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Gudger seeks help for victims of Lawrence County tornado

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LAWRENCE COUNTY, Ala. – On Thursday morning, Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman returned to portions of his legislative district in Lawrence County to survey damage in the areas of Town Creek and Courtland caused by an EF-2 tornado Monday night, Dec. 16. A day earlier, the senator addressed the Cullman County Mayors and Commissioners Association with an urgent request for help in supporting both short-term and long-term recovery efforts.

Three households in Town Creek were devastated, and Gudger is working with Rep. Proncey Robertson, R-Mount Hope; Rep. Andrew Sorrell, R-Muscle Shoals; the Lawrence County Commission and other entities to help with both the immediate recovery and long-term needs.

• Two parents died, leaving behind a 7-year-old* boy who is in critical care at a Birmingham hospital. The boy was found approximately 200 yards from the site of his home with his parents wrapped around him protecting him. Rock the South is covering the parents' funeral costs. Wallace State Community College has offered a two-year scholarship for the boy when he reaches age 17, and the University of Alabama system has offered a transfer scholarship that will allow the boy to complete his college education at the University of Alabama, UAB or UAH.

• A couple in their 60s, who lost their home to a fire four months ago, lost the new mobile home it had only recently set up and was still finishing. The couple remains in intensive care in Birmingham.

• A single victim » PAGE 8


GARLAN GUDGER
Scenes of devastation from the Dec. 16, 2019 tornado in the Town Creek community of Lawrence County

– FEATURE –

'We want to be an economic engine'

The ribbon was cut Thursday on the new and improved taxiway at Cullman Regional Airport


NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Area leaders celebrated the opening of Cullman Regional Airport's new and improved taxiway with a ribbon cutting ceremony Thursday afternoon.

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Cullman County Children's Policy Council earns state Award of Excellence


W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Alabama Children's Policy Council State Manager Liletta Jenkins presents the Award of Excellence to District Judge Kim Chaney.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – On Thursday, Liletta Jenkins, state manager of the Alabama Children's Policy Council, came to Cullman for the City's presentation of its TraffickingFree Zone proclamation, and to recognize the Cullman County Children's Policy Council for receiving the state agency's 2019 Award of Excellence at a recent state conference in Montgomery. District Judge Kim Chaney accepted the award on behalf of the local council.

In presenting the award, Jenkins said, "This Children's Policy Council was one of nine councils in the state of Alabama chosen to receive this prestigious award. I want to present this award today to Judge Chaney for his leadership, for his Children's Policy Council going over and beyond the call of duty for children in Cullman County and Alabama."

Judge Chaney issued a statement on behalf of the local council, saying, "I am very proud that our local Children's Policy Council was selected to receive this recognition and I would like to thank all the members of the Cullman Children's Policy Council for working with the Juvenile Court to help identify and address the issues that threaten the health and safety of our children and families."

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Jacobs issues proclamation declaring city human trafficking-free zone

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The City of Cullman on Thursday morning issued a proclamation in partnership with the Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force, declaring the city a "TraffickingFree Zone."

With the issuance of the proclamation, the municipal government committed itself to educating every City employee on how to recognize and respond to human trafficking, and to adopting a zero tolerance policy toward any activities that promote or support trafficking.

The proclamation reads:

"Human Trafficking Free Zone"
The World Games
Birmingham 2021

WHEREAS, the City of Birmingham has been chosen to host the World Games 2021, an international sporting event that will bring thousands of athletes, as well as countless tourists and media, to the Birmingham metro area; and

WHEREAS, an increase in tourists seeking entertainment, including commercial sex, increases the potential risk for exploitation and human trafficking. Traffickers are opportunistic hunters, and they see major sporting events and the » PAGE 5


W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Mayor Woody Jacobs presents the proclamation committing Cullman to becoming a TraffickingFree Zone. Left to right are Liletta Jenkins, Leah Belser, Jill Herring, Ashley Lee, Kathy Wilson, Jordan Giddens, Jacobs, Judge Kim Chaney, Haley Gaines and Kim Searcy.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Colony's Leeth reflects on year as president of Cullman County Mayors and Commissioners Association

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CULLMAN, Ala. – At the lunchtime meeting of the Cullman County Mayors and Commissioners Association at Terri Pines Country Club Wednesday, Colony Mayor and outgoing Association President Donnis Leeth took a moment to look back at his year as president. Leeth is the first Colony mayor and first African-American to hold the position.

Before the meeting, Leeth told The Tribune, "The year I've been over this, it's been great, wonderful. I learned a whole lot from these senators, commissioners and just the people that come here. It's a great thing to meet people in your county that help you out and tell you things, how to get things done. Plus, it's just a wonderful place to be, in Cullman County. You've got so many people to help you out in Cullman County. I love all of them, I love you, everybody at this table I love. If it wasn't for God, wouldn't nothing happen, though. God is the only one that makes this stuff happen."

Leeth addressed similar comments to the mayors, county commissioners and others in the audience during the meeting, before opening the floor to hear from other officials in attendance.

Highlights included:

• Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman gave a report on tornado damage in Town Creek and Courtland in Lawrence County, which lie within his district, along with long-term recovery plans.

• Cullman County Commission Chairman Kenneth Walker commended retiring County Clerk Charlotte Slatton and introduced new County Administrative Assistant Meleigh Sullivan as her replacement.

• Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force Chairperson Kathy Wilson encouraged the mayors to sign municipal proclamations recognizing Human Trafficking Awareness Month in January, and commended the City of Cullman for its plan to sign a "Traffickingfree Zone" proclamation this week.

• Leeth introduced LaShundra Craig, manager of the Church of Christ food pantry and feeding center known as "The Kitchen" in Moulton, which is serving as a collection and distribution point for disaster relief in the wake of the Lawrence County tornado. Craig shared what her group is doing.



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Cullman County Mayors and Commissioners Association President, Colony Mayor Donnis Leeth, hugs retiring Cullman County Clerk Charlotte Slatton as new Cullman County Administrative Assistant Meleigh Sullivan looks on.

Leeth is concluding his term as president of the association.

Mayor Patrick Bates of Berlin, the current vice president, will become the next president.

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 19

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 19, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Dec. 16

• reckless endangerment; Hwy. 157
• domestic violence; CR 1603
• domestic violence; CR 1352
• theft of property; CR 711
• criminal mischief; CR 71
• theft of property; Hwy. 91
• burglary; CR 421
• domestic violence; CR 1659
• domestic violence, criminal mischief; CR 1114
• harassment; CR 60
• trespassing; CR 1564
• theft of property; CR 471
• violation of a protection order; CR 1082

Dec. 17

• domestic violence; Hwy. 31
• harassment; Hwy. 231
• burglary; CR 1669
• domestic violence; CR 398
• theft of property; CR 1592
• robbery; CR 437
• home repair fraud; CR 1485

Dec. 18

• unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1141, CR 1114
• theft of property; Hwy. 69 S
• domestic violence; Griffin Dr.
• domestic violence; Patton Dr.
• theft of property; CR 623
• harassment, trespassing; 2nd Ave. SW Hanceville
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 437
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, giving false name to a law enforcement officer; Hwy. 31

ARRESTS

Dec. 16

Duncan, Stephanie Lynn, 43
• first-degree criminal trespassing

Hallmark, Leslie Melissa, 45
• probation violation – third-degree burglary

Hill, Amanda Lynne, 35
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Hill, Patricia Brown, 46
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Lewter, Terry Wayne, 56
• negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument (6 counts)

Nunnelley, Jacky Lee, 45
• first-degree theft of property

Phillips, Patrick Eugene, 22
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Rodriguez, Melanny Ross Sally, 26
• DUI- influence of alcohol
• reckless endangerment

Thomas, Tyson Duane, 48
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Dec. 17

Barfield, Marcus Shawn, 38
• probation violation – obstructing government operations

Basinger, Henry Allen, 52
• FTA- driving while suspended (2 counts)
• FTA- improper turn

Rodriquez, Francisco Javier, 27
• FTA- interfering with a domestic violence emergency

Tennison, Candace Renee, 37
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Dec. 18

Basinger, Henry Allen, 52
• fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Brenner, David, 60
• negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Campbell, Amanda Danielle, 39
• obstruction – using a false ID
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Hayes, Scarlett Hailes, 42
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Pullium, James Lassiter, 34
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Raymond, Leroy, 41
• contributing to the delinquency of a minor

Thomas, Tammy Warden, 49
• third-degree criminal trespassing
• giving false name to a law enforcement officer
• public intoxication

Trammell, Toni Marie, 25
• unsworn falsification

Young, Scott Winfield, 39
• expired tag
• possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Dec. 18

• fourth-degree theft of property; Dick's Sporting Goods; Cullman Shopping Center; golf balls; $200
• fourth-degree theft of property; person; Lessman Cir. SW; TV's; $400

ARRESTS

Dec. 18

Bates, Jeremy C., 47
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- insurance violation

Teasley, Troy R., 44
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Kitchens, Richard O., 64
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Dec. 20 - 22

FRIDAY, DEC. 20

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 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.
• Dec. 20-21
• Free gift for every child
• Call 256-287-0364 for more info.

Cards in The Park
Cards in The Park Display (Dec. 7-31), Governor's Park in Holly Pond

Free Christmas Wagon Rides at The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament
• See the tranquil grounds of the Shrine from a wagon drawn by genuine draft horses.
• Rides will be offered through Dec. 28. To reserve a ride, contact the Shrine at 256-787-4121. The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament is located at 3224 County Road 548, Hanceville, AL 35077.
• There will be no rides on Dec. 22 or 24-26.
• For more information, contact the Shrine at 256-352-6267 or 256-787-4121 or visit https://olamshrine.com/.

Christmas Potluck Luncheon with Guest Speaker
• Adults are invited to join us Friday, Dec. 20 at 10:30 a.m. at Spirit Life Church of God, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman for a potluck luncheon (bring a dish, dessert or drink). Our guest speaker will be Rita Young Allen-Ms. Alabama Sr. America 2017.
• Rita is an award-winning vocalist, speaker and published author. She is an educated Southern belle who loves Jesus with all her heart. She has a voice that has taken her from Sand Mountain to Carnegie Hall and is the past president of the National Speakers Association for the state of Alabama.

Santa Claus with Cullman Fire Rescue
• Cullman Fire and Rescue has received word that Santa Claus will be in the city of Cullman Friday, Dec. 20 from 2-9 p.m. (weather permitting) and needs the fire department's help to check his list one more time!!!
• Cullman Fire will be taking Santa throughout the city with the help of the fire trucks. Santa's sleigh is small, quick and nimble, but the fire trucks are much, much bigger, therefore we will be avoiding all dead-end streets without turn arounds and cul-de-sacs and roads with limited accessibility for large vehicles. If you live on one of these streets please come to the end of the street to hopefully get a view of Santa.
• We will be visiting as many neighborhoods as possible and staying on "main roads" in most cases.
• Listen up for the sirens and look for the flashing lights so you know Santa is close! He will be in the front passenger seat, so be sure to be a good boy or girl and wave and smile big!
• PLEASE, ADULTS supervise all children and pets and keep clear of the roadways and approaching fire engines, Santa has a lot of children to see so the fire engine WILL NOT STOP and will be maintaining a steady pace to cover as much ground in our beautiful city as possible.
• CFR wants this to be an enjoyable and safe experience for everyone that we can continue for many years to come!
• Check the Cullman Fire Rescue Facebook page for updates about Santa's location and download the GLYMPSE app to Track Santa's location during his trip!
• Merry Christmas from CFR!

Christmas at The Grotto
• Dec. 20-22, 5-9 p.m.
• Come celebrate the Christmas season at Ave Maria Grotto!
• Experience the Grotto Park decorated for Christmas and enjoy Bro Joseph's magnificent art with your family and friends! Coffee and cookies will be available. Johnny's Bar-B-Q will have a food truck on Saturday evening. Bring your family and friends and be blessed at this most special time of year!

SATURDAY, DEC. 21

Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament Christmas Open House and 20th Anniversary Celebration
• Saturday, Dec. 21, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
• Wagon rides: 10 a.m.-7 p.m. (Call 256-787-4121 for reservations)
• Talk on the 20th anniversary-9:30 a.m. & 2 p.m.
• Shrine hours- 8 a.m.-8 p.m.
• Gift shop hours- 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
• Complimentary hot chocolate, coffee and cookies provided. No visiting fee. Funnel cakes for $5
• 3224 County Road 548, Hanceville, AL 35077

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Christmas Cantata
A Christmas cantata will be held at Mount Hermon Baptist Church Saturday, Dec. 21 at 6 p.m. Refreshments will be served. 4312 County Road 1570, Baileyton, AL 35019

Cards in The Park
Cards in The Park Display (Dec. 7-31), Governor's Park in Holly Pond

SUNDAY, DEC. 22

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.

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Rides will be available on the following dates:
• Dec. 23 from 1-5 p.m.
• Dec. 27 from 1-5 p.m.
• Dec. 28 from 10-11:30 a.m. and 1-5 p.m.
• There will be no rides Dec. 24-26.
• For more information, contact the Shrine at 256-352-6267 or 256-787-4121 or visit https://olamshrine.com/.

Auburn Football signs 22 Wednesday

AU Athletics
Contributor

AUBURN, Ala. – Auburn football is adding 22 of the nation's top high school and junior college football players for the 2020 season, head coach Gus Malzahn announced this afternoon.

Cartavious "Tank" Bigsby (RB, 6-0, 209; Callaway HS; LaGrange, Ga.): Top five-rated running back nationally ... rushed for 1,636 yards and 27 touchdowns as a senior for Coach Pete Wiggins, leading the Cavaliers to the state semifinals ... 2018 Class AA state and region offensive player of the year after rushing for 2,221 yards for a team that finished 11-3 and reached the state semifinals ... Under Armour All-American Game ... AJC Super 11 ... also a track and field letterman ... five-star prospect rated nation's top RB by Rivals ... top 7 recruit in Georgia by 247, Rivals, ESPN, PrepStar

Elijah Canion (WR, 6-4, 201; Chaminade-Madonna HS; Sunrise, Fla.): Talented big-play receiver who averaged more than 21 yards per catch during his career for Coach Dameon Jones and the Chaminade Lions, winning three consecutive Class 3A state championships ... first team all-Broward County as a junior and senior ... also a track and field letterman ... ranked among the top 75 prospects in Florida and the top 80 receivers nationally by ESPN, 247, Rivals ... PrepStar all-Southeast

Ze'Vian Capers (WR, 6-4, 192; Denmark HS; Alpharetta, Ga.): Tall, talented target at wide receiver ... 45 receptions for 922 yards, 10 TD as a senior for Coach Terry Crowder at Denmark High ... first team all-state, all-region, all-county ... Forsyth County News offensive player of the year as a junior, with 60 catches for 1,182 yards and 11 scores ... AJC Super 11 ... also a basketball letterman ... ESPN, 247, PrepStar rank him among top 15 players in Georgia

Brenden Coffey (OT, 6-6, 264; Butte (Calif.) CC; Paradise HS; Paradise, Calif.): Elite blocker with a top 5 juco rating ... two-year starter at tackle for Coach Rob Snelling at Butte College in Oroville, Calif., earning all-conference honors ... CCCAA state and Golden Valley Conference shot put champion ... for Coach Rick Prinz at Paradise High ... three-sport competitor for the Bobcats who was a state qualifier in shot put ... ESPN rates him the No. 2 juco offensive line prospect ... top 5 California juco recruits by 247

Marco Domio (CB, 6-1, 172; Blinn (Texas) JC; Heights HS; Houston, Texas): One of the nation's top-rated junior college defensive backs ... 26 tackles, 8 PBU as a second team all-conference selection for Coach Ryan Mahon at Blinn College ... first team all-district in 2017 and 2018 at Heights High for Coach Stephen Dixon ... also competed for the basketball and track teams ... top 5 juco DB prospect by ESPN, PrepStar, 247 ... No. 3 among Texas juco players by 247

JJ Evans (WR, 6-2, 192; Montevallo HS; Montevallo, Ala.): Speedy receiving prospect with dynamic skills ... consistent playmaker for Coach Brandon Wilcox, helping the Bulldogs to the Class 4A playoffs ... 74 receptions for 1,706 yards and 18 TD as a junior ... Class 4A Back of the Year finalist ... 38 catches for 617 yards, 7 TD, during an injury-plagued senior season ... Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game ... 247 ranks him No. 5 among state recruits, ESPN and Rivals No. 7

Daniel Foster-Allen (DE, 6-4, 264; St. Paul's HS; Saraland, Ala.): Explosive defender who recorded 53 tackles, 7 TFL, 3 sacks, 13 QB hurries as a senior, helping Coach Steve Mask's Saints advance to the second round of the Class 6A playoffs ... Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game ... also a basketball letterman ... ranked among the top 25 overall recruits in the state by ESPN, 247, Rivals, PrepStar

Chayil Garnett (QB, 6-1, 211; Lakeland HS; Lake Wales, Fla.): Highly rated dual-threat quarterback prospect ... injury limited his play to eight games as a senior for Coach Bill Castle ... passed for 2,028 yards, 18 touchdowns as a junior at Lake Wales High ... Lakeland Ledger Super 16 ... honor student ... ranked among the top 15 prospects at his position by PrepStar, ESPN ... Florida top 60 by ESPN

Romello Height (Buck, 6-4, 217; Dublin HS; Dublin, Ga.): Tall, agile defensive prospect ... set a school record for sacks as a junior and senior playing for Coach Roger Holmes at Dublin High ... led the Fighting Irish to the 2019 Class AA state title ... GACA all-star classic ... second team all-region ... also a basketball letterman ... top 30 prospect in state of Georgia by ESPN ... 247 ranks him 28th nationally at his position

Kobe Hudson (WR, 6-0, 185; Troup County HS; Pine Mountain, Ga.): Ultra-talented athlete who projects as a wide receiver prospect ... 62 catches for 1,424 yards, 13 TD as a freshman and sophomore for Coach Tanner Glisson and the Troup County Tigers ... AJC Super 11 ... Class 4A state player of year and Region 5-AAAA player of year as a junior QB, passing for 3,386 yards, 32 TD, and rushing for 1,410 yards, 18 scores ... passed for 1,629 yards, 18 TD and rushed for 976 yards, 7 TD as a senior ... All-American Bowl ... also a basketball letterman ... top 10 recruit in state of Georgia by 247, ESPN, PrepStar ... Rivals, ESPN, 247 rank him among the top 20 nationally at his position

Avery Jernigan (C, 6-3, 306; Pierce County HS; Blackshear, Ga.): Explosive offensive line prospect ... first team all-region and all-state for Coach Ryan Herring as a junior and senior ... honors student ... also a basketball and track and field letterman ... rated among the to p20 at his position nationally by 247, ESPN, PrepStar

Tate Johnson (OG, 6-3, 325; Callaway HS; LaGrange, Ga.): Versatile, hard-working lineman with great size and skills ... outstanding leader as a senior for Coach Pete Wiggins, spurring the Cavaliers to the state semifinals as a junior and senior ... GSWA first team Class AA all-state ... Pro Football Hall of Fame World Bowl ... ranked among top 15 at his position nationally by Rivals, ESPN

JJ Pegues (TE, 6-2, 298; Oxford HS; Oxford, Miss.): Versatile offensive threat who projects as a tight end at the collegiate level ... led Coach Chris Cutcliffe's Oxford Chargers to the Class 6A state championship as a senior ... Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game ... Clarion Ledger Dandy Dozen ... also a basketball letterman ... top 10 prospect nationally at his position by 247, Rivals, ESPN ... ranked among top six recruits overall in state of Mississippi

Eric Reed Jr. (CB, 6-0, 195; Calvary Baptist Academy; Shreveport, La.): Highly rated cornerback prospect ... all-state performer for Coach Rodney Guin, helping the Cavaliers to the state playoffs ... Shreveport Times Top 10 ... also a basketball and track letterman ... 247, Rivals and ESPN all rank him among the top seven recruits in Louisiana ... rated among the top 15 nationally at his position

Cam Riley (LB, 6-4, 207; Hillcrest HS; Evergreen, Ala.): Productive linebacking prospect with a quick first step ... 112 tackles as a junior for Coach Clinton Smith ... Jaguars won a state title his sophomore year ... Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game ... also a track letterman ... rated among the top 15 prospects in the state by 247, ESPN, PrepStar, Rivals

Wesley Steiner (LB, 6-0, 226; 6-0, 226; Houston County HS; Warner Robins, Ga.): Powerful defender with great commitment and dedication ... recorded 81 tackles, 6.0 TFL as a senior for Coach Ryan Crawford and the Houston County Bears ... Under Armour All-America Game ... HHJ multi-sport athlete of the year ... two-time state champion in the discus and a wrestling letterman ... ESPN rates him the No. 6 prospect in Georgia ... top five nationally at his position by 247, PrepStar, ESPN

Ladarius Tennison (S, 5-10, 195; Rockledge HS; Rockledge, Fla.): Hard-hitting athletic safety prospect ... recorded 98 tackles, 24.0 TFL as a senior for Coach Wayne Younger's Raiders ... Space Coast Daily player of the year ... all-Space Coast team ... also a track and field letterman ... ranked as the No. 4 athlete nationally by 247 ... top 15 at his position by Rivals, ESPN, PrepStar

Chris Thompson Jr. (S, 6-1, 201; Duncanville HS; DeSoto, Texas): Physical defender who was a punishing tackler for Coach Reginald Samples at Duncanville High, helping the Panthers advance to the Class 6A state semifinals as a senior and finals as a junior ... Under Armour All-America Game ... second team TSWA all-state as a junior ... preseason Sports-Day area defensive player of the year ... also a track and field letterman ... MaxPreps All-American ... ESPN rates him the No. 2 safety prospect nationally ... top 30 player in Texas by 247, ESPN, PrepStar

Desmond Tisdol (LB, 6-0, 210; Wilcox County HS; Rochelle, Ga.): Terrific athlete productive on both sides of the football ... first team all-state linebacker for Coach Rob Stowe's Wilcox County Patriots ... All-American Bowl ... Region 2-A defensive player of year ... also a basketball and baseball letterman ... ESPN and 247 rank him among the top 25 overall recruits in Georgia ... rated No. 6 nationally at his position by ESPN

Zykeivous Walker (DE, 6-4, 267; Schley County HS; Ellaville, Ga.): Aggressive pass rusher who led the Schley County Wildcats to the playoffs ... 85 tackles, 11.0 sacks, 29,0 TFL as a senior for Coach Darren Alford ... GHSA regional player of the year as a junior with 10.5 sacks ... GSWA all-state ... also a basketball and track and field letterman ... 247 ranks him the No. 7 prospect nationally at his position ... top 15 recruit from Georgia by 247, Rivals, PrepStar

Jeremiah Wright (OL, 6-5, 340; Selma HS; Selma, Ala.): Sizeable offensive line prospect with plenty of potential ... played offensive tackle and defensive tackle for Coach Willie Gandy and the Selma Saints ... Selma Times-Journal all-Dallas County ... ESPN ranks him the No. 13 player nationally at his position ... top 30 prospect in Alabama by ESPN, 247, PrepStar

Kilian Zierer (OT, 6-7, 284; College of Canyons CC; Hohenkirchen, Germany): Top-rated junior college offensive line prospect ... starting tackle for Coach Ted Iacenda, helping the Cougars to the Southern California championship game ... SCFA all-league second team ... started playing football at age 16 ... ESPN and 247 rate him the No. 1 juco prospect nationally at his position ... Rivals ranks him No. 11 overall among juco recruits

Alabama Football adds 20 student-athletes on first day of early signing period

UA Athletics
Contributor

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama football has added 20 student-athletes to its 2020 recruiting class on Wednesday, the first day of the early signing period.

The 20 high school players come from eight states – Alabama (9), California (1) Florida (3), Georgia (3), Louisiana (1), Maryland (1), Ohio (1) and Texas (1). Listed by position, the Crimson Tide added to its roster – four players apiece at linebacker, defensive back and defensive linemen, along with two offensive linemen, a pair of running backs and one player at quarterback, tight end, wide receiver and athlete.

Among the 20 players are:

Three five-star prospects (by at least one of the following: 247Sports, 247Composite, Rivals.com): Chris Braswell, Drew Sanders and Bryce Young

All 20 student-athletes are listed as a four-star prospect by at least one of the following: 247Sports, Rivals.com and/or ESPN.com

Fourteen players were selected to participate in the Under Armour All-America Game: William Anderson Jr., Brian Branch, Chris Braswell, Jackson Bratton, Kyle Edwards, Thaiu Jones-Bell, Demouy Kennedy, Malachi Moore, Quandarrius Robinson, Drew Sanders, Kristian Story, Ronald Williams, Roydell Williams and Bryce Young

Thirteen players were ranked in the ESPN300: William Anderson Jr., Brian Branch, Chris Braswell, Jackson Bratton, Thaiu Jones-Bell, Demouy Kennedy, Seth McLaughlin, Malachi Moore, Drew Sanders, Timothy Smith, Kristian Story, Roydell Williams and Bryce Young

Sixteen players were listed on the Rivals250: William Anderson Jr., Brian Branch, Chris Braswell, Jackson Bratton, Thaiu Jones-Bell, Demouy Kennedy, Jah-Marien Latham, Seth McLaughlin, Malachi Moore, Jahquez Robinson, Quandarrius Robinson, Drew Sanders, Timothy Smith, Kristian Story, Roydell Williams and Bryce Young

Eight players were listed on the Rivals100: Brian Branch, Chris Braswell, Demouy Kennedy, Quandarrius Robinson, Drew Sanders, Timothy Smith, Roydell Williams and Bryce Young

2020 ALABAMA EARLY SIGNING DAY ROSTER – SIGNEES (20)

NAME	POS	HT	WT	HOMETOWN/SCHOOL
William Anderson Jr.	DL	6-4	230	Hampton, Ga./Dutchtown
Brian Branch	DB	6-0	185	Tyrone, Ga./Sandy Creek
Chris Braswell	DL	6-3	220	Baltimore, Md./St. Frances Academy
Jackson Bratton	LB	6-3	233	Muscle Shoals, Ala./Muscle Shoals
Caden Clark	TE	6-4	258	Akron, Ohio/Archbishop Hoban
Javion Cohen	OL	6-4	296	Phenix City, Ala./Central
Kyle Edwards	RB	6-0	205	Destrehan, La./Destrehan
Thaiu Jones-Bell	WR	6-0	190	Hallandale, Fla./Miami Carol City
Demouy Kennedy	LB	6-3	215	Theodore, Ala./Theodore
Jah-Marien Latham	DL	6-3	297	Reform, Ala./Pickens County
Seth McLaughlin	OL	6-4	278	Buford, Ga./Buford
Malachi Moore	DB	6-0	180	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville
Jahquez Robinson	DB	6-2	185	Jacksonville, Fla./Sandalwood
Quandarrius Robinson	LB	6-5	220	Birmingham, Ala./Jackson-Olin
Drew Sanders	LB	6-5	230	Denton, Texas/Ryan
Timothy Smith	DL	6-4	325	Sebastian, Fla./Sebastian River
Kristian Story	ATH	6-1	213	Lanett, Ala./Lanett
Ronald Williams	DB	6-2	188	Ferriday, La./Hutchinson C.C./Ferriday
Roydell Williams	RB	5-10	207	Hueytown, Ala./Hueytown
Bryce Young	QB	6-0	190	Santa Ana, Calif./Mater Dei

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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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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*

PLEASE PUBLISH ONCE A WEEK FOR FOUR SUCCESSIVE WEEKS.

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Sweet sounds of the season

Seed-Harvest Music Academy holds 5th annual Christmas Sing-Along Concert

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Seed-Harvest Music Academy brought holiday cheer with its fifth annual Cullman Christmas Sing-Along Concert Tuesday evening at St. John's Evangelical Church.

Seed-Harvest is run by husband and wife Micah and Brittany Simpson.

Brittany Simpson said of the concert, "We've done this ever since we've opened up; we schedule our Christmas concert and it's probably our biggest concert of the year. We have performers that are soloists, so all of his (Micah Simpson's) private lesson students, they have the opportunity, if they want, to perform in this concert, to perform a solo piece."

She continued, "Then, it's all of my classes- that's primarily what I do, I teach the elementary and preschool classes- they also get to perform a few songs for their parents. I try to make it fun and combine as many as the ensembles as possible, and we've grown so much we've had to have two separate concerts now. The first concert was my classes, so our Junkyard Percussion, World Percussion, Sprouts 1 and Sprouts 2 and our Christmas singers, as well as our Sweet Keys, which is our elementary and preschool age keyboard classes, String Beans which is elementary and preschool violin classes and our Junior Guitar Ensembles. So, all of those classes, especially the beginners, they get their first performance under the belt."

Simpson said the larger ensembles made up the second concert.

"Our second concert is our larger ensembles, and we still had a couple that didn't get to perform this time, but we did have our Jazz Band, Senior Orchestra and Beginner Orchestra," she said. "At other concerts we also have our Cullman Youth Strings program and Senior Guitar Ensemble. Those are a couple of other things that we offer."

Simpson believes performing teaches important life skills.

"Well, it's always exciting to be able to provide an opportunity for them to perform, because you can take lessons and you can take classes and things like that, but giving opportunities to perform really grows a musician, especially when they're young, giving them those opportunities helps them later in life," she said. "They may not stick with music, but getting them in front of a crowd and having them be a part of a group or an ensemble, it teaches them a lot of things like teamwork and being able to know that if you make a mistake, it's okay and just keep going, just those sorts of things. Just getting used to being in front of an audience. And like I said, we're just excited we get to continue to do that every year and that it keeps growing. The biggest problem that we have right now is continuing to be able to fit everyone that we have, and that's a good problem to have."

Tuesday's concert featured 20 soloists and 13 groups.

The soloist performers were:

- John Aiden Cregan on drums and Samuel Cregan on tuba performing "Frosty the Snowman"
- Whitlan Harris on guitar performing "Away in a Manger"
- Tripp Moseley on piano performing "O Christmas Tree"
- Logan Perdue on guitar performing "Have a Holly Jolly Christmas"
- Miles Dawsey on piano performing "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"
- Emmaline Powell on violin performing "Up on the Housetop"
- Lucy Williamson on piano performing "Deck the Halls"
- Zarah Kate Harden on piano performing "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear"
- Claire Mason on violin performing "Joy to the World"
- Ella McAfee on piano performing "O Little Town of Bethlehem"
- Benjamin Weber on trombone performing "God Rest ye Merry Gentlemen"
- William Montgomery on piano performing "Carol of the Bells"
- Tori Glover on violin performing "The First Noel"
- Jasper Bridges on flute performing "Jingle Bell Rock"
- Reagan Phillips on piano performing "Greensleeves"
- May Dawsey on guitar performing "Russian Dance" (from "The Nutcracker")
- Lewis Whitmore on piano performing "Somewhere in My Memories" (from "Home Alone")
- Brady Philips on guitar performing 'Angels we have Heard on High, Winter Wonderland, Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas'
- Noel Montgomery on piano performing 'White Christmas'
- Adeline Sartin on violin, Elijah Sartin on cello and Sylus Martin on piano performing 'Jingle Bells'



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

A group of parents were picked from the crowd to be the "12 Days of Christmas" during a performance of the song by Seed-Harvest Music Academy's Sprouts 1, Christmas Singers and World Percussion groups.

More on Seed-Harvest, with Brittany Simpson

"My husband and I graduated from the University of Montevallo with our music education degrees and I got a job in public school as a K-12 music teacher, band director, arts-survey teacher. If it was arts, I was doing it. We lived far away from our family, we had our first child and so we decided to move back to Cullman to be closer to my family, and my husband, we had always had the dream of being able to teach on our own terms, being able to open up our own school. We just decided to do it one day; we knew we could handle it with us both being music education majors so we just tried to find ways that we could serve the community and fill a gap.

"One of those areas we saw a need for was homeschool music. Elementary-aged public-school children, they mostly get music of some sort, even if it's not consistent, they do get music every other week. But there are many, many homeschool students who don't have that opportunity outside of their parents may find a private lesson instructor for them eventually, but we wanted to offer general music and offer those same opportunities to homeschoolers.

"So we opened up classes with those students in mind, but we also knew that there would be some public-school students as well who had a proclivity for music and wanted to do it, so we scheduled our classes to where it can be a public-homeschool combination, but we do offer the homeschool jazz band, homeschool orchestra and those things to cater specifically to the homeschool community."

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Proclamation (from Front)

hundreds of thousands of people who flock to sports venues as an opportunity for huge profits with very little risk of penalty or punishment; and

WHEREAS, human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery in which victims are forced to work in various forms of exploitation, including debt bondage, forced marriage, labor and commercial sexual exploitation, that are induced through force, fraud or coercion. The City of Cullman, Alabama is committed to becoming a Trafficking Free Zone ensuring that our community is prepared to recognize signs of human trafficking; and

WHEREAS, due to its isolating nature, many individuals are unaware that trafficking exists in their neighborhoods. The first step in eliminating human trafficking in our community is to educate others. We must work diligently to ensure that all front-line industries are aware of this issue and how to spot it.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, I, Woody Jacobs, Mayor of the City of Cullman, Alabama, do hereby proclaim that we will continue our efforts to combat the commercial sexual exploitation of our children and vulnerable adults, and mitigate the associated public safety, economic, and health risks to our community, in collaboration with the Child Trafficking Solutions Project, the U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking, and other anti-human trafficking organizations by,

COMBATING COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION THROUGH COMPREHENSIVE EDUCATION OF OUR STAFF AND THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY AGAINST ANY ACT WHICH MAY SUPPORT HUMAN TRAFFICKING

and ask ALL citizens of the City of Cullman join us in promoting a shift away from the culture of tolerance toward human trafficking.

A statement issued by Jordan Giddens, community engagement coordinator for the Children's Policy Council of Jefferson County's Child Trafficking Solutions Project, on behalf of the task force said:

The proclamation, similar to the Drug Free Zone initiatives in the early 2000s, requires that: 1) all city staff receive human trafficking training, and 2) the city adopt a "zero-tolerance" policy regarding purchasing commercial sex at work. The Trafficking Free Zone initiative is a nation-wide program of the U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking (USIAHT), and local anti-trafficking coalition, the Child Trafficking Solutions Project (CTSP), which is an initiative of the Children's Policy Council and the Jefferson County Family Court.

Kathy Wilson, chair of the Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force said that, "The City of Cullman has always taken the issue of human trafficking, and specifically child trafficking, very seriously.

"We were one of the first counties in the state to form a human trafficking task force, and we are excited to join other Alabama cities in taking this vital step to show the community how seriously we take the issue."

Geoff Rogers, CEO of USIAHT, said, "We are beyond excited that the City of Cullman has taken this vital step to eradicate human trafficking and educate their entire community on the real and present dangers that their children face. Their willingness to join the movement is a testament to how seriously the entire state of Alabama is taking this issue, and we look forward to working with more Alabama cities in the future."

Jordan Giddens, community engagement coordinator for the Child Trafficking Solutions Project, said that, "The ripple effect we have seen since the first Trafficking Free Zone was established last week has been enormous, and has extended beyond the Birmingham metro.

"Our goal is to have every municipality in Jefferson County signed on and trained before The World Games 2021 Birmingham, but we are so happy that other municipalities and regions are joining this mission and taking this issue seriously, from the top down."

To learn more about human trafficking and how you can help, please visit Homeland Security's Blue Campaign website (dhs.gov/blue-campaign).

If you or your business are interested in becoming a Trafficking Free Zone or would like to receive human trafficking awareness training, please visit the website for the U.S. Institute Against Human Trafficking (usiaht.org).

If you suspect a human trafficking instance or emergency, please either call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888 or text HELP to BeFree (233733) or call the Department of Homeland Security's trafficking hotline at 1-866-DHS-2-ICE (1-866-347-2423).

For more on the Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force, visit www.facebook.com/Cullman-County-Human-Trafficking-Task-Force-870585096352748/.

Engine (from Front)

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VINEMONT, Ala. – Thursday was a special day at the Cullman Regional Airport, with the airport celebrating the completion of its new and improved taxiway as well as the 60th anniversary of the facility itself.

Cullman Regional Airport General Manager Ben Harrison, a member of the National Air Transportation Association's (NATA) Airport Business Committee and chair of that committee's Airport Sponsored Fixed Base Operator (FBO) Subcommittee, got the ceremony started by reflecting on the rise of aviation not just here in Cullman, but all over the world.

"I just want to thank everyone for showing up. What a great day this is. I can't believe we have so many faces here and I just wanted to talk about where we've been, where we are and where we want to go," he said. "Two days ago, Dec. 17 of 1903, was the first powered flight from the Wright Brothers. So, 116 years later, look at what it's become. Look at what aviation as a whole has become."

Cullman Regional Airport was awarded a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant of $1,543,500 for taxiway reconstruction in June. The funding was awarded by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). The grant was one of 20 awarded throughout Alabama for airport infrastructure improvements totaling more than $25 million.

According to the office of U.S. Senator Richard Shelby, R-Alabama, the FAA grants – which ranged from $10.4 million for the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport to $100,200 for the Camden Municipal Airport – were funded through the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and federal appropriations. Shelby is the chairman of the Senate Committee on Appropriations, which authors and advances the FAA funding legislation. The funding distribution is based on both entitlement and discretionary awards.

Harrison went on to talk about the 60th anniversary of the airport and some of the people who helped build the airport into what it is today, as far back as its inception.

"In the mid-50s in this community there was a group of people that sat down and saw a need for an airport and I do believe that need came out of the 'Flying 50.' So, we had people, business owners and different delegations within our government, that would fly to different areas to try and do economic development in this community," Harrison said.

"I'm glad to say we still have one member of the Flying 50 here, and that's Mr. Roy Drinkard. He's with us today after all this time and I think it's remarkable that to this day he's still active in this community and still flying in our community."

Harrison thanked all those who have contributed to the airport, past and present, breaking down all the necessary work that goes into maintaining a successful facility.

"It takes multiple people to make this airport work. It takes multiple government entities, multiple departments, multiple people who are helping pull all this together and move us forward. Not just in the past but going forward into the future as well," Harrison said.

"I know some of them don't want to be recognized, but without the staff here every day in the heat, in the cold, keeping the equipment going, keeping the mowers going, keeping a safe runway, keeping a safe taxiway, making sure all the lights work for nighttime operations, we would not have an airport that is successful."

Alabama Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman was next up to the podium and he touched on the teamwork that it took to complete this project and what that means for economic development in the community going forward.

"It's really easy for me to get up here and say how great this place is, just look at it. I don't give Ben (Harrison) much credit because I don't want to because his head will swell too big," Gudger joked. "But when you see something like this and all the different entities that come together, you see that we're successful. It's easy for us to be successful today because we're standing on the shoulders of the giants that helped found this and start this. As economic development continues to prosper in this community, this airport will too."

Cullman County Commission Chairman Kenneth Walker was happy to see a crowd attending the ceremony Thursday to support the airport and wants to see the facility continue to grow and have even more economic impact on the community.

"I'd like to say that I'm very surprised and very glad to see all the faces here today. As one of the board members here it makes me feel good and it goes to show you that working together will bring progress where progress belongs," Walker said.

"I just want to thank Ben (Harrison) for the hard work that he's put into it. He came in with a plan and stuck with it and so far, we've done what the plan was and we hope to continue to build this airport. This airport brings jobs to this community and I think if you go around town you can see the industry we have here."

Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs was the final special guest to speak before cutting the ribbon.

He said he is excited to see the economic impact of the airport grow as well. Jacobs is happy to work with several different partners in the community to help projects like this come to fruition.

"This used to be just kind of a small, city airport serving a little bit of industry and local pilots, but this airport can be much more than that, and thanks to our partners and everyone from the design team to the FAA and (Cullman Economic Development Agency Director) Dale (Greer) has joined us from the economic development team and this can be a huge economic engine," Jacobs said. "We're not going to be a big airport and we don't want to be a big airport, but we want to be an economic engine and we want to get companies here and things of that nature. We appreciate everyone that works with us towards that goal."

Next up for the airport will be runway improvements, the next phase in the facility's five-year improvement plan.

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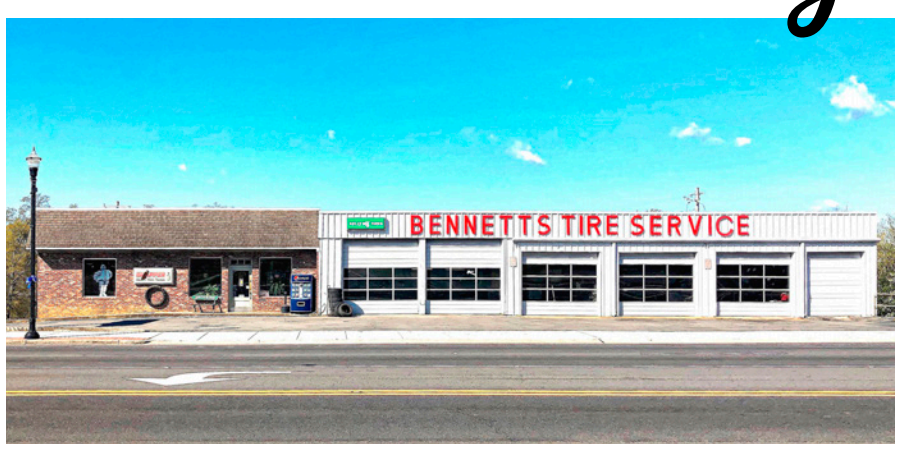
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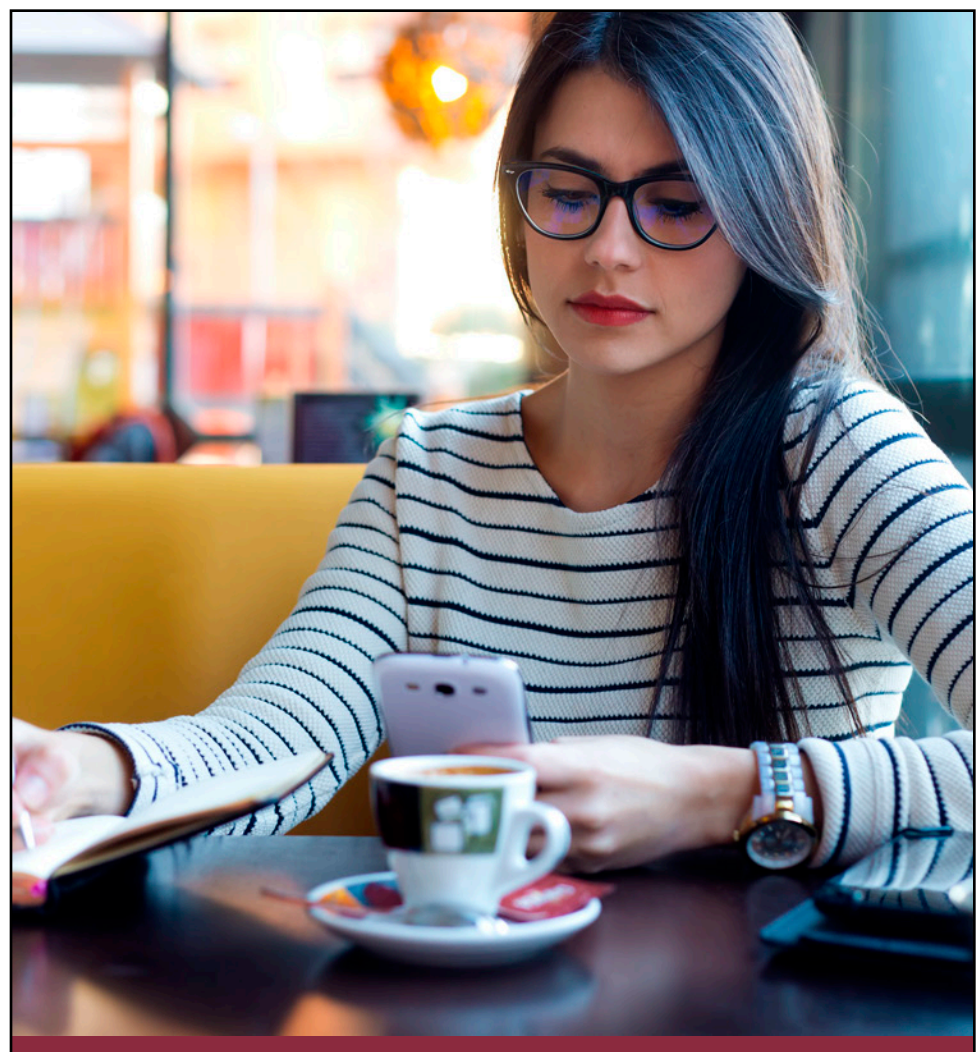
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Sports

8:00 a.m. GOLF 2019 Senior Open Championship Final Round.
10:00 a.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Utah Jazz at Atlanta Hawks.
11:00 a.m. GOLF 2019 AIG Women's British Open Final Round.
1:00 p.m. ESPN College Football Makers Wanted Bahamas Bowl — Buffalo vs Charlotte. (Live)
1:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
2:00 p.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Utah Jazz at Atlanta Hawks.
5:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
6:00 p.m. FS1 College Wrestling Oregon State at Nebraska. (Live)
6:30 p.m. ESPN2 College Football Tropical Smoothie Cafe Frisco Bowl — Utah State vs Kent State. (Live)
7:00 p.m. WBRC WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)
ESPN NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Philadelphia 76ers. (Live)
8:00 p.m. FS1 College Basketball North Dakota State at Marquette. (Live)
9:00 p.m. GOLF European PGA Tour Golf Australian Championship, Third Round. (Live)
9:30 p.m. ESPN NBA Basketball New Orleans Pelicans at Golden State Warriors. (Live)
10:00 p.m. TBS ELEAGUE Rocket League World Championship. (Taped)
10:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow

Movies

11:30 a.m. BET "Boomerang" ★★ (1992) Eddie Murphy.
BRAVO "Friday" ★★★ (1995) Ice Cube. A South Central Los Angeles resident hangs out on his front porch with a pal who owes money to a drug dealer.
TCM "Bus Riley's Back in Town" ★★½ (1965) Ann-Margret.
11:55 a.m. MAX "Lights Out" ★★½ (2016) Teresa Palmer
12:00 p.m. FX "Kung Fu Panda 3" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Jack Black. Animated. After reuniting with his long-lost father, Po must train a village of clumsy pandas to help him defeat a supernatural warrior who becomes stronger with each battle.
1:05 p.m. TMC "Scream 3" ★★½ (2000) David Arquette (Premiere)
1:15 p.m. TCM "Wild Seed" ★★ (1965) Michael Parks.
1:20 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.
1:30 p.m. BRAVO "Next Friday" ★★ (2000) Ice Cube.
2:00 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.
FX "Sing" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Matthew McConaughey. Animated. A pig, a mouse, a porcupine, a gorilla, an elephant and other animals gather at a koala's theater for a singing competition.
2:30 p.m. AMC "Last Holiday" ★★½ (2006) Queen Latifah.
BET "Harlem Nights" ★★ (1989) Eddie Murphy.
SHOW "Absolute Power" ★★ (1997) Clint Eastwood
3:00 p.m. E! "What to Expect When You're Expecting" ★★ (2012) Cameron Diaz.
TCM "The Happening" ★★★ (1967) Anthony Quinn. Kidnapped by four Miami beach bums, a former mobster takes over and shows them how it should be done.
3:05 p.m. TMC "The Village" ★★½ (2004) Bryce Dallas Howard
3:35 p.m. MAX "Skyscraper" ★★ (2018) Dwayne Johnson
3:40 p.m. FREE "Toy Story" ★★★★ (1995) Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. A flashy new action hero's arrival creates upset in a community of toys that comes to life when people are absent.
4:10 p.m. HBO "Long Shot" ★★★ (2019) Seth Rogen Journalist Fred Flarsky unexpectedly reconnects with Charlotte Field — his former baby sitter and childhood crush. When Charlotte makes a run for the presidency, she impulsively hires Fred as her speechwriter — much to the dismay of her advisers.
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.
4:35 p.m. SHOW "Den of Thieves" ★★½ (2018) Gerard Butler
5:00 p.m. AMC "Four Christmases" ★★ (2008) Vince Vaughn.
TCM "Savannah Smiles" ★★½ (1982) Mark Miller.
TMC "Gattaca" ★★★ (1997) Ethan Hawke An outcast takes part in a complicated and perilous scheme to assume the identity of a genetically engineered citizen.
5:30 p.m. BET "Training Day" ★★★ (2001) Denzel Washington. A rookie cop meets a corrupt Los Angeles narcotics officer who wants to include him in his schemes.
E! "Knocked Up" ★★★ (2007) Seth Rogen. A rising journalist and an irresponsible slacker ponder their future after a boozy one-night stand results in a pregnancy.
5:36 p.m. BRAVO "Friday" ★★★ (1995) Ice Cube. A South Central Los Angeles resident hangs out on his front porch with a pal who owes money to a drug dealer.
6:00 p.m. TBS "A Christmas Story" ★★★★ (1983) Peter Billingsley. In the 1940s, little Ralphie tries to convince his parents to get him a Red Ryder range-model BB gun for Christmas. Narrated by Jean Shepherd.
6:30 p.m. PARMT "Top Gun" ★★★ (1986) Tom Cruise. Premiere. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot tangles with MiGs and flirts with a civilian astrophysicist.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Elf" ★★★ (2003) Will Ferrell. Adopted as a baby by one of Santa's elves, a man leaves the workshop to search for his family in New York.
CMTV "Weekend at Bernie's" ★★ (1989) Andrew McCarthy.
FX "Hotel Transylvania 2" ★★½ (2015) Voices of Adam Sandler.
TCM "Zorba the Greek" ★★★★ (1964) Anthony Quinn. A lusty Greek peasant shows a British writer how to live and run a lignite mine.
TNT "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace" ★★ (1999) Liam Neeson.
MAX "Crazy Rich Asians" ★★★½ (2018) Constance Wu (Premiere) Rachel Chu is happy to accompany her longtime boyfriend, Nick, to his best friend's wedding in Singapore. She's also surprised to learn that Nick's family is extremely wealthy and he's considered one of the country's most eligible bachelors.
SHOW "Green Book" ★★★½ (2018) Viggo Mortensen An Italian-American bouncer and an African-American pianist confront racism and danger while taking a road trip through the Deep South in 1962.
TMC "The Whole Nine Yards" ★★½ (2000) Bruce Willis
7:15 p.m. HBO "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" ★★★ (2011) James Franco A scientist's quest to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease unintentionally results in a highly intelligent chimpanzee, which may signal the end of man's dominion over Earth.
7:44 p.m. BRAVO "Next Friday" ★★ (2000) Ice Cube.
8:00 p.m. E! "The Devil Wears Prada" ★★★ (2006) Meryl Streep. A recent college graduate lands a job working for a famous and diabolical editor of a New York fashion magazine.
TBS "A Christmas Story" ★★★★ (1983) Peter Billingsley. In the 1940s, little Ralphie tries to convince his parents to get him a Red Ryder range-model BB gun for Christmas. Narrated by Jean Shepherd.
8:20 p.m. FREE "Toy Story 2" ★★★★ (1999) Voices of Tom Hanks. Animated. When a toy collector kidnaps Woody, Buzz Lightyear and the other toys band together to bring him home.
8:40 p.m. TMC "Mo' Money" ★★½ (1992) Damon Wayans
9:00 p.m. AMC "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" ★★★ (1989) Chevy Chase. The Griswolds spend the holiday in a garish way, especially when a country cousin pulls up in an RV.
FX "Hotel Transylvania 2" ★★½ (2015) Voices of Adam Sandler.
9:05 p.m. MAX "Mean Girls" ★★★ (2004) Lindsay Lohan Attending high school for the first time, a teenager becomes friends with three popular but manipulative students.
9:30 p.m. TCM "Lawrence of Arabia" ★★★★ (1962) Peter O'Toole. Controversial British officer T.E. Lawrence learns the culture of Arabs and unites their tribes against the Turks.
10:02 p.m. TNT "Star Wars: Attack of the Clones" ★★½ (2002) Ewan McGregor.
10:10 p.m. TMC "Fast & Furious" ★★ (2009) Vin Diesel (Premiere)
10:45 p.m. MAX "Game Night" ★★★ (2018) Jason Bateman A couple's weekly game night gets kicked up a notch when their friends agree to participate in a murder mystery party. They soon find themselves in over their heads as each twist leads to another unexpected turn over the course of one chaotic night.
10:55 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.

FRIDAY EVENING — MOVIES — DECEMBER 20, 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	America Says	Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline Steven Avery murder investigation.		CSI: Miami A psychotic genius runs wild in Miami.		CSI: Miami "Sudden Death" A woman is murdered at a club.		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing
WBIQ-PBS	4	Ready Jet Go! (El)	Peg & Cat (El)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Washington Week (N)	Monograph	Journey Proud "Guadalupe Celebration"		Lidia Celebrates America People who master artisan crafts.		VOCES on PBS Victor Rios helps students in LA. (N)	
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	Global Citizen Prize Stars perform to honor changemakers.		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	(:35) TMZ (N)
WIAT-CBS	8	CBS42 News 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	CBS42 News 6pm (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	I Love Lucy Christmas Special (N)		Magnum P.I. Magnum and Higgins hunt an assassin.		Blue Bloods A video of entrapment by officers.		CBS42 News 10pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert
WTTO-CW	9	The Goldbergs	2 Broke Girls	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Penn & Teller: Fool Us Anna DeGuzman; Raffaele Scircoli.		Whose Line Is It Anyway?	Whose Line Is It Anyway?	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 young hacker compromises missions.		NCIS: Los Angeles A Los Angeles-based train is threatened.		NCIS: Los Angeles An antiterrorism device is stolen.		NCIS: Los Angeles Undercover work at a rehab center.		NCIS: Los Angeles A soldier helps retrieve a thumb drive.		NCIS: Los Angeles A suspected war criminal.	
WABM2-ABC	12	ABC 33/40 News at 5PM	ABC World News	ABC 33/40 News at 6PM	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Celebrating Marvel's Stan Lee Celebrating the life of Stan Lee.		20/20				ABC 33/40 News at 10PM	Jimmy Kimmel Live!
A&E	42	(4:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 12.13.19"				Live PD: Rewind "Live PD: Rewind No. 286" (N)		Live PD "Top 40 Moments of 2019, Part 1" The year's top moments recalled. (N) (Part 1 of 2)				(:04) Live PD The year's top moments recalled. (Part 1 of 2)	
AMC	53	★★ "Four Christmases" (2008) Vince Vaughn, Robert Duvall. A couple must somehow fit in four holiday visits with family.				★★★ "Elf" (2003, Children's) Will Ferrell, James Caan. A man leaves Santa's workshop to search for his family.				★★★ "National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation" (1989, Comedy) Chevy Chase, Beverly D'Angelo, Randy Quaid.			
ANPL	47	Tanked Chicago Bulls star wants boombox tank.		Tanked NBA star Hassan Whiteside.		Tanked: Sea-Lebrity Edition "The MVPs of Basketball" Dwayne Wayde needs a custom shoe tank. (N)				Tanked Backyard aquariums; DeMarcus Cousins.		Tanked Transforming a room into an aquarium.	
BET	55	(2:30) "Harlem Nights" (1989)	★★★ "Training Day" (2001, Crime Drama) Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke, Scott Glenn. A rookie cop meets a corrupt Los Angeles narcotics officer.					Tyler Perry's The Oval "The Fish Bowl"		Tyler Perry's Sistas Aaron recruits Andi's help.		Martin "Whole Lotto Trouble"	Martin "Get a Job"
BRAVO	58	(3:30) "Friday After Next"	(:36) ★★★ "Friday" (1995, Comedy) Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. Buddies in South Central L.A. ponder repaying a dealer.				(:44) ★★ "Next Friday" (2000, Comedy) Ice Cube, Mike Epps, Justin Pierce. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery.					(9:52) ★ "Friday After Next" (2002) Ice Cube.	
CMTV	61	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	★★ "Weekend at Bernie's" (1989, Comedy) Andrew McCarthy, Jonathan Silverman, Terry Kiser. Two accountants try to conceal the death of their boss.				To Be Announced			
CNBC	35	Mad Money (N)		Shark Tank Beer-infused ice cream.		Shark Tank A modern-day slip business.		Shark Tank Tiny house rentals; snack chips.		Shark Tank A cold brew coffee kit.		American Greed: Deadly Rich "The Dungeon Master"	
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 "Manbearpig"		(5:50) South Park	(:25) South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park "SHOTS!!!"	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park "Board Girls"	South Park
DISN	49	Jessie	Jessie "The Telltale Duck"	"Descendants 3" (2019, Children's) Dove Cameron, Sofia Carson. Mal and her friends face an unfathomable dark force. 'NR'				Big City Greens	Mickey Mouse	Sydney to the Max	Raven's Home	Gabby Duran	Bunk'd
DSC	43	Gold Rush Rick races to get Monster Red running.		Gold Rush Parker introduces a new crew member. (N)		Gold Rush: Pay Dirt Rick gets shut down. (N)		Gold Rush "Rise of The Machines" (N)				(:03) Outback Opal Hunters "Rookies Are the Bomb" (N)	
E!	21	"What to Expect When"	★★★ "Knocked Up" (2007, Romance-Comedy) Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl, Paul Rudd. A one-night stand has an unforeseen consequence.					★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006, Comedy) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Adrian Grenier. A recent college graduate lands a job at a fashion magazine.					★ "Bride Wars" (2009)
ESPN	29	(4:30) SportsCenter (N) (Live)		NBA Countdown (N) (Live)		NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Philadelphia 76ers. From Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia. (N) (Live)				NBA Basketball New Orleans Pelicans at Golden State Warriors. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	30	Daily Wager (N) (Live)		Max on Boxing (N)	College Football Tropical Smoothie Cafe Frisco Bowl -- Utah State vs Kent State. (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	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	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
FREE	48	(3:40) ★★★★ "Toy Story"	(:40) Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town		(:45) Frosty the Snowman	(:15) Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer Animated. Burl Ives narrates an animated tale.			(:20) ★★★★ "Toy Story 2" (1999) Voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen. Animated. Toys rescue Woody from a collector.				Toy Story That Time Forgot
FS1	20	Fair Game	NFL Films Presents	College Wrestling Oregon State at Nebraska. (N) (Live)				College Basketball North Dakota State at Marquette. From Fiserv Forum in Milwaukee. (N) (Live)				FS1 College Football Playoff Preview (N)	
FSEE	32	Noles All Access	Sports Stars of Tomorrow	Pro Football Weekly (N)	Running	Fight Sports: Boxing WBC Diamond super middleweight title bout.				3 Wide Life (N)	Raceline (N)	Pro Football Weekly	Sports Stars of Tomorrow
FX	28	(4:30) ★★★ "How to Train Your Dragon 2" (2014, Children's) Voices of Jay Baruchel, Cate Blanchett, Gerard Butler.				★★ "Hotel Transylvania 2" (2015, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg, Selena Gomez.				★★ "Hotel Transylvania 2" (2015, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg, Selena Gomez.			
GOLF	82	(2:00) 2019 Open Championship		Golf From July 10, 2019 at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course in Stateline, Nev.				Feherty		European PGA Tour Golf Australian Championship, Third Round. (N) (Live)			
HALL	72	"A Cheerful Christmas" (2019) Chad Connell. Lauren and her best friend Colleen have landed their dream jobs.				"A Christmas Detour" (2015, Romance) Candace Cameron Bure, Paul Greene. Two travelers become stranded in Buffalo.				(:03) "Christmas in Evergreen: Tidings of Joy" (2019, Romance) Ashley Williams, Jill Wagner, Maggie Lawson.			
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 Planets capable of supporting life.		UFOs: Secret Missions Exposed		UFO Cover Ups: Secrets Revealed Special Edition Trying to keep UFO encounters quiet.				(:02) UFOs: Secret Alien Technology (N)		(:05) UFOs: Secret Alien Technology	
LIFE	23	"Christmas 9 to 5" (2019, Romance) Tiya Sircar, George Wendt. A reporter tries to find the true meaning of Christmas.				"The Christmas Temp" (2019) Sara Canning. Premiere. An unemployed artist discovers a special Christmas temp agency.				(:03) "Christmas in Louisiana" (2019) Jana Kramer, Barry Bostwick. A woman rediscovers the magic of the Christmas season.			
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: Locked Up "The Outsiders"		Hard Time: Locked Up Georgia's toughest women's prison.		Hard Time: Locked Up Two mothers are imprisoned.		Lockdown "County Chaos" (N)		Hard Time: Locked Up Clark County Detention Center.		Hard Time: Locked Up Two mothers are imprisoned.	
PARMT	57	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	★★★ "Top Gun" (1986, Action) Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis, Anthony Edwards. Premiere. A hot-shot Navy jet pilot downs MiGs and loves an astrophysicist.					Bellator MMA Live Josh Barnett makes his debut against Ronny Markes; Bellator and the USO Present: Salute the Troops. (N)			
TBS	25	Family Guy	Family Guy	★★★★ "A Christmas Story" (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				★★★★ "A Christmas Story" (1983, Children's) Peter Billingsley. A boy tries to convince his parents to get him a BB gun.				ELEAGUE Rocket League World Championship. (Taped)	
TCM	79	★★ "Savannah Smiles" (1982) Mark Miller, Bridgette Andersen. A rich runaway tags along with two bumbling fugitives.				★★★★ "Zorba the Greek" (1964, Drama) Anthony Quinn, Alan Bates, Irene Papas. A Greek laborer takes the heir to a mine under his wing.				★★★★ "Lawrence of Arabia" (1962, Biography) Peter O'Toole, Alec Guinness.			
TLC	24	Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta	Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta	Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta	Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta	90 Day Fiancé "You Don't Forget Your Past - Part 1" Anna's friends have concerns. (Part 1 of 2)				90 Day Fiancé Diving into drama.		90 Day Fiancé Diving into drama.	
TNT	26	Bones Federal prosecutor's remains.		Bones "Aliens in a Spaceship" A killer buries his victims alive.		★★ "Star Wars: The Phantom Menace" (1999, Science Fiction) Liam Neeson, Ewan McGregor, Natalie Portman. Young Anakin Skywalker begins to learn about the Force.						(:02) ★★ "Star Wars: Attack of the Clones" (2002)	
USA	27	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Street Revenge"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Father Dearest"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Pick a Present" (N)		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family
WE	71	(4:45) Criminal Minds	(:45) Criminal Minds A vigilante killer in Cleveland.		(:45) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars		Love After Lockup: Life	Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars (Season Finale) The families face the final decision. (N)		(:21) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars			(:21) Criminal Minds "200"
HBO	518	(4:10) ★★★ "Long Shot" (2019) Seth Rogen. 'R'		(:15) His Dark Materials Lyra must outwit a formidable foe.		(:15) ★★★ "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" (2011) James Franco. A medical experiment results in a superintelligent chimp.				Watchmen Everything ends for real this time.		(:10) 24/7: Kelly Slater	
MAX	549	(3:35) ★★ "Skyscraper"	(:20) ★ "Say It Isn't So" (2001, Comedy) Chris Klein, Heather Graham, Orlando Jones. 'R'			★★★ "Crazy Rich Asians" (2018) Constance Wu. A woman learns more about her boyfriend and his rich family.				(:05) ★★★ "Mean Girls" (2004, Comedy) Lindsay Lohan, Rachel McAdams, Tina Fey. 'PG-13'			(:45) ★★★ "Game Night"
SHOW	578	(4:35) ★★ "Den of Thieves" (2018) Gerard Butler. Elite lawmen try to bring down a gang of tactical thieves. 'R'				★★★ "Green Book" (2018) Viggo Mortensen. Two men confront racism during a 1960s Southern road trip. 'PG-13'				(:10) Flack Robyn has a fight with Sam. (N)		(:10) The L Word: Generation Q "Less Is More"	
TMC	598	★★★ "Gattaca" (1997, Science Fiction) Ethan Hawke, Jude Law. An outsider poses as a genetically superior citizen. 'PG-13'				★★ "The Whole Nine Yards" (2000, Comedy) Bruce Willis, Matthew Perry. 'R'			(:40) ★★ "Mo' Money" (1992, Comedy) Damon Wayans, Marlon Wayans. 'R'			(:10) ★★ "Fast & Furious" (2009) Vin Diesel. 'PG-13'	

Best Bets

7 p.m. on WVTM
Global Citizen Prize

From London's Royal Albert Hall, singer-songwriter John Legend welcomes a starry array of global talent for this inaugural award ceremony, which celebrates individuals in the arts, business and political or advocacy communities who have taken action to end extreme poverty. The one-hour special, which also features a category specifically for young leaders between the ages of 18 and 30, includes compelling video presentations illustrating examples of action and impact.

7 p.m. on WIAT
I Love Lucy Christmas Special

"Paris at Last," an episode that originally aired in black-and-white on Feb. 27, 1956, is the latest half-hour from this beloved vintage sitcom to get the colorized treatment as part of this year's Christmas special, which has become a holiday season tradition. The story finds the Ricardos and the Mertzes in the French capital city, where Lucy (Lucille Ball) runs into a shady local offering a suspiciously attractive exchange rate for her American dollars. As usual, "The Christmas Episode" from 1956 fills out the rest of the hour.

7 p.m. on LMN
Movie: My Mom's Darkest Secrets

Twenty-one-year-old Ashley Beck-Ford is thrilled when she finds her biological mother, Sara Hillman, online, and she immediately sets out to build a relationship with this long-lost parent. That turns out to be harder — and more dangerous — than Ashley ever could have imagined, however, especially when Sara's husband is murdered not long after the two women meet for the first time. Did Sara have something to do with that death? Ashley can't be sure. Laurie Fortier and Nia Roam star in this 2019 thriller.

9 p.m. on WBIQ
Lidia Celebrates America

Renowned chef, author and "food ambassador" Lidia Bastianich returns with a holiday special called "Return of the Artisans," which takes the personable host on a road trip to Tennessee, California, Colorado, Michigan, Wisconsin and New Jersey to meet with Americans who are mastering the arts of meat curing, coopering (barrel-making), coppersmithing, jam-making and more. Bastianich also talks with this new generation of artisans about what inspires them to bring these skills back to their own communities.

9 p.m. on SYFY
Van Helsing

Playwright Neil LaBute ("In the Company of Men") adapted a graphic novel series for this dark horror fantasy, set in a post-apocalyptic future where a vampire plague threatened to overrun the world until a human(-ish) savior in the form of Vanessa Van Helsing (Kelly Overton) arose from a long slumber to fulfill her destiny as a descendant of famed "Dracula" vampire hunter Abraham Van Helsing. Her adventures at least temporarily hit "pause" after tonight's Season 4 finale, "The Beholder."

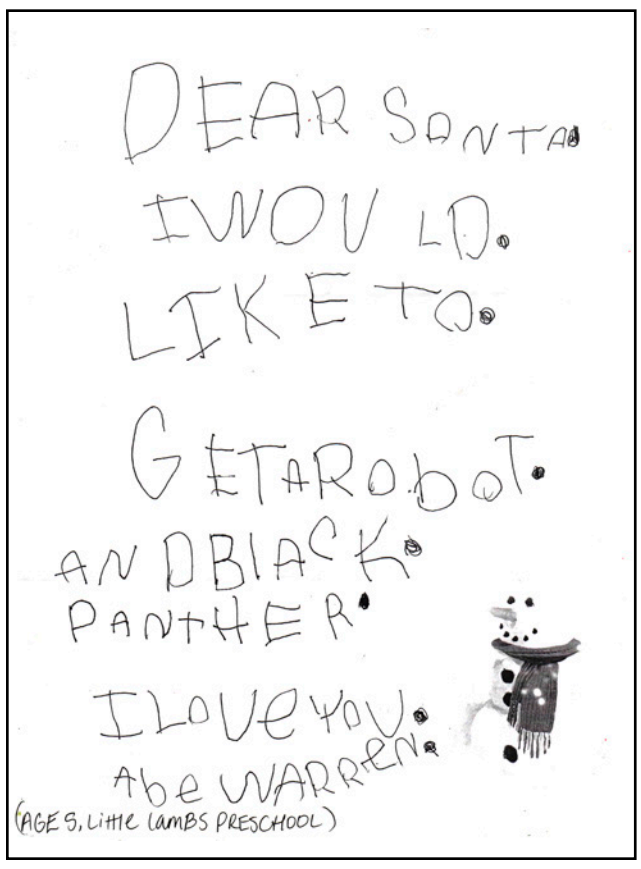
10 p.m. on TRVL
Trending Fear

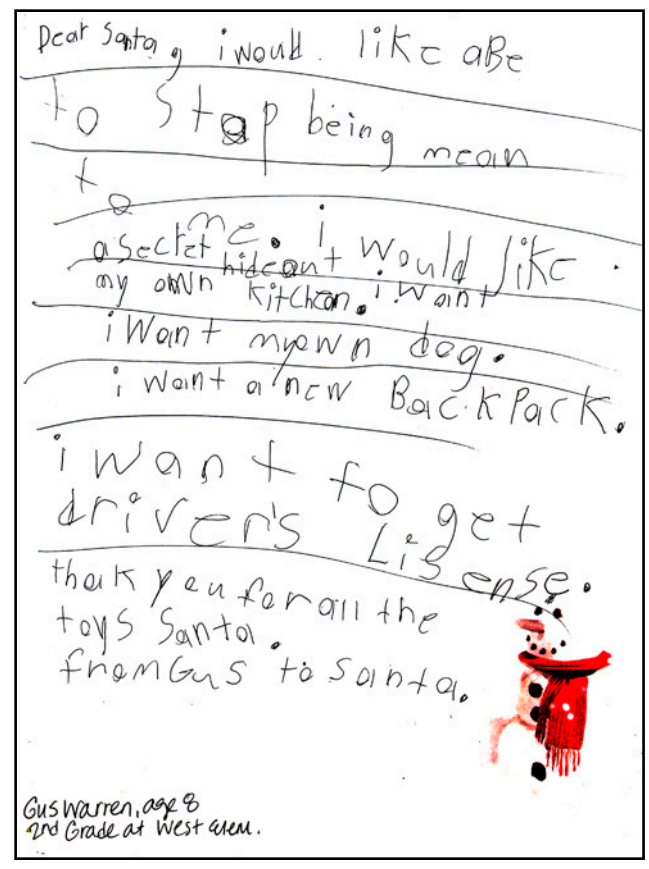
Author and illustrator Adam Ellis became something of a social media superstar a couple of years ago with his tweets about a ghost child that had taken up residence in his New York apartment. That haunting sparked a fascination with the paranormal. Now, in this new six-episode series, Adam teams up with ghost hunter Paul Bradford and researcher Jen Lewis to investigate hauntings across America, starting with a home in Franklinville, one of New Jersey's most haunted towns.

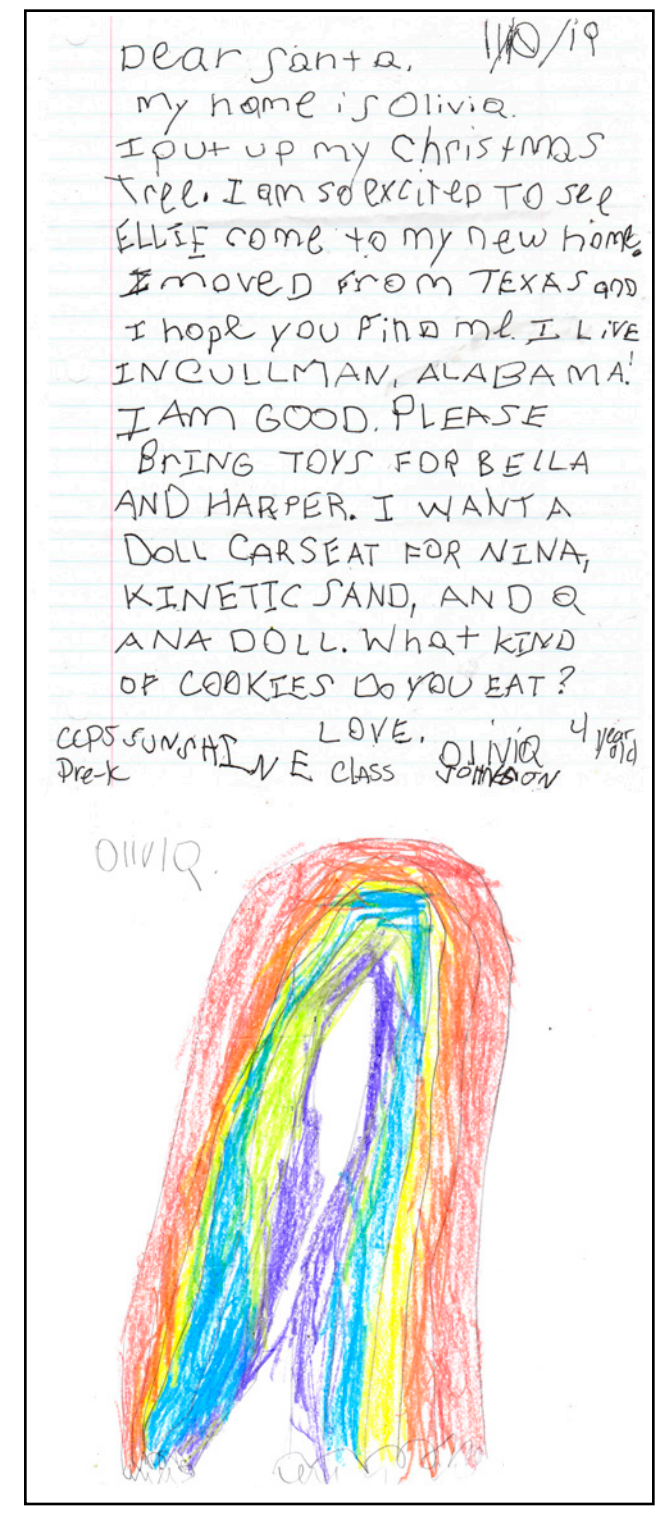


John Legend hosts "Global Citizens Prize" on NBC.

Letters to Santa







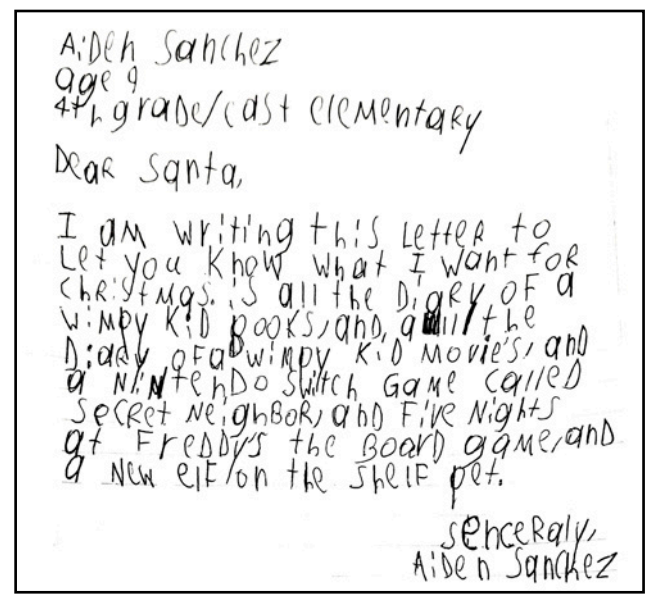
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Obituary Announcements: Dec. 20

Tyler Drew Thomas, 28, of Helicon entered into rest Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019 at his home. Drew was born July 25, 1991 in Jasper, Alabama. The family will host a memorial service at a later date. Drew was survived by sons Tyler, Brantley and Colton Thomas; daughter Keegan Thomas; father Wallace (Annette) Thomas; mother Kristie Brannon; brothers Blake and Ashton Thomas; sisters Samantha and Sarah Brannon; grandmother Geneva Thomas; grandfather Harold Kinder and a host of other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his grandmother Gail Kinder and grandfather Wallace Thomas.

Memorial Services for Junior Ragsdale are being planned and will be announced at a later date by the family. Mr. Ragsdale went to be with the Lord Dec. 18, 2019 at the age of 88. He was born to Osband Daniel Carl Ragsdale and Docia Florence Archie Ragsdale March 21, 1931. Mr. Ragsdale was preceded in death by his parents Osband Daniel Carl Ragsdale and Docia Florence Archie Ragsdale; brothers Bobby Ragsdale and L. J. Ragsdale; and sisters Vlema Ragsdale Twilley and Jewel Tyree. He is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. The family wishes to express its thanks to the staff of Hanceville Nursing Home and Rehab and to Cullman Funeral Home for their care and compassion during this time. Friends may sign the online guest book at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Funeral Service for Barbara Jane Walker, 74, of Vinemont will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Glenn Miller officiating; interment in Corinth West Cemetery in Battleground. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Walker passed away Wednesday, Dec. 18, 2019 at Cullman Regional. She was born March 1, 1945 to Joseph and Millie Jane Peek. She was preceded in death by her husband Henry Berten Walker; parents Joseph Peek and Millie Jane Peek; and brothers Garthy Vernon Peek and Shorty Peek. Survivors include her daughter Elizabeth Walker; sons Richard (Kathy) Walker and Derandy Joseph (Lisa) Walker; grandchildren Alicia Fay Nickelson (William Lee), Loyd Berton Nickelson, Richard Joseph (Kelsey) Walker, William Luther (Ashley) Nickelson, Marie Walker (Adam Tolbert) and Timmie Ray (Kayla) Walker; eight great-grandchildren; sisters Erlene (Oddy) Curvin and Evelyn (Ronald) Brooks; and brother Levon "Peanut" (Mary) Peek. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

‘Hee Haw’ headed back to Cullman

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The zany residents of “Kornfield Kounty” are planning a return to Cullman to perform “The Hee Haw Show.” They invite you to join them for some singing, dancing and tons of laughs Feb. 13 at the Donald E. Green Active Adult Center and Feb. 29 at the Hanceville Civic Center. Both shows will begin at 2 p.m. Those who give a minimum of $5 at the door will be entered in a drawing for door prizes.

It will be the second year the Senior Outreach Organization has presented “Hee Haw.”

Director Jamie Brown promises February’s shows will feature more characters and hilarious new skits. The Tribune was treated to a sneak peek of the upcoming shows at the cast’s first dress rehearsal Wednesday in Hanceville.

It was fantastic to see Buck Owens and Roy Clark together again! Grandpa Jones showed off his dance moves as George Jones delivered “Mountain Dew.” The entire Hee Haw gang was having a blast.

“The Hee Haw Show” will bring an all-star lineup that everyone will be sure to love.

“Dolly Parton, Tammy Wynette, Porter Wagoner and other country music legends will join Kornfield Kounty favorites, including the Hee Haw Honeys, The Culhanes, Lulu Roman, Archie’s Barber Shop and The Gossip Girls.

Don’t worry, “Pfft! You Was Gone,” the Joke Fence and “Gloom, Despair and Agony” will also be included.

The cast has been rehearsing for the upcoming shows since October.

Brown said this week, “This is our first dress rehearsal and with the band. The show will be so different this year. We have so much added stuff and all new lines.”

There are several guest star surprises that you won’t want to miss!

For more information, call Brown at the Senior Outreach Organization at 256-339-9863.



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The full cast of “The Hee Haw Show” at the group’s first dress rehearsal this week. Shows are Feb. 13 and Feb. 29, 2020.

Gudger (from Front)

in his 40s remains in intensive care in a Huntsville hospital. The victim is disabled and, according to a relative, lost everything he owned.

Gudger is working with the Alabama Manufactured Housing Association Foundation to secure replacement homes for the older couple and single resident, possibly at no cost.

Gudger did note, “But it will cost money to reinstall sewer, water, foundation, landscaping and power.”

The senator also hopes to raise at least $20,000 in cash donations for each family to help with the costs of starting over, along with gathering material resources to meet immediate needs. Those resources will be delivered to and distributed from the Church of Christ Food Pantry and Soup Kitchen (locally known as “The Kitchen”) in Moulton.

Gudger told The Tribune, “Multiple good-hearted people and corporations are continuously donating to make their financial recovery easier after they hopefully return from the hospital, having to pay medical expenses and physical therapy.”

He requested of the mayors and commissioners, “If there’s any extra funds not only you, your communities, can give, we’re trying to raise some money for all of that, and it’s going to the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce. If there’s any items to drop off, we’re going to the soup kitchen to drop those off.

“We’re thankful that we didn’t get hit, but our neighbors did. We remember what it was like on April 27, 2011. This young man is (7) years old, and his whole life has been turned upside down, so if there’s anything you can give, whether it’s $20 or $500, we sure would appreciate it.” Mayor Woody Jacobs was the first official in attendance to respond, promising resources from the City of Cullman.

Get involved

If you would like to donate to the recovery effort, make checks out to:

Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce: Disaster Relief

and mail to:
Senator Garlan Gudger
314 Second Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055

Donations are tax-deductible.

*Some sources say the young boy is 7, others say 8.











