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HEALTH

‘It is God that kept them safe’

Woodland Haus seniors celebrate 365 days being COVID-free

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The residents of Woodland Haus in Cullman lined Main Street outside of their facility Friday afternoon to celebrate 365 days of being COVID-19-free. It was a gorgeous afternoon for the residents to be outside and wave at those passing by, who honked and waved back enthusiastically.

Woodland Haus Administrator Mary » PAGE 4



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Residents of Woodland Haus come out Friday afternoon to celebrate being Covid-free for 365 days! They wanted to share their joy with the community by sitting outside and waving to everyone.





– BUSINESS –

What's up on Cherokee Avenue?

Reliance Worldwide's $19M distribution center rising fast near southwest side industrial parks







JASEF WISENER/CITY OF CULLMAN

Various stages of Reliance Worldwide Corporation's new distribution center. Bottom: A crane lifts one section of the 40-foot RWC distribution center wall earlier this week at a construction site off Cherokee Avenue/Alabama Highway 69.

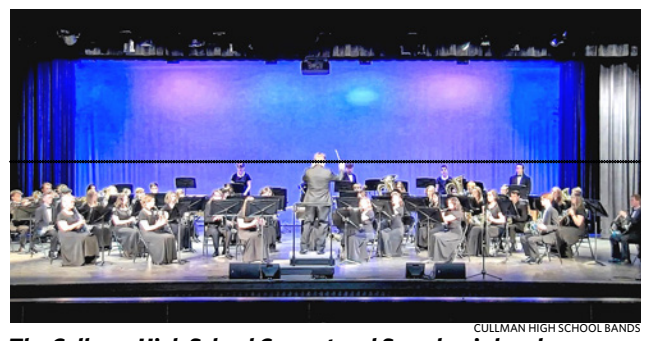
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Local folks are asking, "What is that building rising up in the field off Cherokee Avenue (Alabama Highway 69)?" Reliance Worldwide Corporation (RWC) is currently constructing its new distribution center on an 81-acre site near the city's southwest side Industrial Park 1, a 300,000-sq.-ft facility that will create 50 new jobs and represents an approximately $19 million investment.

"RWC is an Australian-based company with manufacturing facilities in Cullman Industrial Park 2 along with having a distribution center at the intersection of Golf Course Road and 24th Street, which already employ 300 here in Cullman," said Dale Greer, Cullman Economic Development director. "Honestly, this has been a true community project." » PAGE 2

ARTS

CHS bands take stage for 2021 Music Performance Assessment



CULLMAN HIGH SCHOOL BANDS

The Cullman High School Concert and Symphonic bands performed live Thursday night at the school. » PAGE 2

HEALTH

ADPH expands COVID-19 vaccine eligibility to include people 55+, those with certain medical conditions



PIXABAY

Beginning March 22, ADPH will extend eligibility for COVID-19 vaccinations to include people age 55 and older, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and the population defined as Allocation Phase 1c in the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Plan, which includes those 16 and older with high-risk medical conditions and additional critical workers.

Karen Landers, M.D.
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Governor Kay Ivey and the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) announced Friday that starting March 22, ADPH will extend eligibility for COVID-19 vaccinations to include people age 55 and older, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and the population defined as Allocation Phase 1c in the » PAGE 8

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Reliance Worldwide (from Front)

The field has long stood vacant until development of the distribution center began, and the construction method has allowed the outer walls to go up rapidly.

"The most unusual part about the project was it going from a pad to having panels reaching 40 feet in the air in five days," said Greer. "Alston Construction – the general contractor – is a national company which specializes in tilt-up concrete. This is a process where they form wall sections on the ground then use a large crane to tilt it up, hence the name."

Local concrete companies and site development companies were used in the project.

Alston was the main general contractor. The first of the 40-foot sections was placed Monday, and by Friday a total of 96 panels were installed.

"Panels are tilt-up concrete and average 40-foot-high and 25-foot-wide. The concrete panels were poured at night on site and were all completed before the erection work began," Greer said. "The new distribution center is actually 302,046-square-feet and sits on the old York property. A 300-ton crane is used to lift the individual panels which weigh roughly 80,000 pounds each."

Greer stated that the project was made possible by the Tennessee Valley Authority, State of Alabama, and the city and county industrial boards.

"The contractor is stating the project should be finished by May and then they'll turn over the keys to RWC at that time," he said. "This was a major expansion as we had no room left in the industrial parks so they (RWC) purchased the York property. We've worked with just about everyone at this point so truly has been a community effort."

RWC has become famous worldwide for its SharkBite plumbing connection that can be installed with a minimum of tools and skill.

Assessment (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Thursday night was a big night for the Cullman High School Band program as the concert and symphonic bands performed to a live, socially-distanced crowd. The concert had a dual purpose as the performances were also being recorded for the program's 2021 Music Performance Assessment (MPA) by the Alabama Music Educators Association.

In a typical school year, the two talented groups travel to perform in front of the judges, but this year, nothing has been typical. Cullman High School Director of Bands Christopher Smith said he saw an opportunity to make up for not being able to perform in front of a live crowd at last year's annual Christmas program.

He told those in attendance and those joining virtually, "Normally we travel, usually to The University of North Alabama, for the MPA, but this year they decided to make the event a virtual event. We couldn't stand the idea of not playing in front of a live audience again."

Thursday night's live concert was the solution.

Each band performed three pieces of music with varying styles, as required for the assessment. The concert band, under the direction of Doug Teuscher, performed first. The ensemble selected "Cahaba River March" by Robert L. Lee, "In this Quiet Place" by Robert Sheldon and "Ancient Conquest" by Jay Coles.

The symphonic band followed with a lively march, "March Grandioso," by Roland F. Seitz and arranged by Andrew Glover, followed by "Appalachian Morning" by Robert Sheldon and "Awakening Hills" by Richard Saucedo.

Both performances were livestreamed and recorded. The recordings will be sent for assessment on a variety of principal items including tone, intonation, technique, rhythm, balance, musicianship and stage presence. The scores will be judged on a scale from 1, being superior, to 4, being fair. The Cullman High School Symphonic Band is hoping to receive all superior ratings for the 28th year in a row.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
LARRY MONROE FOLDS * CASE NO PC 2020-371
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL AND AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: LINDA R. MADDOX, DORIS D. SMITH AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

The Petition of Robert R. Folds to admit to probate the Last Will and Testament of Larry Monroe Folds, deceased, filed by Kimberly H. Drake, Attorney for Robert R. Folds, Petitioner, has been set for the **15th day of April, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.**, before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

All persons in interest residing or being without state are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055

DONE this the 26th day of February, 2021.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper

Kimberly H. Drake
Attorney for Petitioner
419 2nd Avenue Southwest, Suite B
Cullman, Alabama 35055

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made:

BILL
TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

Relating to Cullman County; amending Section 1 of Act 2020-160 of the 2020 Regular Session, now appearing as Section 45-22-224, Code of Alabama 1975, to provide that the Battleground School Historical Board may transfer ownership of the Battleground School property by a vote of the board; and deleting the additional requirement of a referendum.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 1 of Act 2020-160, of the 2020 Regular Session, now appearing as Section 45-22-224, Code of Alabama 1975, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"§45-22-224.

"(a) In Cullman County, the Battleground School Historical Board is established to own, operate, manage, and preserve the former Battleground School property in the unincorporated community of Battleground, including any ball fields and other historical structures, owned by the Cullman County Board of Education. The Battleground School Historical Board shall be composed of five members appointed by the Cullman County Legislative Delegation for terms of four years. Members of the board shall continue to serve until a successor is appointed. Members of the board are immune from civil liability for actions taken in the conduct of their duties to the extent allowed under Section 36-1-12.

"(b)(1) The Battleground School Historical Board may accept title to the former Battleground School property owned by the Cullman County Board of Education and may hold the property for the benefit and use of the public, particularly the unincorporated community of Battleground. The Battleground School Historical Board may receive state, local, and other governmental funding and may accept charitable donations.

"(2) The board may ~~not~~ sell or transfer ownership of the property ~~unless approved by~~ upon approval of a majority ~~vote~~ of the board ~~and then by a majority vote of the qualified electors in the unincorporated community of Battleground at a referendum called by the judge of probate and held during the following general election~~.

"(c) The Battleground School Historical Board may be reorganized as an unincorporated nonprofit association or other entity authorized by law by unanimous consent of the board."

Section 2. This act shall become effective immediately following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, March 12, 2021 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

Case details

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 394,027 (+327 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 108,684 (+121 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 8,095 (+26 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 2,204
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,205 (+7 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 2,849 (-1 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 120 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 63
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 38,119
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,972
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 181
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,342,771
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 11,500
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 165,673
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 440
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama (reported M-F): 46,558
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 303,746

Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 1,751,465
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 1,474,145
- Doses administered: 1,214,816
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 765,724
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 459,636
- Doses delivered to federal Long-Term Care Program: 277,320
- Doses administered by the federal Long-Term Care Program: 84,150

Alabamians in Phases 1a and 1b, as well as people older than 65, are eligible to receive a vaccine. The ADPH announced Friday, March 12 that all people in Phase 1c will be eligible beginning March 22.

View the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan at: www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

DAILY UPDATE FROM ADPH

Efforts to achieve vaccine equity in Black Belt counties yield positive results - at least 1 in 5 residents of 19 Alabama counties vaccinated

Twenty percent or more of the residents age 16 and older of 19 Alabama counties have received one or more doses of COVID-19 vaccine to date. Successful public health efforts to achieve vaccine equity have resulted in higher vaccine uptake among African American residents of Black Belt counties. Counties where 20 percent or more of their residents have been vaccinated are as follows: Perry, Wilcox, Conecuh, Dallas, Hale, Clarke, Monroe, Marengo, Washington, Lee, Bullock, Tallapoosa, Henry, Macon, Houston, Colbert, Cullman, Baldwin, and Lauderdale. Vaccines are one key to protecting the most vulnerable and helping stop the pandemic in Alabama. Supply remains an issue, as there is not yet enough vaccine available for everyone who would like to be vaccinated.

CDC team to gather information in Black Belt about how to improve vaccine confidence and uptake

A five-member team from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is in Alabama to explore local approaches on how to improve vaccine confidence. Team members will talk with local residents, community and faith leaders, and health care workers to understand their perspectives and suggestions on how to ensure high uptake of COVID-19 vaccines, especially in Black communities. Efforts will focus on identifying common questions and concerns or other barriers to uptake that residents have, addressing them through community outreach solutions, and promoting information sharing about the benefits and safety of COVID-19 vaccines, so that everyone is protected from the virus. The team will begin in Sumter County and move on to other Black Belt counties. The CDC team is expected to be in the state for the next three weeks.

People who previously received passive antibody therapy

Currently, there are no data on the safety and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines in people who received monoclonal antibodies or convalescent plasma as part of COVID-19 treatment. Based on the estimated half-life of such therapies and evidence suggesting that reinfection is uncommon in the 90 days after initial infection, vaccination should be deferred for at least 90 days. This is a precautionary measure until additional information becomes available, to avoid potential interference of the antibody therapy with vaccine-induced immune responses. This recommendation applies to people who receive passive antibody therapy before receiving any vaccine dose and to those who receive passive antibody therapy after the first dose of an mRNA vaccine but before the second dose, in which case the second dose should be deferred for at least 90 days following receipt of the antibody therapy. Receipt of passive antibody therapy in the past 90 days is not a contraindication to receipt of COVID-19 vaccine. COVID-19 vaccine doses received within 90 days after receipt of passive antibody therapy do not need to be repeated.

Spring break gatherings can drive up COVID-19 cases

COVID-19 continues actively circulating in Alabama, including the more transmissible B.1.1.7 (UK) variant. Spring breakers and their families are reminded that all precautions should be taken during this time if we want to continue the downward trajectory of COVID-19 cases. Spring break trips to locations where crowds of people from throughout the county gather can lead to more infections, especially as the variants threaten. The risk of closer contact with others, especially when combined with increased alcohol use, can lead to asymptomatic spread. Even though COVID-19 cases are decreasing, it is extremely important that everyone continue to follow mitigation standards during spring break and at other seasonal gatherings. Students and their families need to do their part and do the right thing by wearing masks, practicing social distancing, and washing hands frequently. Caution and vigilance are still needed.

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported March 12

Cullman Tribune Staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported March 11, 2021. 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

March 10

- third-degree domestic violence; person; Oak Dr. NE
- fourth-degree theft of property; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; $75

March 11

- third-degree harassment; person; Logan St. SW

ARRESTS

March 11

Lovell, Anthony R.; 46
- public intoxication

Fanning; Warren D.; 34
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass (2 counts)
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Elliott, Sonya M.; 36
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence

Hawkins, Antonio M.; 45
- unlawful distribution of controlled substance (2 counts)

Hudson, Bobby R.; 29
- second-degree receiving stolen property

Bagwell, Alton W.; 47
- FTA- running stop sign
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- speeding

Surrett, Jason O.; 36
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession drug paraphernalia
- promoting prison contraband

Dross, Donna D.; 34
- possession drug paraphernalia
- carrying pistol without permit

Swain, Kenneth L.; 32
- possession drug paraphernalia
- promoting prison contraband

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Berlin Residents
The Town of Berlin will be handing out Midland WR-120 Weather Radios Saturday, March 13 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Berlin Community Center. Citizens are asked to bring their current electric bills that show they are paying fire dues to the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department, along with a photo ID.

"Come to the Well" Community Women's Bible Study
- Tuesday mornings at 10 at the Hebrews Cafe at East Side Baptist Church, 1111 Third St. SE in Cullman
- Please wear a mask/ face covering.

Baileyton Bargain Days
- First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park
- Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items
- A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted.
- Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District Scholarship Opportunity
The Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for a $500 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. Applicant must be a U. S. citizen, high school senior and living in the state of Alabama. Applications may be picked up at the District office located 501-B Fourth St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055. Deadline to receive completed applications in the District office is March 12, 2021. For more information, contact Kathy Holmes at 256-734-1431 or kholmes@cullmanswcd.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous
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

Church Services- Spirit Life Church of GOD
- Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
- Prayer meetings- Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.
- Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.
- Classes- Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult class, "The Phases of Armageddon" by Pastor Bobby Dodd
- Sundays at 9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points area. Call 256-841-2060 for pick-up. Small group classes for adults, children and youth at 10 a.m. Praise and worship and message at 11 a.m.
- Mondays-Fridays- Our 5 Points Ministry provide free hot meals for children and elderly 3:30-5 p.m. at the Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW Please call Aimee at 256-841-2060 to register or for more information. Eat in or take out. Kids' activities are available. Kids do not have to come to the center to get a free meal. Adults can list the names of the children and do takeout meals. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.
- Friday, March 12 10:30 a.m. Adult Lunch and Games. Bring a dish, drinks, and/or dessert. Everyone invited.
- Saturday, March 13 8 a.m. Men's breakfast and workday.
- Friday, March 19 at 7 p.m. Youth lock-in. A night of food, movies, fun and games! Free for all teens 13-19.
- Saturday, March 20 9-11 a.m. Drive Through Food Bank. Bring ID.
- Saturday, March 20 Parents Night Out! 5-9 p.m. Meal and snacks provided. Bring your children for a night of fun! Temperature checks will be performed. No fees! Donations received go to the Children's Ministry.
- Saturday, March 27- Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings - serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthday. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations, and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday-Jasper 5100 Curry Hwy Suite 100-B Jasper Al 35504 from 3-5 pm or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1:00 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045 For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.
- Wednesday, March 31 7 p.m. - Easter Revival. Communion and Foot washing. Everyone welcome!

Free Community Dinner at Center Hill Baptist Church
- 5-6 p.m.- The first Wednesday of every month we will be offering a Free Community Dinner. Church members, community members, neighbors and friends are welcome. This will be takeout only. Please message or comment with how many plates you will need to help us prepare enough food for everyone. RSVP at http://bit.ly/centerhill.
- 13108 County Road 747, Hanceville, AL 35077

Miércoles de Despensas
- 6-7 p.m. ler. miercoles del mes, En Su Tierra Cullman FUMC
- Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

Jay's Legacy Shoe Drive BBQ
- Saturday, March 13 at noon at J&S Karaoke, 10303 Hwy. 31 S, Hanceville
- Jay's Legacy is hosting a BBQ/ party and all we ask is that you bring two pairs of shoes to attend. We will have music, food, games and more. We will be selling food plates as well. We are inviting everyone in the community to come out and be part of the cause. Suzette Kendall will also be giving a speech on distracted driving, and how it impacted her life.

Zoom Lunch & Learn Pruning Ornamentals
- Wednesday, March 17, noon-1 p.m.
- Join Tony Glover for this free online class as he covers why, when and how to prune ornamentals. Register at Agriplex.com.

St. Paul's Spring Flea Market
- St. Paul's Lutheran School will host a Spring Flea Market fundraiser Saturday, March 20 from 8 a.m.-noon. Vendors will be located inside the gym and in the front parking lot of the school. Spaces are limited. Interested vendors should contact Emily Trahan at emilytrahan@stpaulscullman.com. Find out more at www.stpaulscullman.com.
- St. Paul's is located at 510 3rd Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055.

Good Hope High School Pageants
Saturday, March 20 in the school gymnasium. The Good Hope High School Fair Queen Representative Pageant will begin at 4 p.m., and the Miss Good Hope Heritage Princess and Miss Good Hope Heritage Pageants begin at 5 p.m. Admission is $7.

Food Drive with Comedian Darren Knight
- Wednesday, March 24 from noon-3 p.m. at Cullman Caring for Kids, 402 Arnold St. NE Cullman
- Join us for a day of fun, laughter and a mission to help feed hungry children.
- Darren Knight (known as "Southern Mama") will be accompanied by fellow comedians "Red Squirrel and Gary Cargal."
- For every 20 cans of food donated, you can have your photo made with them!

Heritage Homeschool Attracting Butterflies
- Thursday, March 25, 9-11 a.m.
- We will cover the importance of our native butterflies and how to help create the perfect habitat for them in your own yard. Register at Agriplex.com.

Senior Easter Egg Hunt
- Friday, March 26 at 10 a.m. at Sportsman Lake Park Veterans Memorial, 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW, Cullman
- Sponsored by the Cullman County Commission on Aging. FREE admission, and lunch provided by the Cullman County Sheriff's Office.

Hanceville Lions Club Swamp John's Dinner
Friday, March 26 from 4-7 p.m. at the Moody Center in Hanceville (111 Michelle Street) Drive-thru only. Plates are $12. Proceeds benefit the Hanceville Lions Club community projects. For more information, call Kenneth Quick at 256-352-6397.

le petit Fashion Show
- Saturday, March 29 at 2 p.m. in the garden at Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE, Cullman
- A BD Ballet Academy scholarship & performance fund evet
- Tickets are $10. For reservations, call 256-338-6401 or email brooke.desnoes@gmail.com.

Annual Spring Clean-up for City of Cullman Sanitation Customers
- March 29 – April 2, 2021
- Place your old unwanted appliances, furniture, mattresses, and other large items curbside on MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021. Crews will be picking up these items throughout that week (separately from your regular garbage and recycling). This is a service provided to our customers at NO EXTRA CHARGE!
- There are some things we can't pick up, though. We CANNOT pick up rocks, dirt, bricks, concrete, construction materials, hazardous materials or tires. And due to the large volume of items to be picked up, we will not be picking up brush, tree limbs and other yard waste during the week of March 29-April 2, 2021.
- If you have any questions, please contact the City of Cullman Sanitation Department at 256-737-7560 or cityhall@cullmanal.gov.

Holly Pond Community Easter Egg Hunt
- Saturday, April 3 at 2 p.m. at Governor's Park
- Children are encouraged to bring their own baskets, but some baskets will be available for kids who do not have one of their own.

The American Hero Music Festival
- Saturday, April 24 at Camp Liberty, 15719 Alabama Highway 157 in the Battleground community west of West Point-Gates open at 9 a.m., with the show going from 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
- The event will feature headliner Black Oak Arkansas along with Blackbird Anthem, Billy Don Burrs, Rowdy Johnson, Michelle Leigh, Mercy Shine, Dawn Rix, Dee Rock and Kris Rowdy, as well as speakers Billy Howell, Jr. (veteran of the Special Forces unit that was the subject of the 2018 film "12 Strong"), Navy Rear Admiral Kent David and Dan Robinson.
- Activities consist of an Airsoft shoot house, zip lines, food, vendors and giveaways, with the grand price being a Smith & Wesson M&P AR15 style rifle.
- Lodging available through Camp Liberty (cabins, camping/RV, and bunk rooms)
- Get tickets at http://bit.ly/2NLka3a.

Seniors (from Front)

Briscoe joined the residents for the fun celebration.

"The facility has been able to remain free of COVID-19, and many of the residents The Tribune spoke to credited Briscoe's leadership and the staff's excellent care.

Briscoe said, "I told them, if we make it 365 days, we are going to go outside and wave, so that's what they wanted to do."

The staff and residents of Woodland Haus had special T-shirts made, with help from Comfort Care, for the remarkable milestone that read, "Making the Impossible Possible-365 Days of Covid-Free Residents."

They also placed signs and balloons alongside Main Street to invite passing motorists to join them in celebrating.

Almost every car on a very busy afternoon slowed down to enjoy a moment with the seniors who have been mostly out of sight during this ongoing pandemic.

Briscoe knows the year has been tough, but she said, "My reward is their health and them being happy and out here waving at everybody."

The waving gained the attention of their neighbors at Cullman's Dairy Queen resulting in owner Samantha Way and staff from the restaurant delivering three delicious ice cream cakes for everyone to enjoy. The cakes had messages of "Covid Free," "Way to Go" and "We Love Y'all."

Briscoe said of her residents, "All of them have missed birthdays, holidays and more. Yes, they had the option to go.

"We educated and went over all the important points and some had the chance to go live with other family members, but they wanted to stay home. This is THEIR house. We are all family here and they love one another and watch over one another like family."

Clara Porter, a resident of Woodland Haus, smiled as the cars honked and said hello.

She said it has been a long time since she was able to sit outside and was thrilled that the weather was so beautiful. Her friend Sara Melson was also very excited and waved at every car that passed by.

Melson kept busy over the past year; she said, "I made cards and sometimes I just cut pictures out of magazines to make cards with them. I also recycle some of the cards I get to give to friends and other residents.

"It has been wonderful that we haven't had any COVID. That's the reason we are celebrating today because we have been so victorious."

Every resident who spoke to The Tribune was touched by the show of support from the public as they passed by. They also complimented the staff of Woodland Haus.

One resident said, "They are doing a wonderful job. It was her (Briscoe) that kept us from being sick.

"She laid down the rules and it wasn't easy, but this is the payoff."

One of the signs made for Friday's celebration had special meaning for the residents and staff. Briscoe explained, "The chalkboard that hangs in our dining room, we wrote this verse on it on March 6 when everything stopped.

"It still to this day looks like it is freshly written. It's something they read every day, and we honestly believe it is what kept us safe."

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"We've all said that it is God. It is God that kept them safe and that was my prayer."





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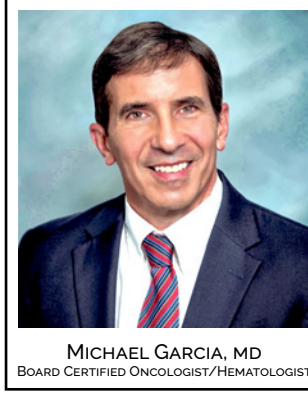
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A Round of Applause for 365 American Joy-Givers in 2021: The Moms Birthday and the Boys Party

Ben South
Tribune Columnist

"The Greatest Party in American History" may have been the famous "Black and White Masked Ball" created by author Truman Capote, which he hosted in the 1960s at The Plaza Hotel (New York City). The journalist George Plimpton, a close friend of Capote and one of this week's birthday celebrants, wrote an "oral history" of the event published in "Esquire Magazine." Plimpton's recounting is called "The Greatest Party Story Ever Told."

We've set "The Moms Birthday and the Boys Party" in that same ballroom at The Plaza, but the décor, instead of a restrained palette of black and white, uses the bodacious colors of the "street fashion photography" of Bill Cunningham. This has the effect of a psychedelic kaleidoscope with a section in magnificent magenta, another in savory saffron yellow, another in icy blues and turquoise, then fiery reds and brisk, joy-giving orange.

Join us...
You sense the joy the minute you walk into the boldly-colored ballroom. HOORAY FOR THE JOY-GIVERS! (Note: The comments attributed to these famous joy-givers come from words they have written or said.)

PLEASE GIVE A ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR THESE AMERICAN JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

March 13—BILL CUNNINGHAM was one of the most major contributors to fashion journalism. Early in his career, he was a hat designer for society ladies. While working as a photographer for "Women's Wear Daily" and The Chicago Tribune, he began taking candid photos of those he encountered on the streets of New York City and documenting the fashion trends he identified. Cunningham's weekly "street fashion photos" in the NYT ran every Sunday for decades.

March 14—BILLY CRYSTAL is an actor, comedian, singer, writer, producer, director and television host. He has won six Primetime Emmy awards, a Tony award, the highly coveted Mark Train Prize and has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

March 15—SLY STONE was born Sylvester Stewart. He is a genuine, bona fide Texan. Who knew? Sly is a musician, singer, songwriter, record producer, best known as the front man for Sly and the Family Stone. He played a critical role in the creation of funk with his pioneering fusion of soul, rock, psychedelia and gospel.

March 16—JERRY LEWIS was born Joseph Levitch and has been nicknamed, "The King of Comedy." He was a nightclub comedian, actor, singer, filmmaker and humanitarian. He appeared in more than 60 different films and other media. "The Jerry Lewis Telethon" raised funds for 50 years to fight muscular dystrophy.

March 17—FRED ALLEN was one of the most popular, and most censored, American radio comedians. His absurdist and topically-pointed humor and brilliant "ad libs" made him a "must-hear" joy-giver. His devoted fans included President Franklin D. Roosevelt, novelist William Faulkner and humorists James Thurber and Groucho Marx. For his contributions to the "Golden Age of American radio," he was honored with a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

March 18—GEORGE PLIMPTON was best known for his "participatory journalism" which found the patrician, plummy-voiced writer acting in the movie "Western," performing a comedy act at Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas, playing with the New York Philharmonic Orchestra and playing professional sports, then reporting on the experiences from the point of view of an amateur. He was a talented literary editor and helped found the highly respected writers' digest, "The Paris Review."

March 19—MOMS MABLEY was the comedic character created by a woman born as Loretta Mary Aiken of Brevard, North Carolina. She was one of 16 children. She was a veteran entertainer of the famous "Chitlin' Circuit" of African-American vaudeville. The actress known as Jackie "Moms" Mabley is best-known for her wide-open, often risqué, top-selling comedy albums, and for film and television appearances including "The Ed Sullivan Show."

COMMENTS OVERHEARD at "The Moms Birthday and the Boys Party" for American joy-givers:

"If someone is wearing something terrific, that's what I want to photograph."—Bill Cunningham

"I was the class comedian as opposed to being the class clown. The difference is the class clown is the guy who drops his pants at the football game; the class comedian is the guy who talked him into it."—Billy Crystal

"Stand, you've been sitting much too long. There's a permanent crease in your right and wrong."—Sly Stone

"I've had great success being a total idiot."—Jerry Lewis

"A celebrity is a person who works hard all of their life to become well-known and then wears dark glasses to avoid being recognized."—Fred Allen

"My whole thing is to be invisible. You get more natural photographs that way."—Bill Cunningham

"Going unnoticed has never been my strong suit."—Jerry Lewis

"Well, I have to write. A lot of people forget that. They think I'm sort of a crazy buffoon who can't make up his mind what to do in life."—George Plimpton

"Any time you see me with my arms around an old man, I'm holding him for the police."—Moms Mabley

"Every man's dream is to be able to sink into the arms of a woman without also falling into her hands."—Jerry Lewis

"Women need a reason to have sex. Men just need a place."—Billy Crystal

"I could never concentrate on Sunday church services because I'd be concentrating on women's hats."—Bill Cunningham

(On hosting the Oscars) "Nothing can take the sting out of the world's economic problems like watching millionaires present each other with golden statues."—Billy Crystal

"I was on my last leg. I couldn't even borrow a friend's extra peg."—Sly Stone

(About his comedy partnership with Dean Martin) "Postwar America was a very buttoned-up nation. Radio shows were run by censors, Presidents wore hats, ladies wore girdles. Martin and Lewis came right out of the blue. A sexy guy and a monkey is how many people saw us."—Jerry Lewis

"The first time I sang in the church choir, two hundred people changed their religion."—Fred Allen

(On professional sports entertainment) "The pleasure of sport is often the chance to indulge the cessation of time itself—the pitcher dawdling on the mound, the skier poised at the top of a mountain trail, the basketball player with the rough skin of the ball against his palm preparing for a foul shot, the tennis player at set point over his opponent—all of them savoring a moment before committing themselves to action."—George Plimpton

"Never lose your head, not for a minute. It's got your brain in it."—Moms Mabley

"I go out every day. When I get depressed at the office, I go out, and as soon as I'm on the street and see people, I feel better. But, I never go out with a preconceived idea. I let the street speak to me."—Bill Cunningham

"At 60, I could do the same things I could do at 30, if I could only remember what those things are."—Billy Crystal

"Different strokes, for different folks."—Sly Stone

"I'm really, basically nine years-old and I've always been that. I've never, ever allowed the child within me to die."—Jerry Lewis

"It's no disgrace to be old but damn if it ain't inconvenient."—Moms Mabley

"I like long walks, especially when they are taken by people who annoy me."—Fred Allen

"The good old days? I was there. Where was they?"—Moms Mabley

PARTY MENU FOR "THE MOMS BIRTHDAY AND THE BOYS PARTY:"

APPETIZERS—Sly Stone Crab Claws with Mustard Dipping Sauce (seriouseats.com)

SALAD—Bill Cunningham Bicycle Wheel Pasta Salad (tasteofhome.com)

ENTRÉE—Billy Crystal Passover Lamb with Pickled Cherries (foodandwine.com)

SIDE DISH—George Plimpton Participatory Grilled Vegetable Kebabs (foodnetwork.com)

BREAD—Jerry Lewis Fluffy Food Fight Dinner Rolls (keyingredient.com)

BEVERAGE—Fred Allen Tangy Grapefruit Cocktails (thespruceeats.com)



CANVA

Blueberry dessert

DESSERT—Moms Mabley North Carolina Blueberry Sonker (see recipe below)

ONE TO GROW ON—Thrill your inner fashion fan with "BILL CUNNINGHAM: ON THE STREET: FIVE DECADES OF ICONIC PHOTOGRAPHY" (published in 2019). Also check out Cunningham's "FASHION CLIMBING: A MEMOIR WITH PHOTOGRAPHS."

Sly Stone provides the "funkadelic" musical entertainment and ends his performance with a salute to the party's super-achieving American joy-givers: "You can make it if you try...push a little harder...think a little deeper."

Commenting on being at The Plaza Hotel for both the "Black and White Ball" and for "Moms Birthday and the Boys Party," Plimpton toasts all with these words, "I have never been convinced there is anything inherently wrong in having fun."

MOMS MABLEY NORTH CAROLINA BLUEBERRY SONKER
(Source: northcarolinablueberries.com)

Ingredients
- 6 cups frozen blueberries
- 2 medium-sized apples (sweetest you can find)
- 2 tbsp. honey
- 2 tbsp. ground cinnamon
- 1 box prepared pie crust (or make your own)
- 1 quart vanilla ice cream

Directions
1. Heat oven to 350.

2. Peel, core and then dice apples as fine as you can.

3. Mix frozen blueberries and diced apples with cinnamon and honey.

4. Place mixture in deep dish 8" x 8" glass baking pan and cover with prepared crust.

5. Bake for 35 minutes or until crust is golden brown. Let cool but keep warm.

6. Serve in small bowl and top with ice cream.

7. Repeat, if you think one sonker might not do you and yours!



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PREP BASEBALL

Fairview walks it off twice against Hanceville; Thursday scoring recap

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. – Fairview hosted Hanceville for a varsity a doubleheader Thursday night in a rematch from Tuesday night's meeting in Hanceville. Both games were decided in the final inning and both times, the Aggies came up with the wins as they swept the Bulldogs 10-9 and 18-17 in a pair of wild, back-and-forth affairs.

Fairview 10 - Hanceville 9 (Game One)

Hanceville struck first in its opening at-bats. Zach Campbell drew a leadoff walk; he later stole second, advanced to third on a passed ball and scored on a wild pitch to give the Bulldogs an early 1-0 lead. But Fairview countered in their half. Two straight singles by Preston Ryan and Dalton Payne, plus a hit by pitch, loaded the bases for Bryceson Turner, who lined an RBI single to center field to tie the game up at one. Gannon Black gave the Aggies a 2-1 lead with a sacrifice fly.

Fairview loaded the bases once again in the bottom of the second and Levi Garner hit a two-run single to center, then one batter later, Black lined an RBI single to left field. Garner later scored on an error and Crimson Wright added an RBI single of his own as the Aggies stretched its lead to 7-1 going into the top of the third.

In the third inning, the Bulldogs loaded up the bases on three walks and a Fairview error allowed Drew Campbell and Damon Hackney to score to trim the deficit to four at 7-3. Dylan Twilley hit a two-run single, and Zach Campbell followed that up with an RBI single to make it a one-run game. Fairview added a run in the bottom of the fourth on a sacrifice fly by Lucas West and another one in the fifth on an RBI groundout by Payne and the Aggies would go into the top of the seventh up by three runs.

Twilley drew a one-out walk and an Aggie error allowed him to score. After Zach Campbell advanced to second on the error, he moved up to third on a balk and Adam Cooper lined an RBI double to left-center field to make it a one-run game.

An RBI fielder's choice by Barrett Hardin tied the game up at nine. Fairview would have a chance to win it in its final at-bat. A one-out double by Payne put the winning run at second with one out. One out later, Tanner Bennett came up with the clutch hit late as he hit an RBI single to right field as the Aggies went on to win late game one of the doubleheader, 10-9.

Garner and Black each finished with two hits and two RBIs for Fairview. Wright collected three hits and an RBI. Turner and Bennett each added a hit and an RBI. Payne finished with two hits and an RBI and West added an RBI as well. For Hanceville, Twilley finished with a hit and two RBIs. Carson Garrett added a pair of RBIs in the game. Cooper and Zach Campbell each added a hit and an RBI and Hardin ended up with an RBI in the contest.

Fairview 18 - Hanceville 17 (Game Two)

In game two, Fairview struck first in its opening at-bats as Payne hit a sacrifice fly and Garner scored on an error to make it 2-0. Hanceville countered in the top of the second as Hackney hit an RBI single. He, along with Logan Guthery, later scored on an Aggie error to make it 3-2. This wouldn't be the last time that these two teams would trade leads in the contest as Fairview plated four runs in their half, with three of those runs coming across on a pair of Hanceville errors, and Preston Ryan drew a bases-loaded walk.

The Bulldogs scored nine runs in the top of the third, with the big hits coming from Hardin (two-run single) and Bo Joles (two-run double), as they took a 12-6 lead into the fourth inning. Hanceville added another run in the fourth on a sacrifice fly by Cooper, but Fairview scored seven runs in their half on only one hit and a wild pitch with two outs tied the game up at 13.

Caden Jennings broke the tie in the bottom of the fifth inning for Fairview as he hit an RBI single, and Bennett scored on a passed ball. A suicide squeeze play by Jack Brown allowed Jennings and Wright to score to make it a 17-13 game. After Hanceville made it 17-15 in the top of the sixth inning, they tied it up once again in the top of the seventh with two outs as Cooper lined a two-run double to left field.

But Fairview looked to win in dramatic fashion for the second time today. Black drew a leadoff walk and Wright provided the heroics for the Aggies as he hit an RBI double to give them a huge 18-17 win at home and a sweep of Hanceville. They ended up going 3-0 against the Bulldogs during the week.

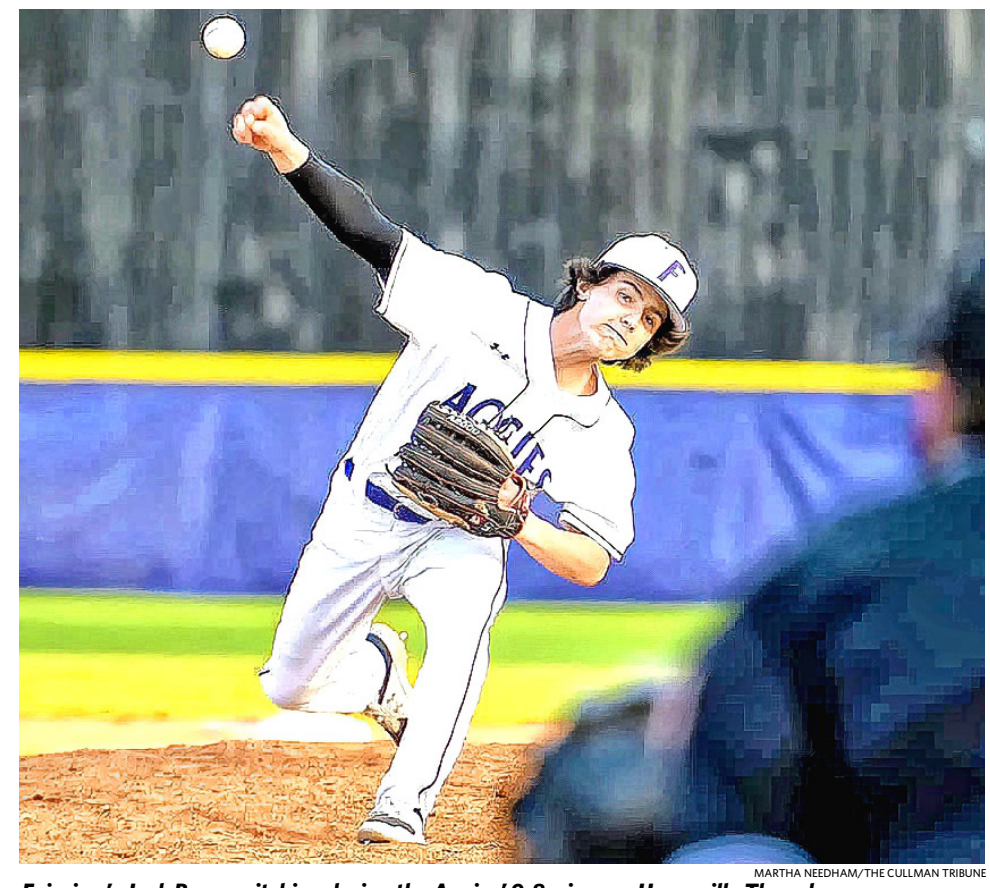
Garner led Fairview (5-7) with two hits and four RBIs. Brody Hogeland added two hits and three RBIs. Wright and Turner each collected a hit and an RBI. Brown finished with two RBIs and Payne added an RBI as well. For Hanceville (1-10), Cooper finished with two hits and four RBIs. Joles added three hits and three RBIs. Zach Campbell ended up with two hits and three RBIs. Hardin added a hit and two RBIs. Hackney collected two hits and an RBI. Drew Campbell finished with two hits and an RBI and Guthery added an RBI.

Fairview will look to make it four in a row on Saturday as they will host Locust Fork, while Hanceville will look to bounce back on the road on Saturday against East Lawrence and Southeastern.



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Fairview's Bryceson Turner singles during the Aggies' 9-8 win over Hanceville Thursday.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Fairview's Jack Brown pitching during the Aggies' 9-8 win over Hanceville Thursday.

OTHER LOCAL SCORES

Cullman 16 - Gardendale 3 (Softball)

After falling to Hartselle, Cullman looked to quickly rebound at Gardendale, and they would do just that as huge games from Savannah Davis and Chalea Clemmons helped them pick up a huge win on the road.

The Lady Bearcats put up eight runs in the top of the second inning as they got RBI hits from Taylor Au, Davis, Emma Wilson, and Carlie Burnham.

Burnham scored on a passed ball to make it 8-0. After Gardendale made it 8-3, Cullman added on to its lead as Faith Guest scored on an error in the fifth and Clemmons hit the first of her two home runs in the top of the sixth. The Lady Bearcats added two more runs in the inning to make it 12-3 and Cullman would go on to win the game going away, 16-3.

Clemmons finished with three hits and four RBIs for Cullman (6-6). Davis added three hits and three RBIs. Burnham collected three hits and a pair of RBIs. Au and Wilson each added a pair of hits and an RBI. Sarah Herfurth collected an RBI in the contest as well. Clemmons dominated on the mound as well, going 6 2/3 innings, allowing just seven hits and two earned runs, walking two and striking out ten. The Lady Bearcats will travel home to take on Austin on Monday.

Dora 20 - Good Hope 5 (baseball)

After winning a thriller in extra innings against Holly Pond, Good Hope looked to keep up the momentum at home against Dora. Unfortunately, after getting off to an early lead, the Raiders lost the lead as Dora dominated from the fourth inning on as Good Hope were on the wrong end of a 20-5 rout at the hands of the Bulldogs.

Good Hope got on the scoreboard first in a big way as Morgan Cook hit an RBI single, Paydon Bagwell drew a bases-loaded walk, and Landon Piper hit a two-run single to give the Raiders an early 4-0 lead after one. Good Hope made it 5-1 in the bottom of the third inning as Caleb Rusk got hit by the pitch with the bases loaded, but that would be the last run that they would score in the contest as Dora lit up the scoreboard for 19 runs in the final four innings. The Raiders would go on to drop the game, 20-5.

Piper finished with a pair of hits and two RBIs for Good Hope (4-5). Cook added a pair of hits and an RBI. Bagwell collected a hit, and an RBI and Rusk added an RBI as well. The Raiders will look to bounce back on Saturday as they will host Cleveland.

West Point 12 – Jasper 7 (softball)

After falling behind Jasper 6-2 in the bottom of the third, the Lady Warriors exploded for 10 runs over the next three innings and wound up pulling away to defeat the Lady Vikings on the road 12-7.

Carlie Wilkins was 4 for 4 at the plate in the win for West Point and drove in three runs. Bethany Minck (one RBI) and Lexi Shadix (one RBI) each added a pair of hits as well. The Lady Warriors improve to 5-7-2 with the win and will return home to take on Brewer Monday night.

PREP SOFTBALL

Lady Bulldogs fall to Winston County at home 4-2

Todd Walker
Tribune Correspondent

ADDISON, Ala. – The young Lady Bulldogs of Addison hosted their arch rivals from Double Springs Thursday night and despite a solid effort from the home squad, the Lady Yellow Jackets came away with a 4-2 victory.

Addison had junior pitcher Anna Grace "The Glove" Luker on the mound and after giving up a one out single to Lady Jacket Emily "Scooter" Holt, Luker was able to get the final two outs in the inning. This would be an unusual occurrence on the night due to the fact that the Lady Jackets were able to hit very well with runners in scoring position, going 4 for 9 in those situations.

Double Springs sent their Senior pitcher Ally Blackston to the mound and she retired the Baby Bulldogs down in order.

After hold the Lady Jackets scoreless in the top of the second, Addison got a leadoff walk from Madison "Pudding" Aderholt and a sharp single to center from Lexie "Toot" Luker. A wild pitch later had runners on second and third with no one out. Blackston was able to work out of the jam while giving up no runs. The Lady Dawgs were unable to hit with runners in scoring position for most of the night as they went 2 for 13 and that would prove their downfall.

The top of the third had the Jackets starting off with a single from Izzy Cofer. "The Glove" Luker was able to get the next two ladies out, then a two-out triple from Emily Holt scored Cofer giving the Lady Jackets the 1-0 lead. Junior Madison Comeens doubled bringing home Holt for a 2-0 lead.

The bottom of the third inning had the Lady Dawgs leaving two more girls on base. Macayla Wilkins had singled and "The Glove" Luker singled but both were stranded.

The Lady Jackets were able to plate an unearned run in the top of the 5th as Holt singled, stole second and then scored on an error giving the Jackets a 3-0 lead.

The Lady Jackets scored their final run on a lead-off double by Makayla Lindsey, which was followed by a run scoring single from Kaygen Grace. This put the Jackets up 4-0 and the lead seemed safe.

The Lady Bulldogs threatened in the bottom of the sixth. "Pudding" Aderholt was hit in the foot by a pitch, two outs later, Saige Carter was on third, Lydia "Barbie" Ergle singled and Karley Early singled loading the bases with two outs. Haley Walker was hit by a pitch and that scored Carter cutting the score to 4-1. The Dawgs left the bases loaded as Wilkins was robbed on a beautiful over the shoulder catch by the Lady Jacket shortstop.

After holding the Jackets scoreless in the top of the seventh, Addison didn't go down without a fight. "Glove" Luker doubled and that was followed by a "Racey" Dacey Baker shot to left that rolled to the fence, scoring Luker. Blackston then settled down and got the final three Baby Dawgs to end the game in a Lady Jacket 4-2 victory.

The Lady Jackets were led by Blackston who went the distance, seven innings, giving up eight hits, striking out four and walking five. Blackston only gave up the two earned runs.

Jacket hitters were Holt who went 3-4 with a triple, two runs scored, an RBI and a stolen base. Comeens went 1-4 with a double and an RBI. Lindsey went 2-3 with two doubles and a run scored. Grace went 1-3 with an RBI. Cofer went 1-3 with a run scored.

"Glove" Luker got the complete game giving up eight hits, three earned runs and striking out four.

Wilkins went 2-4. "Glove" Luker went 2-3 with a double, run scored and a walk. "Racey" Baker went 1-4 with a double and an RBI. "Toot" Luker went 1-4. "Barbie" Ergle went 1-3. Karley Early went 1-2 with a walk. Walker had an RBI and a walk. "Pudding" Aderholt had two walks.

Addison drops to 7-7 on the season with the loss and will look to bounce back on the road against Cold Springs Monday night.



CINDY LUKER

Addison's Anna Grace Luker tossed a complete game in the Lady Bulldogs' 4-2 loss to Winston County Thursday night.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

A few more things I have lost

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Yes, in the last three weeks, I've been shot twice, but not the kind of shot that often takes life. I'm praying this is the kind of shot that saves my life, as well as the lives of millions of other people. The big debate among many people is whether to receive the vaccine or not. I'm not advising you on what you should do, but as for me and my house, we rolled up our sleeves at the first opportunity. I've lost far too many friends, and one family member, to this terrible killer. I decided to take my chances on the vaccine rather than on the virus.

I remember receiving several other vaccinations in my life, as well as one that I didn't.

I probably received some that I was too young to remember, but I had an armful of them when I was in the first grade. That was the beginning of my formal education. I was so smart I skipped right over going to kindergarten.

Of course, the fact that my school didn't have a kindergarten back then may have had something to do with it too! Thanks to Dr. Jonas Salk, a vaccine to ward off polio was created a few years before I was created.

Then, in 1962, an oral vaccine was developed by researcher Albert Sabin. No, I don't think he was any kin to the coach.

I remember my entire family going to my school, on a non-school day. I think it was on a Sunday afternoon.

We lined up in the lunchroom, like I did on most school days when I got a lunch tray and a carton of chocolate milk, but that Sunday all they gave us to eat was a sugar cube...one sugar cube. They didn't even give us any milk to wash it down. That sugar cube had the oral-polio vaccine in it.

The vaccine I didn't receive caused me to land myself in trouble. When I was in Mrs. Slaughter's first-grade class, at Plainview Elementary School, my classmates received a vaccine there at school.

My friends Byron and Buckley, and I, told Mrs. Slaughter we had already had our shot, so she didn't make us go with the rest of the class to get inflicted...I mean injected. I'm not sure if we had or not, but Mrs. Slaughter took our word for it.

Whether we had or had not, was not what got us into trouble. While they and Mrs. Slaughter were gone, a friendly game of cowboys broke out back in the classroom.

Yes, I know, a teacher wouldn't dream of leaving three boys alone in a classroom these days, but things were different then. Nonetheless, boys were still boys, and we were all three very much boys. We had found a piece of rope somewhere in the classroom, about the right length to lasso a calf, so Byron and I decided we would be the cowboys, and we decided Buckley would be the calf we roped. We had not counted on Mrs. Slaughter returning as soon as she did. When she walked in, there was our poor-little calf lying in the floor, with all four legs (actually two legs and two arms) tied together. I'm not sure about Byron, but all these years, I still regret roping that calf. I guess Mrs. Slaughter figured Buckley had already been punished.

Sometimes, I think it may be best just to go ahead and get the shot rather than suffer the consequences of not getting it. This time, so far, I'm glad I did. I'm still praying this horrible plague will soon be behind us all.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1930

From the Files of 1930

Sunday, March 2 was the 80th birthday of Mrs. T.M. Gibbs, of Hanceville. The family gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ashwander. The table was centered with a beautiful cake and spring flowers were used to beautify the home. Mrs. Gibbs was the widow of the late T.M. Gibbs, who was postmaster in Hanceville for several years and at the time of his death he was the mayor of Hanceville.

Those attending the happy occasion were Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. John Ashwander, Mr. and Mrs. F.D. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. M.E. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Thigpen, Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Camp, Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Gibbs and Mrs. Ella Gibbs. Others present were 33 grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren and several close friends and relatives.

The party at Gold Ridge given by Melvin Smith on Friday night was enjoyed by a large crowd.

Misses Alma Thomas and Lester B. Smith, Harvie Turner and Ben Tillman had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Smith on Sunday.

Ben Tillman escorted Miss Lessie B. Smith home on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ragland have moved into their new home on the west side of our city. The house is of brick construction, has ten rooms, a large basement, steam heat, hardwood floors and is beautiful to the eye.

Cullman County students at Howard College who won high honors in the debate team are Cloud Moore, Claud Phillips, Lincoln Knight and Maurine Slaughter. Beulah Caudell of Falkville is also on the team. Miss Caudell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Caudell, formerly of Hanceville.

Bill Harris and Jewel Miller of Welti motored to Good Hope on Sunday.

Auburn Weeks of Birmingham called on Grace Watson on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Bessie Gilley gave a party at her home in Holly Pond on Saturday night.

Clemon Daniel of Chicago is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Daniel.

Miss Hester Crumbley visited her sister, Mrs. Omie Dismukes on Monday afternoon.

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POET'S CORNER

The Swing

By: Randy C. Hale

To calm
you as a babe,
your parents would
swing you every day.

And when you grew,
it became a passion,
up to the sky
and back in fashion.

The swing was tied higher
a little each year
as your parents watched
your childhood disappear.

And now you come
to this same oak tree
and touch the ropes
of this old swing.

Visions from life
flood your heart
so much of this swing,
your memories apart.

Yes, seems that life
is much like this,
beginning slow,
and sure,

then faster and faster
it becomes,
as the months
and years mature.

And your parents
are now gone above
while to this earth
you cling

with your ropes
tied high in the sky
and your hope
in the great unseen.

Until one day,
the motions stop,
and breath slips
so away,

and the swing of life
goes still
as the strength of the
ropes give way.



Painting by Becky Weaver - Oneonta, Alabama

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

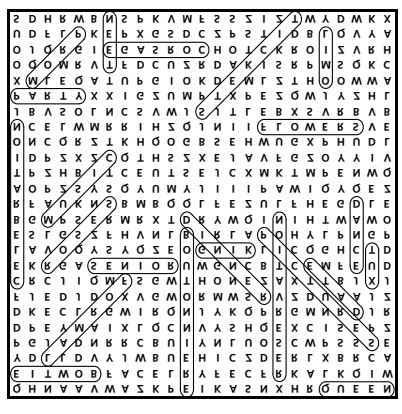
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ANSWER:



Eligibility (from Front)

Alabama COVID-19 Vaccine Allocation Plan.

"We have been concerned that many people at high risk and others engaged in close contact work have not been eligible to receive the vaccine yet, but with the additional vaccine supply we are better able to meet the needs of Alabama residents," Ivey said.

"Starting March 22, individuals can be assured of receiving the shots they have been patiently waiting to get."

In addition to those age 55 and older and people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, groups to be included for extended eligibility are people age 16 to 64 with high-risk medical conditions which include but are not limited to the following conditions:

- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD
- Heart conditions such as heart failure, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathies; immunocompromised state
- Solid organ transplant
- Obesity, BMI greater than 30
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Smoking
- Type 1 and 2 diabetes
- Other medical conditions as determined by your medical provider

Also, critical workers in the following areas who were not recommended for vaccination in Phase 1b will be eligible:

- Transportation and logistics
- Waste and wastewater
- Food service (includes restaurant staff)
- Shelter and housing (construction)
- Finance (bank tellers)
- Information technology and communication
- Energy
- Legal
- Media
- Public safety (engineers)

The additional priority groups will add over 2 million people who are eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination in Alabama.

While around two-thirds of Alabama residents will qualify to receive the vaccine, the state receives between 110,000 and 120,000 first doses each week.

During the week of March 29 through April 2, additional vaccination clinics will be planned around the state.

As of March 11, 556,603 doses of the Pfizer vaccine, 611,566 doses of the Moderna vaccine and 8,745 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine had been administered in the state.

A total of 1,731,965 vaccines have been delivered to Alabama.

"Alabama is expanding its guidance to accelerate access to the safe and effective vaccines now available in our state," State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris said.

"While authorized vaccines roll out and more people are vaccinated, everyone needs to continue to wear masks and maintain social distancing to protect their loved ones and the many vulnerable people in the state."

For general information about COVID-19, the COVID-19 Information Hotline number is 1-800-270-7268. Alabama vaccine providers can be found within the Alabama COVID-19 Dashboard Hub at arcg.is/0brSGj.



