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ALDOT updates response to Hwy. 278/CR 831 safety concerns

Advises motorists to heed measures already in place



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Motorists headed south on County Road 831 have this view of U.S. Highway 278 west of the intersection. Traffic coming eastbound up the rise, if traveling at a high rate of speed, can be in the intersection within seconds of becoming visible to motorists pulling out from the side road.

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LOGAN, Ala. – After the most recent accident at the U.S. Highway 278/County Road 831 intersection in west Cullman County, several area residents contacted the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) to ask for safety measures such as a traffic light.

At least three people have reported receiving this response from ALDOT North Region Public Information Officer Seth Burkett:

"Thank you for contacting us to voice your concern about the intersection of U.S. 278 and County Road 831. We are aware of the crashes that recently occurred and have been reviewing the intersection and the limited sight distance to the west.

"In 2014, following a previous fatal crash (which occurred at a nearby business entrance, not the intersection), we conducted an analysis to determine whether the intersection met standards for installation of a traffic signal, but a signal was not warranted based on traffic volumes and crash history. A signal would still not be warranted today.

"While crashes at this intersection are not as common as many believe them to be, we have seen an increase in the last two to three years. There has been little change in traffic volume or other factors that might explain a rise in crashes. We'll continue to monitor the intersection and investigate further, including obtaining the results of the law enforcement investigations into these most recent crashes."

The Tribune sent its own request to Burkett July 30 for information on traffic flow averages and the number of wrecks at the intersection in the last three years.

On the following day, Burkett replied:

"I want to reassure the public that we are looking into this. The intersection does not meet federal standards for a traffic signal, but we are still gathering information and working to identify potential options to improve safety. Unfortunately, I can't release crash data, but I will provide you the traffic count."

Follow-up statement urges motorists to pay attention to existing safety measures

On Thursday, Aug. 1, The Tribune received this follow-up statement:

"Traffic on U.S. 278 at this location is about 7,000 vehicles a day. That includes both directions over a 24-hour period.

"Standards for signalization are set by the Federal Highway Administration, and are in place to prevent signals that might negatively impact intersection safety. Even when warranted, traffic signals often increase the number of crashes at an intersection. With an isolated traffic signal in a rural area, side-angle crashes due to red light running are always a concern, and rear-end crashes (the type of crashes we see rise the most with a signal) at high speeds are also a concern.

"Understanding that this intersection does not meet federal warrants for a signal, we are looking at it to determine what safety improvements we can make.

"We've heard a number of concerns and comments from motorists over the past couple of weeks. We're grateful for the personal experiences, observations and suggestions they shared with us to help us see the situation through their eyes. I want to reassure them that we take this very seriously, and we are working to explore options and find a solution.

"There is a flasher at this intersection and advisory speeds posted on the approaches on U.S. 278. It is apparent that some motorists are already ignoring the traffic control devices in place and not reducing their speed. I would like to plead with those motorists to be mindful of their speed and take into account that there are others trying to enter the roadway who may have difficulty seeing.

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'Thank you, Cullman County, for loving children in our community as much as we do!'

Brooks' Place director talks grant, upcoming fundraisers



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Brooks' Place, the Child Advocacy Center is seen Tuesday, Aug. 6, 2019 in Cullman.

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Franey resigns from Cullman Chamber, Danford declines interim post



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Dr. T.J. Franey, left, and Sammie Danford, right

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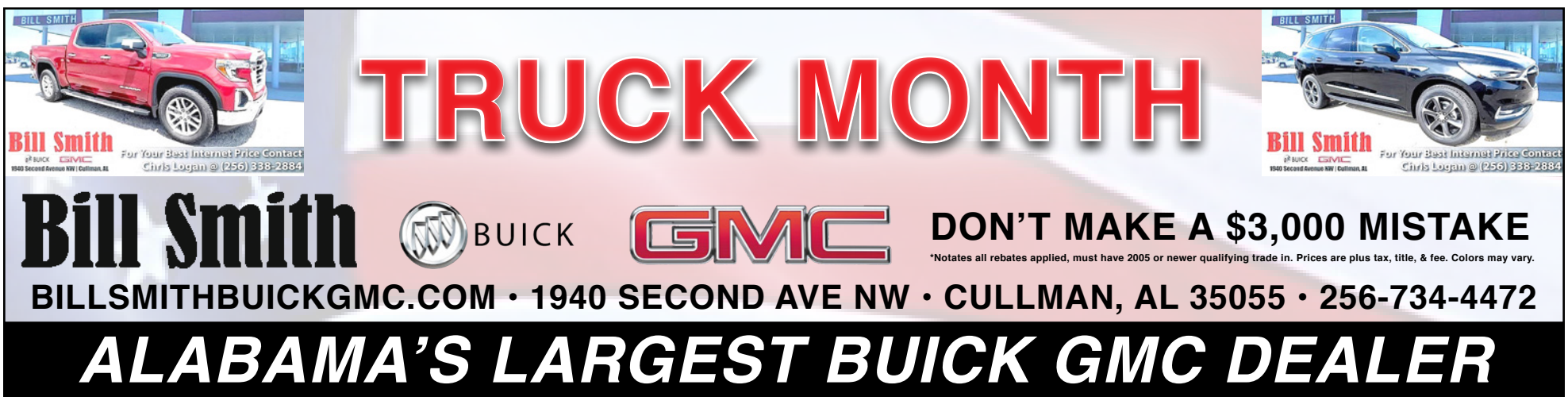
CULLMAN, Ala. – A source close to the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce Monday evening reported to The Tribune that former United Way of Cullman County Executive Director Sammie Danford was offered the interim presidency at the Chamber, to fill the post vacated by the resignation of Leah Bolin in May. Danford declined the offer.

After Danford stepped back, former Cullman Economic Development Director Peggy Smith reportedly applied for the position.

Chamber Board of Directors Chair Dr. T.J. Franey has also stepped down from her position. She served as Chair at the time of the Board's vote to give the Chamber's lodging tax to Cullman County Schools' facility improvement and sports complex project.

A press release from the Chamber late Tuesday afternoon

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Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 5-6

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 5-6, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

REPORTED AUG. 5
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE INCIDENTS
Aug. 1
- harassment; CR 702
- trespassing, giving false name to a law enforcement officer; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; CR 1807
- harassment; Hwy. 69 S
- burglary; Hwy. 278 E
- criminal mischief; CR 656
- harassment; CR 1505
- burglary; CR 870
- harassment; CR 1435

Aug. 2
- domestic violence; Lick Creek Rd.
- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; CR 728
- violation of a domestic violence protection order; CR 1107
- burglary; CR 1598
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 222
- harassment; CR 557

Aug. 3
- domestic violence; Handley Ln.
- theft of property; CR 437
- harassment; CR 599
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 591
- burglary; Hwy. 91
- harassment, attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; CR 1564
- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; CR 1492

Aug. 4
- burglary; CR 437
- possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65, 299 MM
- burglary; Doc Clemmons Rd.
- burglary; CR 941
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 566
- theft of property; CR 235
- menacing, theft of property; Main St. SE Hanceville
- harassment; CR 1084

ARRESTS
Aug. 1
Bolin, Megan Jovita, 29
- third-degree criminal trespassing
- giving false name to a law enforcement officer

Collier, Dakota Allen, 24
- probation violation – first-degree theft of property

Henderson, Sheila Ann, 51
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Hollenack, Lyndsey Nicole, 25
- nonsupport

King, Vivian Rena, 48
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Lackey, Justin Daniel, 37
- menacing

Lubert, Christopher Daniel S., 35
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence – harassment
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

McCann, Mary Carol, 36
- GJ- third-degree forgery
- GJ- obstruction – using false ID
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Morgan, Crystal Lynn, 36
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Pearson, Jowan Isaac, 22
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Perez, Florentino Luna, 34
- third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Woodring, Derek Allen, 50
- public intoxication

Aug. 2
Bagwell, Terry Nolan, 58
- third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Blackmon, Jared Lee, 34
- FTA- no antler bucks/turkeys harvest record
- FTA- hunter not wearing orange
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Burkacki, Kelly Lynn, 44
- DUI- influence of alcohol

Dunn, Cristie Ann, 51
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Gully, Joseph Edward, 48
- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Aug. 3
Oden, Cary James, 24
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence – harassing communications
- FTA- violating a protection order

Pope, William Thomas Jr., 53
- FTA- DUI - .08 BAC or greater

Steele, Joshua Lee, 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Terrell, Pashinz Danielle, 18
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Aug. 4
Baraglia, Lacy Brook, 29
- third-degree burglary (2 counts)
- third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Hunt, Lori Sonya Lay, 53
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- first-degree unlawful possession of marijuana – personal use

Millican, Jody Mark, 43
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- public intoxication

Williams, Tanjanika Lea, 36
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENTS
Aug. 2
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; Manor Dr. SE; miscellaneous; $348
- third-degree theft of property; person; 3rd St. SW; refrigerator; $1,400
- leaving the scene of an accident; person; E. Hanceville Rd. SE, Kessler Dr. SE; damaged property; $500
- leaving the scene of an accident; Cullman Power Board; E. Hanceville Rd. SE, Kessler Dr. SE; damaged property; $500
- duty upon striking an unattended vehicle; person; Olive St. SW; damage to '18 Chev. Equinox; $1,200
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; Olive St. SW; purse & contents, damaged window; unknown amount of property value
- unlawful breaking and of a motor vehicle; Olive St. SW; purse & contents, damaged window; unknown amount of property value
- third-degree criminal mischief; City of Cullman; Cleveland Ave. SW; damaged window; $500
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; Bluetooth Kit; $30
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; cash; $39
- duty upon striking an unattended vehicle; person; Graham St. SW; damage to '09 Nissan Altima; $500

Aug. 3
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; 2nd Ave. NW; miscellaneous; unknown amount of property value
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; socket set; $35
- third-degree theft of property; person; Logan St. SW; headphones, cash; $510

Aug. 4
- third-degree criminal trespassing; Cullman Housing Authority; Logan St. SW
- first-degree theft of property; person; CR 1332; batteries, seats, fishing equipment; $3,060

ARRESTS
Aug. 2
Perez-Garves, Julio, 34
- public intoxication

Thomas, Merlin E., 37
- FTA- attempting to elude
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- running a stop sign
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- failure to register vehicle
- FTA- driving while revoked

Gosnell, Jonathan M., 29
- disorderly conduct

Little, Crawford A., 20
- FTA- disorderly conduct

Atchley, Kristy H., 39
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hyde, Jamie F., 45
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Reid, James W., 26
- FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- insurance violation (2 counts)
- FTA- leaving the scene of an accident
- FTA- no registration in vehicle
- FTA- driving while revoked

Blackmon, Jared L., 34
- DUI
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Hines, Randy E., 59
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Oden, Cary J., 24
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Aug. 3
Cofer, Katie B., 37
- public intoxication
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Boyd, Tyler E., 28
- FTA- public intoxication

Baker, Bethany P., 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Baker, Tyler W., 27
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Owens, Chad M., 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Aug. 4
Sapp, Jacquelyn F., 44
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Kirby, Donald W., 30
- third-degree criminal trespassing

Clarke, Justin L., 39
- third-degree domestic violence

Parker, Byron B., 57
- DUI
- stopping on highway

Pate, Cody W., 33
- FTA- DUI (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while revoked (2 counts)
- FTA- no rabies tag
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- failure to yield

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

REPORTED AUG. 6
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT INCIDENTS
Aug. 5
- third-degree criminal menacing; Willoughby Roofing & Sheet Metal/Community Action Partnership/ Mae's Food Hall; 2nd Ave. NE, 1st Ave. NE; damaged property; $250
- third-degree criminal mischief; Cullman City Parks & Rec.; 7th St. SE; damaged property; $100
- fourth-degree theft of property; Your CBD Store; 2nd Ave. SW; keys, light; unknown amount of property value

ARRESTS
Aug. 5
Burbage, George R., 45
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence

Clark, Andy G., 45
- first-degree theft of property
- third-degree theft of property (2 counts)

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Aug. 7 - 10

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7
Yoga at the Library
- 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.

Back-to-School Night at East Side Baptist
- 5:15-8 p.m. at East Side Baptist Church (1111 Third St. SE, Cullman)
- The event will feature games, giveaways, inflatables and free food.

THURSDAY, AUG. 8
Hanceville City Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall

Dodge City Town Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Dodge City Town Hall

FRIDAY, AUG. 9
2nd Fridays - August 9
Starts at 5 p.m. at the Festhalle- Who's ready to Bark in the Park? Grab your furry friends and join us for August 2nd Fridays! Depot Park will become Depot Bark for Dog Day in the Park. Along with tons for you and your four-legged friends to do, the Cullman Area 2nd Fridays Furry 5K & 1 Mile Family Dog Walk will be open for anyone to participate in. That's certainly not all that will be going on at our August event. Other activities include live music from Drivin Blind, Trick Zipper and Lane Maury; Classic & Antique Car Cruise-In; a kids' zone; Artist Alley; Pop-Up Shops; Farm Y'all Cullman; the farmers' market; a food demonstration; food trucks; and extended hours for the Warehouse District. Admission to 2nd Fridays is absolutely free, but don't forget to support local eateries, vendors, merchants, artists and farmers! We encourage attendees to bring their own chairs, as well, for your comfort.

Celebrate Cullman
- Presented by the Cullman Downtown Merchants Association
- Friday, Aug. 9 from 5:30-9:30 p.m.
- The two blocks south of Hwy. 278/Third Street Southeast (from the Busy Bee Cafe to Berkeley Bob's)
- Free carnival rides
- Free obstacle courses
- Free games
- Free prizes
- Music

7th Annual Roger Latham Memorial Horse Show
- Friday and Saturday, Aug. 9-10 at Baileyton Park Horse Arena, 600 Fire Station Rd.
- Walking horses will show on Friday evening at 6. Racking horses will show on Saturday evening at 6.
- Admission is free. Concessions will be available.
- Proceeds will benefit the Parkside Jr. High and Fairview High School girls' basketball programs.
- For more information, contact David Latham, 256-572-1820.

2nd Fridays Furry 5K & 1-Mile Family Dog Walk
- 6:30-8 p.m. at Depot Park
- The Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center's #WoofLocal campaign will be on full display for August's 2nd Fridays! Enjoy our dog-friendly community by taking part in the 2nd Fridays Furry 5K & 1-Mile Family Dog Walk. Both the 5K and 1-Mile Walk will start and finish at Depot Park.
- The top male and top female finisher will each win FREE WINGS FOR A YEAR from Buffalo Wild Wings! Furry 5K participants will receive a Woof Local race T-shirt, and the top 10 male and female 5K finishers will receive a medal that will have your tail waggin'.
- 5K participants are encouraged to run with their dogs, but it is not required

SATURDAY, AUG. 10
Sinyard Reunion
The Sinyard Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 10, 2019 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Hanceville Moody Center. There will be plenty of good food and fun.

Jack Aces/Branham Accessories 5th Annual Bike & Car Show
- 3:30-10 p.m. at the Festhalle; free admission
- $25 Registration fee for bikes and cars
- $20 vendor spots

50/50 Raffle
- $300 1st Place Bike and Car
- $150 2nd Place Bike and Car
- $50 3rd Place Bike and Car
- Live music begins with Jesse Priest Music, followed by All or Nothing.
- All proceeds go to local charity, Cullman Police Department's Shop with a Cop.

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UPCOMING....
Folds Family Reunion
The Folds family reunion will be held Sunday, Aug. 11 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Sportsman Lake Senior Center. All friends and family are invited. Please bring a covered dish. For more information, contact Kenny Folds at 256-739-4522.

Dixie Echoes at Cross Baptist Church
The Dixie Echoes from Pensacola, Florida will be at Cross Baptist Church Friday, Aug. 16. The singing will start at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. A love offering will be received.

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Local schools gearing up for Friday nights on the gridiron

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman County Schools' second annual Media Day is in the books and all seven county schools are gearing up for the start of a new school year and a new season on the gridiron. Football and cheer coaches along with band directors made their way to the Cullman County Schools Central Office for Media Day, accompanied by players, cheerleaders and band members.

The Good Hope Raiders kicked things off at 9 a.m. and Head Football Coach Alan Scott opened up the panel by thanking everyone who makes the event possible as well as the community for the support they show to the sport every year.

"Thank you so much to everyone that is involved in making this happen. I think it's a great event, it's our second year to be able to do this and it really gives our kids some exposure whether it's for football, cheer or band," Scott said. "Everybody puts in a lot of work and effort to make the football season great. In my opinion, it's a great atmosphere and a great climate when the community comes together and supports one another and does wonderful things so thank you again for the opportunity."

After hearing from the Raider coaches, players, cheerleaders and band members, Good Hope left the stage to make way for the West Point Warriors. After an opening remark from Head Football Coach Don Farley, Warriors Band Director Bobby Patrick took a moment to talk about the band's upcoming season and their preparation in the summer.

"This is my second year back and I'm enjoying it. We've had a fantastic, although it seemed long, summer. We actually did about four weeks of band camp total with the different sections," Patrick said.

"The show this year is called "Rockstar", and it has everything from Ozzy Osbourne to Aerosmith to Queen and I forgot who else. I think there's 12-15 selections in it so it's a lot of fun. The students have done a great job, a great job of having fun with the program."

The Fairview Aggies were up next after West Point concluded it's time at the podium. After hearing from several members of the panel, Head Football Coach George Redding started to close things by talking about his team's passion. Coaching has always been about more than football for Redding, and he enjoys taking opportunities to talk about things bigger than the game.

"Everything we build on is just trying to play at a very high level and compete. Our first thing is about character and then we want to compete. Competing, to me, is about so much more than just showing up on a Friday night," Redding said. "We've asked our young men to kind of suffer for the things you say you're passionate about and trust me, we're talking about more than football when we talk about that."

After the Aggies closed their panel at Media Day, a crowd of Vinemont Eagles followed them up to the podium. Head Football Coach Stephen Robinson brought a handful of players with him and they were joined by several cheerleaders and band members along with their coach and director. However, the most notable guest for the Eagles was senior football player Travis Hopper. Hopper suffered a head injury in July and will miss this upcoming football season at Vinemont, but he and Robinson are both looking forward to his new role with the team.

"Obviously one of the biggest losses ever is Travis. Because of his injury, he's not going to be able to play this year so that's a huge loss to our team but I know Travis will find a spot out there and get on to people and I told him the other day that we just gained a new coach," Robinson said.

"That's how it feels so he's going to have his role and I'm sure he'll do a great job at that."

"We've been working really hard all summer to get ready for this point and it's always been a dream for us since we were younger to be senior leaders out on the field and seeing what's going to happen," Hopper said.

"I think everything happens for a reason and even though this happened, I still want to be part of the team and help as much as I can. I think we're going to do great things."

The Hanceville Bulldogs followed Vinemont up to the front of the boardroom after the Eagles' panel concluded and this year's drum major for the Hanceville High School Band, Xander Williamsen, is ready for things to kick off this fall. Williamsen has a passion for his position as drum major and encourages everyone to approach things in their life the same way.

"We're really excited to start our competition season and our football season. We have a lot of new kids that have a fire in them and want to learn and want to progress. I believe in all groups; we have young people that have a passion in them and they're going to put out all their effort. Sure, we're going to make rookie mistakes sometimes, but you learn from those mistakes. You don't let it upset you, you push forward, and you let that become your strength."

After hearing from representatives from the football team and cheerleaders, the Bulldogs wrapped up their panel and made way for the Holly Pond Broncos.

The football team and cheerleaders were not in attendance, but Band Director Evan Curtis and Drum Major August Floyd were there to take the stage for the Broncos.

Floyd is embracing a new role this year as the leader of the band, and she has really enjoyed working with her fellow band members.

"Being in a leadership position, you don't have to worry about just yourself. You're worrying about all the people around you. So, what I've been doing is just making friends with everybody and it's really just a whole family," Floyd said. "You can't really be bossy or anything and everyone works together so being in this leadership position and having others working with you has made my job a whole lot easier."

The final school on the docket for Tuesday's Media Day was Cold Springs High School. One of the captains of this year's cheer squad at Cold Springs, Taylor Teems, is getting ready for her senior year and while she's a little sad her high school career is coming to an end in May, she's just excited to see what her final year has in store.

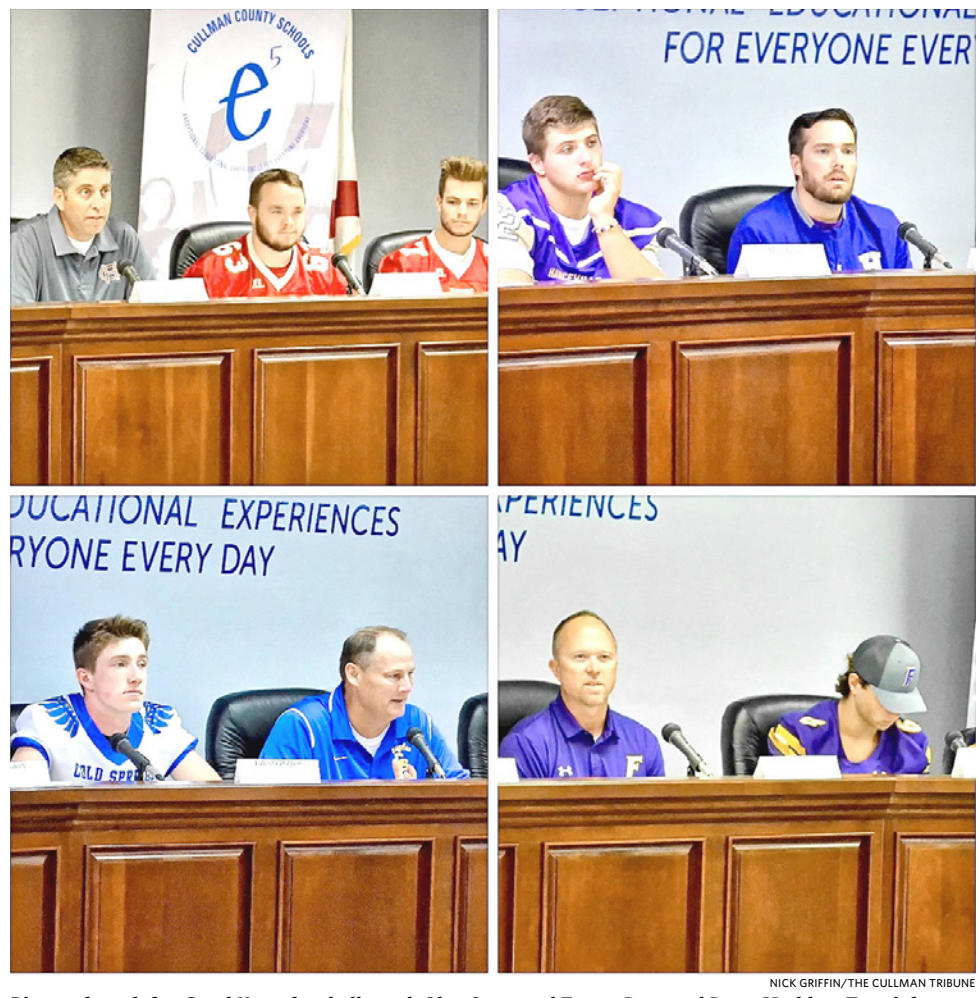
"I'm sad to say that this is my last year so it's pretty emotional, but I know that the football team is going to do their very best, as they always do, and our band is always great and always liven up the mood. You're never disappointed by our band," Teems said. "The cheerleaders have been working very, very hard all summer. We went to cheer camp and learned a whole lot of stuff honestly. Everyone has improved a lot and we've tried very hard to be better for the competition coming up. We're all very excited for that and we're going to do our very best. I just know it's going to be a great year, a great season and it'll be a good note to end on."

To watch full videos of each panel, check out The Cullman Tribune's Facebook page.



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Pictured top left - Holly Pond Band Director Evan Curtis and drum major August Floyd. Top right - West Point football coach Don Farley and Band Director Bobby Patrick. Bottom - Vinemont football coach Stephen Robinson joined by several players including senior Travis Hopper.



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Pictured top left - Good Hope football coach Alan Scott and Trevor Pace and Drew Maddox. Top right - Hanceville football coach Cody McCain and Will Akin. Bottom left - Cold Springs football coach Rod Elliott and Lawson Burgess. Bottom right - Fairview football coach George Redding and Mason Black

UAB Football 2019 Fall Camp Coverage: Practice No. 5

UAB Athletics
Contributor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – The UAB football team began Week 2 of fall camp on Monday morning at the Football Operations Center and was in full pads for the first-time during preseason.

THREE TAKEAWAYS:

- As Austin Watkins, Myron Mitchell and Kendall Parham continue to establish themselves as the top targets for Tyler Johnston III, a few other receivers have been making plays as well, most notably redshirt sophomore Kevin Davis and junior college transfer Markus Grossman.
- Spencer Brown looks poised for his best season yet with Jonathan Haden, Lucious Stanley and Larry Wooden providing relief, among others. The ground game should once again be in good hands in 2019.
- A name to keep an eye on for the defense is redshirt senior A.J. Brooks. After earning valuable experience on special teams in 2018, Brooks has positioned himself for a chance to be in the rotation come Aug. 29.

HEAD COACH BILL CLARK:

On the first day in full pads...

"We had two days in shells, so really we just put the pants on. It's the safe thing to get them all covered up. I thought it was a good day. We came off having Sunday off with bodies rested and good meetings. I thought we had a really good day. We had a lot of emotion, but they handled it well. I thought we got better today."

On whether the team is where it's expected to be...

"I think so. Obviously, we're looking for a lot of guys. We had a really good summer. From just being in shape, we struggled a little bit the first day with some cramps. We've really done a good job since then. To be really physical, practice like we do and still protect each other is a hard thing, so I thought we came out pretty healthy today. That's just day-to-day and really effects my mood. If we're healthy, then we're good. We'll just see what happens Saturday. This is kind of like spring training with practices one through 10."

On the offense...

"I think they're doing well. I've been really pleased. Our receivers have gotten better. The offensive line is starting to gel. That's the spot we're really looking for. Depth at running back – we have some guys back, along with depth at quarterback. I've been pleased with the offense so far."

On program expectations...

"We created these expectations. I said that when we started. We want to be a national team. We knew it was going to be a big deal losing 40-something guys at that time, and it kind of worked down to 30-something guys, which is huge. We'll see. Every day I talk to them and tell them, 'All right, now it's your turn.' Some of them have been waiting in the wings, so we'll see. Like I said, I thought we got better today. We're nowhere near where we need to go, but I thought they got better today."

QUARTERBACK TYLER JOHNSTON III:

On where the team is in preparation for the season...

"We have a lot of things to work on. There are a lot of mistakes we're making, but I think we're working on things and getting better each day. We still have two more weeks before game week, and I think we're looking good already. I think we're ready. We have things to work on, but we're going to keep on getting better."

On whether there's more pressure with a young offense...

"Not really, I've been a leader growing up. I kind of take it easy, but I like pushing people and making them better. I try not to let the negative get to them and stay positive. People look up to me, but I look up to people too. You have to look to them too to make them feel good and positive. A lot of guys right here are looking great right now. The guys are really looking good on defense and offense. They're just going to keep pushing themselves."

On having more pressure after a successful season...

"I do feel a little bit of pressure, but I can't be thinking about it. I'm really thinking about practicing and the first game right now. I'm not thinking about the rest of the games just like the others. They're just ready to play. We're not really getting nervous or anything because we're just trying to get better at the same time. These guys are looking great, and we're going to keep pushing ourselves."

On the first game...

"I'm feeling great. I'm ready to get back on the field again. I feel like a lot of these guys are. I think everyone is ready to get done with fall camp and go play right now, but we still have a lot of things to learn. Everybody has to get going, especially all the new starters because we lost a lot, but everybody is looking good."

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Shari Lord and Sharon McClanahan



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Rosalee White and Camille Love



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Ron Thompson and daughter-in-law Danielle Thompson

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CULLMAN, Ala. – With kids across the county heading back to school Wednesday, many adults recall their first days of school and the many emotions associated with it. The Tribune stopped by The Festhalle Tuesday to talk to seniors who reminisced about their school days.

While much has changed, there are some things that remain the same.

Sharon McClanahan was born in Cullman but moved to Cincinnati when she was just 4 years old.

She said of her first days, "Nobody could understand me because I was a little Southern girl. Nobody knew what I was saying because of my Southern accent."

McClanahan's first day was confusing to her.

She laughed, "My mom left me at kindergarten and I just cried and cried and cried. I screamed and cried. I just couldn't believe she would leave me."

An only child, McClanahan admitted she didn't know how to share and described herself as a bit of a loner as a young girl.

"I would get on this horse thing they had and just rock on that all day waiting for my mom to come back to get me," she said.

She eventually made friends and ended up loving school. She graduated high school in Cincinnati in 1964.

McClanahan's friend Shari Lord also laughed as she remembered her days as a young girl.

"I started school in Pensacola, Florida where my grandparents lived," said McClanahan.

"In those days, the little girls wore dresses, so I remember getting a new dress and my school supplies which were really cool.

"We had to have these pencils that were big and thick. I remember thinking that I can I could hardly hold this with my fingers."

Lord's first days were spent learning the alphabet and how to write her name.

"My name is Shari and I remember trying to make the S but doing it backwards," she said. "I think the teacher worked with me all year trying to make sure I got it right."

Lord's father was in the military and one of her memories is the difficulties associated with moving often.

"I always hated the fact that you might have to leave the school. In some situations, we were on a military base and all the kids were in the same situation so you could connect in that way."

Lord graduated from high school in Pensacola in 1968.

Both McClanahan and Lord loved story time and looked forward to their teachers gathering them around to read a new book. Neither could remember the name of their first teachers, but McClanahan clearly remembers her first boyfriend, Teddy.

Rosalee White and Camille Love both went to school in Cullman County.

White attended Logan School and graduated from West Point High School in 1968.

Love attended St. Paul's and graduated from Cullman High School in 1979.

White said, "I don't remember my first days of school. I went to school with my brother for two years off and on before I started to school.

"They wouldn't stop me. Momma would just get me ready and I would just go to school with him."

White loved Logan School but wasn't a fan of West Point because it was so much larger. She was used to Logan School and she loved her teachers.

"I had Ms. Ethel Leak. She was there for a long time," she said. "I had Ms. Freddie Wells and Mary Lou Hudson (Rusk).

"She taught out at Logan for a long time. Mary Ellen Freeman Jones taught me English for two years."

The transition to West Point was difficult for White.

She said, "When we got there everybody was running around everywhere. The school is nowhere like it was. You had to go up on the hill to a class, or down yonder for a class, or another in the main building. It was just running and trying to find it. When you are new, you gotta find it!"

Love had a difficult transition, too. Having attended St. Paul's through the fifth grade, her sixth-grade year at East Elementary was overwhelming.

There were nine kids in her class at St. Paul's and she remembers her first day vividly.

"I remember the dress I wore and everything," Love said. "I was in kindergarten for the first time and Ms. Kidd, she was so sweet, and I loved her so much. It was so great.

"Those were just wonderful days because St. Paul's was so small and they really cared about the kids and we could feel the love."

Love's days at St. Paul's weren't always perfect; she suddenly remembered, "Ms. Fox, my second-grade teacher, was mean as hell. She had the short hair with the perm and she wore cat eye glasses. She had no patience.

"Back then, little boys had crew cut haircuts. If the boys would act up, she would grab the top of their hair and slam their head on the desk.

"One boy, his hair was so buzzcut. John Denson was his name and he acted up and she just grabbed him by his ears and slammed his head on his desk.

"Man, I was petrified of Ms. Fox. I was like, 'Whoa man, she is serious!'"

Ron Thompson graduated from Fairview High School in 1964, and although he rode the bus to school, he is pretty sure his mom took him to school on his first day.

"I liked school. I loved the sports element. Had it not been for the sports, I might not have enjoyed it as much," he said. "I remember all my teachers and can name every one of them from first grade on."

Thompson was a star basketball player at Fairview.

"Back in that day we didn't give our teachers a hard time. There was always a clown or two...always did and always will, but we respected our teachers and if we got out of line, they only had to tell us once."

He added, "I looked forward to the first day of school. Our summers were pretty much filled with work, so it was a pleasant change. We got up at the same time seven days a week no matter what. We didn't know what sleeping in was."

Thompson said the exciting part of school was getting new school clothes and new books.

"For a short time, we had to buy our books. We came to town for our school clothes.

"Nothing real fancy, but nice and clean. I never wore a pair of pants of shirt that wasn't ironed and clean.

"From time to time you will see a fellow, usually older, with a pair of jeans on with that nice crease. Back in the day we wore Wrangler's."

While chalkboards have given way to white boards and tablets and Chromebooks have taken the place of hand-written papers, the anxieties and excitement of facing the new school year is timeless.

Kids today and kids of yesterday share the same concerns.

Hopefully, today's kids will look back at their school days with the same laughter and fondness as the older generations do.

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Get ready to groove with the Royal Blue 'Bust a Move!'

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BREMEN, Ala. – In one of the most energetic show themes around, the Cold Springs Royal Blue Band plans to get the audience up and dancing at every performance of its show, "Bust a Move." The show will feature songs known for their famous dances like "Y.M.C.A.," "Greased Lightning," "Ice Ice Baby," "U Can't Touch This," "Apache," "Thriller" and "Smooth Criminal."

Band Director William Johnson said he chose the theme because he wanted a show "that would not only be fun for the kids to learn but one that the audiences would truly enjoy listening to and watching every Friday night."

When asked how band camp went, Johnson commented, "Band camp was awesome this year! I cannot express how pleased I am with the worth ethic and dedication of my band students.

"The senior band members in particular have really stepped up and taken an active role in leadership this year and have made the band a true family. They have made this year's band camp one of the most enjoyable and rememberable band camps in my tenure as a band director. There is no doubt that it is going to be exciting and fun to see how this group matures and grows musically throughout the year!"

Later this year, the Royal Blue Band will compete in Hanceville High School's Mud Creek Marching Festival. There will also be a second competition, but it has yet to be determined.



COLD SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

The Cold Springs Royal Blue Band

Show some R-E-S-P-E-C-T: Good Hope band to pay tribute to Aretha Franklin

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – The Good Hope marching band is under new leadership, and director Zac Tyree is excited to show what he and the students have worked so hard to create together.

Tyree said this year's show will pay tribute to the late Aretha Franklin; he described the show by saying, "We will be starting the show with 'Freeway of Love' featuring two saxophone soloists and 'Think.' The production will feature the color guard and the majorettes with 'I'd Say a Little Prayer' and 'Respect.' The closer will be 'Natural Woman' with a special ending concluding our tribute to the Queen of Soul with music that she performed at the 1998 Grammy Awards and the inauguration ceremony for Barack Obama."

Tyree, who graduated from Good Hope in 2008, took on the position of band director in June and is pleased with the progress that the band has made since then. "The students did an amazing job during band camp. They made a lot of progress with the music for the show in a short period of time," he said. "The students did an outstanding job at the parent performance during camp. I am very proud of the Good Hope Raider Band."

The band will be performing later this year at the Mud Creek Marching Festival in Hanceville, the Tennessee Valley Competition and the Alabama State Marching Championship.

Safety (from Front)

The U.S. Highway 278/County Road 831 intersection

At the intersection of the two roads and for some distance on either side, High. 278 is a two-lane east-west road, though a passing lane ends to the east of the intersection, on the westbound side approaching the intersection. County Road 831 is a two-lane north-south road.

The regulatory speed limit (posted on white signs) on 278 is 55 mph through the area, while on approaches to the intersection an advisory speed limit (posted on yellow signs) of 45 mph is posted, making that location an "advisory speed zone." The advisory signs include an indication of a four-way intersection and the advised speed limit.

According to ALDOT's 2015 Alabama Speed Management Manual, previous crash data is often used in the creation and regulation of advisory speed zones. Traveling above the advisory speed limit is not necessarily illegal but doing so can increase a driver's liability in the event of an accident.

At the intersection, traffic flow on 278 is unhindered, except for the advisory speed signs and flashing yellow caution lights over the center of the intersection- known as an intersection control beacon, allowing drivers on 278 the right of way but warning them to watch for traffic from the side road.

Traffic flow on 831 is regulated on both sides by standard STOP signs and red lights on the four-way intersection control beacon; both have the same legal effect of requiring drivers to stop. The STOP sign on the north side is placed close to the intersection, while the sign on the south side is set back from the intersection due to the intersection's geometry. STOP bars (wide white lines across the approach lane, signaling where cars are to stop) are placed on both sides of the intersection, several feet back from the lanes of 278 coming through the intersection. Signs a short distance from the intersection on both sides alert drivers to the stop ahead, and sets of rumble strips on each side warn drivers to slow down. The posted speed limit at this point on 831 is 40 miles per hour.

First-hand: Tribune reporter W. C. Mann at the intersection

On Monday afternoon of this week, between 3:30 and 4 p.m. (not a particularly busy time on the road), I spent about 20 minutes at the intersection of 278 and 831, driving through the intersection multiple times from all directions, just to see what I could find. Following are my observations while driving on Highway 278:

- Traveling at 55 miles per hour, I was tailgated in both directions, on every pass. When I slowed down to 45 miles per hour in the advisory zone, cars crowded me even more, and the faces of drivers in my rearview mirror were not happy! Based on my observations, some drivers are accustomed to driving this section of 278 at high rates of speed, exceeding not only the advised speed but the regulation speed, as well. One local resident I spoke to after my drive-through said, "They think it's the interstate."
- Amid the jumble of wires and cables crossing over the intersection from every direction, the black intersection control beacon was not particularly visible. At night, though, I believe the lights would be seen easily.
- Visibility of the intersection and side road are fairly good when approaching from the east (Cullman side). When approaching from the west, though, I had to climb a rise, limiting my ability to see the side road in both directions until I was almost at the intersection; additionally, a grass-covered hump on the northwest side of the intersection interfered with my view of the side road to the north.

On County Road 831, I observed:

- Rumble strips and STOP bars are several years old and degraded. The rumble strips just are not all that "rumbly," and the bars are faded. They are all still useful but could function better if refurbished.
- Approaching from the south, visibility was good to the right/east (toward Cullman), but limited to the left/west by the drop-off of Highway 278. A homemade sign on the STOP sign post advises, "Look left last, cross quickly." One person reported previously that signs along the edge of the road and cars parked in the fueling area of the Sunoco gas station on the southwest side of the intersection hindered drivers' views from this point, but I did not encounter these issues. An observer confirmed that some signs were removed recently and, at least on this day, I did not see vehicles parked at the station in a way that hindered my view.
- For me, the most dangerous spot in the intersection was the southbound approach on 831. With my car's front end behind the painted STOP bar, visibility to the left/east was good, but my view looking to the right/west was of a grassy hump coming out from the yard on the northwest side of the intersection and reaching almost to the intersection. Even when I pulled my car forward, putting the front end just short of the edge of 278's westbound lane, the combination of the hump and the drop-off of 278 to the west made oncoming traffic invisible until it was very close to the intersection. A homemade sign on the STOP sign post warned, "Look right last, cross quickly."

Almost a statistic

My last pass through the intersection was southbound down 831 to the intersection, then left onto 278 to return to Cullman. I stopped behind the STOP bar with my blinker on and looked to the left/east, and the road was clear. I looked to the right and saw a grassy hump. Pulling forward to the edge of the highway, the left was still clear and the little more I could see around the hump to the right appeared clear. I glanced ahead to a driver stopped across the road and waving me on to turn before he crossed, and then started to accelerate out into the intersection.

As I began to roll, that homemade sign crossed my mind, and I did, just in time to see three cars come over the rise "bumper to bumper," moving fast and shooting through the intersection a few feet in front of my car. I cannot attest to the speed at which they were traveling, but I am comfortable saying that it was not 45 miles per hour. And to the person who made those signs, well done!

What can be done? Standard Federal guidelines for dangerous intersections

Some statistical studies have shown that four-way traffic signals or STOP signs may actually increase the number of collisions, especially rear end collisions, at some rural intersections, but the 2009 U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) publication "Low-Cost Safety Enhancements for Stop-Controlled and Signalized Intersections" offers other options for improving safety at intersections with higher accident rates.

At intersections with a major road and stop signs on a minor side road, listed low-cost safety countermeasures include:

- Doubled up (left and right), oversize advance intersection warning signs, with street name sign plaques, on the through road (278)
- Doubled up (left and right), oversize advance "Stop Ahead" intersection warning signs; doubled up (left and right), oversize STOP signs on the side road (831)
- Installation of a minimum 6-foot-wide raised splitter island on the stop approach of the side road (if no pavement widening is required.)
- Properly placed STOP bars on the side road
- Removal of foliage or parking that obstructs view

These improvements are recommended for rural intersections that have seen four to five crashes in a five-year period and are expected to reduce crashes by up to 40%.

Supplemental countermeasures (those with higher cost) for intersections with demonstrated higher rates of crashes include:

- Installation of a minimum 6-foot-wide raised splitter island on stop approach (831) which requires pavement widening. Recommended where ten crashes have occurred in five years.
- Either a) flashing solar-powered LED beacons on advance intersection warning signs and STOP signs or b) flashing overhead intersection beacons (installed). Recommended where eight to ten crashes have occurred in five years.
- Dynamic warning sign (sign with flashing lights) to advise through traffic (278) that a stopped vehicle is present and may enter the intersection. Recommended where 10-20 crashes have occurred in five years.
- **Transverse rumble strips** (installed) across the stop approach (831) lanes in rural areas where noise is not a concern and running STOP signs is a problem. Use "Stop Ahead" pavement markings if noise is a concern. Recommended where three crashes involving running the STOP sign have occurred in five years.
- Dynamic warning sign to advise high-speed approach traffic that a stopped condition is ahead; use this countermeasure when vehicles running the STOP sign is a problem. Recommended where five crashes involving running the STOP sign have occurred in five years.

The publication advises, "The entire set of basic signing and marking countermeasures should be the primary improvement considered at stop-controlled intersections with a high frequency of crashes."

Included in the publication are suggestions for slowing down traffic on the through approach (278) when wrecks tend to involve excessive speed.

Low-cost countermeasures include:

- Lane-narrowing by means of rumble strips along the edges of the lane; or raised pavement markers where rumble strips cannot be used.
- Dynamic warning signs on the approaches telling drivers to slow down.
- Peripheral transverse pavement markings at a spacing of four markings per second.
- Slow or speed limit pavement marking legends highlighted within a gray or black colored box on the pavement and supplemented with advance intersection warning signs with advisory speed plates.
- High-friction surface applied to the approaches (approximately 300 feet in advance) and through the intersection.

Each of these would be considered for a rural intersection that has seen five crashes in the last five years.

The 2009 publication concludes:

A number of low-cost intersection countermeasures have been identified that are effective in reducing future crashes. Because the countermeasures are relatively low cost, they can be deployed at a substantial number of intersections with high numbers of crashes. The result of such a deployment can reduce statewide levels of intersection crashes and fatalities.

What else can be done? Innovative/experimental solutions

One solution, considered a novelty in the U.S. but typical in Great Britain, is the creation of a roundabout: a circular or oval feature with a large island in the center. No left turns are permitted; all vehicles go to the right upon entering and circle the island until they reach their intended exit point. A standard four-way intersection has 32 "points of conflict," or spots where vehicles can collide, while a roundabout has only eight. A big problem with this solution, though, is its size: roundabouts are significantly wider than standard four-way intersections, and conversion would require the state to purchase or condemn properties immediately adjacent to the intersection.

Another solution, unveiled in various forms in 2017, uses sensors at intersections which send real-time alerts to approaching motorists about conditions in the intersection via devices installed in cars, or via a smartphone app.

The technology is still experimental, and would only work in cars equipped with receivers, or for drivers with the app installed on their phones and activated as they approached the intersection.

Both of these programs are still in testing and are primarily intended for use in cities and would be expensive to use at this point in their development.

A promising program which, in one form, has been in use in Minnesota for several years under the name Rural Intersection Conflict Warning System (RICWS), uses sensors located at certain distances from rural intersections to alert drivers on the side road (831) that traffic is approaching on the main road (278).

When a vehicle on the main road trips one of the sensors, a combination of flashing lights and digital signage is activated to warn side road drivers of oncoming traffic. A similar combination of devices can also be used to alert drivers on the main road to watch for traffic approaching from the side road.

Sports

8:30 a.m. FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis.
12:00 p.m. ESPN Little League Baseball Southwest Region, Final: Teams TBA. From Waco, Texas. (Live)
FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis. (Live)
2:00 p.m. ESPN Little League Baseball Southeast Region, Final: Teams TBA. From Warner Robins, Georgia. (Live)
3:00 p.m. FS1 Women's Golf U.S. Amateur: Round of 64. From Old Waverly Golf Club in West Point, Miss. (Live)
6:00 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Pittsburgh Pirates. From PNC Park in Pittsburgh. (Live)
FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis.
6:30 p.m. FS1 Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 5: Teams TBA. (Live)
8:00 p.m. FS1 Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 6: Teams TBA. (Live)
10:00 p.m. FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis.
1:00 a.m. FSEE Powerboat Racing Nationals, Knoxville, Tenn.
1:30 a.m. FSEE Boat Racing APBA Offshore Championship. From Sarasota, Fla.
2:00 a.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Pittsburgh Pirates. From PNC Park in Pittsburgh.
FS1 Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 4: Teams TBA.
3:00 a.m. FS1 Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 5: Teams TBA.
4:00 a.m. FS1 Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 6: Teams TBA.
5:00 a.m. FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis.

Movies

6:30 a.m. SHOW "Silverado" ★★★ (1985) Kevin Kline Old West drifters Jake, Emmett, Mal and Paden shoot it out with a crooked sheriff and clan.
7:00 a.m. TCM "No Time for Comedy" ★★★ (1940) James Stewart. A Midwestern reporter marries the star of his Broadway comedy, then tries his hand at tragedy.
TMC "Serenity" ★★★ (2005) Nathan Fillion Crew members aboard a transport vessel get caught in a deadly conflict in the wake of a galactic war.
7:10 a.m. MAX "Midnight Special" ★★★ (2016) Michael Shannon The government and a group of religious extremists pursue a man and his son, a young boy who possesses special powers.
7:30 a.m. HBO "Jessabelle" ★★ (2014) Sarah Snook
8:30 a.m. AMC "Gangs of New York" ★★★½ (2002) Leonardo DiCaprio. During the era of Tammany Hall's sway, a young man vows vengeance on the vicious gangster who killed his father.
FX "Money Monster" ★★½ (2016) George Clooney.
8:45 a.m. SHOW "Tombstone" ★★★ (1993) Kurt Russell Doc Holliday joins Wyatt Earp and his brothers for an OK Corral showdown with the Clanton gang.
9:00 a.m. TCM "The Stratton Story" ★★★ (1949) James Stewart. Inspired by his wife and son, Chicago White Soxer Monty Stratton pitches with an artificial leg.
9:05 a.m. HBO "High Crimes" ★★½ (2002) Ashley Judd
MAX "The Shape of Water" ★★★½ (2017) Sally Hawkins Elisa is a mute, isolated woman who works in a hidden, high-security government laboratory. Her life changes forever when she discovers the lab's classified secret — a mysterious, scaled creature from South America that lives in a water tank.
10:00 a.m. FREE "Liar Liar" ★★½ (1997) Jim Carrey.
11:00 a.m. TCM "The Naked Spur" ★★★ (1953) James Stewart. A bounty hunter has competition for an outlaw's daughter and a cornered killer.
SHOW "Revenge" ★★½ (1990) Kevin Costner
11:05 a.m. HBO "Paycheck" ★★ (2003) Ben Affleck

WEDNESDAY EVENING

MOVIES

AUGUST 7, 2019

		5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
WABM-MyTV	2	DailyMailTV	Funny You Should Ask	Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline A Carlsbad, Calif., family's secrets.		Dateline A death tears a prominent family apart.		Dateline A criminal defense attorney is murdered.		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing
WBIQ-PBS	4	Arthur (El)	Ready Jet Go! (El)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Ancient Skies Moments that reshape the solar system. (N)		NOVA NASA's Cassini probe explores Saturn. (N)		To Catch a Comet Rosetta's mission is to land on a comet.		Missile to the Moon Renegade expedition to the moon.	
WVTM-NBC	5	WVTM 13 News at 5p (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	WVTM 13 News at 6p (N)	WVTM 13 News at 6:3	Ellen's Game of Games "Oh Shipwrecked"		Ellen's Game of Games "Some Like It Hot Hands"		The InBetween Cassie helps with a cold case. (N)		WVTM 13 News at 10p	Tonight Show-J. Fallon
WBRC-FOX	7	WBRC FOX6 News at 5pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 6pm	Inside Edition (N)	MasterChef Team challenge at Irwindale Speedway. (N)		BH90210 "The Reunion" "Beverly Hills, 90210" reunion.		WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm	(:35) TMZ (N)
WIAT-CBS	8	CBS42 News 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	CBS42 News 6pm (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Love Island (Season Finale) Day 31 at the villa in Fiji. (N)		Big Brother (N)		S.W.A.T. "Cash Flow" A hunt for an escaped convict.		CBS42 News 10pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert
WTTO-CW	9	The Goldbergs "Weird Al"	2 Broke Girls	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Bulletproof Pike and Bishop find a car theft ring.		Hypnotize Me Sculpting pottery and making pizzas.		Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Andy Griffith Show	The Andy Griffith Show
WPXH-ION	11	Blue Bloods Danny protects Erin's key witness.		Blue Bloods "Nightmares" Garrett shares a secret with Frank.		Blue Bloods Danny finds a murdered college student.		Blue Bloods Linda helps with an investigation.		Blue Bloods Danny's son is severely injured.		Blue Bloods Erin questions Mayor Poole.	
WABM2-ABC	12	ABC 33/40 News at 5PM	ABC World News	ABC 33/40 News at 6PM	Wheel of Fortune	Press Your Luck Contestants from Texas and California.		Card Sharks "107" Contestants from Ohio and California.		Match Game Michael Che; Kirstie Alley. (N)		ABC 33/40 News at 10PM	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live
A&E	42	Ghost Hunters "The Fear Cage" Bed and breakfast.		Ghost Hunters Grant and Jason enlist help.		Ghost Hunters The team says farewell to their mentor.		Ghost Hunters The Orleans Inn on Cape Cod, Mass.		(:01) Ghost Hunters "Uninvited Guests"		(:04) Ghost Hunters TAPS travels to St. Petersburg.	
AMC	53	(4:30) ★★ "Ghostbusters II" (1989, Comedy) Bill Murray. A long-dead Carpathian warlock attempts to return to Earth.				★★★ "Pretty Woman" (1990, Romance-Comedy) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts, Ralph Bellamy. A corporate raider hires a hooker to act as a business escort.					(:35) ★★★ "Double Jeopardy" (1999, Suspense) Tommy Lee Jones, Ashley Judd.		
ANPL	47	North Woods Law "Collision Course"		North Woods Law A man hunting illegally shoots someone.		North Woods Law: Protect and Preserve "Decoy Detail" (N)		North Woods Law: Protect and Preserve "Wild Winter" (N)		(:01) Lone Star Law "Crash Course"		(:01) Lone Star Law A festival attracts thousands.	
BET	55	★★ "John Q" (2002, Drama) Denzel Washington, Robert Duvall, James Woods. A father resorts to violence to obtain a heart for his son.						★★★ "American Gangster" (2007, Crime Drama) Denzel Washington, Russell Crowe, Chiwetel Ejiofor. A chauffeur becomes Harlem's most-powerful crime boss.					
BRAVO	58	Southern Charm The ski trip gets off to a rocky start.		Southern Charm Gang enjoys a cannabis-infused dinner.		Southern Charm Madison repeats a rumor.		Southern Charm Ashley and Kathryn come face to face. (N)		Southern Charm New Orleans The group heads to Destin, Fla.		Watch What Happens Live	Southern Charm
CMTV	61	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	★★ "The Sandlot" (1993, Children's) Thomas Guiry, Mike Vitar, Patrick Renna. The new boy in town falls in with neighborhood ballplayers.				★★ "Revenge of the Nerds" (1984, Comedy) Robert Carradine. Harried college freshmen strike back at their tormentors.					★★ "The Sandlot"
CNBC	35	Mad Money (N)		Deal or No Deal Day trader Lisa Glicksman takes risks.		Deal or No Deal A player believes in positive thinking.		Deal or No Deal Andrew Shelton declares himself unlucky.		Deal or No Deal A Brooklyn native busts out dance moves.		Deal or No Deal A woman's dad is the show's biggest fan.	
CNN	37	The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N)		Erin Burnett OutFront (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	
COM	56	(:15) South Park Animated. Kyle interferes in a relationship.		(5:50) South Park	(:25) South Park	South Park "Marjorine"	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park "The List"	South Side (N)	The Daily Show	Lights Out-David Spade
DISN	49	Coop & Cami Ask the World	Coop & Cami Ask the World	Sydney to the Max	Sydney to the Max	"Descendants 3" (2019, Children's) Dove Cameron, Sofia Carson, Cameron Boyce. 'NR'		(:45) Raven's Home		Coop & Cami Ask the World	Coop & Cami Ask the World	Raven's Home "Because"	Andi Mack
DSC	43	Expedition Unknown The lost Teotihuacano civilization.		Expedition Unknown "Origins Of Stonehenge"		Expedition Unknown: Unearthed (N)		Expedition Unknown "Mysteries of the Dead Sea Scrolls"		Contact Unprecedented investigation of aliens.		Expedition Unknown: After the Hunt "Return to the Dead Sea"	
E!	21	Keeping Up With the Kardashians "The Gender Reveal"		E! News (N)		Botched A reality star seeks the doctors' help.		Botched A man wants his flat nose fixed.		Botched A psychic wants to remove her implants.		Botched A woman with irregular breasts.	
ESPN	29	SportsCenter (N) (Live)		MLB Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Pittsburgh Pirates. From PNC Park in Pittsburgh. (N) (Live)						SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	30	Ideal Electricians National Championship (N)		World Sign Spinning	Slippery Stairs (N)	WCO World Cornhole Cup (N) (Live)		Dodgeball (N)		★★★ "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004) Vince Vaughn. Dodgeball teams compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.			
FOOD	45	Guy's Grocery Games Chefs get same grocery list.		Guy's Grocery Games "Superstars Tournament Part 4"		Guy's Grocery Games "Superstars Tournament Finale"		Guy's Grocery Games Asian cuisine. (N)		Guy's Grocery Games Guy has three list-themed games.		Guy's Grocery Games Winners return for a burger battle.	
FREE	48	★ "10 Things I Hate About You" (1999, Comedy) Heath Ledger. Teens set a shrewish peer up with the new boy in town.				grown-ish	(:31) ★★★ "The Wedding Singer" (1998) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore. A 1980s wedding crooner attempts to find true love.				(:31) grown-ish	The 700 Club Little House on the Prairie. (N)	
FS1	20	(3:00) Women's Golf U.S. Amateur: Round of 64. (N) (Live)		Fair Game	Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 5: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			Jr. NBA Global Championship Pool Play, Game 6: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			MLB Whiparound (N) (Live)		The Pence Method
FSEE	32	(4:00) Fight Sports: Boxing		MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins. From Target Field in Minneapolis.						2018 XTERRA Pan American Championship		MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Minnesota Twins.	
FX	28	(3:30) ★★ "The Fate of the Furious" (2017, Action) Vin Diesel, Dwayne Johnson.			★★ "Jurassic World" (2015, Adventure) Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Irrfan Khan. Man-made dinosaurs go on a rampage at an island resort.					Snowfall "The Bottoms" Andre lets his guard down. (N)		(:04) Snowfall "The Bottoms" Andre lets his guard down.	
GOLF	82	Golf Central (N) (Live)		PGA TOUR Champions	Inside the PGA Tour	PGA Tour Golf From Ridgewood Country Club in Paramus, N.J.						Golf Central	
HALL	72	(4:00) "Anything for Love" (2016) Erika Christensen.				"Stranded in Paradise" (2014) Vanessa Marcil, James Denton. A jobless woman meets a handsome man in Puerto Rico.				"A Brush With Love" (2019) Arielle Kebbel, Nick Bateman. A discouraged artist paints a real-life Prince Charming.		The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
HGTV	46	Property Brothers A family seeks a modern dream home.		Property Brothers Jonathan transforms a vintage property.		Property Brothers The brothers uncover a toxic disaster.		Property Brothers "New Start, New Home, New Memories"		House Hunters (N)	House Hunters International	Property Brothers at Home	
HIST	40	Forged in Fire Making blades using coal forges.		Forged in Fire Two finalists re-create the O-Katana.		Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper "The Cane Sword" (N)		Forged in Fire Bladesmiths re-create the Boar Sword. (N)		(:03) The Strongest Man in History "Strongmen Go to Vegas"		(:05) The Strongest Man in History "Strongmen Go to Vegas"	
LIFE	23	Marrying Millions Rosie moves into Drew's loft. (N)		Married at First Sight Four couples try intimacy exercises.		Married at First Sight (N)	Married at First Sight The couples reach a huge milestone. (N)			Marrying Millions Bill makes a life-changing decision. (N)		(:15) Marrying Millions Bill makes a life-changing decision.	
MSNBC	36	The Beat With Ari Melber (N)		Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)		All In With Chris Hayes (N)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell (N)		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)	
NGC	22	Drugs, Inc. "Meth Madness" Meth claims thousands of lives.		Drugs, Inc. "Opioid Epidemic" New drugs worse than heroin.		Drugs, Inc. Drug trade booms in the wake of Katrina.		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix "New Orleans Blues" (N)		Drugs, Inc. Denver legalization begins January 2014.		Drugs, Inc. Drug trade booms in the wake of Katrina.	
PARMT	57	Mom	Mom	Mom	★★★ "Top Gun" (1986, Action) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis, Anthony Edwards. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot downs MiGs and loves an astrophysicist.					Yellowstone Tensions escalate between the families. (N)		(:03) The Last Cowboy Abby seeks help with her ranch. (N)	
TBS	25	Family Guy	Family Guy	Bob's Burgers	Bob's Burgers "Into the Mild"	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal	Conan	Full Frontal
TCM	79	★★★ "The Shop Around the Corner" (1940, Romance-Comedy) Margaret Sullavan, James Stewart, Frank Morgan.				★★★ "Harvey" (1950, Comedy) James Stewart. Harmless tippler Elwood P. Dowd sees a 6-foot rabbit named Harvey.				★★★ "Anatomy of a Murder" (1959) James Stewart. A country lawyer defends an Army officer accused of murder.			
TLC	24	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress "200? Trouble with This Dress"		Dr. Pimple Popper Siblings with matching skin conditions.		Unexpected McKayla returns and is pregnant again.		Unexpected McKayla returns and is pregnant again.		My Teen Is Pregnant and So Am I	
TNT	26	★★ "300: Rise of an Empire" (2014) Sullivan Stapleton, Eva Green. Greek Gen. Themistocles battles invading Persians.				★★ "The Huntsman: Winter's War" (2016, Fantasy) Chris Hemsworth, Charlize Theron, Jessica Chastain. Two warriors battle an ice queen and her evil sister.					★★ "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" (2010, Fantasy) Nicolas Cage, Jay Baruchel.		
USA	27	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Resilience"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Imprisoned Lives"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "American Tragedy"		Suits "Cairo" Faye faces off against Harvey and Donna. (N)		(:01) Pearson The Deputy Mayor pushes his own agenda.		(:01) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Wonderland Story"	
WE	71	Law & Order "Ramparts" River yields old corpse.		Law & Order "Hunters" Bounty hunters and police seek killer.		Law & Order "Haven" Community leader is killed.		Law & Order "Sideshow" Baltimore official is found dead.		Law & Order "Disciple" Dead girl found in ER lobby.		Law & Order "Harm" Divorce attorney suffers assault.	
HBO	518	(3:30) "Justice League"	Hard Knocks: Training Camp With the Oakland Raiders	VICE News Tonight (N)		★★★ "The Favourite" (2018) Olivia Colman. A close confidante of Queen Anne competes with her cousin. 'R'				REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel		Hard Knocks: Training Camp With the Oakland Raiders	
MAX	549	(4:50) ★★★ "Men of Honor" (2000, Drama) Robert De Niro. The U.S. Navy's first black diver battles a crippling setback. 'R'				★★ "The Take" (2016, Action) Idris Elba, Richard Madden, Charlotte Le Bon. 'R'			(:35) ★★ "Unknown" (2011, Suspense) Liam Neeson. An accident victim finds a man using his identity. 'PG-13'				★★ "Armageddon"
SHOW	578	★★★ "City Slickers" (1991, Comedy) Billy Crystal. A midlife crisis prompts an ad exec to join a cattle drive. 'PG-13'				City on a Hill Siobhan discovers she has been betrayed.		★★★ "Tombstone" (1993, Western) Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer. Doc Holliday joins Wyatt Earp for the OK Corral showdown. 'R'				(:10) ★★★ "Silverado" (1985, Western) Kevin Kline. 'PG-13'	
TMC	598	(3:35) "The Other Woman"	(:25) ★★ "Dean" (2016, Comedy-Drama) Demetri Martin, Kevin Kline. 'PG-13'			"Becks" (2017) Lena Hall. A woman forms an unexpected friendship with an old rival. 'NR'			(:35) "What Keeps You Alive" (2018, Suspense) Hannah Emily Anderson. 'R'			(:15) "Pimp" (2018, Crime Drama) Keke Palmer. 'NR'	

11:10 a.m. MAX "House of D" ★★ (2004) Anton Yelchin
12:00 p.m. AMC "Fast Times at Ridgemont High" ★★★ (1982) Sean Penn. The teen scene includes a party-animal surfer, a pregnant girl and a fast-food worker.
12:50 p.m. MAX "Mighty Joe Young" ★★½ (1998) Charlize Theron
1:00 p.m. FX "Everest" ★★★ (2015) Jason Clarke. Climbers from two expeditions fight for survival during a fierce blizzard on Mount Everest.
TCM "The Man From Laramie" ★★★½ (1955) James Stewart. A man sets out to avenge his brother's death and runs up against a gang selling weapons to Apache Indians.
1:05 p.m. HBO "Ever After: A Cinderella Story" ★★★ (1998) Drew Barrymore Treated as a servant by her stepmother, a 16th-century woman wins the heart of the French prince.
SHOW "The Saint" ★★ (1997) Val Kilmer (Premiere)
2:00 p.m. AMC "Ghostbusters" ★★★½ (1984) Bill Murray. Armed with proton packs, four paranormal investigators battle mischievous ghouls in New York.
2:30 p.m. FREE "Maid in Manhattan" ★★ (2002) Jennifer Lopez.
2:45 p.m. MAX "Head in the Clouds" ★★ (2004) Charlize Theron
3:00 p.m. TCM "The Mortal Storm" ★★★½ (1940) Margaret Sullavan. An Austrian farmer and a professor's daughter flee Nazi Germany on skis.
TNT "Immortals" ★★ (2011) Henry Cavill.
3:05 p.m. SHOW "I Am Number Four" ★★ (2011) Alex Pettyfer
3:30 p.m. FX "The Fate of the Furious" ★★½ (2017) Vin Diesel.
HBO "Justice League" ★★½ (2017) Ben Affleck
3:35 p.m. TMC "The Other Woman" ★★ (2009) Natalie Portman
4:30 p.m. AMC "Ghostbusters II" ★★½ (1989) Bill Murray.
4:50 p.m. MAX "Men of Honor" ★★★ (2000) Robert De Niro The U.S. Navy's first black diver battles a salty chief, racial prejudice and a crippling setback.
5:00 p.m. BET "John Q" ★★ (2002) Denzel Washington.
TCM "The Shop Around the Corner" ★★★½ (1940) Margaret Sullavan. The more Budapest co-workers fight, the more they fall in love as secret pen pals.
TNT "300: Rise of an Empire" ★★ (2014) Sullivan Stapleton.
SHOW "City Slickers" ★★★ (1991) Billy Crystal On vacation, three men get to play cowboy on a dude-ranch cattle drive, but unexpected circumstances test their skills and stamina.
5:25 p.m. TMC "Dean" ★★½ (2016) Demetri Martin
6:00 p.m. CMTV "The Sandlot" ★★½ (1993) Thomas Guiry.
6:30 p.m. FX "Jurassic World" ★★½ (2015) Chris Pratt.
PARMT "Top Gun" ★★★ (1986) Tom Cruise. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot tangles with MiGs and flirts with a civilian astrophysicist.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Pretty Woman" ★★★ (1990) Richard Gere. A corporate raider pays a gorgeous hooker to be his escort for a business week in Beverly Hills.
TCM "Harvey" ★★★½ (1950) James Stewart. A woman tries to have her tippling brother put away when his claims of a 6-foot invisible rabbit cause embarrassment.
TNT "The Huntsman: Winter's War" ★★ (2016) Chris Hemsworth.
HBO "The Favourite" ★★★½ (2018) Olivia Colman In early 18th-century England, a frail Queen Anne occupies the throne and her close friend Lady Sarah governs the country in her stead. When new servant Abigail arrives, her charm endears her to Sarah.
MAX "The Take" ★★ (2016) Idris Elba
7:31 p.m. FREE "The Wedding Singer" ★★★ (1998) Adam Sandler. A spirited entertainer and a waitress with a boorish fiance work at the same weddings.
8:00 p.m. BET "American Gangster" ★★★ (2007) Denzel Washington. A Harlem mobster combines ingenuity and strict business codes to dominate organized crime, while a veteran cop searches for a way to bring him down.
SHOW "Tombstone" ★★★ (1993) Kurt Russell Doc Holliday joins Wyatt Earp and his brothers for an OK Corral showdown with the Clanton gang.
8:30 p.m. CMTV "Revenge of the Nerds" ★★½ (1984) Robert Carradine.
8:35 p.m. MAX "Unknown" ★★½ (2011) Liam Neeson
9:00 p.m. ESPN2 "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" ★★★ (2004) Vince Vaughn. The owner of a gym and an overbearing entrepreneur form dodgeball teams to compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.
TCM "Anatomy of a Murder" ★★★½ (1959) James Stewart. A Michigan lawyer and his colleague defend an Army lieutenant who killed the man who raped the officer's wife.
9:30 p.m. TNT "The Sorcerer's Apprentice" ★★½ (2010) Nicolas Cage.
9:35 p.m. AMC "Double Jeopardy" ★★★ (1999) Tommy Lee Jones. While in jail for murdering her husband, a woman discovers he is living under a new identity with their son.
10:10 p.m. SHOW "Silverado" ★★★ (1985) Kevin Kline Old West drifters Jake, Emmett, Mal and Paden shoot it out with a crooked sheriff and clan.
10:30 p.m. CMTV "The Sandlot" ★★½ (1993) Thomas Guiry.
MAX "Armageddon" ★★½ (1998) Bruce Willis
10:57 p.m. PARMT "Top Gun" ★★★ (1986) Tom Cruise. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot tangles with MiGs and flirts with a civilian astrophysicist.

Best Bets

7 p.m. on WIAT
Love Island

Which two Islanders will be the lucky couple who heads home with the $100,000 grand prize? Viewers will find out in tonight's finale, but CBS also is squarely in the winner's circle with this adaptation of a hit British dating show. The network took a big gamble, programming "Love Island" every weeknight following its July premiere, but even most viewers who may have tuned in to hate-watch quickly got hooked on this silly but addictive series. Arielle Vandenberg is the host; Matthew Hoffman does the hilarious narration.

7 p.m. on WTTO
Bulletproof

A pair of undercover cops — Bishop (Noel Clarke, "Star Trek: Into Darkness") and Pike (rapper and actor Ashley Walters) tirelessly chase down violent criminals in the East End of London in this adrenaline-heavy British import. In the premiere, an informant is killed, leading Pike and Bishop to uncover a gang of thieves who target luxury cars. Clarke Peters, Lindsey Coulson and Christina Chang also star in this alternately gritty and glossy crime drama.

7 p.m. on FREE
grown-ish

Sophomore year ends for Zoey Johnson (Yara Shahidi) and her friends in the Season 2 finale "Dreams and Nightmares." Both spirits and tensions inevitably are running high, and as pent-up emotions are unleashed, the results include rifts in multiple relationships, as well as some unexpected reconciliations. Deon Cole, Trevor Jackson, Emily Arlook and Francia Raisa also star.

8 p.m. on WBRC
BH90210

There's a whole lot of "meta" going on in this unorthodox new take on the iconic Fox high school drama that ran on the network from 1990 to 2000. Many of the original cast members return for this new show, which isn't a straightforward reboot, but rather a high-concept take on what might happen if Jennie Garth, Tori Spelling, Jason Priestley, Shannen Doherty, Ian Ziering, Gabrielle Carteris and Brian Austin Green reunited to bring back their vintage hit. The actors play somewhat fictionalized versions of themselves.

8 p.m. on WTTO
Hypnotize Me

Taye Diggs hosts this new iteration of a hit British game show, wherein contestants work together in teams to complete simple, everyday tasks. Here's the complicating element, although the show title is a spoiler: The contestants have to complete their assigned challenges after being "put under" by resident hypnotist Keith Barry. After that, the players have a tougher time following simple commands, and also run the risk of unwittingly giving up long-held secrets.

9 p.m. on DSC
Contact

Have extraterrestrials really made contact with Earth? More than half the people living in the United States think so, but so far, there's been no evidence strong enough to change the minds of skeptics. In this new documentary series, six top investigators pursue the answers still to be found, using cutting-edge software developed by the CIA, investigative techniques honed in military special operations and good old shoe-leather journalism from around the world.

9 p.m. on OWN
David Makes Man

This half-hour preview special takes viewers behind the scenes of "David Makes Man," a new scripted drama series created by Tarell Alvin McCraney, who won an Oscar for co-writing the film drama "Moonlight." Executive producer Oprah Winfrey explains what there is about this new project that moved her to declare it "poetry on TV," while some of the show's stars, including Phylicia Rashad, also are interviewed.



Ashley Walters (left) and Noel Clarke star in "Bulletproof" on The CW.

PUZZLES

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"The Righteous Gemstones" on HBO

(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

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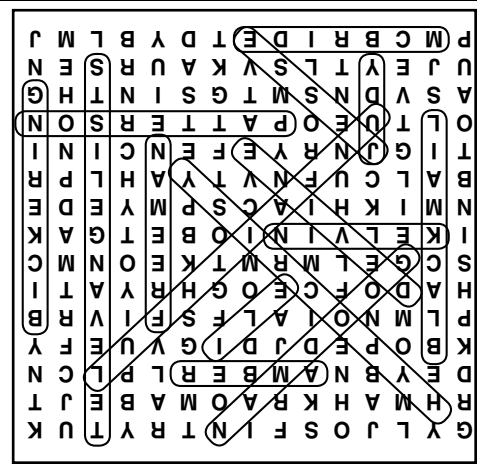
To complete this puzzle, place the numbers 1-9 in the empty cells, so that every row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold outline) contains all nine digits.

Each number 1-9 may appear only once in each row, column and 3-by-3 box.

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SOLUTIONS

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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 1 – 5

Funeral Services for Kristopher Lyn Griffin, 34, of Cullman will be 2 p.m. Wednesday August 7, 2019 at Ryan's Creek Baptist Church, Bremen, Alabama. Burial will follow at the Cemetery. The family will receive friends for visitation from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday August 6, 2019 at the Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Griffin was a decorated U.S. Army veteran serving in Iraq Operation Freedom. He is survived by a son Ethan Lane Griffin; two sisters Julie Ann Marie Minor (Jason Aderhold), Virginia (Colton) Boatwright; a nephew Alexander Aaron Curtis; parents Samuel and Sheila Aaron; grandparents Judy Page and Linda Phillips and a host of uncles, aunts and cousins. Mr. Griffin is preceded in death by his grandparents Alfred Aaron and Harvey Lee Griffin.

Edna Augusta Murphree Chafin lived a blessed 90 years. She passed on August 2, 2019, from congestive heart failure at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Edna was proceeded in death by husband, O.D. Chafin, parents, Ellis Murphree & Mava Murphree, and sister, Etheleen Strickland. She is survived by children, Joslyn Prince, Greg Chafin (Kim) and Vanessia Keith (Ricky), grandchildren Kris Eddins (Kelley), Ian Prince & Nathan Prince, Zoe` Chafin, Justin Chafin (Somer), Elizabeth Sumners, great-grandchildren Dillon Chafin, Andee Chafin & Lacie Sumners. Edna will be cremated with grave side service at New Prospect Cemetary at a later date.

Funeral service for Keith Owens, 46, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Thursday, August 8th, 2019 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, Dr. Ralph Andrews officiating with interment in White Oak Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Keith passed away Monday, August 5th, 2019. He was born June 18, 1973 to Billy & Charlotte Bartlett Owens. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Olen & Vera Bartlett and Pierce & Effie Owens. Survivors include his wife, Tena Reid Owens; sons, Owen Benjamin Armstrong, Sawyer Blake Owens; parents, Billy & Charlotte Bartlett Owens; father and mother-in-law, Michael & Pam Reid; brother, Craig Owens; Sister, Jana (Derek) Kerley; brother and sister-in-law, A.J. & Tisha Jennings; uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, family and friends. Visitation will be Wednesday evening at the funeral home from 4:30 – 9 p.m. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations made be made to Traditions Bank Account for Owen and Sawyer.

Robert Clay Wilsford, Sr. of Hanceville, Alabama passed away August 4, 2019. He was born June 8, 1954 to Robert Earl and Gladys Bonee Wilsford in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee who have preceded him in death. Mr. Wilsford leaves to cherish his memory his wife, Linda Gail Wilsford; daughters, Melinda Combs and Brittany (Kevin) Scott; sons: Robert Clay Wilsford, Jr., Tyler Willis, and Austin Willis; sisters, Judy Pope and Maudessa (Bobby) Britton; brothers, Larry (Dianne) Wilsford and Ronald (Dee) Wilsford; five grandchildren and one great grandchild. Visitation will be Thursday, August 8, 2019 from 10 – 11 a.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home with services following. There will be a graveside service at 3 p.m. at Giles Memory Gardens in Pulaski, Tennessee. Moss Service Funeral Home will be directing.

George Stonewall Rowe was born on August 23, 1925 in Athens, Alabama and passed away on August 5, 2019 in Cullman, Alabama. Visitation will be at First United Methodist Church August 9 from 10 a.m. until the Celebration of Life funeral service at 11 a.m. Interment will be in Cullman City Cemetery.

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All proceeds will be going to the schools to help with resources. (Equipment for Archery Team, Fishing Team, Text Books, etc...) Any additional monies donated would be greatly appreciated!



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Holly Pond talks community meetings with legislators, unauthorized employee payments

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The Holly Pond Town Council is seen Monday, Aug. 5, 2019.

HOLLY POND, Ala. – The Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Center's Governmental Affairs Committee will host the first in a series of three community forums featuring Cullman's local legislative delegation Tuesday night at the Guy Hunt Library in Holly Pond. The meeting included Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman and Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview. There will also be a meeting for east Cullman municipalities Aug. 31 at the Baileyton Senior Center where each municipality within the region - Holly Pond, Fairview, Hanceville, Baileyton, Vinemont and Berlin - will have 15 minutes for its council to meet privately with Gudger (Holly Pond will meet from 7:30-7:45 a.m.) and present him a written proposal detailing what it wants to do within the next five years- things with which it wants or expects Gudger's help.

Because of these upcoming meetings, the Holly Pond Town Council on Monday night spent a good deal of time talking about what it would like to present.

The council said it was encouraged to attend the Aug. 31 meeting and bring as many people possible.

Gudger will talk about the recent gas tax increase and how the funds will be used, then a representative from each municipality will get a few moments to detail what their municipality has planned and what they need help with.

After this will be a Q&A session, where each person who has a question or statement will have up to one minute to talk (The short amount of time is because organizers hope at least 150 people will attend).

Another item of heavy discussion regarded a Town employee receiving unauthorized pay.

While the Holly Pond 12U baseball team was at the Dizzy Dean World Series in Mississippi this summer, an employee traveled to the series to watch the team play.

After returning, the employee submitted an expense report to Town Clerk Linda Pope for the 12 hours he spent there, ultimately receiving almost $200.

Councilwoman Gladys Wisener pointed out the employee had not been authorized by the council to attend the game as a representative of Holly Pond, nor did the council authorize reimbursement for the trip.

Mayor Bill Oliver said he did not authorize either of these actions, and Pope said unlike with regular payroll checks, the employee stood in front of her and didn't move until she had paid him.

After several minutes of heated discussion, during which Wisener maintained the employee's trip should've been on his own time and expenses and Oliver repeatedly stated he had no idea this had occurred (though he said he would've authorized the employee to visit if he'd asked beforehand), the council agreed it would be best for the employee to reimburse the Town for the unauthorized pay.

Councilwoman Lou Thomas also raised concerns about the legitimacy of other payments, so Oliver said he and Pope would look through previous pay stubs to make sure they all have the mayor's signature.

Other items of business

- New school zone signs should be either on the delivery trucks or ready to be loaded by now.
- Due to a recent large grant from Gov. Kay Ivey (roughly $419,000) to Brooks' Place, the council will hold off on making its $500 donation to Brooks' Place until a later date.
- The council declared a mound of salvage as surplus to be removed later.
- Report from Councilwoman Michelle Bell that while the 12U team decided to withdraw from the World Series after a series of weather cancellations, the boys were still overjoyed at having gone; the council also suggested inviting the team to a meeting to share its experiences.
- There was a 4-1 vote in favor of approving next year's budget.
- The council corrected the minutes from its last meeting regarding the adjustment of pay raises: changed "no promotion" to "no bonus."
- Approved dates for Christmas Cards in the Park and Luminaries: cards will be up by Dec. 7 and luminaries will be placed by Dec. 14; lights around the park will also go up the week after Thanksgiving.

Franey (from Front)

said, "T.J. Franey informed the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors of her resignation as board chairman, effective July 31, 2019."

"I have been blessed to work alongside such wonderful people who truly care about our Chamber members and community," Franey said. "Unfortunately, the time required between work and family simply do not give me the additional time to volunteer and support the Chamber and its staff as needed during the transition time without a president."

Kay Shabel, chair elect for the Cullman Area Chamber Board of Directors, will assume the role of Chairman for the remainder of this Chamber year.

"I want to thank T.J. for her gracious service to the Chamber and our community," Shabel said.

"I look forward to continuing the work the board has been going through to strengthen the Chamber and working with our members and community partners to make Cullman County an even better place to live, work and play."

Brooks' Place (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Gov. Kay Ivey last week awarded $419,214.21 in federal funds allotted to the state for crime victims' services to Brooks' Place, the Child Advocacy Center (CAC) in Cullman. The money will cover a large percentage of six full-time employee salaries, utility bills and facility upkeep, client assessment and therapy materials and other expenses.

"Children are the future, and we must always protect them," Ivey said. "I am thankful for programs like the Cullman County Child Advocacy Center that restore lives and families and help to put the offenders behind bars."

CAC is a place where children who are victims of physical or sexual abuse can go for help. Once through the door, kids receive a forensic interview in a comfortable setting (no white walls and big tables; it's kid-friendly, with furniture and accessories to accommodate young children to teens), observed via video cameras by law enforcement and Cullman County Department of Human Resources representatives who form part of the center's Multi-Disciplinary Team. Children can also receive non-invasive medical examinations including testing for HIV and sexually transmitted diseases, and counseling from certified center staff. Brooks' Place has assisted victims and non-offending caregivers in getting protective orders against offenders and has provided other services for victims and families headed to court.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) is administering the grant from funds made available to the state by the U.S. Department of Justice.

"Gov. Ivey and ADECA are committed to helping young victims receive the services and guidance they need to recover from abuse," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said.

On Monday, CAC Director Gail Swafford talked to The Tribune about what the state grant renewal means for the organization, as well as what the group still needs. The grant is intended to cover up to 80% of CAC's operating expenses for 18 months, with the organization providing 20% in matching funds; in this case, more than $100,000. This means that, even with the grant, CAC still needs help from the Cullman community.

Swafford said, "I can give you statistics of the thousands of dollars it takes in a year to provide even counseling- and people don't pay for that (at CAC). They don't pay for their medicals, they don't pay for the advocacy side of it."

In fact, CAC provides all its services to its young clients and their families completely free of charge, including medical exams that families once had to travel to Birmingham or Huntsville to access. Concerned that children would not get exams if their parents could not afford the travel expenses, Swafford brought forensic nurses to CAC in the last two years.

Additionally, according to Swafford, CAC's counseling services would cost more than $80 per hour in the private sector, and the type of mental and emotional trauma CAC's clients face requires long-term care. Those clients are served at no cost, from start to finish.

Said Swafford, "We're very small, when it comes to staff, but we provide a lot of services."

CAC has been guaranteed grant money, but it has not received money from the state since spring of this year. The money will come, but Swafford and her staff still have to serve their clients in the meantime.

Said Swafford, "Brooks' Place has experienced funding cuts like many other nonprofit agencies. I am so thankful that our ADECA grant was recently renewed for 18 months. Most people don't realize that the grant award doesn't cover some of the services we provide, nor that we must meet the 20% match requirement. Without the match, there is no grant. Without the grant there are no services for child victims and their families like we provide at Brooks' Place. We strive to assist the family with their basic needs, medical needs, counseling, advocacy and other ways so they can begin their journey of healing from the abuse they've experienced. We are always grateful for those who make donations and contributions. Without financial support from the community we could not help families at perhaps the worst time of their lives. Thank you, Cullman County, for loving children in our community as much as we do!"

Fundraising events coming up soon

The Cullman Association of Realtors will host its second charity auction to benefit Brooks' Place and Secret Meals for Hungry Children at Stone Bridge Farms Friday, Aug. 16, starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are $20 in advance and $25 at the door, and the event will include dinner. Event sponsors include EvaBank, Alabama Credit Union, Peoples Bank, Traditions Bank, Willow Bend Mortgage, The Mortgage Center and Stone Bridge Farms.

Brooks' Place will host its annual golf tournament at Terri Pines Country Club Friday, Aug. 23, with lunch at 11 a.m. and tournament start at noon. Golfers can enter the four-player scramble for $80 per person or $320 per team. Hole sponsorships are available for $100, or a hole sponsorship plus a four-player team is available for $350. Prizes include Yeti coolers, a gas grill, flat screen TV and more. A hole in one will win a 30x30 fully enclosed metal building with one 10x10 roll-up door and one standard door, provided by AGCOR Steel. Title sponsors include AGCOR, Cullman Savings Bank, Tri-County Mobile X-Ray and Wal-Mart Distribution Center. Event sponsors include Frogg Toggs, Pepsi and Johnny's Bar-B-Q.

CAC's Blakely Hopper told The Tribune, "Our golf tournament continues to grow every year with more and more great prizes. This fundraiser is such an important event for Brooks' Place. The money raised allows us to continue providing services to child victims and families at NO COST to the family. Like most nonprofit agencies, funding cuts means that we must rely on fundraising and other corporate/ individual donations to keep our doors open and provide services needed for the child and family to heal from the atrocity of abuse."

The need for Brooks' Place

Swafford would love to work herself out of a job, but advocacy for child victims of crime is, unfortunately, a field with job security.

Swafford told The Tribune, "It's so sad that we even have to exist, but I don't see it ever going away, not with the way our world is today. I sure wish it would; I'd be glad to find another job!"

CAC staff have recently undergone specifically training on how to conduct forensic interviews of child victims of human trafficking, a growing issue across the country and in the Cullman community. Three trafficking cases are currently pending in Cullman courts, and the recent arrest of a trafficker in California turned up evidence that he was using online resources to recruit a minor in the Cullman area.

For more information on Brooks' Place Child Advocacy Center or its upcoming fundraisers, visit www.caccullman.org or www.facebook.com/brooksplacecac/ or call 256-739-2243.

