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CCBOE's Barnette praises bus driver for actions before, after wreck

Man killed in head-on collision with school bus



CRISSTENE HALE

A Cullman County Schools bus was hit head-on by a small truck Friday morning.

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WELTI, Ala. – A wreck involving a vehicle and a Cullman County Schools bus Friday morning sent five students to the hospital for evaluation, and Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette said the bus driver, Rodney Hays, "did an excellent job" protecting the children. The crash happened in front of Welti School in the 800 block of County Road 747 at approximately 7:15 a.m.

The driver of the vehicle that hit the bus, identified by Cullman County Coroner Jeremy L. Kilpatrick as Joshua Charles Skinner, 35, of Cullman, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Alabama State Troopers said Skinner, who was driving a 2000 Nissan Frontier, crossed the center line and collided with the 2014 IC Corporation International school bus. Skinner was not wearing his seat belt at the time of the crash.According to Troopers, "Speed is believed to be a contributing factor to the crash."

Barnette said there were 17 students on the bus at the time of the incident.

Of the five students who went to the hospital, four were taken by their parents and one by ambulance. All were evaluated and released.

Hays saw the other driver coming, according to Barnette, and he attempted to avoid the collision.

"He saw the driver coming from a distance, and the driver was swaying back and forth, kind of over in his lane, and he continued to get off the side of the road, as far as he could," said Barnette.

"The truck still hit him, but he stayed calm, and he was perfect. He is a volunteer firefighter, a certified EMT and he also works for the Town of Holly Pond.

"He just stayed so calm and collected the » PAGE 6

Bugs and slugs



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

North Alabama Agriplex Director Rachel Dawsey, left, and Heritage Homeschool participant Bella Kent, right, search for bugs at Friday morning's "Bugs and Slugs" program.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Area homeschoolers had a little creepy crawly fun Friday morning thanks to the North Alabama Agriplex's Heritage Homeschool Program. October featured "Bugs and Slugs," allowing the youngsters to learn about insects, spiders and other creatures found in gardens and other areas in north Alabama.

Agriplex Director Rachel Dawsey led curious kids around the grounds as they visited several unique stations created to make learning about creepy critters entertaining.

In the rain garden, students saw several up close. They learned about different spiders, stink bugs, beetles, slugs and more.

The children were each given a small specimen jar and took a few minutes to explore in hopes of finding their own bugs. Five-year-old Scarlet Freyeisen said of her prize catch, a small spider, "I think he's cleaning his face."

A millipede and a roly-poly were among the other great finds. The bugs were all released before the group headed to learn about honeybees.

Freyeisen's mom, Emily Freyeisen, said, "We like coming here and it's always been really special for us. She loves it. She is always out in the yard flipping rocks over and seeing what she can find. She's a very curious girl."

Shanda Kent, who came with her daughters Brooke and Bella, said she loves the program. "We absolutely love it. It's very hands-on and very educational and we just love it."

The Kents have taken advantage of several of the monthly activities and make the trip from Union Grove for the fun.

Autumn, Amber, Anna, Matthew and Ava Adkins, along with their mother Michelle, came and had a great time.

Said their mom, » PAGE 3

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 23

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 23, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; FTA = failure to appear

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 21

• second-degree assault, harassment; person; Hwy. 157
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment; person; 3rd St. NE

Oct. 22

• third-degree domestic violence- harassment; person; Logan St. SW
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $38
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $35
• duty upon striking an unattended vehicle; person; Donauer Dr. SW; damage to '09 Lexus; $600
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $9
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $9

ARRESTS

Oct. 22

Saucier, Ashton N., 25
• fourth-degree theft of property

Panem, Bobbie F., 33
• fourth-degree theft of property

Farrer, Paul J., 50
• FTA- driving while revoked (2 counts)
• FTA- driver's license not in possession
• FTA- improper tag
• FTA- no tag light

Sawyer Jr., Thomas K., 39
• second-degree robbery
• first-degree burglary
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• attempting to elude

Stephens, Nathan W., 43
• murder

Martin, Anthony A., 28
• fourth-degree theft of property
• third-degree criminal trespassing

Allred, Dustyn H., 25
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- third-degree criminal mischief
• FTA- third-degree domestic violence
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- no tag
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- running a stop sign
• FTA- driving without a license
• FTA- DUI- controlled substance

Kilpatrick, Justin K., 32
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Fuller, Kagun D., 24
• fourth-degree theft of property
• FTA- insurance violation (5 counts)
• FTA- expired tag
• FTA- driving without a license (2 counts)
• FTA- failure to register vehicle
• FTA- improper lights

Fuller, Autumn E., 25
• fourth-degree theft of property
• FTA- driving without a license

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, Oct. 23, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

• Total confirmed cases in AL: 155,915 (+973 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in AL: 25,001* (+2,879 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 2,674 (+14 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in AL: 185
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 1,974 (+19 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 425 (+23 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 19 (+1 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 6
• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 19,423
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,650
• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 391
• Total tested in Alabama: 1,289,773
• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 17,952
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 95,402
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 888
• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 19,595
• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 74,439

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

**Important Notice (10/23/20) The Alabama Department of Public Health processed a backlog of 2565 positive antigen results from a facility in Mobile on October 22. These will be classified as "probable" COVID-19 cases reported on 10/22/20 even though the tests were performed during June through October 18, 2020. All laboratories are required by law to report all results (including positive and negative results) for SARS-CoV-2 to ADPH. Delays in reporting by required reporters is not within control of ADPH. Processing the backlog will not impact the ADPH COVID-19 Risk Indicator Dashboard.*

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LEGALS

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice IN-N-OUT Self Storage located at 106 13th St., Cullman, AL 35055 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the facility by the below occupants whom are in default at an auction. The sale will occur or otherwise disposed as an online auction via www.storageauctions.com on 11/10/2020 at 10:00am. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings.

Tammy S Edwards, unit #601: 1821 Fox Meadows Drive, Southeast, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Haleigh Hopkins, unit #713: 130 County Road 694, Holly Pond, Alabama 35083.

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

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CIRCUIT COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY, A
LISA MCSWAIN, C

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DYER ROY,)
DYER TERESA,)
Plaintiffs,)
)
V.) Case No.: CV-2020-900257.00
)
SUGGS CHARLES D.,)
Defendant.)

Order of Publication and Notice of Pendency of Suit

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS, HEIRS OR DEVISEES, claiming any right, title and interest to the following described real property, to-wit: **Parcel # 10-05-22-0-001-006.007** in Cullman County, Alabama.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 2nd day of October 2020, a Complaint in Rem to Quiet Title was filed by Plaintiffs Roy Dyer and Teresa Dyer, by and through their counsel of record, Seth B. Thompson, wherein all parties at interest were given notice and wherein it was alleged that said Complaint was filed against the property described above, and it was alleged that Plaintiffs were the owner in fee simple of said real property.

The parties at interest are further notified that Plaintiffs aver in said Complaint that it claims title to the real property by reason of the following chain of title, to wit:

(a) On the 8th day of March, 2017, a decree was rendered by the Revenue Commissioner of Cullman County for the sale of land herein described and conveyed for the State and County taxes of Charles D. Suggs, the owner of said land for the cost of expenses thereto and thereunder.

(b) On the 2nd day of May, 2017, said lands were duly and regularly sold by the Revenue Commissioner of said county for taxes, costs and expenses and at said sale Plaintiff's predecessor in title purchased said lands at and for the sum of said taxes, costs and expenses and forthwith paid said sum to the Revenue Commissioner, and received from said Revenue Commissioner a certificate of said sale.

(c) The time of redemption of said lands has elapsed and said certificate of purchase had been returned to the Revenue Commissioner of said county.

(d) On or about the 12th day of May, 2020, Plaintiffs came forward and notified the Revenue Commissioner that they had taken lawful possession of the land and were due a deed pursuant to the Code of Alabama, specifically, but not limited to Title 40-10-29 and act number 84-493. Plaintiffs have met all requirements under these two statutes and other provisions of Alabama Law.

(e) Title to the real property described hereinabove stands upon the records in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, in the name of the Plaintiffs.

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to answer this Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from the 31st day of October, 2020, or on failure to do so, suffer a default judgment to be rendered against you.

DONE this 5th day of October, 2020.

/s/ D. Thacker
CIRCUIT JUDGE

10/6/2020 9:38 A
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CIRCUIT COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY, A
LISA MCSWAIN, C

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DYER ROY,)
DYER TERESA,)
Plaintiffs,)
)
V.) Case No.: CV-2020-900258.00
)
SMITH SANFORD,)
Defendant.)

Order of Publication and Notice of Pendency of Suit

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS, HEIRS OR DEVISEES OF SANFORD SMITH, claiming any right, title and interest to the following described real property, to-wit: **Parcel # 10-02-10-001-005.002 in Cullman County, Alabama.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 2nd day of October 2020, a Complaint in Rem to Quiet Title was filed by Plaintiffs Roy Dyer and Teresa Dyer, by and through their counsel of record, Seth B. Thompson, wherein all parties at interest were given notice and wherein it was alleged that said Complaint was filed against the property described above, and it was alleged that Plaintiffs were the owner in fee simple of said real property.

The parties al interest are further notified that Plaintiff avers in said Complaint that it claims title to the real property by reason of the following chain of title, to wit:

(a) On the 8th day of March, 2017, a decree was rendered by the Revenue Commissioner of Cullman County for the sale of land herein described and conveyed for the State and County taxes of Sanford Smith, the owner of said land for the cost of expenses thereto and thereunder.

(b) On the 2nd day of May, 2017, said lands were duly and regularly sold by the Revenue Commissioner of said county for taxes, costs and expenses and at said sale Plaintiffs
purchased said lands at and for the sum of said taxes, costs and expenses and forthwith paid said sum to the Revenue Commissioner, and received from said Revenue Commissioner a certificate of said sale.

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YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to answer this Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from the 31st day of October, 2020, or on failure to do so, suffer a default judgment to be rendered against you.

DONE this 6th day of October, 2020.

/s/ MARTHA E. WILLIAMS
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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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

Dead End Haunted Trail
• Fridays and Saturdays at dark through Halloween at 191 County Road 741 (As long as it's not storming, a little rain will not stop the fun.)
• The trail time varies depending on the group. Depending on the level of fear, it could take five minutes, or it could take 15 minutes. If you get lost, don't worry. There are people there to help guide you through the woods.
• Admission to the Dead End Haunted Trail is a new or gently used toy (to be given to the Cullman County Sheriff's Office) or canned goods (in date) to help those in need during the holidays. Selvage and Cox will also take monetary donations in order to purchase toys.
• For more information, visit https://bit.ly/36Rko0z.

Smoked Turkey & Ham Fundraiser
• Proceeds support the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation.
• Let Freddie Day Catering cook your Thanksgiving ham or turkey! Order your delicious, slow-smoked 11-13 lb. turkey or 8-9 lb. ham and support the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation.
• When: Pre-orders accepted until Nov. 13 (must be paid in full when order is placed)
• Cost: Turkey $25 Ham $35
• Curbside pickup: Nov. 21 from 10-11 a.m. and Nov. 25 from 4-5 p.m.
• Location: Freddie Day Catering 1628 2nd Ave. NW
• For ordering information, contact Louise Cole at 256-503-5301 or Judy Grissom at 256-347-5993.
• Email us at ccbbfinc@gmail.com or visit www.CullmanBosomBuddies.com.

Nightmare in Vinemont
• Oct. 23-25 and Oct. 30-31, 7 p.m.-midnight at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center, 17645 U.S. Highway 31, Cullman, AL 35058
• Haunted house/haunted hayride combo
• Admission is $15 for adults and $10 for kids. Parking is $5.
• All proceeds will be donated and used to help fund and support the Vinemont-Providence Fire Explorers.

National Prescription Drug Take Back Day
• The Cullman Police Department and Cullman County Sheriff's Office are both participating in this year's National Prescription Drug Take Back Day this Saturday, Oct. 24.
• The Cullman Police Department will be at the south Wal-Mart from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
• The Cullman County Sheriff's Office will be at the CCSO Training Building,1920 Beech Ave. SE Cullman, AL, from 7 a.m.-noon.
• Cullman County residents can bring their unused or expired medication to either location, and officers or deputies will dispose of the medication for them safely.
• The aim is to provide a safe, convenient and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse.

Walk to Defeat ALS
• Saturday, Oct. 24 at 9:30 a.m. at Randall Shedd Community Park in Fairview.
• The local event is hosted by Fishing 4 A Cure 4 ALS. Team Danny Harris will walk to raise both money and awareness for ALS (Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, also called Lou Gehrig's disease). Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the walk will begin at 10. The walk will follow all social distancing guidelines and masks should be worn.

Harvest Carnival
• Saturday, Oct. 24, 5-8 p.m. at Emeus Baptist Church, 680 County Road 834, Logan, AL 35098
• Treats, toy walk, cake walk, carnival games, face painting, prizes, concession stand, raffles, silent auction
• Free admission; tickets for games 2/$1

Fall Festival
• Saturday, Oct. 24, 5-8 p.m. at New Hope #2 Baptist Church, 2290 County Road 1682, Cullman, AL 35058
• Games, prizes, sweet walk, chili cookoff, hot dogs; costumes welcome

The Great Costume Adventure
• Sunday, Oct. 25, 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services at Desperation Church, 202 Elizabeth St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055.
• Kids are invited to wear their favorite costume and we will march through our Worship Center to get treats! For ages 3 years- fifth grade.

Fall Festival
• Sunday, Oct. 25, 4-6 p.m. at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 2830 County Road 216, Hanceville, AL 35077
• Hot dogs, chips, drinks, desserts and candy
• Costume and dance contests
• Bingo for adults and kids
• Masks are appreciated.

Halloween Hootenanny!
• Sunday, Oct. 25, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at St. John's Church- Little Lambs parking lot 512 Second Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055
• Fun for all ages- free food and drinks
• Pumpkin contest- kids and adults, carved and painted; pumpkins must be registered by 4:30 p.m.
• Outdoor screening of "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown"- bring a lawn chair and blanket.

Trunk or Treat
Sunday, Oct. 25, 5-7 p.m. at Daniels Chapel Baptist Church, 780 Daniels Chapel Road, Eva, AL 35621

Swamp John's Dinner
• Tuesday, Oct. 27 from 4-7 p.m. at the Johnson's Crossing Volunteer Fire Department, 1599 County Road 617, Hanceville, AL 35077
• Your choice of fish, shrimp or chicken with a side of coleslaw, fries, hushpuppy and pickle, with sweet or unsweetened tea to drink and desert- $12 a plate

4th Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ
• Saturday, Oct. 31 and Sunday, Nov. 1 at St. Bernard Prep School and Ave Maria Grotto in Cullman, AL.
• The event features some of the best artisans in the Southeast to include: pottery, wreaths, door hangers, flowers, wood turned bowls, clothing, birdhouses, honey, jewelry, soap, brooms, metal art, glass art, freshly ground cornmeal and grits, and much, much more. While shopping, enjoy live music and the best pulled pork in the Southeast as well as ribs, hamburgers, brats, and chicken wings.
• On Saturday, children 12 and under are invited to wear costumes, and plan to trick or treat. On Sunday at 4 p.m. St. Bernard will give away cash prizes totaling over $12,000! Bring the entire family for a weekend of fun, socially distanced, on our 800+ acre campus! Hours for the event are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is a $5 requested donation. No pets, please! Festival guests can also tour our world-famous Ave Maria Grotto at a reduced admission of $4 all weekend.
• Vendor applications are still being accepted. Please note, all work must be handmade. Commercial products are considered through sponsorships only. For more information, click the buttons below, contact Festival Director Joyce Nix at 256-255-5860, or email her at jnix@stbernardprep.com. All proceeds benefit St. Bernard Preparatory School.

Church Food Bazaar
• Friday, Nov. 6 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mt. Zion Methodist Church (U.S. Highway 31 North, next to the Cullman Area Technology Academy (Career Center) in Vinemont
• Baked goods for sale. Lunch will be served from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Carry-out available.
• Proceeds go to the Mt. Zion UMW women's group.

St. Paul's Lutheran School Fall Flea Market
• Saturday, Nov. 7, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in the back parking lot of the church and inside the gym. Santa Claus will be making a stop between 9 a.m.-noon for those who would want to get their lists to him early!
• Forty vendor spots are available: $15 for space outside or $30 for a space inside the gym with an option to set up the night before. Spaces are going quickly. If you or your business is interested in renting a booth for the Fall Flea Market, contact Emily Trahan at emilytrahan@stpaulscullman.com.

Holly Pond Bronco Band Swamp John's Dinner
• Sunday, Nov. 8 from 11 a.m-2 p.m. in the Holly Pond lunchroom
• $11 per plate, carry out or walk in (drive-thru not available)
• See www.facebook.com/HP-BroncoBand for more information.

Vinemont Band Booster Craft Show
• Friday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 21 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Cullman Church of Christ, 4345 AL Hwy. 157, Cullman, AL 35058
• Free admission. Door prizes and concessions. $500 cash raffle at noon Nov. 21.

Funny Things from Yesterday: Granny

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
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Rudene has been called Granny since Leanna, our first grandchild, was old enough to talk. Our Granny's actions are like the actions of the Granny in the T.V. show "The Beverly Hillbillies." She is quick to take charge where it's needed and does a good job in it. She lets everyone know what to do and when to do it. Since she does this, I thought it would be good to teach Leanna how to say "Granny."

Rudene and I planned our Sundays on a regular schedule of church, then we would prepare a Sunday meal for our family, so we could have a close-knit family. We have had this schedule until this day. But the present health scare has made us miss a lot of Sundays. We have had about three or four Sunday dinners in several weeks.

We have always tried to have a family meal in the month that we have birthdays.

This way everyone has a birthday dinner with a cake and a birthday present. We celebrated a birthday for six members today. We had a wonderful time.

After Granny and I had a snack we started to prepare for our birthday dinner. We were very busy with a lot to do. As the old saying is, "We were as busy as a one-armed wallpaper hanger." Granny was as busy as she could be and pulled the refrigerator door open and a small metal basket fell off the top of the refrigerator and hit her on the head.

It scared her more than hurt her. She hollered, looked surprised and said, "That hurt." It made me think of Chicken Little and the sky falling on him. I had a good laugh at the surprised look on her face.

After our meal we sat around and talked about old times. Robin told about a trip we were making on a hot day and I rolled all the windows down in the van using the master control switch. They fussed and wanted to know why I rolled the windows down. I told them that the air conditioner needed a rest.

They didn't like that answer. Then they noticed the fuel gauge and saw it was nearly on empty and they quit fussing about the air conditioner and started to worry about finding the next fuel stop.

Another incident they told about was a time we came through Atlanta and Rudene was driving. I had been driving and was tired and needed a little nap.

All at once Rudene threw her hands up in the air, slinging her arms and said, "I can't do this."

The kids were scared and cried out. I raised up off the seat and grabbed the steering wheel and got her to slow down and I pulled the car off the highway and took over the driving.

Memories bring lots of laughs.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

One man and one dog football games

Bill King
Tribune Contributor



My two favorite seasons have finally arrived – fall and football. Football fans are enjoying the season a little more than normal this year, because we thought it might not come. Even when it did, it arrived a little late. Have you ever watched a game when a dog ran down the field? I'm not talking about Uga from Georgia, Bully from Mississippi State, or Smokey from Tennessee. I'm talking about an ordinary dog that somehow made its way into the stadium and ran down the middle of the gridiron like Forrest Gump. Some smart aleck, or perhaps some inebriated fan, or perhaps some inebriated smart-aleck fan, shouts, "Give him the ball! He's running better than anyone out there!" I've not only witnessed this, I've been in several games when it happened.

Actually, and honestly, the dog was on one of the teams. Now, truth be told, it was not a regulation game with 11 players on each side. What it was, was football. (That was for us die hard Andy Griffith fans.) It actually was one-man-and-one-dog football. The games took place in my own backyard. I was the one man, actually, I was still a boy, and the dog was my dog. His name was Big Pud, and I guess you know mine.

He and I played for numerous teams during our childhood and his doghood. Those included some of the best college teams as well as NFL teams. We won all kinds of championships...right there in my backyard.

Football is a game that is hard to play alone. It is not impossible, and I know that for a fact. Well, I usually didn't play completely alone, if we count Big Pud. I was not an only child, but as far as sibling playmates, I pretty much was. I had two older brothers, but they were both grown and gone by the time I began first grade.

I also had a sister, but she was six-years older than me, plus she was a girl. She liked football but wasn't particularly fond of playing, especially with her kid brother and his dog.

In case you're wondering how to play one-man-and-one-dog football, please let me explain. It requires a slightly underinflated ball. Tom Brady was not the first one to know that trick. It does make the ball easier to grip, especially if you don't have hands and have to carry the ball in your mouth. I'm talking about Big Pud, not me. I played center, quarterback, and receiver. I snapped the ball to myself, threw the ball in the air as high and as far as I could, and then tried to run under it to complete the pass. Sometime Big Pud tackled me before I could get to the ball. Then I became referee...15 yards and automatic first down. When Pud was on offense, obviously he couldn't pass the ball, so I just gave him the ball and he ran like "Crazylegs" Hirsch. Sometimes he ran in the right direction, and sometimes he ended up getting tackled in the wrong end zone for a safety. We never had a marching band for our halftime shows. We usually went inside the locker room for lemonade and cookies. We did have sports announcers who called the games. Amazingly, they all sounded like me. My old mutt and I sure had some good times and great games.

Life is much like football in that it is difficult to do alone. I still love a day spent with a good dog, but there is nothing like time with another person. If you are all alone, find God, find a friend, and sometimes even spend the day with a good dog. Let's go play...let's go live!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1957

From the Files of 1957

Second Blast Victim Dies

Edwin Earl Howard, 16, the second victim of the explosion here on June 16, which had already claimed the life of Mrs. Martha Samples, 34, died in the University Hospital, on June 21.

Funeral services were held at Center Hill Church, east of Hanceville, at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Moss Service, of Hanceville, directed interment in the Center Hill Cemetery. Surviving are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Howard, of Hanceville, four brothers, J.J., of Louisiana, Elmer, of Germany and Billy and Frankie, both of Hanceville, four sisters, Mrs. Jeanette McKenzie, Mrs. Crunto O'Neal, Mrs. Gladys Walker and Miss Bobby Howard and one half-brother, Harry Monroe, of Florida.

Edwin Earl and his sister, Bobbie were guests in the Samples home at the time of the explosion, which completely demolished the house.

Bobbie was able to be released from the Cullman Hospital last week.

Remaining critically ill in University Hospital is Jimmy Hicks, son of Mrs. Samples, the fourth person injured in the explosion.

Glenda Plunkett, Hanceville, has been granted a Sears-Roebuck Foundation Scholarship for 1957, for freshman entering the School of Home Economics, at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. While in high school, Glenda maintained an "A" average.

She was an active member of Future Homemakers of America, 4-H Club, Beta Club and Student Council.

Glenda attended Camp Dunroamin in Fayetteville, Tennessee, where she received awards in 1953, 1954 and 1955 for arts and crafts. She is the daughter of Mrs. Mary Plunkett.

Hanceville Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Thelbert Bland and Kenneth, are spending this week vacationing in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Longshore had as their Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Pepper and children, of Athens, Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Brigham and children and Mr. and Mrs. R.E. Creel.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Formby were Mr. and Mrs. John V. Tillman, of Simcoe and Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Upton, of Gadsden.

Mrs. James B. Kelly, of Decatur, spent several days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Caudell. Mrs. Caudell remains ill at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Quattlebaum attended the Winn family reunion held at Guntersville Lake on Saturday and Sunday.

Glen and Carol Pender spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Smith and family in Fultondale.

Jo Ann and Wanda Meadows were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Meadows and family in Center Point.

Reverend and Mrs. H.A. Harris and Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Harris, Junior, were the Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vest and children in Gadsden.

Jackie Quick, of Gardendale, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E.M. Quick.

Mrs. Alex Bland and Jimmy Hicks spent several days last week in Decatur, visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Murphree and children.

Bugs (from Front)

"What is really cool, we got to come to the Saturday class, the Kids Club, and bring our pigs. Our daughter Amber got to teach the segment on the kunekune pigs.

"That was so awesome, and I told Rachel that we've been coming here for so many years and we got to give back!"

At other stations, the kids learned about bees, worms and the anatomy of insects.

Dawsey explained, "They did 'build a bug.' They played a little game like the old Cootie game.

"They did an insect symmetry snack to learn about how insects are even on both sides.

"They also did worms, so they learned all about worms and their body parts and how they live."

According to the Agriplex, "Heritage Homeschool is a series of hands-on programs for homeschoolers (kindergarten and up) and their parents once a month.

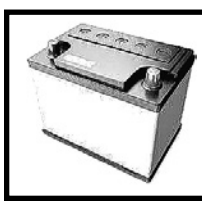
"Students will be divided into and older and younger group with parents expected to assist their children. The program is held on Thursdays or Fridays from 9-11 a.m. Class fees are $8 per child and adults are free. Max cost is $16 per family."

The next Heritage Homeschool events are Nov. 19 on woodworking and Dec. 10 on leatherwork.

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POET'S CORNER

Cain and Abel

By: Randy C. Hale

Was there a time when Cain loved
his brother?
When he looked at him and thought
how nice this can be, my brother
and me?

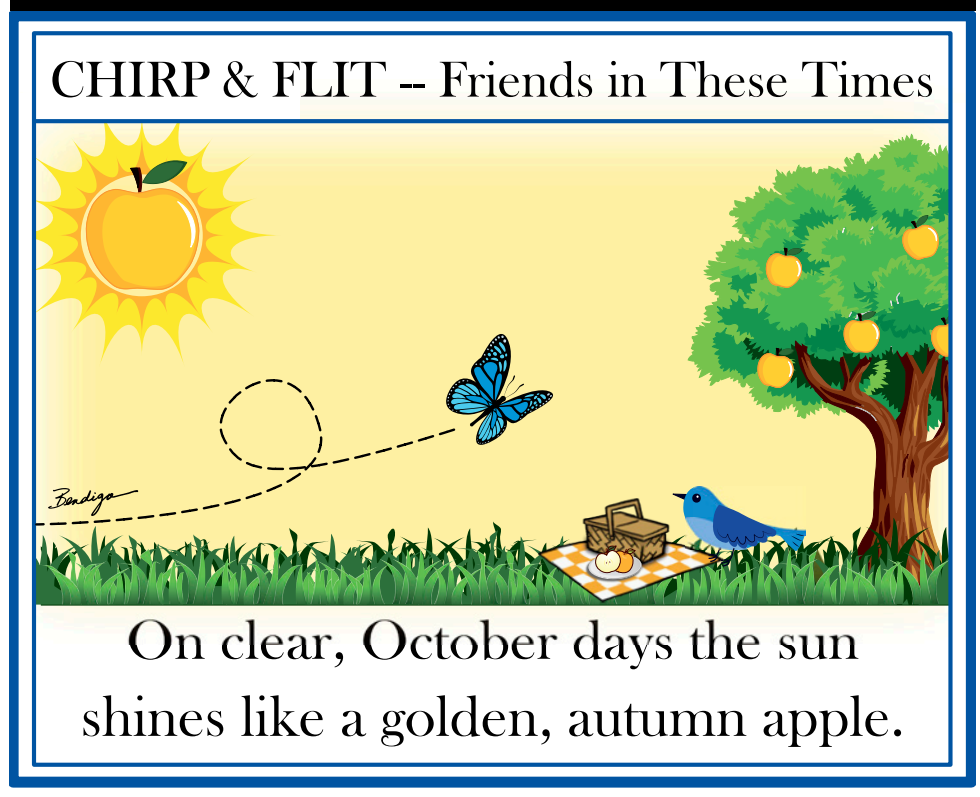
Was there a time when they played
and laughed together, maybe
wrestling in the grass below
the noon sun?

What could have saved these two,
the spirit of prophecy even in their
given names?
And Cain stood up and acquired
things he wished and Abel's life
was but as a puff of air, a vapor
of blood rising from the earth.

I do think, it was the saddest day
when two brothers went out into
a field and only one returned.

(Based on Genesis 4:1-10)

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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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Hanceville blows past Section, 36-8

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville Bulldogs took on the Section Lions in their final home game of the season as they looked to snap a six-game losing streak. Hanceville did that and then some, rolling past Section, 36-8.

On the first play of Hanceville's second series, Brosnan Ward found a huge hole down the right side and he wasn't going to be denied; his 49-yard run gave the Bulldogs a 7-0 lead. The Bulldogs' defense stepped up huge on its next series when Logan Guthery got a big sack on fourth down, forcing the Lions to turn the ball over on downs.

Ward got 15 yards on the first play of Hanceville's next series, but after a holding penalty, the Bulldogs were backed up at the 29-yard line on third down.

Then Bo Joles found Guthery down the left sideline for a 71-yard score to put Hanceville up 13-0. After three straight punts the Bulldogs get the ball at the 36-yard line and Zach Campbell found Kendrick Johnson for 9 yards on third down before Ward got 8 more on the ground and a first down. Ward found the end zone four plays later on a 36-yard run to make it a 21-0 lead for Hanceville going into the half.

The Bulldogs struck gold to start out the second half when Karsen Wilbanks scampered down the right sideline for a 40-yard score and Campbell added a 74-yard touchdown on the next series. Section scored on a 40-yard touchdown pass in the final period, but the deficit was just too much for the Lions to overcome and Hanceville took the victory, 36-8.

Ward carried the ball five times for 113 yards and a pair of scores for Hanceville. Wilbanks added 61 yards on the ground and a touchdown. Joles completed a pair of passes for 78 yards and a score; both of those passes were to Guthery. Campbell added 74 yards on the ground and a score, while Guthery and Wilbanks each got a sack on defense.

Hanceville (2-7) will look to finish the season strong when the Bulldogs travel to take on Elkmont next Friday night.



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Hanceville's Karsen Wilbanks (23) finished with 61 yards on the ground and a touchdown; he also added a sack in the Bulldogs' 36-8 win over Section.

Cold Springs drops region finale to Lamar County 19-13

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BREMEN, Ala. – Cold Springs hosted Lamar County Friday night with a postseason berth on the line and despite a strong defensive effort in the second half, the Eagles were unable to keep pace with the Bulldogs and fell 19-13.

Lamar County took the game's opening kickoff down the field in just a few plays and jumped out to a 7-0 lead with an 11-yard touchdown run just three minutes into the game. Cold Springs had some success running the ball on its ensuing drive but turned it over on downs inside Bulldogs' territory. Lamar County took advantage with another scoring drive. The Bulldogs connected on a 40-yard touchdown pass on fourth down to extend the lead to 13-0 with a few seconds remaining in the opening quarter.

However, the Eagles wouldn't let Lamar County pull away and they capped off a big scoring drive with a touchdown after Brodi Williams lowered his shoulder and ran through a defender at the pylon to score from 21 yards out. The touchdown cut the deficit to 13-6 with just over eight minutes to play in the half. The Cold Springs defense then stepped up and forced a turnover on downs to get the ball back with five minutes to play in the second quarter but the Eagles turned it over on downs themselves near midfield with 1:20 remaining in the half. The Bulldogs were able to capitalize on the field position and found the end zone again on a 20-yard touchdown pass that made it a 19-6 game at the break.

Cold Springs began to turn things around in the second half, starting with a big kick return from Izaiah Estell that set the Eagles offense up near midfield to start the third quarter. The Eagles took advantage of the big play and Ayden Alexander capped off the scoring drive with a 3-yard touchdown run that trimmed the lead to 19-13 with 8:37 to play in the third quarter. Cold Springs began to tighten up on defense after that, forcing the Bulldogs to trade punts and coming up with a big turnover late in the third quarter. Williams intercepted a pass to give the ball back to the Eagles with less than three minutes to play in the third, but Cold Springs struggled to generate much yardage in the late stages of the game. The Eagles were forced to punt on their next two possessions, but they got a huge fourth down stop defensively with eight minutes to play and gave themselves a chance to win it. After methodically driving down the field, Cold Springs was unable to convert on fourth down in Bulldogs' territory and Lamar County took over possession with a 6-point lead and just over two minutes to play.

The Bulldogs collected a pair of first downs and ran out the remainder of the clock to secure the 19-13 win and eliminate the Eagles from playoff contention. Alexander led Cold Springs with 72 yards and a touchdown on the ground, followed by Roberto Ayala with 50 yards rushing. Williams added 30 yards and a touchdown for the Eagles in the loss.

The Eagles will return home next week to cap off the regular season against Vinemont.

Tigers handed 43-6 loss at Berry

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BERRY, Ala. – Meek was back on the road for another region contest Friday night and was dealt a 43-6 loss by the Berry Wildcats. The Wildcats built an early lead and cruised to a comfortable win over the Tigers to drop them to 1-8 on the season. Berry led the way 22-0 at the end of the opening quarter and tacked on another score to enter the halftime break with a 29-0 advantage. The Wildcats continued to pull away, stretching the lead to 36-0 by the start of the fourth quarter. The Tigers managed to get on the board in the final frame, but Berry did as well and held on to defeat Meek 43-6. The Tigers will be back on the road next week for their season finale against Sumiton Christian and they'll be looking for a win to cap off the regular season.

Addison hammers Sulligent 49-0 on the road

Scott McCullar
Daily Mountain Eagle

SULLIGENT, Ala. – The Addison Bulldogs dominated the Sulligent Blue Devils 49-0 on Friday night at Brown Stadium in their final game of the regular season.

Despite a sluggish start that saw the first quarter end in a scoreless tie and a lightening delay that lasted over an hour, Addison overwhelmed the Blue Devils in every way. The Addison defense held Sulligent to 83 yards of total offense while the Bulldogs' offence racked up 430 yards on the night.

Addison (6-4, 5-1) led the way with their running attack and attempted only two passes in the whole game. Eleven Bulldogs ran the ball with Christian Roberts leading the team with 13 carries for 176 yards.

He scored two touchdowns and averaged over 13 and a half yards per carry. Will Tuggle had two touchdowns also, running for 65 yards on 10 carries. Nelson Martin and Cannon Hiller each ran for a touchdown as well.

Tuggle began the scoring for the Bulldogs with 9:10 to go in the second quarter on a 12-yard touchdown run. Addison took a 20-0 lead into the half after a 40 yard score by Roberts and a one yard rush by Tuggle.

The Bulldogs scored on the first play from scrimmage in the second half with a 70 yard run by Roberts. Then, two plays after a 6-yard scamper into the endzone by Martin, Tuggle recovered a fumble and returned it for 38 yards to go up 42-0 with 7:23 remaining in the third quarter. The Bulldogs' final score came with just over three minutes left in the third when Hiller ran it in from 28 yards out.

Cullman (from Front)

Gary McGriff
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN, Ala. – With a playoff berth guaranteed, next up for the Cullman Bearcats was a matchup with the Muscle Shoals Trojans for seeding in AHSAA Class 6A, Region 8. The Bearcats used a game-winning field goal from Brody Adams in the final seconds to edge the Trojans 30-29 and secure a home playoff game in the opening round of the state playoffs.

Cullman won the toss and elected to receive the opening kickoff. That proved to be a wise decision as Brodie Malcom caught the ball at the 17-yard line and 83 yards later had a touchdown. With 11:47 left in the first quarter Cullman held a quick 7-0 lead.

After one Trojan first down, Jaden Kay intercepted Muscle Shoals quarterback Luke Peoples and Cullman was quickly back in business at the Muscle Shoals 39-yard line. After a holding penalty against the Bearcats and facing a fourth-and-four, Jamar Kay was stopped short on the run and the Trojans took over on downs.

After swapping punts, the Trojans won the field position battle when A.J. Cherry returned another Cullman punt to the Cullman 24-yard line. Aided by an offside penalty against Cullman, the Trojans scored a touchdown on a 5-yard run by Brooks Berry. With 2:07 left in the first quarter the game was tied 7-7.

On the ninth play of Cullman's ensuing possession, quarterback Max Dueland attempted a pass to Kaleb Heatherly that looked to be incomplete when the pass was deflected.

Being in the right place at the right time, Isaiah Jones snatched the deflection out of the air and completed the 27-yard touchdown play. With 9:36 left in the first half Cullman got the lead back 14-7.

During the next Muscle Shoals drive the Trojans were not to be outdone as a pass from Peoples was deflected by Cullman and Cherry caught the ball on the deflection for a first down. Five plays later Peoples completed a 25-yard touchdown pass to Bentley Basden and with 4:54 left in the first half the game was tied at 14.

Both teams were unable to score anymore points and the first half ended with the score locked at 14. Cullman had 117 total yards compared to 137 total yards for Muscle Shoals. Cullman's special teams score kept the game tied.

Both teams traded punts to start the third, but the Trojans got into field goal range on their second series of the half. Muscle Shoals lined up for a 40-yard field goal and the lead but Cullman's Cody Lynn got his hands on the ball and Jaden Kay scooped it up and ran it all the way back for a 70-yard touchdown.

With 2:00 left in the third quarter Cullman lead 21-14 even though Cullman had only run three offensive plays when the third quarter came to an end.

On the Trojans next drive that extended into the fourth quarter, a 45-yard pass from Peoples to Dontaviaus Pritchard put the Trojans deep in Cullman territory.

On the first play of the fourth quarter, Peoples connected with Cherry for a 9-yard touchdown pass. Muscle Shoals tied the score at 21 early in the fourth quarter.

After two major penalties against the Bearcats, the punt would come from their own end zone. Jones returned the punt 28 yards and the Trojans were set up at the Bearcats 17-yard line.

Five plays later Muscle Shoals capitalized on the great field position when Berry ran in from 5-yards out. Muscle Shoals surprised Cullman and successfully completed a 2-point conversion. With just 6:58 left in the game the score was 29-21 Muscle Shoals.

It would take a Cullman touchdown and successful 2-point conversion to at least tie the game. In the second half to this point, the Bearcats had only run five plays and had two major penalties. Muscle Shoals looked to continue its second half dominance to close out the win.

A penalty against the Trojans gave Bearcats decent field position at their own 45-yard line. Driving to the 35-yard line of Muscle Shoals, Cullman was faced with a fourth-and-7 from the Trojans 35-yard line. Max Dueland completed a 10-yard pass to Jones for the first down. To keep the suspense going, five players later Cullman faced another fourth down.

Needing 11 yards to keep the drive alive Max Dueland dropped back to pass.

Facing a lot of pressure, Dueland continued to give up ground and just as it looked as if the drive would end, Dueland threw the pass of the night. Not only did he throw the ball 34 yards where Jake Dueland was wide open to catch the ball for a first down, he threw the pass completely across the field, from one sideline to the other over both teams. Two plays later, Max Dueland scored on 1-yard quarterback sneak. With only 1:32 left in the game the score was 29-27 Muscle Shoals.

Cullman needed to convert the 2-pooint conversion to tie the game and possibly force an overtime game. Max Dueland's attempted pass was batted down by the Trojans and all Muscle Shoal had to do was cover the obvious onside kick that Cullman would attempt.

Cullman got a high bounce on the kick and it looked as if it was going out of bounds and the Trojans would take over and run out the clock. Just before going out of bounds, Jaden Kay got his hands on the ball and the ball ended up back in the field of play. Malcom fell on the ball and the comeback continued.

Taking over at Muscle Shoals 28-yard line, Cullman needed to protect the ball and give their field goal kicker at least a chance to win the game.

The Bearcats were lining up to run another play at the 4-yard line when the clock became a factor. With four seconds left before the clock ran out and Cullman not ready to run a play, Coach Oscar Glasscock of Cullman quickly called timeout.

With the ball at the 4-yard line and four seconds left in the game, the field goal attempt would be from just 21 yards out. Brody Adams didn't miss the ball and field goal was good as time ran out. The Bearcats won a hard-fought game in dramatic fashion and overcame a second half deficit with their offense not being effective in the third quarter.

Max Dueland ended the game with 58 yards on 14 rushes while completing five of his nine passes for 67 yards.

Having beaten Muscle Shoals, Cullman would have the tie-breaker against the Trojans, is the second seed in the region and will host a first-round playoff game in two weeks.

Another region foe will travel to Oliver Woodard Stadium next week when the 'Cats face off against the Columbia Eagles.



Warriors fall at no. 5 Guntersville, 59-28

Chris Pugh
Tribune Correspondent

GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. – The Warriors traveled to Guntersville Friday night to face the undefeated Wildcats. Despite falling behind 28-0 early in the second quarter, West Point was outscored by just 3 points the rest of the way; however, the Warriors were unable to overcome the early lead and the Wildcats came out on top, 59-28.

Guntersville, a game away from the school's fourth ever undefeated season, came out guns blazing with its high-powered offense. The Wildcats scored touchdowns on their first eight possessions, but after their fourth touchdown of the night, West Point's offense got going.

Down 28-0, West Point put together a 15-play, 74-yard drive that ended with a 12-yard Kobe Bowers touchdown reception on fourth-and-10. Bowers finished the drive with 21 yards on four receptions.

Guntersville responded with a 75-yard kickoff return that was downed at the West Point 5, taking the air out of any building momentum. A couple touchdowns later West Point found themselves down 42-7 at half.

That was when West Point found itself in the middle of a teachable moment with two options: give up, or, in the words of Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney, "BYOG. Bring your own guts."

The Warriors chose the latter.

They came out after the half and put together another long drive, this time 11 plays and 76 yards. Senior quarterback Will Cochran totaled 52 yards on the drive, and junior Kelton Washington capped it off with a 2-yard touchdown run, 2 of his 21 yards on the drive. Guntersville went on to score a couple more touchdowns and a field goal, making it 59-14 early in the fourth before Cochran and Washington led the Warriors 69 yards capped off by a 7-yard Cochran touchdown.

With Guntersville driving, West Point may have found another running back to add for the playoffs: defensive lineman Kenyan Baker. For the second week in a row, Baker returned a turnover for 6. This time, he stripped the Wildcat running back, broke a tackle and sprinted 58 yards for the touchdown. Baker with the ball in his hands resembles former Crimson Tide defensive lineman, Marcell Dareus, whose touchdown return in the 2009 BCS National Championship went down in Alabama history. Point is, the big man is quite the athlete and a playmaker for this Warrior defense.

With less than two minutes to go, the Wildcats fumbled, and West Point's Aiden Dujoud recovered the ball. Senior receiver Jacob Dye collected 71 yards and two catches before time expired.

Cochran finished with 261 total yards, 2 touchdowns and a pick. Washington added 91 total yards and a touchdown. The receiving core of Bowers, Dye, Branson Smith and Carter Thornton all added tough catches totaling 176 yards for the night against a talented Guntersville secondary.

With a COVID-19-related forfeit by Curry next week, West Point hopes to find one last opponent for a home game before the playoffs begin. Undefeated Alexandria awaits the Warriors in two weeks.

Arab loses nail-biter at Springville 35-34

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SPRINGVILLE, Ala. – The Arabian Knights made the trip over to Springville to face the Tigers Friday night and after a slow start for both offenses, the scoreboard lit up in the second half but it was the Tigers that managed to come out of it with a 35-34 upset victory over the Knights.

The first quarter ended with both teams knotted at 7 but Springville pulled ahead 14-7 early in the second. However, Arab was able to get on the board again and tie things up at 14 going into the halftime break.

The second half is when things started getting exciting. The Tigers scored to move in front 20-14 but the Knights answered quickly with another score of their own to pull ahead 21-20 by the start of the fourth quarter.

Arab tacked on another touchdown early in the fourth to stretch the lead to 28-20 and found the end zone again to add to the lead. However, a missed extra point held the lead to 34-20 midway through the fourth.

Springville began to rally, cutting the lead to 34-28 with less than five minutes to play and the Tigers found the end zone once again late in the fourth quarter to pull ahead 35-34. Arab began to drive for a chance to win the game, but an interception cut the drive short and secured the 35-34 win for Springville.

Arab falls to 4-5 with the loss but is still safely in the postseason with their position in the region standings.

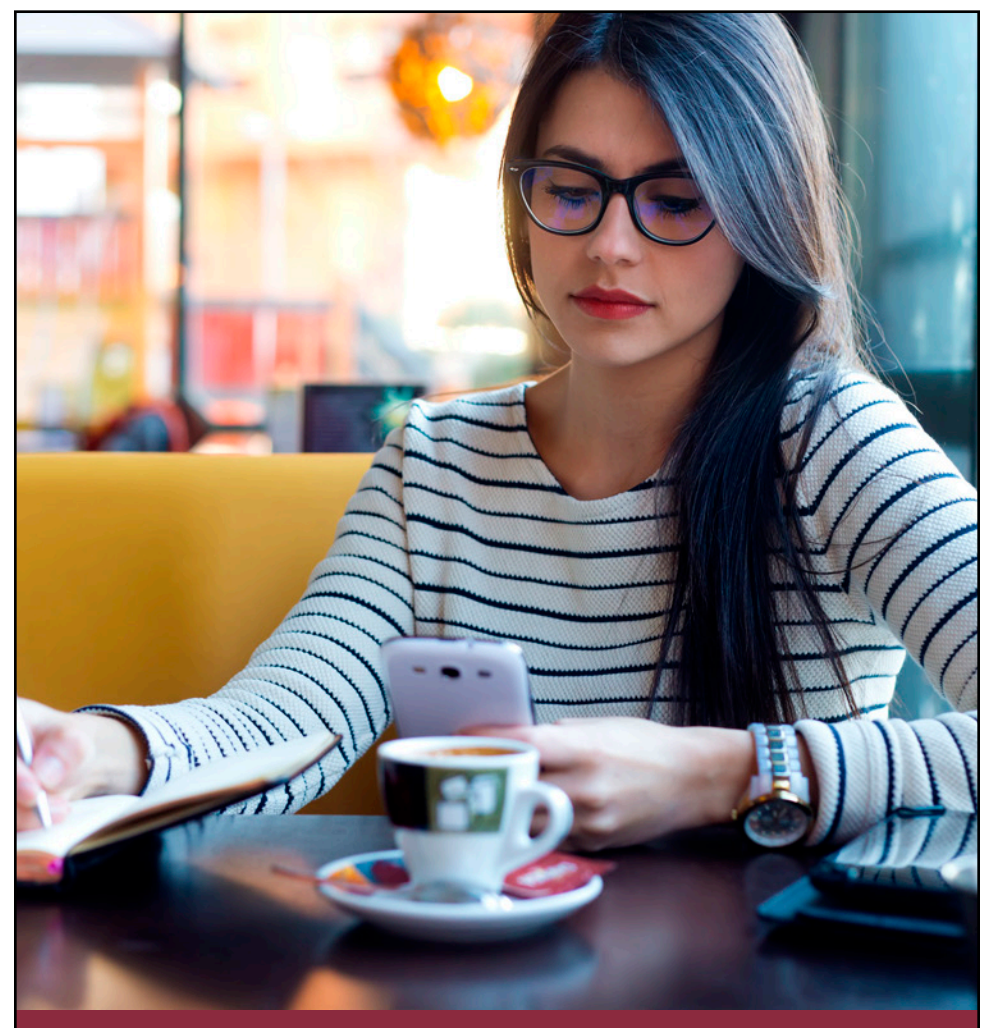
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7:55 a.m. ESPN2 Formula 1 Racing Portugal Grand Prix, Qualifying. (Live)
10:30 a.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Second Round.
11:00 a.m. WBRC College Football Nebraska at Ohio State. (Live)
WABM2 College Football Oklahoma at TCU. (Live)
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11:30 a.m. WVTM Premier League Soccer Manchester United vs Chelsea. (Live)
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GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Drive On Championship - Reynolds Lake Oconee, Third Round. (Live)
1:00 p.m. ESPN2 College Football Tulane at UCF. (Live)
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2:30 p.m. WBRC College Football Iowa State at Oklahoma State. (Live)
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4:30 p.m. ESPN2 College Football West Virginia at Texas Tech. (Live)
6:00 p.m. ESPN College Football Teams TBA.
FS1 College Football Utah State at Boise State.
FSEE Women's College Soccer West Virginia at Oklahoma.
6:30 p.m. WABM2 College Football Michigan at Minnesota. (Live)
7:00 p.m. WBRC 2020 World Series Game 4: Teams TBA. (Live)
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FSEE MLS Soccer D.C. United at Atlanta United FC.
GOLF PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Third Round.
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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	Mike & Molly	Mike & Molly "Surprise"	Ring of Honor Wrestling		Movie				World's-Weath	Family Feud	Storm of Suspicion A woman dies after sliding off icy road.	
WBIQ-PBS	4	This Old House	PBS NewsHour Weekend	The Lawrence Welk Show "The California Show"		Classic Gospel "David Phelps: Classics" Tenor David Phelps.		Alabama Gospel Roots		Keeping Up Appearances	Father Brown Mrs. McCarthy's friend dies.		Austin City Limits (N)
WVTM-NBC	5	WVTM 13 News at 5p	NBC Nightly News - Holt	WVTM 13 News at 6p	Soledad O'Brien	Weakest Link Contestants play trivia for $1 million.		Ellen's Game of Games		Saturday Night Live (N)		WVTM 13 News at 10p	(:29) Saturday Night Live (N)
WBRC-FOX	7	(2:30) College Football Iowa State at Oklahoma State. (N)		2020 World Series Pregame (N) (Live)		2020 World Series Game 4: Teams TBA. Game 4. (N) (Live)						WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm	Cosmos: Possible Worlds
WIAT-CBS	8	(2:30) College Football Alabama at Tennessee. (N) (Live)		CBS42 College Football Post Game Show (N) (Live)		NCIS: Los Angeles Beale is kidnapped during a mission.		NCIS: New Orleans A JAG captain is murdered.		48 Hours (N)		CBS42 News 10pm (N)	CBS 42: College
WTTO-CW	9	Modern Family	Modern Family "Do Not Push"	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs "Van People"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Andy Griffith Show	Alabama Upstarts
WPXH-ION	11	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Swing"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Lunacy"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Retro"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Babes"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Wildlife"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Abused housewife.	
WABM2-ABC	12	College Football	Coll. Football	Coll. Football	College Football Michigan at Minnesota. From TCF Bank Stadium in Minneapolis. (N) (Live)							ABC 33/40 News at 10PM	(:35) America This Week (N)
A&E	42	The First 48 "Chain of Death" A woman and her friend are gunned down.				The First 48 An Oklahoma cyclist is gunned down.		Live Rescue "Live Rescue -- 10.24.2020" (N)				The First 48 An innocent bystander is gunned down.	
AMC	53	(3:15) ★★★★ "The Shining" (1980, Horror) Jack Nicholson, Shelley Duvall, Danny Lloyd.			(:45) ★★ "Carrie" (2013, Horror) Chloë Grace Moretz, Julianne Moore. An awkward, bullied teenager uses her telekinetic powers to get even.					Eli Roth's History of Horror Fragile bodies, diseased minds.		Cursed Films (N)	(:40) "Pet Sematary" (1989)
ANPL	47	Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet "Nalla Fights Back"		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet Byron the cat; Bear the dog.		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet "Mission in South Dakota"		Dr. Jeff: Rocky Mountain Vet "Petra's Pigs" (N)		Mega Zoo A frightening health check for lions. (N)		The Secret Life of the Zoo (N)	
BET	55	(4:00) ★★★ "Drumline" (2002) Nick Cannon, Zoe Saldana. Rivalry between two drummers threatens a college band.				HBCU Homecoming: Meet Me on the Yard Football, festivities and fellowship. (N)				HBCU Homecoming: Meet Me on the Yard Football, festivities and fellowship.			
BRAVO	58	★★ "Monster-in-Law" (2005) Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda, Michael Vartan. A shrewish woman clashes with her son's fiancee.				★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006, Comedy-Drama) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway. A recent college graduate lands a job at a fashion magazine.					★★★ "The Devil Wears Prada" (2006, Comedy-Drama) Meryl Streep, Anne Hathaway.		
CMTV	61	(3:30) ★★ "Beverly Hills Cop II" (1987) Eddie Murphy.		To Be Announced					★★★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold, John Ashton. A Detroit cop goes west to avenge his friend's death.				
CNBC	35	Undercover Boss Shawnon Bellah goes under cover.		Undercover Boss United Real Estate Group CEO Dan Duffy.		Undercover Boss Bruce Bozsum goes under cover.		Undercover Boss Courtland Gray goes under cover.		Undercover Boss "MasTec" MasTec CEO Jose Mas.		Undercover Boss "Maaco" Maaco President Jose Costa.	
CNN	37	CNN Newsroom With Ana Cabrera (N)		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N)		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N)		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N)		CNN Special Report (N)		CNN Special Report President Trump's first term.	
COM	56	★★ "The Internship" (2013, Comedy) Vince Vaughn, Owen Wilson, Rose Byrne. Old-school salesmen finagle internships at Google.					★★ "Old School" (2003, Comedy) Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell. Three men relive their wild past by starting a fraternity.				★★ "We're the Millers" (2013, Comedy) Jennifer Aniston, Jason Sudeikis, Will Poulter.		
DISN	49	Raven's Home	Gabby Duran	Gabby Duran	Gabby Duran	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Amphibia	The Owl House	★★ "Halloweentown" (1998) Debbie Reynolds. 'NR'	
DSC	43	Alaska: The Last Frontier "Spring Has Sprung"		Alaska: The Last Frontier Atz protects Otto's cattle herd.		Alaska: The Last Frontier "Operation: Winter Prep" (N)						Alaska: The Last Frontier "Ways of the Wilderness"	
E!	21	(3:30) "Miss Congeniality"	★★ "The Proposal" (2009, Romance-Comedy) Sandra Bullock, Ryan Reynolds. A woman pretends to be engaged to evade deportation.					★★ "The Proposal" (2009, Romance-Comedy) Sandra Bullock, Ryan Reynolds. A woman pretends to be engaged to evade deportation.					★★★ "Speed"
ESPN	29	College Football	Football Scoreboard	College Football Teams TBA.						(:15) College Football Teams TBA.			
ESPN2	30	(4:30) College Football West Virginia at Texas Tech. From Jones AT&T Stadium in Lubbock, Texas. (N) (Live)					Football Scoreboard	College Football Cincinnati at SMU. From Gerald J. Ford Stadium in Dallas. (N) (Live)					
FOOD	45	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives	Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
FREE	48	(3:40) ★★ "Hocus Pocus" (1993, Children's) Bette Midler.		(5:50) ★★ "The Addams Family" (1991) Anjelica Huston, Raul Julia. Gomez's long-lost brother, Uncle Fester, returns.				(7:55) ★★ "Addams Family Values" (1993) Anjelica Huston. A greedy nanny plots to marry and murder Uncle Fester.				★★ "Ghostbusters" (2016) Melissa McCarthy.	
FS1	20	(2:30) College Football Penn State at Indiana.		College Football Utah State at Boise State. From Albertsons Stadium in Boise, Idaho.							College Football Air Force at San Jose State. From Spartan Stadium in San Jose, Calif.		
FSEE	32	Postgame	Pro Football Weekly	Women's College Soccer West Virginia at Oklahoma.				MLS Soccer D.C. United at Atlanta United FC. From Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta.				Postgame	Pro Football Weekly
FX	28	★★ "Hotel Transylvania 3: Summer Vacation" (2018, Children's) Voices of Adam Sandler, Andy Samberg, Selena Gomez.				★★★ "Goosebumps" (2015, Fantasy) Jack Black, Dylan Minnette. Monsters from the Goosebumps books spring to life.				★★★ "Goosebumps" (2015, Fantasy) Jack Black, Dylan Minnette. Monsters from the Goosebumps books spring to life.			
GOLF	82	(4:00) PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Third Round. Third round; from Sherwood Country Club, in California. (N) (Live)				Golf Central (N) (Live)	Golf Central	PGA Tour Golf ZOZO Championship, Third Round. Third round; from Sherwood Country Club, in California.					
HALL	72	"Christmas Town" (2019) Candace Cameron Bure, Tim Rozon. Lauren embarks on a new chapter in her life and career.				"Jingle Bell Bride" (2020) Julie Gonzalo, Ronnie Rowe Jr. Premiere. A wedding planner finds romance with a local in Alaska.				"Christmas at Pemberley Manor" (2018) Jessica Lowndes. A man falls back in love with Christmas and a party planner.			
HGTV	46	Good Bones Transforming a tiny property.		Good Bones Mina and Karen return to Old Southside.		Should I Stay or Go A family needs to renovate or move. (N)		Love It or List It A couple regrets their recent purchase.		Love It or List It Sisters lead separate lives.		Love It or List It Parents want a bigger home for the boys.	
HIST	40	(2:00) Barrett-Jackson Live Auction: Super Saturday From Scottsdale, Ariz. (N) (Live)								Counting Cars Alice Cooper's '63 Studebaker Avanti.		(:03) Counting Cars Building a 1968 Dodge Charger.	
LIFE	23	"Christmas on Ice" (2020, Romance) Abigail Klein, Ryan Cooper. Two former athletes try to save the local skating rink.				"Christmas Unwrapped" (2020) Amber Stevens West. Premiere. An ambitious reporter learns the true meaning of Christmas.				(:03) "Sweet Mountain Christmas" (2019) Megan Hilty. A musician gets stranded in Tennessee during a snowstorm.			
MSNBC	36	American Voices With Alicia Menendez (N) (Live)		American Voices With Alicia Menendez (N) (Live)		The Week With Joshua Johnson (N) (Live)		The Week With Joshua Johnson (N) (Live)		American Voices With Alicia Menendez		The Week With Joshua Johnson	
NGC	22	Drugs, Inc.: The Fix Thailand overtaken by colored pill.		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix "Building an Empire"		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix Florida's spring break.		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix "Vitamin K" (N)		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix Heroin and pills flood Boston.		Drugs, Inc.: The Fix The changing marijuana trade.	
PARMT	57	"Indiana Jones"	★★★★ "Raiders of the Lost Ark" (1981, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Karen Allen, Paul Freeman. An archaeologist races Nazis to find a powerful relic.					★★★ "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" (1989, Adventure) Harrison Ford, Sean Connery. Indy's hunt for his missing father leads to the Holy Grail.					"Indiana Jones"
TBS	25	★★★ "Black Panther" (2018, Action) Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan, Lupita Nyong'o. Black Panther springs into action when an old enemy returns.						The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Full Frontal	The Misery Index
TCM	79	(4:45) ★★★★ "Citizen Kane" (1941) Orson Welles, Joseph Cotten. Orson Welles' classic about a publisher's rise to power.				★★ "Ace in the Hole" (1951, Drama) Kirk Douglas, Jan Sterling. Newsman delays cave-in rescue to milk story.				(:15) ★★ "Flesh and Fury" (1952) Tony Curtis, Jan Sterling. A prizefighter who cannot speak or hear finds true love.			
TLC	24	Little People, Big World "Lilah's Big Debut"		Little People, Big World Jackson meets baby Lilah.		Little People, Big World Matt surprises Amy with an offer.		Little People, Big World "Boxing Up the Past"		Little People, Big World "Lilah's Big Scare"		Little People, Big World "The Roloff Quaranteam"	
TNT	26	(4:00) ★★★ "Transformers" (2007, Action) Shia LaBeouf, Tyrese Gibson. Two races of robots wage war on Earth.				★★ "Rampage" (2018) Dwayne Johnson, Naomie Harris. Three giant, mutated beasts embark on a path of destruction.				★★ "The Legend of Tarzan" (2016) Alexander Skarsgard. Tarzan must save his captive wife in the jungles of Congo.			
USA	27	"Fast and Furious-Drift"	(:25) ★★ "Fast & Furious" (2009, Action) Vin Diesel. Fugitive Dom Toretto and Brian O'Conner resume a feud in Los Angeles.				(:45) ★★ "San Andreas" (2015, Action) Dwayne Johnson, Carla Gugino, Alexandra Daddario. A rescue pilot must save his family after an earthquake.						"Fast and Furious-Drift"
WE	71	Criminal Minds Several homeless men are murdered.		Criminal Minds A killer targets illegal immigrants.		Criminal Minds A passenger jet crashes in Colorado.		Criminal Minds Garcia investigates murders in Alaska.		Criminal Minds A killer finds victims on the Internet.		Criminal Minds Tracking a killer who targets families.	
HBO	518	(4:45) ★★★ "Shazam!" (2019, Action) Zachary Levi. Shazam squares off against the evil Dr. Thaddeus Sivana. 'PG-13'				★★★ "EMMA." (2020) Anya Taylor-Joy. Emma Woodhouse endures wrong matches and romantic missteps. 'PG'				(:05) The Vow "The Fall" Keith hasn't been seen for weeks.		How to With John Wilson	(:35) Lovecraft Country
MAX	549	(3:45) ★★★ "John Wick: Chapter 3 -- Parabellum" 'R'		Warrior		(6:55) ★★★ "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" (2004, Comedy) Vince Vaughn. 'PG-13'		★★ "Metro" (1997, Action) Eddie Murphy, Michael Rapaport. A hostage negotiator and his new partner hunt a psychopath. 'R'					Warrior
SHOW	578	The Good Lord Bird	The Good Lord Bird	(:15) The Good Lord Bird John Brown and Onion travel north.		The Best of All the Smoke With Barnes and Jackson		Boxing Sergey Lipinets vs. Custio Clayton. (N) (Live)					
TMC	598	(4:00) ★★ "MI-5: The Greater Good" (2015) 'R'		(5:55) ★★★ "A Most Violent Year" (2014) Oscar Isaac. A man tries to maintain his integrity amid corruption. 'R'				★★ "The Beyond" (1981, Horror) Katherine MacColl, David Warbeck, Al Cliver. 'R'		"Blood Fest" (2018) Robbie Kay. Three teenagers must band together to survive. 'NR'			

Movies

TCM "Harper" ★★★★ (1966) Paul Newman. A rich woman hires gum-chewing Los Angeles private eye Lew Harper to look for her missing husband.
11:05 a.m. FREE "Beetlejuice" ★★★ (1988) Michael Keaton. A ghoul helps a newly dead couple haunt the tasteless new owners of their beloved home.
11:50 a.m. MAX "Bounce" ★★★ (2000) Gwyneth Paltrow An ad executive seeks out the widow of a stranger who swapped tickets with him before boarding an ill-fated flight.
12:15 p.m. PARMT "Raiders of the Lost Ark" ★★★★ (1981) Harrison Ford. Globe-trotting archaeologist Indiana Jones races the Nazis for possession of a legendary religious artifact.
12:40 p.m. SHOW "Top Gun" ★★★ (1986) Tom Cruise A hotshot Navy jet pilot tangles with MiGs and flirts with a civilian astrophysicist.
12:45 p.m. AMC "1408" ★★★ (2007) John Cusack. A writer who specializes in debunking supernatural phenomena experiences true terror when he spends a night in a reputedly haunted room of a hotel.
1:00 p.m. CMTV "Beverly Hills Cop" ★★★ (1984) Eddie Murphy. A hip Detroit detective drives out to Los Angeles and shows local police how to catch a killer.
FX "Trolls" ★★★ (2016) Voices of Anna Kendrick. Animated. Poppy, the optimistic leader of the trolls, and Branch, her polar opposite, embark on an adventure that takes them far beyond the only world they've ever known.
1:10 p.m. FREE "Sleepy Hollow" ★★★ (1999) Johnny Depp. A Colonial-era constable probes a series of grisly decapitations in an upstate New York hamlet.
2:00 p.m. TBS "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.
2:45 p.m. PARMT "Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade" ★★★½ (1989) Harrison Ford. Archaeologist Jones rescues his kidnapped father, and the two race the Nazis to find the Holy Grail.
3:00 p.m. WTTO "Cloverfield" ★★★ (2008) Michael Stahl-David. A video camera records the horrific events that unfold as a monstrous creature attacks New York, leaving death and destruction in its wake.
3:15 p.m. AMC "The Shining" ★★★★ (1980) Jack Nicholson. A writer goes mad while serving as caretaker with his wife and clairvoyant son at a snowbound Colorado hotel.
TCM "Men of the Fighting Lady" ★★★ (1954) Van Johnson. Aircraft-carrier officers tell writer James A. Michener Korean War stories about a top pilot.
3:45 p.m. MAX "John Wick: Chapter 3 — Parabellum" ★★★½ (2019) Keanu Reeves Stripped of the High Table's protective services, legendary hit man John Wick must fight his way through the streets of New York as the world's most ruthless killers try to collect the $14 million bounty on his head.
4:00 p.m. BET "Drumline" ★★★ (2002) Nick Cannon. A young man from Harlem joins a Southern university's marching band but antagonizes the musical director and its leader.
TNT "Transformers" ★★★ (2007) Shia LaBeouf. Humanity's fate rests in the hands of a youth when two races of warring robots make Earth their final battleground.
4:45 p.m. TCM "Citizen Kane" ★★★★ (1941) Orson Welles. Enigmatic newspaper magnate Charles Foster Kane rises, falls and leaves behind a riddle with his dying breath.
HBO "Shazam!" ★★★½ (2019) Zachary Levi Billy Batson is a streetwise 14-year-old who can magically transform into the adult superhero Shazam simply by shouting out one word. His newfound powers soon get put to the test when he squares off against the evil Dr. Thaddeus Sivana.
5:00 p.m. TBS "Black Panther" ★★★½ (2018) Chadwick Boseman. Black Panther's mettle as king gets tested when an old enemy draws him into a conflict that puts his nation and the world at risk. The king must soon rally his allies and release his full power to defeat his foes and secure the safety of his people.
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5:55 p.m. TMC "A Most Violent Year" ★★★ (2014) Oscar Isaac In 1981 New York, a fuel supplier tries to adhere to his own moral compass amid the rampant violence, corruption and decay that threaten his family and his business.
6:55 p.m. MAX "Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story" ★★★ (2004) Vince Vaughn The owner of a gym and an overbearing entrepreneur form dodgeball teams to compete for $50,000 in Las Vegas.
7:00 p.m. BRAVO "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.
FX "Goosebumps" ★★★ (2015) Jack Black. Author R.L. Stine, his young daughter and their new neighbor must save the day when the monsters from the Goosebumps books magically come to life.
HBO "EMMA." ★★★ (2020) Anya Taylor-Joy (Premiere) Beautiful, smart and wealthy, Emma Woodhouse navigates her way through misguided matches, romantic missteps and the challenges of growing up — all to finally realize the love that has been there all along.
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10:30 p.m. E! "Speed" ★★★½ (1994) Keanu Reeves. A SWAT team ace must keep the speed of a Santa Monica bus above 50 mph, or a madman's bomb will explode.
10:40 p.m. PARMT "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" ★★★ (1984) Harrison Ford. In 1935 archaeologist Jones, a lounge singer and a Chinese orphan search for mystical stones stolen from an Indian tribe.

Wreck (from Front)

entire time. He tried to avoid it, and by trying to avoid it he put the bus in a- you know there's a huge ditch there, there's trees there- and he put the bus in the best possible position to decrease the amount of damage that was done. He still couldn't avoid the accident, but even after the accident, he calmly got up out of his seat and went and checked on every kid. Once the principal got down there to the bus, he turned the kids over to the principal and went and checked on the gentleman in the (truck). I couldn't ask him to do anything better than what he did today."

The superintendent also credited the school system's practice of keeping its fleet of buses updated and in good repair with protecting the students and their driver.

"Here in Cullman County, we are so blessed because our school board, we've decided, we spent money on having the safest possible buses. We may not have the most air-conditioned buses, but our buses really are safe," said Barnette. "I climbed up on that bus, and I took a picture of the inside of that bus, and by looking on the inside, you can't even tell there was an accident. Those kids were very well protected. Because we spend the money on that stuff – and you know, that's hard to see sometimes; parents don't see the money that's spent all the time like that, but tonight every one of those kids are going to be sleeping in their own beds."

He continued, "Over the years we've had to spend a lot of local money on buying the newest buses that we could buy, so we've got a lot of features on our buses like anti-rollover buses and extra cameras-updated buses in good physical shape.

"That bus, to hit it, from the inside out, it's like a tank; it really is.

Barnette said the crash was captured on video by one of the cameras on the bus.

"Every one of the kids, even though some of them were evaluated a little later, and they were scared," he said, "at the time, every one of them got up and walked off the bus. I just praise the Lord for that; I really do."

State Troopers and Cullman EMS responded to the scene, along with volunteer firefighters from Gold Ridge, Berlin, Walter and Holly Pond.

A word from Holly Pond Mayor Bill Oliver

In addition to driving the bus, Hays is a maintenance staffer for the Town of Holly Pond. Holly Pond Mayor Bill Oliver, a former educator who still performs contract work for the Alabama State Department of Education, went to the scene since the wreck involved a school system vehicle. He described what he encountered at the scene and praised the efforts of Hays:

"This morning, when the call came across, I heard it on our scanner, and Warren, our other employee, he took the fire truck, and we went over there. When we got there, it was unbelievable the impact between those two vehicles. All the kids were up at the school; all the kids were accounted for. Rodney'd done all of his paperwork to account for all the children; there were a few- I don't recall the exact number- that went to the doctor to be checked, but he had them signed out. His paperwork was perfect.

"He did all he could to avoid the accident, but once the accident occurred, he did everything we train a bus driver to do to get the kids safely off the bus, to get them to somebody who can take of them, and did it very, very well. And then, after he had the kids taken care of, he even went down to offer assistance to the driver of the truck that hit him, but unfortunately, no help was going to help that young man.

"I think Rodney, the handling of the bus prior to the accident, he was able to get it as far to the right as he could; he actually got it off the road into a ditch there- it wasn't a real big ditch but it was a ditch- didn't turn it over, got it out of the way, minimized the impact.

"I thought his handling of the bus prior to the accident, handling of the kids after the accident was superb.

"I have nothing to say but good about what he did over there- extremely, extremely good job of handling the bus, minimizing the impact and, most importantly, to make sure that those children were safe and taken care of. He did an outstanding job of that."

Hays was not physically injured, but Oliver asked readers to keep him in their prayers as he recovers in mind and spirit from the traumatic event.

LIFESTYLE

A Round of Applause for the Joy Givers: The Blind Boys of Alabama

Ben South
Contributor

HOORAY FOR THE JOY-GIVERS! We always need more smiles, music and laughter. This fun series salutes those seriously unsolemn people, places and things that bring joy to the world. Starting during the pandemic, an oft joy-challenged time, readers are introduced to present-day joy givers and reminded of cherished joy givers of the past. Each salute will have online links to add more opportunities for happiness in the comfort of your socially-distanced home. Many installments of the series will include a salutary food or drink recipe to add another element of pleasure.

The "SHIELD THE JOYOUS" shields, which will be given to those honored or to their family, are inspired from a passage in "The Book of Common Prayer" (1662). Prayers are lifted to "tend the sick, give rest to the weary, bless the dying...and shield the joyous." Joy givers are precious. Let us preserve them, protect them, treasure them, smile with them, laugh with them, tap our toes with them and give them A ROUND OF APPLAUSE.

PLEASE GIVE A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR: THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA

The Grammy Award-winning gospel group, THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA, also known as THE FIVE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA, began giving joy to the world together in a choir at The Alabama School for the Negro Deaf and Blind in Talladega, Alabama in 1939.

Over time the constellation of members has changed, but their joy-giving spirit has been an unchanged optimistic harmony expressed by group member, Ricky McKinnie, "Our disability doesn't have to be a handicap. It's not about what you can't do. It's about what you can do. And what we do is sing good, gospel music good."

I first learned about THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA when I worked at The Alabama Library for the Blind (Talladega) in the early 1970s. And I was proud to be with them on a "60 Minutes" television segment hosted by Dan Rather.

They were the ones on stage giving joy to the rafters for a jam-packed crowd, and I was beaming ear-to-ear in the audience being carried into the heavens with that jubilant, spirit-filled band of angels. These fellows are music classicists and innovators. One of my favorite songs they rock is a version of the old hymn, "Amazing Grace" to the tune of "The House of the Rising Sun."

THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA have won five Grammy Awards including "The Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award." These nationally and internationally treasured joy-givers have performed with Prince, Lou Reed, Bonnie Raitt, Ben Harper and countless other stars.

The legendary talents are known in the music industry as "singers' singers." YouTube a performance of them joining falsetto-great Aaron Neville on the Christmas favorite, "Joy To The World," when they performed at The Jazz Preservation Hall" in New Orleans and prepare to have your own spirit lifted. They've filled the White House with joy and hope under both Republican and Democrat presidents.

Here is just a short list of joyous songs THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA have recorded:

- BEAMS OF HEAVEN
- WHEN THE LORD GETS READY (You Got to Move)
- ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE
- I SAW THE LIGHT (performed with fellow Alabamian, Hank Williams, Jr.)
- FREE AT LAST
- MAKE A BETTER WORLD
- UNCLOUDY DAY
- TAKE THE HIGH ROAD (featuring The Oak Ridge Boys)
- IF I COULD HELP SOMEBODY
- BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATER
- GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN (with Aaron Neville)
- THERE'S A REASON WE CALL IT CHRISTMAS (with Taj Mahal)

FREE YOUTUBE ROUNDUP OF JOY by THE BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA:

"National Public Radio Tiny Desk Concert" (16 minutes); "I Can See Everybody's Mother But I Can't See Mine" (this is one of the group's biggest hits, 3:34 minutes); "Spirit In The Sky" (their splendid version of the 1970 Norman Greenbaum hit, 3 minutes); "RIP Clarence Fountain, Lead Singer of The Blind Boys Of Alabama" (documentary with Dan Rather (13 minutes); a much more on YouTube including "full shows."



WWW.BLINDBOYS.COM

The Blind Boys of Alabama

Since it formed in 1939, this group has toured throughout the United States. Please join me in giving them "A ROUND OF APPLAUSE" and enjoy this recipe for:

BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA TOUR BUS BREAKFAST GRANOLA

Ingredients

- 1 large egg white
- ¼ cup packed light-brown sugar
- ¼ cup pure maple syrup
- 3 Tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 ½ cups old-fashioned rolled oats
- ¾ cup shredded coconut
- ½ cup chopped, Alabama pecans
- ¼ cup flaxseeds
- 2 Tablespoons fine flour
- ½ teaspoon ground, Hebrew cinnamon
- ¼ teaspoon kosher salt

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 325.
2. Whisk egg white to frothy in a large bowl and then whisk in brown sugar, maple syrup and olive oil.
3. Add oats, coconut, pecans, flaxseeds, flour, cinnamon and salt. Stir to combine.
4. Line a 9" x 13" baking sheet or pan with parchment and firmly press the mixture into the pan.
5. Bake about 45 minutes until golden and crisp.
6. Let cool completely. Break into pieces.
7. Store in an airtight container at room temperature up to a week or freeze for up to a month.



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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 24

Stanley Joseph Johnson, of Cullman, passed away Thursday, Oct. 15, 2020 at the age of 61. He was born Nov. 24, 1958 to Louie Lee and Melvis Imogene Guthrie Johnson. Stanley was a truck driver for Brannon Recycling. He loved being outdoors and was a talented landscaper. He enjoyed hunting and fishing. His father and nephew Trent Ponder preceded him in death. He is survived by his daughters Sabrina Johnson and Samantha (Cody) McCain and their mother Sheila Marks; mother Melvis Imogene Johnson; grandchildren Ila Ballenger, Dominic Sterling, Lilly McCain and Connor McCain; sisters Pamela Taylor and Kim Johnson; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. His family will receive friends at Moss Service Funeral Home Sunday, Oct. 25, 2020 from noon-2 p.m. The Celebration of Life Funeral Service will begin at 2 p.m. in the chapel of Moss Service Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Johnson's Grove Cemetery. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

Private family graveside services for Louise Jones Stewart, 93, of Crane Hill will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26, 2020 at Livingston Chapel Methodist Cemetery, Rev. Steve Rodgers officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Stewart passed away Oct. 22, 2020 at Hanceville Nursing Home and Rehab. She was born April 9, 1927 to Bryant and Eunice Jones. She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband Jack Stewart. Survivors include her two daughters Elaine Walker and Joni (Brian) Bradley; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Memorial service details are incomplete at this time for Larry Alton Billings, 69, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Billings passed away Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020 at Cullman Regional Hospital.

Graveside services for Charles Feltus Tankersley, 91, of Falkville will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 25, 2020 at Ebenezer Cemetery with Bro. Clay Tankersley officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Tankersley passed away Thursday, Oct. 22, 2020 at his residence. He was born Feb. 21, 1929 to Clayton and Ethel Tankersley. After his retirement from U.S. Steel, he worked in the real estate market for many years. He was an avid Alabama Football and Atlanta Braves Baseball fan. He was preceded in death by his parents and wife of 70 years, Jimmie Tankersley. Survivors include his son Charles "Mike" (Debra) Tankersley; grandson Ryan (Kylie) Tankersley; and great-grandson Colton Tankersley.

Funeral services for Sharon Kay Corley, 67, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Good Hope Cemetery, Rev. Brad McDonald officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Corley passed away Friday, Oct. 23 at her residence. She was born May 28, 1953 to Luther and Eva Bartlett. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother Dennis Bartlett. Survivors include her husband Ralph Corley; son Donald (Brittany) Coker; daughter Amanda (Jerry) Standridge; sisters Doris (Quinton) Nail and Donna (Robert) Sims; five grandchildren Kaylee Coker, Ava Coker, Elizabeth Standridge, John Standridge, and Luke Standridge; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends. Visitation will be Monday at Cullman Funeral Home from 9-11 a.m. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

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Stricklin (from Front)

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BREMEN, Ala. – Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Advisor Theresa Long on Thursday awarded Cold Springs High School's Piper Stricklin the FCCLA State Student of the Month Award. Stricklin was nominated by her teacher, Stephanie Blair, Cold Springs Family and Consumer Sciences teacher/ FCCLA advisor.

"Piper Stricklin has been a Family and Consumer Science student for three years and an active FCCLA member. She is a legacy of FCCLA. She stood out with her personality and willingness to get involved in FCCLA," Blair said.

"She balances school, activities and volunteerism with ease. Piper has served as an FCCLA officer for Cold Springs High School and is the president this year.

"She has participated in FCCLA STAR events for two years. Piper and her partner won the honor to represent our state at nationals this past summer.

"They participated in nationals and won silver in the Event Management Category."

She continued, "She is one of the most involved students (sic) in FCCLA. Last year in FCCLA, she participated in the local can food drive, FCCLA Cattle Judging team, entered the Beef Cook-off, Sweet Potato Cook-off, worked on the large fair exhibit, entered items into the fair, sold candles to adopt a family for Christmas, served at the Farm-City Banquet, served at school functions, and more.

"She also attended the FCCLA state meeting, state fair project, JLDC, and competed in the state STAR events and National STAR events.

"She is the color guard captain at our school.

"Piper Stricklin exemplifies the qualities that a young person should have. She is outgoing and willing to try new challenges.

"She is a very respectful and caring young lady. Piper works hard and leads by action and example."

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