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Country's tallest Weihnachtspyramide goes up, and up, at Cullman County Museum



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Cullman's new, beautifully-handcrafted Weihnachtspyramide (Christmas pyramid) stands next to the Cullman County Museum.

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Inmate who attempted suicide succumbs to injuries

Matthew LeWayne Clayton was charged with two counts of murder



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Matthew LeWayne Clayton

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Cullman Veterans Day Celebration set for Saturday

There'll be a whole lot of veterans in one place where you can just walk around and say, 'Hey, thank you very much.' That's what the whole thing's about. That's why we do this."- Col. Ken Brown



CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Visitors will get up close and personal with Vietnam veteran helicopter pilots at this year's Cullman County Veterans Day Celebration at Sportsman Lake Park.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – This weekend, Cullman area veterans will be honored in events at the Cullman Civic Center, Sportsman Lake Park and the Cullman Elks Lodge. The annual Cullman County Veterans Day Celebration will take place Saturday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Sportsman Lake Park, which will be packed with attractions, food and entertainment. Veterans will also take part in the annual Heroes' Dinner Friday night and a special event Saturday evening at

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Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 29

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 29, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS
No incidents reported.

ARRESTS
No arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS
Oct. 28
• fourth-degree theft of property; person; Ash Ave. NE; tire; $150

ARRESTS
Hays, Daniel J., 42
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- running a red light
• FTA- insurance violation (2 counts)
• FTA- expired tag
• FTA- following too close

Steele, John N., 18
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Miller, Bradley L., 29
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Terry, Kielynn B., 21
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Swafford, Jeffery S., 40
• third-degree criminal trespassing

Moon, Moye L., 74
• fourth-degree theft of property

Hill, Dustin W., 36
• fourth-degree theft of property
• third-degree criminal trespassing
• attempting to elude
• providing false information to law enforcement

Moon, Jessica L., 28
• fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Inmate (from Front)

Wendy Sack
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CULLMAN, Ala. – The man taken to an area hospital late Friday night, Oct. 25 after attempting suicide in the Cullman County Detention Center has died. Cullman County Coroner Jeremy L. Kilpatrick confirmed that Matthew LeWayne Clayton, 30, of Prospect Mountain was pronounced dead Tuesday after succumbing to his injuries.

Clayton was charged with killing two men and critically injuring another in the Prospect Mountain community Monday, Oct. 21.

"Detention deputies immediately took lifesaving action by performing CPR, administering the AED, and other life saving measures," said a statement from the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Saturday morning.

"This is a horrible and sad situation. We had been monitoring Mr. Clayton and checking on him as much as humanly possible. I would like to commend those detention deputies who found Mr. Clayton and didn't hesitate to act to save his life. We don't know what his ultimate condition will be, but those detention deputies went above and beyond in that moment," said Sheriff Matt Gentry.

The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) is handling the investigation into the incident at the jail.

Background
Two people died and one was critically injured in a shooting and knife attack at a residence along the 8500 block of County Road 223 in the community of Prospect Mountain Monday, Oct. 21.

Cullman County Coroner Jeremy L. Kilpatrick the next day identified the two deceased victims as Thomas Frank Dewille, 76, of Owens Cross Roads and Rollan Frank Edwards, 75, of Prospect Mountain. Dewille was pronounced dead at the scene. Edwards died after being transported to UAB Hospital in Birmingham.

The third victim, Jody Jay Tudor, 48, of Prospect Mountain remains in UAB Hospital.

Clayton was charged with two counts of murder and one count of attempted murder.

He was picked up by Alabama State Troopers and the Limestone County Sheriff's Office the night of the incident on Interstate 65.

He was extradited to Cullman County, where he was being held in the Cullman County Detention Center without bond.

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry said in a press conference Tuesday, Oct. 22 that the three victims and the suspect knew each other and that at least two of them are related.

"We do know that the individuals were all known to each other," said Gentry. "The motive, we believe, or what we're starting to learn, was something that happened in the past. We're still working with investigators to determine all the incidents, what we believed happened."

Gentry took time to praise the work done by law enforcement and other first responders.

"Throughout any horrific tragedy, any horrific incident that we deal with in law enforcement," he said, "one of the things that I noticed yesterday, and over the last 20 years in law enforcement, is how those first responders, how the men and women of the sheriff's office and those first responders who arrive on scene run in without fear."

The sheriff reminded the media that Cullman deputies each work 150 square miles alone.

He continued, "Those deputies and first responders arrived on scene without hesitation. When you're talking about something like this, and they are arriving by themselves to an unknown situation, that takes courage."

Gentry said the three victims lived together and the suspect was a neighbor. He said the three victims had lived together for many years.

Celebration (from Front)

the Elks Lodge.

Cullman's Veterans Day observances take place a week before Veterans Day, to free veterans and exhibitors to take part in other events on the holiday weekend.

Col. Ken Brown of VFW Post 2214 and the Cullman Elks Lodge sat down with The Tribune to talk about the importance of Veterans Day.

"It's that day every year that we celebrate for the living veterans," he said. "I think a lot of folks tend to forget that Memorial Day is for those veterans who have passed, and Veterans Day is for the living. So, it's important on Veterans Day to come out for the holiday and thank the veterans and let them know, and let their families know, how much we appreciate what they've done for our country."

Friday evening - Heroes' Dinner at Cullman Civic Center
Brown told The Tribune the Heroes' Dinner, sponsored by Cullman Savings Bank and hosted by Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs and his wife, to honor combat veterans of the Cullman area, has outgrown the space at Top of the Town where the event has previously been held, and moved this year to the Cullman Civic Center.

While having previously hosted veteran speakers with great stories to tell, this year's event will feature entertainment by Letters from Home, presenting "a USO-type show which includes singing, dancing and comedy. They travel the world to promote patriotism and entertain the troops and veterans' groups everywhere. This year's show features popular songs from the Vietnam era. It is a high-energy, fun experience that you are guaranteed to enjoy!"

At each of 30 tables, guests will be seated with a local hero to enjoy dinner and the show, and to have an opportunity to learn more about that veteran's story, face-to-face.

Said Brown, "The objective of the night is to acquaint the civilians with the military heroes that live among them."

The popular event is sold out, but look for photos and more from The Cullman Tribune Friday evening.

Saturday morning and afternoon - Cullman County Veterans Day Celebration at Sportsman Lake Park, sponsored by Cullman Elks Lodge 1609
Sportsman Lake Park will host its regular annual Veterans Day exhibits and events, along with some of the exhibits that would usually appear at the Cullman Regional Airport (unavailable this year due to airport construction)

Col. Brown has ordered with a smile, "The Crimson Tide has a bye this week, so no excuses!"

• 8 a.m. - Coffee and donuts for veterans, compliments of the Cullman County Republican Women
• 8:30 a.m. - Ride-in, with Sons of Liberty Riders
• 8:45 a.m. - March-in, with Sons of the American Revolution and Cullman County JROTC
• 9 a.m. - Opening ceremony, Gwen Parker, Mistress of Ceremonies
• 9:15 a.m.- Concert with Cullman Community Band
• 10 a.m. - USO show with Letters from Home
• 11:30-1 p.m. - Free lunch for veterans and spouses, compliments of the Elks Lodge, featuring Vietnam era radio programming. Food vendors for civilians.
• 1-3 p.m. - Concert with Madison Rising at the Cullman County Fairgrounds Theatre

All day:
• Displays of Vietnam-era military equipment, from soldiers' gear to a UH-1 "Huey" helicopter
• Displays of WWII British military equipment
• Civil War living history camp with the Sons of Confederate Veterans and cannons
• Gen. Bob Stewart, Vietnam veteran helicopter and NASA space shuttle pilot, will be on hand.
• Displays of military vehicles
• Guides will be present to help visitors locate names on the Alabama Vietnam Veterans Wall.
• Free parking with shuttle service available

Saturday evening - Veterans' Night at Cullman Elks Lodge 1609
Starting at 5 p.m. in the evening, the Cullman Elks Lodge, 1609 Brantley Ave. NW, Cullman, will host Veterans' Night for veterans and spouses.

• Food by Augusta's food truck
• Cash bar
• Music by Madison Rising, Letters from Home and Round 2
• Open to the public

What's the point of these celebrations?
Brown hopes to see large crowds at the Veterans Day observances around town, for one reason: the veterans. He has been aggressive on social media recently, introducing vets who will be at Saturday's event, telling bits of their stories and encouraging the public to come hear the rest first-hand.

Said Brown, "That's why you should come out: not to hear any music, or not to see anything, but just to come out and get out of your car, and walk over and grab a few veterans on their one day of the year, and tell them, 'Thank you' and pat them on the backs. And if you enjoy the rest of it that's going on out there, fine, but if that's not your cup of tea, at least you can just turn out. There'll be a whole lot of veterans in one place where you can just walk around and say, 'Hey, thank you very much.' That's what the whole thing's about. That's why we do this."

Learn more at www.cullmanveteransday.com or www.facebook.com/Cullman-County-Veterans-Celebration-358938820972320.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1

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).

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 30

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.

Trick or Treat at the Library
• Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2-5 p.m.
• Cullman County Public Library, 200 Clark St. NE

East Side Baptist FREE Fall Festival Night
• Wednesday, Oct. 30 at 4:30 p.m.
• East Side Baptist Church, 1111 Third St. SE, Cullman
• FUN--GAMES--PRIZES--INFLATABLES--COSTUME CONTEST
• This is a wonderful event for the whole family! We hope to see everyone out there for all sorts of fun and entertainment!
• We do ask that you don't bring any scary costumes to this event since it is a family-friendly night. Thanks!

Grace Chapel's 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat on the Street
• Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6-8 p.m.
• Cullman Warehouse District, downtown Cullman
• No tricks! Nothing but treats!

Hallelujah Night at Hanceville First United Methodist Church
• Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6-7:30 p.m.
• Hanceville FUMC, 704 Commercial St., across from Hanceville High School
• Join us for Bible-based trunk or treat, train ride, pumpkin painting, yard games and more. The night will end with a costume parade at 7:20 p.m.

Bethany Baptist Church Pumpkin Party
• Wednesday, Oct 30, 6-8 p.m.
• Bethany Baptist Church, 1612 County Road 201, Crane Hill, Alabama 35053

The Church of the Atrium Trunk or Treat
• Wednesday, Oct. 30, 6-8 p.m.
• Vinemont Scout Center
• Hot dogs, cake walk, treats

THURSDAY, OCT. 31

James R. Smith Trucking Truck-or-Treat
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 2-5 p.m.
• James R. Smith Trucking, 240 County Road 222, Cullman
• Stop by and trick or treat with us!

City of Good Hope Halloween Costume Contest
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 3-5 p.m.
• Good Hope City Hall
• Bring the kids by Good Hope City Hall to Trick or Treat and enter our Costume Contest. Prizes will be given for first, second and third place. We will take photos of all the entries. We will choose the winners Friday, Nov. 1, and they will be posted on our Facebook page.
• 1st Place - $50 gift card
• 2nd Place - $25 gift card
• 3rd Place - $25 gift card

Westminster Assisted Living Trick or Treating
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 4-5 p.m.
• Westminster Assisted Living, 1020 Olive St. SW
• Candy and games for boys and ghouls of all ages!

Spirit Life Church of God Fall Festival
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 4-8 p.m.
• Spirit Life Church of God, 650 St. Joseph Dr., Cullman
• There will be face painting, bouncy house, games, candy and prizes. Everyone welcome!

Halloween Storytelling at Loretta's Bookstore & Storytelling
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 5 p.m.
• Loretta's Bookstore & Storytelling, 320 First Ave. SE, Cullman
• We will be open late on Halloween!! Come in for a spooky storytelling (or two!), get a picture with Clyde & shop for a book! Don't forget to dress up!

Redeeming Grace Church Trunk or Treat
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
• Redeeming Grace Church, 7549 County Road 222, Cullman, AL 35057

Cullman First Church of the Nazarene Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-7:30 p.m.
• Cullman First Church of the Nazarene, 5415 Alabama Hwy. 157, next to Walmart

Explicit Perceptionz and Karma in Cullman Trunk or Treat
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• William's Barbecue, 2021 Second Ave. SW (Hwy. 31 S), Cullman
• Explicit Perceptionz Car Club is teaming up with Karma in Cullman to bring you a fun night on Halloween with a trunk or treat event. Bring the kids out and have some fun, get candy and play some games.

Temple Baptist Church Trunk-N-Treat
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• Temple Baptist Church, 30 County Road 1184, Cullman
• This is a completely free event open to the entire community!

Fall Festival at The Refuge
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• The Refuge, 1115 Hwy. 278 E, Cullman, AL 35058
• Come join us for a night of fun! Free food, games and prizes! Register now for your ticket to the fun!

Harvest Party at West Point Baptist Church
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• West Point Baptist Church, 140 County Road 1242, Cullman, AL 35057
• Music, food, games, bouncy house, bungee run, pony ride, hayride, costume contest, bonfire and GOOD OLD-FASHIONED FUN!

Spring Hill Baptist Church Trunk or Treat & Fall Fest
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• Spring Hill Baptist Church, 5400 U.S. Highway 278 W, Cullman, AL 35057
• Come and spend time with your family and friends at our Trunk or Treat and Fall Fest! We will have games, face painting, pumpkin painting and free food! Come be with us for some good, clean family fun!

Halloween in Hanceville
• Thursday, Oct. 31, 6-8 p.m.
• Hanceville Civic Center
• Come join us for a night of fun inside where it's warm and dry! We will have local businesses, churches, Hanceville Fire Station 1 and Hanceville Police Department setting up spooky booths inside the Hanceville Civic Center handing out candy!
• If you would like to set up a booth, please contact Hanceville City Hall. There is no cost to set up a booth, just supply your own decorations and candy!

The Haunt at Camp Liberty
• 7-10 p.m., 15719 Alabama Highway 157, Vinemont, AL 35179
• Suggested for ages 13 and older
• Tickets for the trail are $16; A ticket package is available for $20, which includes the trail, souvenir dog tag and six tickets for games and "very weird" prizes at the creepy carnival.; Military personnel get a $2 discount.
• For more information, visit www.thehauntatcampliberty.com or call 256-615-2339.
• Camp Liberty warns this event is "a fully-immersive, physically-active, intense, military-themed haunt in north Alabama. This is NOT your standard walk-through haunt. You may be touched, get wet and/or dirty, or made to crawl into and through obstacles. Please leave all jewelry, electronics or other valuables at home or in your car. Be sure to wear clothing and shoes that can get dirty. These attractions are suggested for ages 13 and up."

FRIDAY, NOV. 1

Church Food Bazaar
A church food bazaar will be held Friday, Nov. 1 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mount Zion United Methodist Church (located by U.S. Highway 31 North, next to the Cullman Area Technology Academy at Vinemont). Baked goods will be for sale and lunch will be served from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Carryouts will be available. Proceeds benefit Mount Zion United Methodist Women's Group.

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PREP FOOTBALL

County rivalries wrap up regular season Friday night

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L-R: Fairview running back Tyvn Ellis (20), Holly Pond quarterback Kyler Chaney (15)

The 2019 prep football regular season is coming to an end and we have several county rivalry matchups to pay attention to before the postseason arrives next week. The West Point Warriors will travel to take on Cordova, Hanceville will host Good Hope, Vinemont will travel to Cold Springs and Holly Pond will host Fairview to close out the regular season.

(4-5) West Point (5A Region 7) at (4-5) Cordova (4A Region 5)

The Warriors fell out of the postseason race after losing to Corner a couple weeks ago but will get another opportunity to finish the season with a win on the road Friday night. West Point will travel to take on Cordova in its final regular season matchup and the Blue Devils are in the midst of a four-game winning streak.

Last week's win over Haleyville secured a playoff spot for Cordova and now the Warriors are coming to town to wrap up the regular season.

The Blue Devils are scoring and allowing 26 points per game this season but have been clicking on offense during this recent win streak.

Cordova has put up at least 35 in its last three matchups so West Point will have to be ready to put points on the board to keep pace with the Blue Devils this week.

(3-6) Hanceville (3A Region 5) vs. (7-2) Good Hope (4A Region 5)

Both the Bulldogs and Raiders are coming off tough losses headed into this local showdown and while the postseason may be out of reach, Hanceville could carry some real momentum into this offseason with an upset over Good Hope. The Raiders have won back to back games in this series and are bringing a stout defense to Ray Talley Stadium Friday night.

The Bulldogs are scoring just under 24 points per game right now and Good Hope is holding its opponents to 21 so Hanceville's offense will have its hands full this week. The Raiders struggled offensively against Fayette County last week, so they'll be looking to get back in a rhythm and try to tune things up against the Bulldogs before traveling to Oneonta for the first round of the AHSAA State Playoffs next week.

(2-7) Holly Pond (3A Region 5) vs. (7-2) Fairview (4A Region 7)

While only one of these teams is heading to the playoffs, both are coming off big wins and will be anxious to see one another Friday night. Fairview clinched its region title with a 55-14 win over Danville and the Broncos knocked off Vinemont on the road to pick up their second win of the season and fourth straight over the Eagles.

Holly Pond could have a little more trouble with the Aggies this week. Fairview is bringing a powerful running game that is putting up over 37 points per game this season and a defense that is allowing just 20.

The Broncos on the other hand have had some struggles on the defensive side of the ball.

Opponents are scoring nearly 35 points per game against Holly Pond and the Broncos will face arguably their toughest challenge yet Friday night. The Aggies won last year's meeting 21-20 and will be going for back to back wins over their county rivals this week.

(4-5) Cold Springs (2A Region 5) vs. (3-6) Vinemont (3A Region 5)

This game was originally scheduled for Halloween this Thursday but with inclement weather on the way, the game was moved to Friday night. Both Eagle squads are coming off losses to Sulligent and Holly Pond and will be looking to close the regular season strong this week.

Cold Springs and Vinemont have both struggled with some inconsistency issues this season and been hot and cold throughout the fall. Vinemont routed Cold Springs 34-0 in last year's meeting so the Eagles of Cold Springs will be looking for a big win to bounce back and finish this season with a win. Both defenses are allowing nearly 30 points per game so this year's matchup could be a high-scoring affair.

Weihnachtspyramide (from Front)

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JANET CHANDLER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Left to right are Tobias Fritzsch, Matthias Schiebold and Andreas Hausmann.

CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman is now home to the country's tallest Weihnachtspyramide, thanks to months of planning by the Cullman City Council and Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism, and the handiwork of German company Erzgebirgiisehe Holzkunst Gahlenz in the German village of Gahlenz. Three men from the company, Tobias Fritzsch, Matthias Schiebold and Andreas Hausmann, traveled to Cullman this week to install the intricately-crafted 30-foot-fall symbol of Cullman's German heritage.

The Weihnachtspyramide is a traditional German Christmas season decoration known in English as a "Christmas pyramid." The device is a type of carousel which hung from a ceiling or set on a table, with carved wooden figures that can represent the holy family and nativity scene, angels, Christmas themes, and popular themes of regional culture. Descended from decorated lampstands of the 18th century which may also have helped give rise to the modern Christmas tree, the Christmas pyramid featured numerous candles, and later oil-burning lamps. Over time, the carved figures were set on moveable turntables powered by an overhead rotor which was turned by updrafts of hot air from the candles or lamps.

Cullman's Christmas pyramid has the figures and the rotating carousels, and even features the rotor at the top, but it is no tabletop decoration. According to Mayor Woody Jacobs, Cullman's Weihnachtspyramide is the largest in the United States. It was constructed on the grounds of the Cullman County Museum and towers over the nearby gazebo. Turning the giant rotor would take too much candle power, so this one is motorized.

The pyramid is six levels tall. The bottom level features a nativity scene: Mother Mary kneeling at the manger, Joseph with his lantern (representing the flight to Egypt which, according to tradition, began in the middle of the night), shepherds with their sheep and the wise men lined up to deliver their gifts. Above them one can find nutcrackers, snowmen, Santa, an angelic band and more. Jacobs said the completed pyramid includes a little local flavor as well. Hint: Look closely, and you'll find Cullman's founder, John Cullmann.

"I believe the Christmas pyramid is a great way to honor our German heritage," said Jacobs. "I like that it's handcrafted, from Germany. It's very pretty and will be a great addition to our other downtown Christmas decorations."

LEGALS

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARTHA JEAN KUSZ, Deceased. * CASE NO PC-2018-322

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Robert Anthony Kusz and Brenda Kusz Parrish as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Martha Jean Kusz, Deceased, on the 21st day of October, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Robert Anthony Kusz and
Brenda Kusz Parrish
Personal Representative

Annette Irons-Parker
PARKER & PARKER, LLP
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF HERSHEL F. SMITH, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC 2019-245

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to CAROLYN S. SMITH as Personal Representative of the Estate of HERSHEL F. SMITH, deceased, on the 22nd day of October, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Carolyn S. Smith
Personal Representative

Beverly Pashcal Poston
Attorney for Personal Representative
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Cullman, AL 35055

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

In Re the Estate of
Carl O. Grund, Jr., Deceased) Case No. PC 2019-312

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Colleen Ann Grund as Personal Representative of the Estate of Carl O. Grund, Jr., deceased, on the ____ day of _____, 2019, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate,

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Colleen Ann Grund
Personal Representative

To the Publisher of the Cullman Tribune:
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Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate, Tammy Brown
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY **CASE NO: AD-2019-074**

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF A.J.R
D.O.B. 01/27/2012
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: **TERESA DARLENE RAY**
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DONE THIS 28th DAY OF October, 2019.

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Good Hope Sizzlin' Seniors heat up Halloween

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – The Sizzlin' Seniors of Good Hope knew exactly what to do on a cool and cloudy pre- Halloween day. Throw a party, of course! Twenty crock pots filled with a variety of hot soups and chili, a table full of desserts including Jan Junkin's spectacular spice cake and a room full of fabulous Halloween costumes helped make this year's Halloween party a huge success.

A full house came out to celebrate with friends at the Good Hope Senior Center, located in the basement of the city hall.

There were a few celebrity sightings as Popeye and his leading lady Olive Oyl, Cleopatra, Mr. and Mrs. Potato Head and The Incredibles decided to attend.

Partygoers played bingo, but with a fun twist. Whoever won a game was required to share a funny joke, and there were plenty of jokesters in attendance.

The laughing had everyone fired up as the costume winners were announced by Mayor Jerry Bartlett and Councilman Greg Brown.

The overall winner for best costumes went to Popeye and Olive Oyl (Gary and Charlene White).

The City of Good Hope has been working hard in an effort to make the Sizzlin Senior program a success.

Under the direction of Brown, the seniors meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 9 a.m. through lunch.

In addition to the normal Tuesday gatherings, monthly day trips are also being planned.

Brown said of the November trip, "We are taking a trip to Helen Keller's Home, the Alabama Music Hall of Fame and lunch at Two Fat Sisters. It's going to be a lot of fun.

"We have to have 40 signed up, but have room for 50."

The trip, planned for Nov. 22, is $50 and includes admission to the planned attractions and lunch. Interested seniors can sign up through Nov. 8.

To register for the day trip, contact Lori at Good Hope City Hall.

The next Sizzlin Seniors meeting will be Tuesday, Nov. 12, and they are planning a sock hop.

A band will be playing the oldies for the dance, so get those saddle shoes and loafers dusted off!



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Popeye and Olive Oyl (Gary and Charlene White) took hope the prize for best costumes at Tuesday's Halloween party at the Good Hope Senior Center.

2nd annual West Point High School Dinner Theatre showcases talent

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MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The West Point High School Theatre and Choir staff and students perform "Nobody" to conclude the second annual WPHS Dinner Theatre event Monday evening.

CULLMAN, Ala. – Stone Bridge Farms was filled with talent Monday evening as the second annual West Point High School Dinner Theatre took place, filling the grounds with song, dance and comedy.

"This is one of our major fundraisers for our theater department at West Point. We're having a dinner here at Stone Bridge, and along with that we have several of our theater students who are going to be performing different musical and dance and acting selections," said West Point High School Librarian and Co-Theatre Director (along with husband, Jimmy Harbison) Kimberly Harbison. "It's mostly music; we do have several different numbers that are based off of Broadway shows or musical movies that are very popular."

Harbison touched on the history of the event.

"This is our second one; last year's was at the school's auditorium and we didn't have it catered, we had a meal our self at the school, and it has grown. The interest grew after that, so we had to find a larger place to have it this year. Stone Bridge was nice enough to rent us this spot on Monday night and catered the meal so we sold tickets for that and we had a good turnout on ticket sales."

Preparing for the event took time, said Harbison.

"It takes a little bit of putting together with our students to find out what they might want to perform," she said. "We have close to 80 students in our theater program right now at school, so we selected the ones who are part of the Alabama Trumbauer Theatre Festival (Trumbauer District (3) Theatre Festival) that's coming up this Saturday at Cullman High School. We have quite a few students who are competing in that, so this is preparation for that. They are getting a practice run on their numbers tonight."

Monday evening's performances featured 25 acts from West Point High School students.

Harbison felt positive about the evening, saying, "I'm very excited about tonight and being able to showcase all of our wonderful talents that we have at our school. We have a lot of talent; we are excited to be able to share that with you and we think that everyone will really enjoy the show!"

Below is a list of the acts performed Monday evening

- Declan Cornett performing stand-up comedy
- Hayden Chandler singing "If Only"
- Mallory Campbell and Tyler White singing a duet of "Start of Something New"
- Keaton Chappell singing "Ophelia" with piano accompaniment by Cason Partain
- Peyton Chamblee singing "How Far I'll Go"
- Caidyn McManus singing and acting to "100 Ways to Lose a Man"
- Anna Hancock singing "Bleeding Love"
- Patrick Sapp singing "Broken Halo"
- Ashley Mann performing a dance routine to "Get Loud"
- Anna Armstrong singing "Journey to the Past" accompanied by a dance routine by Heidi Armstrong
- Leila Cherry singing "Little Girls"
- Kell Wilson singing "Neverland"
- Garret Willingham singing "Kodachrome"
- Presley Palmer singing "True Colors"
- Rylee Harbison singing "Once Upon a December"
- Macy Millsap and Presley Palmer singing and dancing "Monster Mash"
- Isabel Newby singing "Super Trouper"
- Carson Partain singing "Music of the Night"
- Hayden Chandler and Lyssi Nuss singing duet "For the First Time in Forever"
- Sarah Hudson singing "Speechless"
- Erik Griggs accompanied by Jimmy Harbison singing "Stronger"
- Jack Sellers performs piano solo "Circle of Life"
- Miriam Oldacre singing "Almost is Never Enough"
- Aleah Campbell singing "Jolene"
- West Point High School Theatre/Choir staff and students singing "Nobody"

'Spooky' seniors enjoy Halloween costume party in Dodge City

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DODGE CITY, Ala. – The Dodge City Senior Center was filled Tuesday morning, as spooky seniors came dressed up for a fun Halloween costume party.

Dodge City Mayor Tawana Canada said, "We had a good response!"

The senior center has hosted the annual party for more than two decades.

"We've been meeting for 22 or 23 years, I believe, probably that long," said Canada. "We try to make every holiday special."

Canada said everyone enjoyed the event.

"I think everyone had a good time, including me!" she smiled.

"The costumes were great! I think overall, it went great. We had a lot of participation, maybe more so than what we've had in previous years.

"The costumes were well thought out and diversified, they were great! Sometimes we have businesses that donate and all and we want to thank those businesses for helping our seniors!"



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Dodge City Seniors gathered for a group photo in their costumes Tuesday morning.

Agriplex events: Nov., Dec.

Serena Knedlik
Contributor

All events take place at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Talley Ho St., Cullman, AL 35056, 256-297-1044, unless otherwise noted.

To register, go to www.Agriplex.org and click on the register tab. Follow the link to the registration system, RecDesk.

Nov. 2- Farm Kids Club- Turkey Time - 9-10:30 a.m.
Gobble, gobble! Come see this magnificent bird up close and learn all about this American icon. $5 per child, $10 per family.

Nov. 5- Living Landscapes- Horses - 6 p.m.
Singing Cowboy Morrow Doss will cover the basics of raising horses, from pedigree and gaits to feeding and riding. $5 per person.

Nov. 7- Heritage Skills- Essential Oil Basics - 6 p.m.
Learn what essential oils are and how to use them to make your home healthier. Make a product to take home using essential oils. $15 per person.

Nov. 8- Little Farmers- The Green Tractor - 10-11 a.m.
Who do you think of when you see a green tractor? John Deere, that's who! We will discover the history of John Deere and his tractor. $5 per child, $10 per family.

Nov. 14- Heritage Homeschool- Soybeans - 9-11 a.m.
George Washington Carver graces our studies once again as we continue learning about historical commodities and their uses. Our focus will be soybeans. $8 per child, $16 per family.

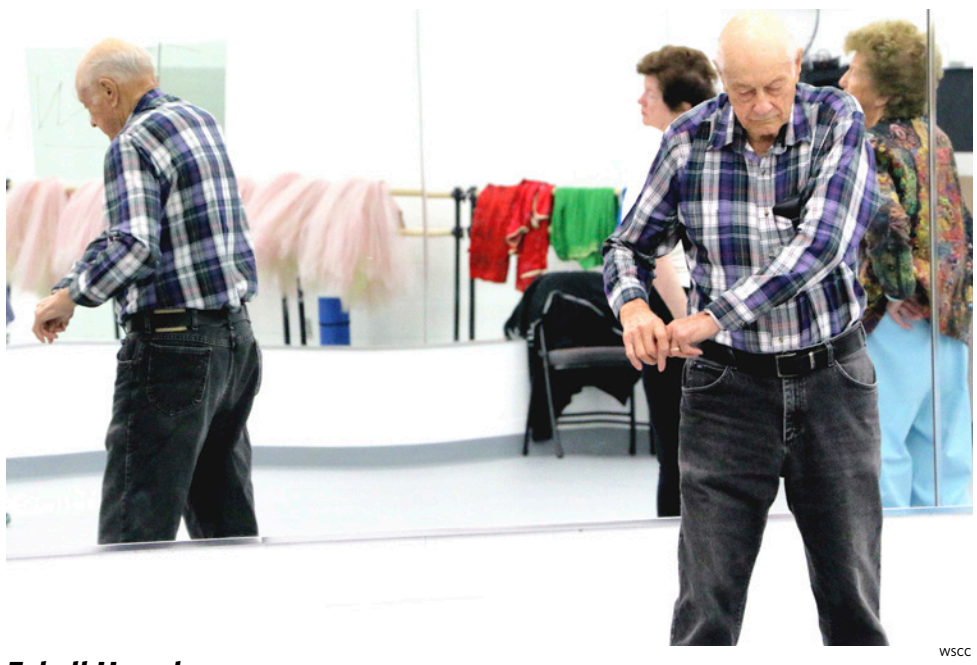
Dec. 3- Heritage Skills- Herbs for the Holidays - 6 p.m.
Herbs have been a part of the holiday celebrations for over 2,000 years. Join former American Herb Society president Debbie Boutleier in learning to make herbal products for your home or to give away. Included with $25 fee is a booklet with recipes and directions along with tastings of herbal holiday treats.

Dec. 07- Farm Kids Club- Holiday Crafts- 9-10:30 a.m.
It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas and we are using nature's bounty to decorate! Make and take holiday projects. $10 per child, $20 family maximum.

Dec. 7- Living Landscapes- Grapevine Wreaths- 6 p.m.
Make a grapevine wreath to reuse and decorate it with our beautiful native evergreens. $10 per person.

Dec. 12- Heritage Homeschool- Happy Birthday Alabama! - 9-11 a.m.
Let's celebrate Alabama's birthday while learning about our state history. $8 per child, $16 per family.

Dec. 13- Little Farmers- Winter Celebration- 10-11 a.m.
Nature crafts and holiday food will warm our Little Farmers as we prepare for the shortest day of the year! $5 per child, $10 per family.



WSCC

Eskell Herndon

Happy 90th Birthday, Eskell Herndon!

Gail Crutchfield
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Wallace State Community College Wellness Center client Eskell Herndon of Welti celebrated his 90th birthday Friday, Oct. 25. Herndon has been coming to the Wellness Center for more than 20 years and played his first game of volleyball there at the age of 65.

Herndon comes to the Wellness Center every week where he works out on the gym equipment, takes part in stretching classes and watches the volleyball games.

Retired from AT&T, Herndon said he actually wired the Wellness Center and the Tom Drake Coliseum for phone service. He and his wife Opal have been married for 70 years.

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Sports

10:00 a.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Miami Heat.
2:00 p.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Miami Heat.
GOLF College Golf East Lake Cup, Match Play Championship. (Live)
5:00 p.m. GOLF College Golf East Lake Cup, Match Play Championship.
6:30 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics. The Bucks visit Jaylen Brown's Celtics. Brown led the team in points, rebounds and assists in Boston's 112-106 home-opening victory Oct. 25 over Toronto. Milwaukee prevailed 117-111 over Houston on Oct. 24 in its only road contest this season. (Live)
FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow Features with Jordan Morant and Gee Scott. Interviews with Fred Davis and Hudson Card.
7:00 p.m. FS1 MLS Soccer Toronto FC at Atlanta United FC. A ticket to the MLS Cup is on the line as Atlanta United host TFC in the Eastern Conference finals. (Live)
FSEE Women's College Volleyball Iowa State at TCU. From University Recreation Center in Fort Worth, Texas. (Live)
TNT All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (Live)
USA WWE NXT (Live)
9:00 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Utah Jazz. (Live)
GOLF PGA Tour Golf WGC - HSBC Champions, First Round. (Live)
11:30 p.m. TNT All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite Lucha Bros vs. SCU; Kenny Omega and The Young Bucks vs. Kip Sabian and TH2.
12:00 a.m. FSEE Women's College Volleyball Iowa State at TCU. From University Recreation Center in Fort Worth, Texas.
1:30 a.m. ESPN2 NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics. The Bucks visit Jaylen Brown's Celtics. Brown led the team in points, rebounds and assists in Boston's 112-106 home-opening victory Oct. 25 over Toronto. Milwaukee prevailed 117-111 over Houston on Oct. 24 in its only road contest this season. (Same-day Tape)
2:00 a.m. FSEE Rodeo RodeoHouston Super Series, Championship.
2:30 a.m. FS1 2019 World Series Washington Nationals at Houston Astros. (Same-day Tape)
3:00 a.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Utah Jazz.
GOLF College Golf East Lake Cup, Match Play Championship.

Movies

2:00 p.m. FX "The Visit" ★★½ (2015, Suspense) Olivia DeJonge, Ed Oxenbould. (120 mins.)
TNT "Snow White & the Huntsman" ★★½ (2012, Fantasy) Kristen Stewart, Charlize Theron. (150 mins.)
2:30 p.m. AMC "Halloween H20: 20 Years Later" ★★ (1998, Horror) Jamie Lee Curtis, Adam Arkin. (120 mins.)
BET "Daddy's Little Girls" ★★ (2007, Romance) Gabrielle Union, Idris Elba. (157 mins.)
2:35 p.m. MAX "Unknown" ★★½ (2011, Suspense) Liam Neeson, Diane Kruger. (113 mins.)
3:00 p.m. LIFE "The Christmas Shoes" ★★ (2002, Drama) Rob Lowe, Kimberly Williams. (120 mins.)
TCM "The Gay Falcon" ★★½ (1941, Mystery) George Sanders, Wendy Barrie. (75 mins.)
3:25 p.m. SHOW "Wayne's World" ★★½ (1992, Comedy) Mike Myers, Dana Carvey. (95 mins.)
3:30 p.m. E! "The Devil Wears Prada" ★★★ (2006, Comedy) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway. A recent college graduate lands a job working for a famous and diabolical editor of a New York fashion magazine. (150 mins.)
TMC "Dazed and Confused" ★★★ (1993, Drama) Jason London, Wiley Wiggins. Assorted teens waste another day of school before getting down to wasting summer in 1976 Austin, Texas. (103 mins.)
3:40 p.m. FREE "Addams Family Values" ★★½ (1993, Comedy) Anjelica Huston, Raul Julia. (125 mins.)
4:00 p.m. FX "The Mummy" ★★ (2017, Action) Tom Cruise, Russell Crowe. (150 mins.)
4:15 p.m. TCM "The Woman in Green" ★★½ (1945, Mystery) Basil Rathbone, Nigel Bruce. (75 mins.)
4:30 p.m. TNT "Ant-Man" ★★★ (2015, Action) Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas. Armed with a suit that allows him to shrink in size but grow in strength, Ant-Man must prevent Dr. Hank Pym's former protégé, also known as Yellowjacket, from perfecting the same technology and using it as a weapon for evil. (150 mins.)
MAX "Traffic" ★★★½ (2000, Crime Drama) Michael Douglas, Don Cheadle. While a judge's anti-drug campaign leads him to his own daughter, a DEA agent targets a trafficker's wife, and a policeman fights corruption. (147 mins.)
5:00 p.m. DISN "Twitches" ★★★ (2005, Children's) Tia Mowry, Tamera Mowry. Reunited on their 21st birthday, twin sisters use their magic powers to save their kingdom from the forces of darkness. (100 mins.)
LIFE "A Christmas Kiss" ★★★ (2011, Romance) Elisabeth Röhm, Laura Breckenridge. Trapped in an elevator, a designer shares an impulsive kiss with the boyfriend of her new boss. (120 mins.)
HBO "The Favourite" ★★★½ (2018, Comedy-Drama) Olivia Colman, Rachel Weisz. 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. (120 mins.)
SHOW "Liar Liar" ★★½ (1997, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Maura Tierney. (87 mins.)
5:07 p.m. BET "Tyler Perry's I Can Do Bad All By Myself" ★★½ (2009, Comedy-Drama) Tyler Perry, Taraji P. Henson. (173 mins.)
5:30 p.m. TCM "Fog Over Frisco" ★★½ (1934, Crime Drama) Bette Davis, Donald Woods. (90 mins.)
5:45 p.m. FREE "Hotel Transylvania" ★★½ (2012, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg. (125 mins.)
6:30 p.m. FX "Deadpool" ★★★ (2016, Action) Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin. Armed with accelerated healing powers and a twisted sense of humor, mercenary Wade Wilson adopts the alter ego Deadpool and hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life. (150 mins.)
SHOW "Airplane!" ★★★½ (1980, Comedy) Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty. A pilot afraid to fly follows his stewardess ex-girlfriend and must take over for the poisoned crew. (88 mins.)
7:00 p.m. PARMT "Dawn of the Dead" ★★★ (2004, Horror) Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames. A nurse, a policeman and other residents of Milwaukee fight flesh-eating zombies while trapped in a mall. (135 mins.)
TCM "Mad Love" ★★★ (1935, Science Fiction) Peter Lorre, Frances Drake. A bald surgeon grafts a killer's hands on to the pianist husband of an actress he loves. (75 mins.)
MAX "GoodFellas" ★★★★ (1990, Crime Drama) Robert De Niro, Ray Liotta. In the 1950s an Irish-Italian hoodlum joins the New York Mafia, but his mob career is not what he expected. (146 mins.)
TMC "I Am Number Four" ★★ (2011, Action) Alex Pettyfer, Timothy Olyphant. (110 mins.)
7:30 p.m. CMTV "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" ★★★ (1986, Comedy) Matthew Broderick, Alan Ruck. A cool teen plays hooky in Chicago with his girlfriend, his buddy and the classic Ferrari of his buddy's father. (150 mins.)
7:50 p.m. FREE "Hocus Pocus" ★★½ (1993, Children's) Bette Midler, Sarah Jessica Parker. (130 mins.)
8:00 p.m. SHOW "Godzilla" ★★ (1998, Science Fiction) Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno. (138 mins.)
8:15 p.m. TCM "The Most Dangerous Game" ★★★ (1932, Horror) Joel McCrea, Fay Wray. Mad Count Zaroff gives a shipwrecked couple a knife, then hunts them with hounds and a bow and arrows. (75 mins.)
9:00 p.m. AMC "Halloween" ★★★★ (1978, Horror) Donald Pleasence, Jamie Lee Curtis. John Carpenter's chiller about an escaped maniac who returns to his Illinois hometown to continue his bloody rampage. (120 mins.)
TNT "The Longest Yard" ★★½ (2005, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. (150 mins.)
TMC "The Dark Tower" ★★ (2017, Fantasy) Idris Elba, Matthew McConaughey. (95 mins.)
9:25 p.m. HBO "Glass" ★★ (2019, Suspense) Bruce Willis, James McAvoy. (129 mins.)
9:30 p.m. TCM "Cat People" ★★★ (1942, Horror) Simone Simon, Kent Smith. A New York architect marries a Serbian artist who turns into a black panther when aroused. (75 mins.)
MAX "Team America: World Police" ★★★ (2004, Comedy) Voices of Trey Parker, Matt Stone. Puppet commandos protect the planet from fiendish terrorists and North Korean dictator Kim Jong Il. (98 mins.)
10:35 p.m. TMC "Hotel Artemis" ★★½ (2018, Action) Jodie Foster, Sterling K. Brown. (93 mins.)
10:45 p.m. TCM "I Walked With a Zombie" ★★★½ (1943, Horror) James Ellison, Frances Dee. Nurse Betsey Connell is hired to care for Jessica, a woman who suffers from a bizarre condition. When she falls for Jessica's husband, Betsey is drawn into the dark world of voodoo while trying to cure her. (75 mins.)

WEDNESDAY EVENING

MOVIES

OCTOBER 30, 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	**25 Words or Less** (N)	**America Says**	**Family Feud**	**Family Feud**	**Dateline** "Reckless" A boyfriend is induced to kill himself.		**Dateline** "The Motive" A woman suspects her boyfriend.		**Dateline** Meek Mill; the criminal justice system.		**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**
WBIQ-PBS	4	**Arthur** (El)	**Ready Jet Go!** (El)	**PBS NewsHour** (N)		**Nature** The delta of the Okavango River. (N)		**NOVA** Fossils reveal how mammals took over. (N)		**Life From Above** Viewing Earth's kaleidoscope of colors.		**Bluegrass Underground** The alt-country quartet Lucero.	
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**	**Chicago Med** Dr. Manning faces repercussions. (N)		**Chicago Fire** Cruz and Severide suspect foul play. (N)		**Chicago P.D.** A shocking murder affects Halstead. (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)	**The Masked Singer** Six celebrities take the stage. (N)		**Almost Family** Edie and Tim discuss starting a family. (N)		**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)	**Survivor** Rival alliances go head-to-head. (N)		**(:01) SEAL Team** Ray and Clay's compound is attacked.		**S.W.A.T.** "The LBC" (N)		**CBS42 News 10pm** (N)	**Late Show-Colbert**
WTTO-CW	9	**The Goldbergs** "Stefan King"	**2 Broke Girls**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**Riverdale** Ominous videotapes begin appearing. (N)		**Nancy Drew** Nancy invites Bess to stay with her. (N)		**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**The Andy Griffith Show**	**The Andy Griffith Show**
WPXH-ION	11	**Blue Bloods** An officer is involved an altercation.		**Blue Bloods** Three community leaders are murdered.		**Blue Bloods** Danny goes against a direct order.		**Blue Bloods** Danny encounters a gas station robbery.		**Blue Bloods** A woman is murdered in her apartment.		**Blue Bloods** Frank helps a rehabilitated ex-con.	
WABM2-ABC	12	**ABC 33/40 News at 5PM**	**ABC World News**	**ABC 33/40 News at 6PM**	**Wheel of Fortune** (N)	**The Goldbergs** (N)	**Schooled** (N)	**Modern Family** (N)	**(:31) Single Parents** (N)	**Stumptown** Tookie's culinary skills come in handy. (N)		**ABC 33/40 News at 10PM**	**(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!**
A&E	42	**Ghost Hunters** A Louisiana plantation may be haunted.		**Ghost Hunters: Most Haunted** Kentucky tuberculosis hospital.		**World's Biggest Ghost Hunt: Pennhurst Asylum** Paranormal activity investigated. (N)				**(:01) Ghost Hunters** "Hospital Horror" (N)		**(:06) Ghost Hunters** The team travels to a seminary in Ohio.	
AMC	53	**(4:30) ★ "Halloween"** (2007, Horror) Malcolm McDowell. An escaped psychopath slashes his way through his hometown.				**★ "Halloween: Resurrection"** (2002, Horror) Jamie Lee Curtis. Collegians spend the night in Michael Myers' childhood home.				**★★★★ "Halloween"** (1978, Horror) Donald Pleasence. An escaped maniac embarks on a holiday rampage of revenge.			
ANPL	47	**Extinct or Alive** Discovered remains of the Pachylemurs.		**Extinct or Alive** The search for the Fernandina tortoise.		**Extinct or Alive: Uncovered Evidence** "The Javan Tiger"		**Extinct or Alive** The Millers grizzled langur. (N)		**(:01) Little Giants** (N)	**(:31) Little Giants** (N)	**(:01) Little Giants**	**(:31) Little Giants**
BET	55	**(:07) ★★ "Tyler Perry's I Can Do Bad All By Myself"** (2009, Comedy-Drama) Tyler Perry, Taraji P. Henson, Adam Rodriguez. A boozy singer finds a way to change her life.						**Tyler Perry's The Oval** Tragedy strikes the butler's family. (N)		**Tyler Perry's Sistas** Karen reconsiders the dating game. (N)		**Copwatch America** Patrolling the Bronx on 4th of July. (N)	
BRAVO	58	**Housewives/NJ**	**The Real Housewives of New Jersey** "Reunion Part Two"		**The Real Housewives of New Jersey**		**Housewives/NJ**	**The Real Housewives of Dallas** "A Mother of a Day" (N)		**The Real Housewives of New Jersey** (N)		**Watch What Happens Live**	**Cash Cab** (N)
CMTV	61	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**★★★ "Ferris Bueller's Day Off"** (1986, Comedy) Matthew Broderick, Alan Ruck, Mia Sara. A brash teen and his friends have an adventure in Chicago.					**★ "The Waterboy"** (1998) Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates.	
CNBC	35	**Mad Money** (N)		**Shark Tank** Men's swimwear; a hangover cure.		**Shark Tank** Survival kits; a throwable microphone.		**Shark Tank** Tiny house rentals; snack chips.		**Jay Leno's Garage** Jay and Tim Allen discuss iconic cars.		**Jay Leno's Garage** "Cult Classics" Charlie Sheen; Billy Joel.	
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. Fifth graders plague the boys.		**(5:50) South Park**	**(:25) South Park**	**South Park**	**South Park**	**South Park** "The Scoots"	**South Park**	**South Park** (N)	**Crank Yankers** (N)	**The Daily Show**	**Lights Out-David Spade**
DISN	49	**★★★ "Twitches"** (2005) Tia Mowry. Reunited twins use magic against evil. 'NR'			**(:40) "Twitches Too"** (2007, Children's) Tia Mowry, Tamera Mowry, Kristen Wilson. 'NR'			**Wicked Woods**	**(:20) Raven's Home**	**(:10) Raven's Home**	**(:35) Jessie**	**Jessie**	**Mickey Mouse**
DSC	43	**Expedition Unknown** UFO sighting witnesses.		**Expedition Unknown**		**Expedition Unknown: Unearthed** (N)		**Expedition Unknown** Josh gets news about "The Secret." (N)		**(:02) Expedition Unknown**		**(:02) Expedition Unknown**	
E!	21	**(3:30) ★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada"** (2006, Comedy)		**E! News** (N)		**★ "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.			
ESPN	29	**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)		**SportsCenter/ Smith**	**NBA Basketball** Milwaukee Bucks at Boston Celtics. (N) (Live)					**NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Clippers at Utah Jazz. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	30	**Daily Wager** (N) (Live)		**Baseball Tonight** (N) (Live)	**NFL Live**			**E:60** (N)		**Boxing**		**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)	
FOOD	45	**Guy's Grocery Games** Chefs must make a hot sandwich.		**Guy's Grocery Games** (Part 4 of 5)		**Guy's Grocery Games** Chefs use a list made up of emojis.		**Guy's Grocery Games** Food truck chefs battle it out. (N)		**Guy's Grocery Games** "Home Cooks!"		**Guy's Grocery Games** Cooking from frozen foods section.	
FREE	48	**"Addams Family"**	**(:45) ★★ "Hotel Transylvania"** (2012) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg. Animated. Dracula invites famous monsters to a special birthday party.					**(7:50) ★★ "Hocus Pocus"** (1993, Children's) Bette Midler. Youths conjure up three child-hungry witches on Halloween.				**The 700 Club**	
FS1	20	**NASCAR Race Hub** (N) (Live)		**MLB on FS1 Pregame** (N)	**MLS Pregame** (N) (Live)	**MLS Soccer** Toronto FC at Atlanta United FC. A ticket to the MLS Cup is on the line as Atlanta United host TFC in the Eastern Conference finals. (N) (Live)					**NFL Turning Point** (N)	**MLB on FS1 Postgame** (N) (Live)	
FSEE	32	**SC: The Buddy Pough Show**	**GeorgiaSouth.**	**Noles All Access** (N)	**Sports Stars of Tomorrow**	**Women's College Volleyball** Iowa State at TCU. From University Recreation Center in Fort Worth, Texas. (N) (Live)				**SC: The Buddy Pough Show**	**GeorgiaSouth.**	**Fight Sports: In 30**	**Fight Sports: In 30**
FX	28	**(4:00) ★★ "The Mummy"** (2017, Action) Tom Cruise, Russell Crowe, Annabelle Wallis.			**★★★ "Deadpool"** (2016, Action) Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin, Ed Skrein. Deadpool hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life.					**American Horror Story: 1984** The survivors help a hitchhiker.		**American Horror Story: 1984** The survivors help a hitchhiker.	
GOLF	82	**College Golf** East Lake Cup, Match Play Championship.						**Golf Central** (N) (Live)		**PGA Tour Golf** WGC - HSBC Champions, First Round. (N) (Live)			
HALL	72	**"Christmas in Love"** (2018, Romance) Brooke D'Orsay, Daniel Lissing. Ellie must decide if she should trust a big city CEO.				**"Finding Santa"** (2017, Romance) Jodie Sweetin, Eric Winter. A woman rushes to find a St. Nick replacement for a parade.				**"A Very Merry Mix-Up"** (2013) Alicia Witt, Mark Wiebe. An engaged woman spends the holiday with a caring family.			
HGTV	46	**Property Brothers** A nomadic family seeks a forever home.		**Property Brothers: Forever Home** (N)		**Property Brothers: Forever Home** (N)		**Property Brothers: Forever Home** (N)		**House Hunters** (N)	**House Hunters International**	**Property Brothers** A couple seek a Nashville fixer-upper.	
HIST	40	**Forged in Fire** Indian Bagh Nakh weapons are re-created.		**Forged in Fire** Finalists make the Grim Reaper's scythe.		**Forged in Fire: Cutting Deeper** "The Steel Crossbow"		**Forged in Fire** "Halloween Edition;The Boa-Zande Sword" The re-creation of the war scythe. (N)				**(:03) Forged in Fire** Recreation of the Chinese Jian.	
LIFE	23	**★★★ "A Christmas Kiss"** (2011, Romance) Elisabeth Röhm. A designer shares a kiss with the boyfriend of her new boss.				**"My Christmas Prince"** (2017) Alexis Knapp, Callum Alexander. Samantha has to make a difficult choice during Christmas.				**(:03) "The Christmas Pact"** (2018, Romance) Kyla Pratt, Jarod Joseph. As children, Sadie and Ben made a Christmas pact.			
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	**Extreme Alaska** Denali National Park.		**America's National Parks** "Grand Canyon"		**Life Below Zero** "Go Fish" Fishing in Alaskan waterways.		**Life Below Zero** "Best-Laid Plans"		**Life Below Zero** Strenuous labor is a part of life.		**Life Below Zero** "Go Fish" Fishing in Alaskan waterways.	
PARMT	57	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**★★★ "Dawn of the Dead"** (2004, Horror) Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames. Milwaukee residents fight zombies in a mall.				**(:15) ★ "Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter"** (2012, Action) Benjamin Walker, Dominic Cooper, Anthony Mackie. Premiere.			
TBS	25	**Family Guy**	**The Misery Index**	**The Misery Index**	**The Misery Index**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**Full Frontal**	**Conan** "Deon Cole" (N)	**Full Frontal**
TCM	79	**"The Woman in Green"**	**★★ "Fog Over Frisco"** (1934, Crime Drama) Bette Davis, Donald Woods.			**★★★ "Mad Love"** (1935) Peter Lorre, Frances Drake.		**(:15) ★★★ "The Most Dangerous Game"** (1932, Horror) Joel McCrea, Fay Wray.			**★★★ "Cat People"** (1942) Simone Simon, Kent Smith.		**"I Walk-Zombie"**
TLC	24	**Say Yes to the Dress**	**Say Yes to the Dress**	**Say Yes to the Dress** Grammy-nominated Elle King arrives.		**My 600-Lb. Life** "Brianne's Story" Brianne begins a weight-loss journey.				**Hoarding: Buried Alive** Discovering a daughter's compulsion.		**Hoarding: Buried Alive** Monte's clothing hoard.	
TNT	26	**(4:30) ★★★ "Ant-Man"** (2015) Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas. Ant-Man uses his shrinking skills to battle Yellowjacket.				**All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite** Lucha Bros vs. SCU; Kenny Omega and The Young Bucks vs. Kip Sabian and TH2. (N) (Live)				**★★ "The Longest Yard"** (2005) Adam Sandler, Chris Rock. Prisoners train for a football game against the guards.			
USA	27	**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Sin"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** A student dies at a party.		**WWE NXT** The fallout from Finn Balor's attack on Gargano; Kabuki Warriors vs. Tegan Knox and Dakota Kai. (N) (Live)				**Chrisley Knows Best**	**Chrisley Knows Best**	**Chrisley Knows Best**	**Chrisley Knows Best**
WE	71	**Criminal Minds** "The Aftermath" Critical decision.		**Criminal Minds** Two children are murdered in two weeks.		**Criminal Minds** Three college athletes disappear.		**Criminal Minds** A serial bomber terrorizes Seattle.		**Criminal Minds** New agent joins the team.		**Criminal Minds** The BAU interrogates a terrorist.	
HBO	518	**★★★ "The Favourite"** (2018) Olivia Colman. A close confidante of Queen Anne competes with her cousin. 'R'				**Watchmen** Angela detains a mysterious man.		**The Bronx, USA** George Shapiro returns to his hometown. (N)			**(:25) ★★ "Glass"** (2019, Suspense) Bruce Willis, James McAvoy, Samuel L. Jackson. 'PG-13'		
MAX	549	**(4:30) ★★★ "Traffic"** (2000) Michael Douglas. The war on drugs brings many casualties and few victories. 'R'				**★★★★ "GoodFellas"** (1990, Crime Drama) Robert De Niro, Ray Liotta, Joe Pesci. An Irish-Italian hood joins the 1950s New York Mafia. 'R'					**★★★ "Team America: World Police"** (2004, Comedy) Voices of Trey Parker, Matt Stone. 'R'		
SHOW	578	**★★ "Liar Liar"** (1997) Jim Carrey. A fast-talking lawyer cannot tell a lie. 'PG-13'			**★★★ "Airplane!"** (1980, Comedy) Robert Hays, Julie Hagerty, Peter Graves. 'PG'			**★★ "Godzilla"** (1998, Science Fiction) Matthew Broderick, Jean Reno. Nuclear testing in the South Pacific produces a giant mutated lizard. 'PG-13'				**"The Happytime Murders"**	
TMC	598	**(:15) ★ "The Spirit"** (2008, Action) Gabriel Macht. A rookie cop, believed to be dead, fights crime in Central City. 'PG-13'				**★★ "I Am Number Four"** (2011, Action) Alex Pettyfer. An alien teenager must evade those sent to kill him. 'PG-13'				**★★ "The Dark Tower"** (2017, Fantasy) Idris Elba, Matthew McConaughey. 'PG-13'		**(:35) "Hotel Artemis"** (2018)	

Best Bets

5 p.m. on DISN
Movie: Twitches

Twins Tia and Tamera Mowry star as Alex and Camryn in this 2005 fantasy based on the books by H.B. Gilmour and Randi Reisfeld. Born in the magical land of Coventry, they are separated as infants to avoid falling prey to evil. Separately raised by adoptive parents and guarded by protectors (Jennifer Robertson, Pat Kelly), Alex and Camryn meet on their 21st birthday and set out to find their birth mother in this perennial holiday favorite for tween audiences. The 2007 sequel, "Twitches Too," immediately follows.

7 p.m. on WTTO
Riverdale

In the chilling seasonal episode "Chapter Sixty-One: Halloween," ominous video recordings start turning up on Riverdale doorsteps, sending ripples of apprehension through the community. At Stonewall Prep, Jughead (Cole Sprouse) discovers several students have disappeared from the school, while Archie's (K.J. Apa) Halloween bash — designed to offer a safe space for local kids — is breached by some unwelcome party crashers. Elsewhere, Betty's (Lili Reinhart) past comes back to haunt her. Camila Mendes also stars.

7 p.m. on PARMT
Movie: Dawn of the Dead

Zombies in a shopping mall — sounds like a five-word indictment of our advertising-addled consumer culture. It's also the setting of this 2004 remake of George Romero's 1979 horror classic, one of the better entries in the zombie subgenre. Sarah Polley, Ving Rhames, Jake Weber and Mekhi Phifer lead the cast as survivors of a zombie-producing plague who take refuge in a mall against the encroaching, hungry army of undead outside.

8 p.m. on WABM2
Modern Family

Halloween always has been an important holiday to the extended family at the heart of this Emmy-winning sitcom, which currently is playing out its final season. In the new "The Last Halloween," after years of failure, Phil (Ty Burrell) is determined to scare his unflappable wife, Claire (Julie Bowen), but it's Gloria (Sofia Vergara) who's feeling frightened — about her age, when, for the first time, someone correctly assumes she is married to the much-older Jay (Ed O'Neill).

8 p.m. on HBO
The Bronx, USA

Producer George Shapiro delivers a love letter to his hometown borough in this new documentary directed by Danny Gold, which finds Shapiro walking through familiar streets as he revisits memories from his childhood and talks with members of the 2017 graduating class of DeWitt Clinton High School, where Shapiro himself graduated in 1949. The film also features interviews with such famous Bronx-ites as actor Alan Alda and his wife, Arlene; singer Melissa Manchester,; former U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell; and Carl and Rob Reiner.

9 p.m. on WIAT
S.W.A.T.

After criminals steal a huge arsenal of Los Angeles Police Department assault rifles, Street (Alex Russell) reaches out to his estranged foster brother, Nate (guest star Cory Hardrict), to assist with the joint investigation between SWAT and the Long Beach Police Department in the new episode "The LBC." Meanwhile, Hondo (Shemar Moore) clashes with his father (recurring guest star Obba Babatundé) over the latter's increasingly serious health problems, and the whole team reconsiders investing in Luca's (Kenny Johnson) food truck.

9 p.m. on AMC
Movie: Halloween

Jamie Lee Curtis launched (somewhat reluctantly) her "scream queen" career starring in this low-budget but high-quality 1978 horror movie from director John Carpenter. A murderous man (Nick Castle) returns after 15 years to continue the homicidal rampage he began as a young boy and appears to have some uncanny connection to babysitter Laurie Strode (Curtis). Donald Pleasence, Nancy Loomis and P.J. Soles co-star in what has become a genre classic.



Ty Burrell stars in "Modern Family" on ABC.

EDUCATION

Athens Bible School wins North Alabama BEST competition, Marshall Technical Academy also advances

Russell Moore
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Athens Bible School won the top prize at the North Alabama BEST (Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology) Robotics competition last Friday at Tom Drake Coliseum, earning the 2019 BEST Award.

It's Athens Bible's first North Alabama BEST title after advancing from other sites in recent years.

Marshall Technical Academy won the BEST game competition at Wallace State and advances with Athens Bible School to the South's BEST Regional Robotics Championship at Auburn University on Dec. 7-8.

Marshall Technical Academy, located in Guntersville, will make its third straight trip from Wallace State to the South's BEST event in Auburn.

"We congratulate Athens Bible and Marshall Technical Academy for advancing. We have two strong teams headed to Auburn. I was impressed with all of the schools and teams who participated. It was a great competition," said Wallace State's Todd Hardman, the North Alabama BEST Director and Engineering Technology program chair.

Good Hope High School finished runner-up in the overall BEST Award category and Spain Park High was third.

Athens Bible School achieved more than earning the top spot to Auburn. ABS finished third in BEST game play and won the Founder's Award, BEST Team Exhibit and Interview and the BEST Engineering Notebook Award.

Marshall Technical Academy also took home the Top Gun Award and the BEST T-Shirt Design.

In the overall BEST Award category, Good Hope High was runner-up and Spain Park High School finished third.

Homewood High School was runner-up in the BEST game competition.

Good Hope High School won the Most Robust Machine category, while Good Hope Middle School won the BEST Spirit and Sportsmanship Award.

Spain Park was named the BEST Team of Distinction and won the BEST Marketing Presentation. Spain Park also won BEST Mascot and BEST Pep Band.

Cleveland High School won the Blood, Sweat and Duct Tape Award.

Fairview High also competed in BEST activities.

BEST Robotics annually brings some of the more talented middle and high school students to the college.

Teams have to focus on effectively operating their robots on the game floor amidst the pure energy and enthusiasm demonstrated within the walls at the coliseum. Teams also present marketing plans to a panel of judges prior to the event and set up booths on game day promoting their product.

For more information about Wallace State, visit www.wallacestate.edu.

View pictures from the event here: https://www.flickr.com/photos/wallacestate/albums/72157711536907446.



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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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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 29

Funeral Services for Robert "Bobby" Rogers, 83, of Cullman, will be 2 p.m. Thursday Oct. 31, 2019 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The family will welcome friends for a visitation prior to the service at the funeral home beginning at 1 p.m. and lasting until 2 p.m. Mr. Rogers, formerly known as "Bobby," worked several years in the maintenance field at an apartment complex. Mr. Rogers is survived by his wife of 64 years, Melbaline Rogers; children Frankie Marlow, Eugene Rogers, Elwood Rogers, and Helen Brooks; 15 grandchildren and 35 great grandchildren; a sister Betty Horrell, and a brother Jimmy Rogers. Mr. Rogers is preceded in death by his parents Robert Rogers Sr. and Doris (Galloway) Rogers.

Alvin D. Taylor, age 61 of Haleyville, formerly of Fayette, passed away Monday, Oct. 28, 2019 at Lakeland Community Hospital. He was born Jan. 12, 1958 to L.D. and Donnie Lee Taylor. He graduated from Kennedy High School where he was a lineman on the football team. He worked at Oakley Logging Company as a supervisor and he was a member of Solid Rock Church for several years. He enjoyed Alabama Football and logging, he loved his many friends, to travel, and he loved his grandchildren. Visitation will be held Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2019 from 6-8 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville and Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019 from 1-2 p.m. at Nelson Funeral Home, Fayette, where the service will be at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Wesley Chapel Cemetery in the Belk Community in Fayette County. Alvin is survived by his wife of 33 years, Ellen Taylor; he was Grandpa to 7 grandchildren; he was Poppa to 3 great grandchildren, Samuel Davis, Victoria Davis, and Jordyn Manley; aunts, uncles, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents, L.D. and Donnie Lee Taylor; sister, Linda Ann; and brother, Kenneth Taylor.

Donny Gaither, 67, of Houston, Alabama passed away Monday, Oct. 28, 2019. Bro. Donny was born Oct. 5, 1952. During his life here on earth he pastored several Baptist churches in Winston County and the surrounding area. Currently he was the Pastor of New Home Baptist Church and has been for the last 8 years. Donny graduated from Addison High School in 1970 and was the owner of Gaither Warranty and Supply, a small engine repair shop. He enjoyed camping with his friends and family; hunting, fishing, reading his Bible, watching his kids and grandkids play ball. He loved his family, friends and church family, but most of all he loved Jesus. Completing the new addition at New Home Baptist Church was dear to Donny's heart and it was his desire to see it finished. If he wasn't at home, all his spare time was spent at the church working on this project for the church and community that he loved. Flowers are welcome, but in lieu of flowers donations may be made to the building fund at New Home Baptist Church at 1731 County Road 3159, Houston, AL 35572. Visitation will be Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2019 6-9 p.m. at New Home Baptist Church, where the service will be held Thursday, Oct. 31, 2019 at 2 p.m. Brother Donny will lie in state from 1-2 p.m. Brother Etsel Riddle and Brother Don Smith will officiate. Burial will follow in Moreland Cemetery. Donny is survived by his wife of 47 years, Anita Gaither; son, Kevin (Tanya) Gaither; daughters, Jenny (Mark) Ragsdale and Nina (Josh) Wilson; brothers, Hollis (Regina) Gaither, Darrell (Shelia) Gaither, Ricky (Delitha) Gaither and Timmy (Susan) Gaither; he was "PawPaw" to 8 grandchildren, Kourtney Ragsdale, Kaitlan Ragsdale, Jordan Ragsdale, Taylor Wilson, Eli Wilson, Jesse Wilson, Wade Gaither and Bryson Walker and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Cecil and Violet Gaither and parents-in-law, Artis and Daisy Riddle.

It is with great sadness that the family of Alice Teresa Owen, 62, of Cullman, announces her passing on Sunday, Oct. 27, 2019 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Teresa was born on Dec. 3, 1956 to Dean and Audie Smith; who preceded her in death. She attended Good Hope School. She was talented with using her hands, she loved building things and doing arts and crafts. Her two grandchildren were her pride and joy. She loved spending time with them and being involved in their activities. Teresa was a member of Day Star Church. She leaves to cherish her memory, her daughter, Audie Celina Owen; grandchildren: Zachary Dean Watson and Zayna Elizabeth Drawdy; sister, Shelia (Kenneth) McCluskey; aunts: Jane Stricklin and Barbara Faye Speegle; nephews: Brian (Case) McCluskey and Mitchell (Vanessa) McCluskey, and a host of cousins and dear friends. Her family will receive friends on Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2019 at Moss Service Funeral Home from noon until 2 p.m. The Celebration of Life Funeral Service for Alice Teresa Owen will follow visitation beginning at 2 p.m. in the funeral home chapel. Burial at Valley Springs Cemetery. Condolences and special memories can be shared with the family at mossservicefh.com.

Ann Marie Watts, loving wife of Kenneth R. Watts, passed away Monday, Oct. 28, 2019 at her residence after a valiant battle with cancer. A woman of strong faith and love for all, her kindness and devotion shall forever live in our hearts. She was born Jan. 9, 1942, to the late Richard and Helen Poirier. Beloved by many, she is survived by her husband, Kenneth Roger Watts; her dogs, Dixie and Gizmo; sons, Michael (Debbie) Poirier and Kenny (Lori) Watts;daughters, Donna (Glen) Blesi and Karen (David) Watts; brother, Paul Poirier; sister, Ruth Long; sister-in-law, Theresa Poirier; a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and her church family at Hopewell Baptist Church. A private celebration will be held at a later date.

Funeral Service for Ricky Wayne Hudson, age 65, of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. Kerry Cleghorn officiating; interment in Mt. Hope Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Hudson passed away Monday, Oct. 28, 2019 at Cullman Regional. He was born May 21, 1954 to the late Wallace and Wynell Hudson. Survivors include his wife, Sandra Gail Hudson; daughter, Andrea D Hudson; son, Scott (Stephanie) Hudson; sister, Jean Hayes; brother, Buddy Hudson; and granddaughters, McKenna Hudson and Mallory Hudson. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 1, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

COFFEE COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

"The Greatest Alabama Showman," James Hatcher, was born in Enterprise way down south in Coffee County. Actually, this county has given us a sugar bowl of sweet-talking showmen. The charismatic, two-time governor of Alabama and mesmerizing storyteller, James E. "Big Jim" Folsom, was born near Elba. The nationally renowned, motivational rabble rouser Zig Ziglar was born here. Even the popular, peripatetic "Dancing Ghost," Grancer Harrison, made immortal in Kathryn Tucker Windham's "13 Alabama Ghosts and Jeffrey," hailed from Coffee County.

Sugar is my theory for why Coffee County birthed some of "Alabama's Greatest Showmen."

More specifically, that super-stimulated "brain buzz" commonly known as a "sugar high." This is the rush hyperactive sugarbabies of all ages get when they sop a biscuit through sorghum then eat a mouthful of sugar-soaked candy and then have sugar-coated cookies and then sugar-sprinkled something and then sugar-covered something else and then wash it down with sweet tea so sugary you can stand a spoon up in it.

And then and then and then, that's my theory and I'm sticking to it like an all-day sucker on a teddy bear.

LA, Lower Alabama, is considered a sub-tropical area and the HEAT + HUMIDITY make Coffee County a viable area to grow sugarcane.

Most Alabama counties grow sorghum, but it's only the southernmost with milder winters where sugarcane can thrive.

Sugarcane (Saccharum officinarum) and sorghum (Sorghum bicolor) are "sweet grasses" and both can be cultivated in Coffee County. Historically, that has meant sugar is more abundant down in this part of the state.

The Coffee County gent known as "The Greatest Alabama Showman," James Hatcher, was a cultured, Birmingham-Southern College graduate, but he was as tirelessly adept at creating and promoting theater, ballet, music and even the Miss Alabama Pageant as any carnival barker.

He was the founding director of both Town and Gown Theatre at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (now Virginia Samford Theatre) and Summerfest (now Red Mountain Theatre Company).

Hatcher was a founding member of the Alabama Council on The Arts and helped launch the Alabama School of Fine Arts (Birmingham).

Hatch would have loved this tale and could have conjured it into a sugar sweet, children's theatrical:

"THE STORY OF JACK, THE COFFEE COUNTY SUGARCANE FARMER"

Once upon a time, long before Coffee County was established, which was way back in 1841, the pioneers in this remote part of Alabama lived in small farming settlements next to the forests.

These early settlers, way inland from major riverways, were mostly self-sufficient farm families.

They survived by trading goods and services with other farmers in the area.

A good fellow named Jack was a sugarcane farmer who lived near present day New Brockton when something horrible happened.

One morning, a neighboring cattle farmer woke to find his cows slaughtered and eaten.

Amid the carnage, the cattleman found giant footprints that led into the forest.

The next night, a horrible ruckus came from a nearby chicken farm. Searching by torchlight, the farmer found his coops empty, all his chickens gone, and giant footprints led again to the forest.

The next day all the frightened settlers met at the village church. They came to call the monster, Midicrin, because the attacks occurred in the middle of the community.

That night, Jack camped out in his sugarcane field. Around midnight he saw a terrible creature as tall as the church steeple roaming toward him.

Jack watched as the giant Midicrin grabbed stalks of sugarcane and chewed them. As he watched, the Midicrin suddenly bent over and spewed out the chewed sugarcane. Then, the Midicrin stomped back into the forest. Jack concluded the monster was sugar-intolerant, which could have accounted for his sour disposition.

This insight gave Jack an idea and he called everyone in the settlement together.

One of Jack's neighbors raised geese, ducks and loons.

Jack proposed feeding the sugarcane-loving loons to set a trap for the monster.

Sure enough, the Midicrin returned. He was hungrier than ever because he had hurled his sugary dinner the night before.

The monster started eating the cane-stuffed loons.

Then, the "sugar rush" caused him to be so swooney-headed he spit out the loons he had swallowed, and he fell backward.

The angry mob then attacked the Midicrin monster with pitchforks until he was most-assuredly dead.

Then, everyone in the community danced and sang.

(The moral of the story, as Jack explained, was: A loon full of sugar helps the Midicrin go down.)



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

Besides sugarcane and sorghum, there are lots of other positive and pleasurable PLANTS + PEOPLE things for showmen and showwomen in Coffee County to share stories about, including these:

• ENTERPRISE DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET- 525 North Main St., Enterprise, AL 36330; Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, 7-11 a.m. (OPEN YEAR-ROUND)

• COFFEE COUNTY FARMSTANDS- Bobby Helms (Enterprise), Joe Powell (Enterprise), M. Howell (Kinson), Roy Johnson (Samson)

• COFFEE COUNTY U-PICK FARMS- Leaky Brook Farm (Elba) call for availability, 334-248-9087; Robert Parker Farm (Coffee Springs) call for availability, 334-393-9139; Country Best Farm (Enterprise); The Pea Patch (Enterprise); Archie Farms (Kinston)

• COFFEE COUNTY PLANT ADVICE/EDUCATION- Alabama Cooperative Extension System office, 5 County Complex, 1055 East McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL 36351, 334-894-5596

• COFFEE COUNTY FOOD/FARM FESTIVALS- Boll Weevil Festival (October in Enterprise), Elba Pumpkins On The Square (October), Enterprise Pumpkins on The Square Festival (late October), Elba Chamber of Commerce Watermelon Day (early summer), Enterprise Farmers Market Watermelon Day (summer), Enterprise Farmers Market Peanut Day (late summer), Taste of Coffee County Festival (Enterprise), Rockin' The River (Elba)

• COFFEE COUNTY PLANT-CENTRIC SHOPS- Stinson's Christmas Tree Farm (Jack, AL), Winna Gayle Gardens (New Brockton), Sue's Nursery (Enterprise), Weevil Nut Company (Enterprise)

• COFFEE COUNTY FARM-TO-FORK EATERIES- Corks and Cattle (Enterprise), The Rawls (Enterprise); Mimi K's Down on Main (Enterprise)

• COFFEE COUNTY PLANT-CENTRIC GIFT SHOPS- The Olive Fruit (Enterprise), Boll Weevil Soap Company (Enterprise)

• BEST PLACES IN COFFEE COUNTY FOR LANDSCAPE PHOTOGRAPHERS/PAINTERS- The Boll Weevil Monument (Downtown Enterprise), Pea River (Elba), Veterans Memorial Park (Elba), Coffee County Lake (Elba), Henderson Park (Enterprise)

• PLANTING AN IDEA- Create a grass-carpeted amphitheater, outdoor performance space in Coffee County. There are still legions of devoted James Hatcher theater fans who would like to entertain naming rights for such a venue. This southern part of Alabama doesn't have an abundance of outdoor theater. I'm thinking of an annual show like "The Miracle Worker" in Tuscumbia. Perhaps a playwright-in-residence could pen something site-specific. Gifted Alabama playwright Hubert Grissom was recently awarded top prize at Jacksonville State University for a new play about Coffee County native son Gov. "Big Jim" Folsom. This play could be performed out-of-doors as a fundraiser for a landscaped, terraced space. (This doesn't have to be epic in scale. I'm thinking of something like the earthwork amphitheater at Great Fosters in England. Imagine sloping, mown grass terraces, perhaps surrounded by waving sweet grasses of sugarcane and sorghum.)

Y'ALL COME to Coffee County on your 67-County Alabama Garden Party tour! How sweet it is!

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.



COFFEE COUNTY

SOUTHERN SUGAR CANE CANDIED CHESTNUTS

(~ 60 PIECES)

At first, Ben's mention of candied chestnuts sounded completely alien to this Southern girl, as I know plenty about sugared things but not much about chestnuts. Not much, except for those "roasting on an open fire" in the familiar Christmas song (reportedly the first Christmas standard introduced by a black American, beloved Alabama-born icon, Nat King Cole). Fast forward through a little research – candied chestnuts, or Marrons Glacé, are a French, Christmas tradition, much like fudge and divinity in the South. Developed when European traders first introduced sugar, they rose to popularity in the 17th century as decadent treats in the Versailles Court of Louis XIV. This traditional recipe is adapted with Southern-grown cane sugar and chestnuts that I purchased, online, already roasted and peeled- an ease certainly not imagined centuries ago. Letting the nuts absorb the cane sugar takes time, 5-6 days, but hands-on effort is minimal and very easy. The reward is uniquely luscious and worth the effort. Another plus is that for six days, your home is scented, deliciously, like vanilla and cane sugar! Try these small, sweet delicacies for a new Christmas tradition and distinctive holiday gifts.

INGREDIENTS

- ~ 20 oz. chestnuts, whole, roasted and peeled, preferably organic (four 5.2 oz.-pouches purchased online)
- 20 oz. raw cane sugar, granulated and preferably organic
- 1 2/3 cups water
- 1 tsp. pure vanilla extract

INSTRUCTIONS

Tip – study soak times and plan to start when you will be home (and awake) for the next steps.

1. In a medium saucepan, bring the water, cane sugar and vanilla to a boil, stirring continuously, and cook for about 5 more minutes, stirring frequently.

2. Add the chestnuts to the boiling syrup and stir until the mixture returns to a boil. Continue cooking for ~ 10 more minutes, stirring occasionally, but gently, to not tear up the nuts.

3. Take off the heat and pour the whole mixture into a heat resistant, non-metallic bowl. Cover loosely with a kitchen or paper towel and set in an out-of-the-way place as the chestnuts start soaking up the sugar cane syrup; for this first time, soak them for 12–18 hours.

4. Pour the whole mixture back into a saucepan and boil for 2 minutes, stirring gently. Pour back into the soaking bowl, loosely cover again and let stand for 18-24 hours. Repeat this 2-minute boil and soak process 4 more times until the nuts have absorbed most of the syrup.

5. After the last boil/soak cycle, drain in a colander and discard residual liquid. Preheat oven to 250F and line a cookie sheet with parchment paper. Place the drained nuts in a single layer on the sheet, put into the oven and immediately turn the oven off. Leave in the oven for ~ 45 minutes, up to an hour, until they are firm, and the surfaces are dry – not still tacky.

6. Remove the pan to a cooling rack. Once cool, place the candied chestnuts into foil candy cups or treat bags and store in a tin or other airtight container.

7. For a "prettier" presentation, after cooled, dip just the top of each into a very small amount of cooking spray (sprayed onto a plate) and then into a plate of gold, coarse, edible glitter/sprinkles for a golden "crown" and a little crunch.

8. Enjoy and share this unique French delicacy, adapted with Southern cane sugar and the convenience of already peeled chestnuts.

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