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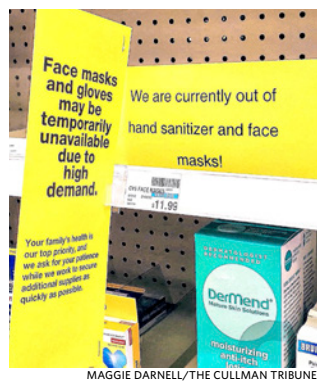
Coronavirus: Local schools, EMA prepared, not panicked

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CULLMAN, Ala. – As of Monday evening, there are no reported cases of the 2019 novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), known as COVID-19, in Alabama. According to the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH), the situation regarding COVID-19 continues to evolve rapidly. Johns Hopkins University & Medicine reports, as of late Monday, 113,584 confirmed cases of the coronavirus worldwide, with 3,996 deaths and 62,496 recoveries.

Johns Hopkins daily "situation report" for March 9 stated, "Updated reports share that there are more than 500 cases and 22 deaths tied to the COVID-19 outbreak in the United States. Washington state, one of the areas where the virus has hit the hardest, reported 136 cases and 18 deaths, the majority of which are tied to King County (where Seattle is located). California reported 114 confirmed cases and 1 death tied to the outbreak, and New York state reported 105 total cases. There are now reported cases in at least 34 states and Washington, DC."

Johns Hop- » PAGE 8

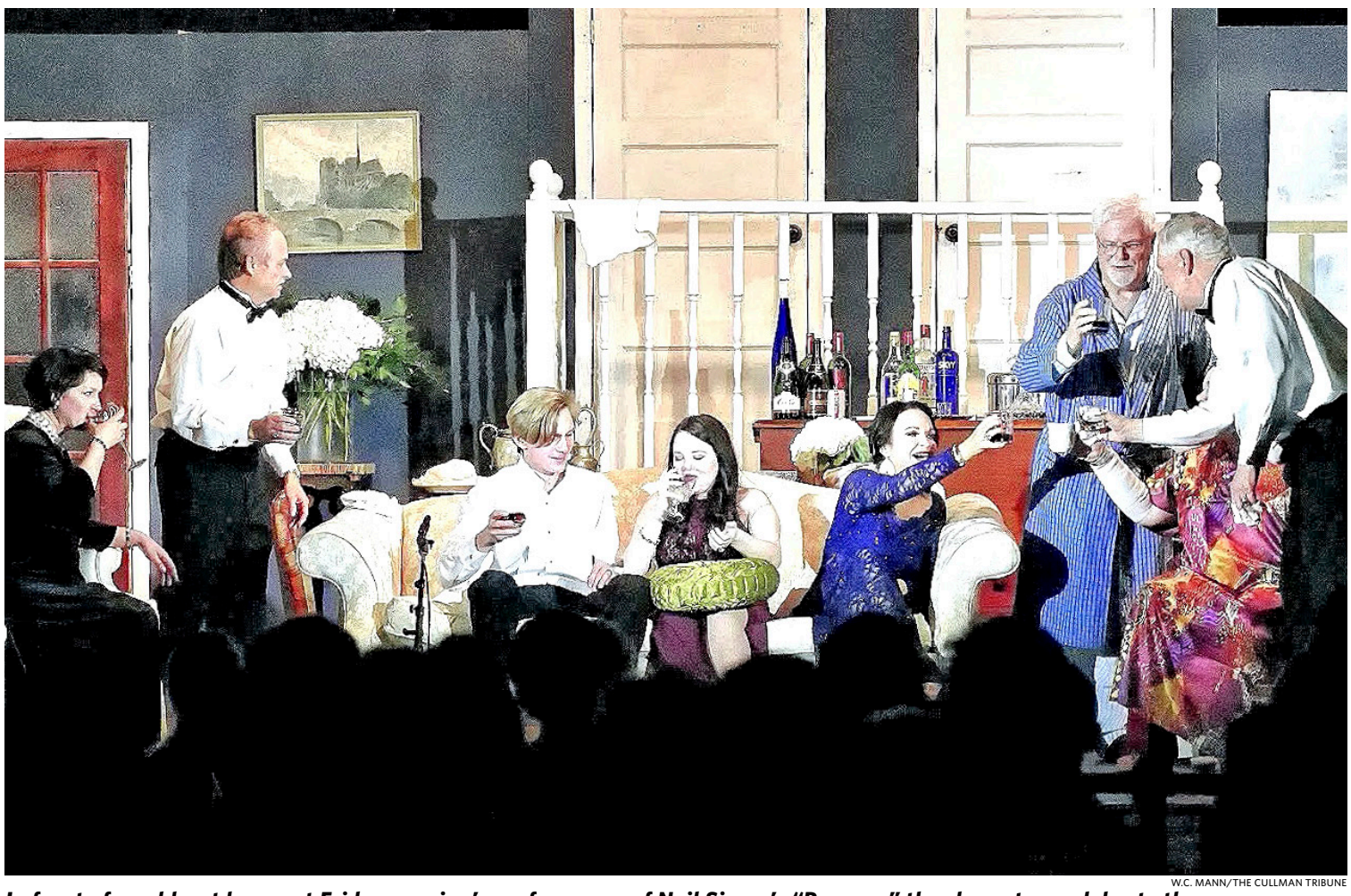


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Tribune readers are reporting a shortage of items such as hand sanitizer at area retailers. This photo was taken at the CVS Pharmacy at 610 Second Ave. NW in Cullman Monday afternoon, March 9, 2020.

– ARTS –

Cullman Community Theatre enjoys 1st dinner theater outing with Neil Simon's 'Rumors'


W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

In front of a sold-out house at Friday evening's performance of Neil Simon's "Rumors," the characters celebrate the surprisingly successful outcome of their encounter with the police after their party is interrupted by gunfire. » PAGE 7

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

47th annual Rotary Club Auction this Friday


CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman Rotarian John Lang holds up an item at last year's 46th annual Cullman Rotary Club Auction at the Cullman Civic Center. This year's auction will take place this Friday, March 13 at Christ Hall at St. John's Evangelical Church. » PAGE 5

FAITH

Desperation Church to pay medical debts of needy in 5 counties

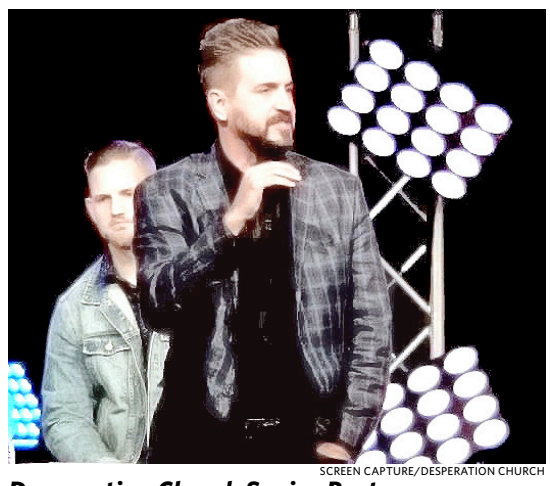
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Desperation Church is attempting to teach people forgiveness involves one person's willingness to accept another's debt, and announced it is going to do it in a very real, tangible way.

Desperation Senior Pastor Andy Heis on Sunday morning told his congregation that the church is taking on the challenge of paying off the medical debts of needy families and individuals in Walker, Winston, Cullman, Blount and Marshall Counties, saying, "We are looking at, as a church, paying off the medical debt that people have in their lives, that are underneath the poverty line; our church, today, is we're going to pay off medical debt in people's lives that's holding them back from being who, who God has called them to be. Alright, so our church is going to do that today, in a large way."

Heis went on to explain that the debt in question, reportedly $1.7 million, can be purchased for "pennies on the dollar" through a partnership with a medical debt nonprofit. In a statement on the Desperation Church website, that amount was clarified as "just 1 penny on the dollar."

Heis: "Here's the big picture: God's called us as a church to rebuild, revive and restore our communities. And so, we're going to do that in Walker County, do it in Marshall County, Winston County, Blount County, we're going to do it in Cullman County. We're going to pay off medical debt. We're going to start this; it's going to make a big, big impact in a family's lives, and » PAGE 5


SCREEN CAPTURE/DESPERATION CHURCH

Desperation Church Senior Pastor Andy Heis (with Desperation's Arab campus Pastor Jake Hendon in the background) speaks Sunday morning.

POLITICS

Gudger, Shedd receive awards for work on mental health care bills


WILLIAM CALIFF

Left to right are Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview; Graham Champion, a volunteer lobbyist for NAMI; and Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman » PAGE 8

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported March 9

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported March 9, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
March 5
• possession of drug paraphernalia; Trimble Rd.
• assault; Hwy. 278 E
• domestic violence; CR 25
• theft of property; CR 1605
• domestic violence; CR 1515
• theft of property; CR 370
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1645
• domestic violence; CR 718
• harassment; Fairview Rd.

March 6
• unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; CR 747
• domestic violence; S Main St. Arab
• theft of property; CR 1716
• attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; CR 1106
• burglary; Hwy. 91
• obstructing government operations; CR 939/CR 946
• unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; Mitchell Rd. NE
• harassment; Welcome Rd.
• theft of property; Hwy. 69 N/Hwy. 67
• harassment; CR 1566

March 7
• unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 W
• unlawful possession of marijuana; CR 437
• domestic violence; CR 627
• unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, carrying a pistol without a permit; School House Rd.
• burglary; CR 1288
• trespassing; CR 1555
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, endangering the welfare of a child

March 8
• harassment; CR 504
• permitting dogs to run at large; CR 1545
• theft of property; 2nd Ave. SW Hanceville
• theft of property; CR 747
• theft of property; CR 160
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65 S/MM310
• permitting dogs to run at large; CR 617

ARRESTS
March 5
Campbell, Amanda Danielle, 39
• FTA- obstruction/using false ID
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Curvin, Meshach John, 24
• FTA- DUI

Diggs, Darius Lavonta, 44
• public intoxication

Hults Jr., Guy Joseph, 34
• FTA- illegal possession of prescription medicine

Light, Kevin Lee, 33
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

McDaniel, Montel Kenard, 23
• first-degree criminal mischief
• first-degree theft of property (2 counts)

Moreno, Dekota Blake, 19
• first-degree theft of property

Moreno, Jonathan Scott, 46
• first-degree theft of property

Moreno, Mawavea Nicole, 27
• first-degree theft of property

Murphy, Raymond Samuel, 55
• FTA- second-degree assault
• FTA- DUI- controlled substance

Paugh, Dustin Skylar, 22
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Rainey, Kelsey Ann, 29
• FTA- third-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Wallace, Mattew Ryan, 31
• first-degree theft of property

Williams, Sarah Elizabeth, 29
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

March 6-8
Abbott, Kalyn West, 28
• first-degree theft of property

Champion, Joe Lynn, 50
• GJ- failure to register upon rel/conv SORNA
• probation violation-second-degree theft of property

Couch, James Timothy, 40
• FTA- driving while revoked
• FTA- driving while suspended
• fleeing/attempting to elude
• FTA- reckless driving
• reckless endangerment
• FTA- switched tag

Curtis, Jason Layne, 50
• FTA- public intoxication

Eustice, Zachariah Dean, 19
• chemical endangerment of a child
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Fairley, Richard Elton, 46
• first-degree financial exploitation of the elderly
• first-degree theft of property

Finley, Joshua Dewayne, 32
• fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Foster, Raphael Maurice, 36
• FTA- open container in vehicle

Gaddis, Jennifer Ann, 35
• probation violation-third-degree forgery

Gaines, Steven Austin, 24
• carrying a pistol without a license

Hampton, Jamie Olivia Allene, 28
• FTA- reckless driving

Horton, Jessica Mae, 34
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

King, Sebastian Wade, 26
• FTA- reckless driving

Lambert II, James Kent, 44
• driver's license not in possession
• impeding traffic
• obscuring ID of vehicle
• obstructing government operations

Lindsey, Cody Garrett, 33
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

McCormick Jr., Kenny Lynn, 27
• probation violation-first-degree theft of property

Nixon, Jeremy Glenn, 28
• first-degree theft of property

Pendergraft, James Elmo, 49
• FTA- driving while revoked

Roberts, Rodney Ryan, 25
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Runyon, Jeremy Alan, 32
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Stephens, Ashlyn Greyce, 22
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- second-degree promoting prison contraband
• FTA- public intoxication

Styles, Benjamin Thomas, 32
• permitting dogs to run at large

Swindoll, Sammi Lee, 25
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- second-degree promoting prison contraband
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Teague, Tanya Michelle, 50
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- third-degree theft of property
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Thomas, Tammy Warden, 49
• public intoxication

Thornton, Meghan Noel, 34
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
March 6
• third-degree domestic violence; person; 5th St. SW

March 7
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; Cherokee Ave. SW; weed eaters; $650
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; miscellaneous; $197
• harassment; person; Olive St. SW
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment; person; Hwy. 157
• unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; person; 4th St. SW

March 8
• fourth-degree theft of property; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $5
• fourth-degree theft of property; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $25
• fourth-degree theft of property; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; speakers; $50
• fourth-degree theft of property; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $25

ARRESTS
March 6
Valdez, Richard A., 52
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Graves, Christopher S., 37
• third-degree domestic violence

Hyde, Jamie F., 45
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- expired tag
• FTA- insurance violation

Williams, Glen A., 60
• DUI

Stiefelmeyer III, Carl A., 55
• public intoxication

Adcock, Casey T., 25
• DUI- any substance

Daugherty, Chad S., 29
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Wingo, Joshua E., 28
• GJ- theft by fraudulent leasing

Delong, Chadd L., 39
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Gable, Martha N., 27
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Denton, Sara J., 26
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Horton, Angela S., 29
• public intoxication

Roberts, Rodney R., 25
• DUI- any substance

Mancillas, Vidal R., 27
• fourth-degree theft of property

Riggs, Joanie R., 41
• fourth-degree theft of property

Hershberger, William B., 31
• fourth-degree theft of property

May, Tamela A., 36
• fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
March 10 - 12

TUESDAY, MARCH 10
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

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

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

Cullman County Republican Women Meeting
• Tuesday, March 10 at 6 p.m. at the Cullman VFW, 112 Veterans Dr. SW
• The scheduled speaker is Catherine Bethell, executive director of First Source for Women in Hanceville.
• There will be a light supper provided. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Severe Storm Awareness and Weather Safety Training
• Tuesday, March 10 at 6 p.m. at the Dodge City Community Center
• Learn what to look for and be aware of during inclement weather.

"Mossville: Where Great Trees Fall"
Mossville, Louisiana—once a vibrant community—is now a contaminated wasteland with a few lone holdout residents struggling to maintain their history against the relentless advancement of corporate interests. Their story is told in the documentary film, "Mossville: Where Great Trees Fall." A free screening will be held Tuesday, March 10 at 6 p.m. in the Burrow Center Recital Hall at Wallace State Community College in Hanceville. Filmmakers of this award-winning film will be on hand for questions.

Cullman Housing Authority Resource Fair
• Join us at the Community Center (1545 Vine Circle SW) March 10 from 6-8 p.m.
• Free health screenings provided by Good Samaritan Health Clinic. Meet our staff, learn about our services. Door prizes!

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, MARCH 11
Grace Place Caregivers' Conference
• Grace Place, Grace Episcopal Church's memory loss ministry which provides stimulating activity for dementia patients and hours of respite for their caregivers, will hold its third annual Caregivers' Conference Wednesday, March 11 at Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE in Cullman. The event is free to all professional and family caregivers and will offer free CEUs for nurses and social workers.
• For more information, visit www.facebook.com/305Arnold-StreetNE/, email dcnjacob@gmail.com or info@graceplacecullman.org or call 256-736-4260 or 256-338-6556.

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, MARCH 12
Chair Yoga
Every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Library in Holly Pond. For more information, call 256-796-5226.

"Big Fish the Musical"
• "Big Fish the Musical," based on the 1998 book "Big Fish: A Novel of Mythic Proportions" by Daniel Wallace, will be presented March 12-15 in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre on the Hanceville campus of Wallace State.
• Wallace will attend the March 12 opening night performance and a 5:30 p.m. invitation-only opening night reception in the Student Center. Earlier in the day, Wallace is scheduled to speak from 1-2:15 p.m., in the Burrow Center Recital Hall. The public is invited to attend and can RSVP at www.wallacestate.edu/bigfish.
• "Big Fish The Musical" will be presented Thursday-Saturday, March 12-14 at 7 p.m., and Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m., in the Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre. Tickets are $10 and $5 for children younger than 12. Tickets may be purchased at the door or in advance by contacting Heather Gillikin at 256-352-8277 or heather.gillikin@wallacestate.edu.

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...
Spirit Life Church of God, 1650 St. Joseph St. NW, Cullman
• Sundays-bus ministry-picks up children, youth & adults in Five Points Area of Cullman. Call or text 205-269-6056 Saturday for Sunday pickup. Bus leaves church at 9 a.m. Free breakfast served at 9:30 a.m. Children, youth and adult Small Group classes at 10 a.m. Church services, children's church and youth ministry at 10:45 a.m. Everyone welcome! Sunday p.m. services at 6 p.m. No bus ministry for p.m. services.
• Wednesdays-Prayer meeting at 5:30- 6:30 p.m. Corporate & individual requests, laying on of hands, etc. Bible study class at 6:30 p.m.
• Sunday-March 15 @ 10:45 a.m. Pastor Billy Driver from Calvary's Hill Church, 6 p.m. Evangelist Stanley Owensby
• Friday-March 20 @ 10:30 a.m. Adult Luncheon. Bring a dish, drinks or dessert. Everyone welcome.
• Sunday March 22 @ 6 p.m. Youth Pastor Ace Beam from Addison Church of GOD
• Friday, March 27-Senior Men's Breakfast, locations vary. "Dutch treat." Call Asa Mayse 205-601-4293 for more information.
• Sunday, March 29 @ 6 p.m. Pastor Abe Rooks from Moreland New Home Baptist Church

The Original Alabama Gurning Face-Off
• Friday, March 13 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the All Steak, 323 Third Ave. SE, Cullman
• Join judges Daniel Wallace, author of "Big Fish," and local celebrities Ben Johnson South & Melva Hackbarth Jackson for The Original Alabama Gurning Face-Off!
• A gurn is an extremely distorted and particular facial expression. Think you've got what it takes to take on "The Original One-Liner American Diner" star Justin Weygand?
• Each participating face gets a beloved Cullman original: the All Steak orange roll! Other prizes include autographed items from another beloved Cullman original, Daniel Wallace!
• There will also be a limited number of copies of "Big Fish" for sale, courtesy of Books-A-Million. Come get a freshly autographed copy for your collection!
• Financial and Healthcare Fraud Prevention Seminar
• Friday, March 13 from 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m. at Northbrook Baptist Church in Cullman
• Expert panelists will include representatives from the Better Business Bureau, Alabama Securities Commission, Alabama Senior Medicare Patrol and local law enforcement.

47th Annual Cullman Rotary Club Auction
• Friday, March 13, beginning at 4:30 p.m. in Christ Hall at St. John's Evangelical Church
• Various household, personal and business items donated by local merchants
• Drawings for Glock 9mm handgun and $500 cash
• Viewing- 4:30 p.m.
• Silent auction- 5:30-6:15 p.m.
• Live auction- 6:45 p.m.
• Proceeds to benefit community projects.

Lenten Fish Fry Dinner at Sacred Heart
• Cullman Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Knights of Columbus will offer their annual Lenten Fish Fry Dinners to the public March 13, 27 and April 3 in the church's Family Life Center. The menu consists of either fried or baked fish, baked potato or French fries, coleslaw, hush puppies, drinks and dessert for $10 for adults, $5 for children younger than 10 and $25 for families of four or more.
• Meals will be served from 5-6:45 p.m. followed by Lenten Stations of the Cross in the church at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to take part in the dinners and, if so desired, the Lenten Stations.
• The Family Life Center is located behind the church at 205 Third St. SE in Cullman.

Cullman Kiwanis Club 64th Annual Pancake Day
• Saturday, March 14 from 7-11 a.m. at Cullman High School
• Dine in or carry out. Tickets are $7. Kids 6 and younger eat free (dine in only)
• For more information, visit cullmankiwanis.org or email pancakes@cullmankiwanis.org.

Cullman County Ag Center Indoor Yard Sale
• Saturday, March 14 from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center, 17645 U.S. Highway 31, Cullman, Alabama 35058
• Spots are available for purchase beginning at $10 each. For more information, call 256-739-4959.

4th Annual Shamrock Shuffle 5K/1-Mile Color Run
• Saturday, March 14 at 8 a.m. at East Elementary School, 608 Fourth Ave. SE, Cullman
• The Color Run is a community event where families and friends come together to have fun, promote an active lifestyle, and raise funds for new playground equipment for East Elementary School.
• With both a 5K and 1-mile untimed course, the Shamrock Shuffle Color Run is the perfect race for all age groups, casual runners, serious runners and walkers. Strollers are welcome. We want you to create a memory and not worry about your mile per minute. By entering the Shamrock Shuffle Color Run, participants will be showered in green throughout each course at color stations.

3rd Annual Hanceville Irish Festival
• Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in downtown Hanceville
• Irish music, Irish dance, arts and crafts, along with good food and drink and Irish swag for purchase. Featuring Black Market Haggis, A Shamrock in Kudzu, Chuck Carpenter and Tommy Chapman and O'Faolain Academy of Irish Dance. There will also be a kids' play area with games, bouncy houses and all-terrain train. Dress up your fur friends and bring them along... don't miss it, we look forward to seeing you there!

Victim Services of Cullman 2nd Annual St. Paddy's in the Park
• Saturday, March 14, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Depot Park
• Food, carnival games, bouncy house and vendors
• Live music from Esther Kinsaul, Troy Dewberry, Daniel Harbison and Jesse Priest of the "Jolene Challenge"
• Take a photo with Batman and the Batmobile.
• Vendors welcome. Call 256-775-2600.

St. Patrick's Family Bingo
• Saturday, March 14 at the Family Life Center at Sacred Heart
• Doors open at 6 p.m., games start at 7 p.m.
• $5 donation per card (one $5 card is good all night); coverall bingo are $1 donation extra per card (there will be 5 coverall games)
• Food menu: Hamburger, chips and drink $ 5; Hotdog, chips and drink $5; Drinks $1; Hamburger $ 3; Hotdog $ 1

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PREP TRACK & FIELD

Bearcats edge Hartselle to win Cullman Invitational

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Teams from all over the area made their way to Oliver Woodard Stadium at Cullman High School Saturday to compete in this year's Cullman Invitational and the hometown Bearcats finished just six points ahead of the Hartselle Tigers to win the boys title. Fort Payne was the winner on the girls' side, outscoring G.W. Carver by 86 points. The Lady Bearcats placed fourth, Vinemont earned a sixth place finished and the Cold Springs Lady Eagles rounded out the top 10. In the boys division, St. Bernard posted a seventh place finish while Cold Springs placed ninth.

LOCAL TOP 10 FINISHERS

Men's Shot Put:
- Bailey Hayes, Cullman – 1st place – 49-11.00
- Isiah Young, Vinemont – 5th place – 37-09.00
- Collin Leathers, Holly Pond – 10th place – 34-08.00

Women's Shot Put:
- Ragan Canter, Cold Springs – 1st place – 33-05.75
- Maria Whatley, Vinemont – 4th place – 27-09.75
- Madelyn Hendrix, Cullman – 5th place – 27-05.00
- Abella Skipper, Cullman – 7th place - 27-01.00
- Scarlett Cook, Vinemont – 8th place – 25-10.00
- Tatum Nixon, Cullman – 10th place – 25-06.00

Women's Javelin Throw:
- Sarah Kate Dockery, Cullman – 10th place – 74-06

Men's Javelin Throw:
- Seth Walker, Cold Springs – 5th place – 136-05
- Dylan Crider, Vinemont – 6th place – 125-06
- Jordan Lacey, Cold Springs – 7th place – 123-03
- Isiah Young, Vinemont – 8th place – 120-10

Women's Discus Throw:
- Ragan Canter, Cold Springs – 1st place – 107-04
- Tatum Nixon, Cullman – 3rd place – 88-04
- Madelyn Hendrix, Cullman – 5th place – 86-09
- Claudia Fallin, St. Bernard – 6th place – 82-03
- Abella Skipper, Cullman – 7th place – 77-10
- Maria Whatley, Vinemont – 8th place – 76-08

Men's Discus Throw:
- Bailey Hayes, Cullman – 1st place – 151-05
- Zeke White, Cold Springs – 8th place – 97-10

Women's Pole Vault:
- Madi Norris, Cullman – 9th place – 6-00.00

Men's Pole Vault:
- Nic Glass, Cullman – 1st place – 12-06.00
- Hunter Calvert, Cold Springs – 6th place – 10-06.00
- Banks Baker, Cullman – 8th place – 8-06.00
- Ryan Davis, Cold Springs – 9th place – 7-06.00
- Slade Johnson, Cold Springs – 9th place – 7-06.00

Women's Triple Jump:
- Emily Cheatwood, Vinemont – 2nd place – 31-09.00
- Abby Young, Vinemont – 5th place – 29-00.00
- Jaycey Bowling, Meek – 6th place – 28-01.00

Men's Triple Jump:
- Nic Glass, Cullman – 1st place – 41-03.00
- John Christian Rose, St. Bernard – 2nd place – 40-10.50
- Isaiah Jones, Cullman – 3rd place – 40-07.75
- Nikolas Borths, St. Bernard – 5th place – 38-06.50
- Tripp Gudger, Cullman – 6th place – 38-05.50

Women's High Jump:
- Emi Harbison, Cold Springs – 5th place – 4-04.00
- Jaycey Bowling, Meek – 10th place – 4-00.00

Men's High Jump:
- Nic Glass, Cullman – 2nd place – 5-08.00
- Cameron Nunn, Cold Springs – 8th place – 5-02.00
- Katch Johnson, Vinemont – 9th place – 5-00.00

Women's Long Jump:
- Abby Young, Vinemont – 5th place – 14-02.00

Men's Long Jump:
- Nic Glass, Cullman – 2nd place – 21-03.00
- Isaiah Jones, Cullman – 4th place – 19-02.50
- John Christian Rose, St. Bernard – 5th place – 19-00.00
- Nikolas Borths, St. Bernard – 10th place – 18-02.00

Women's 100-Meter Hurdles:
- Emily Cheatwood, Vinemont – 3rd place – 18.71
- Katelyn Kress, Cullman – 4th place – 19.19
- Abby Livingston, Cold Springs – 9th place – 21.86
- Izzy Warden, St, Bernard – 10th place – 21.93

Women's 300-Meter Hurdles:
- Katelynn Kress, Cullman – 3rd place – 56.46

Men's 300-Meter Hurdles:
- Zack Reynolds, Holly Pond – 9th place – 48.43

Women's 1600-Meter Run:
- Camilla Chambers, Holly Pond – 1st place – 5:35.36
- Reagan Parris, Cold Springs – 4th place – 5:55.41
- Anna Shirey, Cullman – 5th place – 5:55.97
- Colette Whitney, Cullman – 6th place – 6:07.75
- Madilyn Kerber, St. Bernard – 7th place – 6:14.71

Men's 1600-Meter Run:
- Will Thompson, Cullman – 1st place – 4:37.75
- Caleb Guthery, St. Bernard – 2nd place – 4:43.26
- Cole Akridge, Cold Springs – 4th place – 4:47.06
- Walker Huddleston, Cullman – 6th place – 4:48.97
- Ethan Lemons, Vinemont – 7th place – 4:49.73
- Ethan Edgeworth, Cold Springs – 9th place – 4:59.55

Women's 3200-Meter Run:
- Camilla Chambers, Holly Pond – 1st place – 11:52.51
- Bernard Tizapa, Cullman – 2nd place – 12:28.51
- Jennifer Aviles, Cullman – 3rd place – 12:31.88
- Della Kelly, Cullman – 5th place – 12:43.90
- Tess Heaton, Cullman – 6th place – 13:21.74
- Olivia Smith, Cullman – 7th place – 13:28.40

Men's 3200-Meter Run:
- Will Thompson, Cullman – 1st place – 10:03.10
- Nicholas Wood, Cullman – 2nd place – 10:16.30
- Adam Mangum, Cullman – 3rd place – 10:22.40
- Ethan Edgeworth, Cold Springs – 5th place – 10:40.90
- Harold Sheffield, Cullman – 6th place – 10:50.00
- Jonathan Collett, Cold Springs – 7th place – 10:51.70
- Charlie Worley, Cullman – 9th place – 11:23.50

Women's 800-Meter Run:
- Madilyn Kerber, St. Bernard – 5th place – 2:44.49
- Joshlyn Hudson, Cullman – 9th place – 2:49.31

Men's 800-Meter Run:
- Cole Akridge, Cold Springs – 4th place – 2:08.43
- Tommy Lee Daniel, Meek – 9th place – 2:15.72

Women's 400-Meter Dash:
- Katelynn Kress, Cullman – 7th place – 1:08.44

Men's 200-Meter Dash:
- Isaiah Jones, Cullman – 4th place – 24.19
- Brodie Malcom, Hanceville – 7th place – 24.87
- Easton Whatley, Vinemont – 8th place – 24.87
- Sawyer Trimble, Cullman – 10th place – 25.11

PREP BASEBALL

West Point sweeps Priceville at home; Saturday scoring recap

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CULLMAN, Ala. – After a week of pouring rain, Saturday brought great weather and a day packed with local softball and baseball action across the state. Some local softball teams were competing in this year's Wallace State High School Tournament, the Cullman Bearcats finished up their stint at the Perfect Game High School Showdown and several county baseball teams were finally able to get back on the field and get some games under their belts.

West Point 2 - Priceville 1 (varsity baseball)
West Point hosted Priceville for a doubleheader Saturday afternoon and needed just three runs in the two games combined to send the Bulldogs home with a pair of losses. In game one, West Point got its first run of the game on a stolen base when Whitt Laney stole home in the bottom of the first and the Warriors added another one in the second on a Laney RBI single. The Bulldogs cut it to 2-1 in the fourth, but that would be it for them as Aubry Cleghorn and Eli Folds gave up a combined four hits and one unearned run while striking out five in West Point's 2-1 win.

Laney finished with a hit and an RBI for the Warriors. Isaac Hoffpauir and Will Cochran added a pair of hits while Cleghorn, Brody Rusk and Branson Smith each ended up with a hit as well. Cleghorn picked up the win for West Point, tossing five innings, allowing one unearned run, just two hits and striking out five.

West Point 1 - Priceville 0 (varsity baseball)
In game two, it was more of the same as neither offense could generate much of anything, but West Point wound up getting the only run of the game in the bottom of the second when Cleghorn scored on a passed ball. Cochran, Rusk and Cleghorn each got a hit for West Point (4-7) and Cochran and Folds combined to throw a three-hit shutout. Will Cochran got the start for West Point and allowed just three hits in five innings of work. Eli Folds relieved Cochran in the sixth and tossed a pair of hitless innings to secure the win.

The Warriors will host Hamilton on Tuesday.

West Point 4 – J.B. Pennington 2 (varsity girls soccer)
The West Point Lady Warriors toppled J.B. Pennington on the road Saturday night to improve to 2-1-1 on the season. A hat trick from Grace Lee and another goal off the foot of Mallory Campbell secured a 4-2 win for West Point.

The Lady Warriors will be back on the road Tuesday to face Arab.

Belgreen 5 - Cold Springs 2 (varsity softball)
Cold Springs took on Belgreen in the Bulldog Bash at Russellville Saturday and after a scoreless first inning, the Lady Bulldogs put up five runs in the bottom of the second to take the lead. The Lady Eagles countered with two runs of their own in the top of the third after Morgan Chasteen hit a 2-run double but Cold Springs didn't get any closer after that as Belgreen wound up taking the game 5-2. Chasteen had a hit and two RBIs for the Lady Eagles, Kyla Aaron added two hits, and Emma Black and Kylon Hamby each chipped in with a hit of their own.

Cold Springs 6 - Marion County 3 (varsity softball)
In their second game of the day, The Lady Eagles took on Marion County. Kyla Aaron scored the Cold Springs' first run of the game in the top of the first and Chasteen hit an RBI double to make it 2-0, but Marion County answered right back with three runs in their half of the inning. The top of the fourth inning saw Cold Springs (2-3) gain the advantage as Toni West hit an RBI double and later scored on a passed ball. Crimson Gann then hit a 2-run single to make the score 6-3 and the Lady Eagles held on to win the game by three. Gann led the way with a hit and three RBIs for Cold Springs, Chasteen added a hit and an RBI and West ended up with a pair of hits and an RBI. The Lady Eagles will host Falkville on Monday.

North Jackson 16 - Cullman 2 (varsity softball)
Cullman took on North Jackson in its first matchup up the Wallace State High School Tournament Saturday and it was all Lady Chiefs from the start as they put up eight runs to start the game. The Lady Bearcats weren't able to recover from the early deficit and wound up losing the game 16-2. Carlie Burnham collected a hit and two RBIs for Cullman and Haley Shannon and Savannah Davis each added hits as well.

Cullman 5 - Athens 1 (varsity softball)
Cullman faced off against Athens in its second game of the day and a solo homer by the Lady Golden Eagles in the bottom of the first gave them the lead early, but the Lady Bearcats would answer in the second when Dayln Phillips tied the game with an RBI single. Cullman took the lead in the third when Burnham hit an RBI single, Shana Guest drew a bases-loaded walk and Olivia Britton got hit by a pitch to force home a run and make it 4-1. Aiden Adcock added a sacrifice fly in the fifth to give Cullman the 5-1 win. Phillips finished with a hit and two RBIs for the Lady Bearcats, Burnham added two hits and an RBI, Guest ended up with a hit and an RBI and Adcock added an RBI as well.

Pleasant Grove 5 - Cullman 0 (varsity softball)
Cullman (5-7) took on Pleasant Grove in its third and final game of the day it was all Pleasant Grove as the Lady Bearcats were held to just an Adcock single through five innings in their 5-0 loss. Cullman will travel to take on Southside Gadsden next Tuesday.

Pike County 1 - Cullman 0 (varsity baseball)
Cullman took on Pike County Saturday morning in what would be its final matchup of the Perfect Game High School Showdown in Hoover and it was a pure pitchers' duel between both starters. A Cullman error later led to an RBI single by Pike County in the top of the first that made it a 1-0 game and the 'Cats were never able to strike back, falling 1-0 to Pike Counyt. Cullman (8-4) got hits from Brady Patterson and Nick Braswell in the contest. Kaleb Heatherly gave up just three hits and an unearned run while striking out nine and walking one on the mound. The Bearcats will travel to James Clemens for a doubleheader Friday.

Ider 4 - Fairview 1 (varsity softball)
Fairview took on Ider in Day two of the Snead State Classic Saturday and the Lady Devils took advantage of some sloppy defense by the Lady Aggies take an early 3-0 lead. Fairview got on the board in the bottom of the fifth on a Katie Ball RBI single to make it a 2-run game, but Ider added another run in the sixth and the Lady Aggies couldn't chip away at the lead anymore, falling 4-1. Ball finished with a pair of hits and an RBI for Fairview while Allyson Wooten added a hit as well.

Fairview 11 - Fyffe 1 (varsity softball)
Fairview's bats came alive in its second game of the day against Fyffe. A 3-run homer off the bat of Allyson Wooten in the bottom of the first got the Lady Aggies started early. They added runs in the second and fourth before blowing the game wide open in the fifth and Fairview run-ruled Fyffe 11-1. Ball had a huge game for the Lady Aggiess, finishing with three hits and two RBIs in the win. Allyson Wooten added two hits and three RBIs, Alyssa Wooten and Kloie Watson each ended up with a hit and an RBI and Kennedy Johnson finished with an RBI of her own. Olivia Overton pitched a complete game three-hitter while throwing just 46 pitches. Fairview (5-2) will travel to take on Good Hope Monday.

Randolph 8 - Fairview 2 (varsity baseball)
Fairview traveled to face Randolph for some Saturday afternoon baseball action and the Aggies got off to a quick start. Levi Garner drew a bases-loaded walk with no outs and Will Bailey added a 2-out RBI single to give Fairview a 2-0 lead. The Raiders took over after that, scoring the next eight runs of the game and Fairview couldn't muster any more offense after the opening inning, dropping the game 8-2. Bailey finished with a hit and an RBI for the Aggies and Jack Brown added a hit as well. Fairview (2-2) will have a rematch with Randolph at home Tuesday.

Fultondale 8 - Holly Pond 7 (varsity baseball)
Holly Pond traveled to take on Fultondale and couldn't have asked for a better start to the contest. The Broncos built a 7-0 lead going into the bottom of the sixth, but in a wild turn of events, Fultondale got back in the game behind some sloppy fielding and wild pitching from the Broncos until finally an RBI groundout gave the Wildcats an 8-7 lead. Holly Pond didn't have an answer in the top of the seventh and wound up falling just short at the end by a run. Andy Light led the way for the Broncos with two hits and two RBIs. Hunter Farr added a hit and two RBIs, Thomas Bell ended up with a pair of hits and an RBI and Seth Widing finished with a hit and an RBI in the loss.

Carver 14 - Holly Pond 11 (varsity baseball)
Holly Pond took on Carver in its second game of the day and for the second straight contest, the Broncos' bats came alive early as they jumped out to an early 8-1 lead after three innings. However, the Rams tied the game up with five runs in the fourth and two more in the fifth. Holly Pond later tied the game at 10 after six innings, but Carver countered with four runs in the seventh and the Broncos fell three runs short at the end to fall 14-11. Kyler Chaney led the way for Holly Pond (2-3) with a hit and three RBIs and Logan Leach finished with a hit and two RBIs of his own. The Broncos will host Cold Springs Monday.

Vinemont 13 - Falkville 5 (varsity baseball)
Vinemont's offense had another big day at the plate in its first game against Falkville. Behind a huge day at the plate from Deacon Samples and contributions by a few other players, the Eagles rolled past the Blue Devils 13-5. Vinemont jumped out to an 8-2 lead and didn't let up as the Eagles rolled to an 13-5 win. Samples finished with four hits and five RBIs for the Eagles. Travis Hopper added a pair of hits and two RBIs, Wyatt Thomason, Zander Noblett and Collin Teichmiller each ended up with a pair of hits and an RBI and Will Rhodes finished with a hit and an RBI in the win as well.

West Morgan 10 - Vinemont 0 (varsity baseball)
In its second game of the day, Vinemont took on West Morgan and the Rebels took control early, scoring four runs in the bottom of the fourth and the Eagles couldn't recover after that, dropping the game 10-0. Noblett had a pair of hits for Vinemont (3-4) and Colby Miller added a hit as well. The Eagles will host Douglas on Tuesday.

Ardmore 6 - West Point 3 (varsity softball)
West Point took on Ardmore to start out the Wallace State High School Tournament Saturday and the Lady Warriors trailed 3-1 after two innings. They later made it 5-3 after three, but Ardmore added another run in the fifth and West Point didn't have an answer in the bottom half of the inning and Ardmore held on to win the game 6-3. Carlie Wilkins finished with a hit and two RBIs for West Point and Lexi Shadix added a hit as well.

Danville 14 - West Point 4 (varsity softball)
West Point faced off against Danville in its next contest of the day and Molly Pendley got the offense off to a quick start with a 2-run home run. The Hawks countered by scoring the next nine runs of the game and the Lady Warriors weren't able to recover. Danville wound up pulling away to win it 14-4. Pendley finished with a hit and two RBIs for the Lady Warriors, Wilkins added a hit and an RBI and Gracie Thompson posted an RBI as well.

James Clemens 8 - West Point 1 (varsity softball)
West Point took on James Clemens in its final game of the day. A suicide squeeze play by Thompson in the second inning gave the Lady Warriors a 1-0 lead, but that would be all the offense that West Point could muster and James Clemens put up eight runs in the bottom of the fourth to pull away and win it 8-1. Thompson finished with an RBI for West Point (6-6-2) and Shadix, Wilkins and Lexi Kimbril finished with one hit apiece. The Lady Warriors will look to rebound Monday when they host Lawrence County.

Storybook Palooza delights with special readers at library

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County (FPLCC) hosted an inspirational "Storybook Palooza" for kids Saturday morning at the Cullman County Public Library. The event featured special guest readers to inspire children to find courage, do the right thing and celebrate diversity.

Special guest readers were Cullman County Probate Judge Tammy Brown, reading Tony and Lauren Dungy's "Maria Finds Courage;" Cullman Police Chief Kenny Culpepper, reading Florence Perry Heide's "How to Be a Hero;" Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry, reading David McKee's "Elmer;" and East Elementary Principal David Wiggins, closing the program with Dr. Seuss' "I Am NOT Going to Get up Today."

"We wanted to celebrate Read Across America and we wanted our kids, even though they celebrated in school, we wanted them to have a community activity here in the library to celebrate!" smiled FPLCC President Tanya Allcorn. "The big thing we wanted to encourage was for the kids is to read, and enjoy that reading, no matter what."

FPLCC's Renee Welsh said, "Principal Wiggins, an avid reader, he's on social media, he supports the library and grew up in the library.

"Matt, Kenny and Judge Brown, it was easy for us to make a phone call because they're prominent figures, but they recognize the importance of the library and they recognize the importance of diversity. Much like Matt Gentry's point, we're all in here together and Kenny talked about being a hero. It's not about saving people's lives; it's about standing tall and welcoming folks."

Allcorn added, "We know our avid readers, and they support us. They love the library, they want us to thrive, and that's a good partnership with our readers."

Both Allcorn and Welsh were thankful of those who helped out with the event.

"A big shoutout to East Elementary for loaning us some wonderful decorations from their 'Seussical Musical!'" exclaimed Welsh.

Allcorn added, "We are so grateful to everyone that came. We're so grateful to our readers for being a friend to the library.

"We're grateful for our special readers' time; they live busy lives, but they can come and be here and encourage our kids and it gives our kids something to work towards, to see and to enjoy! So, we are extremely grateful to everyone that came. Our readers did a phenomenal job, and they loved doing it, too. They had a great time!"

OUTDOORS

From seed packet to summer bounty

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Contributor

ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY, Ala. – Spring is an ideal time for individuals to let their green thumbs show. If gardeners choose to start their gardens with seeds, there are a few things they need to keep in mind.

Choosing seeds

Allyson Shabel, an Alabama Extension urban home grounds, gardens and pests regional agent said the first thing gardeners have to do is decide what they would like to grow.

"The most popular annuals to start from seed are vegetables," Shabel said.

In addition to vegetables, there are several popular flowering annuals that can be started from seed. Cosmos, marigolds and zinnias are some of the easiest to grow.

Other annuals that are relatively easy include:

- coleus
- salvia
- vinca
- portulaca (moss rose)

Shabel said if growers are looking for a bit of a challenge, they could consider growing begonias, calibrachoa, pansies and petunias.

Starting seeds is not always guaranteed to work. To ensure success, gardeners should follow the instructions on the seed packet. It is also helpful to begin with fresh seed (check the packet). The older the seed, the less likely it is it will germinate.

"If the seed is more than two years old, throw it away and use fresh seed," she said.

Growing annuals

Generally, the directions for growing each specific type of seed can be found on the back of the package they come in.

These directions lets growers know important information such as the best time to plant and how deep to sow the seeds.

According to Shabel, seeds should be started in a special mix composed of fine peat moss, pearlite and vermiculite. Seed trays can then be placed in a sunny spot or underneath a grow light.

"Seedlings should be watered often and thoroughly," Shabel said. "They have small root systems, so drying out can be a problem for them. In seedlings that desperately need water, the top of the soil will begin to change colors from dark brown to a lighter brown."

Seeds will generally begin to germinate in two to three weeks. Once seedlings begin to feature two or three sets of leaves, they can be fertilized. Once a week, gardeners should use a half-strength general purpose liquid fertilizer to maximize the seedlings' growth potential.

When seedlings are ready to move outdoors, gardeners must begin the process slowly. Putting them outdoors in full shade for four to five days will allow them to acclimate to the outdoors without burning. After that time period, over another four to five days, they can be moved into increasingly higher light conditions.

More information

For more information, read the Alabama Extension publication Growing Annual Plants from Seeds. For further information on starting seeds or other gardening information, visit www.aces.edu or contact your county Extension office.

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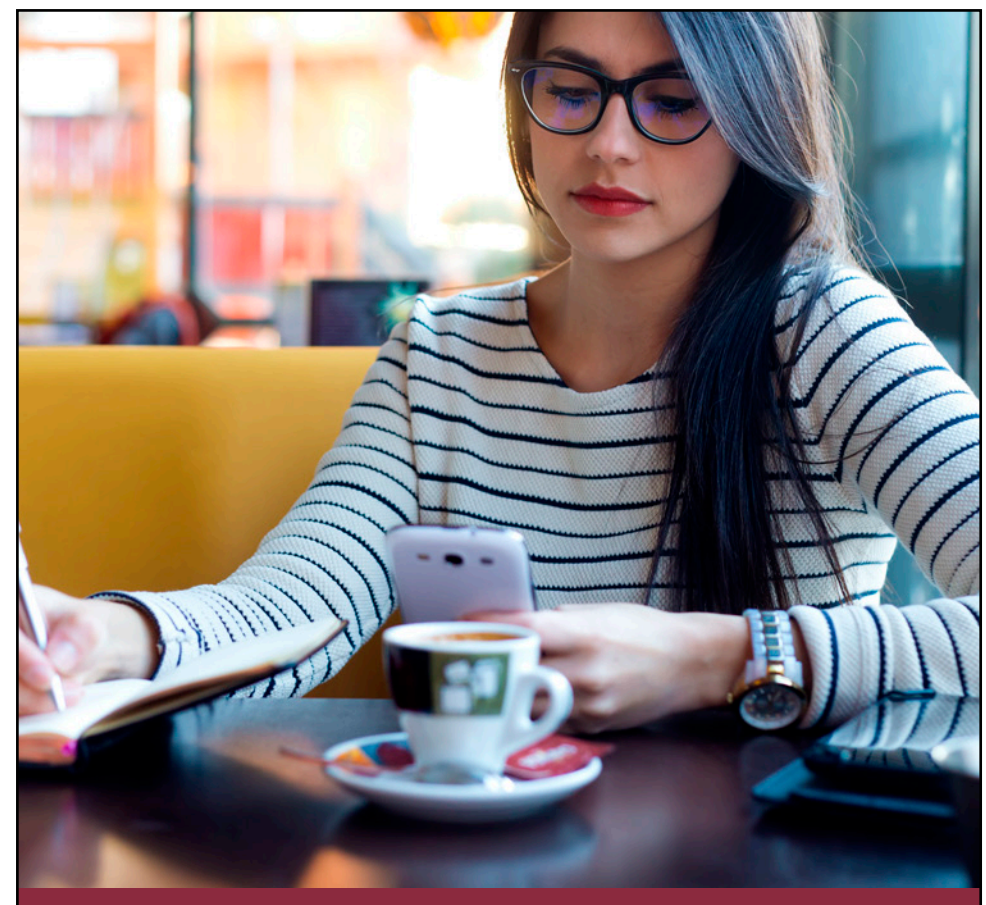
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POLITICS

Cullman GOP hears from candidates, kicks off Trump promotion

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CULLMAN, Ala. – At the Cullman County Republican Party's monthly meeting Saturday, Chairman Steve Cummings reported a 40% voter turnout for last Tuesday's primary election, with approximately 22,000 voting Republican and 2,500 voting Democrat. The Cullman County Probate Office reported a voter turnout of 40.63%, with 21,898 voting Republican and 2,556 voting Democrat. Those numbers may change only slightly when provisional ballots are counted this week.

Guests heard from several speakers including Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Beth Kellum and Cullman County Commission Chairman candidates, Chairman Kenneth Walker and challenger Jeff "Clem" Clemons.

"Because we handle appeals nationwide, we are one of the busiest courts per capita in the entire country," said Kellum, who is seeking a third term. "It is not a place for on the job training. You have to know what you are doing from day one."

According to Kellum, she has voted and reviewed 13,000 cases and written approximately 2,500 cases in her career on the court.

Kellum will face challenger Will Smith in the March 31 runoff for the Republican nomination for Place 2 on the five-member court. No Democrat is running for the position.

Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview gave an update on Montgomery.

Shedd sponsored HB400 (the Broadband Using Electric Easements Accessibility Act) last year; he said, "I think that's going to give us an opportunity to transform our state with high-speed internet and broadband throughout our state."

Last week, HB81 was passed in the House.

Shedd, who co-sponsored the bill said, "This bill gives judges more tools to prevent violent offenders and violent criminals to be released on bail."

Shedd reported that 695 bills have been introduced this session. Only seven of those have become law. Shedd is working on legislation to establish a committee to address volunteer firefighters and volunteer medical responders.

He said, "This is crucial. Right now, trying to find a way to get more people to volunteer in these services will be good for you, me and all of us. Not only for the response and our property and health, but also our insurance premiums."

Cullman's legislative delegation has also been pushing for mental health reform.

"My part of that, I have been promoting for us to have three mental health crisis centers across the state and hopefully four before it's over.

"One in the Huntsville area so that our law enforcement and family, as well, if you have a situation, there is a place to go rather than the jail or the emergency rooms," Shedd explained.

This week, state lawmakers will address a hands-free bill which would make it illegal to hold any device while driving, a bill that would require electronic monitoring of violent offenders on work release and a bill on the fate of daylight saving time.

Clemons thanked everyone for their support in last Tuesday's primary election.

"I try to keep my campaign positive. I want to focus on what I want to do to help the citizens of Cullman County," he said. "I'm not running 'against' anyone, and I've been saying this all along."

Walker also spoke and thanked everyone for their prayers and support.

"I made these cards up and I thought I was doing the right thing by saving money and putting extra money to the roads, but undoubtedly, that didn't work," said Walker.

"I got my butt kicked, but I am fixing to get my butt to work. So, I am asking again for your prayers, your support and your vote."

Colin Suddeth was at Saturday morning's meeting representing U.S. Senate candidate Tommy Tuberville's campaign.

Cummings explained that efforts requesting the attendance of a representative from U.S. Senate candidate Jeff Sessions' campaign were not successful. Suddeth said Tuberville will be making at least two more appearances in Cullman County prior to the March 31 runoff.

On Saturday, March 14 at Cullman Shooting Sports, Tuberville will stop by for a public meet and greet.



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The Cullman County Republican Party is aiming for Cullman County to have the highest percentage of Donald J. Trump voters of any other county in the United States.

Suddeth explained, "I am still working on nailing down a time. It should be about midday in the afternoon."

A private fundraising event is also planned for March 17 at Top of the Town in Cullman.

The Cullman County Republican Party is having a little fun ahead of the 2020 presidential election. The party is aiming for Cullman County to have the highest percentage of Donald J. Trump voters of any other county in the United States.

Cummings explained, "Cullman County, we voted 87.8% for Trump in 2016. That's one of the highest in the country. The highest in the country was Winston County, our neighbors to the west. They had 90.1%. They have 24,000 and we have 84,000, so it takes a lot more to make up that difference."

Cummings has created new Trump signs, available in English and Spanish, as a fundraiser.

The signs are available for $5 at Wilborn Outdoors, Liberty Tax and Integrity Auto Group.

"We want people to know we are a special community," Cummings said.

Auction (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Rotary Club will host the 47th Annual Rotary Club Auction this Friday, March 13 at Christ Hall at St. John's Evangelical Church. The event will kick off at 4:30 p.m. with viewing of the auction items. A silent auction will follow from 5:30-6:35 p.m. The live auction will begin at 6:45 p.m.

"We are looking forward to a great auction this year," said Rotary Fundraising Chairman Eli Howard. "Our goal is to raise more than $50,000 for community projects.

"Each year our local businesses, industries and individuals generously donate auction items to help us raise money for projects here in our community. Admission is free and our auction includes various household items, personal and business items ranging from small items to larger items.

"We also have raffle tickets for a Glock 9mm handgun and for a $500 cash prize."

"Rotarians work hard to make the auction a success each year. It's our only fundraiser of the year and we are so thankful for all the support that we receive from the community," Rotary Club President Will Harding said. "It really makes us proud to see Cullman Rotary Club and our community working together to make the auction such a success. The proceeds go to support community projects that truly impact our community."

St. John's Evangelical Church is located at 512 Second Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055.

Debts (from Front)

you're going to get to be part of it, we're going to get to be part of it."

Heis turned to Desperation's Arab campus Pastor Jake Hendon, who noted the congregation's history of community service days and community meals, then explained, "And so, as of today, we're starting a new partnership in our missions lane with a company called RIP Debt (The actual name is RIP Medical Debt). And so, basically, we are going to take the five counties that we just listed, and every single person who lives under the poverty line, who has medical debt, we're going to be able to pay that, to purchase that debt for pennies on the dollar like Pastor Andy was talking about, and then we're just going to forgive that debt."

Hendon went on to clarify specifics of the program. Recipients of the debt forgiveness must:

- have income below two times the national poverty level
- have medical debt payments requiring more than 5% of their income
- be financially insolvent

Hendon stated that the church is taking on debts by county and zip code, will not pay for selected individuals, and cannot take specific requests for assistance. Those should be directed to RIP Medical Debt.

RIP Medical Debt

Nonprofit RIP Medical Debt's mission statement reads, "RIP Medical Debt empowers donors to forgive billions in oppressive medical debt. We are dedicated to removing the burden of medical debt for individuals and families and veterans across America."

The organization offers this program explanation on its website:

Medical debt destroys the financial stability of large segments of America's most vulnerable communities: the sick, the elderly, the poor, and veterans. It also targets the middle class, driving many families who are barely getting along into poverty. Medical debt isn't the result of bad decisions. It's a debt of necessity.

By forgiving this debt we strive to give struggling individuals, and their families, a fresh start. We hope to give those affected the ability to seek the continued medical care they need and help them back towards financial stability.

Every day, we receive messages from people who suffer under crushing debt far beyond their financial means to pay—from the son of a stroke survivor in Kentucky whose family could not keep up with their mortgage payments, to the cancer patient in Florida whose debts made it impossible for her to continue with necessary treatment. Rising healthcare costs and endless bills are leaving families with nowhere to turn.

RIP uses donors' funds to wipe out medical debt from the neediest cases up.

Once we've pinpointed the portfolios for those in or near the poverty level, we buy up their debt and forgive it. Then we send forgiveness notices to the benefiting families, and subsequently help the recipients repair their credit reports—renewing their access to opportunities and resources that will allow them to rebuild and recover.

North Alabama falls within RIP Medical Debt's Appalachia region, about which the non-profit says:

More than 60% of bankruptcies in America have medical debt as a root cause, and the situation is especially dire in Appalachia.

A recent study showed that in Appalachia, out-of-pocket healthcare costs are 40% higher than the national average, and this year almost every state in Appalachia suffered a decline in insurance coverage—sure to make things worse.

Nearly one in five people in Appalachia are in poverty, and medical debt makes that poverty impossible to escape. Medical debt destroys a family's credit rating; denying access to loans, an apartment, and even a job. People in medical debt are less likely to seek medical care or fill prescriptions so that, in the end, medical debt not only destroys well-being and economic security, it can kill.

With its strong work ethic and abundant natural resources, Appalachia fueled America's prosperity. From the Great Smoky Mountains to Davy Crockett, Appalachia has formed America's cultural image. Musicians like Ralph Stanley and Dolly Parton defined American music.

While medical debt has affected all of America, it is especially tragic that the medical debt crisis has hit Appalachia so hard; an area that has given so much to the country.

Why do it?

Hendon explained, "I think a lot of times it's really difficult for people who don't know Jesus to understand the level of payment, the free gift that's been given to them, and this is going to be an opportunity for us to do that."

Hendon shared his own family's story of dealing with overwhelming medical debt, then told the congregation, "What's going to happen is that there's going to be people who are under the poverty line and, in most of the time, it's the people who are already the most vulnerable: it's people who already have chronic illnesses, it's people who are single moms, it's people who are veterans, and all of the time, it's always affecting people so much.

"You know that the number one cause of marriage problems, most of the time, is financial. You think about just the added stress of finances and then the mental health of that, and you add that onto people that are already struggling.

"And then, not only that, but you take hits to your credit, so it's harder to get a job and it's harder to get a loan, and your loans increase and the rates go up, and there's just so much. It's like a snowball that just keeps going.

"And so, what's going to happen is that there's going to be people that are going to get a letter in the mail, and it's going to say, 'Hey, your debt's been forgiven,' but it's not going to say 'because of an insurance company.' It's going to say, 'Your debt's been forgiven by the generosity of Desperation Church.' And it's going to change people's lives.

"In order for us to pay off $1.7 million worth of medical debt- that's all five counties, every single person who hits that criteria- in order to do that, it's going to cost us $17,000. What that means is that together we can do a lot, that together we are a force for good. By myself, I can do a little bit, but together we can do a lot."

Hendon stated that the debt could be covered by gifts averaging $9 per member across Desperation's campuses.

The Arab campus pastor explained about the people Desperation Church is trying to help, "It wasn't just that they did something wrong; it wasn't just something that they made poor choices. There's people who are trying to do the right thing and they're in this place, and we're going to get to give a helping hand to help get them out of that, so that they can have their physical needs met, so that eventually we can meet their spiritual needs. What they will know at the end of this is, they'll know that you love them, and because they know that you love them, they'll know that Jesus loves them, and they'll be able to encounter that in an incredible way."

A special page has been set up on the Desperation Church website to explain the program and accept online donations. The program description includes the following statements:

"Each person will receive a letter letting them know their medical debt has been cleared by an act of generosity from Desperation Church. Plus, RIP medical debt will then work with the credit unions to repair the credit damage from the medical debt thereby lifting the credit score of each person. As they recover from their illness, the improved score will make it easier for them to get a job, get an apartment, and help them get back on their feet, and avoid homelessness."

"This is an act of biblical justice and generosity on behalf of the poor done in Jesus' name. People affected in the 5 counties will get letters with the good news.

"To the communities of Walker, Winston, Cullman, Blount, and Marshall county – You Are Loved. This simple act of kindness from your friends at Desperation Church has no strings attached. It is just a reminder that Jesus loves you, and so do we.

For more information about Desperation Church's medical debt relief, visit https://desperationchurch.tv/medicaldebtpayoff/. The page includes a link for online donations, and a link to RIP Medical Debt for those wanting to learn more about that organization, wanting to inquire about having their medical debts forgiven.

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Sports

8:00 a.m. FSEE College Basketball Marquette at St. John's.
10:00 a.m. FSEE NBA Basketball Charlotte Hornets at Atlanta Hawks.
3:00 p.m. TNT UEFA Champions League Soccer RB Leipzig vs Tottenham Hotspur FC. (Live)
3:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
6:00 p.m. ESPN College Basketball Horizon League Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (Live)
ESPN2 College Basketball Northeast Tournament — St. Francis (Pa.) at Robert Morris. (Live)
FSEE Women's College Gymnastics Michigan at Oklahoma.
7:00 p.m. FS1 CONCACAF Champions League Soccer Quarterfinal — Montreal Impact vs CD Olimpia. (Live)
TNT NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at San Antonio Spurs. (Live)
8:00 p.m. ESPN College Basketball WCC Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (Live)
ESPN2 College Basketball Summit League Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (Live)
FSEE College Wrestling Big 12 Championship.
9:30 p.m. TNT NBA Basketball Los Angeles Clippers at Golden State Warriors. (Live)
10:00 p.m. ESPN2 Tennis Tie Break Tens. (Live)
FS1 WWE Backstage (Live)
FSEE Women's College Basketball Texas Tech at Oklahoma.
11:00 p.m. FS1 WWE Friday Night SmackDown
12:00 a.m. FSEE College Basketball Marquette at St. John's.
1:00 a.m. TNT NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at San Antonio Spurs.
2:00 a.m. FS1 WWE Friday Night SmackDown
4:00 a.m. FS1 WWE Backstage
FSEE Boat Racing P1 APBA Offshore Championship.
5:00 a.m. FSEE Women's College Gymnastics Michigan at Oklahoma.

Movies

6:30 a.m. MAX "Brighton Beach Memoirs" ★★½ (1986) Blythe Danner
7:00 a.m. TCM "Jamboree" ★★½ (1957) Kay Medford.
7:05 a.m. HBO "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald" ★★ (2018) Eddie Redmayne
7:35 a.m. SHOW "7 Days in Entebbe" ★★ (2018) Daniel Brühl
7:50 a.m. TMC "Flashdance" ★★½ (1983) Jennifer Beals
8:20 a.m. MAX "Flight of the Phoenix" ★★½ (2004) Dennis Quaid
8:30 a.m. AMC "Captain Phillips" ★★★½ (2013) Tom Hanks. In 2009, Somali pirates storm a U.S. containership and hold Capt. Richard Phillips and his crew captive.
FX "Why Him?" ★★ (2016) James Franco.
9:00 a.m. TCM "Rock Around the Clock" ★★ (1956) Bill Haley & the Comets.
9:30 a.m. SHOW "Seraphim Falls" ★★★ (2006) Liam Neeson In 1868 a determined hunter and four hired gunmen relentlessly pursue an injured man across Nevada.
10:00 a.m. FREE "Kung Fu Panda" ★★★ (2008) Voices of Jack Black. Animated. Chosen to fulfill an ancient prophecy, a clumsy panda must become a martial-arts master and defend his people from a villainous snow leopard.
10:30 a.m. TCM "Go, Johnny, Go!" ★★ (1958) Jimmy Clanton.
11:00 a.m. FX "Dumb and Dumber To" ★★ (2014) Jim Carrey.
TMC "Guess Who" ★★½ (2005) Bernie Mac
11:30 a.m. AMC "Gran Torino" ★★★ (2008) Clint Eastwood. An unlikely friendship forms between a bigoted war veteran and an Asian boy who tried to steal the man's treasured automobile.
SHOW "The Best of Enemies" ★★½ (2019) Taraji P. Henson
11:35 a.m. HBO "Freeheld" ★★½ (2015) Julianne Moore
12:00 p.m. FREE "Kung Fu Panda 2" ★★★ (2011) Voices of Jack Black. Animated. Po must unlock secrets of his past in order to defeat a formidable villain who plans to wipe out kung fu and conquer China.
TCM "Get Yourself a College Girl" ★★ (1964) The Dave Clark Five.
1:25 p.m. HBO "Little" ★★ (2019) Regina Hall
MAX "Cowboys & Aliens" ★★½ (2011) Daniel Craig
1:30 p.m. FX "Ghostbusters" ★★½ (2016) Melissa McCarthy.
TCM "The Cool Ones" ★★ (1967) Roddy McDowall.
1:35 p.m. BET "The Best Man Holiday" ★★½ (2013) Morris Chestnut.
1:45 p.m. SHOW "Stone" ★★½ (2010) Robert De Niro
2:00 p.m. AMC "The Karate Kid" ★★★½ (1984) Ralph Macchio. A New Jersey teen moves to California, meets bullies and learns karate from a handyman, Mr. Miyagi.
2:30 p.m. TMC "The Dark Tower" ★★ (2017) Idris Elba
3:25 p.m. MAX "The Predator" ★★ (2018) Boyd Holbrook
3:30 p.m. TCM "Jimi Hendrix" ★★½ (1973) Arthur Allen.
SHOW "Shaft" ★★½ (2000) Samuel L. Jackson
4:00 p.m. LIFE "The Shack" ★★ (2017) Sam Worthington.
4:05 p.m. TMC "Peep World" ★★ (2010) Michael C. Hall
4:30 p.m. FREE "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides" ★★½ (2011) Johnny Depp.
FX "Deadpool" ★★★ (2016) Ryan Reynolds. Armed with accelerated healing powers and a twisted sense of humor, mercenary Wade Wilson adopts the alter ego Deadpool and hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life.
4:55 p.m. HBO "Pearl Harbor" ★★ (2001) Ben Affleck
4:57 p.m. BET "Madea's Family Reunion" ★★½ (2006) Tyler Perry.
5:00 p.m. AMC "Taken" ★★★ (2008) Liam Neeson. A former spy puts his extensive training to the test when he must rescue his kidnapped daughter from sex-slave traffickers.
5:15 p.m. MAX "The Crow" ★★★ (1994) Brandon Lee A black bird resurrects a rock musician who then avenges his own murder and his fiancee's.
5:25 p.m. TMC "Flashdance" ★★½ (1983) Jennifer Beals
5:30 p.m. TCM "Monterey Pop" ★★★ (1969) Scott McKenzie. At the 1967 concert: the Mamas & the Papas, Jimi Hendrix, Otis Redding, Janis Joplin, the Who, Ravi Shankar, Simon & Garfunkel.
5:50 p.m. SHOW "Serpico" ★★★½ (1973) Al Pacino Based on the true story of Frank Serpico, who sacrificed his career to expose widespread corruption in the NYPD.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Road House" ★★ (1989) Patrick Swayze.
FX "Spider-Man: Homecoming" ★★★ (2017) Tom Holland. Under the watchful eye of mentor Tony Stark, high school student Peter Parker starts to embrace his newfound identity as Spider-Man to battle the evil Vulture.
LIFE "A Walk to Remember" ★★ (2002) Shane West.
TCM "It's Love Again" ★★ (1936) Jessie Matthews. Premiere.
MAX "Tag" ★★½ (2018) Ed Helms
TMC "Girl, Interrupted" ★★½ (1999) Winona Ryder
7:30 p.m. FREE "The Jungle Book" ★★★½ (2016) Neel Sethi. Guided by a no-nonsense panther and a free-spirited bear, young Mowgli meets an array of jungle animals as he embarks on an epic journey of self-discovery.
8:45 p.m. MAX "Bad Times at the El Royale" ★★½ (2018) Jeff Bridges
9:00 p.m. TCM "Three Little Girls in Blue" ★★½ (1946) June Haver. Premiere.
SHOW "The Best of Enemies" ★★½ (2019) Taraji P. Henson
9:03 p.m. LIFE "Heaven Is for Real" ★★½ (2014) Greg Kinnear.
9:10 p.m. TMC "Wildlife" ★★★½ (2018) Carey Mulligan In 1960s Montana, 14-year-old Joe watches powerlessly as his parents' marriage slowly begins to fall apart.
9:30 p.m. AMC "Under Siege" ★★★ (1992) Steven Seagal. Two military madmen hijack a nuclear-armed Navy battleship with a SEAL commando on board as a cook.
10:00 p.m. FX "The Revenant" ★★★½ (2015) Leonardo DiCaprio. In 1823, fur trapper Hugh Glass treks through the snowy wilderness to track down John Fitzgerald, a member of his hunting team who killed his young son and left him for dead.
10:30 p.m. CMTV "Overboard" ★★½ (1987) Goldie Hawn.
HBO "Anna" ★★ (2019) Sasha Luss
10:45 p.m. TCM "Thank Your Lucky Stars" ★★½ (1943) Eddie Cantor.
11:00 p.m. E! "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.
FREE "The Nutty Professor" ★★★ (1996) Eddie Murphy. An obese scientist drops the pounds and his poor self-image when a secret formula turns him into a slender ladies man.
TMC "A Perfect World" ★★★ (1993) Kevin Costner (Premiere) A Texas Ranger hunts an escaped convict who takes a 7-year-old boy hostage in 1963.
11:01 p.m. LIFE "A Walk to Remember" ★★ (2002) Shane West.
11:10 p.m. MAX "Nocturnal Animals" ★★★ (2016) Amy Adams A writer asks his ex-wife to read a manuscript of his new novel, a troubling story about a family man whose life takes a dark turn.
12:15 a.m. PARMT "Dumb & Dumber" ★★★ (1994) Jim Carrey. An inept dog groomer and a limousine driver chase the latter's dream girl cross country.
SHOW "Shaft" ★★½ (2000) Samuel L. Jackson

TUESDAY EVENING

MOVIES

MARCH 10, 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** A woman disappears with her daughter.		**Chicago P.D.** "Descent" Antonio crosses a line.		**Chicago P.D.** "Brotherhood" Ruzek risks his career.		**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**
WBIQ-PBS	4	**Ready Jet Go!** (El)	**Peg & Cat** (El)	**PBS NewsHour** (N)		**The Highwaymen Live at Nassau Coliseum** The Highwaymen perform.			**Chet Atkins: Certified Guitar Player** Salute to the guitarist.			**Festive Europe**	**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** "Party in the Goo. S. A." (N)		**This Is Us** The Pearsons visit New York City. (N)		**(:01) New Amsterdam** "Perspectives" (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** A renowned surgeon is unfit for surgery. (N)		**Empire** "Talk Less" Lucious tries to get Yana a record deal.		**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** "In a Nutshell" A Navy officer is murdered. (N)		**FBI** "Broken Promises" Maggie faces a life-altering decision.		**FBI: Most Wanted** "Ghosts" A man's daughter goes missing.		**CBS42 News 10pm** (N)	**Late Show-Colbert**
WTTO-CW	9	**The Goldbergs** "Deadheads"	**2 Broke Girls**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Big Bang Theory**	**The Flash** Kid Flash returns to Central City. (N)		**DC's Legends of Tomorrow** "Mr. Parker's Cul-De-Sac" (N)		**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**The Andy Griffith Show**	**The Andy Griffith Show**
WPXH-ION	11	**Criminal Minds** "Starter Home" The team tracks a serial killer.		**Criminal Minds** People get mail with grisly contents.		**Criminal Minds** The BAU helps track a murderer.		**Criminal Minds** Two people go missing in the woods.		**Criminal Minds** "Luke" The BAU investigates four murders.		**Criminal Minds** Vigilantes execute a series of attacks.	
WABM2-ABC	12	**ABC 33/40 News at 5PM**	**ABC World News**	**ABC 33/40 News at 6PM**	**Wheel of Fortune** (N)	**The Bachelor** "Season Finale Part 2" (Season Finale) Peter and the women discuss the journey. (N) (Live) (Part 2 of 2)				**(:01) For Life** Marie reflects on her marriage to Aaron. (N)		**ABC 33/40 News at 10PM**	**(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!**
A&E	42	**The First 48** New Orleans detectives hunt a killer.		**The First 48** Young thugs terrorize a neighborhood.		**The First 48** "Predator" The hunt for a possible serial killer.		**The First 48: My First Homicide** "Deadly Rap" (N)		**(:02) The First 48: My First Homicide** (N)		**(:06) The First 48** A man is found executed in the street.	
AMC	53	★★★ **"Taken"** (2008, Action) Liam Neeson, Maggie Grace, Famke Janssen. Slavers kidnap the daughter of a former spy.				★★ **"Road House"** (1989, Action) Patrick Swayze, Kelly Lynch, Sam Elliott. A legendary bouncer agrees to tame a notorious gin mill.					★★★ **"Under Siege"** (1992) Steven Seagal. A Navy cook thwarts a plot to hijack a battleship.		
ANPL	47	**Treehouse Masters** Treehouse in Fayetteville, Ga.		**Coyote Peterson: Brave**	**Coyote Peterson: Brave**	**Coyote Peterson: Brave**	**Coyote Peterson: Brave**	**Treehouse Masters** Pete looks at builds from past seasons.		**Treehouse Masters: Branched Out** "Bulldogs and Bungalows" Pete builds a medieval-themed citadel. (N)			
BET	55	**(4:57)** ★★ **"Madea's Family Reunion"** (2006, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Blair Underwood, Lynn Whitfield. A matriarch must keep the peace through family strife.						★ **"A Madea Christmas"** (2013, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Kathy Najimy, Chad Michael Murray. Madea dishes out her own brand of Christmas spirit.					**Martin**
BRAVO	58	**Vanderpump Rules** "It's Not About the Pastor"		**Vanderpump Rules** Jax kicks Sandoval out of his wedding.		**Vanderpump Rules** Jax opts whether or not to forgive Tom.		**Vanderpump Rules** A dinner rehearsal gets disrupted. (N)		**Watch What Happens Live**	**Family Karma** Diwali season means new beginnings.		**Vanderpump Rules**
CMTV	61	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Last Man Standing**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	**Mom**	★★ **"Overboard"**
CNBC	35	**Mad Money** (N)		**Shark Tank** Kids seek an investor for their idea.		**Shark Tank** The answer to plastic bottles.		**Shark Tank** Cookies; swimsuits; safety light clips.		**The Profit** Behind-the-scenes insights. (N)		**The Profit** Marcus must help an entrepreneur.	
CNN	37	**(3:00) America's Choice 2020: Super Tuesday** Primaries and caucus coverage. (N) (Live)				**America's Choice 2020: Super Tuesday** Coverage of the primaries and caucuses. (N) (Live)							
COM	56	**(:15) The Office** Michael cannot keep a promise he made.		**(5:50) The Office**	**(:25) The Office** "Sabre"	**The Office** (Part 1 of 2)	**The Office** (Part 2 of 2)	**Tosh.0**	**Tosh.0** "1109"	**Tosh.0**	**Tosh.0**	**The Daily Show**	**Lights Out-David Spade**
DISN	49	**(:05) Jessie**	**(:35) Raven's Home**	**(:05) Raven's Home**	**(:35) Bunk'd**	**Bunk'd** "Lava at First Sight"	**Gabby Duran**	**(7:50) Sydney to the Max**	**(:40) Just Roll With It**	**(:05) Disney Fam Jam**	**Sydney to the Max**	**(9:55) Bunk'd**	**Gabby Duran**
DSC	43	**Moonshiners** A young outlaw earns an apprenticeship.		**Moonshiners** Tickle puts CBD in their moonshine.		**Moonshiners: Outlaw Cuts** "Georgia on My Shine" (N)		**Moonshiners** "New Bootlegger in Town" Mike confronts Daniel. (N)				**Moonshiners** Tickle returns from a year in jail.	
E!	21	**(4:30) Botched**	**Botched** A former recluse gets new breasts.		**Botched** Patient flips out over butt implants.		**Botched** Facial skin graft growing pubic hair.		**Botched** A mom claims Santa broke her nose.		**Botched** Dr. Dubrow performs two-stage revision.		**Nightly Pop** (N)
ESPN	29	**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)		**College Basketball** Horizon League Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** WCC Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)				**SportsCenter** (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	30	**Daily Wager** (N) (Live)		**College Basketball** Northeast Tournament -- St. Francis (Pa.) at Robert Morris. (N) (Live)				**College Basketball** Summit League Tournament, Final: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)				**Tennis** Tie Break Tens. From Indian Wells, Calif. (N) (Live)	
FOOD	45	**Chopped** "Tortellini Trials" A puzzling pasta in round one.		**Chopped** Sausage and okra; peppers and pears.		**Chopped** The chefs make noodle or pasta dishes.		**Chopped** What to do with an odd pie. (N)		**Chopped Sweets** Scott dares chefs to make tiny treats.		**Chopped** "Ooey, Gooey Cheese!" Melted cheeses.	
FREE	48	**(4:30)** ★★ **"Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides"** (2011) Johnny Depp. Capt. Jack Sparrow searches for the Fountain of Youth.					★★★ **"The Jungle Book"** (2016, Children's) Neel Sethi, Voice of Bill Murray. Young Mowgli meets an array of animals in the jungle.					**The 700 Club** History of St. Patrick's Cathedral. (N)	
FS1	20	**NASCAR Race Hub** (N) (Live)		**The Beckham Effect**		**CONCACAF Champions League Soccer** Quarterfinal -- Montreal Impact vs CD Olimpia. 1st leg. (N) (Live)				**The Beckham Effect**		**WWE Backstage** (N) (Live)	
FSEE	32	**Golf America** (N)	**Atlanta Braves**	**Women's College Gymnastics** Michigan at Oklahoma.				**College Wrestling** Big 12 Championship. From the BOK Center in Tulsa, Okla.				**Women's College Basketball** Texas Tech at Oklahoma.	
FX	28	**(4:30)** ★★★ **"Deadpool"** (2016, Action) Ryan Reynolds. Deadpool hunts down the man who nearly destroyed his life.				★★★ **"Spider-Man: Homecoming"** (2017, Action) Tom Holland, Michael Keaton, Robert Downey Jr. Peter Parker harnesses his new powers to battle the Vulture.						★★★ **"The Revenant"** (2015) Leonardo DiCaprio.	
GOLF	82	**PGA TOUR Champions**	**PGA TOUR: The CUT**	**Live From THE PLAYERS** (N) (Live)				**Live From THE PLAYERS**					
HALL	72	**"Forever in My Heart"** (2019) Blake Berris, Emmet Byrne. Two people find love in Ireland but their dreams drive them apart.				**"Just Add Romance"** (2019) Meghann Fahy. Two talented chefs find themselves competing on a cable cooking show.				**"Rome in Love"** (2019, Romance) Italia Ricci, Vincent Riotta. An actress flies to Rome after landing her dream role.			
HGTV	46	**Love It or List It** "Small House, Great Neighborhood"		**House Hunters International**	**House Hunters** (N)	**Love It or List It** Sons have made a ranch house too small.		**Unsellable Houses** (N)	**(:31) Unsellable Houses**	**(:01) One of a Kind** (N)	**(:31) One of a Kind** (N)	**(:01) Love It or List It** A family struggles with their '70s home.	
HIST	40	**The Curse of Oak Island** "Bromancing the Stones"		**The Curse of Oak Island** There may be a ship in the swamp.		**The Curse of Oak Island: Digging Deeper** "Surely Templar"		**The Curse of Oak Island** "Water Logged" (N)		**(:03) Project Blue Book** "What Lies Beneath" (N)		**(:05) The Curse of Oak Island** "Burnt Offering"	
LIFE	23	**(4:00)** ★★ **"The Shack"** (2017) Sam Worthington, Octavia Spencer. Three strangers take a man on a life-changing journey.				★★ **"A Walk to Remember"** (2002) Shane West, Mandy Moore. A high-school delinquent courts a minister's daughter.				**(:03)** ★★ **"Heaven Is for Real"** (2014, Drama) Greg Kinnear, Kelly Reilly. A little boy says he has visited heaven.			
MSNBC	36	**The Beat With Ari Melber** (N)		**MSNBC Live: Decision 2020** (N)		**All In With Chris Hayes** (N)		**The Rachel Maddow Show** "Rachel Maddow 3/10/20" (N)		**The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell** (N)		**The 11th Hour With Brian Williams** (N)	
NGC	22	**Port Protection** Residents take advantage of the weather.		**Port Protection** Scrambling to gather necessities.		**Life Below Zero: Port Protection** Surviving Mother Nature.		**Life Below Zero: Port Protection** "The Crusher" (N)		**(:03) Extreme Rescues** A kayaker fights to save his friend. (N)			**Life Below Zero: Port**
PARMT	57	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	**Two and a Half Men**	★ **"Mr. Deeds"** (2002, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder. A pizza maker inherits a fortune from a distant relative.				**Ink Master** Artists are tough enough for Turf War. (N)		★ **"Mr. Deeds"** (2002) Adam Sandler, Winona Ryder.	
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** "Nikki Glaser" (N)	**Miracle Workers**
TCM	79	**(3:30)** ★★ **"Jimi Hendrix"**	★★★ **"Monterey Pop"** (1969, Documentary) Scott McKenzie, John Phillips.			★★ **"It's Love Again"** (1936, Musical Comedy) Jessie Matthews, Robert Young. Premiere.			**(:45) "All Girl Revue"** (1940)	★★ **"Three Little Girls in Blue"** (1946) June Haver, George Montgomery. Premiere.			**"Thank Your Lucky Stars"**
TLC	24	**Say Yes to the Dress** Katie tries on her dream dress.		**My Big Fat Fabulous Life** Ryan makes a business proposition.		**My Big Fat Fabulous Life** "Worth The Weight" (N)		**I Am Jazz** Jazz is getting ready to graduate. (N)		**Sister Wives** The owner is selling Robyn's house.		**Little People, Big World** Matt considers all his options.	
TNT	26	**UEFA- BR Football Post Match** (N) (Live)		**NBA Pregame** (N) (Live)		**NBA Basketball** Dallas Mavericks at San Antonio Spurs. (N Subject to Blackout) (Live)					**NBA Basketball** Los Angeles Clippers at Golden State Warriors. (N Subject to Blackout)		
USA	27	**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Thought Criminal"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Decline and Fall"		**Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Intent"		**The Biggest Loser** The players no longer compete in teams.		**(:01) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Intersecting Lives"		**(:01) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit** "Heartfelt Passages"	
WE	71	**Law & Order** "I.D." A woman kills her sister.		**Law & Order** "Good Girl" Murder case raises race issue.		**Law & Order** "Survivor" A thief kills a rare coins dealer.		**Law & Order** A crooked cop testifies against Briscoe.		**Law & Order** "Double Blind" Mentally ill student is suspect.		**Law & Order** "Deadbeat" Deadbeat dad is murdered.	
HBO	518	**(4:55)** ★★ **"Pearl Harbor"** (2001, War) Ben Affleck, Josh Hartnett, Kate Beckinsale. Best friends become fighter pilots and romantic rivals in 1941. 'PG-13'						**Women of Troy** (N)		**The Shop: Uninterrupted**	**The Outsider** The group finds itself in a showdown.	★★ **"Anna"** (2019) 'R'	
MAX	549	**(:15)** ★★★ **"The Crow"** (1994, Action) Brandon Lee. A rock star rises from the dead to avenge his murder. 'R'				★★ **"Tag"** (2018) Ed Helms. Five competitive friends play a no-holds-barred game of tag.			**(:45)** ★★ **"Bad Times at the El Royale"** (2018, Suspense) Jeff Bridges, Cynthia Erivo. Strangers get one last shot at redemption at a seedy hotel. 'R'				
SHOW	578	**(3:30)** ★★ **"Shaft"** (2000)	**(:20) Our Cartoon President**	**(5:50)** ★★★ **"Serpico"** (1973, Crime Drama) Al Pacino. Undercover cop Frank Serpico exposes police corruption. 'R'				**Homeland** "Chalk Two Down" Carrie chases answers.		★★ **"The Best of Enemies"** (2019) Taraji P. Henson. An activist and a KKK leader work together on desegregation.			
TMC	598	**(4:05)** ★★ **"Peep World"**	**(:25)** ★★ **"Flashdance"** (1983, Drama) Jennifer Beals, Michael Nouri, Cynthia Rhodes. 'R'			★★ **"Girl, Interrupted"** (1999, Drama) Winona Ryder. A troubled young woman checks into a psychiatric hospital. 'R'				**(:10)** ★★★ **"Wildlife"** (2018, Drama) Carey Mulligan. A 14-year-old boy watches his parents' marriage fall apart. 'PG-13'			

Best Bets

8 p.m. on WBRC
Empire

Lucious (Terrence DaShon Howard) isn't prepared for the feedback he gets from record-label executives as he tries to negotiate a deal for Yana (guest star Kiandra Richardson) in the new episode "Talk Less." Elsewhere, Cookie (Taraji P. Henson) is haunted by memories of a secret she has been forced to keep for years., and Lala (guest star Diamond White) pulls a dangerous stunt to take control of her own promotion when she starts to feel her media bosses are neglecting her. Trai Byers also stars.

8 p.m. on WIAT
FBI

After Maggie and OA (Missy Peregrym, Zeeko Zaki) are summoned to the scene of a murder, a quick assessment suggests to them that the fatal assault was politically motivated in the new episode "Broken Promises." That theory is tested, though, when a second murder quickly follows — so the agents rush to uncover some common thread between the two homicides before even more bodies pile up. On a more personal note, Maggie ponders making a decision that could affect her entire career. Ebonée Noel also stars.

8 p.m. on WTTO
DC's Legends of Tomorrow

Ray's (Brandon Routh) plans for a date night with Nora (Courtney Ford) go off the rails when the team must move quickly to fend off an Encore who has shown up unexpectedly in the new episode "Mr. Parker's Cul-De-Sac." While the others are busy putting their plan into action, Ava (Jes Macallan) confronts Sara (Caity Lotz) after discovering what the latter really was doing while she was away. Elsewhere, Charlie and Constantine (Maisie Richardson-Sellers, Matt Ryan) strike a mutually beneficial arrangement to team up.

8 p.m. on HBO
Women of Troy

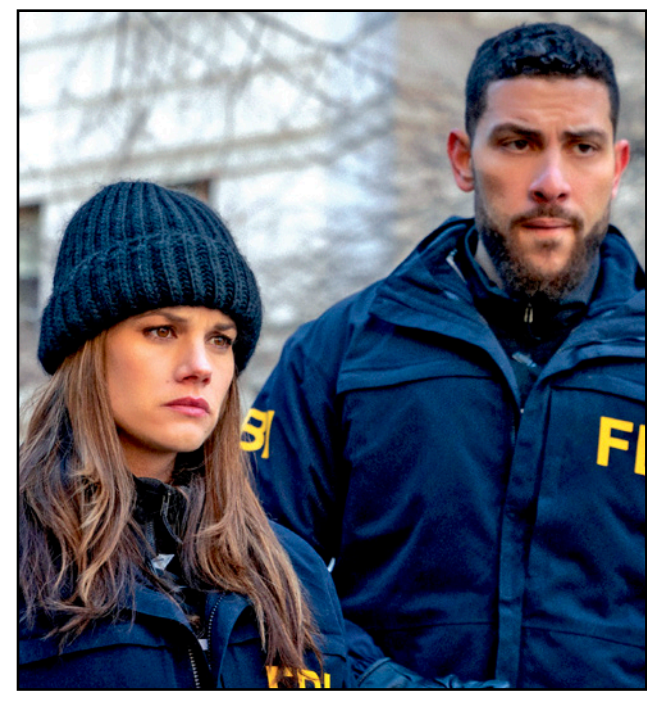
Alison Ellwood's sports documentary chronicles the transcendent career of the USC Trojans, under the leadership of Cheryl Miller, and the team's impact on women's basketball. These singular players arrived at the University of Southern California just as the influence of Title IX on women's sports began. They rose to national prominence, winning two national titles and becoming the first women's collegiate team to visit the Reagan White House. In addition to Miller, interviewees include Cynthia Cooper, Paula and Pam McGee, and USC head coach Linda Sharp.

9 p.m. on OWN
Cherish the Day

Gently (Xosha Roquemore) feels as if she's being pushed to the very brink of her tolerance as Evan's (Alano Miller) all-consuming work schedule brings out an unattractive, more demanding side to his personality in the new episode "Nemesis." Things threaten to explode, though, when Evan asks her to put her own work on hold so she can host a completely impromptu but ambitious work dinner for him.

9:03 p.m. on HIST
Project Blue Book

When classified and otherwise highly sensitive material is stolen from Generals Harding and Valentine (Neal McDonough, Michael Harney), Hynek and Quinn (Aidan Gillen, Michael Malarkey) soon make the discovery that the culprit may be far closer to home than they might have imagined in the new episode "What Lies Beneath." Worse, there's also tangible and persuasive evidence of a UFO conspiracy. Laura Mennell also stars.



Missy Peregrym and Zeeko Zaki star in "FBI" on CBS.

OPINION

The Sovereignty of God, no. 10

Tom Fillinger
Tribune Correspondent

Today we continue in our study of the Sovereignty of God.

"Death and plagues
around me fly,
Until He bids—I cannot die!
Not a single shaft can hit,
Until the God of
love sees fit!"

O the preciousness of this truth! Here I am—a poor, helpless, senseless "sheep," yet I am secure in the hand of Christ. And why am I secure there? None can pluck me thence—because the hand that holds me is that of the Son of God, and all power in heaven and earth is His!

Again, I have no strength of my own: the world, the flesh and the Devil are arrayed against me, so I commit myself into the care and keeping of my Lord Jesus, and say with the apostle, "I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day." (2 Timothy 1:12) And what is the ground of my confidence? How do I know that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him? I know it because He is God Almighty—the King of kings and Lord of lords!

6. The doctrine of God's sovereignty supplies *comfort* in sorrow.
The doctrine of God's sovereignty is one that is full of *consolation* and imparts great peace to the Christian. The sovereignty of God is a foundation that nothing can shake and is firmer than the heavens and earth! How blessed to know there is no corner of the universe that is out of His reach! As said the Psalmist, "Where can I go to escape Your Spirit? Where can I flee from Your presence? If I go up to heaven—You are there; if I make my bed in Hell—You are there. If I live at the eastern horizon or settle at the western limits—even there Your hand will lead me; Your right hand will hold on to me. If I say, 'Surely the darkness will hide me, and the light around me will become night'—even the darkness is not dark to You. The night shines like the day; darkness and light are alike to You!" (Psalm 139:7-12)

How blessed it is to know that *God's strong hand* is upon everyone and everything! How blessed to know that not a *sparrow* falls to the ground without His notice!

You may contact me at info@igniteus.net, or 803-413-3509. I am available to speak at your church or to serve as interim pastor.

Rumors (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman Community Theatre broke new ground over the weekend with its first non-musical (known as a straight play) and first dinner theater production, Neil Simon's "Rumors," at Stone Bridge Farms. The highbrow and slightly irreverent farce told the story of increasingly over-complicated efforts to cover up a shooting at an upscale dinner party.

"It has been a trial, it has really been a trial," said Director Melva Jackson. "We've just had one setback after another, and I won't go into all of it, but it's really been a trial. But this cast has pulled together and worked together; I mean, they are amazing people. I mean they have built the set, they have gotten the furniture, the props, and you see out there it looks great!

"With this, the biggest challenge was they have a lot of events here (at Stone Bridge Farms), so we were not able to build- usually, you can build the set on the stage and rehearse, but we were not able to do that, so, because they had events all the way up until- Monday night was the first night we were able to be in the theater.

"So we had to put the set up Monday during the day, and then rehearse that night. And we only had three nights rehearsal on the set."

In the meantime, Morgan Oil donated warehouse space for the cast and crew to construct the set and hold rehearsals.

The efforts seem to have paid off, as the cast and crew played to good-sized crowds that gave the cast all the laughs and applause one would want from such a production.

After Friday evening's show, Assistant Director Nick Shabel told The Tribune, "I think it was a success. The crowd was very excited- huge applause and hollering after the show, so we're pretty happy. I think we're already planning to do it again next year."

Jackson shared Shabel's feeling that this was just a start, saying, "It is a challenge, but I absolutely think there'll be more of these, absolutely. It's fun. It's always interesting when you're not doing it in a real theater and doing it in a dining facility or whatever, but I definitely think there will be more."

She added that her greatest joy in the production was "Just watching these people. They made me laugh every single night. I mean, some nights I laughed so hard, I couldn't stop. We just had to stop the whole thing because we were laughing so hard. So it's a lot of fun! Great, really great people, nice people, funny people; I mean what's not to like?"

Cast

- Chris Gorman- Kathryn Jones
- Ken Gorman- David Trelles
- Claire Ganz- Kim Trelles
- Lenny Ganz- Jay Jones
- Cookie Cusak- Kristen Phillips
- Ernie Cusak- Bill McCartney
- Cassie Cooper- Chellie Letson
- Glenn Cooper- Levi Stricklin
- Officer Welch- Kathy Kinnison
- Officer Pudney- Amanda Kinney

- Director: Melva Jackson
- Assistant directors: Nick Shabel, Sarah Glover
- Technical director: Noah Carpenter
- Set crew foreman: Levi Stricklin
- Production operation manager: Cindy Pass

Cullman Community Theatre's next production will be "Hello, Dolly!" at Cullman High School July 17-19. Auditions are scheduled for late April. For more information, visit http://bit.ly/2IxNxjR.

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Obituary Announcements March 10

Phillip Dewayne Green of Hanceville passed away March 5, 2020 at the age of 43. He was born Jan. 9, 1977 in Cullman to Phillip Dale and Wanda Green. He is preceded in death by his father. Graveside services were Monday, March 9, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Turney Cemetery on Old Hwy. 31. Rev. Doug Smith officiated. Survivors are sons Landon and Ethan Green; daughter Andrea Rimas; mother Wanda Pigg; step-father Matthew Pigg; sisters Christy Johnson and her fiancé Scott Bartlett and Jessica Green (Jonathan) Harper; brother Allen (Belinda) Green; and two grandchildren. The family received friends at the graveside Monday. Moss Service Funeral Home directed.

Funeral services for Mae C. Graves, 96, of Hanceville, Alabama were at noon Monday, March 9, 2020 at Hanceville Funeral Home chapel. Burial followed at Graves Gap Cemetery in Hayden, Alabama. The family welcomed guests for a visitation from 11 a.m.-noon at the funeral home prior to the service. Mrs. Graves is survived by her daughters Mavis Jenkins, Reba (Del) Denney, and Nita (Mark) Garrett; grandchildren Barry (Candy) Jenkins, Josh (Ana) Johnson, and Samantha Johnson (Winston); great-grandchildren, Taylor Jenkins, Souriya Johnson, Lance Johnson, Luke Johnson, and Alyse Johnson; and a host of nieces and nephews. Mrs. Graves is preceded in death by her parents W.E. Cleveland and Sarah Alice Cleveland; infant son Jerry Graves; and son-in-law Michael Jenkins.

Funeral services for Caleb Ross Neighbors, 29, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. Mark Long and Scott Guthrie officiating; burial at Good Hope Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Neighbors passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 at UAB-Palliative Care. He was born Jan. 25, 1991. Survivors include his wife Morgan Neighbors; parents Debra (David) Scott, Tim Neighbors; brothers Kerry Neighbors, Duston (Desti) Neighbors, Jeff (Tyra) Scott, and Wayne (Jennifer) Scott; sister Autumn (Corbin) Barnett; grandmother Geraldene Bailey; nieces Abby Neighbors, Isabella Neighbors, Caroline Neighbors, Ellie Grace Neighbors, Aubrey Clark, Aurora Clark and Alice McGowan; nephews Branson Neighbors, Jordan Tanner and Levi Scott; his beloved dog Charlie; and a host of family and friends. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Janice Fay Compton, 69, of Fairview passed away Saturday afternoon, March 7, 2020. She was born in Gadsden to Clarence Thomas and Jewel Hudgins Kimbril. Mrs. Compton is preceded in death by her parents and son B.J. Walker. Survivors include her husband Noah "Skip" Compton, Jr.; brother Ricky Kimbril; sisters Jean Tant, Frieda (Jimmy) Weeks, and Judy (Red) Kirkland; and several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be at Holly Pond Funeral Home at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 12, 2020. Visitation will be held Wednesday 6-8 p.m. Wednesday evening at the funeral home. Burial will be at Holly Pond Cemetery.

Delma "Lou" Minier, formerly of Cullman, passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 at Marshall Manor Nursing Home at the age of 90. She was born in Blount County Dec. 15, 1929 to Jim and Leona Weaver Beason. In 1955, she moved to Michigan and spent most of her life there with her husband Wilton Minier. She returned to the area in 2002. After returning to the Cullman area, she attended Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Welti. She enjoyed her whole family and loved to laugh and have a fun time. She was a wonderful grandma to all her step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband; daughter Barbara Beason; sisters Fanny Temple and Delfie Butts; and brothers Floyd Beason, Ollie Beason and Bill Beason. She is survived by 19 step-grandchildren; 39 step-great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews and special friends. Her Celebration of Life Funeral Service will be held in the chapel of Moss Service Funeral Home Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 2 p.m. Her family will receive friends prior to the service at 1 p.m. Burial will be at Union Grove Cemetery. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

John Dewayne Helms was born March 18, 1954 and passed away March 7, 2020.

Funeral services for Carrie Lee Collins, 94, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Friday, March 13, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home; interment in Lawrence Cove Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon-2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Collins passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 at her residence. She was born Dec. 10, 1925 to Washington Wims and Ora Gertrude Vincent. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband Harry Collins. Survivors include her daughters, Debbie (Buddy) Gilbert, Lesley (John) Klem, Polly (Steve) Brooks, and Antoinette Mitchell; grandchildren Deliska (James) Bates, Crystal (Brian) Bevis, Michelle Gilbert, Trevor Gilbert, Alyssa Klem, Tina (Kevin) Kelcey, Mark Brooks, Stuart Brooks (Tina Brandon), Rachel (Steve) LeDoux, and Arrie Mitchell; great-grandchildren Brandon, Ryan, Seth, Jewel, Jeffery, Andrew, Stephen, Kaitlyn, Katie, Sean, Emilie, and Karma; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services for Billy Charles Davenport, 74, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Dudley Brock officiating; interment in Cullman Heritage Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Davenport passed away Sunday, March 8, 2020 at Hospice Family Care. He was born Oct. 21, 1945 to Roscoe and Virginia Davenport. He was preceded in death by his wife Jerry Lee Davenport; daughters Christina Davenport and Evelyn Davenport; and parents Roscoe and Virginia Davenport. Survivors include his special family Faye Davenport; son Billy Davenport; and sister Bonnie Meredith.

A Celebration of Life service for Leonard Edward Coughran, 70, of Blountsville will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 12, 2020 at Liberty Church, 120 Kenyon Road, Arab, AL 35016. Pastor Keith Hodges will be officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Coughran passed away March 8, 2020 at his residence. He was born Dec. 8, 1949 to Finley Ross and Gloria Salome Proebstel Coughran. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother Douglas Coughran. Survivors include his wife Catherine Coughran; son Jeremy Coughran; daughter Sarah (Jason) Lohaus; step-children Kristy (Aaron) Ortiz, Tabitha (Patrick) Brown, and Austen (Amber) Bibb; brother Ross (Mary) Coughran; sister Ellissa (George) Loney; 12 grandchildren; family and friends. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Coylene Swann Wall McGeehon lived a fulfilling life as a faithful Christ follower and a loving mother to three children, Clarice, Denise and Leta. Coylene was married to her late husband Charlie McGeehon, the love of her life, and shared a bonus son, as she called him, Dale. She loved her family, her friends and her community. Mom enjoyed God's creation through extensive travels, reading the Word, learning and being at home to watch over her flowers. Coylene will be missed by everyone who had the opportunity to know her; she was a treasure. Coylene was raised in Hayden, Alabama, just north of Birmingham. She spent her early years raising her girls with their dad, Charles Wall, in Gardendale where they were members of Mt. Vernon United Methodist Church. It was during this time she gave so much of herself caring for patients at NorthWay Gardendale Nursing Home and as the administrator of Summers Landing. Later in life, Coylene met Charlie, one of the most loving and kind people on God's earth. Together they settled in Orange Beach and spent time between relaxing by the water, loving their extended family, traveling the world with friends and visiting family in Birmingham. Coylene was preceded in death by parents Coy and Lorene Thomas Swann; brother Coy Swann, Jr.; and sisters Betty Carol Reburn and Sue Daily. She is survived by her daughters Clarice Zelenak (Bill Zelenak), Denise Romano, and Leta Parsons Osborn (Mike Osborn); sister Janet Smithson (Drennon) and her twin brother, Gerald Swann (Shirley); seven grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, Coylene requested donations to Oak Grove Baptist Church. Funeral services will be held Thursday, March 12 at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Highway 9 in Hayden, AL 35079. Visitors will be welcome for visitation from 10 a.m. on. The funeral service will begin at 2 p.m.

Ray Camp, 87, of Haleyville passed away Saturday, March 7, 2020 at Hendrix Healthcare and Rehab in Double Springs. Ray was born July 3, 1932 in Franklin County, Alabama to Alvin and Ethyl Camp. Visitation was held Monday, March 9, 2020 at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville from 6-8 p.m. where service will be held Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 11 a.m. Brother Joseph Martin will officiate. Ray is survived by his wife Clytee Baccus Camp; nine grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild; and daughter-in-law Shirley Camp. He was preceded in death by his late wife Vernell Camp; children Ethelene Camp Cantrell and Michael Camp; parents Alvin and Ethyl Camp; sisters Lorene Pinkard, Elsie Harrison, Olene Campbell, Cora Mae Burleson, Violet Loretta Joyce, and Opal Teal; brothers Loyd Camp, Etridge Camp, J.B. Camp, Farris Camp, Vernon Camp, and Milford Camp; and son-in-law Cecil Cantrell.

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Coronavirus (from Front)

kins' Lisa Maragakis, M.D., M.P.H., senior director of infection prevention, said in a reviewed article, "As of Mar. 9, 2020, the flu is showing much more of an impact on Americans than COVID-19." (Read the full article at https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/health/conditions-and-diseases/coronavirus/coronavirus-disease-2019-vs-the-flu)

Local response

The response from local emergency management and heath care personnel has been one of preparedness, not panic.

"Cullman Regional continues to monitor updates regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19). Our team is working closely with the Alabama Department of Public Health to stay abreast of the latest developments with the virus, and we will continue to work with our public health officials to stay as prepared as possible. Cullman Regional also has an internal team prepared to care for patients exposed to special pathogens such as Coronavirus. Cullman Regional's safety and treatment protocols include following the recommended screening process developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)," said a statement from Cullman Regional.

"The Cullman County Emergency Management Agency (CCEMA) is working with the Alabama EMA, (Alabama) Department of Public Health, regional healthcare coalitions and local government to monitor the latest information and updates," said Cullman EMA Director Phyllis Little. "A link to the CDC COVID-19 website (http://bit.ly/2Q2xQ8x) has been added to our webpage at www.cullmanema.org. The website has the latest information, recommendations and print materials for businesses, schools and communities."

Continued Little, "Cullman EMA will continue to monitor the situation and work with local and state health officials to ensure that our community has access to the latest information and recommendations."

Local public schools

Both Cullman County Schools and Cullman City Schools say they are monitoring the situation closely.

"We continue to emphasize good hygiene techniques and thorough cleaning practices throughout our school system. If cases do appear locally appropriate measures will be taken to limit exposure to the virus," said Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette.

"As of Monday afternoon, a link will be placed on our district website that will include information about the coronavirus and how CCBOE will respond if or when cases are discovered locally.

"The most important thing to remember at this time is for everyone not to panic and continue to emphasize with their children the importance of washing their hands and to keep their hands away from their faces. Cullman County Schools will continue to stay in communication with ADPH, CDC and ALSDE as they make any additional recommendations concerning the coronavirus."

Barnette shared the following letter on behalf of the Cullman County School Board (CCBOE) Monday afternoon:

At a time of recent increased media coverage concerning the coronavirus or COVID-19, I wanted to reach out and make sure you all are as informed as you can be concerning the virus. Our school system, as are all school systems in Alabama, are in close contact the Alabama State Department of Education and the Alabama State Department of Public Health concerning the virus outbreak occurring around the globe.

Recent cases regarding community spread (person-to-person) raises some concerns and questions for many people. I hope to alleviate some of that stress, by explaining what we know and what our plan is as a school system. The virus has not yet surfaced in Alabama, while it has been confirmed in neighboring states, Tennessee, Florida and Georgia. Anyone who meets these criteria should refrain from coming to school and contact their healthcare provider immediately for instructions.

- ***Traveled outside of the United States***

- ***Had close contact with someone who recently traveled internationally and was sick, and who now has:***

o Fever
o Cough
o Trouble Breathing

The immediate risk of the coronavirus to the American public is believed to be low at this time, we are taking precautions to help respond in this public health threat:

- ***Everyday preventative actions include: o Avoid close contact with people who are sick.***

o Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash.
o Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
o Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.
o Stay home when you are sick, except to get medical care.
o Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.

- ***Classroom preventative actions include: o Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces.***

o Play a game with students to teach them how to properly wash their hands such as singing through the ABCs while washing his or her hands.
o Promote to students not to touch their faces.

Thank you,
Shane Barnette, superintendent
Kayla Burgess, lead nurse

The CCBOE also released the following document Monday afternoon:

CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES

Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a respiratory illness that can spread from person to person. The virus is a new virus that first appeared in China in December 2019. The name corona comes from the spike like extensions of the virus that makes it look like a crown. Coronaviruses are very common in animals, the COVID-19 virus likely came from bats, it has the same sequence as MERS and SARS which also originated in bats. The virus has spread throughout China, Italy, and Iran, while countries report new cases every day. Right now, the greatest risk of infection is dependent on exposure. The following procedures will be taken, should the coronavirus be deemed a pandemic and spreads to our area.

Step 1: Establish a decision-making body

- *Dr. Shane Barnette- Superintendent*
- *Kayla Burgess- Lead Nurse*
- *April Tucker- Federal Programs*
- *Anita Kilpatrick- Curriculum*
- *Jeff Harper- Transportation*
- *Bruce Ellard- Technology*
- *Karen Pinion- Counselors*

Step 2: Implementation measures to reduce disease transmission

- ***Encourage students/faculty to stay home if they develop symptoms:***

- *Symptoms of COVID-19*
  o Fever
  o Cough
  o Shortness of breath

- ***Promote hand hygiene and respiratory etiquette:***

o Washing hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water
o Coughing and/or sneezing into your elbow or a tissue
o Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are not available.

- ***Promote avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.***

- ***Prepare facilities to isolate students and staff who become ill while at school:***

o Sick students/staff will wait in the school's health room until parent pick up.
o Make arrangements with office staff letting them know students will be kept in the health room until parent pick up, will not be allowed to walk back through the school or to the office for pick up, unless escorted by a nurse.
o Face masks will be placed on students who may possibly be infected for protection of other students and staff members.

- ***Try to reduce crowding:***

o Few to no assemblies, reduce mass gatherings of students
o Possibly cancel sporting events if deemed necessary

- ***Aim for natural ventilation and proper cleaning of school environment:***

o Continue to clean and disinfect schools with the Clorox 360 machines and other cleaning materials
o Individual teachers clean rooms and areas assigned to them on a daily basis

- ***Disseminate relevant public health messages:***

o Relay informative messages to staff and parents as necessary

Step 3: Assess the role of school closures:

- *Decision will be made by superintendent with guidance of ADPH, CDC, ALSDE, and authoritative body about closing school*

- *If the decision is made to keep schools open, then refer back to step 2*

- ***If the decision is to close schools:***

o Clearly communicate with parents and the media
o Develop alternative learning strategies
o Online learning
o Mailed assignments
o Resume classes/re-open schools
o After 1-2 incubation periods, ideally
o Refer back to step 2 if outbreak continues

Find out more at www.ccboe.org.

Cullman City Schools Superintendent Dr. Susan Patterson provided the following statement Monday regarding the city school system's current plan regarding the coronavirus, saying, "If the situation changes with the coronavirus from its current state, Cullman City Schools will adjust our plans accordingly including instructional options with guidance from the named agencies."

Cullman City Schools is aware of the growing concern over the coronavirus and the possibility of future implications it may have on our system. Cullman City Schools will be taking direction from the Center for Disease Control (CDC), Alabama Department of Public Health, and Alabama State Department of Education.

We will continue normal operations and will monitor the situation, notifying parents should there be any change.

Guidance for Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19 from Alabama Department of Public Health:

Students or staff members who return from an affected area who develop symptoms compatible with COVID-19 such as fever, cough, or difficulty breathing within their 14-day monitoring period, should take the following steps:

1. *Separate themselves from others as much as possible. Immediately notify ADPH Infectious Diseases & Outbreaks Division at 1-800-338-8374.*

2. *If they experience an urgent health situation, seek medical care right away. Before going to a doctor's office or emergency room, call ahead and tell staff about recent travel and symptoms.*

3. *Restrict travel to private vehicle or medical transport (e.g., ambulance). No public transportation while sick.*

Persons who become symptomatic will require written physician clearance to return to school. Additional guidance from CDC on returning travelers is available at www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/risk-assessment.html.

It is important that students and staff without a history of travel or contact to a person with known COVID-19 take every day preventative actions:

Stay home when sick.

1. *Students and staff who have symptoms of acute respiratory illness are asked to stay home and not come to work until they are free of fever (100.4° F [37.8°C] or greater using an oral thermometer), signs of a fever, and any other symptoms for at least 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing or other symptom-altering medicines (e.g. cough suppressants).*

2. *Seek immediate medical care if symptoms become severe, such as high fever or difficulty breathing.*

Encourage students and staff to use "respiratory etiquette" through education and provision of supplies.

1. *Cover cough with a tissue or sleeve. See CDC's Cover Your Cough page. (www.cdc.gov/flu/prevent/actions-prevent-flu.htm).*

2. *Provide adequate supplies within easy reach, including tissues and no-touch trash cans.*

3. *Routinely clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects.*

4. *Separate sick students and staff from others until they can go home.*

5. *Encourage flu vaccine for those who have not had it this season to reduce illnesses and absences on campus (however, this will not prevent coronavirus illnesses).*

6. *Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer if soap and water are not available.*

7. *Avoid touching face with unwashed hands.*

8. *Avoid close contact with people who are sick.*
For additional information, please contact ADPH at (334) 206-5971 or visit the ADPH website at http://alabamapublichealth.gov/infectiousdiseases/2019-coronavirus.html.

Gauging Tribune readers' response

The Tribune published a poll early Monday morning, asking, "Coronavirus: Are you concerned or taking any precautions?"

As of 4:30 p.m. Monday, 238 readers (21%) answered yes, while 877 (79%) said no.

Where to go for more information

- CDC: http://bit.ly/2Q2xQ8x
- Johns Hopkins University: https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html

Awards (from Front)

Dawn Owens
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Alabama's affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) recently presented Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman and Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview with "Legislator of the Year" awards. The awards were given to Gudger and Shedd because of their sponsorship of mental health care bills in the Alabama Legislature-particularly, bills to help expedite the process for people living with mental illness committed to outpatient services for 150 days obtain a quicker review through the probate courts, meaning services received in a more timely manner. Senate Bill 246 was the first to pass.

On June 6, 2019 Gov. Kay Ivey signed SB-246 to "amend Sections 22-52—10.2 and 22—52—10.3, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide that the probate court issue a renewal of an involuntary commitment order for treatment of a mentally ill person if it finds, after a hearing, that the person is in need of further care; to add a new Section 22—52-10.10, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide procedural requirements for such a renewal." Details of the bill can be found on the Secretary of State's website at http://arc-sos.state.al.us/ucp/B19157AA.AK2.pdf.

This bill is also what sparked the focus of the Alabama Legislature on the 2020 Mental Health package announced by Senate Majority Leader Greg Reed, R-Jasper last week.

On Thursday, March 4, 2020 Graham Champion, a volunteer lobbyist for NAMI, presented the award to both legislators in Montgomery, saying, "They have provided an avenue for people with a mental illness to get the services they need in a timely manner. Their support of people living with a mental illness is greatly appreciated."

"It's very humbling to be recognized on this important issue," said Shedd.

"Even better news about mental health will be coming this year!" he said, referring to the five-piece package of legislation House Majority Leader Nathan Ledbetter, R-Rainsville announced late last month.

That legislation will establish three 24-hour crisis care centers throughout the state. The joint resolution, unveiled as part of a legislative package with four other pieces of legislation designed to expand and improve mental health care in the state of Alabama, was sponsored by Shedd and Gudger. The centers will serve as alternatives to hospital and emergency room visits by providing suicide prevention and other mental health services on an immediate, walk-in basis. These centers will be established in fiscal year 2021 at a cost of $18 million. The other four pieces will aid in other areas of mental health services provided around the state.

Gudger stated, "Mental Illness is an epidemic throughout the state. This is now getting the funding and the attention it desperately deserves. This is just the beginning and I look forward to creating a better Alabama for individuals who live with this illness and their families."

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to KENNITH FINE, as Personal Representative of the Estate of KATHLEEN FINE, deceased, on the 6th day of March, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

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