and human service 501(c)(3)s, provide services in Cullman County and have a board of directors.

Volunteers from United Way participate in the reviewing and approval of all funding requests. Every year, local nonprofit agencies submit their applications to United Way to request funding for their programs.

The applications include everything from detailed budgets and numbers of clients served to assessments of the programs' impact in our community and details about the demographics of the people served.

When you give to United Way, you never have to wonder if the money was used wisely or actually went those in need.

United Way of Cullman County will be celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. Wow, 40 years of service to our community!

I could not get all the services into one interview, so look for multiple interviews and stories about United Way and Mrs. Goff.

Listening to the vision Becky has and how she intends to implement it in the next five years was exhilarating.

Our community will benefit from her experience and devotion to her plan. She knows what United Way is capable of and wants to give Cullman all it has to offer.

She said multiple times, "This is not my United Way, but YOUR United Way."

I encourage us all to let that statement sink in.... WE make United Way work! United Way is a volunteer-driven program. The budget that Mrs. Goff, and others before her, operates on is very slim.

Becky said, "We don't need a big staff. If we keep that cost low, we are able to help more people."

The administrative budget at the Cullman County United Way has not increased in 18 years. This is amazing.

Please watch our interview this week (Tuesday at www.Facebook.com/CullmanTribune) and look at the United Way of Cullman County's Facebook page (www.facebook.com/uwaycc.org) and website (www.uwaycc.org). There are so many services, I cannot list them all.

If you are looking for a place to volunteer and truly make a difference, give Becky a call at 256-739-2948.

Or go by and see her at 304 First Ave. NE, Cullman at the Old Train Depot.

If you are a nonprofit in Cullman, reach out to Becky to see how you can partner with United Way.

United Way's Young Professional Board is hosting its third annual crawfish boil on April 27 at Goat Island Brewing. Come join the fun and support a good cause. Ticket information will be available on Facebook.



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Becky Goff, left, and Carol Berry, right

OPINION

Always Reforming: Competence

Tom Fillinger
Tribune Columnist

This is the third in a series of five. There exists formal research data that reveals that incompetent leadership is a major cause of decline in the Evangelical Church. In my work as a church consultant my observation and research confirm this to be true.

I have often been robustly criticized for including competence in the profile we developed for leaders.

Well the opposite is incompetence. God does not delight in incompetence or a lack of excellence.

He is worthy of the highest level of competence we can achieve. It is not something we manufacture.

We depend completely upon Him and actively seek competence in the execution of ministry that will bring honor and glory to Him.

When Solomon built the temple, he sought and enlisted the finest craftsmen available.

Paul struggled to always invest his efforts at maximum levels of dependence upon God and to maximize achievement. Competence is not self-sufficiency.

On the contrary, true competence is a profound awareness of our total dependence upon God and inter-dependence on one another as we make up the Body of Christ.

We do well to serve with that mentality.

Ex. 36:1-2 Now Bezalel and Oholiab, and every skillful person in whom the LORD has put skill and understanding to know how to perform all the work in the construction of the sanctuary, shall perform in accordance with all that the LORD has commanded." Then Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab and every skillful person in whom the LORD had put skill, everyone whose heart stirred him, to come to the work to perform it.

1 Kings 7:13-14 Now King Solomon sent and brought Hiram from Tyre. He was a widow's son from the tribe of Naphtali, and his father was a man of Tyre, a worker in bronze, and he was filled with wisdom and understanding and skill for doing any work in bronze. So he came to King Solomon and performed all his work.

I Cor. 9:24-27 Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but only one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may win. Everyone who competes in the games exercises self-control in all things. They then do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. `Therefore I run in such a way, as not without aim; I box in such a way, as not beating the air; but I discipline my body and make it my slave, so that, after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified.

All TRUTH is God's TRUTH. When there is incompetence in leadership roles in the church that church will not accomplish the Great Commission. That church will not effectively make disciples.

I urge my readers to honestly assess those that bear the title 'Leader' in the church where you worship.

Do they lead with competence?

If not, they need to confess, repent, and seek to acquire those skills that enable them to lead with competence.

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Jimmy H. Sartin, 75, of Double Springs, entered into rest on February 3, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loved ones. Jimmy was born on June 9, 1943, in Marion County, Alabama. He was a member of Living Faith Church for 8 years. Jimmy also loved to travel to the Smokey Mountains in his spare time. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 from 12 p.m. until 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Double Springs, where services will be held at 2 p.m. Burial will follow in Henryfield Cemetery in Double Springs, Alabama. Brother Frank Desiderio and Brother Bobby James will officiate. Jimmy is survived by his wife of 43 years, Marie Sartin; son, Anthony Sartin and his wife Tammy; daughters, April Dotson and her husband Jeff, Angela Sartin and her fiancé, Efren Ortega, Stacy Sartin and her fiancé William Foster, Cheryl Stone and her husband Rodney; brothers, Robert (Joyce) Sartin, Phil (Sherry) Sartin; sisters, Stella (Danny) Cook, Vicki Logan; father-in-law, Herbert Ingle; brother-in-law, Larry (Darlene) Ingle; sister-in-laws, Sue (Dave) Cole, Linda Shipman; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was known as "PawPaw" to 11 grandchildren, Austin Ingle, Emily (Tyler) Tidwell, Allison Ortega, Sophia Ortega, Matthew Hamm, Willo Foster, Tony Sartin, Eric (Hannah) Sartin, Haleigh (James) Riddle, Tyler (Brandy) Sartin, Sean Lewis and 13 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jim and Floy Sartin; brothers, Doris Sartin, Larry Sartin; sisters, Evelyn Robinson, Avalee Burleson, Linda Presley; and mother-in-law, Tressie Juanita Ingle.

Funeral services for John William Shaddrix will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at the Hanceville Funeral Home chapel with Rev. William Windham officiating. Mr. Shaddrix of Walter passed on February 3, 2019 in Cullman. John was a retired truck driver. Survivors include his wife Faye Shaddrix, sons Jerry (Tracy Watson) of Good Hope and Jeff of Walter. Daughter, Donna Cone of Hanceville, daughter-in-law, Tammy Shaddrix; Brother Buddy Shaddrix, 10 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He is also survived by an aunt, Syble Baker. Stepdaughter Christie Vaughan of Brooksville, stepson Rodney Martin of Horton. He was preceded in death by a son, Ronny and step son Danny.

Janet Gasaway Powrzanos, 70, of Jasper, entered into rest on Saturday, February 2, 2019 at her home surrounded by her loving family. Mrs. Powrzanos was born on April 11, 1948 in Pell City, Alabama. She attended Pell City High School and was a member of the Curry Civic Center Quilting Club. Janet had many hobbies and pastimes, including quilting, cooking, gardening, karaoke and sewing. She also loved going to the beach and spending time with her family and grandchildren. A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at 11 a.m. at Jefferson Memorial Gardens in Birmingham. Reverend Chad Shaw will officiate. Janet is survived by her loving husband of 22 years, Milta J. Powrzanos; daughters, Gina Allen and her husband Gerald, Angie Jones, Donna Newman and her husband Rob, Jennifer Shaw and Linda Lyons; brother, James Roy Gill and his wife Sharion; sister, Linda Kay Isbell and her husband Brent; former son-in-law, Victor Howard. She was "Granny" or "Gran" to 9 grandchildren, Adam Allen, Kala Wichmann, D.J. Jones, Brandon Howard, Justin Bullard, James "Lil James" Hardwick, Grey Lyons and Grant Lyons; and great grandsons, Theo Milta Lyons and Dane Wichmann. She was preceded in death by her mother, Jesse Stokes; father, Horace Gasaway; grandson, Christopher Paul Bullard; grandparents, Robert and Kate Gasaway. Also, son-in-law, David Jones. The family would like to express a special thanks to the extraordinary angels that took care of Janet, Barbara Smith, Diane Obrin and Wadena Obrin.

Doris Ruth Baccus, 87, of Haleyville, entered into rest on February 3, 2019 at Hendrix Health Care. Ms. Baccus was born on February 8, 1931, in Winston County. Doris was a member of Ashridge Community Church. She enjoyed working in the house and watching General Hospital and the Batchelor. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where services will be held at 3 p.m. Dr. Ron Horton will officiate. Burial will follow in Winston Memorial Cemetery. Doris is survived by her sister in laws; Flora Baccus, Magdaline Baccus, Clytee Baccus; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Octimie Baccus; brothers, Grady, Harley, William "Bill", J.C., Eddie, Walter, and Odis Baccus; sisters, Mae Knox, Letha Baccus, Nellie Horton, and Ila Horton.

Arabella Blevins, loving wife, mother, sister, and grandmother, passed away peacefully at her home the early morning of February 2, 2019. She was surrounded by family, friends, and her loving husband of 62 years. Arabella is survived by her husband Bob G. Blevins, son Robert Lee Blevins, daughter-in-law Cindy Daniel Blevins, daughter Candice Maria Blevins, nephew Xavier Flores, her loving grandchildren Robert Travis Blevins, Taylor Daniel Blevins, James Alexander Shoaff and Aidan Robert Shoaff, sisters Lila Flores and Dolores Tamez, and brother Sammy Tamez. She worked for over 30 years at Greif Brothers Corporation and following her retirement she continued her career as an interpreter for the legal community of Cullman. Arabella was bound by love and Christian faith, with the capacity to touch the lives of all she came in contact with. She will truly be missed by all. The family wants to sincerely thank the caregivers who were so compassionate to Arabella during the final years of her joyous life. The family will receive friends at Moss Service Funeral Home on Wednesday, February 6, 2019 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. The Memorial Mass will be Thursday, February 7, 2019 at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with entombment to follow in St. Bernard's Columbarium. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to Sacred Heart School or St. Bernard Preparatory School in Cullman, Alabama. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Herman Edward Ray, 68 of Cullman, passed away on Sunday, February 3, 2019 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Mr. Ray loved Auburn football and working on the farm. He is survived by his sons: Johnny Ray and Nathan Ray (Kelsie Jacobs); brothers: Phillip (Brenda) Ray and Danny (Lucinda) Ray; sister, Shirley Bishop and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Mr. Herman Edward Ray will be on Saturday, February 9, 2019 beginning at 1 p.m. in the chapel of Moss Service Funeral Home. His family will receive friends from 12 p.m. until service time. In lieu of flowers, the family will be setting up a fund on behalf of Herman's son, Nathan.

Memorial service for Colleen Alice Garner, age 66, of Cullman, will be at 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Garner passed away on Wednesday, January 30, 2019, at her residence. She was born June 1, 1952, in Esterville, Iowa, to Harold and Bertha Mustard. She is preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband, Danny Garner; daughter, Jennifer (Mike) Vasquez; sons, John (Tracy) Griffin and Buddy (Kayla) Garner; grandchildren, Kayla Vasquez, Brian Vasquez, Tyler Griffin, and Johnny Vasquez; sister, Connie Reed; and a host of extended family.

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23rd annual Big Band Dance this Friday

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Members of the Cullman High School Jazz Band perform at the 2018 Big Band Dance. This year's dance will be on Friday, Feb. 8.

CULLMAN – Get your dancing shoes on! The Cullman High School Jazz Band will host the 23rd annual Big Band Dance this Friday, Feb. 8 from 7-9 p.m. at the Cullman Civic Center.

The band will perform pieces from famous jazz musicians like Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington, Count Basie and many more. Admission is $10. All ages are welcome, but organizers recommend supervision for ages 14 and younger. Door prizes will be awarded from a random selection of attendees' ticket numbers. Drinks and various finger foods will be offered for guests as well.

The Cullman High School Jazz Band consists of 18 to 22 Cullman Band students grades 9-12, selected by audition. As the name implies, the group specializes in swing and jazz music. The band performs annually at the Cullman High School Band Christmas and spring concerts, Cullman's local Strawberry Festival and other community events. The Big Band Dance is the group's major event each year.

EDUCATION

26 Cullman-area students named to fall 2018 UNA Dean's List

University of North Alabama

FLORENCE – The following Cullman-area students were named to the Dean's List at the University of North Alabama for the fall 2018 semester.

Addison
- John Jackson Everett

Arley
- Maggie K Cleghorn
- Jacob Evan Farley

Baileyton
- Brianna Shae Walker

Crane Hill
- Brooke Nichole Edwards
- Sarah B. Mauldin

Cullman
- Sydni F. Benefield
- Chandler Grace Binkowski
- Mary-Ashley Eddleman
- Anna Alyce Gongre
- Kaitlyn Clarissa Griffin
- Katy L. Harrington
- Autumn Jade Harris
- Madison Brook Kilpatrick
- Abby C. Mayhair
- Christopher Stone Parker
- Hannah Grace Spradlin
- Samuel H. Wood

Eva
- Mitchell Quin Norris

Hanceville
- Haley Frankham
- Mary Maggie Louise Stewart

Joppa
- Mary Elizabeth Sturtevant

Vinemont
- Cassidy DiLeva
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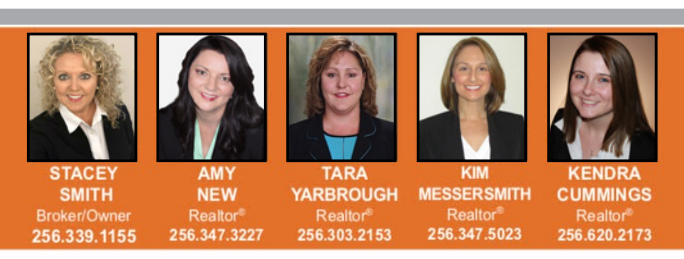


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