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– FEATURE –

Cullman Oktoberfest begins today!

The Oktoberfest biergarten is set up in Depot Park, complete with overhead twinkle lights, to welcome guests Friday and Saturday.



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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– FEATURE –

'A great day in Cullman and the state of Alabama'

Cullman, ALDOT break ground on final phase of Hwy. 157 project



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Left to right are Rep. Scott Stadthagen, R-Hartselle; Rep. Corey Harbison, R-Good Hope; Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview; Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman; Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs; Kyle Tignor from Chilton Contractors; ALDOT North Region Engineer Curtis Vincent; and Cullman Economic Development Agency Director Dale Greer.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT), City of Cullman, Cullman Economic Development Agency (CEDA) and Cullman County's legislative delegation on Thursday morning "broke ground" to mark the official launch of the construction project that will finally complete the four-lane expansion of Alabama Highway 157- from just east of U.S. Highway 31 to just past Cullman Regional, the only portion of the 90-mile highway that does not already have four lanes.

ALDOT's official project description reads, "For constructing the additional lanes (grading, drainage, pavement, ITS [Intelligent Transportation System], and traffic signals) on SR-157 from the junction of SR-69 to a point east of the junction of SR-3 (US-31) in Cullman. Length 4.245 mi."

Officials involved in the ceremony included:

- Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs
- ALDOT North Region Engineer Curtis Vincent
- Cullman Economic Development Agency Director Dale Greer
- Carrie Suggs, representing Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Alabama
- Paul Housel, representing Congressman Robert Aderholt, R-Alabama
- Kate Messervy, representing Sen. Doug Jones, D-Alabama
- Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman
- Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview
- Rep. Corey Harbison, R-Good Hope
- Rep. Scott Stadthagen, R-Hartselle

Also in attendance were the Cullman City Council, CEDA's Hwy. 157 project coordinator Jamie Troutman, Bill St. John- son of Finis St. John III who, as a state senator, helped start the Hwy. 157 expansion project many years ago- and representatives of Chilton Contractors, the company that will perform the construction.

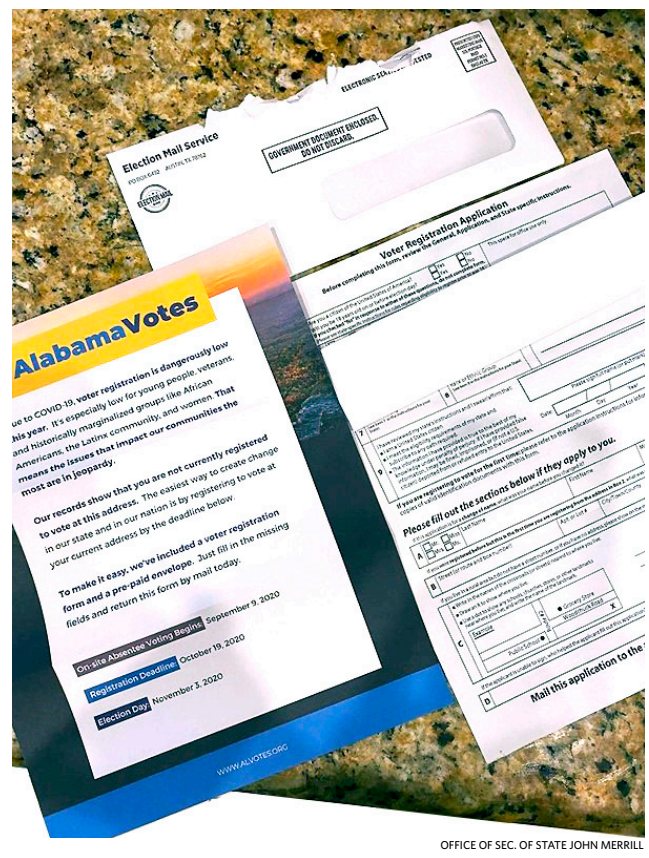
Greer told the assembled audience, "We all can attest to the need for four lanes on this stretch of 157.

"It is congested in the mornings and evenings. Daily traffic count ex-

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STATE

Merrill: Disregard information sent from Election Mail Service



OFFICE OF SEC. OF STATE JOHN MERRILL

Office of Sec. of State John Merrill

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Secretary of State's Office has been made aware of another third-party organization contacting voters with outdated and inaccurate information to encourage voter registration and voter participation.

The letter, which is sent by the Election Mail Service out of Austin, Texas, encourages voters to visit ALVotes.org – a site that is not associated whatsoever with the Office of the Secretary of State.

The letter notifies voters that they are not registered to vote and includes an unofficial voter registration application.

"After being notified by numerous voters who have received information in the mail addressed to people who have passed away or no longer reside in our state, our office immediately contacted the Election Mail Service to stop spreading the false information, which has in turn only confused and misled voters," announced Secretary of State John H. Merrill. (See letter at www.sos.alabama.gov/sites/default/files/press/PRLetter-2020-10-01.pdf.)

Voters across the state have been targeted using misspelled, misinformed and misleading data.

"Alabamians should once again be reminded to use www.AlabamaVotes.gov as their trusted source for election information.

"Questions about the election should be answered directly by our Office at 334-242-7200."

Voters can check their voter registration status online using our registration portal at https://myinfo.alabamavotes.gov/voterview.

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AGRICULTURE

New state program supports poultry growers impacted by pandemic

Maggie Lawrence
Contributor

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. - The Alabama Agricultural Stabilization Program (AASP) offers the state poultry growers an opportunity for compensation for losses incurred because of the COVID pandemic.

The Poultry Farmer Stabilization Grant Program, which is one element of the AASP, designates $4 million to assist growers.

This assistance is intended for growers who experienced extended downtimes between flocks, decreased birds per flock or changes in target grow-out weights for birds and have not been compensated.

Growers must apply online at the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (ADAI) website (http://agi.alabama.gov/). The application window runs Oct.13 through Nov. 6.

Challenges faced

Dennis Brothers, an Alabama Cooperative Extension System agricultural economist, said the poultry industry experienced challenges from the pandemic.

"Contract poultry growers are typically insulated from many risks that a traditional livestock producer would incur – like market price swings and inventory challenges," Brothers said.

"However, COVID-19 presented challenges to all of the agricultural supply chain and contract poultry growers are no exception.

"Being highly leveraged operations on tight cash flows, any minor swing in their stable production cycle can cause major business financial problems."

Adam Rabinowitz, who is also an Alabama Extension agriculture economist, said government support programs often leave out contract poultry growers.

Initial USDA programs to support farmers excluded contract poultry growers and the Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program provided limited options.

"Contract growers get left out because of a misconception that not owning their birds insulates them from market and production impacts," Rabinowitz said.

"Contract growers are usually highly leveraged and are dependent upon the contracting company to supply the birds, the feed, veterinary services and general management support."

Brothers added when a company feels market stresses that they may be passed down to contract growers.

"Growers may face increased down-time between flocks, fewer birds per flock and changes in target grow-out weights," he said.

"These can mean negative outcomes for contract growers and present real marketing and production risks to their operations."

Grower survey

Rabinowitz said when the initial AASP protocols were announced, concerns arose that they were too limiting for poultry growers.

Alabama Extension, led by Rabinowitz and Brothers in collaboration with the Alabama Farmers Federation and Alabama Poultry and Egg Association, conducted a grower survey to gather data on contract grower losses from COVID-19.

The ADAI modified the program supported by Extension's data.

"The survey suggested 45 percent of breeder growers suffered negative impacts," Rabinowitz said.

"We estimate that 25 percent more poultry growers will be eligible for the program than before the modifications."

Both Rabinowitz and Brothers agree that the state's poultry growers will reap benefits from the Poultry Farmer Stabilization Grant Program.

"These relief funds can have significant impact to the growers who are a major part of Alabama's largest agricultural industry," Brothers said.

"We know that integrators offer some assistance to growers, but this program will be important in cases where that assistance is less than the full loss or where no assistance was given."



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to wendy@cullmantribune.com

Power of Produce (POP) at Festhalle Cullman

• Saturdays through October at the Festhalle from 8 a.m.-noon

• Children ages 14 and younger can pick up a recipe and receive POP market money of $4 per person to spend on fresh produce, until we run out!

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Monday and Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Prayer Meetings at Spirit Life Church of GOD

• Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. at 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman

• Come pray with us for our nation, healing, etc. or come to receive prayer.

Cullman County Health Department Drive Thru Flu Shot Clinic

• Friday, Oct. 2, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center, 17645 U.S. Hwy. 31, Cullman

• Flu shots are $5. Medicare can be billed- you must bring your card. High-dose vaccines available for those 65 years and older while supplies last.

• For more information, call 256-734-1030.

Estate and Yard Sale

• Friday, Oct. 2 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 3 from 8 a.m.-noon at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, U.S. Highway 31 North (across from the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center)

Cullman Oktoberfest 2020

• The 39th annual celebration of Cullman's German heritage will be held Oct. 2-3, 2020! Be sure to join us for food, live German music, beer, games, arts & crafts, and so much more!

• Find out more at http://bit.ly/CullmanOktoberfest2020.

Cullman County Fair Parade

• Saturday, Oct. 3 at 2 p.m.

• U.S. Highway 31 from First Baptist Church to McGriff Tire

• Fair Parade registration starts at 9 a.m. Monday, Sept. 21 and ends at noon Wednesday, Sept. 30.

• Registration is at the fair office- $20 per entry - cash or check only

• Download the registration form at http://bit.ly/CFPregistrationform.

Cullman County Fair

• Oct. 8-17 at the Cullman County Fairgrounds

• All in One Passes go on sale Tuesday, Sept. 15 at Peoples Bank locations.

• Find out more at www.cullmanfair.org.

Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting

• Tuesday, Oct. 13 at 6 p.m. at the Cullman VFW, 112 Veterans Dr. SW

• The guest speaker will be Alabama Secretary of State John Merrill.

• The public is encouraged to attend.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Thursday, Oct. 1, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

• Total confirmed cases in AL: 138,162 (+598 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in AL: 17,582 (+445 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 2,405 (+6 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in AL: 143 (+2 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 1,660 (+3 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 263 (-2 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 18 (+0 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 2
• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 16,922
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,522
• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 144
• Total tested in Alabama: 1,138,732
• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 14,649
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 105,563
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 760
• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 17,257
• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 67,948

See more details at https://bit.ly/2VjCQbP.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 1

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 1, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Sept. 28

- illegal possession of prescription drugs; Hwy. 157
- harassment; CR 215
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; CR 1043
- burglary; CR 509
- harassment; CR 1718
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- assault; CR 1466
- harassment; CR 431
- burglary; CR 437

Sept. 29

- attempting to elude; CR 222
- reckless endangerment; Lions Park Road
- trespassing; CR 725
- domestic violence; CR 1422
- harassment; CR 1554
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 N
- theft of property; CR 771
- theft of property; CR 222
- harassment; CR 770
- theft of property; CR 490
- attempting to elude; CR 1030
- burglary; CR 1659
- harassment; CR 734

Sept. 30

- harassment; Hwy. 69 N
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; I-65 N, MM 293
- harassment; CR 1037
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 501
- burglary; Beech Grove Road
- theft of property; CR 223
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 107

ARRESTS

Sept. 28

Anders, Shaun David, 30

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Knutson, Brian Aaron, 20

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

McIntyre Jr., Bryan David, 35

- FTA- driving while revoked

Moore, Dustin Andrew Dakota, 23

- FTA- attempting to elude
- FTA- first-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
- FTA- driving on the wrong side of the road
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- failure to signal
- FTA- liability insurance required
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- reckless driving
- FTA- running a stop sign
- FTA- running a red light
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Presley, Michael Gene, 61

- failure to register quarterly SORNA
- probation violation- failure to register quarterly SORNA

Prince, Brandon Clark, 29

- FTA- certain persons forbidden to possess a pistol
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

South, Jason Howard, 42

- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Sept. 29

Boling, Lucretia Carina, 44

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Boling Jr., Stephon Lavon, 46

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Burden, Brandy Diann, 47

- illegal possession of prescription medicine

Drane, Jacob Andrew, 21

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Freeman, Richard Blake, 30

- attempting to elude
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Fullard, James Tony, 56

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Hale, Jerry Lamar, 60

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Holder, Donald William, 52

- probation violation- possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance
- probation violation- third-degree theft of lost property
- probation violation- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance

Huff, Faye Leeanne, 40

- third-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument (5 counts)
- third-degree forgery (5 counts)

Judkins, Shannon Robertson, 47

- judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Maddox, Courtney Marie, 29

- judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Mead, Melanie Kay, 44

- FTA- driving while revoked
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Sept. 30

Barber, Tonya Michelle, 44

- attempting to elude
- DUI- any substance
- driving while revoked
- no tag/tag not plainly visible
- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- tag light required

Harris, Steven Paul, 41

- FTA- third-degree burglary

McGregor, Ronald Lloyd, 64

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Odom, Jennie Marie, 42

- FTA- liability insurance required

Ramey, Shelton Daniel Ray, 25

- GJ- identity theft (3 counts)
- GJ- insurance fraud (5 counts)

Riggs, Britany Hope, 28

- FTA- third-degree burglary
- FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)
- FTA- third-degree theft of property (3 counts)

Sanford, Justin Blake, 30

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Sauceda, Marilyn Elaine, 27

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Smith, Kenneth Ski, 48

- probation revoked- sexual misconduct

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Sept. 30

- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; Truck Country Autos, LLC; 2nd Ave. NW; catalytic converters, pipe; $1,000
- leaving the scene of an accident; City of Cullman; 4th St. SW; damaged property; $500

ARRESTS

Sept. 30

Ellard, William A., 26

- public intoxication
- public lewdness

Graves, Kevin D., 34

- contempt of court

Thursby Jr., Terry W., 32

- FTA- driving while revoked
- FTA- insurance violation (4 counts)
- FTA- driving without a license (5 counts)
- FTA- speeding
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- running a stop sign

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Project (from Front)

ceeds 16,500 within sight of where we are standing.

"It is one of the busiest roadways in Cullman County and the route Cullman Countians use to access the hospital and many of our health care providers. It is a critical east-west artery across the state.

"In December of 2018, the City of Cullman saw an opportunity and committed $1 million in local matching funds and applied for a $14 million United States Dept. of Transportation BUILD grant.

"Few people truly believed Cullman had much of a chance of receiving funding in the first-ever BUILD funding cycle.

"Over 800 applications were received from throughout the U.S.; 92 were awarded: two in Alabama and only 58 highway projects in America.

"The $14 million approved grant ranks as one of the largest in our history.

"Since then, the right-of-way acquisition, engineering, planning, utility relocation and bidding of the construction contract have occurred-much more activity than most people realize.

"It takes a team effort to make a project of this magnitude come to fruition. We had support from Governor Kay Ivey, John Cooper at ALDOT, our federal and state legislative delegations, and numerous other entities that needed this highway widening, including Cullman Regional, the ambulance service, police, fire, industries, Cullman schools and other municipalities."

After recognizing officials in attendance, Greer continued, "The City of Cullman funding pledge jumpstarted the application.

"If not for their contribution and forward thinking, this project would not have occurred in the foreseeable future.

"They realized this project is desperately needed for the city of Cullman, Cullman County and the surrounding areas.

"Mayor Keith Henry of the Town of Fairview and Mayor R.D. Joslin of the City of Arab both provided letters of support for the grant.

"The Cullman Economic Development Agency staff worked on the grant and will continue to do the reporting for the entirety of the project.

"Terry Acuff with Community Consultants could not be here today, but he assisted the city economic development office and Jamie Troutman to complete a very in-depth application and cost benefit analysis.

"I have taken longer at the microphone than I intended, but we are proud there were so many contributors and supporters that helped us show we had a regional project."

Vincent congratulated the City and said, "Any time something major like this happens, it's not because of a lack of hard work," noting the efforts of numerous entities from the city government to the legislative delegation.

Gudger shared, "This has been one of the most anticipated events in Cullman's history.

"On behalf of myself, Representative Randal Shedd, Representative Corey Harbison and Representative Scott Stadthagen, your state delegation, we are honored to be here today and to take part in this monumental occasion.

"This project will improve safety and will provide a boost to our economy. The teamwork displayed to connect this final link of Alabama Hwy. 157 is not just an achievement for Cullman County, but for all of north Alabama.

"Cullman County is known to always have a vision and work earnestly to make that vision into a reality. The conception of this Hwy. 157 bypass started in the late 70s when Finis St. John III worked to secure funding for the project.

"He knew what it could do for the downtown area and economic development of the whole county.

"He was right, and I am honored to serve this district in the Senate, just as he did, and today to see the start of the final chapter of that vision unfold.

"This project will improve safety and will provide a boost to our economy. I have personally experienced the traffic issues and bumper-to-bumper times on this road.

"Four-laning this remaining portion of 157 will improve the quality of life for all people traveling along this corridor, from industries like Yutaka and Royal Technologies, first responders headed to CRMC, people trying to get to commercial businesses, people headed back and forth taking their children to school; everyone who utilizes this road will enjoy the fruits of many people and groups' hard work for generations to come.

"Transportation infrastructure is one of the main components needed to support any community's commercial, industrial and residential growth and its extended success.

"That is why federal funding, like the BUILD grant, and support of Rebuild Alabama is so important. Without adequate funding, projects like this for our community would cost local taxpayers millions.

"But with federal BUILD Grant and Rebuild Alabama, we are maximizing our local tax dollars to be spent for local roads, not state highways.

"I want to say thank you to Governor Kay Ivey for her support of this project and for making infrastructure a priority in Alabama.

"Also, to ALDOT Director John Cooper for working with the Cullman City Council and mayor to make this project a reality.

"I also want to thank our federal delegation, especially Senator Shelby, that supported this grant application and project.

"They knew this project was one that was desperately needed, and their support and persistence are extremely appreciated.

"This is a great day in Cullman and the state of Alabama."

The project was expected to cost between $14,601,211 and $17,845,925, part of a total cost of more than $28 million, offset by a federal grant awarded to the City of Cullman.

"The construction contract was awarded to Chilton Contractors of Clanton in the amount of $14,895,273.05.

New devices for emergencies and speed control

In addition to base preparation, drainage and erosion control, paving and striping for the four-lane roadway, the project also includes specialized traffic signals to replace current signals at:

- Alabama Highway 69 intersection
- Hospital Drive (Cullman Regional) intersection
- Eva Road intersection
- Childhaven Road intersection

Additionally, a signal will be added at the Dahlke Drive intersection.

The new signals will include emergency vehicle preemption systems, which allow emergency responders to control the signals for faster and safer passage, at Dahlke Drive, Eva Road and Childhaven Road.

Radar detection units will be installed with the new signals at all intersections.

City got federal grant to move project up list

In October 2018, ALDOT said the project was part of its five-year plan but specified that the timetable was contingent on the agency's ability to procure the necessary funding.

Cullman was able to move the project up on ALDOT's schedule by applying for and receiving a $14 million federal grant through the U.S. Department of Transportation's Better Utilizing Investment to Leverage Development (BUILD) program. The City received the grant in December 2018.

Mayor Jacobs said in his announcement of the grant that there were between 900 and 1,000 grant applications across the United States, and only 10% of those were awarded.

"This $14 million grant, to my knowledge, is the largest grant the City of Cullman has ever been awarded," he said.

Jacobs talked about the importance of the project, especially concerning access to Cullman Regional.

This two-lane portion of Hwy. 157 is the direct route to Cullman Regional, which serves more than 175,000 people in a six-county area.

The current traffic congestion on this road makes it difficult at times for emergency vehicles to reach the hospital. More than 15,000 cars travel this two-lane section of road daily, which includes trucks trying to get from local industries to Interstate 65.

"Bridges to nowhere"

The "bridges to nowhere" in the 3.5-mile corridor, one over the railroad and one over Lake Catoma, were completed over two years, finished in 2013.

Widening of the road was postponed indefinitely because of a lack of funding.

The bridges have been the subject of much controversy among Cullman County residents, who have frequently voiced frustrations about the completed bridges being inaccessible.

Jacobs alluded to the "bridges to nowhere" nickname in his remarks, but noted, "Cullman could not have qualified for the 157 BUILD Grant if the bridges had not already been in place."

The previous bridge construction by ALDOT and right-of-way acquisition by the highway department allowed the 157 widening to fit the requirement that grant applications must be "shovel ready" to qualify for funding.

In a previous interview, Jacobs said, "Poor old ALDOT took a whipping about these two bridges sitting out there cause they're finished but not being utilized.

"Well let me tell you, without those two bridges, we could not have gotten this grant, because part of this grant process was it's got to be a project that's pretty well ready to go.

"Over 90% of the right-of-way of has already been acquired and the bridges are completed."

Equipment needed to begin construction is already onsite at various points along the route.

The project is expected to take 330 working days, or two calendar years, to complete.

Family legacy

The name of Sen. Finis St. John III has long been attached to the Hwy. 157 project and to the road itself.

Though he passed away, his son Bill St. John attended the ceremony to represent his father and family.

St. John told The Tribune, "It's an honor to us to still have my dad's name on this road, and for this phase of the project to kind of bring it to completion.

"It's a big deal for everybody in Cullman, and for us."

LEGAL

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC2020-122

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF VELMA LOUISE JACOBS, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED
BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Larry Edward Jacobs on the 17th day of September 2020, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Larry Edward Jacobs
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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‘Play 60 minutes’: First win a fitting tribute to Pat Dye

Greg Ostendorf
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – Saturday marked the first Auburn football game since Pat Dye passed away. He might not have been there physically, but everywhere you looked inside Jordan-Hare Stadium; he was there.

There were “Sixty Minutes” decals, designed with help from Pat Dye Jr., on the field and on the back of the Auburn helmets. The videoboard played a tribute to Coach Dye as kickoff neared. And of course, current head coach Gus Malzahn paid his own respects to the former coach by wearing a short-sleeved dress shirt, tie and hat similar to one Dye wore back in his day.

“It was perfect. It looked just like him,” Auburn safety Smoke Monday said of Malzahn’s attire. “[Dye] was a great coach. We honor him. He loved Auburn. He loved this team. He was with us every day, focused on helping us achieve bigger things in life also. He will be missed.”

“You’re talking about a guy that helped our program get to where it’s at,” Malzahn said. “A guy that I got to know really well when I was a coordinator here, and then of course being the head coach, he’d come to just about every practice. He got to know our players extremely well and gave me wisdom from time to time that was very helpful.”

But the biggest tribute to Dye on Saturday came on the field.

The “Sixty Minutes” decals were created in part because Dye wore No. 60 and his senior season was in 1960, but it also goes back to his introductory press conference at Auburn where he was asked how long it would take to beat rival Alabama.

“Sixty minutes,” he responded. From that point on, his teams were always known for playing hard the full 60 minutes, until the final whistle blew.

On Saturday, the 2020 team used Dye’s legacy as motivation and played hard all four quarters.

The Tigers fought through adversity, battling back in the second half after a late touchdown was wiped off the board at the end of the first half. The offense and defense both stepped up in the fourth quarter, outscoring Kentucky 14-0 in the final 15 minutes. And with the game all but over in the final minutes, the defense forced yet another turnover when Roger McCreary jarred the ball loose and Owen Pappoe recovered it.

The outcome might have already been decided, but the effort never stopped. Not until the final whistle. Somewhere, Coach Dye was smiling down while watching Saturday’s game.

“We just want to honor his legacy this whole season by playing good, hard-nosed Auburn football and play for 60 minutes, and I really felt like he would’ve been proud (Saturday),” Malzahn said. “We didn’t play our best in some areas, but our guys played their guts out. They played for each other, they played for Auburn and played physical.”

“That was a big emphasis for us this week,” quarterback Bo Nix said after the game. “We wanted to play 60 minutes. Not only for him but for all that it meant to Auburn. I think it was important that it came back and became kind of a saying for us.”



SHANNA LOCKWOOD/AU ATHLETICS

Auburn Head Coach Gus Malzahn honored the late Pat Dye with his wardrobe on Saturday when the Tigers played Kentucky.

Auburn knows it will have to play hard for 60 minutes again this Saturday when it travels to Georgia for a rivalry game that was always special to Dye. A native of the Peach State, Dye played at Georgia before later becoming the head coach at Auburn where he was 7-5 against the Bulldogs with four straight victories from 1987-90.

There’s no word yet on whether or not Malzahn will continue to wear the outfit made famous by Dye, but regardless, the coaches and players alike will continue to honor Dye all season by playing physical Auburn football for 60 minutes each and every week.

“The legacy that he left, the person that he was, the coach that he was to all his players, the man that he stood for – he was just a true Auburn man,” Nix said.

Lions open 2020 football season at Liberty Saturday

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FLORENCE, Ala. -- The University of North Alabama will open its 72nd football season this Saturday in Lynchubrg, Va., when the Lions take on unbeaten Liberty University at noon Central at Williams Stadium.

The game will be broadcast on ESPN3 and carried on UNA’s flagship radio station, WBCF 97.1 FM.

UNA’s original 11-game fall schedule was reduced to four contests, with three of those coming against FBS opponents, beginning with Liberty. The game will be the first athletic event by a North Alabama team since March 11, 2020, when the UNA women’s basketball team lost a 90-87 overtime thriller to Liberty in the semifinals of the ASUN Conference Tournament at Flowers Hall.

“We are excited to finally be in a game week, but at the same time it’s a strange feeling to be preparing for your first game in October,” said UNA Head Football Coach Chris Willis. “Usually at this point we have already played four or five games, so it is exciting but different.”

Willis said the Lions are eager to lineup against someone else and are also excited about the road trip.

“The number one thing for the players is to play against someone other than themselves,” Willis said. “The guys are also excited to go on the road and have a chance to hang out together. That’s something we haven’t even been able to do here, even with our team meetings. So, this should be a good bonding experience for us.”

Liberty opened its season with a 30-24 road win against Western Kentucky and followed with a 36-34 home win last Saturday over FIU.

“It’s a real challenge to not only be playing an FBS team with 85 scholarships, but to also be playing a team that has two games under its belt and is 2-0, when we’re lining up for the first time,” said Willis.

“We are going to do all that we can to compete and try and win this football game. We’ll take this game and try and find an identity. We’ll have mistakes and some bad plays but we’ll learn from them and move forward.”

“We are using this four game schedule for the future,” Willis added. “We’re using them to learn and build on and to help set us up for 2021.”

North Alabama is one of just 15 FCS schools competing in football this fall, and one of just eight FCS teams playing four games or more.

Liberty will be the first FBS opponent that North Alabama has played since October 11, 1997 when, as an NCAA Division II school, UNA knocked off Louisiana-Lafayette on the road, 48-42 in four overtimes.

UNA is 2-2 all-time against FBS opponents.

North Alabama and Liberty are both members of the ASUN Conference in all sports with the exception of football. So while the two schools have faced each other the past two years in numerous other sports, this will be the first-ever meeting between the Lions and Flames in football.

This will mark the third time that a North Alabama football team has played in the state of Virginia, with the Lions defeating Hampton in 1992, 33-21 in the Division II Playoffs. UNA then lost at Hampton 40-34 last season.

North Alabama, in its third season of a four-year transition to Division I, is coming a 4-7 record in 2019, which was the first losing season in football at the school since 2002.

That broke a streak of 16 straight seasons with a .500 record or better. Three of UNA’s 2019 losses were by a touchdown or less and Lions lost the other four games to nationally ranked teams on the road.

Since 2003, UNA has had 12 seasons with nine or more wins and just three years with a .500 record.

North Alabama has an all-time 42-25-4 record in its previous 71 season openers. The Lions won 13 straight openers from 2003-15 and are 2-0 in season openers on the FCS level, defeating Southern Utah (34-30) in 2018 and Western Illinois (26-17) in 2019.

On the offensive side, the North Alabama receiving corp is expected to lead the way for the UNA offense in 2020. Over the last two years, redshirt juniors Dexter Boykin of Fairfield, Ala., Cortez Hall of Hoover, Ala., Jakobi Byrd of Florence Ala., and Andre Little of Anchorage, Alaska have combined for 298 catches for 4,336 yards and 29 receiving TDs for the Lions.

In addition, the Lions return receiver Jack Peavey of Oxford, Ala., and tight ends Corson Swan of Spanish Fort, Ala., and Jakob Terry of Moulton, Ala., and have added Oklahoma State transfer receiver Patrick McKaufman.

UNA quarterbacks Blake Dever of Wellington, Fla., and Rett Files of Gulf Shores, Ala., have both seen action for the Lions but both are relatively inexperienced.

Dever played in five games last season with one start at Kennesaw State. In that game he was 23-32-1 for 261 yds and one touchdown. He was 11-19-0 for 143 yards against Campbell. He previously played in eight games as a freshman at Savannah State and he played the 2018 season at Iowa Central Community College. Files only saw limited action in two games last season and in one game in 2018. He is 1-for-4 for six yards, with one interception for his career at UNA.

North Alabama returns eight lettermen who have game experience on the offensive line, but also has a group of transfers that have taken six of the top 10 spots on the depth chart.

UNA’s group of returning offensive linemen are led by senior right guard Noah Stern of Huntsville, Ala., who has played in 24 games with 11 starts. Stern and red-shirt freshman Nathan Brown of Spanish Fort, Ala., are the only returnees expected to start. Brown played in two games in his redshirt season in 2019.

Newcomers expected to start are left tackle Connor Robbins, a transfer from Georgia State, left guard Cam Watson, a transfer from Northwest Mississippi Community College and center A.J. Vang, who transferred from Butler (Kan.) Community College.

The Lions hope to improve their ground game from a year ago when UNA averaged just 84.8 rushing yards per game for the lowest average rushing total school history. Jaxton Carson of Phenix City, Ala., was slated to be the Lions’ lead runner entering 2020 but was lost for the season due to a pre-season injury. Ja’Won Howell, who had 18 carries for 102 yards in 2019 is now UNA’s starting running back.



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The UNA Lions will play their first game of the 2020 season at Liberty Saturday

On the defensive side, North Alabama returns eight defensive starters, including three of the four starters from the 2019 defensive line in Wallace Cowins, Jr., of Conyers, Ga., Devonte Toles of Pass Christian, Miss., and Brodric Martin of Tuscaloosa, Ala. Seven total lettermen are back on the defensive front and the Lions have added depth with the addition of transfers Terrell Townsend (San Jose State), Mike Boykin (Tennessee State) and Dakari Bickham (UTEP).

The linebacking corp is led by returning starter Will Evans of Haleyville, Ala., and is bolstered by the return of 2017-18 starter Christon Taylor of Hoover, Ala. Evans had 49 tackles last season.

Taylor had 62 stops in 2018 and returnee Jakob Cummings of Auburn, Ala., who is expected to be the third starter, had 29 tackles a year ago.

The defensive secondary includes returning starters K.J. Smith of Perry, Ga., Will Singleton of Hoover, Ala., and Jeffery Battle of Birmingham, Ala., but an influx of transfers will shake-up that starting lineup and give the Lions depth in the secondary.

Transfers Jonathan Jordan of Leland, Miss., Alonzo Craighton of Prairieville, La. and Kyree Fields of Columbus, Miss., are all competing for starting spots, along with 2019 redshirt Camyen Feagins of Phenix City, Ala.

Senior kicker/punter Joe Gurley of Killen, Ala., returns after handling almost all of the kicking duties in 2020. Redshirts Sam Contorno of Tuscaloosa, Ala., and Grayson Easterling of West Point, Miss., are expected to assist with much of the place-kicking duties this fall.

Following the game at Liberty, North Alabama will host its only home game of the fall against Jacksonville State on October 17. Kickoff for that game is set for 1 p.m. at Braly Stadium.

Crimson Tide welcomes the Aggies to Bryant-Denny Stadium Saturday

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. -- The Alabama Crimson Tide continued to refine its game plan for Saturday’s home opener, putting in two hours of work in full pads on Wednesday at the Thomas-Drew Practice Fields.

The Alabama Crimson Tide is teaming up with Curing Kids Cancer once again to promote National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and the ‘First and Gold’ campaign during Saturday’s game with Texas A&M. Founded in 2005, Curing Kids Cancer funds innovate research and treatments to find cures for all childhood cancers in our lifetime. The organization has raised more than $17.5 million for childhood cancer research. Teams from the SEC and ACC will wear Curing Kids Cancer helmet stickers and wristbands while coaches will wear wristbands, gold whistles and lanyards.

After Wednesday’s practice, head coach Nick Saban spoke to the media about the team’s preparation the Texas A&M game coming up Saturday.

“I think the players are working really hard this week to take advantage of some of the lessons we learned in the first game.

“We’re trying to get prepared for a very talented Texas A&M team and they’ve got a lot of starters back and a lot of experience. They’ve got good players at key positions whether its quarterback, running back and lots of defensive players.

“We’ve had some tough games with these guys in the past and we certainly need to elevate our game to maintain the intensity and the standard of excellence that we want to play with for 60 minutes in the game. I think everyone has to challenge themselves to do that.”

The Aggies had an impressive performance on the defensive side of the ball in their win against Vanderbilt last week and Coach Saban talked about what it is that makes that unit so formidable

“They’ve got very talented guys; real good, big up front guys that are athletic and can move. They can get off blocks and run and their linebackers can really run. Their secondary is really aggressive, especially their safeties and their corners can cover very well.

“They’ve got a talented team, they’ve got a good scheme, they’ve got a good defensive coordinator who does a great job and now these guys have been in this system for a few years.

“They make a lot of plays, they’re talented and they make a lot of plays so it’ll be a real challenge for us to minimize those negative plays and I think we need to be able to run the football against these guys.”

Alabama and Texas A&M will kick off at 2:30 Saturday in Bryant Denny Stadium.



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Alabama wide out DeVonta Smith.



CULLMAN CITY SCHOOLS

Cullman Primary School students wave and cheer for local community helpers as part of a Community Helpers Week parade, where they learned about the roles everyone from Cullman Police to the local fire departments play in Cullman.

EDUCATION

Helpers on parade

'Community Helper Week' at Cullman Primary School becomes parade for 2020

Cullman City Schools
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – It's an annual tradition for Cullman Primary School students to meet and learn about "community helpers" across the Cullman area, teaching young students about the important roles everyone from police to postal workers play in their daily lives. But with coronavirus safety precautions making it hard for visitors to come to local schools, local leaders got creative for the 2020 edition of Community Helper Week.

Instead of meeting with those community helpers one-on-one or in the classroom, this year's curriculum was turned into a full-on outdoor parade. It allowed for social distancing, and a fun display for students. Vehicles included those from Cullman EMS, the Cullman Police Department, the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, City road department and sanitation, the Cullman Electric Cooperative, Cullman Fire Rescue and Cullman Post Office, along with the Cullman City Schools bus. Students even had an opportunity to write letters and mail them via the local postal service.

"Learning about our community helpers is part of our early childhood curriculum. This community helpers parade was such a success this year and generated so much excitement from our students, that we may have this parade every year," Cullman City Primary School Principal Tricia Culpepper said.

"Sometimes, when faced with a challenge like schools are this year, you come up with even better ideas — and this definitely was the case for Community Helper Week."

The event is a creative way for students to learn about the myriad people who serve the community in important and critical roles. So, to make sure students understand what each community helper does, videos were made of several of them at work explaining their jobs, and those videos were shown to the classes.

All that learning culminated with the parade, which came together thanks to the help of the community at large, said Parent Family Community Engagement Managers Erika Lee and Marci Watts.

"We knew we had to think outside the box to make this happen," Lee said.

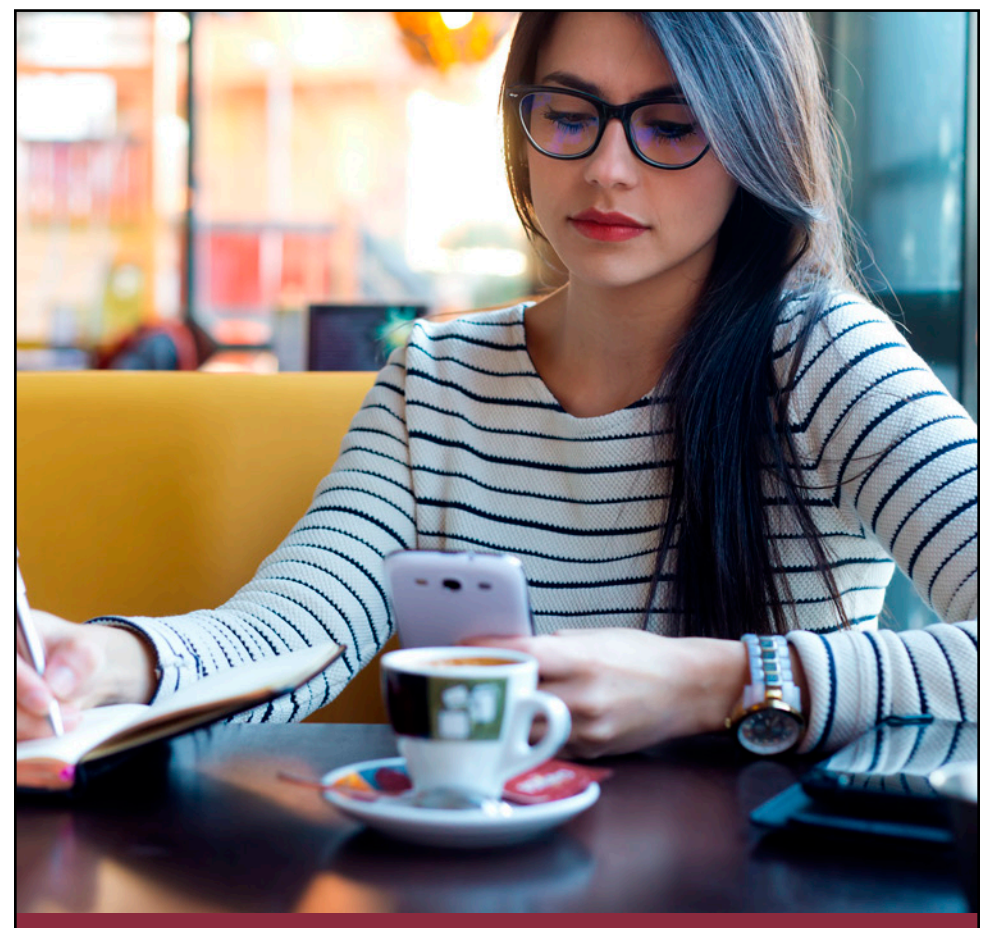
"We are so fortunate to have a community that supports our school and helps us to make activities possible during this time," Watts added.

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7:30 a.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
9:30 a.m. FSEE MLS Soccer Atlanta United FC at Chicago Fire FC.
12:00 p.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf ShopRite LPGA Classic, Second Round. (Live)
1:00 p.m. WABM2 MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (Live)
2:30 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (Live)
USA IndyCar Racing Indycar Harvest GP Race 1. (Live)
3:00 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Sanderson Farms Championship, Second Round. (Live)
4:30 p.m. FSEE Sports Stars of Tomorrow
6:00 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (Live)
ESPN2 2020 WNBA Finals TBA vs Seattle Storm. (Live)
7:00 p.m. WABM High School Football Hoover at Hewitt Trussville. (Live)
WBRC WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)
FSEE Women's College Soccer Texas Tech at Oklahoma. (Live)
GOLF PGA Tour Golf Sanderson Farms Championship, Second Round.
8:00 p.m. WABM2 2020 NBA Finals Miami Heat vs Los Angeles Lakers. (Live)
ESPN2 College Football Louisiana Tech at BYU. (Live)
9:00 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (Live)
10:00 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Sanderson Farms Championship, Second Round.

Movies

10:00 a.m. FREE "The Goonies" ★★★ (1985) Sean Astin. Coastal Oregon kids follow the treasure map of pirate One-Eyed Willie past his deadly traps to gold.
TCM "A Girl in Every Port" ★★ (1952) Groucho Marx.
10:15 a.m. HBO "Ray" ★★★½ (2004) Jamie Foxx Blind since childhood, Ray Charles overcomes poverty, hardship and addiction and becomes an American music legend.
10:30 a.m. AMC "The Amityville Horror" ★★ (1979) James Brolin.
FX "The Purge: Election Year" ★★½ (2016) Frank Grillo.
11:00 a.m. SHOW "Set It Off" ★★★ (1996) Jada Pinkett (Premiere) Desperation drives four inner-city women to bank robbery in Los Angeles, then they start mistrusting one another.
TMC "National Treasure" ★★ (2004) Nicolas Cage
11:30 a.m. TCM "A Day at the Races" ★★★½ (1937) Groucho Marx. Doctor Hugo Hackenbush, Tony, and Stuffy upset a sanitorium, orchestra pit, water carnival and steeplechase.
12:00 p.m. BET "Madea's Family Reunion" ★★½ (2006) Tyler Perry.
12:30 p.m. FREE "Tim Burton's Corpse Bride" ★★★½ (2005) Voices of Johnny Depp. Animated. In 19th-century Europe, a gifted pianist mistakenly weds a dead woman who takes him to the underworld.
12:35 p.m. MAX "Bruce Lee: His Last Days, His Last Nights" ★★ (1976) Li Hsiu Hsien
12:55 p.m. HBO "Just Mercy" ★★★ (2019) Michael B. Jordan Lawyer Bryan Stevenson takes on the case of Walter McMillian, who is sentenced to die for murder despite evidence proving his innocence. In the years that follow, Stevenson encounters racism and legal maneuverings as he fights for McMillian's life.
1:00 p.m. AMC "A Nightmare on Elm Street" ★★ (2010) Jackie Earle Haley.
FX "Happy Death Day" ★★½ (2017) Jessica Rothe.
1:05 p.m. SHOW "Face/Off" ★★★ (1997) John Travolta An FBI agent and a violent terrorist switch identities.
1:15 p.m. TMC "My Week With Marilyn" ★★★ (2011) Michelle Williams A production assistant introduces Marilyn Monroe to the pleasures of the British countryside during the filming of The Prince and the Showgirl.
1:30 p.m. E! "Beauty Shop" ★★½ (2005) Queen Latifah.
TCM "At the Circus" ★★★ (1939) Groucho Marx. A sly lawyer and a pair of carnies shoot a society matron out of a cannon and try to save a circus.
2:05 p.m. FREE "Casper" ★★★ (1995) Christina Ricci. A teen who lost her mother befriends friendly ghost Casper while staying at a mean heiress's haunted mansion.
MAX "Hero" ★★★½ (2002) Jet Li Flashbacks reveal how a warrior stopped the elusive assassins who tried to kill the emperor of China.
3:00 p.m. BET "Boyz N the Hood" ★★★½ (1991) Larry Fishburne. Three boys become men, one guided by his father, in their racially divided Los Angeles neighborhood.
FX "Transporter 3" ★★ (2008) Jason Statham.
TMC "Chicago" ★★★½ (2002) Catherine Zeta-Jones A lawyer handles the cases of two murderous women who are looking to gain celebrity from their public exposure.
3:15 p.m. TCM "A Night at the Opera" ★★★★ (1935) Groucho Marx. Groucho, Chico and Harpo go to Italy and bring opera and its patrons down to their level.
3:30 p.m. E! "What to Expect When You're Expecting" ★★ (2012) Cameron Diaz.
SHOW "The Silence of the Lambs" ★★★★ (1991) Jodie Foster An FBI trainee seeks advice from a brilliant, psychopathic prisoner to catch a killer who skins his victims.
4:00 p.m. LIFE "Hitch" ★★★ (2005) Will Smith. A smooth-talking man falls for a hardened columnist while helping a shy accountant woo a beautiful heiress.
4:10 p.m. FREE "Hotel Transylvania" ★★½ (2012) Voices of Adam Sandler.
4:55 p.m. TMC "Parenthood" ★★★ (1989) Steve Martin A middle-class man, his wife, his father and a divorcee try to be good parents.
5:00 p.m. FX "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" ★★½ (2018) Chris Pratt.
TCM "The Story of Mankind" ★★½ (1957) Ronald Colman.
5:20 p.m. MAX "Bruce Lee: The Man, the Myth" ★★ (1977) Bruce Li
5:25 p.m. HBO "Doctor Sleep" ★★★ (2019) Ewan McGregor Traumatized by the sinister events from his childhood, Dan Torrance meets a teen who shares his extrasensory gift of the shine. They must soon join forces to battle a cult whose members try to feed off the shine of innocents to become immortal.
5:30 p.m. SHOW "Armageddon" ★★½ (1998) Bruce Willis (Premiere)
5:55 p.m. BET "Barbershop: The Next Cut" ★★★ (2016) Ice Cube. With the barbershop now coed, Calvin, Eddie and the rest of the gang come up with a plan to save the neighborhood from crime.
6:00 p.m. E! "The Devil Wears Prada" ★★★ (2006) Meryl Streep. A recent college graduate lands a job working for a famous and diabolical editor of a New York fashion magazine.
PARMT "The Expendables 3" ★★ (2014) Sylvester Stallone.
TBS "Justice League" ★★½ (2017) Ben Affleck.
6:15 p.m. FREE "The Nightmare Before Christmas" ★★★★ (1993) Voices of Danny Elfman. Animated. The Pumpkin King gives the yuletide season a touch of Halloween in an animated tale from the mind of Tim Burton.
6:55 p.m. MAX "Alita: Battle Angel" ★★½ (2019) Rosa Salazar (Premiere)
7:00 p.m. DISN "Hotel Transylvania" ★★½ (2012) Voices of Adam Sandler.
FS1 "Rudy" ★★★ (1993) Sean Astin. With heart and determination an Illinois youth tackles shortcomings to play Notre Dame football. (Taped)
LIFE "Sweet Home Alabama" ★★ (2002) Reese Witherspoon. Premiere.
TCM "Dracula" ★★★½ (1931) Bela Lugosi. A real-estate man visits the Transylvania castle of a 500-year-old vampire.
TNT "It" ★★★ (2017) Jaeden Lieberher. Seven young outcasts are about to face their worst nightmare — an ancient, shape-shifting evil that emerges every 27 years to prey on children. Banding together, the friends must overcome their personal fears to battle the murderous clown Pennywise.
7:55 p.m. FREE "Beetlejuice" ★★★ (1988) Michael Keaton. A ghoul helps a newly dead couple haunt the tasteless new owners of their beloved home.
8:00 p.m. USA "Tyler Perry's Boo! A Madea Halloween" ★★ (2016) Tyler Perry.
8:30 p.m. E! "The Devil Wears Prada" ★★★ (2006) Meryl Streep. A recent college graduate lands a job working for a famous and diabolical editor of a New York fashion magazine.
TBS "Justice League" ★★½ (2017) Ben Affleck.
TCM "Cat People" ★★★ (1942) Simone Simon. A New York architect marries a Serbian artist who turns into a black panther when aroused.
8:40 p.m. TMC "Laggies" ★★★ (2014) Keira Knightley Caught in a panic over her boyfriend's marriage proposal, a woman pretends to go on a business trip but, in reality, hangs out with a teenage friend.
8:45 p.m. PARMT "The Expendables 2" ★★½ (2012) Sylvester Stallone.
10:00 p.m. TCM "House on Haunted Hill" ★★★ (1959) Vincent Price. The owner of a haunted mansion offers a group of people reward money if they can survive a night at his scary estate.
TNT "It" ★★★ (2017) Jaeden Lieberher. Seven young outcasts are about to face their worst nightmare — an ancient, shape-shifting evil that emerges every 27 years to prey on children. Banding together, the friends must overcome their personal fears to battle the murderous clown Pennywise.
10:55 p.m. MAX "Hall Pass" ★★ (2011) Owen Wilson

FRIDAY EVENING

MOVIES

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		5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
WABM-MyTV	2	25 Words or Less (N)	25 Words or Less	Family Feud	Friday Night Rivals Blitz	High School Football Hoover at Hewitt Trussville. (N) (Live)						Law & Order: Criminal Intent A philanthropist goes missing.	
WBIQ-PBS	4	Cat in the Hat Knows a Lot	Peg & Cat (El)	PBS NewsHour (N)		Washington Week (N)	Capitol Journal		Great Performances Pianist Stewart Goodyear. (N)		Art in the Twenty-First Century "Borderlands"		Monograph
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	American Ninja Warrior "Qualifier 3" Jessie Graff, Najee Richardson and more.				Dateline NBC (N)		WVTM 13 News at 10p	Tonight Show-J. Fallon
WBRC-FOX	7	WBRC FOX6 News at 5pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 6pm	Inside Edition (N)	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (N) (Live)				WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm	(:35) WBRC FOX6 Sideline
WIAT-CBS	8	CBS42 News 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	CBS42 News 6pm (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	The Greatest AtHome Videos (N)		Undercover Boss The CEO of TGI Fridays goes under cover.		Blue Bloods A cop is accused of killing a suspect.		CBS42 News 10pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert
WTTO-CW	9	The Goldbergs	2 Broke Girls	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Masters of Illusion (N)	Masters of Illusion	World's Funniest Animals	World's Funniest Animals	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Andy Griffith Show	The Andy Griffith Show
WPXH-ION	11	Criminal Minds A double homicide and kidnapping.		Criminal Minds Former rehab patients die of overdoses.		Criminal Minds Prominent businessmen are murdered.		Criminal Minds The team investigates an abduction.		Criminal Minds Children appear to have been abducted.		Criminal Minds A killer seems to outsmart the BAU.	
WABM2-ABC	12	ABC 33/40 News at 5PM	ABC World News	ABC 33/40 News at 6PM	Wheel of Fortune (N)	Jimmy Kimmel Live! (N)	NBA Countdown (N) (Live)	2020 NBA Finals Miami Heat vs Los Angeles Lakers. Game 2. (N) (Live)					ABC 33/40 News at 10PM
A&E	42	The First 48 An Atlanta murder is captured on video.		The First 48 Body of an unknown homeless woman found.		The First 48: The Case That Haunts Me (N)		Live Rescue "Live Rescue -- 10.02.20" (N)				The First 48 A young man shot to death at a party.	
AMC	53	⋆ "Seed of Chucky" (2004, Horror) Jennifer Tilly, Voice of Brad Dourif. The doll and his bride try to raise a killer child.				⋆ "Halloween: Resurrection" (2002, Horror) Jamie Lee Curtis. Collegians spend the night in Michael Myers' childhood home.				⋆ "Halloween 6: The Curse of Michael Myers" (1995, Horror) Donald Pleasence. An ancient Celtic ritual drives a killer.			
ANPL	47	River Monsters Jeremy searches for a Fijian killer.		River Monsters "Razorhead"		River Monsters: Deadliest Man-Eaters (N)				Mysteries of the Deep Shedding light on the biblical story.		Chasing Monsters	
BET	55	(3:00) ★★★ "Boyz N the Hood" (1991) Larry Fishburne.		(5:55) ★★★ "Barbershop: The Next Cut" (2016, Comedy) Ice Cube, Cedric the Entertainer, Regina Hall. Calvin and the gang must save the neighborhood from crime.						House of Payne	House of Payne	Assisted Living	Assisted Living
BRAVO	58	Below Deck Mediterranean "Cool as a Cucumber"		Below Deck Mediterranean "Something's Fishy"		Below Deck Mediterranean "Never Before Scene 518" (N)		The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills (N)		Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best
CMTV	61	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNBC	35	Mad Money (N)		The News With Shepard Smith (N) (Live)		Shark Tank A dissolvable protein pack product.		Shark Tank Stylish kids' clothes; maple syrup.		Shark Tank A fish dip; a hair cutting template.		Shark Tank A dissolvable protein pack product.	
CNN	37	The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N) (Live)		Erin Burnett OutFront (N) (Live)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (Live)		Cuomo Prime Time (N) (Live)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N) (Live)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N) (Live)	
COM	56	The Office	The Office "Nepotism"	The Office "Counseling"	The Office "Andy's Play"	Schitt's Creek	Schitt's Creek "The Drip"	(:01) Schitt's Creek	(:32) Schitt's Creek	(:02) Schitt's Creek	(:32) South Park "The Pandemic Special"		South Park
DISN	49	Raven's Home "Crewed Up"	Raven's Home	Jessie	Jessie	★★ "Hotel Transylvania" (2012, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler. 'PG'			Gabby Duran	Gabby Duran	Raven About BUNK'D	Raven About BUNK'D	Jessie "Ghost Bummers"
DSC	43	Bering Sea Gold Shawn fights frozen ground with steam.		Bering Sea Gold: Dredged Up Kris finds gold under the ice.		Danger Mouse Animated. Penfold is left jobless. (N)		(:03) 100 Days Wild A battle over the food supply. (N)		(:05) Deadliest Catch "Everything Changes" The Cornelia crew fights.			
E!	21	(3:30) ★★ "What to Expect When You're Expecting"		★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006, Comedy) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Adrian Grenier. A recent college graduate lands a job at a fashion magazine.					★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006, Comedy) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway, Adrian Grenier. A recent college graduate lands a job at a fashion magazine.				
ESPN	29	MLB Baseball	Baseball Tonight (N) (Live)	MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)						MLB Baseball Wild Card Series: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	30	SportsCenter (N) (Live)		2020 WNBA Finals TBA vs Seattle Storm. (N) (Live)				College Football Louisiana Tech at BYU. From LaVell Edwards Stadium in Provo, Utah. (N) (Live)					
FOOD	45	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
FREE	48	(4:10) ★★ "Hotel Transylvania" (2012) Andy Samberg		(:15) ★★★★ "The Nightmare Before Christmas" (1993, Children's) Voices of Danny Elfman, Chris Sarandon.				(7:55) ★★★ "Beetlejuice" (1988) Michael Keaton, Alec Baldwin. Two ghosts try to scare away their home's new tenants.				The 700 Club	
FS1	20	NFL Films Presents	NFL Turning Point	Tua		★★★ "Rudy" (1993, Drama) Sean Astin, Ned Beatty, Charles S. Dutton. A working-class teen dreams of admission to Notre Dame. (N Taped)					World Poker Tour: Season 11		World Poker Tour
FSEE	32	Power of Sports	Florida: Dan Mullen	Fight Sports: In 60 From June 14, 2014.		Women's College Soccer Texas Tech at Oklahoma. From John Crain Field in Norman, Okla. (N) (Live)				Pro Football Weekly	3 Wide Life	Fight Sports: In 60 From Dec. 17, 2016.	
FX	28	★★ "Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom" (2018, Adventure) Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Jeff Goldblum. Owen and Claire try to save the dinosaurs from a volcano.						A Wilderness of Error "When a Narrative Becomes Reality" (N)		(:01) A Wilderness of Error "A Wilderness of Error"		(:07) A Wilderness of Error	
GOLF	82	PGA Golf		Golf Central (N) (Live)	Golf Central	PGA Tour Golf Sanderson Farms Championship, Second Round.						PGA Golf	
HALL	72	"Love, Fall & Order" (2019, Romance-Comedy) Erin Cahill, Trevor Donovan. A woman heads back to her hometown.				"Christmas at Dollywood" (2019) Danica McKellar. An event planner organizes the Christmas celebration at Dollywood.				The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
HGTV	46	Property Brothers Newlyweds hunt for a dog-friendly home.		Property Brothers A couple seeks a forever home.		My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	Selling the Big Easy (N)	Selling the Big Easy (N)	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home	My Lottery Dream Home
HIST	40	Ancient Aliens A giant face carved into the Earth.		Ancient Aliens Japan's Ishi-no-Hoden megalith.		MonsterQuest: Serpentine Creatures		MonsterQuest: Chasing Bigfoot		(:03) Ancient Aliens The key to immortality.		(:05) Ancient Aliens Aliens may have visited humans.	
LIFE	23	(4:00) ★★★ "Hitch" (2005) Will Smith, Eva Mendes, Kevin James. A smooth-talker helps a shy accountant woo an heiress.				★★ "Sweet Home Alabama" (2002) Reese Witherspoon. Premiere. A New York fashion designer has a secret in the South.				(:03) ⋆ "What Happens in Vegas" (2008) Cameron Diaz. Two strangers awake together and find they are married.			
MSNBC	36	The Beat With Ari Melber (N) (Live)		The ReidOut (N) (Live)		All In With Chris Hayes (N) (Live)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N) (Live)		The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell (N) (Live)		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N) (Live)	
NGC	22	The Incredible Dr. Pol The Pols say goodbye to their cat.		The Incredible Dr. Pol Three vets have the day off. (N)		The Incredible Dr. Pol "Super-Pol-stitious" (N)		The Incredible Dr. Pol Helping a dog that was hit by a car. (N)		The Incredible Dr. Pol Facing a surge of feline cases. (N)		The Incredible Dr. Pol Clients are in Halloween costumes. (N)	
PARMT	57	(:04) Two and a Half Men	(:32) Two and a Half Men	★★ "The Expendables 3" (2014, Action) Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham, Antonio Banderas. Barney Ross brings in new blood to fight an old associate.					(:45) ★★ "The Expendables 2" (2012, Action) Sylvester Stallone, Jason Statham. A mercenary and his team seek vengeance for a murdered comrade.				
TBS	25	Family Guy	Family Guy	★★ "Justice League" (2017, Action) Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill, Gal Gadot. Batman, Wonder Woman and other heroes unite to battle evil.					★★ "Justice League" (2017, Action) Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill, Gal Gadot. Batman, Wonder Woman and other heroes unite to battle evil.				
TCM	79	★★ "The Story of Mankind" (1957) Ronald Colman. Spirit of Man debates devil before court of fate, over H-bomb.				★★★ "Dracula" (1931, Horror) Bela Lugosi, Edward Van Sloan, Dwight Frye.			★★★ "Cat People" (1942, Horror) Simone Simon, Kent Smith, Tom Conway.			★★★ "House on Haunted Hill" (1959) Vincent Price.	
TLC	24	Cellblock 6: Female Lock Up A newcomer looks for comfort.		90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days		90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? "More to Love: Tell All Part 1" (N)				90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After?		90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever
TNT	26	Bones Brennan's father reappears in her life.		Bones A skull smashes the windshield of a car.		★★★ "It" (2017, Horror) Jaeden Lieberher, Jeremy Ray Taylor, Sophia Lillis. Maine children unite to fight an ancient, evil clown.						★★★ "It" (2017) Jaeden Lieberher, Jeremy Ray Taylor.	
USA	27	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	Chrisley Knows Best	★★ "Tyler Perry's Boo! A Madea Halloween" (2016, Comedy) Tyler Perry, Cassi Davis, Patrice Lovely.				Modern Family "Pilot"	Modern Family
WE	71	Law & Order: Criminal Intent Philandering wife.		Love After Lockup Lacey takes a major step.		Love After Lockup Romance blooms for Angela.		Love After Lockup "Life After Lockup: Three's a Crowd" Sheriff Brittany lays down the law. (N)		(:41) Love After Lockup Sheriff Brittany lays down the law.			
HBO	518	(3:20) Agents of Chaos		(:25) ★★★ "Doctor Sleep" (2019, Horror) Ewan McGregor, Rebecca Ferguson, Kyliegh Curran. Dan Torrance fights a cult that wants his extrasensory gift. 'R'				REAL Sports With Bryant Gumbel		Real Time With Bill Maher		Room 104 "Fur" (N)	(:25) We Are Who We Are
MAX	549	"Master of the White Crane"		(:20) ★★ "Bruce Lee: The Man, the Myth" (1977, Adventure) Bruce Li, Unicorn Chan. 'PG'		(6:55) ★★ "Alita: Battle Angel" (2019) Rosa Salazar. Animated. A futuristic cyborg combats deadly forces. 'PG-13'				Warrior (Season Premiere) (N)		Warrior	
SHOW	578	"The Silence of the Lambs"		★★ "Armageddon" (1998, Science Fiction) Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, Liv Tyler. Premiere. A hero tries to save Earth from an asteroid. 'PG-13'				Kingdom of Silence The murder of Jamal Khashoggi. (N)			(:40) ⋆ "Peppermint" (2018, Action) Jennifer Garner, John Gallagher Jr., John Ortiz. 'R'		
TMC	598	(4:55) ★★★ "Parenthood" (1989) Steve Martin, Dianne Wiest. A family experiences the pressures of raising children. 'PG-13'				"Ode to Joy" (2019, Romance-Comedy) Martin Freeman, Morena Baccarin, Melissa Rauch. 'R'			(:40) ★★★ "Laggies" (2014, Comedy-Drama) Keira Knightley. An aimless woman hangs out with a teenager. 'R'				"Hampstead" (2017) 'PG-13'

Best Bets

6:55 p.m. on MAX
Movie: Alita: Battle Angel

Adapted from a popular 1990s manga series by Yukito Kishiro, director Robert Rodriguez's 2019 cyberpunk action flick has no less a power player than James Cameron as a producer and co-writer, but the project still went through a tortured pre-production process between its 2003 announcement and the commencement of filming in 2016. Rosa Salazar ("Man Seeking Woman") provides the voice of the titular cyborg heroine, who awakens in an unfamiliar body. Jennifer Connelly, Christoph Waltz, Mahershala Ali and Jackie Earle Haley co-star.

7 p.m. on TCM
Movie: Dracula

Screen history certainly has not lacked for its share of Draculas, but the tastiest arguably remains Bela Lugosi, who plays the Transylvanian count in this 1931 classic. The bloodsucker has his arch nemesis Van Helsing (Edward Van Sloan) to contend with as he terrorizes England — and one lovely-throated beauty (Helen Chandler) in particular. Director Tod Browning's ("Freaks") cast also includes David Manners and Dwight Frye. This horror movie classic airs tonight as part of TCM's "Fright Favorites," also running each Friday night in October.

8 p.m. on WTTO
World's Funniest Animals

Host Elizabeth Stanton welcomes comic and illusionist Murray SawChuck as her special guest in tonight's new episode featuring animals doing some of the funniest things ever caught on video. Among tonight's featured critters: a talented retriever who absolutely loves to salsa dance, a monkey who's a sneaky thief, a stubborn camel, and a snorting seal.

8 p.m. on FX
A Wilderness of Error

This five-part documentary series from filmmaker Errol Morris concludes with two back-to-back episodes, starting with "When a Narrative Becomes Reality," in which convicted killer Jeffrey MacDonald is brutally disappointed by Joe McGinnis' bestselling book "Fatal Vision." The discovery of new evidence could help MacDonald, however. Then, in the finale, a federal judge finally agrees to hear the new evidence in this case.

8:30 p.m. on WBIQ
Great Performances

Host Scott Yoo invites piano virtuoso Stewart Goodyear to his Festival Mozaic to perform Mozart's 20th piano concerto just as the Salzburg-born composer would have done it: conducting the orchestra himself from the piano while improvising the solos, in the new episode "Now Hear This: Becoming Mozart." Of course, first Yoo will have to teach Goodyear the finer points of conducting. Featured locales include San Luis Obispo and rural California.

9 p.m. on MAX
Warrior

Set in late 19th-century San Francisco, this action-packed crime drama returns for Season 2, following the rival Chinatown Tongs the Hop Wei and the Long Zii, as they fight for dominance. In the season premiere, "Learn to Endure, or Hire a Bodyguard," Ah Sahm (Andrew Koji) is back with the Hop Wei and confronting a new anti-Chinese group, Teddy's Boys. Ah Toy (Olivia Cheng) accuses him of just spoiling for a new fight, but an empowered Mai Ling (Dianne Doan) worries about what her brother's next steps will be.

10 p.m. on HBO
Room 104

Set in 1987, the new episode "Fur" finds friends Finley and Grey (Jordyn Lucas, Natasha Perez) crashing Room 104 to celebrate their last summer before they start high school. Everything is going well, until school hottie John (Jake Green) comes over to join the fun, triggering every single one of Gary's plentiful insecurities.



Elizabeth Stanton hosts "World's Funniest Animals" on The CW.

Oktoberfest (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Dust off your lederhosen or dirndl and head out to Depot Park for Cullman's Oktoberfest celebration, which begins today and runs through Saturday evening.

Highlighting its German heritage, Cullman began celebrating Oktoberfest in 1982, but the history of Oktoberfest dates back to 1810, long before Germans made their way to Alabama.

On Oct. 12, 1810, a great celebration was held for the wedding of Bavaria's crown prince. That prince would later become King Ludwig (Luis) I. His wedding to Princess Therese von Sachsen-Hildburghausen was celebrated for five days. A celebration has been held each year since in Munich and has become the model for other German-American cities, like Cullman.

"It's about German heritage. Where you have Germans, you have Oktoberfest," said Cullman Oktoberfest's 2020 Burgermeister Steve Sides. "I hope everybody comes out to Oktoberfest to celebrate our German heritage."

This year's celebration will be condensed, but packed full of activities, food and entertainment. Considering that just a few months ago, the City of Cullman wasn't sure if this year's celebration would be possible due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism Executive Director Zac Wood and Burgermeister Sides said they are thankful the community will once again be able to come together to celebrate its German roots.

Sides has been donning his lederhosen and making appearances around town all week. After kicking off Goatoberfest at Goat Island Brewing last Saturday, he has been visiting with area schools, churches, businesses and others in the community, sharing stories about the city's history as well as all the activities planned for Friday and Saturday.

This year, most of the events and the popular biergarten will be at Depot Park. The hope is to create an authentic German Oktoberfest festival for everyone to enjoy. The biergarten will open Friday afternoon at 4 p.m., with the opening ceremonies at 6. The tapping of the keg will follow soon after. Bands will play until 10.

The Miss Oktoberfest Pageant will be a bit smaller this year, as Sides explained, "The problem this year is because of the fair parade- usually they are fair representatives or a lot of them are in band- so they are going to be in the fair parade. Also, Friday night is high school football games so that's a little different this year. We have three or four entries this year."

Miss Oktoberfest will be selected during the opening ceremonies.

"It's going to be like every year," said Sides, "just shorter and more fun."

Friday events:
- 4 p.m. Wolfgang Moritz (main stage)
- 4-10 p.m. biergarten and food vendors open; carriage rides and pumpkin patch
- 5-6 p.m. Wolfgang Moritz (gazebo)
- 5-7 p.m. Polkawagen (main stage)

- **6-7 p.m. Opening ceremonies (main stage)**
  - o Tapping of the keg
  - o Burgermeister announcement
  - o Miss Oktoberfest Pageant
- 6:30-7:15 p.m. cornhole registration (Festhalle)
- 7 p.m. walking tour (United Way parking lot)
- 7:30 p.m. The Overtones (main stage)
- 7:30 p.m. cornhole tournament (Festhalle)
- 8:30-9 p.m. stein hoisting/ best costume contests
- 9 p.m.- The Pine Hill Haints (main stage)

Saturday events:
- 7 a.m.-2 p.m. farmer's market (Festhalle)
- 8 a.m. craft show begins (Cullman County Museum parking lot)
- 9 a.m. sidewalk chalk contest (Cullman City Hall sidewalk)
- 9:30 a.m. Oktofurfest: wiener dog race registration
- 10 a.m. Wallace State Singers & Jazz Band (main stage)
- 10 a.m.-4 p.m. carriage rides
- 10 a.m.-10 p.m. biergarten and food vendors open; pumpkin patch

- **10 a.m.-4 p.m. kids' activities (Kids' Area)**
  - o 10-11:30 slime and tissue paper craft
  - o 10:30 pickle eating contest
  - o 10:30 paper airplane contest
  - o noon-1:30 birdhouses and painting craft
  - o 2-4 tie dye mask and rock painting

- 11 a.m. Wolfgang Moritz (gazebo)

- **11 a.m.-1p.m. Oktofurfest**
  - o 11-12 wiener dog races
  - o 12-12:30 costume contest
  - o 12:30-1 pet parade

- Noon- Brat eating contest
- 12:30-2 p.m. Oompah-Calypse (main stage)
- 1 p.m. cruise in (German cars)
- 2 p.m. cruise in (non-German cars)
- 2:30-6:30 p.m. Polkawagen (main stage)
- 3 p.m. Sacred Heart raffle drawing
- 4-7 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran School Cornhole Tournament (Goat Island Brewing)
- 7 p.m. Round 2 (main stage)
- 8:30 p.m. Avenue G Band (main stage)
- 9:30 p.m. raffle giveaway winner
- 9:30-10 p.m. stein hoisting/best costume contests
- 10 p.m. Blind the Sky (main stage)

On Saturday, festivities begin at 7 a.m. with the farmer's market open at the Festhalle.

Wood said he is hopeful that folks in town for the Cullman County Fair Parade at 2 p.m. will head over to enjoy Oktoberfest.

"I'm going to be driving the VW bus, and Steve and his wife are going to be in it," he said. "We are going to have signs that say, 'Follow us to Oktoberfest.'"

For the kids, around the gazebo area at the Cullman County Museum, there will be a pumpkin patch, pumpkin painting and crafts. There is a charge for the pumpkins as a fundraiser for Garrison Gives Hope.

Said Wood, "Everything we raise stays here in the community. The kids can come in and paint the pumpkin at no charge, but the pumpkin costs, but all the proceeds go back to that foundation."

At least 34 craft vendors and local merchants will be set up in the parking area behind the museum.

Arnold Street, around the festival area, will be closed during Oktoberfest allowing activities including kids' activities, Oktofurfest and other events to utilize the space.

Food, snack and drink vendors will also be on-hand, including Hildegard's German Cuisine, Johnny's Bar-B-Q, Devil Dawgs, Augusta's, MaggieMoo's Ice Cream, and the Cullman High School Shotgun Club will be selling brats as a fundraiser.

Said Wood, "There will be lemonade, funnel cakes and something for everybody."

The stage and dancefloor area will be located on the north end of Depot Park with beer tents on the east and west sides.

The Oktoberfest merchandise tent will be located at the south end of Depot Park. The Cullman County Museum will also be open for visitors.

Masks are recommended, and Wood reminded everyone to be respectful and be aware of social distancing. As an open air event, masks will not be required. The popular Hay People will indeed wear their masks during Oktoberfest. It will serve as a reminder to guests and as a sign of the times when future generations look back on Oktoberfest 2020.

Burgermeister Sides is anticipating a great Oktoberfest.

"We are excited to be having it over at Depot Park. That's new and I think the biergarten is going to fun here," he said. "I can't remember an Oktoberfest when we had weather this good. Everybody is stir-crazy, so I think it's going to be a great turnout."

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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 2



George Edward Hamrick, 93, died peacefully at Mulberry Health, Mulberry, Indiana Sept. 17. Alzheimer's Disease was not his friend. He was a good man. He lived a good life. If you met him, you remembered him and the twinkle in his eyes. George was born in Cullman, Alabama to the late Lee and Mary Hamrick and raised in Hanceville, Alabama. He ran off to see the world as a U.S. Merchant Marine at 18. This stint springboarded him into the U.S. Army Signal Corps, where he became a radio operator, Morse Code phenom ("dit" "dah") and ultimately achieved the rank of 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army. The GI Bill provided an opportunity for him to earn an engineering degree from Auburn University (War Eagle!) and this led to a 38-year career as a systems engineer at RCA north of the Mason-Dixon Line in Indianapolis, Indiana. George was a fixture at Prentice Little League in Indianapolis over his many years as a team manager, was a world-class tinkerer, Mr. Fixit, the fun Uncle George to dozens of nephews and nieces, and was clear about the importance of frugality, education, and problem solving to succeed in life. He reveled in annual summer road trips from Indianapolis to Cullman, Alabama to attend Hamrick and Robinson family get-togethers, which always included bootlegging adult beverages for friends and family to the "dry" county. Upon his well-earned retirement these summer trips evolved into winter snowbirding in Gulf Shores, Alabama for many years, where he could be found strolling the white sand beaches every morning. Few things brought him as much joy as spending time with his grandchildren and this joy was enthusiastically reciprocated. He was known for grilling sirloin steaks to perfection (medium rare), was a firm believer in the eat part of peel 'n eat shrimp, retreated to his happy place in a La-Z-Boy recliner after long days of hard work, was an unofficial national spokesperson for the wonders of duct tape, and learned and shared the importance of fairness and equality and honesty throughout his life on a daily basis. He was preceded in death by his lifelong sweetheart, wife and partner-in-crime of 50 years, Ethelene Robinson Hamrick, Indianapolis, IN; his brothers Hoyt, Kerr, TX and Arthur, Orange Beach, AL; his sisters Dot, Foley, AL, Ruth, Cullman, AL, Inez, Cullman, AL, and Esther, Jacksonville, FL. He is survived by his four sons James (Tracy Wise), York, PA; Charlie (Peggy Johnson), Lafayette, IN; John (Brenda), Gulf Shores, AL; and Steve (Linda), Noblesville, IN; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The family of George Hamrick would like to extend a sincere heartfelt thanks to all the health care providers, nurses, aids, and staff at Mulberry Health, Mulberry, IN and Rosewalk Commons, Lafayette, IN. Your years of attention, kindness, care, compassion, and love are unequaled. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service will be held Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Ave. NW, Cullman, AL, followed by a graveside ceremony at Hopewell Cemetery, Hanceville, AL. Visitation will be from noon-1 p.m. prior to the service. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association (https://www.alz.org).

Funeral services for James Alvin Metcalf, Jr., 66, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Billy Randolph officiating; interment in Cullman City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 12:30-2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Metcalf passed away Thursday, Oct. 1, 2020 at his residence. He was born Nov. 20, 1953 in Scottsboro, Alabama to James Alvin Metcalf, Sr. and Bertha Marie Metcalf. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife Nancy Metcalf; daughters Christina (Troy) Biggs, Lindsay (Brent) Rhodes, Sarah (Adam) Allison, and Dakota Metcalf; grandchildren Lucas Rhodes, Grayson Rhodes, Sophia Rhodes, Carson Rhodes, Julia Biggs, Lydia Biggs, Clara Biggs, and Samuel Biggs; sister Celestine (John) Darnell; and niece Stacy Segrest.

Mr. Brady Joe Nix was born Dec. 25, 1941 in Winston County and passed away Sept. 29, 2020 at the University of Alabama Hospital in Birmingham at the age of 78. Brady was a truck driver for 40 years and was known by his C.B. handle, "Bull," by his trucker friends. He was a hardworking man of integrity and would lend a helping hand to any of his friends, neighbors, or family. He attended the Lighthouse Independent Holiness Church for over 20 years where he was a dedicated leader for 16. During his membership, he served as Sunday School Superintendent and Singing Chairman. He spent his last days with a desire to sing and tell others about Jesus. Visitation will be held Friday, Oct. 2, 2020 from 6-9 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where services will be held Saturday, Oct. 3, 2020 beginning at 2 p.m. Burial will be at New Oak Grove Cemetery, Nauvoo. Brother Randy Jones and Brother Alvis Treece will officiate. Mr. Nix is survived by his daughter Tina (Alvis) Treece; son Timothy Nix; grandsons Kevin (Heather) Greene, Shad and Devon Nix; granddaughter Veronica Nix; step-granddaughters Monica Powell and Maranda (Gregory) Mitchell; great-granddaughters Blakelynn and Adley Greene; step-great-granddaughters Katelynn (J.R.) Harp, Carmon and Mariah Hernandez; step-great-grandsons Drew (Meagan) Turner, Matt and Eli Turner; step-great-great-grandsons Kaden Turner, Abraham Tidwell, Vincent and Garett Harp; step-great-great-granddaughter Kinleigh Turner; sisters Genella (Doug) Smith and Shirley (Lonnie) Dodd; sister-in-law Glenda Nix; fiancée Nellie Baccus; special friends Bro. Hollis and Maxine Boyd; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his first wife Nina Nix; second wife Faye Nix; parents Mark and Berthie Nix; brothers William, Joel and James Nix; sister Willie Lou (Clarence) Barnes; niece Susan Smith; nephew Howard Barnes; and step-great-grandson Brandon Turner.

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Alabama observes SIDS Awareness Month

Tracie West
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MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) urges parents and caregivers to learn about the risk factors that lead to the sudden deaths of infants, especially during October, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and Safe Sleep Awareness Month.

Every year in the United States, more than 3,500 otherwise healthy babies die suddenly and unexpectedly. The causes of these infant deaths are not immediately obvious following a complete investigation. Most of these infant deaths are full-term normal birth weight infants, according to the ADPH Center for Health Statistics. In 2018, 70 Alabama infants died from Sudden Unexplained Infant Death (SUID). In 2017, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recorded more than 1,400 infant deaths from SIDS, the leading cause of death for babies 1 month to 1 year of age. The National Center for Health Statistics estimates that 50-60% of SIDS and SUID cases are from co-sleeping, unsafe sleeping, or accidental suffocation and strangulation in bed.

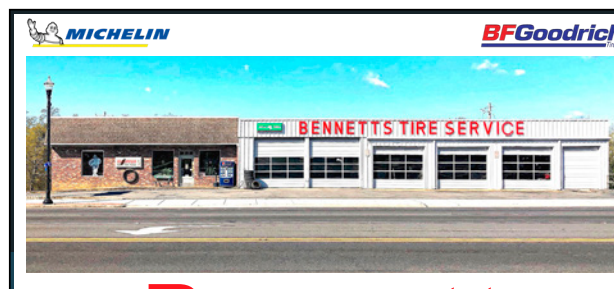
Parents and caregivers are reminded to follow key steps to reduce infant deaths from unsafe sleep-related causes. The ABCs to remember are as follows:

- **Alone** – always place baby in his or her own sleep space (room sharing without bed sharing)
- **Back** – always place baby to sleep on his or her back (naptime and nighttime), not on side or stomach
- **Crib** – always place baby to sleep in a crib with a firm surface, free of bumper pads, pillows, toys, heavy blanket or other people

ADPH is the lead agency promoting the National Institutes of Health's #SafeSleepSnap Photo Event for SIDS Awareness Month in October.

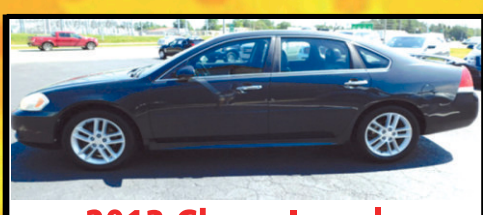
This event is to help promote SIDS Awareness Month and promote safe sleep practices and safe sleep environments for infants. Parents are encouraged to post pictures of their babies sleeping on their backs in safe sleep environment on their social media accounts with #SafeSleepSnap.

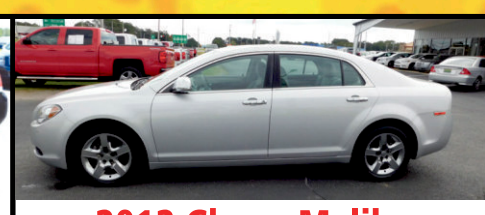
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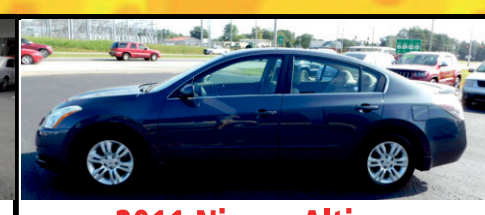
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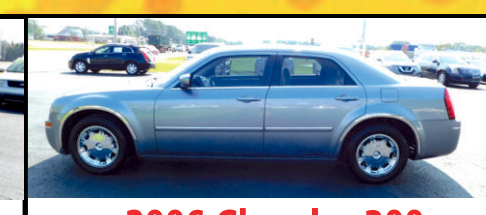
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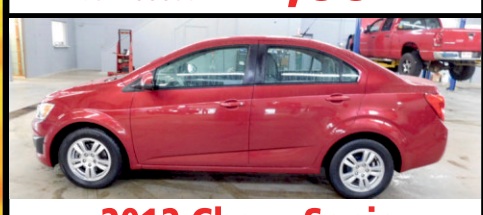
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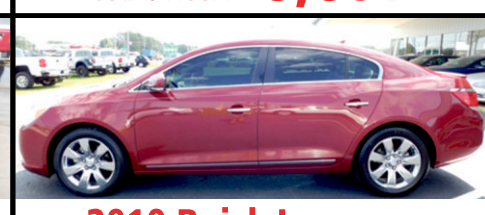

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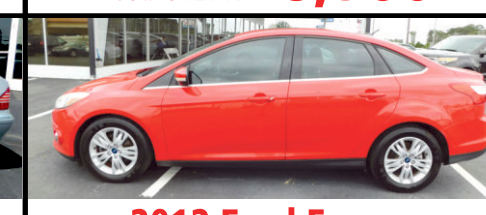

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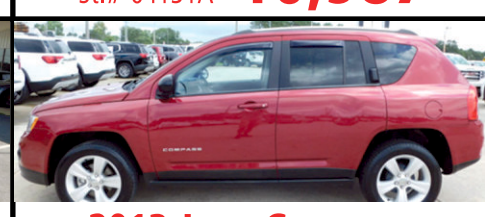

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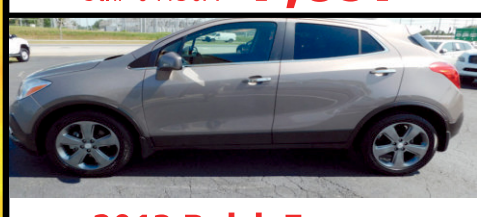

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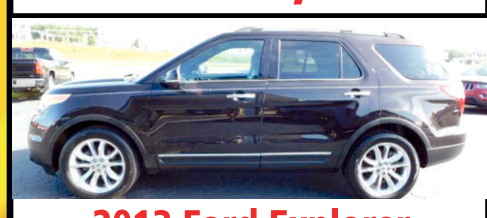

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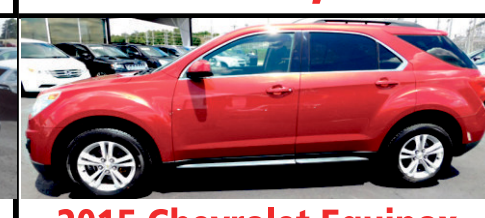

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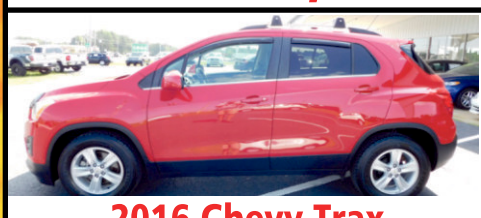

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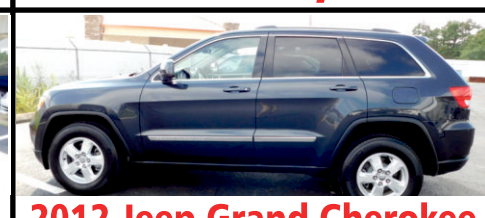

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