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CRIME

Berlin man charged with attempted murder

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BERLIN, Ala. – A Berlin man was arrested Thursday and charged with attempted murder following a physical altercation in which he allegedly attacked another man.

Jason Wayne Payne, 42, is charged with attempted murder, second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, according to the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO).

According to a statement from the CCSO, "Deputies responded to a disturbance on County Road 781 between two men. It was determined by CCSO deputies that the suspect, Jason Payne, had been in a physical altercation with another individual. That individual, the victim, sustained injuries from an attack from Mr. Payne."

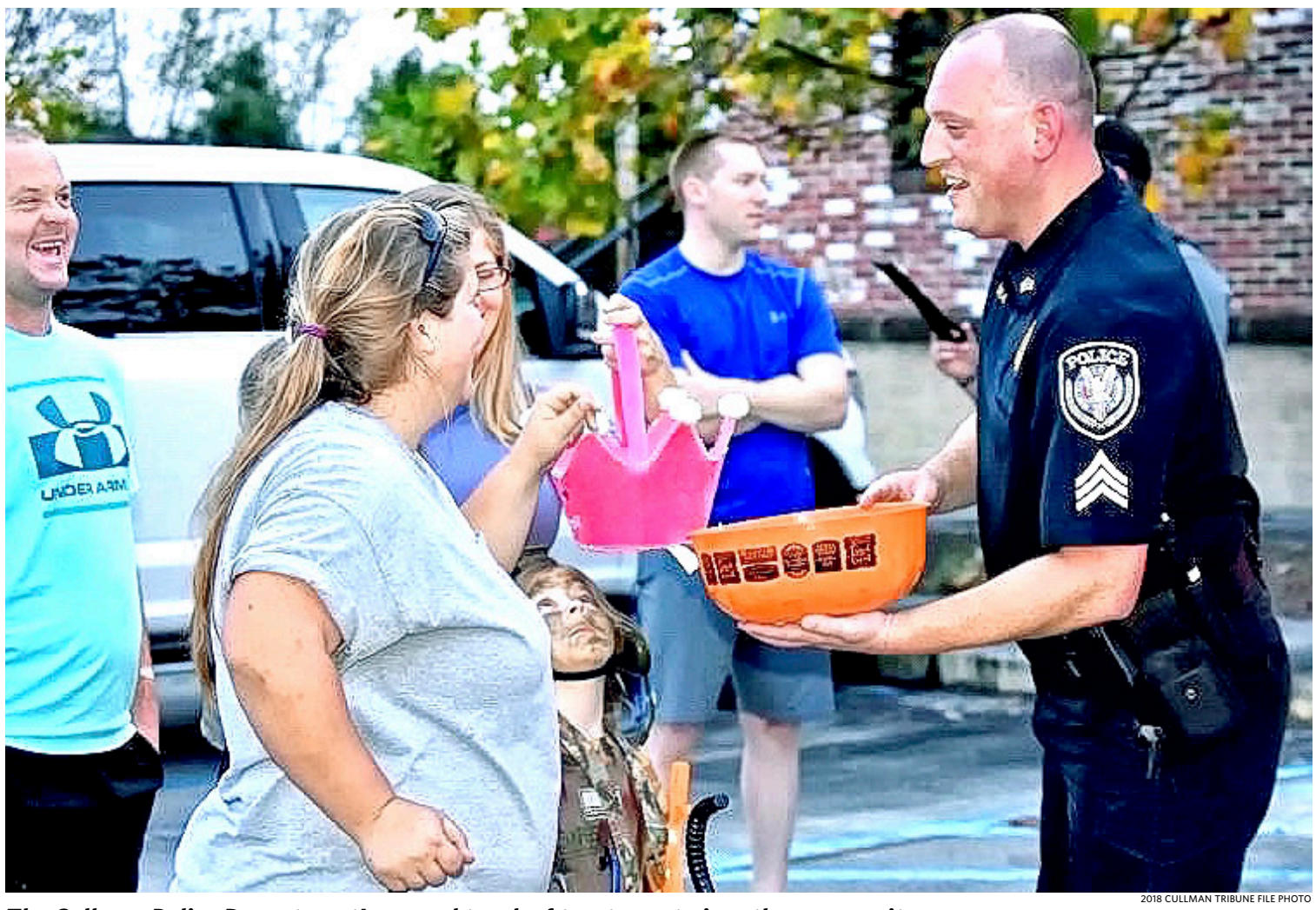
Payne is being held in the Cullman County Detention Center on a $10,000 cash bond.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Jason Wayne Payne

Cullman Police Trunk or Treat set for Tuesday, Oct. 29



2018 CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

The Cullman Police Department's annual trunk of treat event gives the community a little fun face-to-face time with Cullman's police officers.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Police Department (CPD) has been busy planning for one of its favorite yearly events. The CPD Trunk or Treat will be Tuesday, Oct. 29 from 5-8 p.m. at the police department (601 Second Ave. NE). The event is sponsored by Merchants Bank.

"Man, we are so excited. We've got this big, brand new entrance built, but I can't tell you what it is," said a happy Sgt. Adam Clark. "If you want to know what it is, you'll have to come out."

Besides the new mystery entrance, the night of fun will feature CPD and Cullman Fire Rescue vehicles, helicopters and officers there to have a great time.

The CPD has lots of great things in store for the trick or treaters this year.

Said Clark, "We have a DJ (DJ Jammin Jeff), and we already have our candy purchased. We bought a pallet of candy at Wal-Mart, and I hope that's enough. We got pretty close to running out last year, so I bought a little more this year."

Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism is also getting in on the fun and will be bringing its trailer of games for the kids to play.

The games will be set up in the grassy area in front of the police department. There will be inflatables and great activities.

Parking will be in the large parking lot next to the CPD, with the trunk or treat in the front parking lot.

Clark hopes everyone will come out Tuesday evening.

"It's going to be a good time," he said. "This is one of our favorite things we do every year. Get here as early as you can because there's usually a big line.

"We put a lot into it this year. We all enjoy it so much; we try to make it bigger and bigger each year."

SCOREBOARD

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PREP FOOTBALL

Cullman wraps up regular season with rainy, 42-23 win over Fort Payne



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman running backs Jayden Sullins (23) and Jaylen Hughey (6) combined for 362 yards and three scores on the ground in the Bearcats' 42-23 win over Fort Payne.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – It was a wet and rainy night for football at Oliver Woodard Stadium Friday night and that's exactly how the Bearcats wanted it. Cullman's explosive running game led the way to a 42-23 upset over the Fort Payne Wildcats that will surely give the Bearcats a boost of momentum going into the postseason.

Cullman took the opening kick and got things started with a long, time consuming drive capped off by a 1-yard touchdown run from Max Dueland that made it 7-0 midway through the opening quarter. The Wildcats responded with a scoring drive of their own that took just four plays and just over a minute off the game clock and tied things up at 7.

The Bearcats had an answer for everything Fort Payne through at them tonight and punched in another rushing touchdown, this time on the legs of Jaylen Hughey from 3 yards out, and moved back in front 14-7. The Wildcats fumbled on their ensuing possession and the recovery by Josh Miranda set Cullman up with a first down at the Fort Payne 20-yard line. The Bearcats took advantage and pulled ahead 21-7 when Sullins took in his first score of the night from 4 yards out.

The 'Cats maintained a 21-7 at the halftime break but the Wildcats came out swinging in the third » PAGE 5

Bill Smith
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STATE

Ivey: 'President Trump has my steadfast and full support'

Office of Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Gov. Kay Ivey on Friday issued a statement in support of President Donald Trump.

Below is Ivey's statement in full.

"We are witnessing an injustice on our democracy. Nancy Pelosi and the Democrats in Congress are making an attempt to impeach the president through the press via leaks and conjecture.

"This appears to be purely political when you offer no due process and zero transparency. When we elected President Trump in 2016, Alabamians and the American people sought progress.

"We wanted stronger infrastructure, a booming economy, and security for all American citizens. President Trump and his Administration are fighting to do that. Congress has a job to do on behalf of the American people, not this political charade we are currently witnessing.

"I say Congress should take a page out of our book here in Alabama. Our achievements are accomplished through strong, bipartisan efforts, and we are seeing great progress for that.

"President Trump has my steadfast and full support as he works to better our nation."

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 25

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 25, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

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

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
Oct. 23
• duty upon striking an unattended vehicle; person; Cherokee Ave. SW; damage to '15 Toyota Sienna; $3,000
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; Main Ave. SW; purse & contents; unknown amount of property value
• third-degree domestic violence; person; Gold Mark Ct. SW
• second-degree criminal mischief; person; Lee Cir. SW; damage to '18 Ford Mustang; $1,000

Oct. 24
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; cap; $21
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; miscellaneous items; $34

Oct. 25
• third-degree criminal mischief; person; 2nd Ave. SW; damage to '16 Kia Soul; $300

ARRESTS
Oct. 24
Ryan, David O., 40
• third-degree domestic violence

Pickering, Angela A., 44
• FTA- driving while revoked
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- failure to register vehicle

Boatright, William S., 29
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Ochoa, Ruby J., 44
• fourth-degree theft of property
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Owen, Zachary A., 19
• FTA- running a red light

Lambert, Adam K., 40
• public intoxication
• disorderly conduct

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

LEGALS

Legal Notice

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

1992 Jeep Cherokee, Vin. #1J4FJ58S1NL180227.

This vehicle will be sold to pay storage and or repair fee at Johnson's Auto Tire and Tow, LLC, 178 County Road 1332, Vinemont, Alabama 35179, on Friday, November 20, 2019, at 8:00 a.m.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on August 18, 2008 by Robert E. Wagnon and Gloria L. Wagnon, husband and wife, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1574, Page 544 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on November 18, 2019:

A parcel of land situated in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼, S-29, T-11, R-5-W, being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the SW corner of said quarter, on the East side of the Craven Hole Road; thence East to the East line of said forty; thence North to the creek; thence in a Northwesterly direction following said creek to the above named road; thence Southwesterly along said road to the point of beginning. Containing 14 acres, more or less.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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Tammy Brown: Judge of Probate: Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF:
THE ADOPTION PETITION OF:
JUSTEN WADE HAYMON.
CASE NUMBER: AD2019-013

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: JUSTIN DAVID VINCENT WHOSE WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION OF THE MINOR CHILD, TO-WIT: W.N.V., DATE OF BIRTH: 07/10/2007, WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY JUSTEN WADE HAYMON. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST NOTICE OF PUBLICATION. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS IS SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, POST OFFICE BOX 970, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35056.

DONE THIS 16th DAY OF October, 2019.

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
KENNER, THE ESTATE OF MATTIE RUTH, DECEASED, PLAINTIFF,
VS. CLOPTON, ELEANOR, KENNER BYRON WENDELL, DEFENDANTS.
Civil Action No. CV-2015-900422.00

NOTICE OF HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

NOTICE TO the following Defendant:
Byron Wendell Kenner

You are hereby advised that the Plaintiffs has filed a Petition for Final Settlement of the Estate of Mattie Ruth Kenner, Deceased. The aforesaid, Defendant, Byron Wendell Kenner is advised a hearing on this matter has been set for the 14th day of November, 2019 at 9:00 am before Gregory A. Nicholas, Circuit Judge, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama.

Done this the 18th day of September, 2019.
Gregory A. Nicholas, Circuit Judge of
Cullman County.

Attorney for Plaintiff: Beverly Paschal
Poston, 200 1st Avenue SE, Cullman,
Alabama. (256) 739-3970

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25-CV-2015-900422.00

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V. Case No.: CV-2015-900422.00
CLOPTON ELEANOR, KENNER BYRON WENDELL, Defendants.

ORDER SETTING HEARING ON PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

Upon Consideration of that Petition for Final Settlement of the Estate of Mattie Ruth Kenner, Deceased, filed by Co-Administrators, Eleanor Turner and Bettye Scruggs, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED by the Court as follows:

That the 14th day of November, 2019 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. be and is hereby set and fixed by the Court as the day and time for hearing said Petition.

That Notice by publication for three successive weeks given of said hearing to Byron Wendell Kenner, and his heirs and next of kin if deceased, and all other interested parties by publication once a week for three consecutive weeks in the Cullman Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation.

DONE this 18th day of September, 2019.

/s/ GREGORY A NICHOLAS
CIRCUIT JUDGE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Oct. 26 - 29

PLEASE CHECK WWW.CULLMANTRIBUNE.COM FOR THE VERY LATEST ON WEATHER CANCELATIONS.

PUBLIC NOTE: Westminster Assisted Living Yard Sale
We are accepting donations which will be sold to the public Nov. 4 beginning at 8 a.m. All money raised will go to the Westminster Activities Fund, which benefits both Memory Care and Assisted Living residents. Donations should be dropped off at Westminster's front lobby from now until Halloween (1020 Olive St. SW, Cullman).

SATURDAY, OCT. 26

2nd Annual Turkey Shoot - Hosted by Garrison Gives Hope
• Saturday, Oct. 26 from 7 a.m.-noon
• Come out for our second annual turkey shoot benefiting Garrison Gives Hope and The Stephen K. Griffith Memorial Fund. The annual turkey shoot helps raise mental health awareness and fill the gap in mental health services in our community. Shotgun shells and breakfast will be provided.
• R.E. Garrison Trucking, 1103 County Road 1194, Cullman

Welti Cumberland Presbyterian Church Annual Fall Bazaar
• Saturday, Oct. 26, 7 a.m.-1 p.m.
• Welti Cumberland Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall, 8817 County Road 747
• Breakfast is $6 and lunch $6. Baked goods, homemade soup, chili, fried pies, arts and crafts and white elephant items will be available. Buy now and freeze for the holidays. Tickets available for two Amish rockers to be given away and are $1 each or six for $5. Proceeds benefit the women's ministries missions and projects. For more information, contact Barbara Brannan at 256-734-8068 or June Conn at 256-737-9901.

Parkside's 11th Annual Pumpkin Run 5K
• Saturday, Oct. 26, 9-11 a.m. at Parkside School, 12431 Alabama Highway 69 N, Baileyton, AL 35019
• Come back to Hogwarts and join us for the Pumpkin Run 5K, presented by Doctor's Diet of Cullman!
• Parkside School will be hosting our 11th annual race – The Pumpkin Run – Oct. 26, 2019, at 9 a.m. This will be a fun 5K run through Baileyton, beginning at the school and ending at the park. All ages and experience groups are invited. Childcare will be provided at no cost for parents who wish to participate in the 5K. Don't like to run? Walkers are welcome! Want to sleep in? You can buy a T-shirt and we'll hold it for you at the school or mail it to you after the race.
• Feel free to wear your best Hogwarts, Harry Potter or Halloween gear!

North Alabama Singing Convention
10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Oak Level Baptist Church (1272 County Road 1635, Cullman). Please bring a covered dish for lunch. For more information call 256-796-6072.

Margot Tanner Book Signing
• 2-4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Cullman, 320 Third St. SE
• Join longtime Cullman resident and Friends of Frankweiler member Margot Tanner as she introduces and signs her new book, "GOD IS ALL: Stories from the Life of a German World War II Survivor."

Hymn Festival with Benjamin A. Kolodziej
• Join us for a celebration of hymns and music! The Hymn Festival will take place at St. Paul's Lutheran Church the afternoon of Saturday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m. as part of Reformation weekend. Our theme is "Sola Fide: Faith of the Ages."
• Guest organist Benjamin Kolodziej has performed organ concerts and at hymn festivals across the United States and around the world. Kolodziej holds degrees in organ performance, sacred music, and theology. A member of Faith Lutheran Church in Plano, he is also the organist and choirmaster of St. John's Episcopal in Dallas, TX, as well as the organist for Perkins Chapel at Southern Methodist University.
• St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 513 Fourth Ave SE, Cullman

Garden City Congregational Church Trunk-or-Treat
• Saturday, Oct. 26, 4-6 p.m.
• Garden City Congregational Church, 201 U.S. Highway 31, Garden City, AL
• Come join us as we bring the Halloween fun back to Garden City, Alabama. We are excited to have our inaugural trunk-or-treat. Ghosts and ghouls, come on out for candy, food, fun and fellowship. We will have: Costume contest for the kids, music, free hot dogs and drinks, lots of candy to be given out. We will have a Hanceville Police cruiser for the kiddos.

Disney-Themed Fall Festival
• Saturday, Oct. 26, 5-8 p.m.
• Life Church, 471 Alabama Highway 69 S, Hanceville, AL 35077
• Fun for the whole family! Inflatables, trunk or treat, games, food, Alabama game on big screen and live music

Cullman County CASA Trunk or Treat
• Saturday, Oct. 26, 5-9 p.m.
• Cullman County CASA, 402 Arnold St. NE Suite W-1, Cullman
• No tricks here!! Come in your Halloween costumes and enjoy an evening of safe family fun, fellowship, and lots of treats! Check out the 7+ services who have decked out their car trunks with festive themes! Come get your face painted while learning about some of the best services Cullman County has to offer and get some sweet treats!

Bingo at the American Legion
• Everyone is invited to Bingo every Saturday night at 6 at American Legion Post 4.
• 181 Reid Road, Good Hope, AL 35057

"Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood"
• Wallace State Theatre will present Ken Ludwig's "Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood" at 7 p.m. in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre.
• Admission is $10 for adults and $5 for students and children under 12.
• To reserve seats, contact Heather Gillikin at 256-352-8277 or heather.gillikin@wallacestate.edu.

Sunday, Oct. 27
• "Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood"
• Wallace State Theatre will present Ken Ludwig's "Sherwood: The Adventures of Robin Hood" at 2 p.m. in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre.
• Admission is $10 for adults and $5 for students and children under 12.
• To reserve seats, contact Heather Gillikin at 256-352-8277 or heather.gillikin@wallacestate.edu.

Special Needs Free Swim at the Aquatic Center
• 3-5 p.m. at the Cullman Wellness & Aquatic Center- Free Swim Hosted by Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism
• Free swim is for those with special needs and immediate family members. All guests must sign in at the CWAC front desk before entering the pool. Parents/guardians/caregivers must stay in the pool area at all times during the therapeutic recreation swim time.

Punkin Lane a Soul to Gain Harvest Festival
• Sunday, Oct. 27, 4-6 p.m.
• Simcoe Community Church, 1 County Road 1511
• Inflatables, candy, sweet treats walk, s'mores bar, hot dogs & chips, Hallelujah Hayride, prize drawing

Northbrook Baptist Church Trunk or Treat
• Sunday, Oct. 27, 4-6 p.m.
• Northbrook Baptist Church, 3691 AL Hwy. 157, Cullman

First United Methodist Church Cullman Trunk or Treat
• Sunday, Oct. 27, 4-6 p.m.
• First United Methodist Church Cullman, 320 Third St. SE

Fall Festival – Trunk or Treat!
• Sunday, Oct. 27, from 4:30-6:30 p.m.
• Longview Church of God, 2025 County Road 1269, Vinemont, AL
• Trunk or Treat at Longview! Wear your best Halloween costume, bring your kids, and vote for your favorite trunk!

Bethlehem Methodist Church Fall Festival
• Sunday, Oct. 27, 5 p.m.
• Bethlehem Methodist Church, 2866 County Road 216, Hanceville, AL 35077
• Games, prizes, candy

2nd Annual Pick of the Patch Fall Festival
• Sunday, Oct. 27, 5 p.m.
• Lifespring Baptist Church, 2350 Brindlee Mountain Parkway, Arab, AL 35016
• Pumpkin decorating, Scott dogs, face painting, trunk or treat, bounce houses and more!

Fall Festival at Christ First Ministries
• Sunday, Oct. 27, from 5-7 p.m.
• Christ First Ministries, 1017 Alabama Hwy. 69 N, Cullman, AL 35058
• Join us at CFM for food, fellowship and a variety of fun for the whole family! We will be hosting a trunk or treat and games for children of all ages! Come on by for free chili, hotdogs and door prizes! Can't wait to see you there!

MONDAY, OCT. 28

East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Swamp John's Dinner
• East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Women's Ministry will host a Swamp John's Dinner Monday, Oct. 28, 2019 from 4-7 p.m. at 1441 U.S. Hwy. 278 E.
• Tickets are available by calling 256-734-0001 or at the door the day of the event.
• Eat in or carry out.

West Point Dinner Theatre
• 6 p.m. in the Brown Stone Centre at Stone Bridge Farms
• Tickets are $25 and can be purchased from any West Point High School Theatre student or from the school's office.
• The show will include music, dance and piano as well.

Menu
• Adults: Parmesan chicken with mac-n-cheese, green beans and fried okra
• Children ages 10 and younger: Chicken fingers, fries and mac-n-cheese
• All meals include rolls, drinks and dessert.
• For more information, send an email to kharbison@ccboe.org or contact the West Point High School office at 256-734-5375.

Good Hope City Council Meeting
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Cullman City Council Meeting
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FUNNY THINGS FROM YESTERDAY

Out of the mouth of babes

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
Tribune Contributor



Baseball and football have always been the big games in the United States. We have memories of the great players in both sports.

In baseball, the names that stand out to us are Babe Ruth, Willie Mays, Hank Aaron, Ty Cobb and many, many others. In football, I lean more to college players. The ones that stand out to me are Pat Sullivan, Bo Jackson, Cam Newton and Patrick Nix. I guess it's not hard to tell where I went to school.

In Europe, the sport they call football is actually soccer.

Our friends, Basil (our friend who passed away recently) and his wife Ingrid Holmes went to one of Auburn's football games with us.

Being used to seeing soccer, he asked me several times, 'Why do they bunch up so much?' I tried to explain the way our football is played. But he didn't like to see it played that way.

When I was in my last year of high school, we played a game like soccer, but we called it speed ball, if I remember correctly. The ball was slightly smaller than a soccer ball.

The reason I remember this game so well was that a boy kicked a ball really hard, and being about 8 feet or so from him, that ball hit me on the right side of my face, and I went down.

When I got up and felt my face it felt like it was caved in. As the old saying goes, that really smarted. Speed ball was the closest I ever came to soccer.

In the last few years soccer has become popular in the U. S. Now there are teams for the very young. Our little great-granddaughter, Emma Grace, is 5 years old and is on one of the little soccer teams.

There was a little 5-year-old boy on one of the teams. When his game was over, he said to his mother, "If it cost any money for me to play you should ask for a refund because I am not coming back."

As the saying goes, "Out of the mouth of babes. "I don't think this little fellow will be remembered as one of the greats of soccer.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Saturday in the park

Bill King
Tribune Contributor



It was Saturday in the Park, but it was not the Fourth of July, as the song says. The park was Pioneer Park, at The Lee County Historical Museum, in Loachapoka, Alabama. The occasion was Pioneer Day, formerly known as Syrup Sopping and The Lee County Historical Fair. The fair is an annual day-long event. There is still syrup and there is still sopping. This year we had two kinds of sopping... syrup and rain.

You can watch the mules as they pull the mill to grind the cane, watch the syrup cook, eat some on sweet-potato biscuits, and even buy a jar full to take home. There is live music, vendors with hand-made crafts and other items, cookies, cakes, etc. You can watch a blacksmith work, tour the museum buildings on the grounds, play music or sit and listen to others. I was invited to play and sing but also to set up as a vendor to sell my books and crafts. My wife, Jean, is a top notch wreath maker. We filled our popup tent with her wreaths and other crafts.

Friday was a beautiful fall day, as was Sunday, but Saturday, Pioneer Day, was the day when God answered our prayers.

Over the past few weeks, many have prayed for rain and it came all day on Saturday. Hey, I'm not complaining. We needed the rain. Thankfully, we had a tent. It was wet, and it was cool, but we had a great day in spite of it all.

I was thankful that the music venue was under roof. It was a tin roof, with a huge pecan tree directly over part of it. Have you ever heard how loud those things are when they fall on a tin roof?

They aren't quite as loud as walnuts, but loud enough to make you jump. If they had fallen in rhythm, I would have had percussion! I decided to use the weather for a little fun. I thought about opening my set with "Rainy Days and Mondays," but remember, it was Saturday. Besides that, I wasn't down. Instead, I opened with "Who'll Stop the Rain, followed by "I've Got Sunshine on a Rainy Day," and then "Unclouded Day." I also sang "If Chocolate was a Drug, I'd Need to be in Rehab."

After my program, I got a Hershey bar and joined the crowd to listen to others sing. One singer that morning sounded like Elvis...slightly. The stranger I had sat down beside, leaned over and asked, "Do you know Elvis Presley?" I wasn't sure if she thought that man was Elvis, or why she asked.

Even though I once lived down the road from Graceland, Elvis was long gone by then, so I never met him. I said, "No ma'am, but I certainly know his music. She proceeded to tell me that

Elvis used to visit her grandmother and she was dear friends with him. At first I thought, "Wow, she knew Elvis." I became slightly skeptical, as well as concerned for her well-being, when she asked for the third time in about fifteen minutes, "Do you know Elvis Presley?" and repeated her story.

One of the highlights of my Saturday in the Park was meeting Wes. Wes sold cheese in the booth directly beside ours. He told me he had heard me preach in Steele, Alabama, when he was ten years old. That was probably twenty-five years ago.

I wondered if he and his grandmother had known Elvis too! Then he told me a story that I had told way back then. Amazingly, I remembered the story, but I was even more amazed that he did.

It caused me to realize that people actually do listen to what we say, and even remember some of it for a long time.

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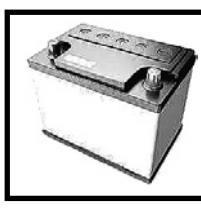
H.H. Tilley's thirty-five-year old goal to see Niagara Falls and feel the mist from it became a reality this week as he is touring the North and Canada, along with his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunn and Beverly.

In addition to sightseeing in Canada, they have visited places of interest in New York City, Detroit, Providence, Rhode Island and are now visiting friends in Boston, Massachusetts.

On their return trip, the Tilleys and Dunns plan to go through Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia and Virginia, where they will visit Natural Bridge and see the Shenandoah Valley.

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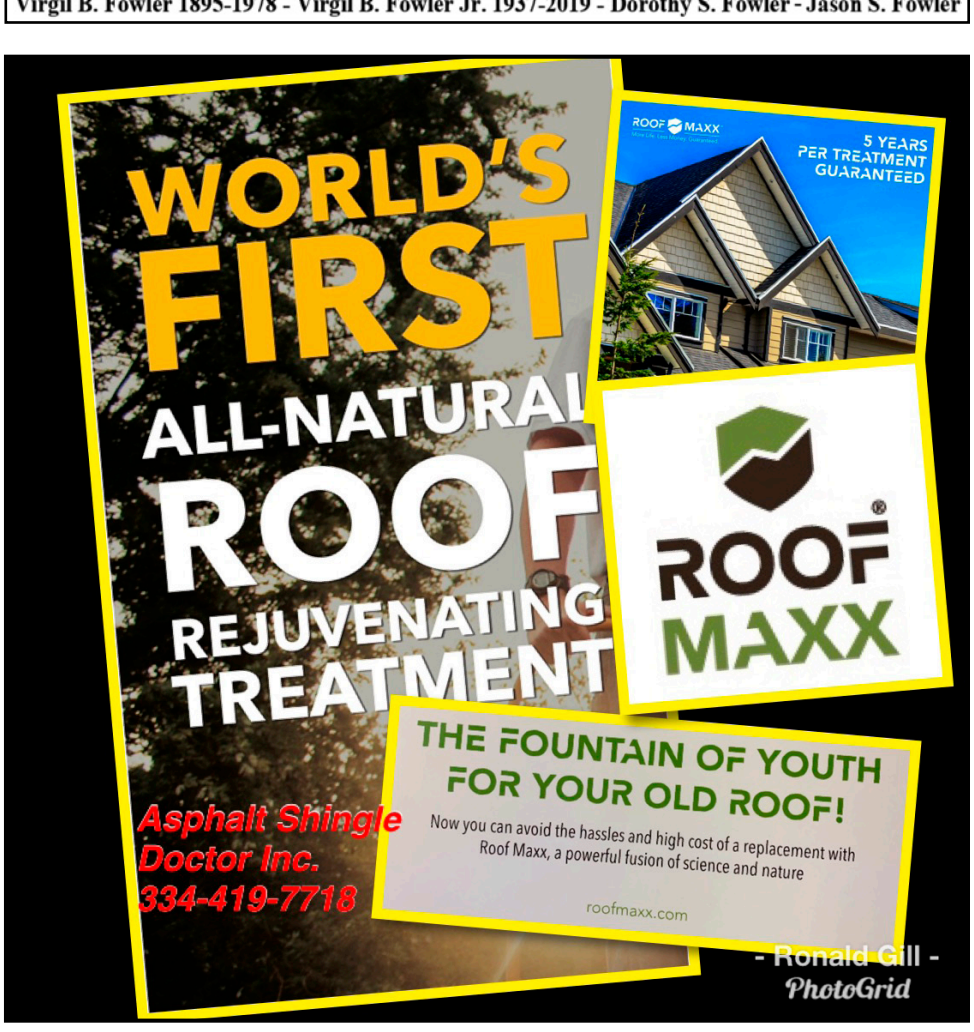

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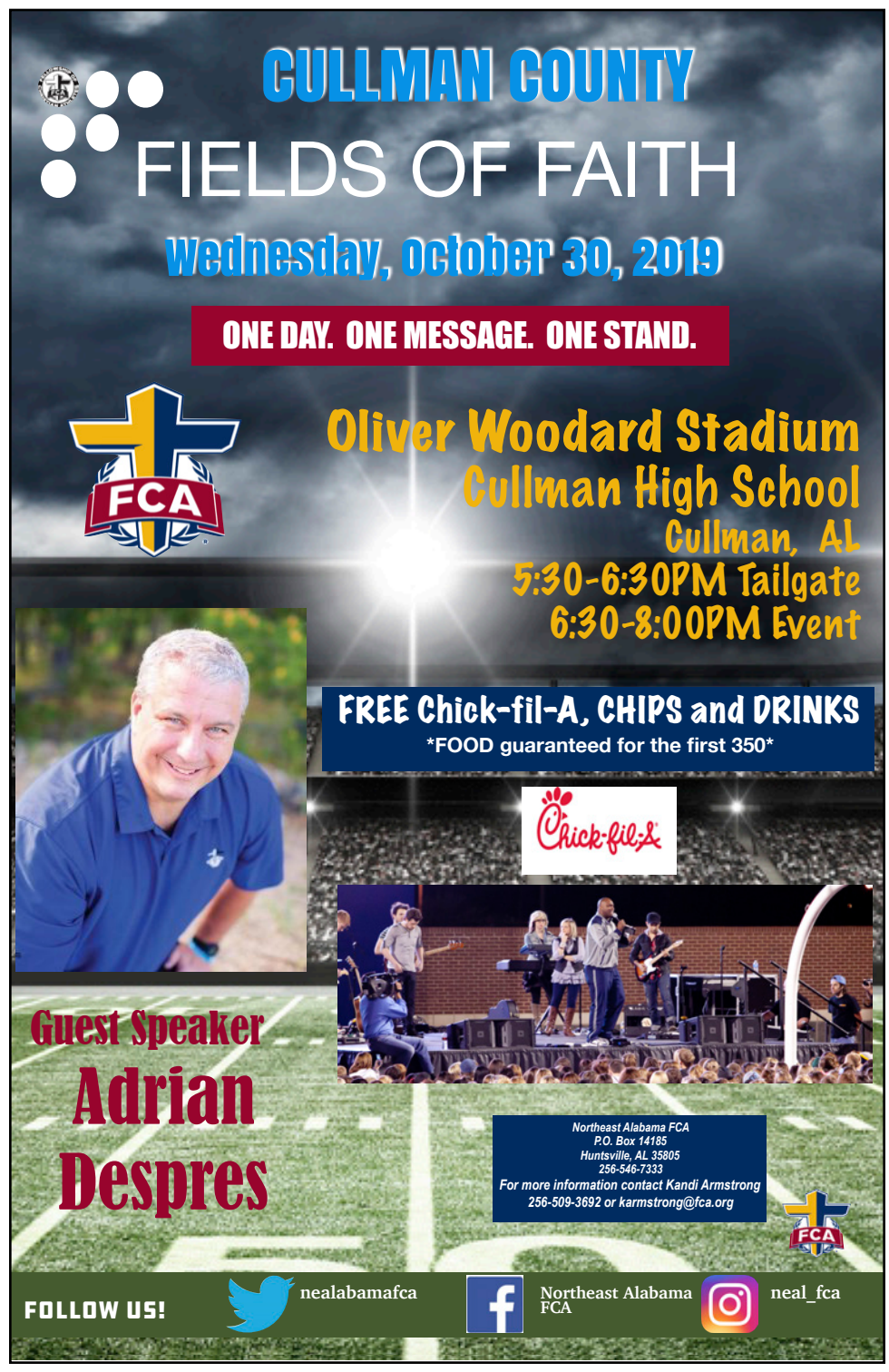
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AL AG Marshall urges consumers to stay vigilant of charity fraud

Joy Patterson
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Attorney Gen. Steve Marshall marked the second International Charity Fraud Awareness Week by urging consumers to maintain their vigilance. The Alabama Attorney General's Office joined state regulators, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the National Association of State Charities Officials, as well as partners around the world, to help charities and consumers avoid fraud and promote wise giving.

"The people of Alabama are compassionate and generous, and our hearts go out to those who are suffering and in need," said Marshall. "But we must not let scam artists exploit this good nature and concern, keeping money from reaching those who are truly in need. We hope that consumers and businesses who are asked to give will use the resources we are providing this week to give carefully, wisely and safely so that their donations may reach legitimate charities who will use these funds responsibly."

Resources for consumers

Marshall reminds consumers that when they donate it is important to take steps to make sure their money goes to a charity that in fact helps make a difference. Many reputable charities are deserving of support. Consumers may find tips for finding reputable organizations and for wise giving at the FTC's page How to Donate Wisely and Avoid Charity Scams.

Marshall recommends that consumers take the following precautions:

Do your research

- You may search charities registered in Alabama here: Alabama Registered Charities Search.
- Search the charity's name online with words like "complaint" and "scam."
- Check out the charity's ratings with groups like the BBB Wise Giving Alliance, Charity Navigator, Charity Watch, and Guidestar.
- Use the IRS's Tax Exempt Organization Search to see if your donation is tax-deductible.

Ask questions

- What is the charity's website, address and mission?
- How much of your donation will go directly to services, rather than fundraising?
- How much of your donation will be used for the specific programs you want to support?
- If supporting services in your own community is important to you, ask how the charity spends money in your area.

Be careful how you pay

- If someone asks you to send them cash, wire money, donate by gift card, or leave money under your front door mat for pick-up, don't do it! That's how scammers often ask you to pay. It's safer to pay by credit card or check.
- If you're donating online, check that the webpage where you enter your payment information has "https" in the web address. That means your information is transmitted securely.
- Avoid cash donations, if possible. Pay by credit card or write a check directly to the charity. Legitimate charities will give you a receipt that shows the amount of your donation. Keep that record and check your credit card statements to make sure you're only charged for the donation you wanted to make.

Watch out for scammers' tricks

- Scammers often use a spoofed phone number to make their fundraising calls look like they're from your local area code, a Washington, D.C. area code, or from an organization you know.
- Scammers pressure you into donating immediately before you have time to do any research. A legitimate charity will welcome your donation at any time.
- Scammers claim that you'll win a sweepstakes or get a prize if you donate, which is against the law.
- Scammers will thank you for a donation you don't remember making. Scammers do that to trick you into thinking you actually made a pledge and to guilt you into sending money.

What about donation requests through social media and crowdfunding sites?

Marshall advises consumers to be mindful that, while many requests for donations through social media and crowdfunding sites are legitimate, some requests are scams. For example, there are people who misuse real pictures and stories to get you to donate, but the money goes into their own pockets.

Crowdfunding sites often have little control over who uses them and how donations are spent.

Do research before you give. Also, if tax deductions are important to you, remember that donations to individuals are not tax-deductible.

The safest way to give on social media or through crowdfunding is to donate to people you actually know who contact you about a specific project.

Don't assume that solicitations on social media or crowdfunding sites are legitimate – even when they are shared or liked by your friends. Do your own research. Call or contact your friends offline and ask them about the post they shared. The FTC offers information on its page about Understanding Crowdfunding.

Advice for businesses

Marshall said it is important also for businesses to be careful when they are approached for charitable contributions. It is important that these donations go to reputable non-profits, and that businesses avoid inadvertently associating their companies with a questionable fundraising campaign.

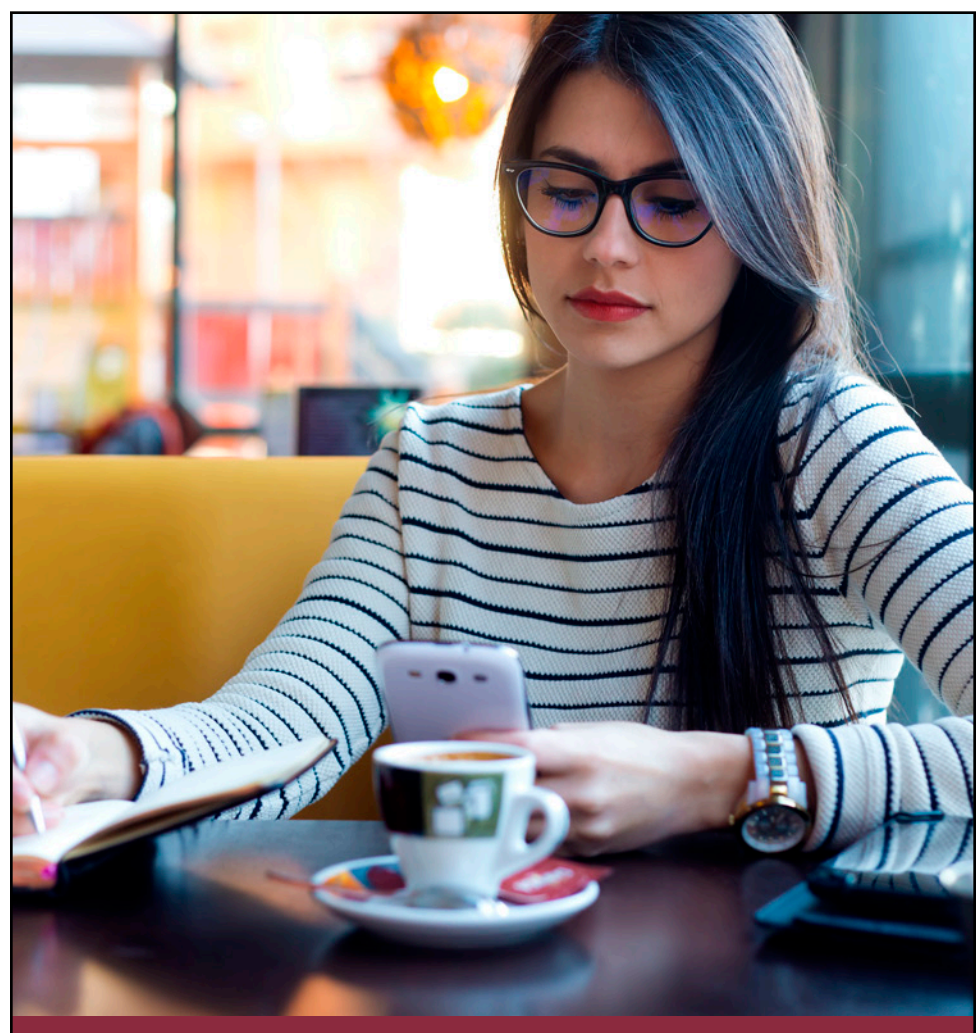
The FTC provides these tips at Tips for Retailers: How to Review Charity Requests. Attorney General Marshall notes that when companies lend their names to charities through a sponsorship or by allowing fundraising on their property, their own reputations are on the line.

Customers and members of the community may interpret that as a "stamp of approval" and feel safe to donate to the cause being championed by a business.

He advises that before lending a business's name to a charity or allowing solicitations on their premises, the business should find out more about the charity making such requests.

Consumers and businesses with questions or concerns may contact Marshall's Consumer Interest Division by calling toll-free 1-800-392-5658, by writing to 501 Washington Ave., Montgomery, Alabama 36130, or though the Attorney General's website at www.alabamaag.gov/.









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PREP SWIMMING

CHS Swim Team takes 1st place at Cullman Bearcat Invitational

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CORY GOBLE

The 2019 Cullman High School Swim Team

CULLMAN, Ala. – 12 schools were in the field at the Cullman Wellness and Aquatic Center for this year's Cullman Bearcat Invitational and the hosting Cullman High School Swim Team combined to finish in first place. Cullman swimmers collected 19 new individual best times and six first place finishes.

CHS Swim Coach Cory Goble was proud of the way his teams performed on Thursday and wants to create some more momentum here at the tail end of the regular season.

"I was very pleased with the competitive spirit of our group tonight and excited about our continued growth and success," Goble said.

"It is always great to win at home, especially with such an awesome group of student-athletes who have been working hard to improve both personally and as a team.

"This meet concluded our home meets this season, and with only two more regular season meets remaining, we hope to still snag a few more sectional times and improve current seed times going into the post-season."

The CHS Swim Team will be back in action at the North Alabama Championship at the Huntsville Aquatics Center November 2.

Thursday's top individual finishers:

- Reese McNeel – 1st place 100-yard freestyle, 2nd place 100-yard butterfly
- Madison Clements – 1st place 100-yard backstroke, 2nd place 200-yard individual medley
- CJ Arnold – 1st place 100-yard backstroke, 3rd place 200-yard individual medley
- Ruby Hudson – 2nd place 50-yard freestyle, 2nd place 100-yard breaststroke
- Anna Page – 3rd place 200-yard freestyle, 3rd place 100-yard butterfly
- Morgan Fuller – 3rd place 200-yard individual medley, 3rd place 100-yard backstroke
- Kelly Warren – 3rd place 50-yard freestyle
- Aubrey Helms – 3rd place 100-yard butterfly, 3rd place 200-yard freestyle
- Brody Schaefer – 3rd place 100-yard breaststroke

Thursday's top team finishes:

- Clements, Hudson, Page, McNeel – 1st place 200-yard medley relay
- McNeel, Page, Warren, Hudson – 1st place 200-yard freestyle relay
- Sarah Johnson, Clements, Fuller, Warren – 2nd place 400-yard freestyle relay
- Logan Holley, Schaefer, Helms, Arnold – 1st place 200-yard medley relay, 2nd place 400-yard freestyle relay

PREP FOOTBALL

Meek falls to Lynn 35-12 in regular season finale

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Meek's Stuart Waldrep finished with 166 passing yards and a touchdown while rushing for 61 yards and a score in Meek's 35-12 loss to Lynn.

ARLEY, Ala. – The Meek Tigers looked to win their regular season finale at home against the Lynn Bears Friday night, but Lynn was too much and pulled away in the second half to take the game 35-12.

The Bears struck first on their opening series as their running game wore out the Tiger defense and the drive ended with a 2-yard touchdown run, giving Lynn a 7-0 lead with 7:02 remaining in the opening period. Back-to-back punts gave the ball to Meek for its second series of the night and a pass interference penalty on third down gave the Tigers new life. Clark later picked up their first, first down of the game on a 6-yard run, but the drive stalled after that when Stuart Waldrep was sacked on fourth down.

Meek couldn't find an answer for Lynn's running attack as they went 63 yards and ended the drive with an 8-yard scoring run to make the score 14-0 Lynn at the half.

The Tigers went to more of a passing attack to start out the second half as Waldrep completed big passes to Bryson Hudson and Matthew Clark, plus Waldrep kept the drive alive with a key fourth-down run, but another fourth-down try later in the drive came up just short and put the ball back in Lynn's hands.

The Bears found the end zone in just five plays on their next series and a 22-yard touchdown run made it 21-0. Meek was forced to punt on its next series, but it was blocked, and the Bears quickly found the end zone after that on a 29-yard run that increased the lead to 28-0. Waldrep was picked off on the next series and Lynn added a 16-yard score on the ground to make it 35-0.

Meek didn't quit, and Waldrep found the end zone on just the second play of the next series on a 65-yard scamper down the home sideline to put the Tigers on the board and make it 35-6. They later added another touchdown when Waldrep found Trinton Ory for a 77-yard score, but it was too little, too late, and the Tigers wound up falling 35-12 to finish the 2019 season with an 0-10 record.

Waldrep finished 8-for-16 with 166 yards and a score, plus 61 more on the ground and a touchdown for Meek in his final game as a Tiger. Eight seniors saw the field for the last time for the Tigers Friday night and Meek will look to rebound with some good talent coming back in 2020.

Cullman(from Front)

quarter. A couple of big runs led to another Fort Payne score early in the second half but they a failed two-point conversion attempt made it a 21-13 game. The Bearcats were then forced to punt for the first and only time during the game midway through the third quarter and the Wildcats managed to get on the board again with a 23-yard field goal that cut the lead to 21-16.

Cullman was able to muster another response and cap off another scoring drive when Dueland scored from 5 yards out on a quarterback keeper to put the 'Cats up 28-16 going into the fourth quarter. The score was set up by a 70-yard burst from Hughey up the middle of the field. Another big run from Hughey put the Bearcats in scoring position again on their next possession and Dueland punched in his third touchdown of the night from 2 yards out to put Cullman on top 35-16 with just nine minutes to play.

A tipped pass at the goal line was intercepted by Noah Bussman on Fort Payne's ensuing possession and the Bearcats took over at their own 2-yard line midway through the fourth quarter.

Just a few plays later, Sullins put the game out of reach when he shot up the middle of the field for an 87-yard touchdown, giving Cullman a commanding, 42-16 lead with just four minutes remaining. The Wildcats managed to punch one in with less than a minute to play but it was too little too late and the Bearcats wrapped up the regular season with a 42-23 win over Fort Payne.

Hughey finished the night with 206 yards and a touchdown on 19 carries and Sullins racked up 156 yards with a pair of scores in the win. Dueland finished with 17 yards and three touchdowns on the ground while completing five of his seven passes for 74 yards.

Cullman finishes a grueling regular season schedule 5-5 and will get next week off before traveling to Mae Jemison for the first round the AHSAA State Playoffs November 8th.



Sports

7:00 a.m. GOLF European PGA Tour Golf Portugal Masters, Third Round. (Live)
9:00 a.m. FS1 NASCAR Gander Outdoors Truck Series NASCAR Hall of Fame 200, Qualifying. (Live)
11:00 a.m. WBRC College Football Wisconsin at Ohio State. (Live)
WABM2 College Football Oklahoma at Kansas State. (Live)
ESPN ESPN2 College Football Teams TBA. (Live)
FS1 NHRA Drag Racing Sportsman Series: Charlotte 2.
11:30 a.m. WVTM Premier League Soccer Burnley FC vs Chelsea FC. (Live)
GOLF PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Third Round.
12:30 p.m. FS1 NASCAR Gander Outdoors Truck Series NASCAR Hall of Fame 200. (Live)
1:30 p.m. WVTM 2019 Rugby World Cup First Semifinal: Teams TBA. (Live)
2:00 p.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf BMW Championship, Third Round. (Same-day Tape)
2:30 p.m. WBRC College Football Texas at TCU. (Live)
WIAT College Football Auburn at LSU. (Live)
WABM2 College Football Penn State at Michigan State. (Live)
ESPN ESPN2 College Football Teams TBA. (Live)
FS1 College Football Oklahoma State at Iowa State. (Live)
3:00 p.m. FSEE Women's College Soccer Kansas State at TCU.
3:30 p.m. WVTM Figure Skating ISU Grand Prix - Skate Canada. (Live)
5:30 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Third Round.
6:00 p.m. ESPN College Football Arkansas at Alabama. (Live)
ESPN2 College Football UCF at Temple. (Live)
FS1 College Football Texas Tech at Kansas. (Live)
6:30 p.m. WABM2 College Football Notre Dame at Michigan. (Live)
FSEE NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks. (Live)
7:00 p.m. WBRC 2019 World Series Houston Astros at Washington Nationals. (Live)
8:00 p.m. SHOW Boxing Erickson Lubin vs. Nathaniel Gallimore. (Live)
9:00 p.m. FS1 College Football Idaho State at Southern Utah. (Live)
9:15 p.m. ESPN2 College Football Utah State at Air Force. (Live)
9:30 p.m. ESPN College Football Washington State at Oregon. (Live)
GOLF PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Final Round. (Live)
10:00 p.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks.

SATURDAY EVENING

MOVIES

OCTOBER 26, 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	**Mike & Molly** "The Dress"	**Mike & Molly**	**Ring of Honor Wrestling** (N)		**"HoneyBee"** (2016, Horror) Jane Wiedlin, Pokey Spears. A quiet town is disrupted by the arrival of a new family.				**World's-Weath**	**World's-Weath**	**The Immortals**	**The Short List**
WBIQ-PBS	4	**This Old House** (N)	**PBS NewsHour Weekend**	**The Lawrence Welk Show** "Dancin' the Devil Away."		**Classic Gospel** Alabama native Bradley Walker performs.		**Keeping Up Appearances**	**(:32) As Time Goes By**	**(:05) Doc Martin** Louisa has a pregnancy scare.		**Austin City Limits** Singer-songwriter H.E.R. performs. (N)	
WVTM-NBC	5	**WVTM 13 News at 5p**	**NBC Nightly News - Holt**	**WVTM 13 News at 6p** (N)	**NBC Nightly News - Holt**	**The Voice** The artists perform dueling duets.		**Dateline NBC**		**Saturday Night Live** (N)		**WVTM 13 News at 10p**	**(:29) Saturday Night Live** (N)
WBRC-FOX	7	**(2:30) College Football** Texas at TCU. (N) (Live)		**FOX College Football Extra**	**MLB on FOX Pregame** (N)	**2019 World Series** Houston Astros at Washington Nationals. The Astros and Nationals contest Game 4 of the 2019 World Series with this match in Washington. (N) (Live)						**WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm**	**Beat Shazam**
WIAT-CBS	8	**(2:30) College Football** Auburn at LSU. (N) (Live)		**CBS42 College Football Post Game Show**		**NCIS: New Orleans** Gregorio goes under cover at a club.		**48 Hours** (N)		**48 Hours** (N)		**The CBS 42 News** (N)	**CBS42 College**
WTTO-CW	9	**Modern Family** "Benched"	**Modern Family**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Goldbergs**	**The Goldbergs**	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**The Andy Griffith Show**	**Alabama Upstarts**
WPXH-ION	11	**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Depravity Standard"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Catfishing Teacher"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Townhouse Incident"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** A murky date-rape case.		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Forty-One Witnesses"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Nationwide Manhunt"	
WABM2-ABC	12	**College Football**	**Coll. Football**	**Coll. Football**	**College Football** Notre Dame at Michigan. (N) (Live)							**ABC 33/40 News at 10PM**	**(:35) America This Week** (N)
A&E	42	**(4:00) Live PD** "Live PD -- 10.18.19"				**(:06) Live PD: Rewind** "Live PD: Rewind No. 269" (N)		**Live PD** "Live PD -- 10.26.19" (N) (Live)					
AMC	53	**(3:30)** ★★ **"Jaws 2"** (1978) Roy Scheider.		★★★ **"Jurassic Park"** (1993, Adventure) Sam Neill, Laura Dern, Jeff Goldblum. Cloned dinosaurs run amok at an island-jungle theme park.						★★ **"The Lost World: Jurassic Park"** (1997) Jeff Goldblum. An expedition returns to monitor dinosaurs' progress.			
ANPL	47	**Crikey! It's the Irwins** Robert swims with a 12-foot python.		**Crikey! It's the Irwins: Extra Bites** "Road Trip Rescue" (N)		**Crikey! It's the Irwins** Terri prepares baby rhino for a vaccine.		**(:01) Pit Bulls and Parolees** "Happy Howl-o-Ween" (N)		**(:01) Amanda to the Rescue** (N)		**(:02) Amanda to the Rescue** Amanda heads to Hawaii.	
BET	55	**(3:30)** ★★★ **"Boyz N the Hood"** (1991) Larry Fishburne.		★★ **"All Eyez on Me"** (2017, Biography) Demetrius Shipp Jr., Danai Gurira, Kat Graham. The true and untold story of prolific rapper Tupac Shakur.							**(:35) Murder in the Thirst** A lawyer is stabbed to death.		**(:37) Murder in the Thirst**
BRAVO	58	**"Something Borrowed"**	★★ **"The Notebook"** (2004, Romance) Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams, James Garner. A man tells a story to a woman about two lovers.						★★ **"The Notebook"** (2004, Romance) Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams, James Garner. A man tells a story to a woman about two lovers.				
CMTV	61	**(4:00)** ★★★ **"Dirty Dancing"** (1987, Romance) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze, Jerry Orbach.			★★★ **"Grease"** (1978, Musical) John Travolta, Olivia Newton-John, Stockard Channing. Disparate summer lovers meet again as high-school seniors.					★★★ **"Dirty Dancing"** (1987, Romance) Jennifer Grey, Patrick Swayze. A sheltered teen falls for a street-wise dance instructor.			
CNBC	35	**Undercover Boss** Family Dollar Stores COO Mike Bloom.		**Undercover Boss** Bosses ask employees to go under cover.		**Undercover Boss** "Maaco" Maaco President Jose Costa.		**Undercover Boss** Bill Peduto goes under cover.		**Undercover Boss** TaylorMade golf company CEO Mark King.		**Undercover Boss** Budget Blinds CEO Chad Hallock.	
CNN	37	**S. E. Cupp Unfiltered** (N)		**CNN Newsroom** (N)		**CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera** (N)		★★★ **"Apollo 11"** (2019, Documentary) Astronauts embark on a historic mission to the moon in 1969.				**The History of Comedy** Tracing the origins of topical humor.	
COM	56	**Friends**	**Friends**	**Friends**	**Friends**	**Friends**	**Friends**	★★ **"Step Brothers"** (2008, Comedy) Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly, Richard Jenkins. Two spoiled men become rivals when their parents marry.					**(:20)** ★★ **"Old School"**
DISN	49	**Coop & Cami Ask the World**	**Bunk'd**	★★★★ **"The Nightmare Before Christmas"** (1993, Children's) Voices of Danny Elfman. 'PG'			**(:25) "Zombies"** (2018, Adventure) Milo Manheim, Meg Donnelly, Trevor Tordjman. 'NR'			**Gabby Duran**	**(:35) Big City Greens**	**Mickey Mouse**	**Raven's Home**
DSC	43	**Alaskan Bush People** The family hunts for buffalos.		**Alaskan Bush People** The Browns defend their livestock.		**Alaskan Bush People** There's a medical emergency.		**Alaskan Bush People** "Snowstorms and Predators" The family finds evidence of a predator. (N)					
E!	21	**(3:30)** ★★ **"17 Again"** (2009) Zac Efron, Leslie Mann.		★ **"Grown Ups"** (2010, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock. Five friends learn that age and maturity do not, necessarily, coincide.					★ **"Grown Ups"** (2010, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Chris Rock. Five friends learn that age and maturity do not, necessarily, coincide.				
ESPN	29	**College Football**	**Football Scoreboard**	**College Football** Arkansas at Alabama. (N) (Live)						**Football Scoreboard**	**College Football** Washington State at Oregon. (N) (Live)		
ESPN2	30	**College Football**	**Football Scoreboard**	**College Football** UCF at Temple. (N) (Live)						**(:15) College Football** Utah State at Air Force. (N) (Live)			
FOOD	45	**Haunted Gingerbread Showdown** "Monster Mash"		**Haunted Gingerbread Showdown**		**Halloween Baking Championship** "Trick or Treats"		**Halloween Baking Championship** "Monster Mashups"		**Halloween Baking Championship** "Field of Screams"		**Halloween Baking Championship** "Haunted House Party"	
FREE	48	**(4:35)** ★★ **"The Addams Family"** (1991, Comedy) Anjelica Huston, Raul Julia.			**(:40)** ★★ **"Addams Family Values"** (1993) Anjelica Huston. A greedy nanny plots to marry and murder Uncle Fester.				**(:45)** ★★ **"Hotel Transylvania"** (2012) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg. Animated. Dracula invites famous monsters to a special birthday party.				
FS1	20	**(2:30) College Football** Oklahoma State at Iowa State. (N)		**College Football** Texas Tech at Kansas. (N) (Live)						**College Football** Idaho State at Southern Utah. (N) (Live)			
FSEE	32	**Pro Football Weekly**	**Hawks Live! Pregame** (N) (Live)		**NBA Basketball** Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks. From State Farm Arena in Atlanta. (N) (Live)					**Hawks Live! Postgame** (N)	**Hawks 4th Quarter**	**NBA Basketball** Orlando Magic at Atlanta Hawks.	
FX	28	★★ **"Hotel Transylvania 2"** (2015, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg, Selena Gomez.				★★★ **"Goosebumps"** (2015, Fantasy) Jack Black, Dylan Minnette. Monsters from the "Goosebumps" books spring to life.				★★ **"Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children"** (2016, Fantasy) Eva Green, Asa Butterfield, Samuel L. Jackson.			
GOLF	82	**LPGA Golf**	**PGA Tour Golf** ZOZO Championship, Third Round.					**Golf Central** (N) (Live)		**PGA Tour Golf** ZOZO Championship, Final Round. (N) (Live)			
HALL	72	**"Christmas Under Wraps"** (2014, Children's) Candace Cameron Bure. A doctor discovers an Alaskan town's holiday secret.				**"Christmas Wishes & Mistletoe Kisses"** (2019) Matthew Davis. A woman is hired to decorate the estate of a businessman.				**"Christmas at Pemberley Manor"** (2018) Jessica Lowndes. A man falls back in love with Christmas and a party planner.			
HGTV	46	**Property Brothers** A couple hunts for a home in Las Vegas.		**Property Brothers** Getting out of a Las Vegas rental.		**Property Brothers** A family search for mountain-chic.		**Rock the Block** The designers take on master suites.		**Good Bones** The duo take on a home in need of work.		**Good Bones** A building with multiple condos.	
HIST	40	**The Curse of Oak Island: The Top 25 Finds** A look on six seasons of the series.				**The Curse of Oak Island: The Top 25 Theories** A look at six seasons of the series.				**(:05) The Curse of Oak Island: The Top 25 Moments** Incredible moments from the series.			
LIFE	23	**"Sweet Mountain Christmas"** (2019, Romance) Megan Hilty. A musician gets stranded in Tennessee during a snowstorm.				**"The Road Home for Christmas"** (2019, Drama) Marla Sokoloff. Two musicians find themselves without a gig on Christmas.				**(:03) "The Flight Before Christmas"** (2015, Romance-Comedy) Mayim Bialik, Ryan McPartlin, Reginald VelJohnson.			
MSNBC	36	**Deadline: White House**		**Hardball With Chris Matthews**		**All In With Chris Hayes**		**The Rachel Maddow Show**		**The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell**		**The 11th Hour With Brian Williams**	
NGC	22	**Tut's Treasures: Hidden Secrets** King Tut's death mask.		**Tut's Treasures: Hidden Secrets** "Tales From the Tomb"		**Expedition Amelia** The search for Amelia Earhart.				**Women of Impact: Changing The World** (N)		**Expedition Amelia** The search for Amelia Earhart.	
PARMT	57	**(4:30)** ★★★ **"Top Gun"** (1986) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot downs MiGs and loves an astrophysicist.				★★ **"London Has Fallen"** (2016, Action) Gerard Butler, Aaron Eckhart, Morgan Freeman. A Secret Service agent must save the captive U.S. president.					★★ **"Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen"** (2009, Action) Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox.		
TBS	25	★★ **"Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales"** (2017, Adventure) Johnny Depp, Geoffrey Rush. Deadly ghost sailors pursue Capt. Jack Sparrow.					★★ **"Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Men Tell No Tales"** (2017, Adventure) Johnny Depp, Geoffrey Rush. Deadly ghost sailors pursue Capt. Jack Sparrow.					**Full Frontal**	**The Misery Index**
TCM	79	★★★ **"The Haunting"** (1963) Julie Harris, Claire Bloom. An anthropologist, an heir and two women explore a mansion.				★★ **"Cabin in the Sky"** (1943, Musical) Ethel Waters. Emissaries from heaven and hell vie for a gambler's soul.				★★★ **"The Member of the Wedding"** (1952, Drama) Ethel Waters. A cook helps a tomboy grow up in small-town Georgia.			
TLC	24	**Dr. Pimple Popper** Rhonda has bumps on her head.		**Dr. Pimple Popper** Bob has two painful bumps on his back.		**90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days** "King of My Heart" Ben struggles through the ceremony.				**90 Day Fiance: The Other Way** "Tell All: Part 2"		**90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days**	
TNT	26	**(4:00)** ★★★ **"Batman Begins"** (2005) Christian Bale, Michael Caine. Bruce Wayne becomes Gotham City's Dark Knight.				★★★ **"Captain America: The Winter Soldier"** (2014, Action) Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson, Samuel L. Jackson. Capt. America and the Black Widow face an unexpected enemy.						★★★ **"I Am Legend"** (2007) Will Smith, Alice Braga.	
USA	27	**"The Hitman's Bodyguard"**	★★ **"Boo! A Madea Halloween"** (2016) Tyler Perry. Madea fends off ghosts, ghouls and zombies on Halloween.				**(:45)** ★★ **"Boo! A Madea Halloween"** (2016, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Cassi Davis, Patrice Lovely. Madea fends off ghosts, ghouls and zombies on Halloween.					**Modern Family**	**Modern Family**
WE	71	**Criminal Minds** Killings surround a TV starlet.		**Criminal Minds** A serial killer preys on the elderly.		**Criminal Minds** The team pursues a chameleonlike killer.		**Criminal Minds** The team tries to expose a mole.		**Criminal Minds** Psychopathic killer. (Part 1 of 2)		**Criminal Minds** The team unravels a psychopath's clues.	
HBO	518	**(4:41)** ★★ **"Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald"** (2018, Fantasy) Eddie Redmayne, Katherine Waterston. 'PG-13'				★★ **"Greta"** (2018, Suspense) Isabelle Huppert, Chloë Grace Moretz. Premiere. 'R'			**(:45) Watchmen** "It's Summer and We're Running Out of Ice"			**(9:51) The Righteous Gemstones**	
MAX	549	**(4:30) Outcast**	**(:20) Outcast**	**(:10) Outcast** Anderson resorts to drastic measures.		★★★ **"Deadpool 2"** (2018, Action) Ryan Reynolds. Deadpool joins forces with a team of mutants to fight Cable. 'R'				★★★ **"Buried"** (2010) Ryan Reynolds. A kidnapping victim awakes in a coffin. 'R'		**(:40)** ★★ **"EDtv"** (1999)	
SHOW	578	**Shameless** "Ride or Die" Fiona considers Margo's offer.		**Shameless** Lip buckles under the pressure.		**Shameless** The Gallaghers struggle with loss.		**Boxing** Erickson Lubin vs. Nathaniel Gallimore. Erickson Hammer Lubin takes on Nathaniel Gallimore from Santander Arena in Reading, Pa. (N) (Live)					
TMC	598	**(4:40)** ★★ **"Invincible"** (2006) Mark Wahlberg. The story of football's Vince Papale. 'PG'			**(:25)** ★★ **"The Dark Tower"** (2017, Fantasy) Idris Elba, Matthew McConaughey. 'PG-13'			★★ **"Texas Chainsaw Massacre: The Next Generation"** (1995) Renée Zellweger. 'R'		**"Attack of the Killer Donuts"** (2016, Horror) Kayla Compton, Justin Ray, Ben Heyman. 'NR'			

Movies

8:57 a.m. HBO "The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part" ★★★ (2019) Voices of Chris Pratt Animated. The citizens of Bricksburg face a dangerous new threat when LEGO DUPLO invaders from outer space start to wreck everything. It's now up to Emmet, Lucy, Batman and their friends to defeat the giant marauders and restore harmony to the LEGO universe.
9:00 a.m. FX "The Book of Life" ★★★ (2014) Voices of Diego Luna. Animated. Torn between family expectations and following his heart, a young man journeys through three fantastic worlds and faces his greatest fears.
10:00 a.m. TBS "Titanic" ★★★★ (1997) Leonardo DiCaprio. A society girl abandons her haughty fiance for a penniless artist on the ill-fated ship's maiden voyage.
11:00 a.m. FX "Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie" ★★★ (2017) Voices of Kevin Hart. Animated. Two overly imaginative pranksters accidentally hypnotize their principal into thinking that he's a ridiculously enthusiastic, incredibly dimwitted superhero named Captain Underpants.
TCM "The Pink Panther Strikes Again" ★★★ (1976) Peter Sellers. Inspector Clouseau is on the trail of his ex-boss, who is out to destroy the world.
11:30 a.m. TNT "Collateral" ★★★ (2004) Tom Cruise. A contract killer hijacks a cab and forces the driver to transport him to his assigned jobs in Los Angeles.
12:30 p.m. AMC "Jaws" ★★★★ (1975) Roy Scheider. A New England police chief, a shark hunter and a scientist have a showdown with a huge white shark.
1:00 p.m. FX "Trolls" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Anna Kendrick. Animated. Poppy, the optimistic leader of the trolls, and Branch, her polar opposite, embark on an adventure that takes them far beyond the only world they've ever known.
TCM "Gaslight" ★★★½ (1944) Charles Boyer. A Scotland Yard detective figures out why a schizoid Victorian is trying to drive his wife mad.
1:30 p.m. CMTV "Grease" ★★★ (1978) John Travolta. Nice Sandy and greaser Danny try to be like each other in their 1950s high school.
2:00 p.m. TBS "Cast Away" ★★★ (2000) Tom Hanks. After a plane crash at sea, a Federal Express engineer survives on a remote island for four years in complete isolation.
2:30 p.m. FREE "Monsters, Inc." ★★★½ (2001) Voices of John Goodman. Animated. A blue behemoth and his short, one-eyed assistant work in a giant factory that exists to scare children.
3:00 p.m. TCM "The Woman in White" ★★★½ (1948) Eleanor Parker. Based on the novel by Wilkie Collins. A mansion and its inhabitants are haunted by a strange spell.
TMC "Adrift" ★★★ (2018) Shailene Woodley Disaster strikes when Tami Oldham and Richard Sharp sail into a hurricane that leaves their boat in ruins. With Richard badly injured and no hope of rescue, Tami must race against time to save herself and the only man she has ever loved.
3:30 p.m. BET "Boyz N the Hood" ★★★½ (1991) Larry Fishburne. Three boys become men, one guided by his father, in their racially divided Los Angeles neighborhood.
4:00 p.m. CMTV "Dirty Dancing" ★★★ (1987) Jennifer Grey. A doctor's teenage daughter gets slinky with the dance teacher at a Catskills resort in the summer of 1963.
TNT "Batman Begins" ★★★ (2005) Christian Bale. Following the death of his parents, young heir Bruce Wayne becomes a masked avenger who fights the forces of evil in Gotham City.
4:30 p.m. PARMT "Top Gun" ★★★ (1986) Tom Cruise. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot tangles with MiGs and flirts with a civilian astrophysicist.
5:00 p.m. TCM "The Haunting" ★★★½ (1963) Julie Harris. An anthropologist, an heir and two ESP-prone women explore a New England mansion.
6:00 p.m. AMC "Jurassic Park" ★★★½ (1993) Sam Neill. An entrepreneur invites scientists, a mathematics theorist and others to his jungle theme-park featuring dinosaurs regenerated from DNA.
DISN "The Nightmare Before Christmas" ★★★★ (1993) Voices of Danny Elfman. Animated. The Pumpkin King gives the yuletide season a touch of Halloween in an animated tale from the mind of Tim Burton.
6:30 p.m. CMTV "Grease" ★★★ (1978) John Travolta. Nice Sandy and greaser Danny try to be like each other in their 1950s high school.
7:00 p.m. FX "Goosebumps" ★★★ (2015) Jack Black. Author R.L. Stine, his young daughter and their new neighbor must save the day when the monsters from the "Goosebumps" books magically come to life.
TNT "Captain America: The Winter Soldier" ★★★ (2014) Chris Evans. Captain America, the Black Widow and a new ally, the Falcon, face an unexpected enemy as they struggle to expose a far-reaching conspiracy that puts the world at risk.
MAX "Deadpool 2" ★★★ (2018) Ryan Reynolds Wisecracking mercenary Deadpool must protect a teenage mutant from Cable — a genetically enhanced soldier from the future. He soon joins forces with Bedlam, Shatterstar, Domino and other mutants to battle Cable and his powerful advanced weaponry.
8:00 p.m. CNN "Apollo 11" ★★★½ (2019) Never-before-seen footage and audio recordings take you straight into the heart of NASA's most celebrated mission as astronauts Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and Michael Collins embark on a historic trip to the moon.
9:00 p.m. CMTV "Dirty Dancing" ★★★ (1987) Jennifer Grey. A doctor's teenage daughter gets slinky with the dance teacher at a Catskills resort in the summer of 1963.
TCM "The Member of the Wedding" ★★★ (1952) Ethel Waters. The family cook helps a 12-year-old tomboy and her younger playmate grow up in small-town Georgia.
MAX "Buried" ★★★ (2010) Ryan Reynolds Following an attack on his convoy in Iraq, a man awakes in a coffin with little more than a lighter, a cell phone and his building anxiety.
10:00 p.m. TNT "I Am Legend" ★★★ (2007) Will Smith. After a man-made plague transforms Earth's population into bloodthirsty vampires, a lone survivor desperately searches for a cure.
10:51 p.m. HBO "A Star Is Born" ★★★½ (2018) Bradley Cooper Hard-drinking country music star Jackson Maine discovers — and falls in love with — a struggling but talented singer named Ally. As her career quickly takes off, Jackson starts to realize that his best days may be behind him.

EDUCATION

Scholars' Bowl Scoreboard: Middle school scores- Oct. 22

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – In middle school scholars' bowl matches this week, West Point and Vinemont continued their undefeated runs. Cullman has a single loss on the season, and Hanceville and Cold Springs are over 50% in wins.

Oct. 22 results
Round 1
• West Point 450 - Fairview 70
• Holly Pond 180 - East Elementary 185
• Cullman 365 - Parkside 85
• Hanceville 180 - Vinemont 230
• Harmony 160 - Cold Springs 195

Round 2
• Harmony 110 - Vinemont 210
• Parkside 65 - East Elementary 185
• Hanceville 220 - St. Bernard 200
• Cullman 275 - Cold Springs 105
• Holly Pond 170 - Fairview 160

Round 3
• Parkside 65 - Cold Springs 150
• Cullman 155 - Vinemont 310
• Harmony 90 - St. Bernard 175
• Fairview 130 - East Elementary 120
• West Point 380 - Hanceville 170

Overall standings - wins/losses
• Good Hope - 0/2
• West Point - 4/0
• Cullman - 4/1
• Hanceville - 3/2
• St. Bernard 2/1
• Holly Pond - 1/3
• Vinemont - 4/0
• Cold Springs - 3/1
• Fairview - 1/2
• Parkside - 0/5
• Harmony - 1/4
• East Elementary - 2/3

The Tribune thanks Wallace State's Christine O'Leary, who supervises scholars' bowl matches.

EDUCATION

Scholars' Bowl Scoreboard: High school scores- Oct. 24

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Several of this week's high school scholars' bowl matches were rescheduled for Nov. 14 due to changes in area football schedules. Of the teams that held matches, Good Hope and West Point remained perfect, and Cullman made a strong showing.

Oct. 24 results
Round 1
• Fairview 40 - Good Hope 530
• Hanceville 320 - Cullman 370
• West Point 610 - Vinemont 60

Round 2
• Fairview 80 - Cullman 520

Overall standings - wins/losses
• Good Hope - 5/0
• West Point - 4/0
• Cullman - 4/1
• Hanceville - 2/2
• St. Bernard - 3/2
• Holly Pond - 1/3
• Vinemont - 1/4
• Cold Springs - 1/4
• Fairview - 0/5

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God's Feral Felines to begin serving Cullman County in 2020

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CULLMAN, Ala. – A new low-cost spay/neuter resource for cats will soon be available for Cullman County cat owners. God's Feral Felines, a nonprofit group from Marshall County, will be opening a shelter in Cullman County in early 2020.

Since 2013, the all-volunteer nonprofit has worked to help control feral cat colonies through a trap-neuter-return (TNR) campaign.

Founder and director Pamela Keck said, "We started trapping in 2013, and at that point we were just pawning jewelry to pay for one colony at the Guntersville Wal-Mart."

Within the next year, Keck and her friends were incorporated and received their 501(c)(3).

Keck continued, "To date, we have been the only organization dedicated to making a difference for cats in Marshall County, and since inception, we have (spayed/neutered) over 2,500 cats."

The group began by doing TNR and soon grew as donations allowed it to help low-income individuals with spay neuter costs. In 2016, it was able to start a rescue program through Albertville's PetSmart.

"Our rescue program is really geared more towards rescuing babies that need to be bottle fed or pregnant moms. We are not into taking someone's cat because they don't want their cat anymore," said Keck.

The group recently had an opportunity to lease a building in Arab on South Main Street, within Cullman County. Keck hopes to open the rescue center by January 2020.

She explained, "We will be expanding our TNR program and our low-cost spay/neuter program into Cullman County. I want to focus on this area and make a difference."

Keck was very clear that the group's purpose is not for cat owners who simply don't want their cats anymore or continually allow their cats to have kittens.

It wants to focus on those cats who are clearly strays in hopes of controlling increasing feral populations.

"I'm looking to help the person who wakes up and a dumped cat has had babies on their front porch," she said. "I am not going to be a shelter for people who just don't want to handle the responsibility of rehoming their cat because they can't handle it anymore. I want to focus on those cats that actually need rescuing."

The group does not plan on coming into Cullman and trapping cats.

It hopes those in Cullman County who know of or care for feral colonies will trap the cats and bring them in for vetting before returning them back to the colony.

"All the colonies that we actually have trapped, all have feral cat caregivers. If it doesn't have a feral cat caregiver, we don't actually trap it. We can only do so many, and I would rather trap those cats that have a better chance of survival. They have a better chance of survival if they are being fed," Keck explained.



FACEBOOK

God's Feral Felines will continue to plan its implementation strategy as it prepares to open its new location. For those interested in learning more, volunteering, fostering or donating, visit God's Feral Felines on Facebook or at www.GFFCats.org/.

AGRICULTURE

Alabama Extension launches Farming Basics app

Ann Chambliss
Contributor

AUBURN, Ala. – Today's farmers are using new technology more than ever to help them with day-to-day tasks. In a physically demanding and rapidly developing industry, farmers lean on GPS, web information, online courses and timely answers to keep up with the moving economy.

Available at the touch of a finger, the Farming Basics app from Alabama Extension is a science- and research-based information gateway for small and beginning farmers.

The app will serve as a pocket guide to help growers answer everyday questions in the field.

Ayanava Majumdar, an Alabama Extension specialist, has brought the Alabama Extension Beginning Farmer Program and online course to life with the help of industry partners.

"The Beginning Farmer Program is a statewide effort to support new farmers with emphasis on military veterans and underserved communities," Majumdar said.

"The Farming Basics app is going to change the way we interact with our growers."

Majumdar said the app will allow producers to react to pest and disease situations promptly and with confidence.

Farming Basics app

The Farming Basics app includes information about major insect pests and diseases, horticultural crop descriptions and general management tactics.

The app also features a fertilizer and irrigation calculator to assist beginning farmers save dollars on inputs.

Other features of this app include crop and pest alerts, location services that include contact information for regional Extension agents and an activity calendar linking to upcoming meetings and field days.

The Farming Basics app is available where ever you download your apps.

Alabama Extension regional agent Neil Kelly helped develop the material for the app.

Kelly believes it is a crucial tool in a producer's toolbox now and for years to come.

"This is researched information at the farmer's fingertips," Kelly said. "It is a platform that we can continue to build on each year, improving and changing as needed."

Jayme Oates, owner of Farmscape Solutions, agrees that this app is fully functional for farmers in the field.

"The app does a fantastic job connecting farmers with experts and expert information," Oates said. "Accessible and easy to use, it's a great tool for the farmer on the go."

Karen Wynn of Rosita's Farm said the app is a great tool for Southern growers needing quick answers out in the field.

"The pest and disease identification sections have already proven useful," said Wynn, who is also a soil consultant. "I especially appreciate the management recommendations that focus on life cycles and cultural controls."

About the Beginning Farmer Program

The Alabama Beginning Farmer Program has a wide array of resources for all types of farmers. The overall implementation plan involves collaboration with a wide range of institutions, producer groups and nonprofit organizations for supporting beginning farmers statewide.

Currently, the Beginning Farmer program provides intense on-farm guidance to more than 60 beginning farmers, including military veterans, women and socially disabled individuals.

The advisory service has an 85 percent adoption rate and has increased yields by improving crop quality and reducing insecticide use with pest prevention.

Download the app

Download the Alabama Extension Farming Basics app where ever apps are sold.

****CHANGE IN SALE DAY****
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2019

CSY
Cullman Stockyard

Customer Appreciation Day
Tuesday, November 5, 2019

The Beef Industry is changing rapidly. In order to meet those changes we are changing our sale day to Tuesdays. We will begin selling on Tuesday starting November 5, 2019. We will continue to start our sale at 8:30 a.m. We feel this change is in the best interest of our producers.

We appreciate and thank you for your support over the past 65 years and look forward to serving our industry and producers in the future.

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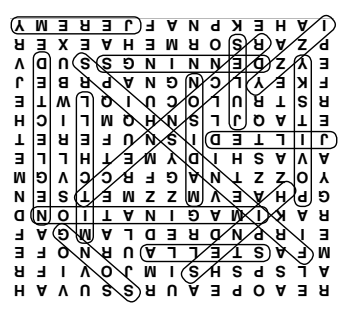
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"Dollface" on Hulu

(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

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Madison	(Brenda) Song	Imagination
Stella	(Shay) Mitchell	Reconnect
Izzy	(Esther) Povitsky	Neglected
Jeremy	(Connor) Hines	Friendships

WORD SEARCH SOLUTION



Obituary Announcements
Oct. 25

Funeral services for William Lee Sanders, 60, of Hanceville, will be 3 p.m., Sunday Oct. 27, 2019 at the Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation for family and friends will be at the funeral home, Sunday, beginning at 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Close friend and pastor Hilda Walker and Andy Johnson will be officiating. Burial will be at the Garden City Cemetery. Mr. Sanders was the son of the late Virginia Fay Sanders. He had been disabled for some time. Mr. Sander's was engaged to Miss Delinda Bliss. Mr. Sanders is survived by Miss Bliss and his brother Larry Sanders as well as a host of cousins and friends. Mr. Sanders is preceded in death by his mother Virginia Fay Sanders, a brother Tommy Sanders, grandparents Julius and Vera Johnson, aunt and uncle Nelva and Roland Johnson.

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Poet's Corner

Lighter Things

By: Randy C. Hale

A fifteen-year-old grocery boy, the 70s,
packing customers staples,
survival stored in heavy containers.
Pepsi has introduced the 48 ounce
'Crowd Pleaser.'
Someone else has jumped to 64.

The sacks of brown paper become hefty,
plump but it's my job to bag,
wheel out to the car, lift from the carts
we call buggies and load.
"Compliment their hair,
say what a pretty baby," my dad said.

Tips, mean date money, the purchase
of an old step side blue Chevy pick up.
The day is long but the quarters add up
and we celebrated the rare dollar.
Where has all the glass gone,
the weight, the sack boys?

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

MARSHALL COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

Sand Mountain, Alabama is to tomatoes what Vidalia, Georgia is to onions. Tomatoes from Marshall County and surrounding area—ARE THE TOP! In the words of Broadway composer Cole Porter, "(Sand Mountain tomatoes) are the Mona Lisa, the Tower of Pisa, the Roman Coliseum and the Louvre Museum." Baby, Sand Mountain tomatoes--ARE THE TOP!

Archaeological evidence indicates this part of Alabama has been inhabited by humans for 9,000 years. Cherokee and Creek Indians had many villages here along the Tennessee River. After the Native American removal of the early 1800s, Marshall County was established by the state Legislature in January 1836.

Sand Mountain is a sandstone plateau in northeastern Alabama and is the tip of the Appalachian Mountain chain. The elevation makes this "the coolest climate" in the state. There is also rich soil and plenty of sunshine. This naturally occurring combination of elements ensures tomatoes grown in Marshall County and the immediate area—ARE THE TOP!

One of the findings from the 67-County Alabama Garden Party is, "Gardening is our popular art." Alabama has produced world-class artists like Harper Lee, Brother Joseph Zoettel and Nat King Cole. But, where art stars shine brightest in our state is with the hundreds of colorful, imaginatively composed and exquisitely executed gardens.

It is estimated more than 80% of Alabamians practice the art and science of gardening, whether that's creating an ornamental flower garden, an "edible schoolyard" vegetable garden, a window box or farming.

Even though I am a certified Alabama Master Gardener, I fully recognize there are many, many gardeners throughout the state who never heard a professional horticulture lecture or read a page in the superb Master Garden curriculum who can run rings of well-tilled soil around me and most Master Gardeners. A gathering of these uncertified-but-masterful Alabama gardeners could fill Jordan-Hare and Bryant-Denney Stadiums.

That said, back in June of this year, the program for my Master Gardener county meeting provided a powerfully positive answer for the question: WHY BECOME AN ALABAMA MASTER GARDENER?

The coordinator of the Marshall County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System traveled to the county I live in to share "Tips for Growing Alabama's Top Tomatoes." And, the learning was made fun because the Extension coordinator in our county created a "Jeopardy-like" quiz game on tomatoes.

Here are some Master Gardener notes, but the information with a dynamic exchange of tomato Q&A was much better LIVE with these knowledgeable plantsmen:

• **TOP TOMATOES NEED TOP SUNLIGHT**- Choose an area that regularly gets at least seven hours of unfiltered sunshine. If you absolutely can't find a sunny spot to grow tomatoes you may have to accept that fruit production will be lower than in gardens with full-day, direct sun. Also, gardens without good morning sun to dry the dewy leaves are subject to more plant diseases. These heirloom tomatoes grow rather well in partial shade but will need some sunlight: Green Zebra (striped), Topaz (yellow), Arkansas Traveler (pink), Principe Borghese (red), Golden Sunray (orange), Black Cherry (purple/black).

• **TOP TOMATO PLANTS NEED ROOM TO GROW**- Plant seedlings 30 to 48 inches apart and rows should be 48 inches apart—this allows the lower parts of the plants to receive sunlight and improves the air flow.

• **TOP TOMATO PLANTS HAVE UNIQUE SOIL NEEDS**- and thrive in rich, well-drained, slightly acidic soil with a pH of 6.5 to 6.8. Pick up a "soil tester" from your local office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System or a garden center. If soil is too alkaline add composted organic matter. If soil is too acidic add dolomite lime.

• **TIMING FOR TOP TOMATOES**- Tomatoes like warmth. Wait until the soil temperature is consistently over 60 degrees Fahrenheit before planting outside. If the temperature is still iffy, use row covers.

• **TOP TOMATOES NEED DEEP ROOTS**- When you plant, snip off lower branches, then cover the root and stem to the first set of leaves.

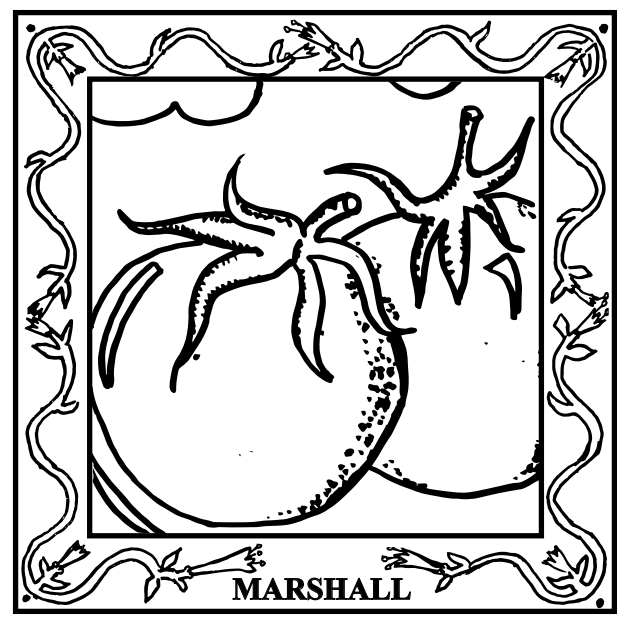
• **TOP NEIGHBORING PLANTS FOR TOP TOMATOES**- Plant basil and onions near your tomatoes plants to help the tomatoes repel pests like those dastardly nematodes. (The Dastardly Nematodes would make a good name for a punk rock band.)

• **TOP TOMATOES AIN'T FOR SUCKERS**- Tomato plants send out "suckers" (leaves that shoot out from the main stem). Carefully prune these "suckers" off to let the plant's energy go to produce fruit.

• **TOAST TOP TOMATOES WITH COMPOST "TEA"**- Soak one part water to one part organic compost and let this sit for 24 hours. Then, pour the "tea" and nourish your plants.

• **TOP TOMATOES WANT TO BE CAGED**- When fruit begins to sag on a branch give the plant support with a tomato stake or a cage.

One last thing to do for "top tomatoes"- Rather than putting unripe tomatoes on your windowsill, they will ripen better if you put them in a light-



The Alabama honeysuckle border was inspired by an 18th century, Southern applique quilt.

ly-closed brown paper sack. What tomatoes at this stage need to help them ripen is warmth, not sunlight.

Marshall County and the Sand Mountain area are TOP for tomato growing, but there are many other positive and pleasurable PLANTS + PEOPLE things to explore here on your 67-County Alabama Garden Party tour.

Also, enjoy the array of festive recipes Laurie Johnson has created to celebrate gardeners in this part of our state:

• **ALBERTVILLE FARMERS' MARKET**- 116 West Main St., Albertville, AL 35551; Thursdays 3-6 p.m., May-October

• **ARAB FARMERS' MARKET**- 307 North Main St., Arab, AL 36016; Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; April-November

• **ASBURY FARMERS' MARKET**- 5000 Martling Road, Albertville, AL 35551; Fridays 3-6 p.m., May-November

• **BOAZ FARMERS' MARKET**- 108 Line St., Boaz, AL 35957; Mondays-Saturdays, 6 a.m.-8 p.m., YEAR ROUND

• **GUNTERSVILLE FARMERS' MARKET**- 880 Sunset Dr., Guntersville, AL 35976; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturday 7 a.m.-1 p.m. (or until sold out), April 2-October 31

• **MARSHALL COUNTY FARMSTANDS**- Harville Harvest (Albertville), Jean Moore (Albertville), Kris Atchley (Grant), Winfrey Farms (Boaz)

• **MARSHALL COUNTY BLUEBERRIES**- E&T Farms (Grant)

• **MARSHALL COUNTY MUSCADINES**- GNH Farms (Albertville)

• **MARSHALL COUNTY STRAWBERRIES**- Jerry Phillips (Guntersville)

• **LAKE GUNTERSVILLE STATE PARK**- (Guntersville area) created as Little Mountain State Park in 1947; 5,909 acres on the eastern shore of Guntersville Lake, a 69,000 impoundment of the Tennessee River; enjoy hiking trails, wildflowers, American Bald Eagle nests and sightings amongst the tall trees, and a Level 2 ziplining course through the tree canopy.

• **POKE SALAT (Salad) FESTIVAL**- (Arab) The 35th Annual celebration of this roadside plant was held in May 2019 with imaginative and tasty recipes, live music and a giant salad bowl of tasty fun.

• **THREE-ACRE STALAGMITE FOREST**- (Grant) Cathedral Caverns State Park is a publicly-owned recreation area and natural history preserve at Kennamer Cove near Grant. Much of the caverns is wheelchair-accessible. During the American Civil War, the Kennamer family of Marshall County lived in the cave for months after its home was burned by Union soldiers.

• **PLANTING AN IDEA**- Create a "SAND MOUNTAIN TOP TOMATO" branding program to highlight the consistent customer demand for tomatoes from this part of Alabama. Vidalia, Georgia has created a vast, passionate desire for its onion brand. And, Georgia farmers and farm workers have benefited from its efforts. Sand Mountain tomatoes are valued as the "top" and deserve top recognition and top dollar. For years, in farmers' markets in the Birmingham and Huntsville metro areas, chefs, cooks and many just making a BLT know to purchase Sand Mountain tomatoes.

• **MARSHALL COUNTY TOMATO & OTHER PLANT ADVICE**: Marshall County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, 424 Blount Ave. #G21, Guntersville, AL 35976, 256-582-4796; this is also the place to explore being an Alabama Master Gardener.

Y'ALL COME to Marshall County on your 67-County Alabama Garden Party tour! You'll have top-prize tomatoes and the friendly folks will make you feel like—YOU'RE THE TOP!

The Cullman Tribune is celebrating the Alabama Bicentennial (1819-2019) with statewide field reporting by Alabama Master Gardener/Botanical Artist Ben Johnson South. This year-long feature, "The 67-County Alabama Garden Party," will spotlight different counties each week. Each county will get its own "quilt block," along with a historical profile, and we'll share a recipe specific to the area. At the end of the year, all 67 counties will be put in a book to commemorate the Bicentennial.



MARSHALL COUNTY TOMATO FEST

A FOUR-COURSE TOMATO SAMPLER MEAL

~ 4 SERVINGS

"You say toe-maae-toe, I say toe-mayyh-toe." We can't even agree on how to pronounce it, so we certainly couldn't agree on just one way to enjoy seasonal, Alabama-grown tomatoes - wouldn't be right. This is a true "tomato fest," a four-course sampler meal, complete with a soup, salad, main dish and dessert course. Since there are four of them, these recipes are a bit abbreviated, integrating ingredients and instructions into one narrative (so please read through them all before starting). Have fun celebrating Marshall County's, and all of Alabama's, home-grown tomatoes with this comforting, yet creative "tomato fest" four-course meal!

1. Soup Course - Tomato Basil Bisque with Grilled Cheese Crouton

• Core and coarsely chop 8 large vine-ripe tomatoes. Roast half of them in a 400F oven with some chopped onions, salt/pepper and olive oil for ~ 8 minutes. Place the other half with 2 tbsp. minced mint leaves into a food processor or blender and process until smooth. Place the half with mint into the refrigerator to chill until used with the Sorbet recipe. Take the roasted half and puree in the blender or processor and place into a saucepan. Add 3 tbsp. minced fresh basil leaves, 1-2 cup white wine, salt and pepper and simmer on low for ~ 30 minutes until thickened. Taste and season as needed. Before serving, add 1/4 cup heavy cream and simmer a few more minutes until thickened again. Serve warm with a grilled cheese crouton- a crostini, broiled with butter, grated cheddar and Parmesan cheese, and a basil sprinkle garnish. (If wanting to keep a day before serving, which can enhance the flavors) refrigerate or even freeze before adding the cream. Reheat, add cream, simmer and serve.)

2. Salad Course - BLT Boats

• Mix 3 tbsp. mayonnaise with 2 tbsp. balsamic vinegar together and spread lightly into 4 romaine lettuce spears. Top with halved cherry tomato chunks and crispy fried bacon or diced pancetta chunks. If desired, top with blue cheese crumbles and black pepper.

3. Main Course - Fried Green Tomatoes with Gulf Shrimp Remoulade

• Slice 4 green tomatoes into ~ 1/4-inch slices and soak in buttermilk with several shakes of hot sauce in the refrigerator for a few hours or even overnight. In a plastic storage bag, mix 1 cup cornmeal, 1/2 cup flour, and liberally season with salt, black pepper, garlic powder, dried parsley and paprika. Drain excess liquid from tomatoes and shake them in the meal/flour mixture. In a skillet with about 1 inch of hot vegetable oil, pan fry tomatoes until golden on both sides. Drain on paper towels and serve hot, topped with a dollop of roasted tomato remoulade sauce (see Hale County recipe) a couple of large, seasoned Gulf shrimp (steamed or roasted), more sauce and minced fresh parsley.

4. Dessert - Tomato Sorbet with Local Honey Drizzle and Mint

• In a sauce pan, bring 1 cup each granulated cane sugar and water to boil until sugar dissolves and the mixture thickens a little. Add 1 tsp. balsamic vinegar (fruit-flavored, like black cherry if you have it) and 2 tbsp. grenadine syrup (I used one with cherry and pomegranate). Press the (earlier refrigerated) tomato/mint puree though a fine sieve and discard solids (or re-process and press again). Stir together the sieved tomato puree, the sugar syrup and 1 tbsp. additional minced mint leaves and chill well (a few hours) before processing, as directed, in an ice cream machine until firm. Freeze until ready to serve. If no ice cream machine, pour into a shallow pan, freeze, and scrape out with a fork, like a granita. Serve frozen tomato sorbet scoops with a shortbread or sugar cookie and a drizzle of local honey, garnished with fresh mint leaves.

