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After the Lights of Love ceremony, the Christmas tree and surrounding trees of Cullman Regional Medical Center were lit up.

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A DOGGONE GOOD IDEA

Dixie Dog Designs raising funds for CCSO's Special Needs Rodeo



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Beverly Burke and her husband, gunsmith Jim Burke, also volunteer at the CCSO's Jimmy Arrington Memorial Rodeo.

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PIXABAY

LIFESTYLE

Senior Spotlight, Christmas: 'Spend as much time with them as you can'

Christy Perry
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Have you ever asked your parents or grandparents what they want for Christmas and heard, "I don't need anything; as long as you are here, that's enough."? The Tribune stopped by the Donald E. Green Active Adult Center to find out if that often-heard response is a truthful one.

"Yes, they mean it," Sherry Boatright said.

Boatright and the others polled at the center sent a clear message- time is the greatest gift.

Boatright spoke of her own mother, "I would buy her things and after a few months, she'd give it back to me. I might buy her a gift card for this or that. She'd never use it so she'd give it back to me."

She laughed, "The older you get, the less you need. If there is something you need, you probably » PAGE 8

6 competing for title of Miss Wallace State this Sunday

Gail Crutchfield
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Wallace State Community College will crown Miss Wallace State 2020 on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 3 p.m. in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre, with the winner going on to compete in the Miss Alabama competition. Miss Alabama Tiara Pennington will act as mistress of ceremonies.

Six young women are vying for the title of Miss Wallace State, taking over for Miss Wallace State 2019 Emma Wright of Blountsville. Contestants include Isabella Allred, Serah Hudson, Lacey Johnson, Sydney Newton, Emilie Northern and Callie Sterling.

Allred, 17, of Cullman, is a General Studies major, and her talent will be a vocal performance.

Hudson, 19, of Hanceville, is a Psychology ma- » PAGE 7



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Top row, left to right: Isabella Allred, Serah Hudson, Lacey Johnson; bottom row, left to right: Sydney Newton, Emilie Northern, Callie Sterling

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Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 5

Maggie Darnell
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 5, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Dec. 2

- harassment; CR 1114
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 520
- theft of property; CR 1386
- domestic violence; CR 398
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 768
- theft of property; CR 1447
- harassment; Brooklyn Rd.
- theft of property; Main St. SE Hanceville
- domestic violence; CR 463
- theft of property; CR 1301
- burglary; CR 723
- harassment; CR 335
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 1343
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, illegal possession of prescription drugs; CR 222

Dec. 3

- burglary; CR 790
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; Hwy. 278 W
- criminal mischief, theft of property; CR 1570
- burglary; CR 790
- theft of property; CR 747
- theft of property; CR 1058
- theft of property; CR 1391
- disorderly conduct, harassment; Hwy. 31

Dec. 4

- domestic violence; CR 222
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; I-65 NB
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 1391
- burglary; CR 825
- theft of property; CR 940
- violation of a protection order; CR 1606
- harassment; CR 1718
- theft of property; CR 1174
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of marijuana; I-65 SB, MM 298
- theft of property; CR 1402

ARRESTS

Dec. 2

Arwood, Amy Marie, 37
- third-degree domestic violence

Brown, Amanda Black, 37
- contributing to truancy

Davidson, Rickie Barry, 60
- third-degree domestic violence

Dinkel, Wesley Keith, 39
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Gomer, Michael Shane, 33
- motion to revoke – possession of drug paraphernalia
- motion to revoke – unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Green, Brittney Lashea, 25
- FTA- second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
- FTA- second-degree forgery

Hann, Timothy Michael, 31
- FTA- attempting to elude (2 counts)
- FTA- DUI – any substance
- FTA- open container in vehicle
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property
- FTA- reckless driving
- FTA- reckless endangerment (2 counts)
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- speeding

Harris, Sarah Elizabeth, 43
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Holland, Glennon Wynn Jr., 37
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree promoting prison contraband
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana (2 counts)

Jimenez, Maximo Emilio, 40
- first-degree rape
- first-degree sexual abuse (2 counts)
- first-degree sodomy

Moffett, Danielle Marie, 45
- contributing to truancy

Dec. 3

Hooper, Michael Craig, 51
- fourth-degree theft of services

Jenkins, Jerry Taylor, 24
- FTA- first-degree receiving stolen property
- FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)

Johnson, Jordan Andrew, 24
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Knight, Ally Peyton, 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Levi, Jacqueline Denise, 40
- FTA- third-degree burglary

Meyer, Paul Steven, 42
- probation violation – failure to register upon release/conviction SORNA

Morgan, Alex Carthel, 34
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Morgan, David Harold Grant, 35
- GJ- first-degree theft of property

Morris, Shirley Ann, 61
- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Dec. 5

Allred, Dustyn Herndon, 24
- first-degree receiving stolen property

Blackmon, Joshua David, 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Cruce, Jeffrey Blake, 49
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Fincher, Oscar George, 45
- FTA- expired driver's license

Hall, Justin Thomas, 30
- third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Harris, Melda Renae, 50
- harassment

James, Carie Renea, 39
- GJ- unlawful possession/use of a debit/credit card

Martin, Abraham Jeremiah, 42
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Murphy, Bama Schenell, 34
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (5 counts)
- FTA- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

Newsom, Michael Lee, 34
- failure to signal/improper lane change
- improper lane usage
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- tampering with physical evidence
- tag light required
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Pendergraft, Unique Nicole, 27
- FTA- public intoxication

Walker, Jeffery Lee, 38
- third-degree burglary
- possession of burglar's tools

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Dec. 4

- harassment; person; Ave. B SE
- third-degree domestic violence; person

ARRESTS

Dec. 4

Gillis, Nancy L., 41
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- insurance violation

James, Carie R., 39
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance (2 counts)
- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Martin, Trisha A., 21
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- third-degree promoting prison contraband

Davis, Katherine D., 38
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Blackmon, Joshua D., 34
- FTA- giving false information to law enforcement

Bankston, Terry L., 57
- FTA- public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Dec. 6 - 8

FRIDAY, DEC. 6

Alabama Coastal Foundation Connect to Your Coast Event at Goat Island Brewing
- Drop by any time between 2-9 p.m. for some delicious beer and to learn how you can help improve and protect our precious coastal environment.
- All proceeds benefit ACF's habitat restoration and environmental education programs, e.g. the Alabama Oyster Shell Recycling Program, Share the Beach Sea Turtle Conservation Program and a suite of education programs for grades 1-12. If you are 21 or older, you can pay $10 in advance to receive an ACF pint glass by visiting: www.joinACF.org/donate Goat Island will donate $1 to ACF for each beer sold the evening of the event, so you can drink—responsibly—for a good cause!
- Goat Island Brewing, 1646-A John H Cooper Dr. SE, Cullman, Alabama

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
- 5-9:30 p.m. Guests can drive through the park or park and experience the extra attractions including train rides, carriage rides and sleigh rides. Parents can take pictures of their kids with Santa or purchase a 5×7 photo in a souvenir frame for $5. The cost is $10 (cash only) per vehicle, regardless of how many people are in it.
- The schedule for the Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland: December- Wednesday-Sunday: 5-9:30 p.m.; Dec. 23 is the last day for Santa and the train; Closed Thanksgiving, Black Friday, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day; Dec. 26-29- Drive through only: 5-9:30 p.m.
- For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/395857437714080 or call 256-734-3052.

Dodge City Christmas in the Park
- Perry Ray Park, 120 Howard Circle, Dodge City, AL
- Cookies and hot chocolate with Santa
- Friday and Saturday nights, 6-9 p.m.
- Nov. 29-30; Dec. 6-7,13-14,20-21
- Free gift for every child
- Call 256-287-0364 for more info.

SATURDAY, DEC. 7

Santa Claus at The Foundry Thrift Store
- Make sure you're on the nice list this year and join us at The Foundry Thrift Store to meet Santa Claus. Each guest will have his or her picture taken with Santa and will also receive a magnet picture frame, a candy cane and a small toy. This is a free event for the community.
- The event will take place Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at The Foundry Thrift Store in Cullman, 1636 Second Ave. SW, Cullman.

30th Annual Cullman County Christmas Parade
- Starts at noon. The parade will travel from the campus of Wallace State to Hanceville Fire Station No. 1.
- Alabama Sec. of State John Merrill will serve as the grand marshal for this year's parade.

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
See Friday entry

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Cards in The Park
- Cards in The Park Display (Dec. 7-31), Governor's Park in Holly Pond
- On Dec. 14, Luminaries will be lit at 5 p.m., Christmas Carols at 5:30 and Santa at 6
- Sponsored by the Town of Holly Pond in coordination with the Holly Pond Civitan Club. Refreshments will be served in the newly renovated Holly Pond Town Hall.

SUNDAY, DEC. 8

The Share Club of Cullman's 2019 Christmas Tour of Homes
- Sunday, Dec. 8 from 1-5 p.m. This year's tour will feature four beautifully decorated homes in Cullman County. Tickets are on sale now.
- Tickets for this year's tour are $20; sales will benefit Good Samaritan Health Clinic, Hospice of Cullman County and Cullman Caring for Kids. Tickets can be purchased directly from Share Club members or at The Added Touch Too, Vintage West, J. Drake Salon or Three Pears. Tickets will also be sold on the day of the event at the doors of the homes featured on the tour.
- Of the four homes featured on this year's Christmas Tour of Homes, three are in the city of Cullman and the fourth is close to Smith Lake.
- For additional information about this year's Christmas Tour of Homes, visit www.facebook.com/ShareClubOfCullman or email shehill023@gmail.com.

Miss Wallace State Pageant
Wallace State Community College will crown Miss Wallace State 2020 on Sunday, Dec. 8, at 3 p.m. in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre, with the winner going on to compete in the Miss Alabama competition. Miss Alabama Tiara Pennington will act as mistress of ceremonies. Pennington and Wright will both perform during the event. Admission to the competition is $10 for general admission and $5 for Wallace State students (with badge) and school-age children.

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.

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
See Friday entry

Cards in The Park
See Saturday entry

Christmas Dinner & Music by Allison Speer
- Sunday, Dec. 8 at 5 p.m. at Cullman First Nazarene Church
- Tickets are $12 for adults, $6 for kids (ages 12 & younger) and can be purchased at the church office at 5415 AL Hwy. 157, Cullman. Proceeds go to the children's department. Call 256-734-8937 for more information.

UPCOMING...

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
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Cards in The Park
See Saturday entry

Cullman County Sheriff's Office Jimmy Arrington Memorial Rodeo
- Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13-14, 2019, opening at 7:30 each night
- Cullman Agricultural Trade Center, 17645 U.S. Hwy. 31 N, Cullman
- Tickets available at the door: $10 adults, $8 students
- Special Needs Mini Rodeo, Thursday, Dec. 12

Good Hope Christmas Parade and Christmas in the Park
Dec. 14 at 2 p.m.

Baileyton Christmas at the Senior Center
Dec. 14 at 5 p.m.

Alabama Bicentennial Extravaganza
The Cullman County Bicentennial Committee is celebrating Alabama's Bicentennial Extravaganza Dec. 14, 2019 at 5 p.m. at Depot Park. Live music, free hot chocolate and fireworks! Free to the public. Celebrate our state's birthday- a once in a lifetime opportunity for all!

Fairview Lions Club Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting
Dec 14 at Randall Shedd Community Park in Fairview- The parade will start lining up at the turnaround by the school at 4:30 p.m. and the parade will start at 5. Fire trucks are welcome in the parade. When the parade is over, at the park we will light the Christmas tree and have Christmas carols, a reading of The Christmas Story and Santa will be there! We will have free hot chocolate and cookies. Bring the kids out and join us. Anyone wanting to join the parade just be at the turnaround by 4:30. We hope to see you there! For questions or more info, contact Felicia Bailey at 256-735-8722.

Fairview Bands and Theatre 2nd Annual Scenes and Songs Christmas Show
- Sunday, Dec. 15 at 2 p.m. and Monday, Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. at Fairview High School
- FHS Theatre will perform "Junie B. Jones: Jingle Bells, Batman Smells" and the Fairview Beginner Band, FMS Band, Percussion Ensemble and FHS Band will perform "Selections for the Season."
- Admission is $8 for adults and $5 for students, K-12.
- Popcorn, nachos and soft drinks will be served, included in the price of admission.

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Trojans primed for postseason debut

Andrew Leroy Stubblefield
Troy Athletics

TROY, Ala. – Troy volleyball hits the road to Atlanta for its first-ever postseason appearance against North Carolina A&T in the First Round of the National Invitational Volleyball Championship (NIVC). The Trojans and Aggies will meet for the first time in the schools' history Friday at 3 p.m. (CT) with Georgia Tech as the host institution.

The winner will advance to the second round to play the winner of Georgia Tech (21-8) and Alabama A&M (20-14) Saturday at 6 p.m. (CT).

The Matchup: Troy (22-9) vs. North Carolina A&T (16-14)

Where: Atlanta, Ga. – O'Keefe Gymnasium

When: Friday, Dec. 6 – 3 p.m. CT

Live Stats: https://gotroy.us/2OQX7Cu

Watch: ESPN3

Trojans Storylines

• This will be the first-ever meeting between Troy (22-9) and North Carolina A&T (16-14). It will also be the first time in program history the Trojans have played a match in the month of December.

• Troy has doubled its win total from 2018. It's +11-win differential from 2018 to 2019 is tied for the eighth-best turnaround in NCAA Division I.

• Troy checked in at No. 88 in this week's NCAA Volleyball RPI rankings. Earlier this season, the Trojans clocked in at No. 71 which was the highest ranking in school history. Troy ended 2018 with an RPI of 239.

• Troy is limiting opponents to an average of 10.86 kills per set this season. That is the lowest season average the Trojans have allowed in the rally scoring era (2001).

• Amara Anderson leads the league in both total assists (1,289) and assists per set (11.41). She is only player in the Sun Belt ranked in the top 15 nationally in each category, ranking 11th in total assists and 15th in assists per set. As only a sophomore, Anderson is already seventh on Troy's all-time assists list with 2,506.

• BALANCED ATTACK: Twice in the last three matches, Troy has had five individuals record double-digit kills in the same match (Cheyenne Hayes, Ashley Guenveur, Julia Brooks, Caitlin Cooper, Halston Hillier).

Know Your Opponent – First Round
North Carolina A&T
North Carolina A&T, which is also making its program postseason debut, went 16-14 this season, marking its third straight season of finishing .500 or better. The Aggies, who completed their best Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) season in school history at 13-1, were crowned MEAC Southern Division champions, their first regular-season title in 21 years.


TROY ATHLETICS

The Troy Trojans Volleyball team is preparing to make its first-ever postseason appearance Friday afternoon.

Know Your Opponent – Second Round
Georgia Tech
Georgia Tech finished the regular season with a 21-8 record, its first 20-win season since 2016 when the Jackets went 24-8. Tech's 14-4 record in the ACC was good for second place, despite a preseason projection of finishing 11th in the conference. It marked the Jackets' highest finish in conference play since 2004 when they went undefeated to claim the regular season title. Georgia Tech finished the regular season with a 13-1 record in O'Keefe Gymnasium.

Alabama A&M
Alabama A&M finished the regular season with a 20-14 record, the Bulldogs' third 20-win season in the last four years.

The Bulldogs advanced to the semifinals of the SWAC Tournament before falling to eventual champions and NCAA Qualifier Alabama State.

Terra Brooks and Jaelin Gant lead Alabama A&M offensively with 268 and 254 kills respectively. The Bulldogs have the SWAC Setter of the Year in Megan Evans, who led the league in assists with 917 while averaging 8.65 per set.

NIVC First and Second Rounds
• Dec. 6 at Georgia Tech
• Troy (22-9) vs. North Carolina A&T (16-14), 3 p.m. (CT)
• Georgia Tech (21-8) vs. Alabama A&M (20-14), 6 p.m. (CT)

Dec. 7 at Georgia Tech
Winners, 6 p.m. (CT)

Follow Troy Volleyball on Twitter and Instagram for updates and coverage throughout the week. Previews and recaps will be posted to troytrojans.com.

Alabama football's Tua Tagovailoa selected as a finalist for Manning award

UA Athletics
Contributor

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama quarterback Tua Tagovailoa has been named one of 12 finalists for the Manning Award, the All-state Sugar Bowl announced Thursday.

The aspiring junior closed out the regular season as the national leader in passing efficiency (206.90) and was seventh in completion percentage, going 180-of-252.

He also totaled 2,840 yards passing prior to his injury to rank 13th in the country.

Tagovailoa was selected as the SEC Offensive Player of the Week twice while also earning Manning Award Star of the Week recognition on five occasions during 2019.

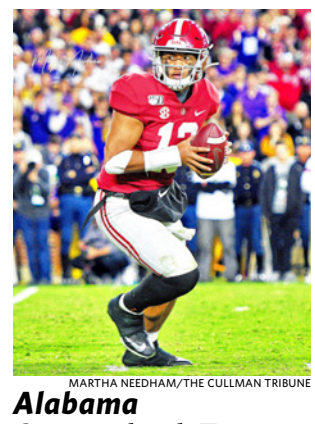
The Manning Award has been presented annually since 2004 to the nation's top college quarterback.

It the only national quarterback award that takes the candidates' bowl performance into account.

The 2019 winner will be announced following the College Football National Championship Game.

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram.

General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.


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Alabama Quarterback Tua Tagovailoa

UAB and Florida Atlantic meet in C-USA Championship Game

Ted Feeley
UAB Athletics

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Looking to win back-to-back league titles, the UAB football team travels to Florida Atlantic for the 2019 Ryan Conference USA Championship this Saturday, Dec. 7. Kickoff at FAU Stadium is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. EST/12:30 p.m. CST on CBS Sports Network.

Saturday's matchup pairs the two most recent C-USA champs against each other.

The Blazers are the reigning champions, and FAU won the title in 2017. Last year, UAB became the first team in league history to win the C-USA title on the road and looks to replicate that in 2019.

Who: UAB (9-3) at Florida Atlantic (9-3)

Where: Boca Raton, Fla. – FAU Stadium

When: 1:30 p.m. EST/12:30 p.m. CST

Watch: CBS Sports Network

On the Call: Carter Blackburn (play-by-play), Aaron Taylor (color), John Schriffen (sideline)

Listen: WJOX2 100.5 FM

On the Call: David Crane (play-by-play), Steve Irvine (color), Trey Ragland (sideline)

Series: Florida Atlantic leads, 4-2

Last Meeting: Nov. 1, 2014 - UAB 31-28

Streak: UAB, W1

WHAT TO WATCH FOR:

• UAB returns to the site of where it won the program's first ever bowl game, which was just last season when the Blazers defeated Northern Illinois 37-13 in the 2018 Cheribundi Boca Raton Bowl on Dec. 17. UAB currently has a two-game winning streak at FAU Stadium dating back to a victory over the Owls in 2014.

• The Blazers boast the nation's 5th ranked defense. UAB is coming off a dominant performance in which it tallied seven sacks, 11 TFL, two interceptions and held North Texas to 21 rushing yards to clinch the West Division title. With two games remaining, the Blazers are six sacks away from surpassing the school record (48) and 14 away from the TFL record (111), each of which were set last season.

• Junior Linebacker Kristopher Moll is having a monster year with 89 tackles, 15.5 TFL, 9.0 sacks, six quarterback hurries, four forced fumbles, an interception, a fumble recovery and a pass breakup. He will be key in slowing down the league's top scoring offense (FAU 34.1 points per game).

• Jack Linebacker Jordan Smith has also been dominant as his 10.0 sacks currently rank him fifth all-time at UAB for sacks in a single season. Moll, Smith, Garrett Marino (6.0), Alex Wright (4.5) and Fitzgerald Mofor (3.0) have combined for 32.5 of UAB's 43 total sacks.

• Along with ranking 5th nationally in total defense, UAB ranks 3rd in fumble recoveries (13), 4th in third down defense (.275), 5th in rushing defense (92.3), 6th in sacks per game (3.58), 6th in passing defense (177.5) and 8th in tackles for loss per game (8.2).

• Those numbers, specifically the passing defense, will be tested by Florida Atlantic who averages 277 yards through the air and has an All-America candidate in tight end Harrison Bryant. Bryant is a finalist for the Mackey Award, which is annually presented to the nation's top tight end. He has 61 catches for 965 yards and six touchdowns this season.

• The Blazers have re-established their rushing attack and are averaging 240.5 yards per game on the ground during their current three-game winning streak. UAB posted a season-high 353 rushing yards vs. UTEP, followed by 166 vs. Louisiana Tech and 203 at North Texas.

• Spencer Brown (111) and Lucious Stanley (72) combined for 183 rushing yards and two touchdowns at North Texas and should continue to carry the load for the ground attack. Brown became UAB's career leader in 100-yard rushing games at North Texas with 13 and in the process went over 3,000 career rushing yards.

• The running game has been rejuvenated by a now healthy offensive line. The OL has had eight different starting lineups this season, but has found consistency down the stretch which has resulted in impressive results.

• Austin Watkins Jr. is 110 yards shy of becoming just the third player in program history with 1,000 receiving yards in a single season. He (890), Kendall Parham (608) and Myron Mitchell (545) have combined for 2,043 of UAB's 2,433 receiving yards this season (84 percent).

Following the championship game, UAB will learn its bowl destination the following day, Sunday, Dec. 8. The Blazers will be playing in their third-consecutive bowl game in 2019.

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‘This night is a community effort’

Arley enjoys Christmas parade, soup social

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ARLEY, Ala. – It was a perfect night for a parade Wednesday as the town of Arley came together to celebrate the kickoff of the Christmas season. The Grinch was there, but he, too, joined in and was on his best behavior. The Arley Women’s Club, local churches and the Town of Arley worked together to organize this year’s parade and second annual soup social directly following the parade.

The parade featured several surprise guests, including the aforementioned Grinch, Buddy the Elf, Smokey the Bear and, of course, Santa Claus, who brought along Mrs. Claus and a group of his best elves.

Ms. Super Senior Universe 2018 Sally Beth Vick also participated. Vick was exquisite in her holiday red sparkling crown. She will travel Sunday to Las Vegas to crown the new Ms. Super Senior USA.

In the heart of the parade was the true reason for the celebration as Bethel Baptist Church presented a living nativity. The float featuring Mary, Joseph and Baby Jesus in the manger was easily the masterpiece of the night’s festivities.

Santa Claus and his North Pole delegation were proudly escorted through the town by the Arley, Helicon, Addison and Ashridge Volunteer Fire Departments and other first responders.

At the conclusion of the parade, the community retreated from the chilly night and came together for a hot bowl of soup. The Meek Elementary School gym welcomed everyone with more than 20 crock pots of homemade soups, stews and chili.

Cindy Bryant and Kate Kelley with the Arley Women’s Club were hard at work making sure the night of community and fellowship ran smoothly. Members of the local churches prepared the delicious variety of soups.

Bryant said, “We have decided to continue having the parade on Wednesday night. This is our church service for everyone and a great time for the community to come together.”

Having the parade and soup social on a weeknight also avoids conflict with neighboring cities and towns that typically schedule parades on the weekends.



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Bethel Baptist Church presented a living nativity scene on its float in Wednesday night’s Christmas parade in Arley.

Bryant stressed, “This night is a community effort. So many individuals, churches, businesses and groups work together to make it all happen.”

Beth McLarty and Candy Newman served as co-chairs for this year’s parade and are both members of the Arley Women’s Club.

McLarty said, “We just love doing what we are doing and being part of the community. Seems like the soup thing is just awesome! It works out so good.”

Santa and Mrs. Claus stayed for a nice bowl of soup and to visit with the kids. Meek Baptist Church took photos of the children and Santa. Thanks to local Santa helper, Mike Markham, each child received a Beanie Baby. While Santa and Mrs. Claus greeted and listened to the children’s wishes for Christmas, the elves were spotted enjoying free ice cream and cookies.

The Arley First Baptist Church Praise Choir will present The Living Christmas Tree program “We Sing Noel” this Sunday, Dec. 8, at 10 a.m. They choir will also perform its program Monday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m.

OUTDOORS

ADCNR named Agency of Year at Sportsmen’s Caucus Summit

David Rainer
Ala. Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources recently received special recognition by the Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation with the presentation of the State Agency of the Year Award at the 16th Annual National Assembly of Sportsmen’s Caucuses (NASC) Sportsman-Legislator Summit in Greensboro, Georgia.

“The Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation (CSF) is honored to recognize the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) as the State Agency of the Year,” said Jeff Crane, CSF President. “The DCNR has been a consistent supporter of CSF, NASC, and the Alabama Legislative Sportsmen’s Caucus and, through this support, the Caucus in Alabama has grown tremendously to become a strong and effective voice for sportsmen and women.

“CSF thanks Commissioner Chris Blankenship, Deputy Commissioner Ed Poolos, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Director Chuck Sykes for their continued support and steadfast dedication to Alabama’s vast natural resources.”

Hosted by the CSF, this year’s Summit brought together 50 legislators and leaders from state fish and wildlife agencies to discuss the theme “Partners Advancing America’s Conservation Movement: NASC, Fish & Wildlife Agencies, Industry and NGOs.” Topics discussed included promoting hunting and fishing, boating access, chronic wasting disease (CWD), the spread of invasive Asian carp and a variety of other issues affecting sportsmen and women.

“This is the largest gathering of pro-sportsmen legislators who come together to discuss issues that are of great importance to our hunting and angling traditions,” Crane said. “The 16th Annual NASC Summit was successful in that it brought together our bipartisan caucus leaders and members, fish and wildlife agency leaders, NGO (non-governmental organizations) representatives, and leading industry partners to focus on how to advance opportunities for sportsmen and women and to ensure sound, science-driven conservation policies are enacted.”

DCNR Commissioner Chris Blankenship said he was elated that the Department was awarded the CSF’s State Agency of the Year.

“We were very happy that we were recognized for multiple initiatives by the Department,” Commissioner Blankenship said. “The Foundation noted several reasons for the recognition, starting with Marine Resources Division Director Scott Bannon and all the work that has been done with red snapper. Alabama has been the leader in securing the state management of red snapper. The work we did in Congress helped inform the legislators on the issues on the Gulf Coast with the short seasons. We were able to work with the congressional delegations in Washington to implement the exempted fishing program (EFP) for the past two years and then win approval of management for the long-term.”

The EFP was in effect for the 2018 and 2019 red snapper seasons. Each of the Gulf states was given a snapper allocation, and each state managed its allocation.

Alabama’s quota was slightly more than a million pounds of red snapper in each of the two years of the EFP. The timely data from the mandatory Alabama Snapper Check program allowed Marine Resources to manage to the quota each year.

This year the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council passed regional management of red snapper. That amendment is awaiting the signature of the Secretary of Commerce and will go into effect for 2020 and beyond.

“The Foundation also recognized the work that Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) Director Chuck Sykes is doing with Senator (Doug) Jones (D-Alabama) and Senator (Cindy) Hyde-Smith (R-Mississippi) concerning funding for CWD research as well as the work Chuck is doing as the president of SEAFWA (Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies) on a myriad of hunting and fishing initiatives,” Commissioner Blankenship said. “We have also worked with Senator (Richard) Shelby (R-Alabama) and, to a lesser extent, Senator (Lamar) Alexander (R-Tennessee) and Senator (Mitch) McConnell (R-Kentucky) on Asian carp issues. We want to reduce Asian carp populations in Tennessee and Kentucky rivers and keep them contained in the rivers upstream that flow into Alabama.”

WFF’s Sykes said a great deal of the recognition from the CSF was due to Alabama’s willingness to meet and discuss the issues that are facing the nation’s sportsmen and women.

“The Department has allowed me to come to the CSF’s Summits to share a variety of programs we are doing,” said Sykes, who also serves on the executive committee of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. “I’ve spoken at three of the last four events. The hunting and fishing days that the Department has promoted were mentioned as well as our CWD response plan and major educational campaign.

“The Foundation said they appreciated the time I had taken to come and participate in roundtable discussions with legislators around the country on important issues, from funding to our R3 efforts.”

The R3 effort stands for recruitment, retention and reactivation. Those R3 activities try to recruit new participants or increase participation rates of current or lapsed outdoor enthusiasts.

Sykes also said the Foundation recognized the contributions of the WFF’s Special Opportunity Area (SOA) and adult mentored hunting programs, programs in the Alabama Black Belt and the promotion of the Alabama Legislative Sportsmen’s Caucus Day annually to help educate legislators on outdoors issues and improve Caucus participation and increase Caucus membership.

“Our legislators were happy to see the Department recognized,” Sykes said.

Commissioner Blankenship said the State Lands Division, under Director Patti McCurdy, contributed through its efforts to expand public boating access in Alabama. McCurdy has worked with the staffs in D.C. to continue to promote recreational access funding in Coastal Alabama. Through several funding sources, improvements to boating and angling access are planned for Bayou La Batre, Dauphin Island, the Intracoastal Waterway in Baldwin County, and the Middleton Causeway site on Battleship Parkway at the north end of Mobile Bay, Foley and Daphne.

Commissioner Blankenship also cited the work of Bee Frederick, who was the CSF’s representative in Alabama until recently, for holding annual events in Montgomery to promote the Alabama Legislative Sportsmen’s Caucus.

“Bee was very helpful in getting the legislators more involved in hunting and fishing issues and helping us provide the scientific and management information to make informed decisions,” Commissioner Blankenship said.

“The Caucus’ legislative agenda has been very helpful for the Department and people who hunt and fish in Alabama.

“The award highlights the work we do in Washington and in Montgomery with the Alabama Legislature. I think those relationships we built in Washington and here at the State House are very valuable when issues come up that affect sportsmen and women. We can pick up the phone and discuss the issues with the legislators or their staff. I think we have built a great amount of trust that we will provide them with balanced information so they can make good decisions.”

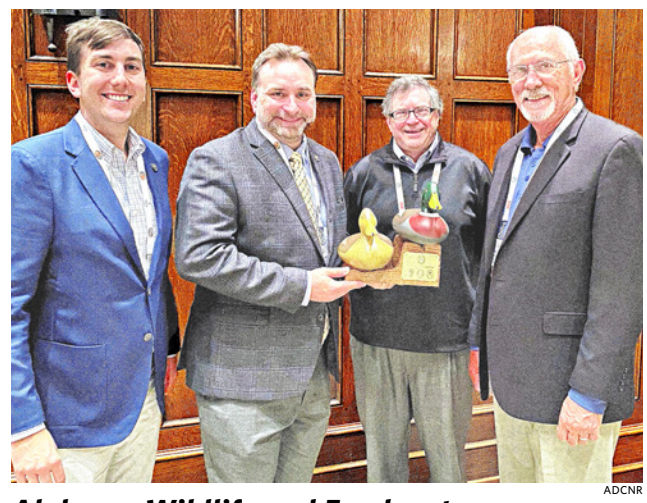
Other than naming the Alabama DCNR as State Agency of the Year, the CSF handed out several other awards at the Georgia Summit.

The Friends of NASC Award went to Shimano American Corp. and Pheasants Forever/Quail Forever.

NASC Heritage Awards were presented to Rep. David Wilson (CT), Sen. Mike Bell (TN), Sen. Mark Allen (OK), and Rep. Casey Snider (UT).

During the Summit, CSF announced the signing of a partnership with Birmingham-based B.A.S.S. to further conservation efforts. Safari Club International (SCI) was also recognized for its long-standing financial support of NASC and the annual summit.

Founded in 1989, the Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation was formed to work with Congress, governors, and state legislatures to protect and advance hunting, angling, recreational shooting and trapping.



ADCNR

Alabama Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Director Chuck Sykes accepts the Agency of the Year award for the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources at the NASC Summit recently. Joining Sykes are, from left, Bee Frederick, Rep. Tim Wadsworth, R-Arley and Rep. Danny Crawford, R-Athens. The ADCNR was presented the award because of its work on chronic wasting disease (CWD) in deer and the effective state management of the red snapper season.

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STATE

Ivey invites Alabamians to join the annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Office of Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Gov. Kay Ivey has invited Alabamians to, once again, join her for the official state Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. The program is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 6 at 5:30 p.m. on the front steps of the Alabama state Capitol.

Ivey shared this message Wednesday as she visited with Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) employees and the men and women preparing and decorating the official state Christmas Tree.

"As we approach the Christmas season, many employees and volunteers are making preparations here at the Capitol, and I know we are all looking forward to lighting the official state Christmas Tree Friday evening," Ivey said. "I invite all Alabamians, friends and neighbors to join us here at the Capitol for that special occasion. This is always a wonderful event and serves as such a great reminder of the spirit of hope that Christmas brings."

This year's tree is a 40-foot Eastern Red Cedar from Mr. and Mrs. Ray Allen's Farm in Bullock County. The tree, being displayed on the front steps of the Capitol has 37,000 lights strung on its branches and is adorned with special bicentennial ornaments to celebrate Alabama's 200 years of statehood.

Beginning at approximately 5 p.m. Friday, the 151st Army National Guard Band will play various musical selections. At 5:30 p.m., the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, "Every Light a Prayer for Peace," will begin. The program will also include a performance by the Forest Avenue Elementary School Choir. Ivey, along with commander and president of Air University at Maxwell Airforce Base Lieutenant General James Hecker and others will deliver remarks. The governor will give the countdown before she flips the switch to light the official state Christmas Tree.



OFFICE OF GOV. KAY IVEY

Gov. Kay Ivey thanks an ALDOT worker after viewing of the tree decorating progress.

STATE

ALEA Troopers investigate 11 traffic deaths during 2019 Thanksgiving holiday travel period

Jesse Thornton
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Troopers with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) investigated 11 traffic deaths during the Thanksgiving holiday travel period, from 12:01 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 27, to midnight Sunday, Dec. 1.

These fatal crashes occurred in Baldwin, Cherokee, Escambia, Hale, Madison, Morgan, St. Clair and Wilcox Counties.

Two pedestrians and a motorcyclist were among those killed.

The other eight individuals killed were traveling in vehicles equipped with seat belts.

Of those six drivers and two passengers, two were using seat belts and four were not.

Seat belt usage is unknown for two of the individuals.

During the same extended holiday in 2018, Troopers investigated seven traffic deaths.

Statewide numbers are not available at this time.

Although the 2019 Thanksgiving period total is higher than the previous year, Troopers have worked 20 fewer traffic fatalities this year than the same date in 2018.

They urge motorists to drive with caution, particularly as the holiday season continues.

Lights (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The 28th annual Dr. Herman C. Ensor Lights of Love ceremony took place at Cullman Regional Thursday evening. This year's ceremony was dedicated in memory of Amy Drake, who passed away in September at the age of 42. Organizers honored and paid tribute to Drake during the ceremony, with Drake's daughter, Siddalee Drake, given the honor of lighting this year's Christmas tree. Before lighting the tree, attendees sang Silent Night.

During the program, Cullman Regional Foundation Board Member Jackie Porter honored Ensor, saying, "Dr. Ensor initiated Lights of Love in 1991, and in 2010 the Board renamed it in his honor. His legacy continues tonight with the tree lighting and ceremony honoring those who have passed."

Of Drake Porter said, "She came into this world living out loud. She had a definite love for life. She lived everyday of her life as if it was a celebration. She was kind, and she was loving."

The ceremony also featured musical performances from Dr. Joe Johnson, First United Methodist Children's Choir, First United Methodist Sanctuary Choir and Dr. and Mrs. David Shupe and Ken Simpson. Foundation Executive Director Maria Stanford then gave closing remarks before inviting those at the ceremony to attend the tree lighting.







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Sports

10:00 a.m. FSEE Boat Racing P1 APBA Offshore Championship.
GOLF PGA Tour Golf Hero World Challenge, Third Round. (Live)
11:00 a.m. FSEE College Basketball Illinois State at TCU.
1:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
4:00 p.m. GOLF Golf PNC Father/Son Challenge Pro-Am. (Same-day Tape)
5:00 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Hero World Challenge, Third Round.
5:30 p.m. FS1 College Basketball Iowa at Michigan. (Live)
FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
6:00 p.m. ESPN2 College Basketball Providence at Rhode Island. (Live)
7:00 p.m. WBRC WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)
WABM2 College Football Pac-12 Championship — Oregon vs Utah. (Live)
ESPN NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Boston Celtics. (Live)
GOLF PGA Tour Golf Emirates Australian Open, Third Round. (Live)
7:30 p.m. FS1 College Hockey Penn State at Michigan. (Live)
8:00 p.m. ESPN2 College Basketball USC at TCU. (Live)
9:30 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Portland Trail Blazers. (Live)
10:00 p.m. TBS ELEAGUE (Taped)

Movies

9:30 a.m. FX "Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children" ★★½ (2016) Eva Green.
TCM "Citizen Kane" ★★★★ (1941) Orson Welles. Enigmatic newspaper magnate Charles Foster Kane rises, falls and leaves behind a riddle with his dying breath.
10:05 a.m. SHOW "The Impossible" ★★★ (2012) Naomi Watts A couple and their three sons encounter terror, courage and compassion following the December 2004 tsunami that devastated Thailand.
10:10 a.m. TMC "Rounders" ★★½ (1998) Matt Damon
11:35 a.m. MAX "Life of the Party" ★★ (2018) Melissa McCarthy
11:45 a.m. TCM "Johnny Belinda" ★★★½ (1948) Jane Wyman. Scandal erupts when a woman who cannot hear or speak is accused of gunning down the bully who supposedly raped her.
12:00 p.m. AMC "Miracle on 34th Street" ★★★ (1994) Richard Attenborough. A retail-war lawyer goes to court to prove a department-store Santa Claus is for real.
HBO "The Old Man & the Gun" ★★★ (2018) Robert Redford At the age of 70, Forrest Tucker makes an audacious escape from San Quentin, conducting an unprecedented string of heists that confound authorities and enchant the public.
12:15 p.m. TMC "Point Break" ★★★ (1991) Patrick Swayze An FBI agent turns California surfer to nab bank robbers who wear rubber masks of four ex-presidents.
12:30 p.m. FX "The Angry Birds Movie" ★★½ (2016) Voices of Jason Sudeikis.
12:35 p.m. FREE "Arthur Christmas" ★★★ (2011) Voices of James McAvoy. Animated. Santa's youngest son sets out on an urgent mission to deliver a present to a forgotten child before Christmas morning dawns.
1:20 p.m. MAX "Death Becomes Her" ★★★ (1992) Meryl Streep An actress and an author fight over a plastic surgeon and the secret of eternal beauty.
1:35 p.m. HBO "Happy Death Day" ★★½ (2017) Jessica Rothe
1:45 p.m. TCM "Dark Passage" ★★★ (1947) Humphrey Bogart. A San Francisco art student hides a fugitive recovering from underworld plastic surgery.
2:30 p.m. AMC "Last Holiday" ★★½ (2006) Queen Latifah.
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.
2:40 p.m. FREE "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.
2:55 p.m. BET "The Wedding Ringer" ★★ (2015) Kevin Hart.
3:05 p.m. MAX "A Fish Called Wanda" ★★★ (1988) John Cleese An American flirts with a crook, a barrister and a mercenary to find diamonds in London.
4:00 p.m. E! "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.
4:20 p.m. FREE "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas" ★★ (2000) Jim Carrey.
4:30 p.m. FX "How to Train Your Dragon 2" ★★★ (2014) Voices of Jay Baruchel. Animated. After discovering a secret cave filled with wild dragons and their mysterious benefactor, Hiccup and Toothless find themselves at the center of a battle to protect the peace of Berk.
4:50 p.m. HBO "The Ringer" ★★½ (2005) Johnny Knoxville
4:55 p.m. MAX "Mr. Brooks" ★★½ (2007) Kevin Costner
5:00 p.m. AMC "Four Christmases" ★★ (2008) Vince Vaughn.
TBS "Kong: Skull Island" ★★★ (2017) Tom Hiddleston. Scientists, soldiers and adventurers encounter the mighty Kong and other monstrous creatures after traveling to an uncharted island in the Pacific Ocean.
5:15 p.m. TCM "The Magnificent Ambersons" ★★★★ (1942) Joseph Cotten. Orson Welles' tale of an eccentric Indiana family clinging to tradition during a time of rapid change.
5:25 p.m. SHOW "Poetic Justice" ★★½ (1993) Janet Jackson (Premiere)
5:30 p.m. BET "The Single Moms Club" ★★ (2014) Nia Long.
5:46 p.m. BRAVO "Twilight" ★★½ (2008) Kristen Stewart. Premiere.
6:00 p.m. E! "Pretty Woman" ★★★ (1990) Richard Gere. A corporate raider pays a gorgeous hooker to be his escort for a business week in Beverly Hills.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Christmas With the Kranks" ★★ (2004) Tim Allen.
FX "The Secret Life of Pets" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Louis C.K.. Animated. A domesticated terrier and his unruly canine pal encounter a rebellious bunny and his gang of abandoned pets.
PARMT "The Bourne Identity" ★★★ (2002) Matt Damon. A woman helps an amnesiac, who has a dangerous past, to dodge assassins as he tries to learn about himself.
TNT "The Wizard of Oz" ★★★★ (1939) Judy Garland. After a tornado whisks Kansas farm girl Dorothy to a magic land, she must travel to the Emerald City for help in getting back home.
MAX "The Mustang" ★★★½ (2019) Matthias Schoenaerts (Premiere) A violent convict is given the chance to participate in a rehabilitation therapy program centered around the training of wild mustangs.
TMC "Sense and Sensibility" ★★★½ (1995) Emma Thompson (Premiere) Suitors romance, then abandon, sisters left destitute by their father's death in late-1800s England.
7:05 p.m. HBO "Unknown" ★★½ (2011) Liam Neeson
7:15 p.m. TBS "Thor: Ragnarok" ★★★ (2017) Chris Hemsworth. Premiere. Thor must battle the Hulk in a deadly gladiatorial contest and prevent the all-powerful Hela from destroying his home world and the Asgardian civilization.
SHOW "A Bad Moms Christmas" ★★ (2017) Mila Kunis
7:52 p.m. BRAVO "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" ★★½ (2009) Kristen Stewart. Premiere.
8:30 p.m. E! "Sweet Home Alabama" ★★ (2002) Reese Witherspoon.
FREE "The Santa Clause" ★★★ (1994) Tim Allen. An adman takes over for the bearded, big-bellied fellow after a rooftop mishap on Christmas Eve.
8:40 p.m. MAX "The Gunman" ★★ (2015) Sean Penn (Premiere)
9:00 p.m. FX "The Secret Life of Pets" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Louis C.K.. Animated. A domesticated terrier and his unruly canine pal encounter a rebellious bunny and his gang of abandoned pets.
TCM "Look Back in Anger" ★★ (1958) Richard Burton.
9:05 p.m. AMC "Fred Claus" ★★ (2007) Vince Vaughn.
9:15 p.m. TNT "Maleficent" ★★½ (2014) Angelina Jolie.
9:30 p.m. TMC "Dead Again" ★★★ (1991) Kenneth Branagh A private eye and an amnesiac echo a 1940s murder-case couple whom they may have been in a previous life.
10:00 p.m. PARMT "The Bourne Supremacy" ★★★ (2004) Matt Damon. A CIA chief sends a senior operative to take down Jason Bourne when it appears the rogue agent is behind the deaths of two people.
HBO "Upgrade" ★★★ (2018) Logan Marshall-Green An artificial intelligence implant called STEM gives a paralyzed man superhuman strength and agility — skills he uses to seek revenge against the thugs who killed his wife.
10:30 p.m. FREE "The Santa Clause 2" ★★ (2002) Tim Allen.
10:35 p.m. MAX "Enemy of the State" ★★★ (1998) Will Smith A former NSA operative aids the innocent victim of a politically motivated assassination cover-up.
10:52 p.m. BRAVO "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse" ★★½ (2010) Kristen Stewart. Premiere.

FRIDAY EVENING

MOVIES

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		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** Physically fit woman dies suddenly.		**CSI: Miami** "Meltdown" A jewelry heist ends in murder.		**CSI: Miami** A suburban mother is murdered.		**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**
WBIQ-PBS	4	**Ready Jet Go!** (El)	**Peg & Cat** (El)	**PBS NewsHour** (N)		**Washington Week** (N)	**Firing Line With Margaret**	**Capitol Journal**		**Aretha Franklin Remembered (My Music)** Aretha Franklin's greatest hits.			**Memory Rescue**
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**	**The Blacklist** Red and Liz track a criminal company. (N)		**Dateline NBC** (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)	**WWE Friday Night SmackDown** (N) (Live)				**WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm**	**WBRC FOX6 News**	**WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm**	**(:25) WBRC FOX6 Sideline**
WIAT-CBS	8	**CBS42 News 5pm** (N)	**CBS Evening News**	**CBS42 News 6pm** (N)	**Entertainment Tonight** (N)	**Hawaii Five-0** Adam's girlfriend is kidnapped. (N)		**Magnum P.I.** Magnum helps a fallen friend's brother. (N)		**Blue Bloods** "Bones to Pick" A woman is found dead at a club.		**CBS42 News 10pm** (N)	**Late Show-Colbert**
WTTO-CW	9	**The Goldbergs**	**2 Broke Girls**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**Charmed** Maggie makes a life-changing decision. (N)		**Dynasty** Blake's trial begins. (N)		**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**The Andy Griffith Show**	**The Andy Griffith Show**
WPXH-ION	11	**NCIS: Los Angeles** A CIA agent seeks Sam's help.		**NCIS: Los Angeles** Hanna worries a secret will be exposed.		**NCIS: Los Angeles** The murder of a federal prison inmate.		**NCIS: Los Angeles** A suspect reveals new information.		**NCIS: Los Angeles** The team tries to rescue Mosley's son.		**NCIS: Los Angeles** Sam goes under cover as a day trader.	
WABM2-ABC	12	**ABC 33/40 News at 5PM**	**ABC World News**	**ABC 33/40 News at 6PM**	**Wheel of Fortune** (N)	**College Football** Pac-12 Championship -- Oregon vs Utah. (N) (Live)						**ABC 33/40 News at 10PM**	**(:45) Friday Night Blitz**
A&E	42	**(4:00) Live PD** "Live PD -- 09.27.19"				**(:06) Live PD: Rewind** "Live PD: Rewind No. 282" (N)		**Live PD** "Live PD -- 12.06.19" (N) (Live)					
AMC	53	★★ **"Four Christmases"** (2008) Vince Vaughn, Robert Duvall. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.				★★ **"Christmas With the Kranks"** (2004) Tim Allen, Jamie Lee Curtis. A couple scramble to assemble a holiday celebration.				**(:05)** ★★ **"Fred Claus"** (2007) Vince Vaughn, Paul Giamatti. Santa's ne'er-do-well brother puts Christmas in jeopardy.			
ANPL	47	**Tanked** Zen-like fish tank for Bill Engvall.		**Tanked** Tanks for Gabriel 'Fluffy' Iglesias.		**Tanked: Sea-Lebrity Edition** "This Is Going to Be Inkredible" Tracy Morgan's octopus gets a new tank. (N)				**Tanked** Howie Mandel requests another tank.		**Tanked** Kevin Smith has two turtles.	
BET	55	**"The Wedding Ringer"** (2015)	★★ **"The Single Moms Club"** (2014, Comedy-Drama) Nia Long, Amy Smart, Cocoa Brown. Single mothers from different backgrounds form a support group.					**Tyler Perry's The Oval** Hunter becomes uncontrollable.		**Tyler Perry's Sistas** Andi acts quickly to help fallen friend.		**Martin** "Crunchy Drawers"	**(:31) Martin**
BRAVO	58	**(4:44) The Real Housewives of Atlanta**		**(5:46)** ★★ **"Twilight"** (2008) Kristen Stewart. Premiere. A teen is caught up in an unorthodox romance with a vampire.				**(7:52)** ★★ **"The Twilight Saga: New Moon"** (2009, Romance) Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson, Taylor Lautner. Premiere. Bella finds herself drawn into the world of werewolves.					
CMTV	61	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**The Great Christmas Light Fight**		**The Great Christmas Light Fight**		**The Great Christmas Light Fight**		**The Great Christmas Light Fight**	
CNBC	35	**Mad Money** (N)		**Shark Tank** A wine for cats; a portable shelter.		**Shark Tank** A scholarship app; micro-loans.		**Shark Tank** A twist on a popular snack.		**Shark Tank** A wine for cats; a portable shelter.		**Five Day Biz Fix** Transforming hotel room into restaurant.	
CNN	37	**The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer** (N)		**Erin Burnett OutFront** (N)		**Anderson Cooper 360** (N)		**Cuomo Prime Time** (N)		**Young Wonders: A CNN Heroes Special** (N)		**CNN Tonight With Don Lemon** (N)	
COM	56	**(:15) South Park** Animated. A Mr. Garrison sighting.		**(5:50) South Park** "T.M.I."	**(:25) South Park**	**South Park** "W.T.F."	**South Park**	**South Park**	**South Park** "Faith Hilling"	**South Park** "C... Magic"	**South Park** "Ginger Kids"	**South Park**	**South Park**
DISN	49	**Jessie** Jessie and the Ross kids go to Hawaii.		**Sydney to the Max**	**Raven's Home**	**Raven's Home** (N)	**Just Roll With It** (N)	**Gabby Duran**	**Bunk'd** "Lone Wolf"	**Coop & Cami Ask the World**	**Raven's Home**	**Just Roll With It**	**Gabby Duran**
DSC	43	**Gold Rush** Rick buys a monster wash plant.		**Gold Rush: Pay Dirt** "Motherlode Mountain" (N)		**Gold Rush: Pay Dirt** Rick gets Monster Red running. (N)		**Gold Rush** "No Time for Redemption" Parker introduces a new crew member. (N)				**(:02) Outback Opal Hunters** Col raises the stakes. (N)	
E!	21	**(4:00)** ★★★ **"Dirty Dancing"** (1987, Romance) Jennifer Grey.		★★★ **"Pretty Woman"** (1990, Romance-Comedy) Richard Gere, Julia Roberts, Ralph Bellamy. A corporate raider hires a hooker to act as a business escort.					★★ **"Sweet Home Alabama"** (2002, Romance-Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas. A New York fashion designer has a secret in the South.				
ESPN	29	**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)		**NBA Countdown** (N) (Live)		**NBA Basketball** Denver Nuggets at Boston Celtics. From TD Garden in Boston. (N) (Live)					**NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Lakers at Portland Trail Blazers. (N) (Live)		
ESPN2	30	**Daily Wager** (N) (Live)		**College Basketball** Providence at Rhode Island. From Ryan Center in Kingston, R.I. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** USC at TCU. From Dickies Arena in Fort Worth, Texas. (N) (Live)				**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)	
FOOD	45	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives** "Holiday Hoopla"		**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**	**Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives**
FREE	48	**(4:20)** ★★ **"Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas"** (2000, Children's) Jim Carrey, Jeffrey Tambor.				**Frosty the Snowman**	**Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer**	★★★ **"The Santa Clause"** (1994, Children's) Tim Allen, Judge Reinhold. An adman takes over for fallen Santa.				**"The Santa Clause 2"**	
FS1	20	**NFL Films Presents**	**College Basketball** Iowa at Michigan. From Crisler Center in Ann Arbor, Mich. (N) (Live)			**College Hockey** Penn State at Michigan. (N) (Live)						**Divided We Stand**	
FSEE	32	**XTERRA Adventures**	**Sports Stars of Tomorrow**	**Pro Football Weekly** (N)	**Boxing 30**	**Fight Sports: Boxing** Super middleweight bout. From Oct. 27, 2017.				**3 Wide Life** (N)	**Raceline** (N)	**Ole Miss Football**	**Clemson: Dabo Swinney**
FX	28	**(4:30)** ★★★ **"How to Train Your Dragon 2"** (2014, Children's) Voices of Jay Baruchel, Cate Blanchett, Gerard Butler.				★★★ **"The Secret Life of Pets"** (2016, Children's) Voices of Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet, Kevin Hart.				★★★ **"The Secret Life of Pets"** (2016, Children's) Voices of Louis C.K., Eric Stonestreet, Kevin Hart.			
GOLF	82	**PGA Tour Golf** Hero World Challenge, Third Round.				**PGA Tour Golf** Emirates Australian Open, Third Round. Sergio Garcia and Jason Day are scheduled to compete. (N) (Live)							
HALL	72	**"Christmas at the Plaza"** (2019) Elizabeth Henstridge. Historian Jessica is hired to create the Plaza's Christmas display.				**"Cherished Memories: A Gift to Remember 2"** (2019) Tina Lifford. Darcy and Aiden celebrate their second Christmas together.				**(:03) "Check Inn to Christmas"** (2019, Romance) Richard Karn, Rachel Boston. Julia and Ryan must unite their families.			
HGTV	46	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**My Lottery Dream Home**	**House Hunters International**	**House Hunters** (N)	**House Hunters**	**House Hunters International**
HIST	40	**Ancient Aliens** The 1975 abduction of Travis Walton.		**Ancient Aliens** "The Nuclear Agenda"		**UFOs: Dangerous Encounters Exposed** Close encounters with extraterrestrials.				**(:01) UFOs: The White House Files** (N)		**UFOs: The White House Files** Secrecy surrounding UFOs. (N)	
LIFE	23	**"A Sweet Christmas Romance"** (2019) Adelaide Kane, Greyston Holt. A food stylist returns home and enters a baking contest.				**"A Storybook Christmas"** (2019, Romance) Ali Liebert, Jake Epstein. Premiere. An event planner finds love at Christmas.				**(:03) "Christmas 9 to 5"** (2019, Romance) Tiya Sircar, George Wendt. A reporter tries to find the true meaning of Christmas.			
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	**Hard Time** Which inmates are telling the truth.		**Hard Time: Locked Up** "Gangs Behind Bars"		**Hard Time: Locked Up** The Metro State Prison in Atlanta.		**Lockdown: On the Inside** Oak Park Heights Supermax. (N)		**Hard Time** The predator can easily become the prey.		**Hard Time: Locked Up** The Metro State Prison in Atlanta.	
PARMT	57	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	★★★ **"The Bourne Identity"** (2002, Action) Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper. An amnesiac agent is marked for death after a botched hit.						★★★ **"The Bourne Supremacy"** (2004) Matt Damon.	
TBS	25	★★★ **"Kong: Skull Island"** (2017, Adventure) Tom Hiddleston. Explorers encounter a gigantic ape and monstrous creatures.				**(:15)** ★★★ **"Thor: Ragnarok"** (2017, Action) Chris Hemsworth, Tom Hiddleston, Cate Blanchett. Premiere. Thor must battle the mighty Hulk and the all-powerful Hela.						**ELEAGUE** (N Taped)	
TCM	79	**(:15)** ★★★★ **"The Magnificent Ambersons"** (1942) Joseph Cotten, Tim Holt. A family clings to tradition in times of change.				**DuPont Show of the Month** "Wuthering Heights"				★★ **"Look Back in Anger"** (1958) Richard Burton. An incensed young Englishman rages at his wife, mistress and life.			
TLC	24	**Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta**		**Long Island Medium** "50 is the New 35" Theresa turns 50.		**Long Island Medium** A group of women receive a visit. (N)		**Long Island Medium** Theresa travels to Hollywood. (N)		**Long Lost Family** Chris helps a woman who was abandoned.		**Long Lost Family** A man seeks answers about his adoption.	
TNT	26	**Bones** An old flame from Brennan's past visits.		**Bones** Corpses turn up around D.C.		★★★★ **"The Wizard of Oz"** (1939) Judy Garland, Frank Morgan. A tornado whisks a Kansas farm girl to a magic land.				**(:15)** ★★ **"Maleficent"** (2014) Angelina Jolie, Elle Fanning. A terrible betrayal turns Maleficent's pure heart to stone.			
USA	27	**(4:58) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Impulsive"		**(5:58) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Savant"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Funniest Guest Star" (N)		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Creepiest Perp" (N)		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Most Missed Character"		**(:01) Modern Family**	**Modern Family**
WE	71	**Criminal Minds** A rapist assaults his past victims.		**Criminal Minds** Ritualistic murders in New Jersey.		**Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars**		**Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars** (N)		**(:06) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars**		**(:06) Criminal Minds** Bodies are found in lifeguard towers.	
HBO	518	**(4:50)** ★★ **"The Ringer"** (2005, Comedy) Johnny Knoxville, Brian Cox. 'PG-13'			**Silicon Valley** "RussFest"	**(:05)** ★★ **"Unknown"** (2011, Suspense) Liam Neeson. An accident victim finds a man using his identity. 'PG-13'				**Watchmen** Agent Blake chases down a lead.		★★★ **"Upgrade"** (2018) Logan Marshall-Green. 'R'	
MAX	549	**(4:55)** ★★ **"Mr. Brooks"** (2007, Suspense) Kevin Costner, Demi Moore, Dane Cook. A man has a murderous alter ego. 'R'				★★★ **"The Mustang"** (2019, Drama) Matthias Schoenaerts, Gideon Adlon. Premiere. 'R'		**(:40)** ★★ **"The Gunman"** (2015) Sean Penn. Premiere. An international spy becomes a fugitive from his own agency. 'R'				**(:35) "Enemy of the State"**	
SHOW	578	**"An Acceptable Loss"** 'R'	**(:25)** ★★ **"Poetic Justice"** (1993, Romance-Comedy) Janet Jackson. Premiere. 'R'			**(:15)** ★★ **"A Bad Moms Christmas"** (2017) Mila Kunis. Three friends try to make Christmas perfect for their moms. 'R'				**Flack** Creating a fake sex tape for a pop star. (N)		**Eddie Griffin: E-Niggma** (N)	
TMC	598	**(4:05) "Jurassic Galaxy"**	**(:25) "The Aspern Papers"** (2018, Drama) Jonathan Rhys Meyers, Joely Richardson. 'R'			★★★ **"Sense and Sensibility"** (1995, Comedy-Drama) Emma Thompson. Premiere. Two sisters forage for romance in 19th-century England. 'PG'					★★★ **"Dead Again"** (1991, Mystery) Kenneth Branagh, Emma Thompson, Andy Garcia. 'R'		

Best Bets

7 p.m. on WVTM
The Blacklist

A new episode finds Red and Liz (James Spader, Megan Boone) digging into a clandestine organization called Orion Relocation Services, which surreptitiously arranges for criminals in jeopardy to disappear, then emerge from hiding once their relocation has been completed.. Elsewhere, Katarina (guest star Laila Robins) takes a deep dive into the memories of an old acquaintance, hoping to get more information about the Townsend Directive. Diego Klattenhoff also stars.

7 p.m. on LIFE
Movie: A Storybook Christmas

As the pace of her holidays pick up, event planner Celeste Everett (Ali Liebert) has a sudden epiphany: If she's going to keep her business from going down the drain on top of ensuring that her niece (Habree Larratt) enjoys her Christmas season, she's going to have to hire some help in this 2019 romance. She's a little thrown, though, when Taylor (Jake Epstein), the nanny she meant to employ, turns out to be a "manny" instead.

7 p.m. on TNT
Movie: The Wizard of Oz

The memories! The colors! Toto, too! Almost every child knows the story of Dorothy and her faithful dog blown by a twister to the magical land of Oz. Judy Garland stars as a more mature version of Dorothy in this 1939 classic adaptation of L. Frank Baum's book. She and Toto follow the yellow brick road, making friends with an unlikely trio along the way. Ray Bolger, Bert Lahr, Jack Haley, Margaret Hamilton and Frank Morgan co-star.

7 p.m. on MAX
Movie: The Mustang

French actress-director Laure de Clermont-Tonnerre also co-wrote the screenplay for this 2019 drama, which follows convict Roman Coleman (Matthias Schoenaerts) as he participates in a rehabilitation program involving the training of wild horses. As he works with a mustang named Marquis, Coleman — who has a violent personal history — begins to bond with the animal. Jason Mitchell, Bruce Dern, Gideon Adlon, Connie Britton and Josh Stewart also star.

7:15 p.m. on SHOW
Movie: A Bad Moms Christmas

This 2017 yuletide sequel to the 2016 movie comedy "Bad Moms" finds Amy, Kiki and Carla (Mila Kunis, Kristen Bell, Kathryn Hahn) — the three principal moms from the first film — struggling to keep it together when their own mothers — played respectively by Christine Baranski, Cheryl Hines and Susan Sarandon — arrive for an extended holiday visit. This strong ensemble of comedy pros manages to rise above a thin script and tepid reviews, and the movie wound up grossing four times its fairly modest budget.

8 p.m. on DSC
Gold Rush

In the new episode "No Time for Redemption," Rick Ness and his crew are forced to shut down Monster Red when they notice that a major blockage has formed. Elsewhere, Parker hires a new female engineer, Jessica, with an eye to optimizing his operation. The Beets family tries out Monica's Kiwi Plant to ensure it's worth running in the first place.

8 p.m. on OWN
Movie: An En Vogue Christmas

In this new holiday music special, some old friends in distress turn to En Vogue vocalists Terry Ellis, Cindy Herron and Rhona Bennett for help to keep a beloved family-owned music club in business. They're pleading with the three singers to perform as En Vogue in a special Christmas concert fundraiser, but the ladies are reluctant to team up professionally again — especially since they have a tense history with Marty (David Alan Grier), a co-owner of the venue. Genelle Williams also stars.



Megan Boone stars in "The Blacklist" on NBC.

Title (from Front)

jor, and her talent will be an acro lyrical dance.

Johnson, 19, of Pinson, is a General Studies major, and her talent will be a lyrical dance.

Newton, 19, of Bremen is a General Studies-Pre-Engineering major, and her talent will be tap dance.

Northern, 19, of Union Grove, is a General Studies major, and her talent will be contemporary dance.

Sterling, 20, of Cullman, is a Graphic Design/Visual Communications major, and her talent will be sign language.

The winner of the Miss Wallace State competition will go on to compete in June at the Miss Alabama competition, which is a preliminary of the Miss America program.

She will receive a one-year renewable tuition scholarship to Wallace State, a $250 cash scholarship and more than $1,500 in prizes from sponsors.

The first runner-up will receive a $250 cash scholarship and the talent winner will receive a $100 cash scholarship.

Pennington and Wright will both perform during the event. Admission to the competition is $10 for general admission and $5 for Wallace State students (with badge) and school-age children.

Letters to Santa

The Cullman Tribune will be publishing Letters to Santa again this year beginning in December and throughout the Christmas holiday. We would love to have all area primary and elementary school students participate.

All letters will be published online and many in print. The deadline for print is Friday, Dec. 20.

Letters should contain the child's name, age, grade and classroom/school, along with his or her message to Santa.

Letters should be mailed

(or dropped off) to

The Cullman Tribune

219 2nd Ave. SE

Cullman, AL 35055

or emailed to Robin@CullmanTribune.com.

Obituary Announcements: Dec. 6

Larry Madison Brown, 58, of Arley, passed away Dec. 4, 2019 at UAB Hospital. Larry was born Jan. 29, 1961 to Harold and Mildred Brown in Huntsville, Alabama. He graduated from Meek High School in 1978. He was a truck driver in the manufactured housing industry. He was a country music enthusiast and a history buff, especially with the World Wars. He enjoyed watching movies, he liked to dabble in humor and he loved the family dogs, Penny and Pup. Visitation will be Saturday, Dec. 7, 2019 at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison from 1-2 p.m. where services will begin at 2 p.m. Brother Ronnie Robinson and Brother Rick Williams will officiate. Larry is survived by his mother Mildred Brown; brothers Byron Brown and Mark (Deborah) Brown; and sisters Sandy (Gene) Jordan and Kim (Rick) Williams. He was preceded in death by his father Harold Brown.

Surrounded by her loved ones, Thelma "Scrappy" Ebelene Folsom joined her heavenly family Dec. 3, 2019. Born July 10, 1953, Scrappy will be remembered for her joyful, loving, funny character and the simple goodness she brought to everyone's lives. She was brave, had a strong will for life, a heart of gold and an unwavering amount of faith. Scrappy was a very kind spirit who appreciated the little things. She was a wonderful friend to have and was easily a family favorite. She will be immensely missed. Scrappy is preceded in death by her father James E. Folsom; mother Jamelle Folsom; brothers Josh and Jack and sister Bama. Survivors include brother Jim Folsom (Marsha); sisters Rachel, Melissa (Dick), Layla (Peter) and Melody; many nieces and nephews; and many lifetime friends whom she loved dearly. A private gathering will be held for family and friends. Friends may sign the online guest book at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Memorial services are incomplete at this time for Bessie Lucille Baker, 91, of Bremen. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Baker passed away Wednesday, Dec. 4, 2019 at her residence. She was born Feb. 18, 1928 to Oscar Douglas and Mary Belle White Sexton. She was preceded in death by her parents; sons Shannon Baker and Michael Carter; daughter Freddie Gibson; and sister Wanda Jeffers. Survivors include her husband of 64 years Ottis Baker; son Jeffery Baker; daughters Katrina (Ruel) Phillips, Shelley (Robert) Kaufman, and Jody Baker; brothers Fred (Sue) Sexton, Jimmy Sexton and David (Rita) Sexton; sister Myrna Baker; grandchildren Ferah (Grant) Tatum, Monica (Steve) Thomas, Andrea Phillips, Jennifer Kaufman, Matthew (Rachel) Kaufman, Rachael Kaufman, Melody Kaufman, Jon (Kimi) Johnson, Chris Gibson, Tracy (Rick) Ring, Jackie (Brent) Brandal, Chasa (John) Fulkerson and Zachary Parvin; 18 great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; numerous family and friends and a large church family. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Susan G. Koman Breast Cancer Foundation. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Rickey Leon Marchman, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Dec. 4, 2019. He was born May 29, 1954 to Leon and Margeline Marchman in Michigan. His father, son Dusty Heath Marchman and grandparents Lester and Clara Marchman preceded him in death. Mr. Marchman leaves to cherish his memory his wife Renea Marchman; son Adam (Bree) Marchman; sisters Janice (Wade) Russell and Mary (Steve) Rogers; brother Jeff (Lisa) Marchman; and grandchildren Cheyenne Marchman and Tanner Marchman. Visitation will be Friday Dec. 6, 2019 from 6-8:30 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. A Celebration of Life will be held in the Chapel at Moss Service Funeral Home Dec. 7,2019 at 2 p.m. A graveside service to follow at Mt. Zion Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home will be directing.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY **CASE NO: AD-2019-082**

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF K.R.M.
D.O.B. 06/21/2016
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: **WHITNEY BALLARD OLSOWY**
CORY REID MINDOCK
ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY LISA MICHELLE SEYMOUR PETITIONER. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS IS SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, 500 2ND AVENUE SW, ROOM 101, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35055.

DONE THIS 20th DAY OF November, 2019.

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

Alex J. Chaney
Attorney for Petitioner
405 2nd Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2019-376

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF NELLIE RAYE GRAVES DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to David Michael Graves and Marc Randall Graves on the 4th day of December, 2019, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

David Michael Graves and
Marc Randall Graves, Personal Representatives

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
Judge of Probate

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN RE: THE GUARDIANSHIP * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
and CONSERVATORSHIP of *
* CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA.
LOUELLA SYBLE DANIEL BISHOP, *
An incapacitated person. * CASE NO: PC 2019-307

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

TO: WILLIAM JEFFERSON DANIEL, JR.; JAVON DANIEL; DONALD DANIEL; RANDALL DANIEL; SANDRA SCHMIDT; OPHIA STEPHENS; ELLEN CULVER; RICKY DANIEL; KEITH DANIEL; OLAN DANIEL; MANYLA HOUSAT; AND ANY OTHER NEXT OF KIN, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.

Please take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner, Javon Daniel, and that the 1st day of January, 2020 at 9:00 o'clock A.M., has been set for a hearing on the same in the Probate Court of Cullman County, first floor of the County Courthouse in the city of Cullman, Alabama.

Done this the 27th day of November, 2019.

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To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN RE: THE GUARDIANSHIP * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
and CONSERVATORSHIP of *
* CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA.
WILLIAM JEFFERSON DANIEL, *
An incapacitated person. * CASE NO: PC 2019-306

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

TO: SUSAN HILL; DEBBIE DIANE DANIEL; AND ANY OTHER NEXT OF KIN, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.

Please take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner, Javon Daniel, and that the 1st day of January, 2020 at 9:30 o'clock A.M., has been set for a hearing on the same in the Probate Court of Cullman County, first floor of the County Courthouse in the city of Cullman, Alabama.

Done this the 27th day of November, 2019.

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CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CULLMAN * CASE NO. AD2019-080

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF JOHN ROBERT SELLERS JR. TO ADOPT F.G.M.A., a minor child.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS

Notice to: ANY UNKNOWN OR UNDISCLOSED FATHER OF F.G.M.A., WHOSE IDENTITY, WHEREABOUTS, RESIDENCE AND/OR ADDRESS IS UNKNOWN OR UNDISCLOSED

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption of F.G.M.A., a minor child (born on November 24, 2002, to Lorena Mayte Martinez Aguilar), was filed on the 31st day of October, 2019, in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, alleging that the identity of the natural father of the child is unknown or has not been disclosed to the Court. Please be advised should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein with the Clerk of the said Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama, 35055.

DONE this 26th day of November, 2019.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

To: *CULLMAN TRIBUNE*

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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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History of Blount Springs

Historian Greg Burden speaks at Cullman County Public Library

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Blount Springs was a thriving community in the past when the Jackson House (or the Blount Springs Hotel) was open for business and drew in thousands of visitors, noticeably ones like U.S. President Teddy Roosevelt and famous U.S. actress Lillian Russell. Historian Greg Burden gave a lecture on the history Blount Springs at the Cullman County Public Library Wednesday as part of its Fall Brown Bag Lecture Series.

Burden started around the time of the Creek War in 1813, when Luther Morgan was credited with the discovery of Blount Springs (including the actual sulfur water springs). Burden noted that Morgan was the grandfather of Confederate Army General John Hunt Morgan.

The first to act on the commercialization of Blount Springs was George Goff (also spelled Goffe). Goff built the first hotel in Blount Springs, the Goff House. Burden said Goff tried his best to make money in Blount Springs, one of his efforts being trying to establish a silk trade in Alabama. Goff planted mulberry trees along what is now the Mulberry River, giving the river its name.

Burden said that during the Civil War, Tennessee Senator and 1860 presidential candidate John Bell hid in Blount Springs when the "Yankees" took hold of Tennessee.

After the Civil War, when the railroads were being established in Alabama, John T. Milner discovered iron ore and supported the idea of a railroad leading to the now Birmingham area, according to Burden. James Sloss built a railroad from Athens to Decatur, where L&N Railroad contracted Col. JFB Jackson to finish the railroad, which ended in Blount Springs. Jackson stayed in Blount Springs, where he built the Jackson House in 1872. Later, in 1878, a "new" Jackson House opened (what made it "new" was just some additional construction to the already present hotel, Burden noted).

Interestingly, Burden shared that in 1873, Col. James Robert Powell, in an attempt to promote Blount Springs and newly established Birmingham, wrote to the New York Press Association and suggested they have their convention in Birmingham.

On their way to Birmingham, it was noted that 70 or so newspapermen stopped at the Jackson House in Blount Springs, where, Burden said with a laugh, "They had a good time."

Burden took a moment to note that Blount Springs didn't experience segregation issues, "There was no black, no white. It was Blount Springs."

Burden said that in 1887 Sloss and his brother Mack sold their stock in Sloss Furnace and bought the Jackson House, renaming it the Blount Springs Hotel.

Burden said, "When Sloss bought the hotel, things changed."

He noted that Sloss spent a lot of money to improve the hotel, which saw lavish parties and famous visitors until it sadly burned down June 3, 1915.



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Historian Greg Burden gave a lecture on the history and notable people of Blount Springs Wednesday at the Cullman County Public Library as part of its Fall Brown Bag Lecture Series.

BUSINESS

Andrews Sports Medicine & Orthopaedic Center opening in Cullman

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Andrews Sports Medicine & Orthopaedic Center will open its newest clinic Jan. 6, 2020 in Cullman. It is located at 1301-A Bridge Creek Drive NE.

Andrews Sports Medicine is occupying space alongside ATI Physical Therapy in the new 6,000+ square-foot building constructed by CHJ Properties, LLC and local developers, Dr. Clancy Johnson and Randy Johnson.

"We are thrilled to be opening a Cullman clinic to better serve Cullman, Blount, Morgan and Marshall Counties and surrounding areas," said Lisa Warren, CEO of Andrews Sports Medicine & Orthopaedic Center.

"The clinic will be staffed by the two most recent doctors to join our practice – Dr. Monte Ketchum and Dr. Marcus A. Rothermich.

"Both doctors received their fellowship training at Andrews Sports Medicine and officially joined our practice this past October."

Monte Ketchum, DO is a non-surgical sports medicine and orthopaedic physician.

He treats all types of orthopaedic issues, including sports-related and non-sports-related injuries and osteoarthritis in joints.

Ketchum performs various ultrasound-guided injections, including viscosupplementation for osteoarthritis of joints and platelet-rich plasma therapy for tendon and ligament injuries and arthritic conditions.

"I'm thankful for the opening of Andrews Sports Medicine's Cullman location. My wife, Ashley Ketchum, is a pediatrician at Internal Medicine and Pediatrics of Cullman.

We recently settled into our new Cullman home this past summer.

Ashley and I are both excited to be a part of this great community and eager to serve patients in our new hometown," said Ketchum.

Marcus A. Rothermich, MD is a board-certified orthopaedic surgeon.

He has extensive training in both general orthopaedic surgery and complex sports medicine techniques. Dr. Rothermich has a particular interest in elbow reconstruction in overhead athletes, rotator cuff repairs, complex knee surgery and total joint replacement.

He is excited to return to Alabama after working in private practice in Florida, where he served as a consultant to the New York Mets and as the team doctor for their local minor league affiliate.

"During the last few months, I've had the opportunity to meet a lot of great folks from Cullman County. Everyone has been very welcoming and seem grateful that Andrews Sports Medicine is opening a local clinic.

"I look forward to working alongside Dr. Ketchum to invest in this community.

"Monte and I can't wait to get up there and help patients of all ages get back in the game," said Rothermich.

Ketchum and Rothermich are currently accepting new patients at Andrews Sports Medicine-Cullman. Call 205-939-3699 to schedule an appointment.

For more information, visit AndrewsSportsMedicine.com.

Spotlight (from Front)

need it now and just go get it. Sometimes I think, 'Oh, you know what would be a great Christmas gift would be if they would buy all my medications next year!'"

"Just you being here is enough; well, I mean that when i say that. If I want something, I'll just go get it," said Dona Adams.

Adams recalled shopping for her own mother, sharing, "My mother was very picky and my daddy spoiled her rotten!

"He was one of these that did the 12 Days of Christmas and brought gifts in every day.

"When he passed away in '86, us kids took over what my daddy had done for her.

"I'm not kidding you! He spoiled her rotten! We knew all her favorites so we would get all of them and get together and say, 'OK, I got the Este Lauder and I got this and that.'"

Adams' advice to everyone?

"Spend as much time with them as you can," she said.

After the death of her mother-in-law last week, Adams was reminded of how important the gift of time can be.

"It just meant so much to her to have her kids and grandkids there with her. It didn't matter what they gave her. She just wanted them there with her. A gift is not a substitute for your time."

What about the grandfathers?

David, who didn't want to give his last name, said, "I just appreciate them showing up."

He laughed, saying that when he and his siblings went through their parents' possessions after they passed, they found gifts they had given their parents still in the boxes.

David's wife, Carol, added, "They said, 'If you gave it, you carry it with you.'"

David and Carol thought long and hard and couldn't think of any gift they wanted or needed.

They both said they just enjoy being with their family and creating lasting memories.

"You need to spend time with your grandparents and family, that's what they want. If you spent a few hours with them, that's better than a gift, I think," Keith Patterson said.

Patterson doesn't have children but is a proud uncle to 26 nieces and nephews, including greats and great-greats.

He added, "I'm known for taking them on hikes after Thanksgiving and Christmas luncheons."

Patterson is from Cullman but moved away for 20 years before returning home where his six sisters and five brothers live.

He said, "When it comes down to it, family is where it's at!"

He suggested teaching older family members how to use a smartphone so they can better communicate with the kids.

Patterson said with a smile, "Young people communicate by text. They won't answer the phone because they know it's an old person."

Myra, who also preferred to just give her first name, said, "I want my kids and grandkids to come by and see me. They don't come by as often as I would like."

She laughed about her mother-in-law, "She was hard to buy for. Everything she wanted, she went and got it.

"If she didn't already have it, she didn't want it."

When Myra was asked what she would like to have if her family insisted on a gift, her answer was powerful.

She said, "I think a letter. A letter telling me how they loved me or something. That would mean more to me that any gift they bought. Something from the heart."

There is no greater gift than time spent together. Myra loves that her family visits on Christmas, but like so many others, she wants regular visits throughout the year.

Perhaps many could take the time used shopping to simply drop by for an impromptu visit.

Write a letter of love and gratitude. It will likely be the most cherished gift you can give and possibly the best gift you give yourself.

Idea (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Beverly Burke has been making jewelry for 19 years, longer than she and her husband, gunsmith Jim Burke, have lived in the Cullman area. Even with an official name, Dixie Dog Designs, it has always been a hobby instead of a business, and she gives her work away for donations to be passed along to charities. For a third year, now, her dedicated cause has been the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Special Needs Mini Rodeo, which precedes the annual Jimmy Arrington Memorial Rodeo.

The pro rodeo event is coming up next Friday and Saturday, Dec. 13-14, and the Special Needs Mini Rodeo will take place Thursday, Dec. 12.

Burke's effort started small in 2017, raising $407. In 2018, she more than doubled that, reaching $904. This year, she wants to continue the trend, and with more than a week to go until the event and one more sale day coming this Saturday, she is already nearing the $1,800 mark.

Burke told The Tribune, "I've been making jewelry for about 19 years. I've raised money for the Cullman County Animal Shelter and used to volunteer at a nursing home years ago, till we started this business (her husband's business, Jim Burke Gunsmithing). So I've been making jewelry for about 19 years.

"I've never had a business; it's never been something that I've made money myself. It's never been part of it. I consider it my ministry; that's really what I think it is. You know, the Lord's blessed me, and it's just a way to give back to the community."

Burke has set up her pop-up shop this year at the Alabama Highway 157 Warehouse Discount Groceries, Tractor Supply, Faith Baptist Church in Vinemont and the November Cullman County Republican Breakfast.

This Saturday, she will return to the Republican breakfast, and as soon as breakfast ends (usually around 9 a.m.), will make her way back to Warehouse Discount Groceries where she will be offering her wares inside the store entrance until the early afternoon. Sometime next week, she will present the season's proceeds to Sheriff Matt Gentry.

For Burke, there are no cash registers or online card readers, and especially no price tags. Instead, she has a simple donation box on her table.

Said Burke, "I would just like for people to come out and pick out something. I don't care what they donate. You know, if they only have a dollar- I've had little kids with just change in their pockets pick out something for their mommas or grandmommas! It don't matter! I'll have little Christmas gift bags for people; they won't even have to buy nothing.

"They can just put a donation in the little bucket of mine and take a gift, and get a little bag, too! Just donations only; I don't put a price tag. I just tell people to give what the Lord leads them to give.

"And I'll tell you: people are more generous when you do that. I've had young men that wouldn't even take anything put a donation in my little bucket, and they'd tell me, 'Well, the next little girl that comes buy, give her something. So I've had people that didn't want anything; they just wanted to donate.

"It's just a blessing to get to do it. And, you know, the money, all of it goes for the special needs kids. They're just very near and dear to my heart."

Burke concluded, "This community is so phenomenal, and we just feel very blessed to be a part of such a wonderful county. We're neither one from here, originally. We just love it. We've been here 18 years, now. So it's home for us. I can't imagine living anywhere else."

If you are out and about Saturday morning, stop by and see Beverly Burke and Dixie Dog Designs inside the Alabama Highway 157 Warehouse Discount Groceries in Cullman, and don't miss the CCSO Jimmy Arrington Memorial Rodeo Dec. 13-14.