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Cullman mayor, council president, city school board weigh in on proposed school tax

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Debate has been fierce and rumors have swirled since a 1-cent tax proposed by the Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) was placed on the March 3 primary ballot. If passed, approximately 77% of the revenues (based on 2019 student figures) would go to Cullman County Schools for a collection of projects (www.cullmantribune.com/2019/10/25/where-would-the-1-cent-tax-money-go/), 21% to Cullman City Schools, and roughly 2% would go to the city system in Arab where, by agreement between that system and the CCBOE, a handful of students from extreme northeast Cullman County are allowed to attend.

Among the circulating rumors is a claim that the City of Cullman is opposing the proposed 1-cent tax, with plans to have the Cullman City Council vote in an exclusive tax for city schools as soon as the county tax is voted down in March, if the measure is rejected.

The Tribune asked Mayor Woody Jacobs and Cullman City Council President Jenny Folsom on the record if the City has plans for its own tax.

The mayor's ini- » PAGE 8



CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Cullman City Council President Jenny Folsom, Councilman Clint Hollingsworth and Mayor Woody Jacobs are seen in a 2018 Cullman Tribune file photo.

– EDUCATION –

BE THE CHANGE

Fairview High School focusing on character, academics and life preparedness



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Reminders to "Be the change" can be found throughout Fairview High School. Principal Dr. Chris Gambrill said that's the message the school wants its students to hear this year. » PAGE 7

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Cullman council approves road construction for NAFCO, tax abatement for Royal Technologies; update on Eva Road bridge



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The Cullman City Council is seen at its meeting Monday, Feb. 10, 2020. » PAGE 4

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Chatting with Polly Easterwood, part 2

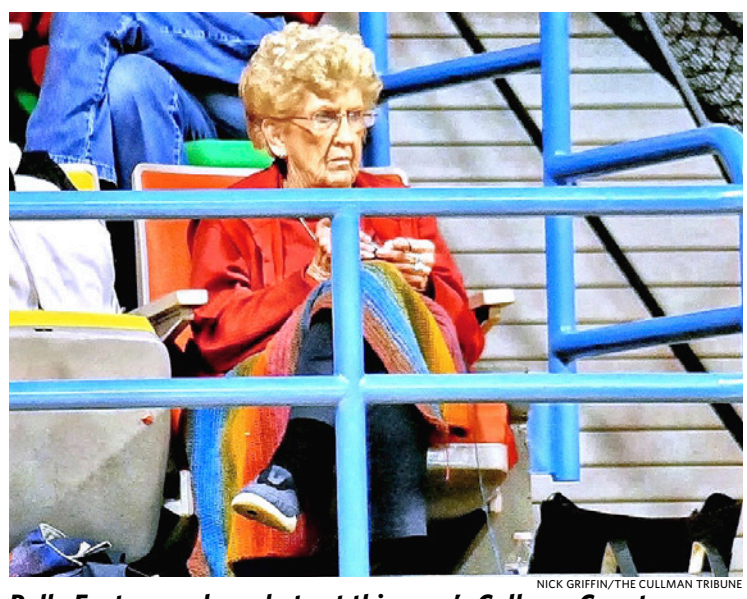
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Polly Easterwood may have been reluctant about moving to Holly Pond several decades ago, but now there is no place she would rather call home. In 1988, Easterwood retired from teaching music at Holly Pond after 35 years. Retirement did not mean a time to slow down. It was simply the beginning of the next chapter.

By the time she retired, Polly and her husband, Felton Easterwood, had raised three wonderful boys: Tim, Tam and Tom. Sadly, Polly and Felton lost their middle son, Tam, in 1995. Tam was diagnosed with a brain tumor and died exactly one month later.

Polly said of her late son in a speech she delivered when he was posthumously inducted into the Spirit of Atlanta Hall of Fame, "From as long as I can remember, Tam always wanted to play in the band. But our high school didn't have one. Then, when he was in the sixth grade, he was so excited that his dad, the principal, implemented the starting of a band. Tam wanted to play the trumpet because it was shiny and loud. Our house had trees all around so into the woods Tam would go to practice. By the time he got into high school, he was loud."

Tam accomplished many great things in his life, including teaching himself piano, becoming a member of the Marching Southerners at Jacksonville State University, » PAGE 4



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Polly Easterwood crochets at this year's Cullman County Basketball Tournament at Wallace State Community College. She and her husband Felton Easterwood are fixtures at Holly Pond games, where Polly is famous for her crocheting.

Dial 2-1-1 hotline to connect to local services when in need

Feb. 11 is National 211 Day

Becky Goff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Everyone knows to call 9-1-1 in an emergency, but do you know about 2-1-1? It's a hotline number and partner program of United Way of Cullman County that links callers to basic human needs like food, clothing and shelter. It can also help with physical and mental health needs including support groups, drug and alcohol intervention, victim services and rehabilitation.

The 211 hotline also provides information on support for senior citizens, children and families.

During a disaster or crisis, 211 can link callers to emergency » PAGE 4

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 10

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 10, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents reported.

ARRESTS
Feb. 6
Ballentine, Tyler Clay, 27
• FTA- attempting to elude
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- public intoxication

Creasey, Griffin Eli, 23
• first-degree receiving stolen property

Davis, James Nicholas, 37
• probation violation- third-degree burglary

James, Angela Pugh, 42
• writ of arrest- child support

Rockwell Jr., Vinton Eugene, 31
• first-degree receiving stolen property

Rudd III, John Clarence, 52
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Shemwell Jr., Michael Douglas, 30
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- headlights required (night)
• FTA- liability insurance required
• FTA- switched tag

Feb. 7-9
Aguilar, Everado, 38
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Alldredge, Merlena Kay, 43
• third-degree burglary
• illegal possession of prescription medicine

Anthony, Cory Daniel, 27
• attempting to elude
• FTA- first-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument (3 counts)
• reckless endangerment

Ballenger, Rustin Ryan, 34
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Bingham, James Harold, 62
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Brown, David Olvin, 33
• third-degree domestic violation- harassing communications

Chisolm, John Harmon, 51
• FTA- fourth-degree theft by deception

Cupps, Brittany Erin, 27
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Day, Jessica Lorraine, 33
• FTA- permitting dogs to run at large

Dodgen, Austin Lee, 28
• first-degree assault
• second-degree criminal mischief

Gunter, Jr., George Edward, 31
• first-degree theft of property

Harbison, Stephen Loyd, 39
• attempting to elude
FTA- first-degree criminal trespassing
• obstruction/using a false ID
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• resisting arrest

McDonald, Steven Scott, 34
• probation violation- first-degree financial exploitation of the elderly
• probation violation- illegal possession/use of a credit or debit card (old charge)
• probation violation- third-degree theft of property
• probation violation- trafficking in stolen identities

Mikeal, Dustin Nathaniel, 27
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• tag light required

Motes, Darrell Maurice, 37
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Myer, Christopher Allen, 26
• harassment

Parker Jr., Therron Dewayne, 30
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Pitts, Jacolby Connway, 31
• motion to revoke bond- driving left of center
• motion to revoke bond- manslaughter
• motion to revoke bond- reckless murder
• motion to revoke bond- reckless driving

Riggs, Britany Hope, 28
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Scott, Mark Heath, 40
• DUI- influence of alcohol
• improper lane usage

Smith, Larry Andrew, 33
• third-degree burglary

Stillwell, Jimmy Ray, 29
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Whittaker, Damian John, 42
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Williams, Brian Presby, 42
• FTA- driving while suspended

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
Feb. 7
• fraudulent use of a credit or debit card; person; misc. charges
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; misc.; $31
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; misc.; $101

Feb. 8
• harassment; person; Commerce Ave.
• fourth-degree theft of property; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; shoes; $80
• fourth-degree theft of property; Publix; Cullman Shopping Center; general merchandise; $400
• harassment; person; Cleveland Ave.
• third-degree criminal trespassing; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW

Feb. 9
• fourth-degree theft of property; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; misc.; $50

ARRESTS
Feb. 7
Millican, Jody M., 44
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Turner, Nicholas S., 29
• fourth-degree theft of property

Holland, Graham E., 30
• first-degree theft of property

Aaron, Wanda G., 65
• fourth-degree theft of property

Harbison, Alexander E., 27
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• illegal possession of prescription drugs

Feb. 8
Lay, Rachel L., 29
• first-degree criminal mischief
• harassment
• assault with bodily fluids
• disorderly conduct

Gay, Antoniyo L., 17 (adult status)
• fourth-degree theft of property

Jorgensen, Tyrone J., 18
• fourth-degree theft of property

Williams, Shayla C., 25
• third-degree criminal trespassing
• public intoxication

Powell, Tallon L., 27
• DUI- combined substance
• failure to yield

Feb. 9
Fields, Ivan J., 39
• fourth-degree theft of property

Thomas, Belinda S., 46
• fourth-degree theft of property
• second-degree possession of forged instrument

Brown, James R., 37
• fourth-degree theft of property
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
Feb. 11 - 13

TUESDAY, FEB. 11

Cullman County Commission Meeting
10 a.m. at the Cullman County Courthouse

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

Drop-in Support Group for Survivors of Domestic Abuse
• 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Victim Services of Cullman, 310 Third Ave. NE, Cullman
• Weekly (drop-in) support group for anyone who has been or is currently in an abusive relationship. Childcare is available, but we ask that you call in advance so that we know how many children to prepare for. Call 256-775-2600 for info to arrange childcare services.

Hurts. Habits. Hang-ups.
• Bring the whole family! Bible study for children and nursery will be open. Free hot home-cooked meal served at 5:30 p.m. Meeting at 6:15 p.m.
• Fellowship- Praise and worship- Guest speakers- Prayer. Come join us every Tuesday night for one of the best support groups in town!
• Spirit Life Church, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman

Vinemont Town Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Vinemont Town Hall

Colony Town Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Colony Town Hall

Cullman County Republican Women Meeting
• Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. at the VFW, 112 Veterans Dr. SW, Cullman
• Speakers will be the candidates for Cullman County Commission Chairman - Kenneth Walker, Philip Widner, Jeff Clemons and Wiley Kitchens. Also speaking will be Dr. Shane Barnette, Cullman County Schools superintendent.
• A light supper will be provided. We encourage the public to attend.

Friendship Squares Square Dance Club
6:30 p.m. every Tuesday at the East Point Community Center, 556 AL Hwy. 69 N, Cullman, AL 35058. Lessons are available. Come join us for some foot-stomping fun and fellowship.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12
Yoga at the Library
• Every Wednesday from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
• Cullman County Public Library, 200 Clark St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055
• Bring your own mat, strap and block. These items are optional.

THURSDAY, FEB. 13
Free Heart Screenings
• Cullman Regional's Colonel Cullmann Room, located in Professional Office Building 2 (1912 Alabama Hwy. 157, Cullman, AL 35058)
• Screenings include lipid panel (LDL, HDL, total cholesterol and triglycerides), glucose, body mass index, EKG, blood pressure, ABI, bone density and PSA (to men who meet screening criteria).
• To schedule an appointment, call 256-290-3644. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Chair Yoga
Chair Yoga every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Library, 60 Lions Park Road, Holly Pond, AL 35083. For more information, call 256-796-5226.

Senior Outreach Presents "The Hee Haw Show"
• 2-4 p.m. at the Donald E. Green Active Adult Center, 1625 Cleveland Ave. SW, Cullman
• Admission is $5.

Alabama Beta Delta Teachers' Sorority Presents 13th Annual Chocolate Extravaganza
• 4-6 p.m. in the St. Paul's School auditorium
• $7 donation for a 20-piece box of homemade chocolates
• No eat-in event this year. Only take-outs available.
• All proceeds go to our scholarship fund to benefit a student who is pursuing a career in education.
• For more information, contact Linda Walker at 256 347-0755 or Myrna Hermetz at hermetz@bellsouth.net.

Learn to Sew
• 6 p.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex
• Tired of paying for simple mends? Come join our Learn to Sew Class! We will learn how to measure and cut for hemming by machine and hand, how to sew buttons, and other easy mending projects. Hurry and register. Space is limited.

Hanceville City Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall

Dodge City Town Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Dodge City Town Hall

MORE...
Letters from Santa to Benefit Wallace State Relay For Life Team
• Have a letter sent to your child/children from Santa and postmarked from North Pole, Alaska! Letters will be sent in early March. Remind your child to be good, that Santa will put in a good word with the Easter Bunny, or any message you want to share.
• $5 per envelope. Proceeds will benefit Wallace State's Relay For Life team and the American Cancer Society. The deadline to submit letters is Feb. 20. Contact Gail Crutchfield at gail.crutchfield@wallacestate.edu with any questions.
• Fill out this form: http://bit.ly/373Mzpr

CCBOE Community Meetings
• The upcoming March 3 primary ballot will include a measure to create a new 1-cent tax to support schools. Between now and the March 3 vote, the Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) will hold a series of community meetings at local schools as well as the CCBOE office at 402 Arnold St. NE in Cullman to allow voters an opportunity to find out more about the plan and ask questions.

Remaining meetings are as follows:
• Monday, Feb. 17, West Point/Harmony in the West Point auditorium at 6 p.m.
• Tuesday, Feb. 18, Hanceville/Welti in the Hanceville High gym at 6 p.m.
• Wednesday, Feb. 19, Central Office Board Room at 8 a.m.
• Thursday, Feb. 20, Fairview/Parkside in the Fairview auditorium at 6 p.m.
• Monday, Feb. 24, Holly Pond in the Holly Pond lunchroom at 6 p.m.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Singing
Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. with Living Faith Quartet. The church is located by U.S. Highway 278 approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

17th Annual Empty Bowls of Cullman County
• Tickets are $10 and on sale now at Cullman Caring for Kids and First United Methodist Church.
• The dinner will be held Monday, Feb. 17 from 4-6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Hearin Hall, 320 Third St. SE, Cullman.
• Dine-in, drive-thru or carry-out.
• Southern gospel entertainment by Enell Baker, Joyful Hearts, The Potentials and FUMC Gospel Singers.
• Proceeds benefit Cullman Caring for Kids.

Cullman Forestry Planning Committee Plant Sale
• Thursday, Feb. 20 at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Tally Ho St. SW (across from the Cullman Bowling Center). The sale will begin at 8 a.m. and will last until the plants are gone or until noon (whichever comes first).
• There will be a nice selection of landscape trees, small ornamental trees and flowering shrubs for $2 each. They are all seedling bare root plants, which are easy to transplant. Come early for the best selection. We will have the largest selection we have ever had, consisting of about 40 species of plants.

CASA Open House
• Thursday, Feb. 20 from 5-8 p.m. at CASA, 402 Arnold St. NE Suite W-1, Cullman
• We would like to invite you to our Open House! We have so many exciting things happening this year! Come meet with our volunteers and case managers! This is the perfect time for questions! Come join us in fellowship and fun!!

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Heritage Homeschool A Gee's Bend Quilt
• Thursday, Feb. 27 at 9 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex
• Celebrated Alabama Gee's Bend Quilters will tell the story of their art and teach about their nationally acclaimed history. Storytelling, songs, and quilt show & tell will be a part of this one of a kind program! $8 per child, $16 per family. To register please go to www.Agriplex.org and click on the register tab. Follow the link to our new registration system RecDesk.

Relay For Life Team Spirit Meeting
• Thursday, March 4, 5:30 p.m.
• First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall
• www.relayforlife.org/cullmanal

Swamp John's Dinner for Holly Pond Band
Sunday, March 8 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the school lunchroom. $11 per plate. Visit our Facebook page- Holly Pond HS Bronco Band- for information or call 256-339-9677.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Hanceville blows by Glencoe 73-41 to win 3A, Area 12 tournament title; Friday area tournament scoring recap

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HANCEVILLE, Ala – The Bulldogs returned to Lane Horton Gymnasium after knocking off J.B. Pennington earlier this week and this time, they were facing Glencoe for this year's 3A, Area 12 tournament championship. Hanceville set the tone right out of the gate and handled the Yellow Jackets 73-41 to earn another home game in the sub-regional round next week.

Two quick baskets from Cainon Moore and Brodie Malcom gave the Bulldogs a 4-0 start and Malcom later finished an and-one play at the line to extend the lead to 8-2.

Malcom collected two more buckets and a steal to make it 14-4 with less than three minutes to play in the opening quarter and Raiden Morgan knocked down a jumper to give Hanceville an 18-6 advantage.

Morgan added another basket at the buzzer to make it a 20-6 game going into the second quarter.

The Bulldogs were relentless on the defensive end, pressing Glencoe from free throw line to free throw line and generating their fair share of turnovers.

Matthew Cornelius buried a three to add to the lead and Moore and Malcom each scored another basket to give Hanceville a 27-6 lead early in the second.

Another Malcom layup made it 31-10 with five minutes to play in the half and the Bulldogs pulled ahead 35-16 after another bucket from Moore.

Tyson Bellmon drilled a three to put Hanceville on top 38-16 with a minute remaining in the period and Zach Campbell scored back to back buckets just before the break to make it a 42-19 game at the half.

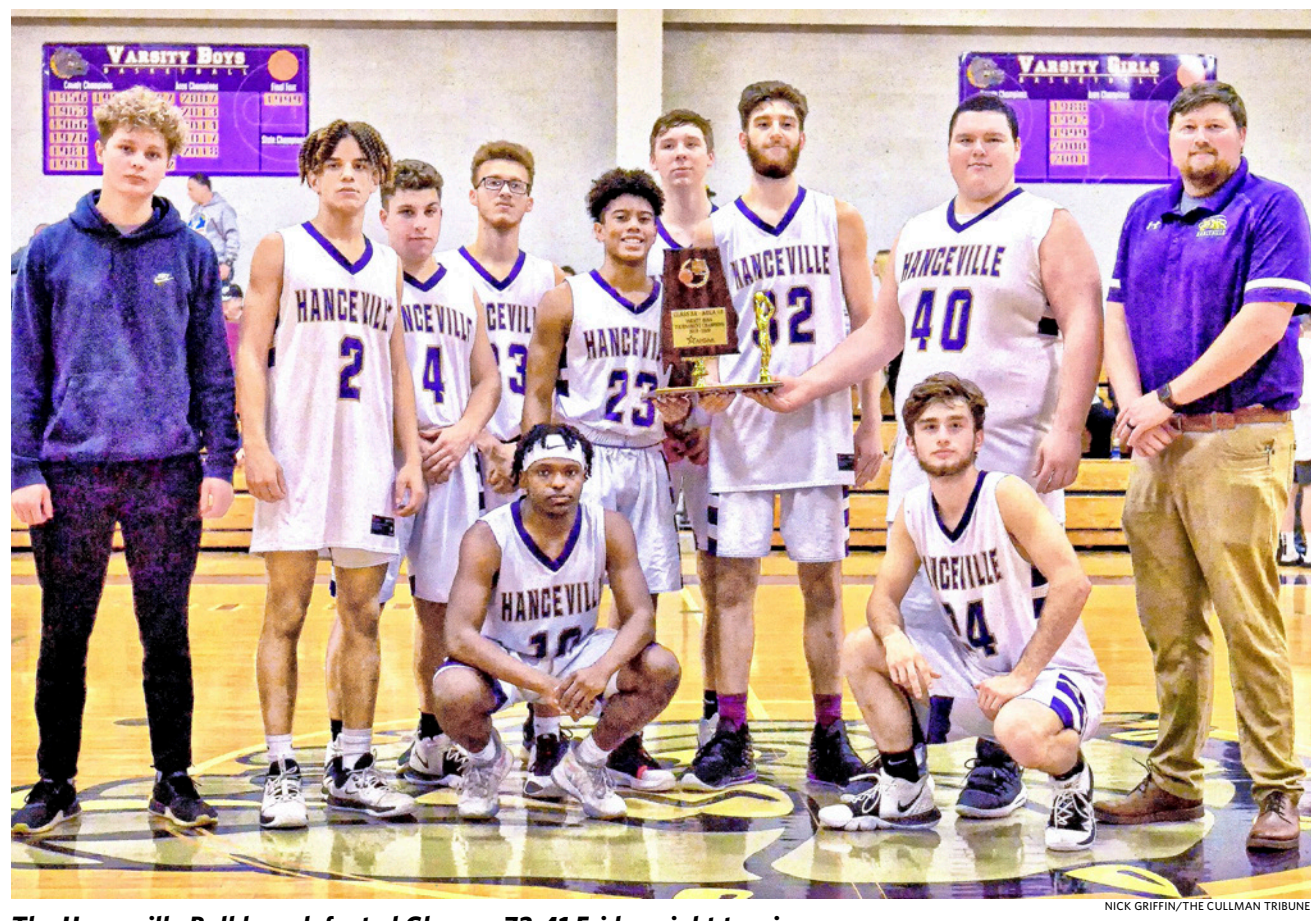
Bellmon knocked down another trey and Moore scored inside to extend the lead to 53-24 midway through the third quarter.

Ethen Roberts scored to make it 55-24 with less than three minutes remaining in the period and after Izayah Glenon was fouled at the buzzer, he drilled a pair of free throws to give the Bulldogs a 59-24 lead going into the fourth.

Garrett Turner laid one in to add to the lead early in the fourth quarter and another steal by Malcom led to two more easy points and a 63-28 Hanceville lead.

Morgan knocked down a three-pointer to midway through the period to keep the Bulldogs in front by 36 and Hanceville cruised to a 73-41 victory.

Malcom led the Bulldogs with 18 points in the win, followed by Morgan with 15 and Moore with 10.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Hanceville Bulldogs defeated Glencoe 73-41 Friday night to win this year's 3A, Area 12 tournament championship.

Campbell and Bellmon each posted eight and Glenon finished with six.

Hanceville will return home Tuesday night to face Locust Fork in the sub-regional round.

OTHER FRIDAY AREA TOURNAMENT SCORES:
Hartselle 79 – Cullman 48 (varsity boys) 6A, Area 14
The Bearcats fell to Hartselle in the 6A, Area 14 tournament title game Friday night and will travel to play Muscle Shoals in the sub-regional round Tuesday night.

Oneonta 75 – Good Hope 68 (varsity boys) 4A, Area 12
The Raiders fell to Oneonta in 4A, Area 12 tournament finals and will travel to play D.A.R. in the sub-regional round Tuesday night.

New Hope 52 – Vinemont 39 (varsity boys) 3A, Area 13
The Eagles fell to New Hope in Friday night's 3A, Area 13 tournament championship game and will travel to Winfield for the sub-regional round Tuesday night.

New Hope 38 – Holly Pond 36 (varsity girls) 3A, Area 13
The Lady Broncos fell in a narrow loss at New Hope in the 3A, Area 13 tournament finals and will travel to Winfield for the sub-regionals Monday.

Auburn rallies past LSU in OT, McCormick hits game-winner

Greg Ostendorf
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – J'Von McCormick wasn't going to let Auburn lose Saturday. He made three consecutive 3-pointers in the final minute of regulation to bring the Tigers back, and it was his floater with 0:00.1 left in overtime that proved to be the game-winner against LSU.

"I felt like it came off my hands pretty good," McCormick said. "I work on those shots all the time so it was just nothing to me."

"He stepped up," teammate Samir Doughty said. "That's what we expected. We wanted the ball in his hands. Coach [Bruce Pearl] wanted the ball in his hands, and he just delivered.

"He saved me at the end. I had that turnover late in overtime, and he scored a basket to win a game."

McCormick finished with 23 points, nine assists and a career-high nine rebounds to lead the Tigers to a 91-90 victory in front of a sold-out crowd in Auburn Arena.

It was yet another come-from-behind win for Auburn (21-2, 8-2), who moves into first place in the SEC standings following its sixth-consecutive victory.

It was the third time in the last four games that the Tigers have erased a double-digit lead in the second half.

They came back from 19 down against Ole Miss, 11 down against Arkansas, and they were down by as many as 15 to LSU on Saturday.

All three of those games were decided in overtime where Auburn is now a perfect 4-0 on the season.

Trailing 71-63 with just over a minute left in Saturday's game, McCormick caught fire with three 3s in a span of 20 seconds to cut the LSU lead to two.

After finally missing one, McCormick got a steal and pushed it ahead to teammate Samir Doughty who scored in transition to tie it at 74 with 19 seconds left.

LSU missed a potential game-winning 3-pointer at the buzzer, sending the game to overtime.

After LSU scored to open the extra period, Auburn responded with a 9-0 run. Doughty knocked down a 3 from the top of the key.

Freshman Devan Cambridge followed with another 3, and then Doughty connected again from almost the same spot to put the Tigers up 83-76.

Doughty led Auburn with 26 points and made 5 of 11 shots from beyond the arc. It was the senior's sixth straight game in double figures and third straight game with 20 or more points.

The 3 from Cambridge was one of a career-high seven 3-pointers made by the freshman Saturday.

He saw added minutes with starter Danjel Purifoy out (flu), and he took full advantage with 21 points off the bench. He was 7 of 11 from the field and 7 of 10 from deep.

As a team, Auburn made a season-high 18 3-pointers against LSU.

It was another dominant effort inside from Austin Wiley, who recorded his ninth double-double of the season with 10 points and a game-high 13 rebounds.

Nine of Wiley's 13 rebounds came in the second half and overtime where Auburn finished with a 31-13 edge on the boards. It was 46-36 in favor of Auburn for the game.

The Tigers will be back in Auburn Arena on Wednesday night to host in-state rival Alabama. The game is scheduled to tip off at 6 p.m. CT and will be televised on ESPN2.

Kira Lewis Jr.'s career high 37 points fuels Alabama in thrilling 105-102 overtime Victory at Georgia

Allison Koerbel
UA Athletics

ATHENS, Ga. – The Alabama men's basketball team defeated the Georgia Bulldogs, 105-102, in overtime Saturday night at Stegeman Coliseum. With the win, the Crimson Tide (13-10, 5-5) notched the most points scored in a true road game in program history, toppling the former record of 102 points set on two different occasions.

The 207 combined points scored marked the third-most in the Alabama record books and the most combined points between UA and an opponent since 1971.

Sophomore Kira Lewis Jr. poured in a season-high 37 points on 12-of-21 shooting from the field, 3-of-6 from deep, and 10-of-15 from the charity stripe. It was his second 30-point game of the season (had 30 points in the season-opener against Penn) and his team-leading seventh game of 20 or more points. He scored 25 of his game total in the second half and overtime. Junior John Petty finished with 21 points, seven rebounds, four assists and two blocks.

Three other Crimson Tide players reached double figures as redshirt freshman Javian Davis finished with 13 points and eight boards, graduate senior Beetle Bolden added 11 points, six rebounds and four assists and freshman Jaden Shackelford collected 10 points, marking his seventh consecutive double-digit scoring game.

Georgia was led by Sahvir Wheeler who finished with 24 points and a game-high eight assists, while Rayshaun Hammonds added 20. Freshman sensation Anthony Edwards was held in check for the most part as the league's second-leading scorer finished with 14 points and a game-high 12 boards on the night.

Coach Nate Oats Postgame Comments
"This was a tough road win that we needed badly after giving away the two straight games at home. I thought our guys showed a lot of character. To come in here and fight like we did on the road was great for our guys. We gave up a big run to start the second half, but the guys got it back together. I thought the chatter in the timeouts was good from our guys.

"We have some good leadership from our leaders. It was great to get a road win. I know Petty and Kira would love to go 100 percent from the line, but they made enough free throws for us to get the win. I am really proud of those two. I thought Petty's defense on Edwards was great and Kira was a floor general tonight – probably the best he has played all year to be honest with you. We showed a lot of fight. Georgia is a good team and showed a lot of fight, too. I know Edwards was a little under the weather and he played big minutes for them which turned it into a really good game for both teams. We are fortunate to walk out tonight with win."

Team Stats
- In addition to his career high scoring night, Lewis also made a career-best 12 field goals
- It marked the first time the Tide has scored 80 or more points in a game since doing so against Missouri on Jan. 18
- Alabama has now scored 80 or better in 12 of its 23 games played on the year, just six shy of the school record of 17 set on three separate seasons (1976-77, 1978-79, 1986-87)
- It also marked the sixth game scoring 90 or better and the second 100-point game of the year (105 vs. Samford on Dec. 18)
- Alabama entered the contest ranked eighth in the nation in scoring offense
- Both teams had 14 turnovers, but it was UA that took advantage of its opponent's mistakes, outscoring Georgia 17-10 in points off turnovers
- The game featured seven ties and seven lead changes

First Half
- Alabama got off to an early 9-6 at the 15:34 mark and the first media stoppage of the game
- With the Tide leading 21-20, a 6-0 spurt gave Alabama a 27-20 lead at the 7:52 mark
- The game remained tightly contested until the final media timeout, with Alabama was in front 37-32
- The Crimson Tide and Bulldogs exchanged buckets for the remainder of the half and ended with Alabama owning a 45-41 lead at the break
- Lewis led the Tide with 12 points to go along with three rebounds and three assists, while Petty also dished out three dimes and grabbed three boards while adding 11 points.

Second Half
- The Bulldogs opened the second half on an 8-1 scoring run to grab a 49-46 lead at the 18:45 mark
- Georgia would extend its run to 24-8 over the opening 5:16 to take a 65-53 lead at the 14:44 mark
- The Crimson Tide would respond with a 15-2 surge over the next 4:04 to regain the lead, 68-67, with 10:40 remaining
- The game continued at a fast pace, as Alabama held a 78-77 lead with 8:00 left on the clock
- After Alabama led 83-77, the Bulldogs used a 6-0 run to tie the game at the final media timeout
- With Alabama clinging tightly to a 91-90 lead with just 31.3 seconds to go Lewis made 1-of-2 free throws to take a 92-90 lead
- Georgia was able to tie the game and send it to extra time

Overtime
- After a back-and-forth start to the extra period, two free throws from Shackelford gave Alabama a 101-98 advantage with just over a minute to play
- A free throw from Lewis made it 102-98 with 14.7 seconds remaining
- A pair of free throws from Georgia made it 102-100 with 9.5 seconds to go
- With 4.3 seconds on the clock, Petty made a free throw to make it 105-102 in favor of the Tide
- Georgia's three-point attempt at the buzzer failed and Alabama secured the 105-102 road victory
- The Tide made just two field goals and went 9-of-12 from the free throw line in the overtime, with all of its final nine points coming at the charity stripe

The Tide will return to action on Wednesday night as it travels to face No. 11/11 Auburn. Tipoff is slated for 5 p.m. CT and will be televised on ESPN2.

For all the latest information on the team, follow AlabamaMBB on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. General athletic news can be found @UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and Alabama Athletics on Facebook.

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Council (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman City Council on Monday evening awarded a bid for construction of an access road from the North Alabama Fabricating Company (NAFCO) to County Road 222 to Carcel & G Construction, in the amount of $348,045. Carcel & G beat out two other bidders:

• Manning Construction, LLC of Cullman, with a bid of $363,329.49

• Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc. of Guntersville, with a bid $398,983.74

The new road will allow NAFCO direct access to County Road 222 near the Burrow property for trucks carrying heavier loads.

According to Cullman Economic Development Agency Director Dale Greer, $324,000 of the project cost to the City will be paid for by a grant received from a state industrial access road fund.

Greer said that, when requesting the access road, NAFCO representatives stated the improvement will allow the company to add 30 new jobs and make a new capital investment of $1.5 million in its facility.

The access road will be designated a city street, and could be used for other purposes as well.

The council also approved a tax abatement to Royal Technologies for a facility expansion expected to represent a capital investment of $2 million.

The 10-year abatement will cover "all state and local noneducational ad valorem taxes, and all construction related transaction taxes, except those construction related transaction taxes levied for educational purposes or for capital improvements for education."

According to Greer, Royal Technologies reported the expansion will create 50 new jobs over the next two years.

Eva Road bridge

Mayor Woody Jacobs reported the Eva Road bridge is "very close to opening," and the opening could take place as early as this weekend or early next week.

He cautioned, though, that the rainy weather has slowed down the final steps.

Rails and temporary striping have been recently installed, and the City is waiting on the installation of lights.

Police Chief Kenny Culpepper advised that the police department will have extra patrols in the area and will strictly enforce speed limits while drivers get accustomed to the new structure.

Other council business

The council approved a request from Melissa Aaron of East Elementary School PTO for a special event permit to hold 1-mile and 5K fundraising color runs around East Elementary Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 7 a.m.

All proceeds from the event will go toward playground equipment at East Elementary.

The council also passed a resolution supporting the 2020 Census and encouraging local residents to participate.

The resolution noted, "Receiving federal funds relies, in part, on census data and Cullman County receives federal funding to support things such as health care, education, roads, bridges, assistance programs, etc.; and . . . census data also helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is used in the redistricting of state legislatures."

The council passed a resolution to surplus lighting fixtures and other equipment damaged in the 2018 hailstorm.

The Cullman City Council meets next at 7 p.m. Feb. 17, 2020 in the city hall auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

211 (from Front)

shelters, food distribution centers and state and federal assistance, as well as volunteer opportunities.

"If you need help paying a utilities bill, finding housing, buying food, accessing job training, navigating veterans' services or dealing with an emergency or crisis, you can dial 2-1-1 today to speak to one of our specialists," said United Way of Cullman County Executive Director Becky Goff.

"We'll make sure you've got a plan, and put you in touch with the right resources."

The 211 hotline is a free, confidential information and referral service available 24/7.

You can also connect online at 211.connectsalabama.org or text "HELP" to 888-421-1266.

"We want people to know that if you are struggling or have questions, there is hope, and that they can get connected to programs that will work to help them solve problems and link them to community resources," Goff said.

Easterwood (from Front)

serving as assistant band director at LSU and being a member of the Spirit of Atlanta Drum and Bugle Corps. He took a 35-member band program at East Coweta High School, outside of Atlanta, and grew it to 325 members. His band traveled to London and Macy's in New York City to perform.

Tam had applied and was chosen as one of the directors of the Olympic Band for the 1996 Olympic Games. Polly said it had been a dream of his. Sadly, Tam passed away a short time before the Olympics began.

Hundreds of family members, friends and band members attended his funeral service in Holly Pond. One of Tam's friends wrote a piece called "Tam's Song" to honor his late friend and musician.

The Easterwoods present the Tam Easterwood Memorial Award each fall at Hanceville's Mud Creek Marching Festival, to the best color guard performance. Tam was instrumental in helping to establish the long-running marching band competition.

Polly said of her husband Felton, "The only game he ever missed was when Tam died. The next week, the regional tournament started in Hanceville and they made an announcement that Felton Easterwood's, superintendent of education, son had passed away and wanted everyone to stand and have a moment of silence. I thought that was so sweet."

To this day, that game is the only one the Easterwoods have ever missed Holly Pond play in at Wallace State.

Polly continued, "I go to ballgames because I always have with Felton. The one thing I asked him not to be is referee. I just could not sit there in the stands and hear all this, what goes on to referees and sit there and not tell them what I thought about them."

When asked if there are bad referees, she laughed and said, "Oh, YES, of course there is. Gosh yeah, we had two of the lousiest ones last week! I don't know what county they were from; they weren't from Cullman County."

Polly is very talented in so many ways. In addition to crocheting and knitting, she does cross-stitch and ceramics.

"When I retired, I was going to start quilting. I bought all the goodies. I bought the scissors. I bought the material. The one I wanted to do was called the 'attic window.' I had it halfway done and right in the middle, I had turned the attic window the wrong way," she said. "I promised the Lord then that if he ever let me finish that quilt, he would never catch me quilting again."

Polly loves to knit, but said she "can't talk and knit at the same time." She chooses to crochet at ballgames because she can watch the game and talk without looking at the stitch. The walls of the Easterwood home are decorated with family photos and the many pieces of needlework Polly has created. Each of her cross-stitched pieces have the names of Tim, Tam and Tom hidden in them.

Family is the most important part of Polly's life. She has four grandchildren, whom she is extremely proud of and describes as "good Christians." She also has five great-grandchildren and another one on the way. She is currently finishing a baby blanket for the new baby. Most of the family lives within walking distance to Felton and Polly.

"We are just happy!" Polly smiled.

Polly still plays piano and organ for funerals, sings at church and plays in the pool and yard with her great-grandchildren.

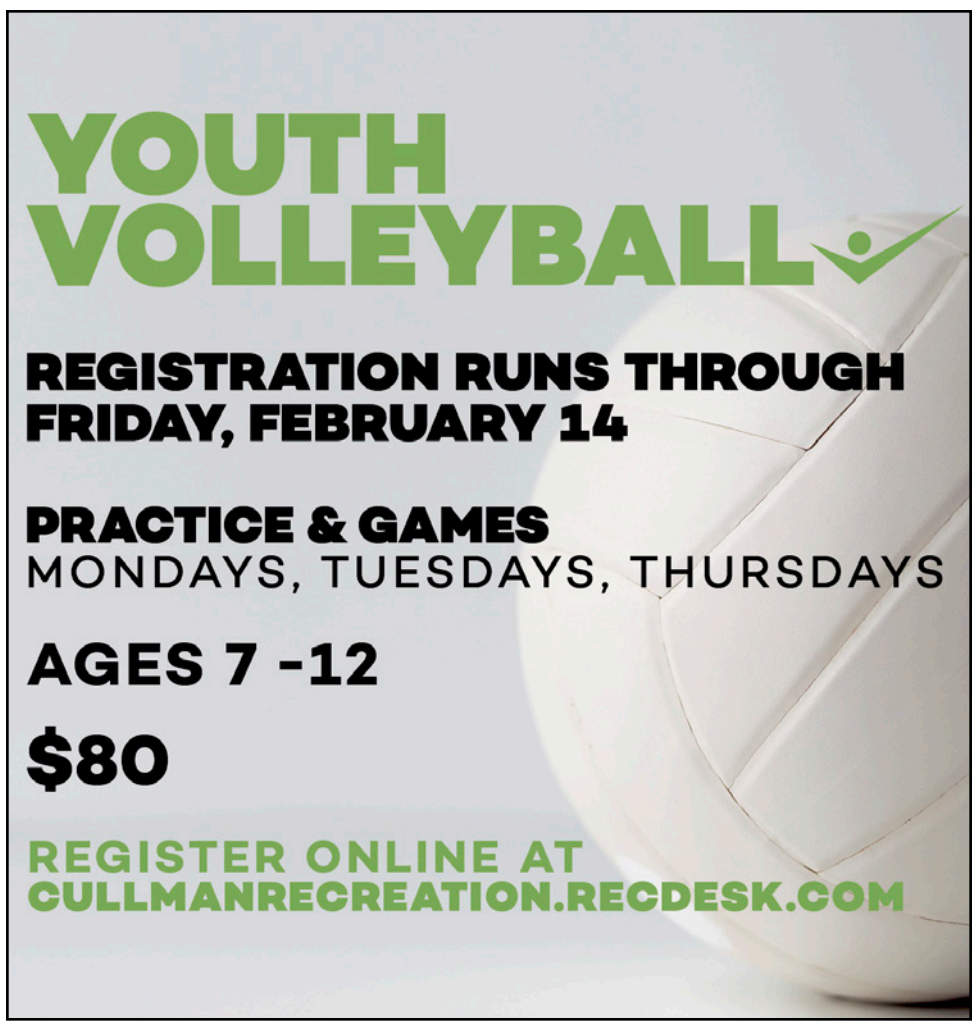
"I have had a good life. There's nothing wrong with me and I don't take any medications. I go for a check-up every six months," she said. "God's been good."

Polly finished by saying, "We have good times. We've had some bad times, but we have good times. Hey, I am just as happy. I don't wish I had a lot of money. I don't wish I was somewhere else. I am perfectly content, I really am. As long as I can keep Felton's TV down."

Read part 2 here: www.cullmantribune.com/2020/02/04/senior-spotlight-chatting-with-polly-easterwood-part-1.









Roaring 20s event raises funds for independent living skills apartment

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Flourish of Cullman on Saturday evening hosted a fundraiser, the "Roaring 20s" Bingo Night and Silent Auction, at Goat Island Brewing. The organization, which helps people with developmental disabilities gain skills for independent living and employment, is raising funds for its current housing project, a duplex near Berlin. The annual Goat Island event is one of two large-scale fundraisers that support Flourish's programs.

Attendees, many of whom came dressed in period attire, enjoyed a catered dinner and drinks, contests featuring 1920s trivia, 1920s music and, of course, bingo and a silent auction with a wide selection of prizes.

This year's event was sponsored by Lee Powell of Country Financial and was the first sponsored Flourish fundraiser.

Flourish Co-Founder/Executive Director Melissa Dew talked to The Tribune about where the money raised Saturday night will go.

"It's going to go to several different things," she said.

"We just moved into our duplex, and the other side is what we're remodeling now, for an independent living skills apartment.

"We would like to use the funds from tonight to actually fix that to be able to help people that want to live independently."

Dew took a moment to commend the people who helped make the event a success.

"Our sponsor, Lee Powell, has been great in helping us out.

"Our board of directors have been amazing: they have sold tickets, they came out today at 12 o'clock and started helping us put this together, brought in some of their own money. They worked on projects the last two months to get this happening," she said.

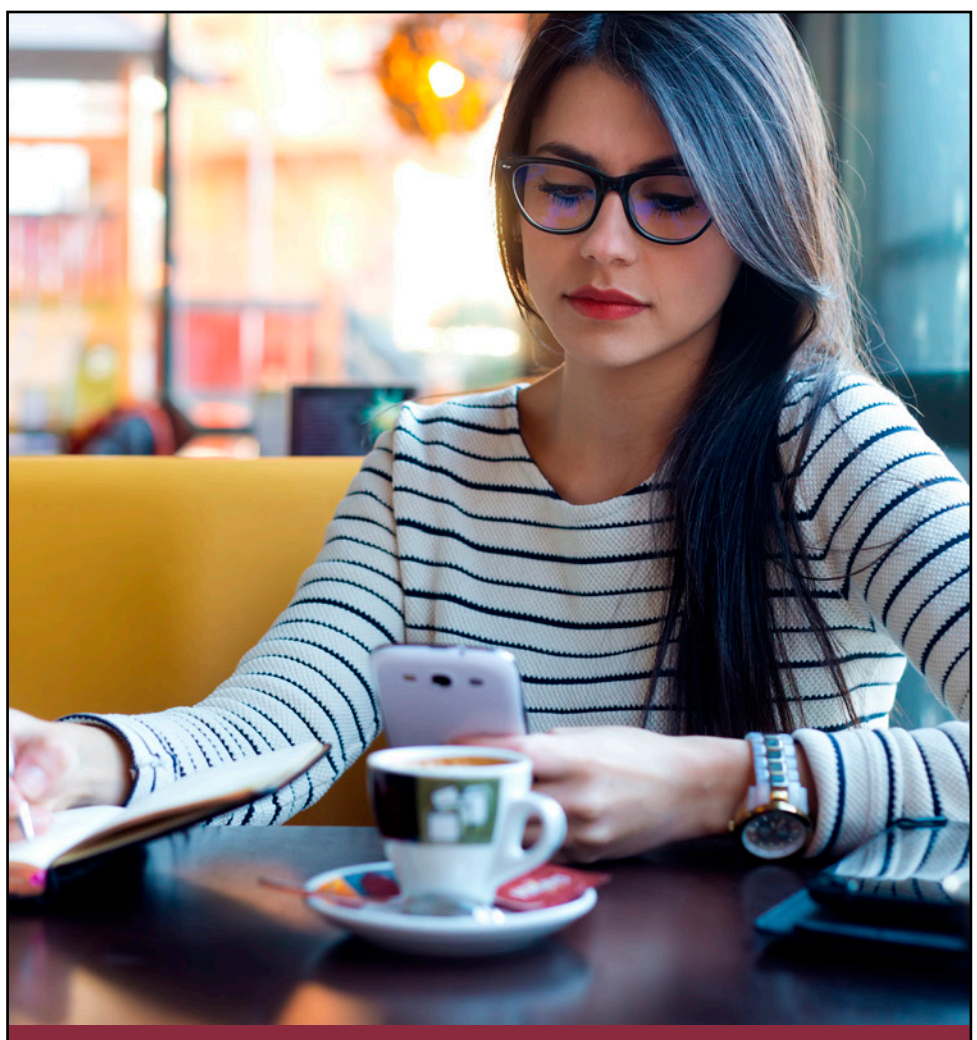
"All of our staff is here tonight, so they're actually helping and engaging with the people in the community. I always say, 'Teamwork makes the dream work,' and that's exactly what we do on a daily basis, is we all work together to improve lives of people with differing abilities."



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Teresa Hunt, Dana Creel and Brenda Turk dressed the part for Flourish of Cullman's Roaring 20s Bingo and Silent Auction at Goat Island Brewing Saturday evening.

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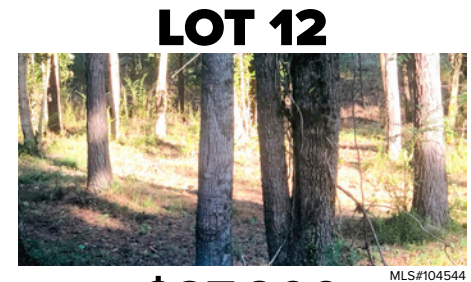
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Sports

8:00 a.m. FSEE College Wrestling Iowa State at Oklahoma.
10:00 a.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at Orlando Magic.
3:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
6:00 p.m. ESPN College Basketball Kentucky at Vanderbilt. (Live)
ESPN2 College Basketball NC State at Syracuse. (Live)
TNT NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Philadelphia 76ers. (Live)
7:00 p.m. FSEE College Basketball DePaul at Georgetown.
8:00 p.m. ESPN College Basketball Michigan State at Illinois. (Live)
ESPN2 College Basketball Notre Dame at Virginia. (Live)
8:30 p.m. TNT NBA Basketball Boston Celtics at Houston Rockets. (Live)
10:00 p.m. ESPN2 College Basketball New Mexico at San Diego State. (Live)
FS1 WWE Backstage (Live)
11:00 p.m. FS1 WWE Friday Night SmackDown
11:30 p.m. FSEE College Gymnastics Iowa at Oklahoma.
12:00 a.m. TNT NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Philadelphia 76ers.
1:00 a.m. FS1 WWE Backstage

Movies

6:00 a.m. HBO "The Recruit" ★★½ (2003) Al Pacino
SHOW "Stardust" ★★★ (2007) Claire Danes To win the heart of his beloved, a young man ventures into the realm of fairies to retrieve a fallen star.
6:30 a.m. FX "The Shallows" ★★½ (2016) Blake Lively.
7:30 a.m. TCM "It's a Great Feeling" ★★½ (1949) Dennis Morgan.
7:33 a.m. MAX "The Darkest Minds" ★★ (2018) Amandla Stenberg
8:10 a.m. HBO "Glass" ★★ (2019) Bruce Willis
8:15 a.m. SHOW "Made of Honor" ★★ (2008) Patrick Dempsey (Premiere)
9:00 a.m. FX "Split" ★★★ (2016) James McAvoy. A psychotic man who has 23 personalities holds three teenage girls captive in an underground cell.
TCM "Romance on the High Seas" ★★½ (1948) Jack Carson.
TMC "Airplane!" ★★★½ (1980) Robert Hays A pilot afraid to fly follows his stewardess ex-girlfriend and must take over for the poisoned crew.
9:20 a.m. MAX "The Dilemma" ★★ (2011) Vince Vaughn
9:30 a.m. AMC "Rocky" ★★★★ (1976) Sylvester Stallone. Heavyweight champ Apollo Creed gives Philadelphia club fighter Rocky Balboa a title shot.
10:00 a.m. FREE "The Bodyguard" ★★½ (1992) Kevin Costner.
SHOW "Five Feet Apart" ★★ (2019) Haley Lu Richardson
10:35 a.m. HBO "Mortal Engines" ★★ (2018) Hera Hilmar
11:00 a.m. TCM "Julie" ★★½ (1956) Doris Day.
11:15 a.m. MAX "Turistas" ★★ (2006) Josh Duhamel
11:30 a.m. FX "World War Z" ★★★ (2013) Brad Pitt. When a zombie pandemic threatens to destroy humanity, a former United Nations investigator is forced back into service to try to uncover the source of the infection.
11:55 a.m. TMC "Shakespeare in Love" ★★★½ (1998) Joseph Fiennes Young William Shakespeare falls for Viola, reawakening his creativity, but she is betrothed to Wessex.
12:00 p.m. AMC "Rocky II" ★★★ (1979) Sylvester Stallone. Underdog Philadelphia fighter Rocky Balboa gets another shot at heavyweight champ Apollo Creed.
SHOW "On the Basis of Sex" ★★½ (2018) Felicity Jones
12:30 p.m. BET "Dr. Dolittle" ★★ (1998) Eddie Murphy.
12:45 p.m. TCM "Madame Bovary" ★★★★ (1949) Jennifer Jones. A woman's unquenchable thirst for romance ultimately proves to be her undoing. Based on Gustave Flaubert's novel.

TUESDAY EVENING

MOVIES

FEBRUARY 11, 2020

		5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
WABM-MyTV	2	**25 Words or Less** (N)	**America Says**	**Family Feud**	**Family Feud**	**Dateline** Adventurers find tropical hideaway.		**Chicago P.D.** Antonio and Ruzek clash over Voight.		**Chicago P.D.** Halstead struggles to stay objective.		**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**
WBIQ-PBS	4	**Ready Jet Go!** (El)	**Lessons for Civil Rights**	**PBS NewsHour** (N)		**Finding Your Roots With Henry Louis Gates, Jr.** "Slave Trade"		**American Experience** Joe Louis fights Max Schmeling.		**Frontline** Protestors fight for rights and freedom. (N)		**New Hampshire Primary**	**Capitol Journal**
WVTM-NBC	5	**WVTM 13 News at 5p** (N)	**NBC Nightly News - Holt**	**WVTM 13 News at 6p** (N)	**WVTM 13 News at 6:3**	**Ellen's Game of Games** "Girls Just Wanna Have Pudding" (N)		**This Is Us** Kate finds strength. (N) (Part 3 of 3)		**(:01) New Amsterdam** A realization prompts a change. (N)		**WVTM 13 News at 10p**	**Tonight Show-J. Fallon**
WBRC-FOX	7	**WBRC FOX6 News at 5pm**	**WBRC FOX6 News**	**WBRC FOX6 News at 6pm**	**Inside Edition** (N)	**The Resident** Conrad goes on a zero-gravity adventure.		**Gordon Ramsay's 24 Hours to Hell and Back** (N)		**WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm**	**WBRC FOX6 News**	**WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm**	**(:35) TMZ** (N)
WIAT-CBS	8	**CBS42 News 5pm** (N)	**CBS Evening News**	**CBS42 News 6pm** (N)	**Entertainment Tonight** (N)	**NCIS** "Lonely Hearts" Sloane has a secret admirer. (N)		**FBI** "Legacy" Armor-piercing rifles are stolen. (N)		**FBI: Most Wanted** "Invisible" A military veteran snaps. (N)		**CBS42 News 10pm** (N)	**Late Show-Colbert**
WTTO-CW	9	**The Goldbergs**	**2 Broke Girls**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Flash** Frost helps Allegra with love. (N)		**DC's Legends of Tomorrow** "Slay Anything" (N)		**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**The Andy Griffith Show**	**The Andy Griffith Show**
WPXH-ION	11	**Criminal Minds** "Bully" A series of murders in Kansas City.		**Criminal Minds** Garcia delves into her hacker past.		**Criminal Minds** A vigilante killer in Cleveland.		**Criminal Minds** "200" J.J. is abducted.		**Criminal Minds** A pair of murder suspects.		**Criminal Minds** "Gabby" A 4-year-old girl goes missing.	
WABM2-ABC	12	**ABC 33/40 News at 5PM**	**ABC World News**	**ABC 33/40 News at 6PM**	**Wheel of Fortune** (N)	**The Conners** (N) (Live)	**Bless This Mess** (N)	**mixed-ish** (N)	**black-ish** "The Gauntlet" (N)	**For Life** "Pilot" Aaron becomes a lawyer.		**ABC 33/40 News at 10PM**	**(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!**
A&E	42	**The First 48** A young Atlanta father is fatally shot.		**The First 48** Street fight leads to a fatal shooting.		**The First 48** A social activist is killed at a bar.		**The First 48: Tracking a Killer** A casino visitor goes missing.		**(:02) The First 48: Tracking a Killer** "The Invitation" (N)		**(:06) The First 48** Police investigate two fatal shootings.	
AMC	53	★★ **"The Outsiders"** (1983, Drama) Matt Dillon, C. Thomas Howell. Gang rivalry leads to tragedy in 1960s Oklahoma.				★★★ **"Home Alone"** (1990, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci, Daniel Stern. A left-behind boy battles two burglars in the house.					★★ **"Home Alone 2: Lost in New York"** (1992, Children's) Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci.		
ANPL	47	**Treehouse Masters** Pete builds UFO inspired treehouse.		**Treehouse Masters** An owl-inspired tree house library.		**Treehouse Masters: Branched Out** "Back to Basics" Pete goes back to basics. (N)				**Treehouse Masters** Pete travels to Alaska to build a lodge.		**Treehouse Masters** "Thrill 'n' Chill Treehouse"	
BET	55	**(3:00) ★★ "Little Man"**	★★ **"White Chicks"** (2004, Comedy) Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans, Jaime King. Two male FBI agents pose as female socialites.					★★★ **"Ray"** (2004, Biography) Jamie Foxx, Kerry Washington, Regina King. Ray Charles overcomes hardships to become a legend.					
BRAVO	58	**Vanderpump Rules** "Reunion Part 2" (Part 2 of 2)		**Vanderpump Rules** Brittany has a meltdown in Miami.		**Vanderpump Rules** Bonus content, fun facts and insights. (N)		**Vanderpump Rules** "Your Pride's Showing" (N)		**Summer House** "The Big Bang" The housemates return.		**Watch What Happens Live**	**Vanderpump Rules**
CMTV	61	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	★★ **"Ace Ventura: Pet Detective"** (1994) Jim Carrey. A goofy gumshoe probes the kidnapping of the Miami dolphin.				★★ **"Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls"** (1995, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Ian McNeice. Goofy sleuth seeks a sacred white bat.			
CNBC	35	**Mad Money** (N)		**Shark Tank** A high-performance problem-solver.		**Shark Tank** Shoe slides; app to stop cyber-bullying.		**Shark Tank** A new way to carry a child's car seat.		**The Profit** Quality handbags that are overpriced. (N)		**The Profit** Helping a failing sauce business.	
CNN	37	**(4:00) America's Choice 2020: New Hampshire Primary** Democratic New Hampshire primary. (N) (Live)											
COM	56	**(:15) The Office** Michael's survival adventure.		**(5:50) The Office**	**(:25) The Office**	**The Office** "Chair Model"	**The Office** "Night Out"	**The Office**	**The Office** "Job Fair"	**The Office** (Part 1 of 2)	**The Office** (Part 2 of 2)	**The Daily Show**	**Lights Out-David Spade**
DISN	49	**(:05) Jessie**	**(:35) Raven's Home**	**(:05) Raven's Home**	**(:35) Bunk'd**	**"Zombies"** (2018) Milo Manheim. Suburban high schoolers learn to coexist with zombies.			**Gabby Duran**	**Coop & Cami Ask the World**	**Sydney to the Max**	**(9:55) Bunk'd**	**Gabby Duran**
DSC	43	**Moonshiners** Josh salvages a submarine still.		**Moonshiners** Mark and Digger try to avert a calamity.		**Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts** Tickle makes a big announcement.		**Moonshiners** Tim put's fire to a backwoods run. (N)		**(:01) Guardians of the Glades** "Snake Bait" (N)		**(:02) Moonshiners** The first run of hillbilly grappa.	
E!	21	**(4:30) Botched**	**Botched** Rajee returns to see the doctors.		**Botched** An Irish model wants larger breasts.		**Botched** A woman missing the inside of her nose.		**Botched** A rare inflammatory disease.		**Botched** Enhanced episode; new pop-up facts.		**Nightly Pop** (N)
ESPN	29	**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)		**College Basketball** Kentucky at Vanderbilt. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** Michigan State at Illinois. (N) (Live)				**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	30	**Daily Wager** (N) (Live)		**College Basketball** NC State at Syracuse. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** Notre Dame at Virginia. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** New Mexico at San Diego State. (N)	
FOOD	45	**Chopped** Chefs compete in chocolate challenges.		**Chopped** Dessert dynamos return for a sugar high.		**Chopped** Pastry chefs make a chocolate feast.		**Chopped** Colossal clam and starchy comfort food. (N)		**Chopped** Tenderizing beef tendon and bok choy. (N)		**Chopped** The chefs must cook with chocolate.	
FREE	48	★★ **"Sweet Home Alabama"** (2002, Romance-Comedy) Reese Witherspoon, Josh Lucas. A New York fashion designer has a secret in the South.					★★ **"The Other Woman"** (2014, Romance-Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Leslie Mann. Premiere. Three women join forces for revenge against a cheating cad.					**The 700 Club** The fight against heart disease. (N)	
FS1	20	**NASCAR Race Hub** (N) (Live)		**Dog Show Preshow**	**144th Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show** "Day 2" From Madison Square Garden in New York. (N) (Live)							**WWE Backstage** (N) (Live)	
FSEE	32	**Golf America** (N)	**18 Holes Gulbis Hanlin**	**Swing Clinic**	**Breaking Par**	**College Basketball** DePaul at Georgetown. From Capital One Arena in Washington, D.C.				**Clemson Basketball**		**Fight Sports: Boxing**	
FX	28	**(4:30)** ★★★ **"American Made"** (2017) Tom Cruise, Domhnall Gleeson. Pilot Barry Seal transports contraband for the CIA.				★★ **"Murder on the Orient Express"** (2017, Mystery) Kenneth Branagh, Johnny Depp. Detective Hercule Poirot investigates a murder on a train.					★★ **"Murder on the Orient Express"** (2017) Kenneth Branagh, Johnny Depp.		
GOLF	82	**Golf Central** (N) (Live)		**School of Golf** (N)	**Golf Advisor Round Trip**	**Golf's Greatest Rounds** During the third round, Jerry Kelly holds the lead, with Tiger Woods trying to stay in the hunt. (N)					**Golf Central**		**Golf's Greatest Rounds**
HALL	72	**"Love in Design"** (2018) Danica McKellar, Andrew W. Walker. A TV star finds romance while renovating a historical manor.				**"My Secret Valentine"** (2018, Comedy) Lacey Chabert, Andrew Walker. A young woman takes advice from chalkboard notes.				**"Walking the Dog"** (2017, Romance-Comedy) Jennifer Finnigan, Sam Page. Rival lawyers are brought together by their dogs.			
HGTV	46	**Fixer Upper** Bryce and Emily Sandvall get a new home.		**House Hunters International**	**House Hunters** (N)	**Love It or List It** A house is crowded with toys.		**Unsellable Houses**	**Unsellable Houses**	**Rehab Addict** (N)	**Rehab Addict** (N)	**Island Life** (N)	**Island Life** (N)
HIST	40	**The Curse of Oak Island** Gary makes an exciting discovery.		**The Curse of Oak Island** "The Eye of the Storm"		**The Curse of Oak Island: Digging Deeper** "Fortified" (N)		**The Curse of Oak Island** "Bromancing the Stones" (N)		**(:03) Project Blue Book** Alleged alien beings invade a home. (N)		**(:05) The Curse of Oak Island** "The Eye of the Storm"	
LIFE	23	★ **"The Ugly Truth"** (2009) Katherine Heigl, Gerard Butler. A romantically challenged woman faces outrageous tests.				★★ **"50 First Dates"** (2004) Adam Sandler, Drew Barrymore. A man falls for a woman who has short-term memory loss.				**(:03)** ★ **"Big Daddy"** (1999) Adam Sandler, Joey Lauren Adams. A goofy ne'er-do-well adopts an impressionable youngster.			
MSNBC	36	**New Hampshire Primary: Decision 2020** Coverage of 2020 New Hampshire primary. (N)											
NGC	22	**Life Below Zero** "New Country"		**Life Below Zero** Alaskans prepare for winter's fury.		**Life Below Zero: Ice Breakers** "Rock Bottom" (N)		**Life Below Zero** "The New World" (N)				**(:13) Life Below Zero** "The New World"	
PARMT	57	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	★★ **"Red"** (2010, Action) Bruce Willis, Morgan Freeman, John Malkovich. The CIA targets a team of former agents for assassination.					**Ink Master** Artists must fight for every advantage. (N)		★★ **"Red"** (2010, Action) Bruce Willis, Morgan Freeman.	
TBS	25	**Family Guy**	**Family Guy**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**Miracle Workers** (N)	**Conan** Actor Jim Carrey. (N)	**Miracle Workers**
TCM	79	**(4:00)** ★★★ **"The Young Lions"** (1958) Marlon Brando. World War II is experienced through the lives of three men.				★★★ **"Peyton Place"** (1957, Drama) Lana Turner, Hope Lange, Arthur Kennedy. Grace Metalious' steamy tale of life in a New England town.						★★★ **"The Bad and the Beautiful"** (1952) Lana Turner.	
TLC	24	**Say Yes to the Dress** Bride Lyndzie wants a royal wedding.		**My Big Fat Fabulous Life** Ryan and Heather kiss.		**My Big Fat Fabulous Life** "Whitney Meets the Parents"		**I Am Jazz** Grandmother will not support surgery. (N)		**Sister Wives** Valentine's Day proves to be awkward.		**My Big Fat Fabulous Life** Ryan and Heather kiss.	
TNT	26	**(3:30)** ★★ **"Battleship"** (2012, Science Fiction) Taylor Kitsch.		**NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Clippers at Philadelphia 76ers. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)				**NBA Basketball** Boston Celtics at Houston Rockets. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)					
USA	27	**(:10)** ★★★ **"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2"** (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice.						**The Biggest Loser** Two people overcome their insecurities. (N)		**Miz & Mrs** (N)	**(:32) Miz & Mrs**	**(:01) Chrisley Knows Best**	**(:32) Chrisley Knows Best**
WE	71	**Law & Order** "Fame" Shield laws and celebrity journalism.		**Law & Order** An Internet photo of a murdered woman.		**Law & Order** An explosion kills an 8-year-old girl.		**Law & Order** "Fear America" An apparent hate-crime.		**Law & Order** A TV show lures suspected pedophiles.		**Law & Order** A body-armor executive is gunned down.	
HBO	518	**(4:50) Real Time With Bill Maher**		**(5:50)** ★★★ **"Long Shot"** (2019) Seth Rogen, Charlize Theron. A presidential candidate hires a speechwriter from her past. 'R'				**"Ali & Cavett: The Tale of the Tapes"** (2018) The life and times of Muhammed Ali. 'NR'			**(:40) The Outsider** Holly presents her unusual theory.		**(:40) Avenue 5**
MAX	549	**(4:50)** ★★★ **"Rescue Dawn"** (2006, War) Christian Bale, Steve Zahn. A U.S. fighter pilot is shot down over Laos. 'PG-13'				★★ **"Leprechaun"** (1993, Horror) Warwick Davis, Jennifer Aniston, Ken Olandt. 'R'			**(:35)** ★★ **"Halloween"** (2018, Horror) Jamie Lee Curtis. Laurie Strode faces a showdown with killer Michael Myers. 'R'				**(:25)** ★★★ **"The Pledge"**
SHOW	578	**(3:50)** ★★★ **"Pavarotti"**	**(:45) Our Cartoon President**	**(:15)** ★★ **"Phantom"** (2013, Suspense) Ed Harris, David Duchovny. A Soviet submarine captain leads a covert mission. 'R'				**Homeland** Carrie recovers in Germany.		★★ **"On the Basis of Sex"** (2018) Felicity Jones. Ruth Bader Ginsburg brings a case before the Supreme Court.			
TMC	598	**David Bowie: Finding Fame**	**(:20) "Chokehold"** (2018, Action) Casper Van Dien, Melissa Croden, Lochlyn Munro. 'NR'			★★★ **"Frank Miller's Sin City"** (2005) Jessica Alba. Sordid characters run amok in a crime-ridden metropolis. 'R'				**(:05)** ★★ **"The Dark Tower"** (2017, Fantasy) Idris Elba, Matthew McConaughey. 'PG-13'		**(:40)** ★★ **"Paycheck"**	

HBO "Unknown" ★★½ (2011) Liam Neeson
12:50 p.m. MAX "Savages" ★★½ (2012) Taylor Kitsch
1:00 p.m. FREE "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.
TNT "The Finest Hours" ★★½ (2016) Chris Pine.
2:00 p.m. FX "Terminator Genisys" ★★ (2015) Arnold Schwarzenegger.
USA "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" ★★★ (2010) Daniel Radcliffe. Harry, Ron and Hermione leave Hogwarts behind on a mission to destroy the Horcruxes, the secrets to Voldemort's power and immortality.
SHOW "At Eternity's Gate" ★★★ (2018) Willem Dafoe Famed but tormented artist Vincent van Gogh spends his final years in Arles, France, painting masterworks of the natural world that surrounds him.
TMC "Finding Neverland" ★★★½ (2004) Johnny Depp Writer J.M. Barrie befriends a widow and her four sons who inspire him to create the character Peter Pan.
2:30 p.m. AMC "Road House" ★★ (1989) Patrick Swayze.
2:45 p.m. TCM "Indiscretion of an American Wife" ★★½ (1953) Jennifer Jones.
HBO "Alita: Battle Angel" ★★½ (2019) Rosa Salazar
3:00 p.m. BET "Little Man" ★★ (2006) Shawn Wayans.
3:30 p.m. TNT "Battleship" ★★ (2012) Taylor Kitsch.
3:50 p.m. SHOW "Pavarotti" ★★★ (2019) Bono. Featuring never-before-seen footage, concert performances and intimate interviews, filmmaker Ron Howard examines the life and career of famed opera tenor Luciano Pavarotti.
4:00 p.m. TCM "The Young Lions" ★★★½ (1958) Marlon Brando. Two U.S. soldiers and a Nazi meet amid World War II inhumanity.
4:30 p.m. FX "American Made" ★★★ (2017) Tom Cruise. The true story of pilot Barry Seal, who transported contraband for the CIA and the Medellin cartel in the 1980s.
4:50 p.m. MAX "Rescue Dawn" ★★★ (2006) Christian Bale During the Vietnam War, Dieter Dengler, a U.S. fighter pilot, is shot down over Laos and taken captive by enemy soldiers.
5:00 p.m. AMC "The Outsiders" ★★½ (1983) Matt Dillon.
FREE "Sweet Home Alabama" ★★ (2002) Reese Witherspoon.
5:10 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" ★★★½ (2011) Daniel Radcliffe. As his showdown with Lord Voldemort nears, Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice.
5:30 p.m. BET "White Chicks" ★★ (2004) Shawn Wayans.
5:50 p.m. HBO "Long Shot" ★★★ (2019) Seth Rogen Journalist Fred Flarsky unexpectedly reconnects with Charlotte Field — his former baby sitter and childhood crush. When Charlotte makes a run for the presidency, she impulsively hires Fred as her speechwriter — much to the dismay of her advisers.
6:15 p.m. SHOW "Phantom" ★★ (2013) Ed Harris
6:30 p.m. PARMT "Red" ★★½ (2010) Bruce Willis.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Home Alone" ★★★ (1990) Macaulay Culkin. Accidentally left by his Paris-bound family, an 8-year-old makes mincemeat of two burglars in the house.
CMTV "Ace Ventura: Pet Detective" ★★½ (1994) Jim Carrey.
FX "Murder on the Orient Express" ★★½ (2017) Kenneth Branagh.
LIFE "50 First Dates" ★★ (2004) Adam Sandler.
TCM "Peyton Place" ★★★½ (1957) Lana Turner. The secret life of a small New England community is revealed in this adaptation of Grace Metalious' novel.
MAX "Leprechaun" ★★ (1993) Warwick Davis
TMC "Frank Miller's Sin City" ★★★ (2005) Jessica Alba Lawmen, prostitutes, a hulking thug and other sordid characters run amok in a crime-ridden metropolis.
7:30 p.m. FREE "The Other Woman" ★★ (2014) Cameron Diaz. Premiere.
8:00 p.m. BET "Ray" ★★★½ (2004) Jamie Foxx. Blind since childhood, Ray Charles overcomes poverty, hardship and addiction and becomes an American music legend.
8:35 p.m. MAX "Halloween" ★★½ (2018) Jamie Lee Curtis
9:00 p.m. CMTV "Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls" ★★ (1995) Jim Carrey.
SHOW "On the Basis of Sex" ★★½ (2018) Felicity Jones
9:05 p.m. TMC "The Dark Tower" ★★ (2017) Idris Elba
9:30 p.m. AMC "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" ★★½ (1992) Macaulay Culkin.
FX "Murder on the Orient Express" ★★½ (2017) Kenneth Branagh.
10:00 p.m. PARMT "Red" ★★½ (2010) Bruce Willis.
TCM "The Bad and the Beautiful" ★★★½ (1952) Lana Turner. A ruthless producer uses and discards Hollywood hopefuls as stepping stones to the top of the Tinseltown heap.
10:25 p.m. MAX "The Pledge" ★★★ (2001) Jack Nicholson A detective about to retire promises a woman that he will catch her daughter's murderer.
10:40 p.m. TMC "Paycheck" ★★ (2003) Ben Affleck
11:00 p.m. CMTV "The 40-Year-Old Virgin" ★★★ (2005) Steve Carell. Three dysfunctional co-workers embark on a mission to help their newfound friend lose his sexual innocence.
FREE "Pretty in Pink" ★★★ (1986) Molly Ringwald. A rich teen asks an unpopular student to the senior prom, creating problems among their separate circles of friends.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Garden City Town Council talks 1-cent sales tax, 2020 Census

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GARDEN CITY, Ala. – The Garden City Town Council welcomed Cullman County Commissioner Gary Marchman to its February meeting Monday evening. Marchman was in attendance to provide information about the proposed 1-cent sales tax coming that will be on the March 3 ballot.

"Anytime you talk about taxes, people are going to be hesitant about looking at reason behind it," he said.

"Let me back up before I talk about the 1 cent. We (the County Commission) had originally agreed to a half-cent, and I made a mistake on that tax and I'll tell you why I made a mistake, because the plan that was presented to me after we approved the half-cent tax had changed, so when it was changed, it was a different deal, so when that changed I said, 'No, I'm not going to support that,' so I went back and asked the commission to rescind it and we did, and that was my downfall.

"I was a little hasty when I made the decision so I apologize for that, because any time you enact any kind of tax, I think the people should enact those."

He continued, "Now, when we did that, the (county) board of education came back to us and asked, 'Would you allow it to be put on the March ballot for the people to vote on?' and I said, 'One-hundred percent, the people need to make that decision.' So, we made a resolution, we created a resolution to put it on the March 3 ballot.

"Now, the tax, everyone knows that when you're in this business, you never have enough money. Here's my stand on the tax: I am an advocate of education; I understand it.

"I know we need the best education system we can have, and the county needs, in the worst way, a really strong education because we're competing in a world today where that means so much that our kids know the things that they need to know. I looked at the 1-cent tax and I said, 'You know, I think they're trying to sell this 1-cent and that's a good thing and I understand that totally, but one thing that I would like to see, and a lot of people have asked me about, is that they're telling us that they're going to use the money for this, but there's not a plan for it, and I'm a little bit concerned that we haven't used a good strategy when putting this in place. It's a touchy subject."

Marchman closed, "We can, as a community, make our education system better, but it's going to take a lot of long-term good management in place.

"What I mean by that is we have a lot of assets in the system; we have so many resources that we can tap outside of normal money that comes in off revenue because of grants and things like that are available for education. You really need to stay on top of it, you really do."

In other business, the council voted to apply for a grant from Cullman-Jefferson Counties Gas District in order to purchase playground equipment for Garden City Park located along U.S. Highway 31 across from the town hall.

Garden City is eligible to obtain $303.90. The council voted to purchase a leg press trainer for the price of $795; the Town will pay the difference.

The council passed a resolution in support of the upcoming 2020 Census and announced a "Census Fun Day" at the park March 14, 2020 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; free hot dogs and drinks will be served.

The event will promote the 2020 Census and encourage residents to come out and be part of Census as well.

The council said vendors are welcome to set up and offer their wares free of charge.

The Garden City Town Council meets the third Monday of each month. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be March 16, 2020 at 6 p.m. at Garden City Town Hall.

OPINION

The Sovereignty of God, no. 6

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Today we continue in our study of the Sovereignty of God. In light of the turmoil and corruption that currently shapes our culture and nation, a clear understanding of God's sovereignty is a beneficial commodity. Understanding this truth enables a believer to live with confidence that God is in control of His world.

For in the Lamb "slain from the foundation of the world" (Revelation 13:8) we behold the fall anticipated.

Nor will God's purpose be thwarted by the wickedness of men since the fall, as is clear from the words of the Psalmist, "Surely the wrath of man shall praise You: the remainder of wrath shall You restrain" (Psalm 76:10).

Because God is the Almighty—His will cannot be withstood.

"His purposes originated in eternity and are carried forward without change to eternity. They extend to all His works and control all events. He 'works all things after the counsel of His own will.'" (Dr. Rice).

Neither man nor devil can successfully resist Him, therefore is it written, "The Lord reigns! Let the people tremble." (Psalm 99:1).

The doctrine of God's sovereignty magnifies His **grace**. Grace is unmerited favor, and because grace is shown to the *un*deserving and *Hell*-deserving, to those who have no claim upon God, therefore is grace free and can be manifested toward the chief of sinners.

But because grace is exercised toward those who are destitute of worthiness or merit—grace is sovereign; that is to say, God bestows grace upon whom He pleases.

Divine sovereignty has ordained that some shall be cast into the Lake of Fire—to show that all deserved such a doom.

But grace comes in like a dragnet and draws out from a lost humanity, a people for God's name, to be the monuments of His inscrutable favor throughout all eternity! Sovereign grace reveals God breaking down the opposition of the human heart, subduing the enmity of the carnal mind, and bringing us to love Him—because He first loved us.

2. The doctrine of God's Sovereignty is the solid foundation of all true religion.

This naturally follows from what we have said above under the first head. If the doctrine of divine sovereignty alone gives God His rightful place—then it is also true that it alone can supply a firm base for practical religion to build upon.

There can be no progress in divine things—until there is the personal recognition that God is supreme, that He is to be feared and revered, that He is to be owned and served as Lord. We read the scriptures in vain—unless we come to them earnestly desiring a better knowledge of God's will for us.

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Change (from Front)

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. – A positive environment can have a dramatic impact on mood and attitude, helping students focus more directly on their hopes, dreams and goals. That's what Fairview High School Principal Dr. Chris Gambrill and his faculty and staff believe, and it's been their aim this school year.

The school has been zeroing in on three primary goals: character development, more academic success and life preparedness. As visual reminders to the student body, all around the school are positive buzz words with the constant message, "Be the change."

"Every school is doing something a little different, but when we went through Blue Ribbon (assessment) and got our (state) report card back, we just started focusing on what we thought, not that we weren't doing what we thought what was best for the kids, but we had to just identify certain areas," said Gambrill. "Everything that we do focuses on those areas now. Not everyone is going to college, but most everybody is going to be a mom or a dad- they're already a son or a daughter. What I think, and this is what I think education is headed to in so many ways, is that we have to put out good people with strong character and strong work ethic. If they go to college, that's great. If they don't go to college, that's great. We just want them to be really good, strong people."

Gambrill said at Fairview, they've been focusing on the positive and celebrating successes.

"We try to celebrate any time we get something with one of our students that's very positive; we just celebrate it," he said. "There could be a student or several that have been celebrated that maybe in the past they didn't get that positive recognition, and they should've."

The principal stressed how important it is to prepare students for the real world.

"What our plan (beginning last fall) was is as the students start in the ninth grade, they start building their portfolios with everything they do. They put it in a portfolio so when they get to their senior year, then we can do everything that we need to get them prepared if they want to go to college or join the workforce. We help and make sure everything is prepared. Sadly, our seniors get one of year of it," Gambrill said. "We've been doing things like preparing them or teaching them about voting. I was just in one class where they are learning about income tax- anything we can do to help them get prepared and aim them for their next step in life."

Another focus is character development.

"For our ninth grade, for example, we have the journey curriculum and we've really focused on our ninth grade this year- they're the future- so if we can start instilling those values now, the likelihood of us losing them decreases tremendously," said Gambrill. "We have a freshmen seminar class where I'd 98% of our freshmen go to this class. It can be something as simple as watching videos that teach aspects of character. Mainly, you just get these kids to start thinking about character traits or positive things, because some of them don't realize they're doing really good things. You try to bring up that they're doing really good things."

Be the change

"We've taken on 'Be the change' as our focus this year," said the principal. "Our teachers should be hammering that in everything that we do, everything that they should do, especially with our government class right now with the elections going on right now. If you want to change it, you have to change it. You be the one to start the change; don't wait for someone else. That's in every class that we're doing, so hopefully that just starts it within our kids, and I'm not backing off with 'Be the change!'"

Support system

Gambrill said a mentoring program is in place to further support students.

"For lack of a better term, we have a mentoring program with our kids," he said. "For example, for our ninth-grade class, we have a mailbox in every ninth-grade classroom where they can put in something pointing to that maybe they need some help or someone to talk to, or just recognize the positive. We also use our older kids reaching out to this group to say, 'Hey, I've been there; I know what it's like to go through that,' because we'll have kids that come in here- I can't relate with them about what it's like to come from a broken home, I can't have that conversation- but I can have kids that can have that conversation, that we know that can give advice. And mostly, they just want someone to listen. They don't want you to tell them what to do, they just want you to listen. Having these avenues, our teachers can do a phenomenal job before school, after school, meeting with kids not just academically. If I have kids that need help, I have teachers that will bend over backwards to help these kids."

Academically, the school continues to build on the #ACTLikeaChampion campaign that kicked into gear prior to its dramatic jump in letter grades on the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE)'s report card from a 68 in 2017 to an 88 in late 2018. After the 2017 report card, the school went through its Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence assessment. The latest data shows the school's score has now jumped to a 91.

Gambrill said in an interview with The Tribune in 2019, "We had to change everything. (Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence Board Member) Mike) Hall said, 'The second I walk into your school, I have no idea what you're about, but the second I walk in, I should know that.' So now, the first thing you see when you walk in, we set the standard. We are all about standard-based instruction in everything that we do. If you go into any room, there are standards all over the boards. That's what we do standard-based instruction ACT."

The ACT is a standardized test used by colleges to measure high school achievement and readiness for college-level academics.

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Obituary Announcements Feb. 11

Memorial services are incomplete at this time for Rex Daniel Nelson, 67, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Nelson passed away Feb. 8, 2020 at his residence. He was born Dec. 1, 1952 to William Verdis and Margie Jennie Armstrong Nelson. He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers, and one sister. Survivors include four children, three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, two sisters, family, and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfunerlhome.com.

Leon Gerald Tyree, 82, of Cullman passed away Friday, Feb. 7, 2020. Leon was born May, 8, 1937 in Arley, Alabama to Ollie and Annie Bell Tyree. Leon was a hardworking man and he loved helping family and others. He was a member of Addison First Baptist Church for 17 years. Leon loved his church and his church family. Visitation was Monday, Feb. 10, 2020 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, where the service began at 1 p.m. Burial at Hillcrest Cemetery. Brother Samuel Tucker and Brother Mark Kimbrell officiated. He is survived by his sons Ricky (Lafonda) Tyree, Shawn Tyree, Lonnie Tyree, and Daniel (Holly) Rosen; daughter Sonya Pellicer; grandchildren Brandie (Matt) Ward, Tandy (Erin) Hoover, Kendra Tyree, Josh (Tasha) Tyree, Travis (Paige) Tyree, Corey McKinna, Nathan (Nicole) Tyree, Jason Pellicer, Julieanna Pellicer, Sarah Rosen, Ben (Rebecca) Rosen, and Elizabeth (Cameron) Carlisle; sisters Jewel (Harvey) Jackson and Millie Starnes; brother Leroy (Barbara) Tyree; brother-in-law Howell White; sister-in-law Wanda Tyree; and 13 great-grandchildren and three on the way. He was preceded in death by his wife Jewell Tyree; daughter Anna McKinna and her husband Wayne McKinna; parents Ollie and Annie Bell Tyree; sisters Bertie Bell Tyree, Cora Gaines, and Claudine White; and brothers Coy Tyree and Pug Tyree.

Wayoma "Dean" Elam Meigs, 85, of the Water Valley community entered into rest Saturday, Feb.8, 2020 at Decatur Morgan Hospital. Dean was born Dec.29, 1934 in Addison, Alabama. She was a longtime member of Sardis Baptist Church No. 2, where she played both organ and piano. She loved to sing and was the choir director at Country Living, the assisted living facility where she resided, and was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star for over 50 years. Dean enjoyed all kinds of crafts, especially sewing and crocheting, and was an excellent cook. Her family has many fond memories of her cooking, in particular her homemade biscuits and gravy, and yellow cake with chocolate icing. Dean loved her family, especially her granddaughters. Visitation were held Monday, Feb. 10, 2020 from 6-8 p.m. at Sardis Baptist Church No. 2 in Addison, where services were held Tuesday at 11 a.m. Brother William McClellan and Brother Jeff Wiggins officiated. Burial in the adjoining cemetery. Dean is survived by her sons Rickey Meigs and his wife Sheila and Rodger Meigs and his wife Penny; her granddaughters Rachel (Jordan) King, Hannah (James) Couch, Abbey Meigs, and Lana (Vance) Hines; great-grandchildren Presley, Grayson, Emmy and Elly; step-sister Kathy (Johnny) Green; sister-in-law Shirley Sweatmon; and her friends and the staff at Country Living. She was preceded in death by her husband Floye Meigs; parents Waymon and Dorsey Freeman Elam; step-mother Marge Elam Burrows; brother and sister-in-law Olen and Carolyn Elam; and step-brother Lavon Sweatmon.

John Henry Bolan, 81, of Houston, Alabama passed away Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020. He was born in Lawrence County, Alabama Sept. 25, 1938 to James Henry and Frances Weaver Bolan. John was retired from Littrell Lumber Mill where he worked at the planer mill as a Millwright for over 20 years. He enjoyed fishing, going to the thrift store, playing solitaire, sitting on the porch, and his family. Visitation will be held at New Home Baptist Church in the Moreland Community Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020 from noon-2 p.m. where service will begin at 2 p.m. Brother Wayne Bumgart and Brother Danny Page will officiate. Burial will be in the Moreland Cemetery. John is survived by his wife of 60 years Loree Blankenship Bolan; daughter Lynn Bolan Tidwell and husband William; son Tim Bolan and wife Emily; grandchildren Jessica Earlene Tidwell Webb and husband Nate, Tyler Tidwell, Lili Bolan, Kenzi Bolan, and Emma Bolan; great-grandchildren Madilynn Webb and Mereydth Webb; and siblings Wilma McLemore, Leamon Bolan, Mary Johnson, Dorothy (Glenn) Latham, Inez Alexander, and Raymond Johnson. He was preceded in death by his father James Henry Bolan; mother Frances Bolan Johnson; step-dad Elmer Johnson; and brothers and sisters Pauline Alexander, Hazel Welborn, Frank Bolan, Billy Johnson, and Jimmy Johnson.

Donald Ray "Pedo" Daniel, of Cullman passed away Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020 at the age of 87. Pedo, as he was nicknamed many years ago, was a very loving and caring husband, daddy and papa. He is fondly remembered by always saying, "It won't take you five minutes" when he was asking someone to help him with something. He was a United States Navy veteran and served in the Korean War. Pedo never met a stranger; he loved talking to everyone and always had a joke to tell. He worked 40-plus years at the Cullman Electric Co-op. He is preceded in death by his parents Stephen Presley and Ruth O'Neal Daniel; his wife Nell Ann Daniel; sisters Ethel Pierce and Orene Shaw; and brothers Lester Daniel, Henry Daniel and James Daniel. He leaves to cherish his memory his daughters Nell (Tommy) McWhorter, Del (James) Franklin and Pam Miller; grandchildren Daniel (Meridith) Stricklin, Jonathan (Amanda) Franklin and Benjamin (Skarlet) Farris; great-grandchildren Matthew, Harper, Knoxx and Nora James; and a host of nieces and nephews. The Celebration of Life Funeral Service will be held in the chapel of Moss Service Funeral Home Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020 at 2 p.m. with Rev. Samuel Tucker officiating. His family will receive friends prior to the service beginning at noon until service time. Burial will immediately follow at Cullman City Cemetery with the U.S. Navy providing Military Honors. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

Kenneth R. Watts passed away Friday, Feb. 7, 2020 to be with his loving wife Ann Marie of 60 years. A man of strong faith and love for all, his kindness and devotion shall forever live in our hearts. He was born Feb.8, 1941 to the late Ralph and Lena Watts. Beloved by many, he is survived by sons Michael (Debbie) Poirier and Kenny (Lori) Watts; daughters Donna (Glen) Blesi and Karen (David) Watts; sister Ruth Buffman; a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and his church family at Hopewell Baptist Church. A private celebration will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to St. Jude Children's Hospital.

Funeral services for James Glover Stanford, 82, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020 at Bethlehem West Baptist Church with Shane Wheeler officiating; burial at the adjoining cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Stanford passed away Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020 at his residence. He was born Thursday, July 29, 1937 to Euless Stanford and Lucy Stanford. He is preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife Betty K. Stanford; daughter Shea (Gary) Dailey; son Shane (Candice) Stanford; grandchildren Kacey Dailey, Hunter Dailey, Jackson Stanford, and Sophie Stanford; sisters Dean Williams, Barbara (Don) Handley, and Jana (Ricky) Webster; and a host of nieces and nephews and other family. Visitation was from 6-8 p.m. Monday, Feb. 10, 2020 at Bethlehem West Baptist Church.

Brenda Sue Hopkins was born May 1, 1950 and passed away Feb. 10, 2020.

Funeral services for Mary Sue Eubanks, 96, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Shirley Witcher officiating; interment in Mt. Zion Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Eubanks passed away Saturday, Feb. 8, 2020 at Cullman Health Care Center. She was born July 7, 1923 to Claude and Venious Rutherford. She was preceded in death by her husband Sanford Eubanks; parents Claude and Venious Rutherford; sisters Peggy Persall and Betty (Paul) Hart; brothers Jack (Maxine) Rutherford and Roe (Evelyn) Rutherford; daughter-in-law Susette Eubanks; and grandson-in-law Bill Lindley. Survivors include her daughters Martha (Paul) Chambers and Kathy (Rex) Morton; son Donnie Eubanks; grandchildren Sherri Lindley, Christy Eubanks, Terry (Leighanne) Bates, Karen (Jason) Barnett, Susan (James) Chapman, Josh Morton, Tina (Keith) Turney, Tobby Chambers, and Kenneth (Angie) Chambers; 13 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Jackie C. Holmes passed away Monday, Feb. 10, 2020. She is survived by her husband Danny Holmes; son Tim (Jim) Trowhill; and grandchildren Chris Trowhill and Ella Trowhill. A private family funeral will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers and gifts, please make a donation to Hospice of Cullman County.

Funeral services for Darryl Lee Stapp, 57, of Hanceville, Alabama will be 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 14, 2020 at Hanceville Funeral Home chapel. Reverend Randy Sellers will be officiating. Burial will follow at Welti/Cumberland Cemetery located in Welti, Alabama. Visitation will be from 5:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, 2020. Mr. Stapp loved his family, co-workers, and his job at Cullman County School System where he worked with the maintenance department for child nutrition for many years. Mr. Stapp is survived by his wife Susan Stapp; sons Kevin (Danielle) Stapp with granddaughter on the way, Lily Grace Stapp, and Jamie (Rachel) Stapp; brothers Mike (Jennifer) Stapp, and Manuel (Ginger) Stapp; sister Kristi (Chris) Boatright; father-in-law Jimmy Boatright; and brother-in-law Jeff (Rhonda) Boatright; as well as a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, extended family, friends, and co-workers. Mr. Stapp is preceded in death by his parents, J.C. and Billie (Saint) Stapp and his mother-in-law, Patsy Boatright.

Karen Hagen Booth, 62, of Haleyville passed away Sunday, Feb. 9, 2020 at Lakeland Community Hospital. Karen was born March 17, 1957 in Georgia to C.R. and Arlene Hagen. She liked to crochet and she loved her dog Pepper. She loved her flowers and most of all she loved her family. Karen is survived by her husband Marvin Booth; son Jerry Lee Clayton; niece Sherry Fuller; and nephews Billy Phelps and Brian Snyder. She was preceded in death by her parents C.R. and Arlene Hagen. The family will have a private service at a later time.

Albert Thurlow Bell, 82, of Double Springs entered into rest Sunday, Feb. 9, 2020 at Lakeland Hospital. He was born May 24, 1937 in Double Springs, Alabama. Visitation is Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2020 from 6-9 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home, Double Springs. The service will be held Wednesday, Feb. 12, 2020 at noon at Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. Bell will lie in state from 11 a.m.-noon. Burial will follow in Mt. Olive Cemetery. Brother Buford Parker will officiate. Albert is survived by his children Darlene (Stan) Thomas, Carolyn (Jackie) Baldy, Tim (Rose) Bell, Lynn (Hal) Morgan, Glenn Bell and Pamela McDonald; grandchildren David (Angi) Thomas, Derek (Amy) Baldy, Chad Bell, Adam Bell, Jerrid Bell, Shay Bell, Craig (Misty) Morgan, Justin (Crystal) Bell, Matthew (Sarah Brooke) Bell, James W. Bell, Ashley McDonald and Wyatt McDonald; great-grandchildren Leslie Rana Rood, Shelby Rood, Robert Rood, Seth Thomas, Allie Thomas, Ethan Bell, Carter Bell, Aubree Bell, Hunter Allred, Mackenzie Brooke Heatherly, Reagan Morgan, Adaleah Morgan, Kyle Skye Morgan, Auroa Bell, Lilliana Bell and Joseph William Bell; great-great-grandchildren Payslie Deetman, Scarlet Sells, Rubee Graham and Ezlyn Graham; and sisters-in-law EvaJo Bell, Dean Bell, Carolyn Bell Martin and Leonia Box. He was preceded in death by the love of his life, his wife of 57 years, Flora Mae Hill Bell; his sons Darrell Wayne Bell and James Thurlow Bell; daughter-in-law Chris Orton Bell; great-granddaughter Breanna Eve Allred; parents James David Bell and Riddie Jane Harris Bell; grandparents Francis Bell and Luscinda Manasco Bell and Thomas Levi Calvin Harris and Lowduski Lovett Harris; brothers Will, Floyd, Marion, Calvin, Alvin, Edgar, Edward, Leo and Mac Bell; and sister Lena Bill Robertson.

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ARTS

WWII veterans stars of this year's CHS Jazz Band Big Band Dance

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CULLMAN, Ala. – A magical night was had Friday, courtesy of the Cullman High School Jazz Band, at the 24th annual Big Band Dance at Stone Bridge Farms. This year's dance was dedicated to Cullman area World War II veterans, and several were in attendance as guests of honor. The USO-themed soirée brought together all generations for a night filled with great music and dancing.

The CHS Jazz Band, under the direction of Christopher Smith, kicked the night off with Glenn Miller's "In the Mood." The crowd favorite filled the dance floor, which stayed full until the end. With tunes from Duke Ellington and Etta James, one felt transported back to a simpler time. To say the band was great would be an understatement.

Smith explained, "Students in grades 9-12 audition for the Cullman Jazz Band each year, and the students with the highest audition results are selected for the ensemble. The jazz band begins working on some of the repertoire for the Big Band Dance in the fall, but intense rehearsals on the selections to be performed begin in January. It is very challenging for any musician to prepare two hours' worth of music, but for student-musicians it is a great achievement. This shows the hard work and dedication of our students, and demonstrates their commitment to excellence."

Smith continued, "I am very proud to be associated with these wonderful young people. The Big Band Dance is a great opportunity for our community to enjoy live music, dancing and fellowship together. We were very honored to provide entertainment for everyone in the community, but especially for our WWII veterans in attendance. They are true American heroes."

As the band took a short break, the guests of honor were recognized for their bravery and dedicated service to our country. Those in attendance included Joe Hayden, Roy Drinkard, Talmadge Drake, Henry Hardie Cornett, Julian Campbell and Spud Campbell.



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World War II veterans Talmadge Drake, Hardie Cornett, Spud Campbell, Julian Campbell, Roy Drinkard, and Joe Hayden pose for a photo at the 2020 Big Band Dance, put on by the Cullman High School Jazz Band.

Several were unable to attend but were also honored including Thurman Ryan, Herbert Johnson, George Mills, Burt McGriff and John Tillman.

The students from Cullman Middle School and Cullman High School enjoyed dancing and meeting with the distinguished guests as many made a point to visit each veteran and thank him for his service.

Drake said he particularly loved "The Tennessee Waltz," one of several songs featuring jazz vocalist Madison Smith. Many of the veterans took to the dance floor and even submitted a few music requests. The veterans had a wonderful time and several vowed to be back next year.

Ivey, ADOL urge employers to hire veterans, apply for federal designation

Office of Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Gov. Kay Ivey joined U.S. Labor Secretary Eugene Scalia and Alabama Labor Secretary Fitzgerald Washington in urging employers to recruit and employ Alabama's veterans. The U.S. Department of Labor announced earlier this week that it is now accepting applications for the 2020 HIRE Vets Medallion Award.

The HIRE Vets Medallion Program is designed to encourage employers' commitment to veteran careers, including hiring, retention and long-term development.

In 2019, the program recognized 427 employers for their dedicated efforts to hire American veterans, including 11 Alabama companies.

"This is a wonderful program that highlights businesses who hire our proud veterans," said Ivey.

"Veterans bring so much value to the workplace, and I am committed to ensuring that we are doing all we can to make sure our veterans have every opportunity for meaningful employment."

The program will recognize employers across three categories: large, medium and small, and will be available at two levels, platinum or gold, based on the criteria they meet.

The criteria and applications are available at www.hirevets.gov.

Any employer with at least one employee on staff is eligible to apply.

There is no application fee.

"Employers who have this designation will be that much more attractive to veterans seeking work.

:Many Alabama companies have already taken advantage of this prestigious designation, and it's my hope that many more continue to do so," added Washington.

The program utilizes the requirements of the Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act of 2017 (HIRE Vets Act) signed by President Donald Trump in May 2017 to determine awardees.

Employers seeking further information should contact hirevets@dol.gov.

Tax (from Front)

tial answer was simple and to the point: "No."

Jacobs went on to say, "The council would be the one to do it, and there's been no talk from the council about putting a tax in. In the work sessions or any of that, there hasn't been any talk about putting a tax in."

He explained that he was sure "There's some of the people that would want the City to do that, but the City has not considered it. They (Cullman City Schools representatives) haven't come to us and asked us to do it."

Folsom told The Tribune, "I can tell you truthfully: we as a council-and there are five of us that can vote on the council; I'm just one-but we have not discussed a city tax at all.

"We've heard the speculation that we're going to do that. It has not been mentioned; that is not on the table in any way. And the city school board, the superintendent or the school board, they have not come to us to ask for that, so we have not entertained that at all."

Folsom said that she understands that people like to speculate about what is going on behind the scenes in government and noted that claims of a City "plot" could help get votes in favor of the proposed 1-cent tax.

Neither Jacobs nor Folsom voiced an opinion for or against the proposed 1-cent tax. "I know the county and the city schools both need additional monies," said Folsom, "but my thinking is: just see what happens in March for the election."

While the CCBOE has been actively engaging the community through town hall-type meetings around the county, the Cullman City School Board has been quiet on the matter.

Cullman City Schools Superintendent Dr. Susan Patterson on Monday sent the following statement to The Tribune: "On Behalf of The Cullman City School Board, the Board has conducted a demographic and facility study in an effort to develop a 10-year plan for Cullman City Schools. The board also recently approved the sale of bonds for the purpose of financing upcoming capital projects to accommodate growth in the school system. Cullman City Board of Education has not established a formal position in regards to the proposed sales tax and how it will affect Cullman City Schools."

LEGALS

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JAMES ODIE BURNS, SR., Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC-2019-394

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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City of Cullman
Planning Commission

On Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 12:00 P.M, at a called meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Preliminary Subdivision – Ellsworth Subdivision – Main Ave. SW

For further information contact Brian Landreth or Amber Duke at the City of Cullman Building Department at 256-775-7203.