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CRIME

'Meth is the biggest problem we have in Cullman County'

Jefferson County man busted for allegedly supplying methamphetamine to Cullman County

Christy Perry, Wendy Sack

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville Police Department (HPD) recently helped take down a Center Point man who was allegedly supplying methamphetamine to Cullman County.

The investigation began in Cullman County with the HPD and led to a handover to authorities in Jefferson County and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA).

Lewis Dejuan Owens, 42, described by the HPD as a "major player" in the drug scene, was arrested and charged with trafficking in methamphetamine after he was found with approximately 6 » PAGE 7

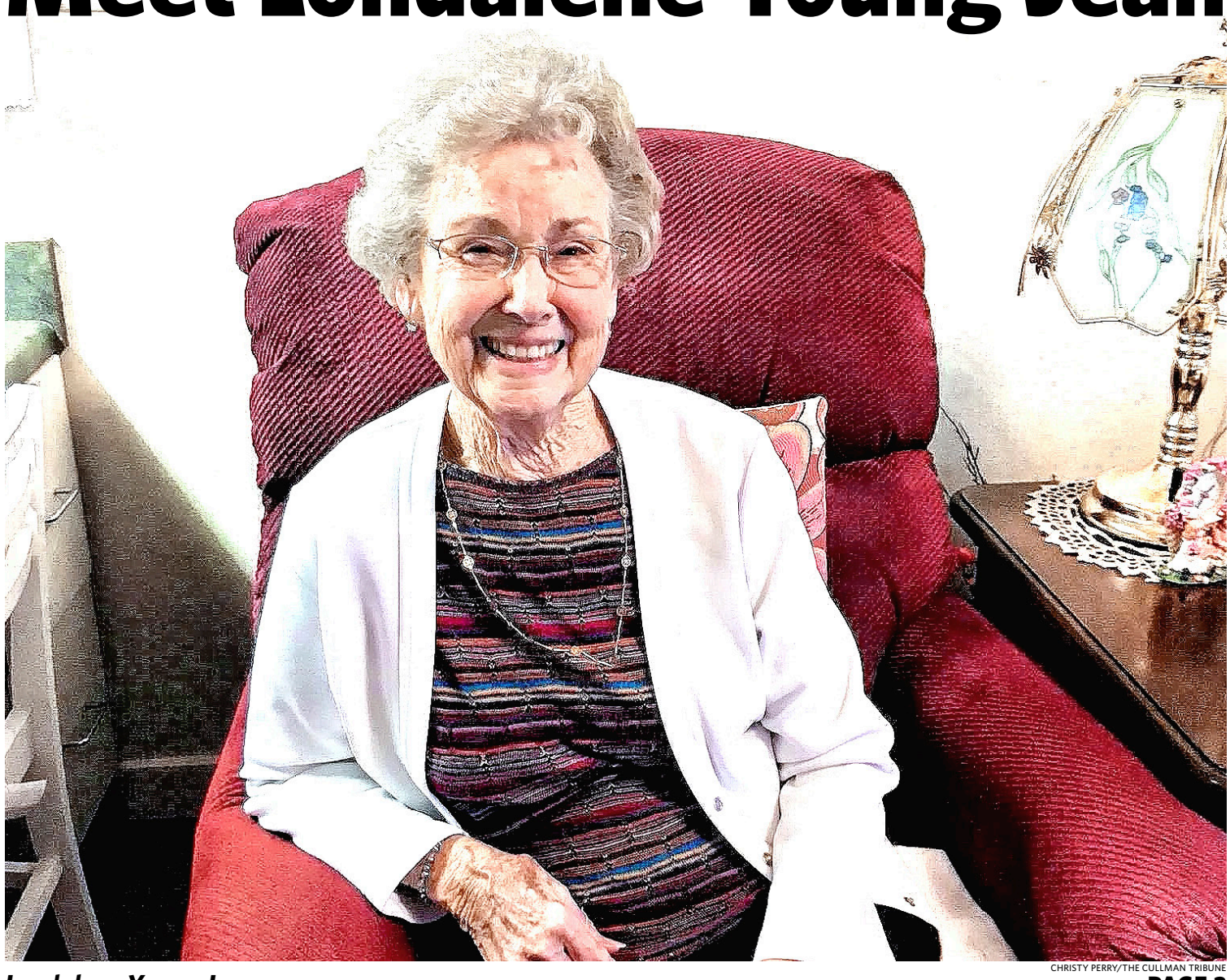


HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Lewis Dejuan Owens

– SENIOR SPOTLIGHT –

Meet Londalene Young Jean



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Londalene Young Jean

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

CULLMAN COUNTY

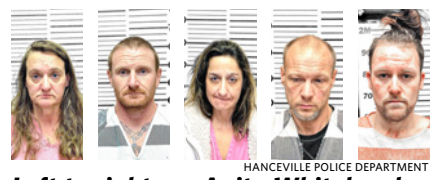


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CRIME

5 arrested in Hanceville on drug charges



HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Left to right are Anita Whitehead, James Davis, Tammy Whitehead, Damian Blair and James Nelson.

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville Police Department made several drug arrests Friday, Dec. 20 along County Road 545 after obtaining search warrants for two homes.

HPD Assistant Chief Adam Hadder explained, "Our patrol had been out there several times and it has been a problem spot. We've had several search warrants in the past and a couple of overdoses. We were able to get about 10 of our guys and hit the homes simultaneously and ended up making five arrests."

Those arrested were Anita Whitehead, 46; James Nichols Davis, 36; Tammy Louis Whitehead, 38; Damian Blair, 41; and James Casey Nelson, 29, all residents of Hanceville.

While the bust did not produce a large quantity of drugs- approximately 6 grams of methamphetamine, some suboxone strips and marijuana, Hadder pointed out, "They sell to support their own habits, but 95% of crime is drug-related.

"One of the guys was already on state probation and just got out of prison on a month ago. He was » PAGE 2

End of year reports: Victoria's Hope moves to bigger facility, serves more than 1,700 in 2019

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Victoria's Hope was started by April Bowen German in 2018 as a ministry to single mothers, in memory of her own mother, Victoria Hammond Hankey. From a small office in Dodge City and various rented storage units, the organization relocated to a storefront on U.S. Highway 278 near West Elementary School in July 2019 and became Victoria's Hope Thrift and Treasures. The nonprofit thrift shop provides free clothing and household goods to families in need, and donates proceeds to other local charitable organizations.

German reported on an eventful year.

"In 2019 we » PAGE 2



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Victoria's Hope is located at 1430 Fourth St. SW (U.S. Highway 278) across from West Elementary School in Cullman.

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Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 27

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 27, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

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

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS

Dec. 26
• fourth-degree theft of property; Morton Buildings; Ann St. SW; phone; $449
• harassment; person; Cherokee Ave. SW
• third-degree theft of property; person; 24th St. SW; toolbox; $550
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $62
• second-degree criminal mischief; person; Katherine St. NW; damage to '05 Toyota 4-Runner; $600
• fourth-degree theft of property, third-degree criminal trespassing; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $204

ARRESTS
Dec. 26
Johnson, Brian D., 38
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- driving while suspended

Gosnell, Jonathan M., 30
• FTA- disorderly conduct

Elliott, Jordan E., 27
• fourth-degree theft of property

Hight, Charles L., 37
• illegal possession of prescription drugs

Copeland, Makaliah R., 22
• fourth-degree theft of property
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Sanders, David E., 31
• third-degree criminal trespassing

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Victoria's Hope (from Front)

have served over 1,700 individuals in the form of clothing or household needs. We have assisted close to 15 families alone that have lost their homes to a fire, which is such a sadly high number. During the Christmas season, with the help of the community, we were able to help provide for over 80 children to have a wonderful Christmas. Not any of this could have been done without this wonderful community."

Helping other groups and getting help
In the thrift shop hangs a small chalk board which records the contributions of Victoria's Hope to other charitable organizations, and German had to start writing smaller to fit in all the numbers as the year went on.

Said German, "Our YTD donation board exceeded our goal of $10,000; it has now changed to over $11,000 in the form of monetary donations and donations in the form of clothing, household items, etc.

"During 2019 we have been blessed to be able to partner with many nonprofits in the community such as Curt's Closet, Victim Services, The Link, Oasis, (Hope) for the Homeless and Restoring Women's Outreach. All of these nonprofits do a great job of working together to make sure the members of our community do not do without. If someone has something that they do not have the resources for, they will send them to us to see if we do and vice versa. I'm so thankful that we have so many services in this community and that we are all able to work together.

"Flourish of Cullman (sic) has been such a blessing to us this year. Every other week, they have volunteers that come in and help with whatever we may need. And those volunteers have become like family to us. They are such a blessing to be around! And so much fun!"

2020 ambitions
German told The Tribune, "Our plans for 2020 are to hopefully continue to do what we have been blessed to do in 2019, but also to be able to do so much more! I still have a goal of paying off student lunch debts in some schools by the end of the 2019-2020 school year. We have been setting funds back for that and also have a "Coins for Children" jar at the shop that many people put their change in to help as well, and a little change adds up after a while!

"We also want to thank this wonderful community (for) supporting us through our thrift store. We do not have any corporate sponsors or anything like that at this time, so we rely on the thrift store to be able to pay our rent on the building and keep the lights on. Our prayer for 2020 is that we can continue to do that," she said.

"The thrift store has been a lot of work, and long hours, and I don't know what I would have done if my husband had not stepped up to run it for me when I went back to school. But it has been such a blessing. I have met so many people from just having the store that are now like family. And I get a blessing every time that I am in there. There are times of discouragement and worry if we will be able to continue to do what we are doing, and all it takes is someone coming in the store and saying, 'This is a great thing you have going here; don't give up.' That's all it takes to remind me to keep going. A huge thank you to Chad Burks for renting us the place and believing in us. God has blessed us so much this past year, and I can't wait to see what he has planned for us in 2020."

German is looking to expand her services in 2020.

"By the end of 2020, I would like to of course be able to pay off the student lunch debt, but I'm also working on plans for offering free tutoring sessions to students who have families that could not afford it otherwise. Being a teacher myself, kids have a special place in my heart, and it breaks my heart to think of a child failing because their parents couldn't afford to get them the extra help that they need."

Get involved
Said German, "We of course run this whole thing off of donations, and I feel selfish ever asking for more because we have been so blessed with people bringing us their items that they don't need any more that someone else might. But please keep them coming in! You never know: that old ratty blanket that you were going to throw away may be a blessing to someone on the streets that would be freezing otherwise. That old pair of shoes in your closet may be the best pair of shoes someone has ever put on their feet. Helping others is what it's all about! So please know your donations are always welcome anytime we are open! You don't even have to contact us first, just bring them in and we will help you load them!

"We have also had people ask about monetary donations. Although this is something we ask for, it is always welcome and needed to help keep all of this going. We ask for your continued support in 2020."

German is also hoping for ongoing support and sponsorships from local businesses, churches and other organizations. If your organization can help, please see below for information on how to contact Victoria's Hope.

The final word
German shared, "I just can't say thank you enough to this community for their support these past 17 months. To think of what we started as, to where we are now, is just mind blowing. And it couldn't have been possible without everyone's help. We are so blessed to live in such a wonderful, giving community.

"We also know how sometimes people can be too embarrassed to ask for help. My mom was one of those people. So please know if you are struggling right now to provide for your family, or just starting out and don't have anything to start out with, that is what we are here for! So please don't ever hesitate to ask us!"

For more information, to make a donation or to apply for assistance, visit www.facebook.com/victoriashope1952/ or www.victoriashope.org, call 256-252-8268 or drop by the shop at 1430 Fourth St. SW (U.S. Highway 278) across from West Elementary School in Cullman.

Charges (from Front)

on probation for drugs and stealing."

Davis was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

The rest were charged with illegal possession of prescription medication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Hadder said some of those arrested will have charges of unlawful distribution of a controlled substance added after consultation with the Cullman County District Attorney's Office.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Dec. 28 - 31

SATURDAY, DEC. 28

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

Community Christmas Pancake Breakfast and Puppet Show
• 8-10 a.m. Free community pancake breakfast and puppet show. All are welcome. Please message Center Hill Baptist Church or Angela Crauswell at 256-708-1903 with the names and ages of all attending to help us prepare food and gifts for everyone!
• Center Hill Baptist Church, 13108 County Road 747, Hanceville, Alabama 35077

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.
• Dec. 28 from 10-11:30 a.m. and 1-5 p.m.
• For more information, contact the Shrine at 256-352-6267 or 256-787-4121 or visit https://olamshrine.com/.

Swamp John's Dinner at the Brushy Pond Community Center
• Come out and enjoy Swamp John's at the Brushy Pond Community Center. 4-7 p.m. $12 per plate.
• For tickets, call Janice Attaway at 256-338-4593 or Imogene Johnson at 256-287-1315. Plates will also be available for walk-ins.

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
• 5-9:30 p.m. Guests can drive through the park.
• For more information, visit www.facebook.com/events/395857437714080 or call 256-734-3052.

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

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

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
• 5-9:30 p.m. Guests can drive through the park.
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MONDAY, DEC. 30

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

Good Hope City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. at Good Hope City Hall

TUESDAY, DEC. 31

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

Lunch at the VFW
Everyone come to Tuesday's lunch at the VFW Post in Cullman. Starts at 11:30, $5 per plate. We have carryout if you can't stay and eat with us. We always have a great time. Love to see new folks and enjoy the usual group. See you on Tuesday! 112 Veterans Dr. SW

TOPS Meeting
• TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly- meets every Tuesday at the Donald E. Green Senior Center, 1625 Cleveland Ave. SW Cullman
• Weigh-in 3-3:30 p.m.
• Meeting 3:30-4:30
• Contact- Linda Elsmore, 330-844-5179
• Facebook- TOPS AI0073 Cullman

Thomas Jefferson Denney Camp #1442 Meeting
7 p.m. at the Cullman VFW, 112 Veterans Dr. SW. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 256-531-4591.

New Year's Eve Welcome to the Roaring 20s!
• 5 p.m.-2 a.m. at 412 Public House, 412 Second Ave. SE, Cullman.
• Spend New Year's Eve at the House! Chef Ricardo will be serving up some amazing specials from 5-10 p.m. Live music starts at 9 p.m. and we'll be celebrating until 2 a.m. Champagne toast will take place at midnight. Don't miss it!

The Great Gatsby NYE Bash!
• 8 p.m.-2 a.m. at Dreher's, 216 First Ave. SE, Cullman.
• Calling all flappers and dappers; NYE at Dreher's is going to be the bee's knees. We'll be featuring specialty Prohibition era cocktails and dancing the night away with a live DJ. The Roaring 20s are back, folks. Dress your best and get ready to swing.
• 4-8 p.m.: Dinner as usual
• 8 p.m.: Time to Speak Easy

Roaring 20s New Year's Eve Gala
• 6 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Cullman Elks Lodge, 1525 Brantley Ave. NW, Cullman.
• Dress as a gangster or silent screen star. Come as a flapper or come as you are. Our glamorous soiree begins at 6 p.m. The Emily Joseph Band will perform from 8 p.m.-12:30 a.m.
• We will have some great signature drink specials at the bar. $25 admission includes event entry, heavy hors d'oeuvres, party favors and champagne at midnight.

New Year's Eve at Goat Island Brewing
• 7 p.m.-midnight at Goat Island, 1646-A John H Cooper Drive SE, Cullman.
• Say GOODBYE to 2019 and HELLO to 2020 with us at Goat Island Brewing! Live music by Round 2 and prime rib plates catered by Freddie Day Catering.
• $25/plate - RESERVATION REQUIRED
• To make a reservation, please email your name and number of guests attending to felicia.morris@goatislandbrewing.com or stop by the brewery and have the bartender add you to the list.

New Year's Eve Celebration
• 7 p.m.-midnight at Hanceville Ablaze Revival Center, 201 Main St. NW, Hanceville.
• Hanceville Ablaze is excited to announce a night of intense worship and encounter with the love of the Father! Paul Metcalf and John Purcell will release a prophetic word concerning 2020. We would love to have you and your family come and worship with us that night! We will begin at 7 p.m. and will have dinner as well! Come expecting a move of Holy Spirit!

Watch Night Service
• 8 p.m.-midnight at Ole' Time Way Baptist Church, 1530 Alabama Highway 157, Cullman, 35058.
• A great time of singing, preaching, praying, eating and fellowship, while saying goodbye to 2019 and hello to 2020.



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FUNNY THINGS FROM YESTERDAY

Ice skating on the sidewalk

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This is the time of year that weather conditions can change drastically and roads and sidewalks can glaze over if conditions are right. So far this year we have had some pretty weeks and one snowy day. When I was growing up, we had days when the sidewalks would really get slick. My story this week tells of a winter incident that happened when I was in the seventh grade.

As some of you will remember, at one time we had two school buildings on Highway 31, (Second Avenue) where the courthouse and parking lots are now. The building on the north side burned and left only one building at this location, and the seventh and eighth grade shared this one building.

If you remember the lay of the land, you will remember that a large playground was on the south side of the building.

On the north side of the building was a sidewalk close to the building.

This sidewalk sloped from First Avenue and Second Avenue.

One winter, about this time of the year, we had a snow and the sidewalk glazed over with ice.

The next morning, when we went to school, the students were outside playing in the snow before classes started.

The main attraction was the sidewalk on the north side of the building.

Mostly, the eighth-grade boys were involved in the skating on the sidewalk, but some seventh graders were coordinated well enough to try their luck at it.

They would run part of the way down the sidewalk, get to the real slick spot, and they start skating down the sidewalk.

After watching several boys try this, I decided to try my luck at it.

I went up the sidewalk, got a good run, and started my slide at the proper spot. I then lost my balance.

I turned every way you can imagine and knew that every bone in my body would be broken.

After I slid to the end of the sidewalk and was able to get up, some of my friends were laughing and said, "You should have seen the look on your face when you fell."

If they think that was something, they should have felt the fear in my little old heart when I knew I was, as the cowboys say, "going to bite the dust."

I actually did bite the sidewalk and chipped one of my front teeth. The dentist later smoothed it up and ground the one next to it down to match.

Since that day, I have been most careful about walking on slick sidewalks.

HOPE ALL HAD A BLESSED CHRISTMAS AND HAVE A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Sometimes what we give comes back to us

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Happy New Year! 2020 sure sounds strange to these old ears. It's been many years since these old eyes have seen with 2020 vision. I do pray that you will see some good things happen in your life in 2020. Often what comes our way depends largely on what we send the way of others.

Toward the end of last year, I decided it was time to clean out my closet. Last week I wrote about hoarding and when I looked in my closet, I had to confess I had been guilty.

I had so many clothes hanging in there that I didn't have room to buy any new ones.

Of course that begs the question of why I would need any more clothes. They were packed in there so tight that even my permanent-press things were temporarily wrinkled.

I had to get the ironing board out every morning. Even though it is barely winter, I decided it was time to do some spring cleaning.

Part of my problem, other than hoarding clothes, is that I have clothes for three different people in my closet. Actually, all three are me at different times.

I have clothes for when I'm at a decent weight and clothes for when I am a bit fluffier, especially around the middle. I either think I'll get back in the smaller ones, or I'm afraid I might need the bigger ones down the road.

The third wardrobe I have is for Billy Bob. In case you don't know Billy Bob, he is the character I perform humor as.

He tells tales and sings songs in flamboyant and funny outfits...all in good taste, I might add. I've been collecting outfits for Billy Bob since 2002. That's a nice way of saying I've been hoarding them. Jean tells me that Billy Bob actually has more outfits than Bill King. Fearing she may be right, I pulled out a huge box full and donated them to a thrift-store. There were some dandy looking threads in that box. I know I made some people happy...probably made a few laugh too. There was one brand new suit in there that I had never worn.

I "tried" to try it on, because it wouldn't go on. I must have been on the fluffy end of the yo-yo diet. The tag said it was my size, but the mirror said, "You've got to be kidding!" The tag had lied. It was a beautiful little suit, made by Shinesty, and it definitely shined. I bought it for Billy Bob to wear when I performed at Christmas banquets and parties. It was red with white snow men all over it. It came with a matching tie. I went back and bought a larger one. I knew since I hadn't been skinny enough for that first one since I was in

the fourth grade, I might as well put it in the thrift store box.

Right before Christmas, at our pastor's Christmas brunch, one of the pastors said, "I almost bought you a new suit." He went on to say that someone had brought an entire box of outfits that looked like something Billy Bob would wear. He said there was one suit in there that you would not believe. I asked, "Was it red, with white snow men?" We both had a good laugh.

Wise Solomon once said if we cast our bread upon the waters, after many days it will return to us. The goods deeds, kind words, and generous acts that we do for others will no doubt come back to us. In this new-year, may we give some, as well as get some back. Happy New-Year!

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Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1930

Miss Eunice Martin will attend Hamilton College in Lexington, Kentucky, this fall.

Miss Eleanor Lee will attend Judson College, this fall.

Misses Marie and Madge Smith entertained at a delightful party at their home on Friday night.

C.C. Huffstutler visited in Mississippi, last week.

The J.W. Vest family enjoyed a reunion last Thursday.

From The Files Of 1950

Arvel W. Dowda drowned on Saturday night in the Tennessee River, after falling from a fishing boat. His brother-in-law, J.C. Mayfield said Dowda stood up to crank the engine of the boat, complained of chest pain and toppled into the water. Mayfield cannot swim and could not rescue Mr. Dowda. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Gladys Dunlap Dowda, a daughter, Mrs. Maxie Jean, both of Birmingham, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Dowda, a sister, Mrs. J.C. Mayfield and a brother, Billy Ronald Dowda, of Hanceville.

Mr. and Mrs. Euell Jones lost the contents of their house when the kitchen caught fire.

Doctor D.D. McAdory was awakened by his dog barking on Saturday night. He and his wife heard strange sounds. Doctor McAdory fired in the direction of the sounds with his shotgun. A hat was found at the scene with holes and blood stains. It is believed that the thieves were trying to steal the McAdory car.

The Cullman Fox Hunters Association will hold a bench show and field trials on August 21-31 at Cullman High Athletic Field. Officers are: Thomas A. Mauldin, of Trade, President; Cell Thompson, of Baileyton, Vice-President and Elbert Kilgo, of Logan, Secretary-Treasurer.

A truck backed into the Leigeber Building on West Fifth Street on Wednesday afternoon and the entire south wall of the building collapsed.

Wanted to buy: print feed sacks. Ad.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hataway are the proud parents of a daughter, Carol Ruth, on August 19th.

Bibb Graves Windsor was married to Esther Louise Arndt, on August 18th.

Doctor R.B. Dodson, Doctor G.W. Bledsoe, R.A. Young and Doctor T.A. Robinson left on Sunday for a fishing trip to the gulf.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Poole, of Joppa, are reworking their house on the inside.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Miller are adding a bedroom to their house.

Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Formby and Jane and Mrs. John T. Formby were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M.W. Wamp and family, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Pitts, of Eidson Chapel have purchased a new refrigerator.

Mrs. Mater Bush has returned to her home in Nashville, Tennessee, after a visit with her niece, Mrs. Razzie Rice.

Ronald K. McCain, age three, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. McCain, formerly of Cullman and now of San Jose, California, was killed on August 12th, when struck by an automobile.

Poet's Corner

A Trace

By: Angie Fox | *Chattanooga, Tennessee*

The valley over
the rolling hills,
in a quiet little
town and place,
a snow storm
blew in chills,
white blankets
crocheted in lace.

Down the roads
for thrills,
bobsleds began
to race,
a portrait with



whistles and frills,
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Terri E. Osmon unit #403: 89 Mitchell Rd NE - Apt G, Cullman, AL 35055.

Mariah Watson unit #909: 246 Co Rd 1347, Vinemont, AL 35179.

This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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County of Cullman
Probate Court

Pursuant to 21-4-23 (b), of the Code of Alabama (1975), notice is hereby given of the following requirements for and the availability of this registration and voting aids.

(b) The appropriate election officials of each county shall issue public notice in each voting precinct of the requirement for and the availability of these registration and voting aids, which notice shall be notification for all handicapped and elderly individuals. This notice shall be issued as early as practicable, but in any case, not later than 60 days before any state election or the registration deadline for such election.

TAMMY BROWN
Judge of Probate

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by NANCY E. MCWHORTER to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR THE MORTGAGE OUTLET, INC., dated October 24, 2008 said mortgage recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, in Book MTG 1581, Page 925 and modified by that Loan Modification recorded in Book MTG 1816 Page 356. Said mortgage was subsequently sold, assigned and transferred to U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse in the City of Cullman, Cullman County, Alabama on February 21, 2020, during the legal hours of sale, all of its right, title, and interest in and to the following describe real estate situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

COMMENCING AT A RAILROAD SPIKE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36 TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST. THENCE WEST 1320.00 FEET TO A ONE-INCH IRON. THENCE NORTH 3 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST 645.73 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078 SAID POINT BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING TO A 20-FOOT NON-EXCLUSLVE INGRESS-EGRESS EASEMENT. THENCE ALONG SAID EASEMENT SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 231.33 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID EASEMENT NORTH 83 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST 97.21 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID EASEMENT NORTH 72 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST 69.18 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078 BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE NORTH 39 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST 66.91 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA--0078. THENCE NORTH 37 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 53 SECONDS WEST 96.12 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE·BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE SOUTH 75 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 56 SECONDS WEST 172.51 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE SOUTH 33 DEGREES 17 MINUTES 51 SECONDS EAST 204.77 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE NORTH 39 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST 111.24 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. PROPERTY BEING IN CULLMAN COUNTY AND CONTAINING 0.57 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. PROPERTY SUBJECT TO ALL EXISTING RIGHTS OF WAY AND/OR EASEMENTS THAT ARE RECORDED OR UNRECORDED.

ALSO:

A NON-EXCLUSIVE 20 FOOT INGRESS-EGRESS EASEMENT MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT A RAILROAD SPIKE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 36 TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST. THENCE WEST 1320.00 FEET TO A ONE-INCH IRON. THENCE NORTH 3 DEGREES 13 MINUTES 39 SECONDS WEST 645.73 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078 SAID POINT BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING TO A 20-FOOT NON-EXCLUSIVE INGRESS-EGRESS EASEMENT. THENCE ALONG SAID EASEMENT SOUTH 86 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 40 SECONDS WEST 231.33 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID EASEMENT NORTH 83 DEGREES 10 MINUTES 14 SECONDS WEST 97.21 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078. THENCE CONTINUE ALONG SAID EASEMENT NORTH 72 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 41 SECONDS WEST 69.18 FEET TO A ONE-HALF INCH CAP RE-BAR SET NO. CA-0078 BEING THE END OF SAID EASEMENT.

THE ABOVE DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY INCLUDES A 1999 MANUFACTURED HOME MAKE: BUCCANEER, MODEL: 5238C, SERIAL NUMBERS: ALBUS28026A and ALBUS28026B, SIZE: 26.3 X 76.5, WHICH IS PENNANENTLY AFFIXED TO SAID REAL ESTATE.

Property Street Address for Informational Purposes: 192 County Rd 1856, Arab, AL 35016

Said property will be sold "AS IS". NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, IS MADE AS TO THE TITLE OF SAID PROPERTY. Said property is subject to any title deficiencies including but not limited to: any outstanding ad valorem taxes - including taxes which are a lien but not yet due and payable, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand the rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

This sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in said Mortgage and by Alabama law. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Mortgagee or Transferee
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Birmingham, AL 35209
Attorney for Mortgagee/Transferee
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A-4712742 12/14/2019, 12/21/2019, 12/28/2019

Problem (from Front)

pounds and 2 ounces of ICE methamphetamine.

HPD Assistant Chief Adam Hadder did not hold back when talking about what he says is the biggest problem in the county.

"In 22 years of policing, I've never seen it this bad in regards to the amount of methamphetamine in Cullman County.

"Meth is biggest problem we have in Cullman County, all over the county, and even all the surrounding counties," he said.

Hadder said he believes the increase in the amount of meth, cheap meth compared to years past, is due in part to the Mexican Sinaloa Cartel flooding the U.S. market with the illicit drug.

"Basically, the cartel has saturated the market with ICE and that's why it's so cheap," he said.

"Fifteen years ago, an ounce of ICE, if you could even find it, was $1,000-$1,500.

"Now an ounce of ICE is about $300. It's so plentiful and the majority of it is coming to Cullman County out of Birmingham and Jefferson County."

Indeed, according to a report from geopolitical intelligence platform Stratfor Worldview, "The ease of producing methamphetamine makes it a profitable venture for Mexican cartels.

Until the U.S. demand for drugs diminishes, the country will be awash in Mexican-made meth." (The full report can be found at https://worldview.stratfor.com/article/cartel-connection-meth-americas-streets-drugs-dea, subscription required.)

Hadder said the ever-increasing amount of meth in Hanceville is what led the HPD to initiate the investigation that led to Owens.

Hadder explained, "We got with ALEA and Jefferson County and we were able to carry out a bust on him- 6 pounds and 2 ounces; 6 pounds is a ton. It doesn't sound like much until you do the math at $300 an ounce."

Even with the charges against him and the multi-department bust, Owens is already out of the Jefferson County Jail.

Those arrested on drug offenses and walking without bond are a huge source of frustration for law enforcement agencies in Cullman County, many of whom have expressed that frustration to The Cullman Tribune because they say the offenders are usually arrested again and again.

Since the institution of a federal judge's injunction against Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry on Sept. 13, 2018, an injunction which requires him to "release all bail-eligible defendants on unsecured (non-monetary) appearance bonds," the rate of suspects failing to show up for court dates has almost doubled; drug crimes, in which suspects already have statistically high rates of failure to appear (FTA) for court, now occur at an average of 16 to 17 more cases per month than before the injunction.

Those numbers were as of June 2019.

Under an unsecured or non-monetary bond, a suspect does not have to post bail, but simply agrees to pay what would have been the bail amount if he or she does not show up for court.

Hadder was emphatic in expressing his feelings about Cullman County's meth problem.

"I just cannot stress enough how big of a problem it is," he said.

"I've seen mothers choose meth over their kids. We've seen overdoses.

"We arrest one trafficker and another pops up in his place.

"We've got to do something about it."

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AGRICULTURE/HORTICULTURE
Gardening Basics
Jan. 14, 5:30-7 p.m., $15
Vegetable Gardening
Tuesdays, Feb. 4-25, 5:3-6:30 p.m., $35
Structural Pruning/Training Young Trees
Feb. 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $25
Proper Planting using ANSI Standards
Feb. 27, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $25
Beef Production Seminar
March 23, 24, 26, 5-8 p.m., $50
Setting Landscape Plants Certification Prep
April 6 or May 4, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $35
Commercial Pesticide Application Certification Prep
April 13 or May 18, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $35
Outdoor Equipment Repair
Tuesdays, March 3-17, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $75

WEIGHT TRAINING/EXERCISE
Weight Training for Wallace State Students
Spring Semester, $25
Weight Training for 50 & Older
Spring Semester, $34
Weight Training for Community
Spring Semester, $50
T-Tap Exercise
Jan. 14-15, Jan. 21-22, Jan. 28-29; $30

CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION
CPR
Jan. 25, Feb. 29, March 28, April 25, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.
$75 per session

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY
Intro to Graphics
Thursdays, March 5-19, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $50
Digital Photography
Thursdays, March 5-April 23, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $110
Logo Design
Thursday, April 2-16, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $50
Basic Computer Skills
Mondays and Thursdays, April 13-23, 5-7 p.m., $40

MICROSOFT OFFICE
Excel Basics
Jan. 27, 29, 1-3 p.m., $50
Excel Beyond the Basics
Feb. 10, 12, 1-3 p.m., $50
Excel Advanced
March 2, 4, 1-3 p.m., $50

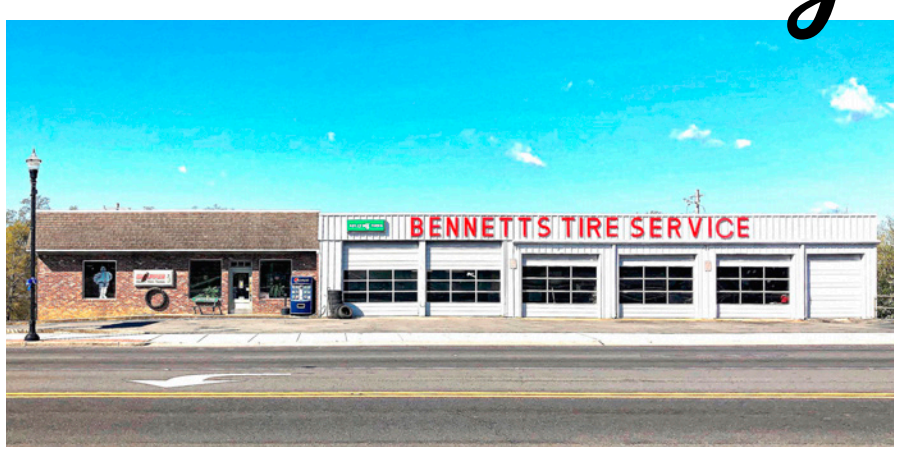
GENEALOGY
General Genealogy
Feb. 5-6, 5-9 p.m., $50
Southern Genealogy/ Civil War Genealogy
March 18-19, 5-9 p.m., $50

CAKE DECORATING
Cake Decorating
Mondays, Jan. 7-Feb. 11, 5:30-7:30 p.m., $120

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FOREIGN LANGUAGE
Conversational Spanish
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PREP BASKETBALL

Warriors blast Falkville 92-60 in opening round of West Point Christmas Tournament; Thursday scoring recap

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WEST POINT, Ala. – The West Point Warriors hit the floor for their first matchup of the West Point Christmas Tournament Thursday night by taking on Falkville and the Warriors took control from the start as they routed the Blue Devils 92-60.

Five different West Point players found the scoring column in the opening period and their defense held Falkville to just nine points as they took a 21-9 lead into the second period. It was more of the same in the second as the Warriors got everyone involved offensively and their defense kept the pressure on the Blue Devils, holding them to just 10 points in the period and West Point wound up taking a 46-19 lead into the locker room at the half.

The second half was a lot like the first on the offensive end for West Point, but Falkville made a huge run to end the third period and the Warrior lead was cut to 67-47 after three. Each team traded baskets to start out the final period and after a trey by Falkville made it 75-55, a Tyler White triple kicked off a 9-0 Warrior run to stretch the lead to 84-55. West Point pulled away as the fourth quarter progressed and will advance through the winners bracket with a 92-60 win.

Six players finished in double-figures for West Point (7-10), led by Aubry Cleghorn finished with 16 points, Kobe Bowers added 13 points, White and Logan Selby each ended up with 12, Jonathan Fell and Will Cochran each added 11, Sam Wheeler ended up with seven, Brandon Bright added six and Mason Walls chipped in with four. The Warriors will take on the winner of Corner and Priceville Friday night at 6:30.

Other Thursday scores:

- Danville 59 – Cold Springs 49 (varsity boys)
- Grissom 49 – Fairview 47 (varsity girls)
- Good Hope 42 – Briarwood Christian 24 (varsity girls)
- Cedar Bluff 52 – Holly Pond 34 (varsity girls)
- American Christian Academy 51 – Cullman 50 (varsity boys)
- Winfield 62 – Addison 35 (varsity boys)



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West Point's Logan Selby finished with 12 points in the Warriors' 92-60 win over Falkville.

PREP VOLLEYBALL

4 local athletes land on this year's Super All-State Volleyball Teams

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AL.com released its Super All-State Volleyball Teams Thursday and four local athletes earned honors in their respective classifications.

After helping lead Addison to its seventh straight appearance in the state finals, Savannah and Gracie Manley each landed spots on Class 2A's Best of the Rest list.

The Fairview Lady Aggies were in Birmingham for this year's state tournament as well, thanks in large part to a huge season from Daisy Manasco that earned her a spot among Class 4A's Best of the Rest and after yet another great season for the West Point Lady Warriors, Lexi Shadix finished among Class 5A's Best of the Rest players.



NICK GRIFFIN AND MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Pictured L-R: Addison's Gracie (16) and Savannah (13) Manley, West Point's Lexi Shadix (3) and Fairview's Daisy Manasco (25).

Savannah Manley will graduate in May after a stellar career with the Lady Bulldogs but Gracie Manley, Manasco and Shadix will all return to the floor next fall.

Thursday Begins Alabama Football's Preparations in Orlando for Citrus Bowl

UA Athletics
Contributor

ORLANDO, Fla. – Alabama football traveled to Orlando, Fla. on Thursday, putting in a two-hour session in shells for its first on-site workout at Celebration High School.

Thursday's session was Alabama's eighth of 12 total practices leading up to the matchup with Michigan in the 2019 Vrbo Citrus Bowl.

The Crimson Tide and Wolverines are set for a 12 p.m. CT kickoff on Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2020, with the game airing live on ABC.

Also, on Thursday, former University of Alabama football standouts offensive guard John Hannah and linebackers Cornelius Bennett and Derrick Thomas were named to the ESPN College Football 150 All-Time All-America team.

John Hannah was selected to the first-team offense, while Thomas and Bennett were tabbed second-team defense.

As part of its yearlong College Football 150 storytelling initiative, the prestigious list is comprised of a first team and a second team, with 11 players on offense, 11 on defense, a kicker, a punter and an all-purpose player on both teams.

The All-Time All-America team is derived from a blue-ribbon panel vote, which was conducted earlier this year.

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.

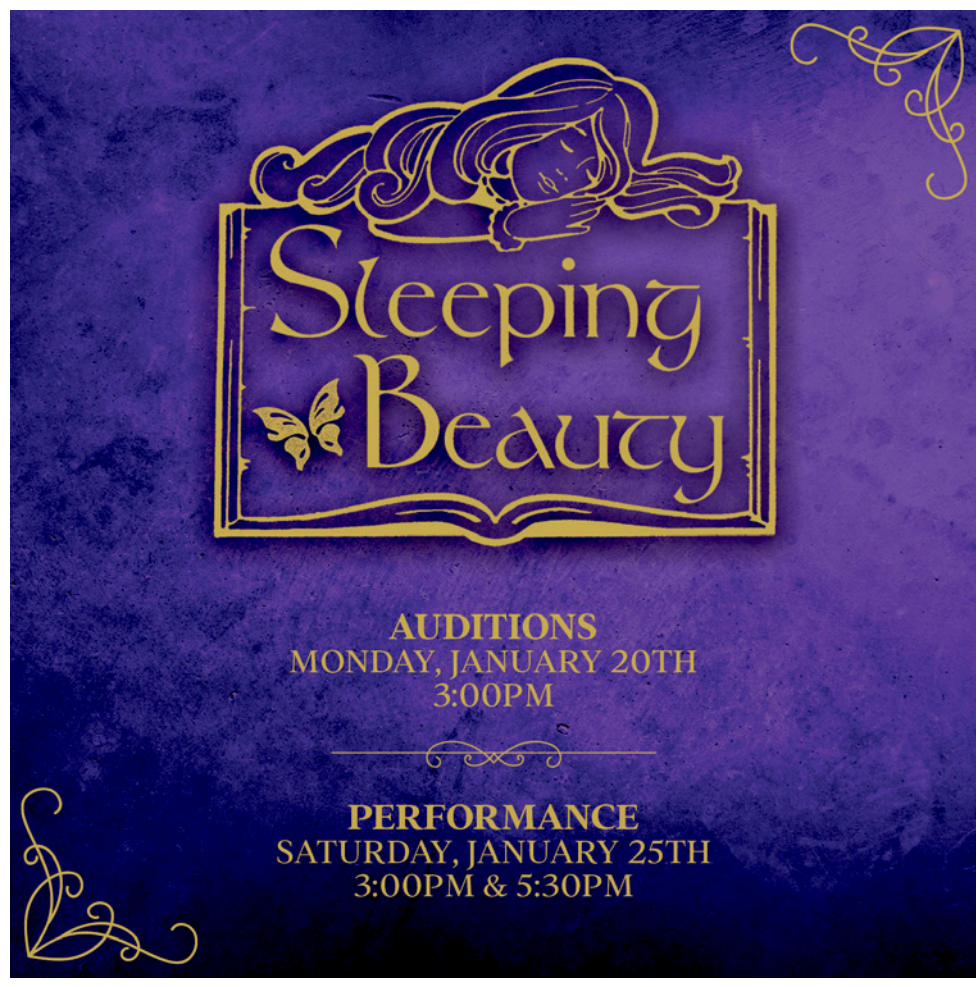


NICK GRIFFIN AND MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Alabama's Mac Jones (10) and Najee Harris (22) at practice in Orlando Thursday.









Sports

8:00 a.m. FS1 College Football San Diego County Credit Union Holiday Bowl — USC vs Iowa.
10:30 a.m. ESPN2 College Basketball Brown at Duke. (Live)
11:00 a.m. WABM2 College Football Camping World Bowl — Notre Dame vs Iowa State. (Live)
ESPN Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic Memphis vs Penn State. (Live)
FS1 College Basketball American at Georgetown. (Live)
FSEE NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Atlanta Hawks.
11:30 a.m. WVTM Premier League Soccer Norwich City FC vs Tottenham Hotspur FC. (Live)
12:30 p.m. WIAT College Basketball Wisconsin at Tennessee. (Live)
ESPN2 College Basketball New Orleans at Memphis. (Live)
1:00 p.m. FS1 College Basketball Central Arkansas at Marquette. (Live)
1:30 p.m. WVTM Premier League Soccer Burnley FC vs Manchester United FC. (Live)
3:00 p.m. WIAT College Basketball Louisville at Kentucky. (Live)
ESPN Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl Oklahoma vs LSU. (Live)
FS1 College Basketball Louisiana-Monroe at Butler. (Live)
5:00 p.m. FS1 College Basketball Midland at Creighton. (Live)
7:00 p.m. ESPN PlayStation Fiesta Bowl Clemson vs Ohio State. (Live)
FSEE NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls. (Live)
8:00 p.m. SHOW Boxing Gervonta Davis vs. Yuriorkis Gamboa. (Live)
10:30 p.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls.

Movies

8:57 a.m. HBO "Teen Titans GO! to the Movies" ★★★ (2018) Voices of Greg Cipes Animated. With a few madcap ideas and a song in their hearts, the Teen Titans head to Hollywood to fulfill their dreams. Things soon go awry, however, when a supervillain plans to take over the planet — putting the very fate of the young heroes on the line.
9:30 a.m. PARMT "Creed" ★★★½ (2015) Michael B. Jordan. Long-retired boxer Rocky Balboa agrees to train Apollo Creed's son to become a fighter, even as the former champ battles an opponent deadlier than any he ever faced in the ring.
10:30 a.m. TBS "Rush Hour" ★★★ (1998) Jackie Chan. A Hong Kong detective and a wisecracking L.A.P.D. detective choose to work together to find the missing daughter of a Chinese diplomat.
10:50 a.m. 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.
11:00 a.m. AMC "Coach Carter" ★★★ (2005) Samuel L. Jackson. A high-school basketball coach turns a losing team around, then faces criticism for pushing the athletes to put grades first.
TCM "Five Came Back" ★★★ (1939) Chester Morris. Conflicts arise among the 12 survivors of a jungle plane crash when it is learned only five can return to civilization.
TNT "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers" ★★★½ (2002) Elijah Wood. Now divided, members of a fellowship take different paths to destroy the ring and defeat evil Sauron and his pawns.
12:30 p.m. PARMT "Air Force One" ★★★ (1997) Harrison Ford. Demanding the release of a political prisoner, a terrorist and his gang hijack the U.S. president's plane.
12:59 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" ★★★ (2001) Daniel Radcliffe. An orphan attends a school of witchcraft and wizardry and pieces together the mystery of his parents' deaths.
2:30 p.m. TCM "The Champ" ★★★½ (1931) Wallace Beery. A has-been boxer trains in Tijuana for a comeback to impress his son.
2:35 p.m. COM "Meet the Parents" ★★★ (2000) Robert De Niro. When a woman brings her boyfriend home for her sister's wedding, her father, a former CIA agent, takes an instant dislike to him.
2:45 p.m. TNT "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" ★★★½ (2003) Elijah Wood. Frodo and Sam march toward Mount Doom to destroy the ring, while Gandalf and warriors prepare for a final confrontation with Sauron and his allies.
3:00 p.m. WABM "Freedom Writers" ★★★ (2007) Hilary Swank. A dedicated Los Angeles teacher inspires her class of at-risk students to believe in themselves and achieve academic success.
WTTO "Terms of Endearment" ★★★★ (1983) Shirley MacLaine. A strong-willed woman and her equally independent daughter keep the lines of communication open as each deals with the curveballs life throws at them.
3:30 p.m. CMTV "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" ★★★ (2004) Vince Vaughn. The owner of a gym and an overbearing entrepreneur form dodgeball teams to compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.
PARMT "Die Hard With a Vengeance" ★★★ (1995) Bruce Willis. Suspended from the police force, John McClane enlists a Harlem shopkeeper to help stop a terrorist bomber.
4:18 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" ★★★ (2002) Daniel Radcliffe. The young wizard and his best friends investigate a dark force that is terrorizing their school, Hogwarts.
4:40 p.m. FREE "Iron Man" ★★★ (2008) Robert Downey Jr.. A wealthy industrialist builds an armored suit and uses it to defeat criminals and terrorists.
4:45 p.m. HBO "Shazam!" ★★★½ (2019) Zachary Levi Billy Batson is a streetwise 14-year-old who can magically transform into the adult superhero Shazam simply by shouting out one word. His newfound powers soon get put to the test when he squares off against the evil Dr. Thaddeus Sivana.
4:50 p.m. MAX "Déjà Vu" ★★★ (2006) Denzel Washington A time-folding federal agent falls in love with a New Orleans woman who is targeted to be murdered.
5:00 p.m. TBS "The Hangover" ★★★ (2009) Bradley Cooper. After a wild stag party in Las Vegas, three hazy groomsmen must find their missing friend and get him back to Los Angeles in time for his wedding.
5:10 p.m. DISN "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.
5:30 p.m. 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.
7:00 p.m. WABM "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" ★★★ (2003) Arnold Schwarzenegger. A cyborg from the future must protect John Connor from a superior model sent to kill him.
AMC "Taken" ★★★ (2008) Liam Neeson. A former spy puts his extensive training to the test when he must rescue his kidnapped daughter from sex-slave traffickers.
MAX "Enemy of the State" ★★★ (1998) Will Smith A former NSA operative aids the innocent victim of a politically motivated assassination cover-up.
7:06 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.
7:45 p.m. FREE "Captain America: The Winter Soldier" ★★★ (2014) Chris Evans. Captain America, the Black Widow and a new ally, the Falcon, face an unexpected enemy as they struggle to expose a far-reaching conspiracy that puts the world at risk.
7:46 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" ★★★½ (2004) Daniel Radcliffe. The young wizard and his friends confront Sirius Black, a fugitive with ties to Harry's past.
8:00 p.m. CMTV "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" ★★★ (2004) Vince Vaughn. The owner of a gym and an overbearing entrepreneur form dodgeball teams to compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.
COM "21 Jump Street" ★★★ (2012) Jonah Hill. Two cops must confront their teenage angst all over again when they go under cover as high-school students.
9:00 p.m. AMC "Star Trek" ★★★ (2009) Chris Pine. Young James T. Kirk, Spock and the rest of the Enterprise crew embark on a collision course with a vengeful Romulan.
9:14 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.
9:30 p.m. BET "New Jack City" ★★★ (1991) Wesley Snipes. Undercover officers and their boss target the king of a high-tech New York crack syndicate, the CMB.
TMC "Zombie Honeymoon" ★★★ (2004) Tracy Coogan A woman tries to adapt to the new behavior of her husband after an encounter with a zombie leaves him in a similar state.
10:30 p.m. TNT "The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug" ★★★ (2013) Ian McKellen. Bilbo and his companions continue their journey east and brave many dangers on their way to the Lonely Mountain, culminating in an encounter with the fearsome dragon Smaug

SATURDAY EVENING

MOVIES

DECEMBER 28, 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	(3:00) "Freedom Writers"	Mike & Molly	Ring of Honor Wrestling (N)		★★★ "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" (2003, Science Fiction) Arnold Schwarzenegger, Nick Stahl, Claire Danes.				World's-Weath	World's-Weath	The Immortals	The Short List
WBIQ-PBS	4	This Old House	PBS NewsHour Weekend	The Lawrence Welk Show A New Year's Eve celebration.		Classic Gospel Gaither Vocal Band; Mark Lowry.		Keeping Up Appearances	(:32) As Time Goes By	(:05) Doc Martin Louisa to go into premature labor.		Austin City Limits 6th Annual Hall of Fame Honors (N)	
WVTM-NBC	5	WVTM 13 News at 5p	NBC Nightly News - Holt	WVTM 13 News at 6p (N)	Soledad O'Brien	Dateline NBC "Finding Venus" A mother of two mysteriously vanishes.				Saturday Night Live (N)		WVTM 13 News at 10p	(:29) Saturday Night Live
WBRC-FOX	7	Judge Judy	AAA Benefits and Savings	2020 FOX Winter Preview (N)	Relieve Your Foot Pain	9-1-1 "Rage" Helping protesters at a slaughter house.		The Resident Construction causes a gas explosion.		WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm	24 Hours to Hell and Back
WIAT-CBS	8	AAA Benefits and Savings	CBS Weekend News (N)	The CBS 42 News	Jeopardy!	NCIS: Los Angeles Anna Kolcheck escapes from prison.		S.W.A.T. "Lion's Den" A family takes an officer hostage.		The Faces of Family Separation (N)		The CBS 42 News (N)	(:35) Paid Program
WTTO-CW	9	"Terms of Endearment"	Modern Family	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Family Guy	Family Guy	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Andy Griffith Show	Alabama Upstarts
WPXH-ION	11	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Goliath"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Stabler goes under cover.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "911"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A suspect attacks Fin.		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Strain"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Raw"	
WABM2-ABC	12	Patsy Cline	ABC World News	ABC 33/40 News at 6PM	Wheel of Fortune	Brad Paisley Thinks He's Special		The Rookie "Safety" Jessica gives John surprising news.		20/20		ABC 33/40 News at 10PM	(:35) America This Week (N)
A&E	42	(4:00) Live PD "Live PD -- 11.17.18"				Live PD: Rewind Highlights from the series.		Live PD "Live PD -- 12.14.18"					
AMC	53	(4:30) ★★ "Transporter 3" (2008, Action) Jason Statham. Frank Martin becomes involved with a Ukrainian woman.				★★★ "Taken" (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen. Slavers kidnap the daughter of a former spy.				★★★ "Star Trek" (2009) Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. Chronicles the early days of the starship Enterprise and her crew.			
ANPL	47	Serengeti "Destiny" Families turn against each other.		Serengeti "Conflict" Competition heats up.		Serengeti "Invasion" The anticipation of the Great Migration.		Serengeti "Misfortune" The Great Migration.		Serengeti "Exodus" The dry season falls upon the animals.		Serengeti "Rebirth" The Serengeti is a blackened wasteland.	
BET	55	★★ "Kidnap" (2017, Action) Halle Berry, Sage Correa. A frantic woman chases the car that holds her kidnapped son.				★★ "Sleepless" (2017, Action) Jamie Foxx, Michelle Monaghan, T.I.. Premiere. A Las Vegas cop must save his kidnapped son from gangsters.					★★★ "New Jack City" (1991, Crime Drama) Wesley Snipes, Ice-T, Judd Nelson.		
BRAVO	58	★★ "Next Friday" (2000, Comedy) Ice Cube, Mike Epps, Justin Pierce. A young man lives with kin who won the lottery.				(:06) ★★★ "Friday" (1995, Comedy) Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. Buddies in South Central L.A. ponder repaying a dealer.				(:14) ★★★ "Friday" (1995, Comedy) Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. Buddies in South Central L.A. ponder repaying a dealer.			
CMTV	61	"Dodgeball: Underdog"	★★ "Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby" (2006, Comedy) Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly, Sacha Baron Cohen. A NASCAR driver has a new rival.					★★★ "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004) Vince Vaughn. Dodgeball teams compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.				★★ "Space Jam" (1996) Michael Jordan, Wayne Knight.	
CNBC	35	Shark Tank Overconfidence could blow a deal.		Shark Tank A unique way to swaddle a baby. (Part 1 of 2)		Shark Tank A product to ease back pain.		Shark Tank Cookies; swimsuits; safety light clips.		Shark Tank		Shark Tank A dissolvable protein pack product.	
CNN	37	CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)		CNN Special Report "All the Best, All the Worst 2019"		CNN Special Report "Friends" debuts in September 1994.		The Eighties "Raised on Television" VCRs; remote controls; family sitcoms.				The Eighties Music videos dominate the industry.	
COM	56	(:15) ★★ "The Internship" (2013, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Owen Wilson, Rose Byrne. Old-school salesmen finagle internships at Google.						★★★ "21 Jump Street" (2012, Comedy) Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum, Brie Larson. Young cops go under cover as high-school students.					South Park
DISN	49	(:10) ★★★ "Sing" (2016) Voices of Matthew McConaughey. Animated. Animals gather at a theater for a singing competition.				Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Gabby Duran	Gabby Duran	Raven's Home	Just Roll With It "The Tutor"
DSC	43	Deadliest Catch Monte returns to co-captain the Wizard.		Deadliest Catch Sig and Harley form an alliance.		Deadliest Catch "Dark Ship" Smoke fills the Wizard.		Deadliest Catch "Winter Collision Course" Captains prepare for the final dash. (N)					
E!	21	(3:30) ★ "Bride Wars"	★★★ "Knocked Up" (2007, Romance-Comedy) Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl, Paul Rudd. A one-night stand has an unforeseen consequence.					★★ "Fifty Shades of Grey" (2015, Romance) Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan, Jennifer Ehle. An inexperienced student begins a daring love affair.					"Fifty Shades Darker" (2017)
ESPN	29	(3:00) Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl Oklahoma vs LSU. (N) (Live)			Playoff Pregame Show	PlayStation Fiesta Bowl Clemson vs Ohio State. A College Football Playoff semifinal sees No. 2 Ohio State battle No. 3 Clemson in the Fiesta Bowl. (N) (Live)							Football Playoff Postgame
ESPN2	30	(3:00) College Football Playoff Bowl Simulcast (N) (Live)			Playoff Pregame Show	College Football Playoff Bowl Simulcast A multi-angle presentation with statistics and real-time drive charts supplementing the game action. (N) (Live)							Football Playoff Postgame
FOOD	45	Kids Baking Championship Bakers face a team challenge.		Kids Baking Championship "Freaky Flavors"		Kids Baking Championship "Monkey See, Monkey Bake"		Kids Baking Championship "Let's Taco About Baking"		Kids Baking Championship A sugar cookie puzzle.		Kids Baking Championship (N)	
FREE	48	(4:40) ★★★ "Iron Man" (2008, Action) Robert Downey Jr., Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow. A billionaire dons an armored suit to fight criminals.						(:45) ★★★ "Captain America: The Winter Soldier" (2014, Action) Chris Evans, Scarlett Johansson, Samuel L. Jackson. Capt. America and the Black Widow face an unexpected enemy.					
FS1	20	College Basketball Midland at Creighton. (N) (Live)				"Q Ball" (2019, Documentary) The inmates of the San Quentin basketball team look for redemption.				"Shot in the Dark" (2017) Three blind photographers detail their creative process.			"They Fight" (2018)
FSEE	32	Pro Football Weekly	3 Wide Life	Inside Clemson Football	Hawks Live! Pregame (N)	NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls. From the United Center in Chicago. (N) (Live)					Hawks Live! Postgame (N)	Hawks 4th Quarter	NBA Basketball
FX	28	(3:30) ★★ "Transformers: Age of Extinction" (2014, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Stanley Tucci, Li Bingbing.				★★ "Transformers: The Last Knight" (2017, Action) Mark Wahlberg, Anthony Hopkins, Josh Duhamel. The war between Transformers and humans threatens Earth.							"Terminator Genisys"
GOLF	82	PGA Tour Highlights (N)		PGA Tour Highlights (N)		PGA Tour Highlights (N)		PGA Tour Highlights (N)		PGA Tour Highlights (N)		PGA Tour Highlights (N)	
HALL	72	"Picture a Perfect Christmas" (2019) Merritt Patterson. A photographer helps a neighbor look after his young nephew.				"Christmas in Rome" (2019, Romance) Sam Page, Lacey Chabert, Bryan Bounds. Angela, an American tour guide in Rome, meets a businessman.					"Christmas Getaway" (2017, Romance) Bridget Regan, Travis Van Winkle, Raven Stewart.		
HGTV	46	Good Bones Karen and Mina are on Woodlawn Avenue.		Good Bones Mina and Karen find unwelcome surprises.		Rock the Block "Bragging Rights: Master Suite Masters"		Rock the Block "Bragging Rights: The Kitchens" (N)		Rock the Block "Bragging Rights: The Great Room War"		Rock the Block "Bragging Rights: The Decision" (N)	
HIST	40	Ancient Aliens Beliefs about meteorites.		Ancient Aliens Extraordinary untapped abilities.		Ancient Aliens: Declassified "Secrets of UFO Phenomena" The government investigates UFO reports. (N)							
LIFE	23	"My Wife's Secret Life" (2019, Suspense) Jason Cermak, Blake Williams. Kent devises a revenge plan against a woman.				"Deadly Hollywood Obsession" (2019) Sarah Roemer. A famous man's stalker gets angry when he starts falling in love.				(:03) "Killer Contractor" (2019) Alyshia Ochse, Zac Titus. Kerry returns home to settle the estate of her late father.			
MSNBC	36	Deadline: White House		Hardball With Chris Matthews		All In With Chris Hayes		The Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams	
NGC	22	The Hot Zone: Break Out "Symptomatic"		The Hot Zone: Break Out Representatives disagree.		The Hot Zone: Break Out A research facility employee falls ill.		The Hot Zone Dr. Jaax is forced to make a choice.		The Hot Zone The press arrives. (Part 6 of 6)		The Hot Zone: Break Out "Rupture"	
PARMT	57	(3:30) ★★★ "Die Hard With a Vengeance" (1995, Action) Bruce Willis, Jeremy Irons.				★ "Law Abiding Citizen" (2009, Suspense) Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler. A prosecutor gets caught up in a vengeful prisoner's twisted scheme.				Bellator MMA Live Michael Chandler versus Benson Henderson; Rampage Jackson versus Fedor Emelianenko. (N) (Live)			
TBS	25	★★★ "The Hangover" (2009, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms. Three pals must find a missing groom after a wild bash.				The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal	The Misery Index
TCM	79	(4:30) ★★ "The Champ" (1979) Jon Voight, Faye Dunaway. A struggling boxer's young son inspires him to succeed.				★★ "Claudine" (1974) Diahann Carroll, James Earl Jones. Romance blooms between a poor mother and a trash collector.				★ "The Split" (1968) Jim Brown, Diahann Carroll, Julie Harris. Thieves quarrel over splitting the loot from a major heist.			
TLC	24	Untold Stories of the E.R. "Belly Dancer Mystery"	Untold Stories of the E.R. "When It Rains"			90 Day Fiancé "Colt & Larissa: Our Continuing Journey" Relive the highs and lows of Colt and Larissa's journey. (N)						90 Day Fiancé Outrageous moments and favorite couples.	
TNT	26	(2:45) ★★★ "The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King" (2003, Fantasy) Elijah Wood, Ian McKellen, Liv Tyler.				★★ "The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey" (2012, Fantasy) Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman, Richard Armitage. Bilbo Baggins joins the quest to reclaim a lost kingdom.							"Hobbit: Desolation"
USA	27	(4:18) ★★★ "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (2002, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. A malevolent force threatens the students at Hogwarts.						(7:46) ★★★ "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (2004, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson.				(:01) Modern Family	(:31) Modern Family
WE	71	Criminal Minds Gideon must identify an arsonist.		Criminal Minds Gideon tracks nemesis's protege.		Criminal Minds The team profiles a rapist and murderer.		Criminal Minds A kidnapper captures the wrong twin.		Criminal Minds "L.D.S.K." Broad daylight.		Criminal Minds "The Fox" A killer preys on families.	
HBO	518	(4:45) ★★★ "Shazam!" (2019, Action) Zachary Levi. Shazam squares off against the evil Dr. Thaddeus Sivana. 'PG-13'				★★ "Pokémon Detective Pikachu" (2019) Voice of Ryan Reynolds. Premiere. 'PG'			(:45) His Dark Materials The Magisterium closes in.		(:45) ★★ "Cold Pursuit" (2019, Action) Liam Neeson, Tom Bateman, Tom Jackson. 'R'		
MAX	549	(4:50) ★★★ "Déjà Vu" (2006) Denzel Washington. A time-folding federal agent falls in love with a future murder victim.				★★★ "Enemy of the State" (1998, Suspense) Will Smith. Rogue agents hunt a lawyer who has an incriminating tape. 'R'				(:15) ★★ "Rampage" (2018) Dwayne Johnson. Three giant, mutated beasts embark on a path of destruction. 'PG-13'			
SHOW	578	Shameless "Sparky" An unexpected visitor shows up.		Shameless Frank and Liam get wined and dined.		Shameless "Citizen Carl" Carl embraces his civic duty.		Boxing Gervonta Davis vs. Yuriorkis Gamboa. (N) (Live)					
TMC	598	(4:05) ★★ "Road House" (1989) Patrick Swayze. 'R'		★★ "The Faculty" (1998, Horror) Jordana Brewster. High-school students suspect that their teachers are aliens. 'R'				★★ "Piranha" (2010, Horror) Elisabeth Shue, Adam Scott, Jerry O'Connell. 'R'		★★★ "Zombie Honeymoon" (2004, Horror) Tracy Coogan, Graham Sibley. 'NR'			

Best Bets

11 a.m. on ESPN
Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic

Although the College Football Playoff semifinals take place later today, the Cotton Bowl Classic kicks off a big day on the college gridiron when Sean Clifford the Penn State Nittany Lions (10-2) face the Memphis Tigers (12-1). The Cotton Bowl remains one of the "New Year's Six" renowned bowl games. Penn State is ranked No. 10 and comes out of the Big Ten, while the Tigers, ranked No. 17, are the American Athletic Conference champions.

3 p.m. on ESPN
Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl

The College Football Playoff Semifinals get under way with the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl in Atlanta when Joe Burrow and the top-ranked LSU Tigers (13-0) take on Jalen Hurts and the Oklahoma Sooners (12-1), ranked No. 4. The No. 3 Clemson Tigers (13-0), champs of the ACC, and No. 2 Ohio State Buckeyes (13-0) from the Big Ten meet later in the Fiesta Bowl in Glendale, Ariz. Today's winners clash Jan. 13 in the CFP National Championship in New Orleans.

5:10 p.m. on DISN
Movie: Sing

A stellar voice cast headed by Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon, Seth MacFarlane and Scarlett Johansson sparkles in this infectiously entertaining 2016 CGI-animated family film, about an assortment of animals who gather at a koala's theater for a singing competition. John C. Reilly, Taron Egerton, Jennifer Saunders, Jennifer Hudson and Peter Serafinowicz also lend their vocal talents to the movie, which grossed more than $632 million at the worldwide box office.

7 p.m. on LIFE
Movie: Deadly Hollywood Obsession

After she saves 10-year-old Jack (Brady Bond) from kidnappers, Casey Wright (Sarah Roemer, "The Event") is hired by the boy's celebrity father, Sam Austin (Jon Prescott, "As the World Turns"), to work as Jack's home-school teacher in this 2019 melodrama. It's not long before Casey finds herself swept up in Sam's glamorous lifestyle, but as things start to heat up between the two grown-ups, Casey is targeted by one of Sam's obsessed stalkers. Hannah Barefoot and Adrian Gaeta co-star.

7 p.m. on HBO
Movie: Pokémon Detective Pikachu

Ryan Reynolds provides the voice and facial-motion performance as the animated title character in Rob Letterman's mostly delightful 2019 mystery fantasy in which Tim Goodman (Justice Smith), a former Pokémon trainer, teams up with the gifted Detective Pikachu to discern the whereabouts of Tim's missing father, also a veteran detective. There's just one problem: Pikachu is dealing with temporary amnesia. Kathryn Newton, Suki Waterhouse, Omar Chaparro, Chris Geere, Ken Watanabe and Bill Nighy co-star.

10 p.m. on WBIQ
Austin City Limits 6th Annual Hall of Fame Honors

Texas troubadour Robert Earl Keen hosts this new special in which three musical legends are inducted into the show's Hall of Fame. Jackson Browne does the honors in inducting singer-songwriter Shawn Colvin, while blues legend Buddy Guy is inducted by an old friend and fellow blues icon, Jimmie Vaughan. Oscar-winning actor Sean Penn interjects a Hollywood note into the proceedings as he inducts the final honoree, Lyle Lovett. Guest performers also include Bruce Hornsby, Shemekia Copeland and Sarah Jarosz, among others.



Robert Earl Keen stars in "Austin City Limits 6th Annual Hall of Fame Honors" on PBS.

Spotlight (from Front)

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Londalene Young was a young girl from Holly Pond when her family moved to California near the end of World War II. Her father moved seeking work and shortly after Londalene boarded a train with her mother to join him. She spent her junior year of high school in a town near San Francisco and it was a whole new world for the beautiful country girl from Cullman County.

"It was different out there, but I enjoyed it," Londalene recalled.

Her older brother moved to California when he was a young man and he never moved back.

"He met a girl from Alabama out there and they got married and raised their family in California."

Londalene's father joined his son and found work in the shipyards of the San Francisco Bay during the war. She remembers the train ride out west and the soldiers who teased her throughout the three-day journey. Once in California, she loved it.

She said, "I have traveled the Golden Gate Bridge and the San Francisco Bay Bridge. I never thought I would get to see these places. It was one of the highlights of my life."

The trolley cars were prevalent at the time and she remembered a time driving through San Francisco: "All of a sudden you couldn't see the street anymore. It was just straight down. The hills were just so steep that the road disappeared."

Being from the country and perhaps being a bit naive, she recalled a time she was scolded by her sister-in-law.

"About two blocks from where my brother lived, it looked like a small mountain. The weather was beautiful and you could see the San Francisco Bay from where I was. I went out walking one day and it looked like a hill but it was a lot bigger than I thought it was. I went to a wooded area and walked around it a good ways. When I finally got back and told them where I'd been, she said, 'Don't you ever do that again. Bad things happen up in those woods.' I just never thought about bad things that could happen. I was just a young country girl, but I learned it's a lot different than Holly Pond."

Londalene soon started her junior year in California and for the first time, she could select her classes.

She said, "I took algebra, of all things, and I knew then I was in over my head. I didn't do good in algebra. At the end of the semester you could change subjects if you wanted to and I changed and got a subject I could handle. I was no match for algebra."

She also did something while in high school in California that she had never done in Holly Pond.

She said, "There were five of us and one of the boys had a car. We decided to play hooky. We got in the car and the five of us went to his house. He opened the refrigerator door and he served us ice cream. We just goofed around and talked. Nothing bad happened, the boys were polite as can be to us girls. We just wanted to see if we could get away with it and we did. We made it back on campus and we never got caught."

Living in California gave Londalene an opportunity to spend time with her young niece, Judy. Judy was just 5 years old and had a brain tumor. She said, "My niece passed away and she was so sweet and intelligent. She was blind before she died, but she could feel around and find the smallest things even though she couldn't see. I was glad I was able to spend time with her before she died."

After a year in California, Londalene moved back to Holly Pond. This time the family traveled by bus.

"The war ended while we were on our way back home," she said. "When the bus driver heard the war was over, the bus driver pulled the bus over and we had a celebration."

When Londalene finished high school in Holly Pond, she married her sweetheart, Clois Jean.

She smiled, "They told me if I had never married, I would always be Young."

She also joked that she had always gone by "Lene" until she married. She decided to add the "Londa" because she didn't like the sound of "Lene Jean."

Londalene was one of nine children. Two of her siblings died in infancy. Today, at 92, she is the only sibling still living. She says she is "a kid at heart and still enjoy things kids enjoy."

She always wanted a doll for Christmas, but her family couldn't afford it.

"Santa Claus wasn't able to do a lot at our house," she said. "My cousin got a new doll every year, but I don't ever remember getting upset about it. Kids accept things and I have dolls now."

She has since been to 49 of the 50 states.

"I haven't been to Maine, but I was 50 miles away from there once. I didn't think it was worth the 100 miles to say I had been to Maine.

"I'd crossed state lines before and once you cross the state line, it's no different than the other side. I guess I'll die without seeing Maine, and I am OK with that."

Today, Londalene enjoys her days at Westminster Assisted Living and participates in all the planned activities. Her room is filled with whimsical items including her favorite doll. Part of her routine is walking a mile each day, which she attributes to her good health. She loves reminiscing about her travels and sometimes wishes she could visit San Francisco one more time.

Her advice for a healthy life?

"Let kids play in the mud and the dirt. It's good for them. We always played outside and got muddy. We ate fruit straight from the trees. Besides, kids wash off easily."

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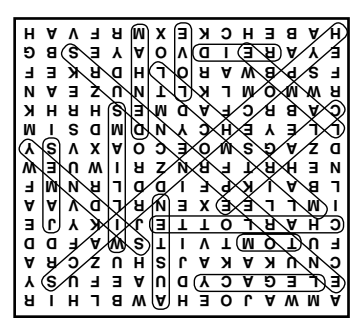
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"Sanditon" on PBS

(Words in parentheses not in puzzle)

Charlotte (Heywood)	(Rose) Williams	(Jane) Austen
Sidney (Parker)	(Theo) James	Entrepreneurs
(Lady) Denham	(Anne) Reid	Love (Interests)
Tom (Parker)	(Kris) Marshall	Legacy (Hunters)
(Miss) Lambe	(Crystal) Clarke	Hypochondriacs

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Obituary Announcements: Dec. 28

Frank Hollis Privett, 71, and Rita Ann Privett, 63, of Addison entered into rest Tuesday, Dec. 24, 2019. Mr. Privett was born April 10, 1948. He attended Addison High School and Wallace State Community College. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Air Force from 1966-1978. Frank will forever be remembered as a hardworking man who wore overalls and a long beard. Mrs. Privett was born Feb. 22, 1956. She graduated from West Point High School and St. Bernard College and earned a Master's in Education from UAB. She taught at Jones Chapel Jr. High and Logan Jr. High until her retirement. She enjoyed gardening, both vegetable and flowers, cleaning, reading, journaling and studying the Bible. Rita was a caregiver with an infectious laugh and smile. Visitation will be Saturday, Dec. 28, 2019 from 2-4 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison with service to follow at 4 p.m. Frank is survived by his son Allen Hollis Privett; daughter Vanessa (Scotty) Cornelius; sisters Betty (Roy) Patterson and Gail (Gene) Langley; grandchildren Hannah Cornelius and her fiancé Cody Ratliff and Zachary (Brenda Ann) Cornelius; a host of other family, friends and his four-legged daughter Daisy. Rita is survived by her son Allen Hollis Privett; daughter Vanessa (Scotty) Cornelius; brother Ralph Tolbert; sisters Sharron Hanes and Linda Marquette; grandchildren Hannah Cornelius and her fiancé Cody Ratliff and Zachary (Brenda Ann) Cornelius; and a host of other family and friends. Frank was preceded in death by his parents Allen Ferguson Privett and Vivian Enna Jackson Privett and his brother Ellwyn Privett. Rita was preceded in death by her parents Aubrey Wayne Tolbert and Myrtle Marie Eddy Tolbert and brothers-in-law Tim Hanes and John Marquette.

A celebration of life for Corrigan Speegle, 80, of Cullman will be held Monday, Dec. 30, 2019 at 5 p.m. at Faith Hall of Hanceville United Methodist Church. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Speegle passed away Thursday, Dec. 26, 2019. He was born Jan. 25, 1939 to Samuel A. and Willie Wynell Barnett Speegle. He was preceded in death by his parents; son Chad Speegle; daughter-in-law Lisa Speegle and an infant sister Ada Frances Speegle. Survivors include his wife of 60 years Hilda Jo Rollo Speegle; daughter Chan (Keith) Fowler; sister Cheryl (Bob) Kelleher; grandchildren Todd Willoughby, Nicole (Tim) Putman andAdam Speegle; and a host of family and friends. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests making donations to Alcoholics Anonymous on St. Joseph Street, Cullman, AL. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Mrs. Olvaline Meyer of Hanceville, Alabama passed away Dec. 26, 2019. She was born March 19, 1933 to Thurman Comer and Eva Nadine Clinard Campbell who preceded her in death along with sister Nettie Bell Campbell. Mrs. Meyer leaves to cherish her memory daughter Anita (Junior) Terry; sons Ken (Timi) Meyer, Bobby (Janice) Meyer and Mark (Tasha) Meyer; grandchildren Aaron (Whitney) Terry, Colton (Kyli) Terry, Cory (Andee) Meyer, Dean Meyer, Lane Meyer, Stella Meyer and Sutton Meyer; great-grandchildren Lilli Terry, Meyer Terry, Maybree Terry, Maverick Terry, Axton Terry, Pinson Terry, Mali Terry, Karson Meyer, Kynslee Meyer and Sawyer Meyer; sister Willodean (Jim) Boyd; and brother Tyson (Pat) Campbell. Visitation for Mrs. Meyer will be Saturday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel with a celebration of her life to follow. Lance Boyd will be officiating the service and interment will be at Cullman Memory Gardens. Pallbearers will be Aaron Terry, Colton Terry, Lane Meyer, Cory Meyer, Dean Meyer, Sutton Meyer and Ty Campbell. To leave condolences for the Olvaline Meyer family please go to mossservicefh.com.

Mr. Earnesteen Gable of Cullman passed away Dec. 26, 2019 at the age of 88. He was born Feb. 13, 1931 to Claude and Ida Burrow Gable. He is preceded in death by his parents; brothers Cortez, Oliver and Oree Gable; step-daughter Regina Willoughby; and his first wife Louise Gable. Funeral services are Monday, Dec. 30, 2019 at 2 p.m. at Duck River Baptist Church with Revs. Jonathan Reid and Caleb Elrod officiating. Interment will be in Duck River Cemetery. Mr. Gable will lie in state at the church from 1-2 p.m. Survivors are wife Jimmie Lou Gable; son Michael (Vonda Lee) Gable; sister Kathaleen Bice; step-son-in-law Tim Willoughby; grandchildren Ann (Doug) Duke, Jan (Jamie) Akin and Jeff (Amy) Gable; great-grandchildren Will Akin, Ashley Duke, Kaitlynn Gable, Eli Akin, A.J. Gable, Luke Gable and Salena (Jayden) Hood; great-great-grandchildren John Gable, Byron and Rylee Hood; step-grandchildren Meghan Epperly and Christian Willoughby; step-great-grandchildren Liam and Boone Epperly, Isabell Epperly and John Willoughby. Visitation is Sunday, Dec. 29, 2019 at Moss Funeral Home from 5:30-9 p.m.

Funeral services for Thomas Jay Pearce, 23, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Pearce passed away Thursday, Dec. 26, 2019 at Huntsville Hospital. He was born Tuesday, April 9, 1996 in Hanford, California to Edison Pearce and Tina Jay Taylor. Survivors include his father Edison Pearce; mother Tina Jay Taylor; sisters Jessica Pearce (William Thurston) and Heather Hines; brother Troy Pearce; grandparents Larry and Patricia Frank and Myrna Taylor; girlfriend Victoria Weldon; stepdaughter Lilly Weldon; aunts Sherri Bartlett, Tonya Taylor and Tabitha Taylor; uncles Terry Pearce and Roy Don Taylor; nieces Hailee and Mackenzie; cousins Micca Taylor, Mackenzie Bartlett, Trace, Chase, Allie May, Clayton and Amberlee; friend Dennis Berry and family friend Shayshawna Marie Webb-Martinez. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Dec. 30, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Mr. Larry Joe Simmons of Vinemont, Alabama passed away Thursday, Dec. 26, 2019. He was born March 9, 1948 to Price Doc and Mary Irene Brown Simmons who preceded him in death along with sister Shirley McKoy and brother Hubert Simmons. Mr. Simmons leaves to cherish his memory his wife Shirley Faye Wix; daughters Tina Carroll, Sandra Brown, April Whitehead, Betty Tucker, Sherry Echols and Brenda (Darrell) Waldrop; son Eddie Yates; sisters Gail (Dalton) Hooper and Patsy (Leroy) Jones; brothers Charles Edward (Sherrie) Simmons and Hoyt Simmons; and several dearly loved grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Visitation for Mr. Simmons will be Sunday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. with a celebration of his life to follow. Interment will be after the services at Springhill Cemetery. To leave condolences for the Larry Joe Simmons family please go to mossservicefh.com.

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

CULLMAN COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

I'm writing this as a love letter to PLANTS + PEOPLE + a PLACE, Cullman County, Alabama, that I have loved all my long life.

Anything can grow and thrive in Cullman County. It is year-after-year, "the no. 1 agricultural county in Alabama" in many categories. This part of a great farm and garden state is an Eden where even a novice can plant strawberries and sweet potatoes at dusk and begin truck farming at dawn.

Cullman's agricultural roots were established by German farm families in the 1870s who were seeking a more peaceful way of life. From the very beginning this has been a plant-centric place where bountiful crops provide the base for a flourishing economy and hundreds of home and public gardens offer armloads of prize-winning fruits, vegetables and blossoms.

After my dad graduated from college, his first schoolmaster assignment was in Cullman County's aptly named Grandview area. This grandly beautiful part of Alabama grows acres and acres of the sweetest sweet potatoes in the nation, probably in the entire known world.

The French flog the superiority of their wines based on what they call the "terroir," meaning "the land." It's the soil in Grandview and the entire county combined with the perfect climate that makes for such verifiably grand vegetable farming. Cullman County is in the Appalachian Highlands foothills, blessed with nutrient-rich soil and extraordinary botanical and animal diversity.

Later, we moved across the county to the Fairview area, specifically Baileyton. You could imagine the first settlers coming to this part of Cullman County, looking out at the promising, fertile vistas and exclaiming it "fair" indeed.

In this part of Cullman County, mama had a flower garden and daddy had a vegetable patch, but there wasn't much lawn to mow because cotton grew right up to our front door. And we picked it. At that time in my life, all of us country kids got out of school each fall for two cotton-picking weeks. It wasn't a fall break. Everybody and their brother, and their mama and their daddy, picked cotton.

Cullman County has also been Alabama's "strawberry basket" with fields of sweet, red fruits stretching into the horizon.

The Strawberry Festival still attracts thousands each spring to taste some lip-smackin' fresh strawberry treats and hear some foot-tappin' music. One of the most-popular music groups around here for decades has been The Strawberry Pickers, which Cullman-residing political giant, Governor Big Jim Folsom, "The Farmers' Friend," carried throughout the state to sweeten his campaigns.

My family stayed rooted to Cullman County and I am today; however, from Grandview then to Fairview my father's work took us ultimately to a view of God in Alabama's most-revered prayer garden at the Ave Maria Grotto.

"Little Jerusalem" as the 4.5-acre work of folk art and passion, the Ave Maria Grotto, is known, was part of the campus of St. Bernard College. Here, dad welcomed a return to his own passion, the serious study and teaching of philosophy. As a wide-eyed 5-year-old, I welcomed being a happy wanderer in Brother Joseph's magical, sanctuary garden.

"GOD WOOS US IN GARDENS," is a line I wrote in my journal one afternoon a couple of years ago at the Ave Maria Grotto. Regardless of how you may connect with the universe, or view a mysterious higher power, it's evident in the beauty of a garden there is something out there bigger than you and I.

When I tour visiting friends through the Ave Maria Grotto prayer garden, I begin by telling them how the Bavarian-born, humble Benedictine monk, Brother Joseph Zoettl, who created it, had fervently prayed for years that he would be chosen to be a priest, a teacher. It was determined by the higher authorities at the Abbey that shy, homely Brother Joseph, who was neither physically nor intellectually commanding, was not suited to become a priest.

A priest regularly teaches 20 or 30 students each school year. But, for decades, beginning in the 1930s, tens of thousands have come each year to study the spiritual works and restore their own spirits in the prayer garden Brother Joseph envisioned and created.

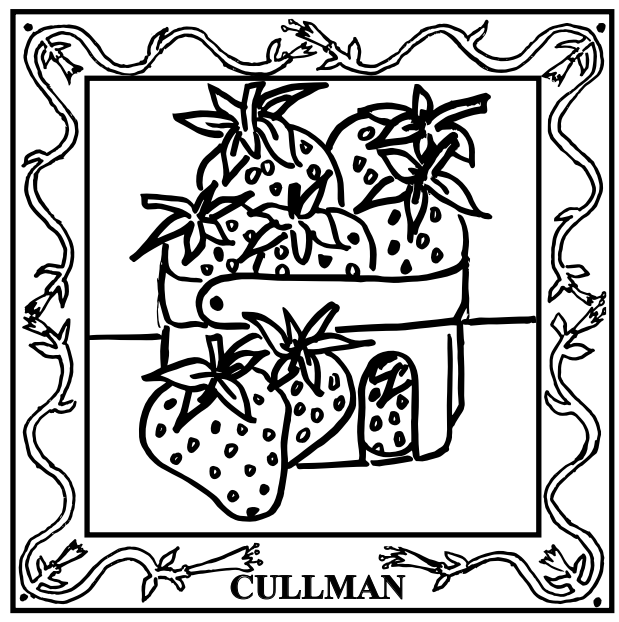
Here in a calm corner of Cullman County is a remarkable outdoor classroom nestled among the rolling hills covered by a canopy of trees and carpeted with a variety of vines exalting all kinds of evergreens and flowering shrubs.

This exquisite sanctuary garden magically morphs into a great, green cathedral in spring and summer.

Sanctuary gardens for solace and meditation have become passionately desired in 21st century America, especially since the murderous, religious attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. When weary pilgrims come to the spiritual retreats at St. Bernard Abbey and nearby Sacred Heart Convent, they are often eager to replicate elements of the peace-filled, restorative feeling of the Ave Maria Grotto gardens.

LESSONS FROM BROTHER JOSEPH TO CREATE A SANCTUARY GARDEN:

• **RETREAT FROM MODERN CACOPHONY**- Plan for a private, outdoor space where you are removed from the "busyness" of daily hustle and bustle and can become mindful in nature. Strive for timeless surroundings devoid of objects or furniture which were mass-manufactured in your own lifetime. The Ave Maria Grotto is contiguous to the campus of St. Bernard but feels apart because it was carved from a deep ravine and has many trees and shrubs forming a sort of natural wall from so-called civilization. There are natural stone benches and sitting walls made from this quarried area.



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

• **DESIGN FOR PEACE AND QUIET**- A thick hedge muffles sound outdoors. Pea gravel walks slow the pace and can be quieter than cement or plank paths. If you live in a busy metro area, your sanctuary garden may be more achievable indoors with plants like palms and ferns and the contained trickle of a tabletop fountain. Brother Joseph sculpted hundreds of small, plant-punctuated "grottoes" and prayer shrines. Often these were sold to raise funds to support his work at the Ave Maria Grotto. Some of these original works may be affordable and obtained online. Or, start collecting bits of colored tiles, cosmetic jewelry and other googaws to sculpt your own spiritual objects.

• **MAKE IT PERSONAL**- The Ave Maria Grotto is a unique and particular expression of joy and adoration from one impassioned individual to the heavens. Your sanctuary garden should reflect your personal walk with nature, your journey. What are plants you cherish from your memories? Perhaps there is a motto or phrase you find bolsters your positive spirit. I commissioned talented Cullman-based muralist, Jack Tupper, to paint a weather-resistant plaque with the words: "God woos us in gardens." It reminds me that I am connected to the universe and to God.

• **ALLOW FOR GENTLE SOUNDS**- A murmuring fountain can be ideal in a meditation garden. A tinkle of wind chimes sounds like prayers being lifted into the skies.

• **ENGAGE NATURE**- Few things are more soul-soaring than birds and butterflies in a garden. Select plants that attract and nourish the particular kinds of wildlife that enchant you. We need more beneficial, pollinator insects like bumble bees and butterflies in America. You can add value to the natural world by planting the nectar plants these creatures savor.

• **LET GARDENING RESTORE BALANCE IN YOUR LIFE**- Accept that gardens are about change. Your sanctuary garden will not be completed in a weekend. In fact, like all things and people, it will never be fixed in time. Slow yourself and breathe in the restorative, open air. The Ave Maria Grotto has survived decades of storms, major tornadoes, drought and even brutal blizzards. But, each season, it creates newness, hope, calm and beauty.

Thoreau went to Walden Pond to reflect and reconnect to nature. Throngs come to Brother Joseph's inspiring garden at the Ave Maria Grotto in Cullman, Alabama. And, with only a bit of soul-searching and a spade, you could create your own sanctuary garden to offer peace and solace just outside your door.

Here are other positive and pleasurable ways PLANTS + PEOPLE connect in this part of Alabama, including the recipe we plan to offer at the 2020 Strawberry Festival in Cullman:

• **FESTHALLE MARKET PLATZ**- This unique farmers' market is a recreation of a large, open-air German market and is one of the most popular spots to gather in town; located at 209 First Ave. NE, Cullman, AL 35055; Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 7 a.m.-2 p.m., early April-late October

• **HANCEVILLE FARMERS' MARKET**- 200 Bangor Ave., Hanceville, AL 35077; Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays 7 a.m.-2 p.m., April-December

• **CULLMAN COUNTY FARMSTANDS**- Bagwell Blueberry Farm (Cullman), Chambers Farm (Holly Pond), J. Calvert (Cullman), Jeffrey James (Hanceville), John Sumner (Crane Hill), Lawrence Calvert (Cullman), Steele Orchards (West Point), Sweatmon's (Crane Hill), Doug Spradlin (Vinemont), William Burks (Fairview)

• **CULLMAN COUNTY PLANTS ADVICE/EDUCATION**- Alabama Cooperative Extension System, 402 Arnold St. NE, Suite G-1, Cullman County Office Building, Cullman, AL 35055, 256-737-9386

• **NORTH ALABAMA AGRIPLEX**- Its mission is to educate and promote north Alabama agriculture and future sustainability; 1714 Tally Ho St. NW, Cullman, AL 35055, 256-297-1044; www.agriplex.org

• **THE SHRINE OF THE MOST BLESSED SACREMENT**- A 400-acre Roman Catholic Latin Rite Shrine known for its gilded church interior and the solemnity of the cloistered monastery; many pilgrims express amazement viewing this late-20th century creation which resembles an ancient, Italian village rising in the Alabama countryside. It is affiliated with the Eternal Word Television Network and is operated by the Birmingham, Alabama Catholic diocese; garden enthusiasts will especially appreciate the Lourdes Grotto. www.olamshrine.org

• **PLANTING AN IDEA**- A 2010 study in The Journal of Health Psychiatry verifies what many of us already know- "gardening reduces stress." Furthermore, a recent Harvard University study concludes that people who live near plants and vegetation live longer and have lower levels of depression. Cullman County can lead the way to show how overly anxious, 21st century Americans can improve their mental as well as physical health by experiencing sanctuary gardens like the famous one at the Ave Maria Grotto and also by creating their own spiritual healing gardens.

Y'ALL COME to Cullman County on your 67-County, Alabama Garden Party tour, where you'll get sweet strawberries to feed your hunger and sweet inspiration and peaceful sanctuary.

MANY THANKS to Tony Glover, coordinator for the Cullman County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. Tony is one of Alabama's most knowledgeable and contributing plantsmen and has been a tremendous support to this year-long exploration of PLANTS + PEOPLE across our state. Also, THANK YOU to Laurie Johnson, who has created dozens of imaginative and delicious recipes for this series to celebrate botanicals throughout Alabama.

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



Cullman County

STRAWBERRY CREAMS WITH THYME AND LEMON

There may be hundreds of ways to enjoy fresh strawberries, but this simple recipe truly makes the berry the star of the show. Enjoy them well-chilled so the cream filling will be firm.

INGREDIENTS:

- One large carton of fresh strawberries, rinsed and patted dry – about 20
- One 8 oz. container of cream cheese
- One 16 oz. box or bag of confectioner's sugar
- Zest from one lemon
- 8 fresh thyme twigs – with small leaves stripped and minced and stems discarded – plus a couple more twigs for garnish

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Prep strawberries – Cut off the tops of the berries, retaining some red parts and the green stems (if they are pretty) and set aside. Gently hollow out the insides of the berries and discard pulp.

2. Cream together the cream cheese, sugar and lemon zest until well mixed. By hand, stir in the minced thyme.

3. Put cream cheese mixture into a piping bag or a plastic storage bag with the corner clipped off. You might need to refrigerate it for the mixture to become firmer before piping it into the hollowed-out berries to about a 1/4 inch above the top of the berry. You can nestle them into a mini muffin pan to help them stay upright.

4. Place the reserved berry tops back on and chill for several hours. Garnish with thyme and enjoy this fresh, but sweet bite that truly makes the berry the star of the show.