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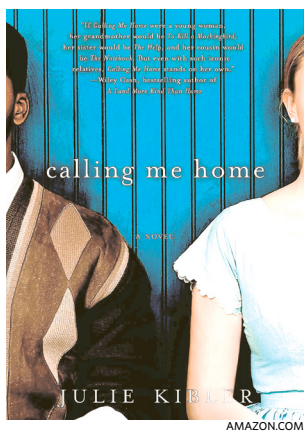
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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# Hanceville City Council discusses upcoming job fair for Hanceville industries

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**HANCEVILLE Ala.** – Industries and businesses in Hanceville will host a job fair Friday, July 23 from 10 a.m – 2 p.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center. Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail announced at the city council meeting Thursday night that the city will help sponsor the event.

Nail said, "Birmingham Fasteners came to us yesterday and they need some people to work.

"I know that Hanceville Nursing and Rehab needs people to work so most of our larger companies in Hanceville need people to work."

Although there have been recent job fairs in Cullman over the past several months, the Hanceville industries often get "knocked out" by the larger industries.

Nail said, "This is a job fair just for Hanceville--for Hanceville industries and Hanceville businesses."

In other business, the Hanceville City Council voted to vacate easements between lots 11 and » PAGE 3

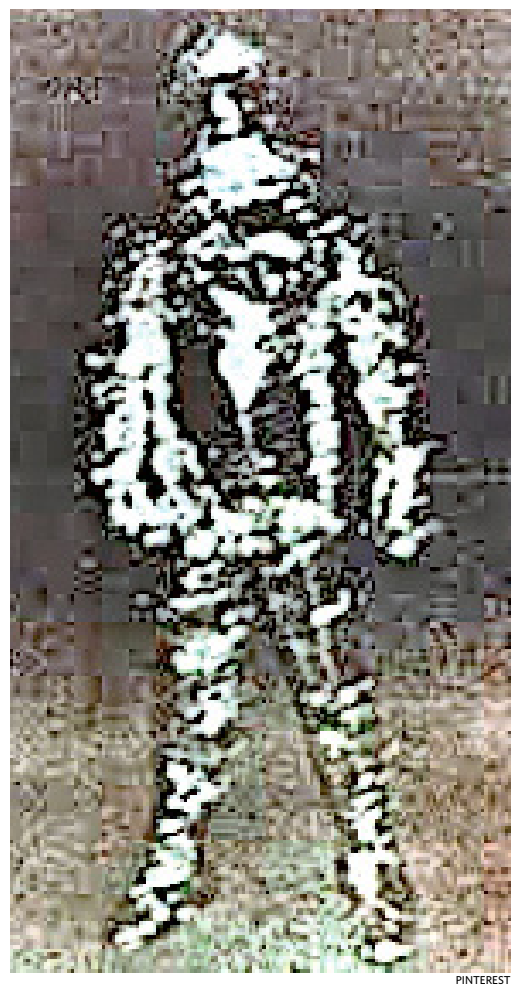


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*The Hanceville City Council met Thursday evening.*

-URBAN LEGENDS -

# Do you believe in the Metal Man?

## 1973 sighting perplexes Falkville Chief of Police


PINTEREST

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**FALKVILLE Ala.** – Alabama certainly has its fair share of urban legends and strange occurrences. Recently, on an adventure through the backroads of Cullman and Morgan counties, I heard mention of the "Falkville Metal Man." Though I had never heard of him, I was definitely intrigued. Who or what is this local legend?

On an October night in 1973, the young Falkville Chief of Police, Jeff Greenhaw, was likely hoping for a quiet evening at home after a long day of work. Instead, he would receive a call that would change his life forever – an anonymous call to dispatch from a frantic caller about a UFO in a field just outside of town.

Greenhaw, who rarely gives interviews about that night, sat down for an interview with Red Water Filmworks less than a year ago to discuss what he saw that night. He said, "I was hired in January of 1973 and this all came down October 17, 1973." He would resign from his position in the weeks after.

What did he see? His first thought was that he was simply dealing with "an idiot." He explained, "After that, things were just so strange. This wasn't real. It wasn't really happening, but it was happening to me. Why me?"

He was looking at a figure, slightly taller than 6 feet, wearing a reflective material that Greenhaw described, saying, "My initial thoughts were maybe aluminum foil but there were no pieces around there after it was all over. I don't know what to believe at that point." He described the suit in his report from that evening saying, "It looked like his head and neck were kind of made together. He was real bright, something like rubbing mercury on nickel, but just as smooth as glass. Different angles give different lighting."

The movement of the figure was not human-like according to Greenhaw. "Whenever I think about it, when I was a child, I used to watch the movie 'Lost in Space.' The robot » PAGE 4

ENTERTAINMENT

# Crowds turn out for '2nd Fridays' event despite weather threat



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
*Crowds fill the streets in downtown Cullman Friday night to celebrate 2nd Fridays.*

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– BONUS PET OF THE WEEK –

## Take this Bentley for a spin!


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*Bentley* » PAGE 2

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# Bentley (from Front)

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**CULLMAN, Ala.** – The Cullman County Animal Shelter has love to spare right now, so Donna Ruttkay shares a bonus Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week:

Bentley is a roughly four-month-old Terrier mix. Get ready to play: he's a lively medium-to-high energy pet who's a quick learner and loves his toys!

He is becoming skilled in leash etiquette and learning respect for personal space.

Ruttkay describes him as "a happy, patient fellow, whose enthusiasm for life is contagious," and who responds well to training.

Bentley has the makings of a great therapy or companion dog.

Bentley's adoption fee is $100 which includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, spaying, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior.

Several of the shelter's canine friends have even been "hired" to work as therapy and special needs service dogs.

Please consider adopting to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or visit them at 935 Convent Road NE. Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.

## COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, July 9, COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

**ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes**

Along with decreases in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths, ADPH will be updating its dashboard less frequently. Effective June 7, the Data and Surveillance Dashboard will update Monday, Wednesday and Friday; the Vaccine Distribution Dashboard will update Tuesday and Thursday and no weekend updates will be made. Additional information may be provided in the future as ADPH gathers more data on the pandemic.

**Case details (Updated Mon, Wed, Fri)**

- Total confirmed cases in Alabama: 426,184 (+ 720 since Wednesday)
- Probable cases in Alabama: 127,887 (+ 440 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama: 9,091 (+ 7 since Wednesday)
- Probable deaths in Alabama: 2,307
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,834 (+ 9 since Wednesday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,210 (+ 4 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 140
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 62
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 43,676
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co: 1,476
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 25
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,697,368
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 1,844
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 71,594
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 251

**Vaccine details (updated Tues, Thurs)**

- Doses Delivered to Alabama: 4,667,655
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 3,171,285
- Doses administered: 3,289,782
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 1,860,951
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 1,539,494
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 1,496,370

Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 12 and older) are now eligible to receive a vaccine.

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

**COVID-19 infection rates increase in Alabama**

The best way to prevent getting the highly infectious and easily transmissible Delta variant or any other strain of COVID-19 is to get vaccinated as quickly as possible. The vaccines we have are highly effective and their benefits far outweigh any risks. Only a very small percentage of deaths due to COVID-19 are among the fully vaccinated population. Based on recent conversations with hospitals, the Alabama Hospital Association reports that more than 90% of hospitalized COVID-19 patients in the state are unvaccinated.

**Percent positivity escalates**

Alabama's percent positivity for COVID-19 has increased to its highest point since mid-May: 4.8%. This is equal to the percent positivity recorded April 3, when vaccines had not been readily available.

**Make vaccination a priority**

This July 5, 2,708 doses of COVID-19 vaccine were administered in the state. At the height of vaccine administration on April 8, 45,128 vaccine doses were given. Young people and others who are taking a wait-and-see stance on vaccination should be aware that they need to protect themselves, their families, friends and communities by getting vaccinated as soon as they can. Safe, effective and free vaccines shields protect vulnerable people and save lives.

## LEGALS

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
GERALDINE KAY JORDAN * CASE NO PC 2021-219
Deceased *

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to **Douglas Lee Ritchie,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of Geraldine Kay Jordan, deceased, on the 9th day of July, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Douglas Lee Ritchie
Personal Representative

Tonya C. Palmer
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1939 Main Avenue, SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
* 
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC 2021-071

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMIE LEE PONDER, DECEASED.**

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Sonny James Foster on the 1st day of July, 2021, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Sonny James Foster
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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**IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA**

IN THE ESTATE OF: )
VIRGENA RENEA THORNTON ) Case No.: PC-~~2020-~~2021-002
Deceased. )

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Letters of Administration of said Deceased having been granted to Robert Thornton, on the 1st day of July, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by the law or the same will be barred.

Robert Thornton
Personal Representative of the
Estate of VIRGENA RENEA THORNTON

Josh O'Neal
Attorney for Personal Representative

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
LINDA KAY MASK, * CASE NO.: PC2021-239
*
Deceased. *

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to RALEY L. WIGGINGS as Administrator of the Estate of LINDA KAY MASK, deceased, on the 24th day of June, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

Raley L. Wiggins
Administrator

Raley L. Wiggins
Red Oak Legal, PC
322 Catoma Street
Montgomery, AL 36104

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CURTIS CANTRELL * CASE NO PC 2020-043
Deceased. *

**NOTICE OF HEARING**
**THE PETITION OF THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF CURTIS CANTRELL, DECEASED, FOR FINAL DISCHARGE**

TO: MICHAEL HAMM AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

The Petition of the Personal Representative of the Estate of Curtis Cantrell, Deceased, for Final Discharge, filed by Jennifer Shoemaker, Personal Representative, by and through Attorney, Seth B. Thompson has been set for the **14th day of September, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.,** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

All persons having 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 24th day of June, 2021.

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

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

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Seth B. Thompson
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
ROBERT ALLEN LINDSEY * CASE NO PC 2012-241
An incapacitated person. *

**NOTICE OF HEARING**
**PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT, AMENDED PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT AND TERMINATION OF CONSERVATORSHIP AND MOTION FOR TRIAL DATE FOR PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT**

TO: ELI LINDSEY, AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a Hearing on the Petition for Final Settlement, Amended Petition for Final Settlement and Termination of Conservatorship and Motion for Trial Date for Petition for Final Settlement has been set for the **24th day of August, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.,** before the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055
DONE this the 24th day of June, 2021.

Tammy Brown
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
PATSY CULVER * CASE NO PC 2021-119
Deceased *

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to **PERRY MICHAEL CULVER,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of Patsy Culver, deceased, on the 24th day of June, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Perry Michael Culver
Personal Representative

Michael L. Thornton
Attorney for Petitioner
200 2nd Avenue SE
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
PHYLLIS ANN PAYNE, * CASE NO.: PC2021-243
*
Deceased. *

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to CANDICE BROWN as Personal Representative of the Estate of PHYLLIS ANN PAYNE, deceased, on the 24th day of June, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

Candice Brown
Personal Representative

JoAnn B. Higginbotham
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
TOBBY VANCE BLACKWOOD * CASE NO PC 2021-254
Deceased *

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE**

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **Deborah Blackwood,** as Personal Representatives of the Estate of Tobby Vance Blackwood deceased, on the 9th day of July, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Deborah Blackwood
Personal Representative

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CRIME

# Arrests and incidents reported July 9

**Cullman Tribune staff**
Contributor

**CULLMAN, Ala.** – Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 9, 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**

**July 8**

• unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Penske Leasing; 2nd Ave. SW; catalytic converter; $500

**ARRESTS**

**July 8**

**Oliver, Michael A.; 43**

• unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance

**Fanning, Ricky D.; 29**

• public intoxication

**Sizemore, Shaun M.; 38**

• FTA- insurance violation

**HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

# Hanceville (from Front)

12 in the Forest View Subdivision

The council approved, allowing Mayor Nail to sign all documents related to the closing of the Ward property.

The city agreed to surplus a truck used by Hanceville Park and Recreation and replace it.

The next Hanceville City Council meeting will be Thursday, July 22, at 5:30 p.m. in Hanceville City Hall.

# Baileyton (from Front)

**Christy Perry**
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**BAILEYTON, Ala.** – Baileyton Bargain Days will return this Saturday, July 10 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to Baileyton Town Park. Lots of great items will be available from household goods, school supplies, recreation items and much more.

Each guest will receive a large box to fill in exchange for a $40 donation. There are limits on some items and larger items may require an additional donation. All proceeds from Baileyton Bargain Days go toward the town's park as well, as other capital improvements that benefit the community.

Bargain Days will also be held the following Saturday, July 17, at the same times and location.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

**"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.

**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 pickup. Small group classes for adults, children and youth at 10 a.m. Praise and worship and message at 11 a.m.
• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m. – noon, Tuesdays 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. – noon Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle S.W. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry, and Spirit Life Church.
• Sundays-9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Small group classes for children, youth and adults at 10 a.m. Praise and Worship and message at 11 a.m.

**VBS Vacation Bible School**
July 12 - 16 (Monday-Friday) 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Infants through age 12. Nursery provided. Free food and fun. Everyone invited.

**No Talent Talent Show**
July 31 - Saturday 7 p.m. No admission fees! Donations accepted. Free meal at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome! Fun and entertaining! Come see impersonations of some of your favorite singers. We hope "Elvis" will be there!

**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 take-out 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.

**Festhalle Farmers Market**
• 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Open every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from April – October
• Stop by to shop the freshest produce from Cullman-based farms.
• For more information, call 256-590-5009 or send an email to mgraveman@cullmanrecreation.org

**Guy Hunt Library Summer Children's Programs**
• July 15 – McWane Science Center
• July 22 – Soil and Water, Animal Tracks
• All programs start at 1 p.m. For more information, send an email to guyhuntlibrary@gmail.com or call 256-796-5226.

**Agriplex Children's Summer/ Fall Camp Programs**
• Aug. 20 - 10 a.m., Little Farmers Farmer's Market: Run your pretend farm stand and then use tokens to shop with a local farmer.
• Aug. 26 - 9 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Solar Power: Celebrate the new solar panels producing electricity at the Agriplex with hands-on activities powered by the sun.
• Sept. 4 - 9 a.m., Farm Kids Club County Fair Crafts: Create handicrafts that can be entered in the Cullman County Fair and win prizes!
• Sept. 10 - 10 a.m., Little Farmers "The Very Hungry Caterpillar": Explore the miracle of the butterfly life cycle through the beloved Eric Carle classic.
• Sept. 30 - 9 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Harvest & Seed Saving: Harvest the falls bounty at the Agriplex and save seeds for your very own collection. We will pick, taste and learn how to preserve the harvest.
• Oct. 2 - 9 a.m., Farm Kids Club Pumpkin Patch: Pick a pumpkin out of our patch and join us for some fall-themed fun! We will play games, have snacks and carve a pumpkin.
• Saturdays, beginning at 9 a.m. at Festhalle Farmers Market, Power of Produce: Kids up to age 12 can sample fresh produce while earning market money (pop bucks) to buy produce from local farmers.

**Agriplex Adult Programs**
• July 20 - 6 p.m., Living Landscapes Permaculture - Creating Edible Ecosystems: Using permaculture principles helps minimize work in the garden while maximizing harvests. Instructor Dianne Lollar will be teaching about how applying permaculture principles can work for you.
• July 21st - noon, Lunch & Learn presents Tomato Time: Cooking & Preserving Fresh Tomatoes. This is a free program, light lunch provided. Please call us at 256-297-1044 to reserve your spot.
• Aug. 10 - 6 p.m., Heritage Skills Beginning Brewers Class: The Cullman Brewers Guild will explain the process of brewing and demonstrate how to make homemade beer. See equipment and learn the science of brewing your own beer.
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• Aug. 18 - noon, Lunch & Learn presents Planting & Growing Fall Veggies. This is a free program, light lunch provided. Please call us at 256-297-1044 to reserve your spot.
• Aug. 31 - 6 p.m., Living Landscapes Growing Berries & Grapes: Retired Auburn Experiment Station Director Arnold Caylor will be back at the Agriplex sharing his vast knowledge on growing berries and muscadines best suited for our region.
• Sept. 9 - 6 p.m., Cowboy Cooking - Cooking with a Dutch Oven: Local ranchers Greg and Emily Anderson from Sullivan Creek Ranch will be demonstrating how to cook over an open fire.
• Sept. 13 - 6 p.m., Learn to Sew Projects for the Kitchen: This will be a fun class making things to use in your kitchen.
• Sept. 14 - 6 p.m., Heritage Skills Raising Pigs: Learn the basics of raising pigs for your family.
• Thursdays: noon – 1 p.m., Yoga under the Pavilion, Join us for a beginner yoga class in the serenity of nature. $5 per person, summer family special of $10 per family. Ages 10 & up, must be able to follow along with class. No registration required. Please bring your yoga mat & water.

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**Center Hill Baptist Church VBS**
July 12-16 – From 6-8:30 p.m. at Center Hill Baptist Church in Hanceville (13108 Co Rd 747, Hanceville, AL 35077). We will also host a VBS Registration Day Sunday, July 11, featuring face painting, games, bounce house and goody bags. Looking forward to see you there!

**Burden Family Reunion**
July 10 - The Burden family reunion will be July 10 at the West Point Town Hall. It will begin around 10 a.m. Please bring a covered dish and prize for Bingo. Hope to see you there!

**Let's go to Italy!**
July 10 - Join us 2 p.m. Saturday, July 10 to learn about Red Door Travel's Spring Break's Italian Adventure March 25 - April 3, 2022. There is no cost or obligation to attend. We will enjoy some Italian snacks, stroll through Italy for a time, talk about what you can expect, and answer any questions you might have. This affordable, small group trip includes round-trip airfare from Birmingham, hotel, most meals and guided tours in Florence, Venice, Cinque Terra, Tuscany and an optional Rome extension. If you plan to attend, please contact us at Bill@TheRedDoorCullman.com or call 256-338-3074 so we will know how many to plan for. If you can't come, but want to know more, we'll be happy to send you a brochure. Meeting at Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold Street, Cullman, 256-734-0599.

**David Speegle Family Reunion**
July 11 - The annual reunion of the David Speegle family will be held Sunday, July 11 at the Speegle Family Point (334 County Rd 321, Crane Hill, AL 35053) beginning around 10:30 a.m. Please join us and bring a covered dish for lunch at noon. Contact Judy Shannon at 256-734-3460 or Norman Calvert at 256-734-0389 if you need additional information. Come eat and enjoy the day with us!

**Davenport Reunion**
July 11 - The Davenport reunion will be held Sunday, July 11, at the Moody Center in Hanceville. All relatives come and bring a covered dish. Meal will be served at noon.

**1963 Fairview High School Class Meeting**
July 16 - The Fairview High School Class of 1963 will meet Friday, July 16, 2021, at 1:02 p.m. at the Golden Corral (1720 Cherokee Avenue, Southwest, in Cullman). Must be 1:02 p.m. or after for senior discount. The meeting will be in one of the reserved rooms in the back of the restaurant. Call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451 for more information.

**Unsheltered International BBQ and Cake Fundraiser Action**
July 17 – 5 p.m. at Temple Baptist Church (30 Co Rd 1184, Cullman, AL 35057). To sign up, donate and/or RSVP, contact Tara at 256-737-0112, ext. 180 or tara@unsheltered.org.

**Pleasant View Revival and Singing**
• July 18 - Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have their summer revival the third week in July beginning with a singing Sunday night, July 18 at 5 p.m. "The Williamsons" from Wetumpka, Oklahoma will be the guest singers.
• Services will be day and night, Monday, July 19 – Friday, July 23. Morning services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and evening services at 7 p.m., with Brother Jack Thomason as the evangelist. Lunch will be served each day after the morning service and we will have prayer band at 6:45 p.m. before each evening service. On Sunday night, Aug. 1, we will have a singing with "New Ground" from Scottsboro at 5 p.m. Everyone is invited. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information call 256-796-5986.

**West Point High School Class of'62 School Reunion**
July 24 – The Class of'62 School Reunion will be Saturday, July 24 at 1 p.m. at the Brandin' Iron Steakhouse in West Point (87 Co Rd 1242, Cullman, AL 35057). For more information, contact Linda Jordan 256-747-6883.

**West Point Class of '67 Reunion**
July 24 - The West Point Class of 1967 reunion will be held Saturday, July 24, at Brandin' Iron Steakhouse at West Point, from 4-6 p.m.

**Wallace State Diesel by Distance Open House**
July-Aug. - Wallace State's Diesel by Distance program will host a series of open house events to learn more about the program, experience virtual reality lessons and more. Open house will be held from 3-7 p.m. in the Diesel Technology building on the Hanceville campus on the following dates: July 1, July 8, July 29, Aug. 5, Aug. 12 and Aug. 19. For more information, contact Anna Parrish Beard at 256-352-8356 or anna.parrish@wallacestate.edu or visit www.wallacestate.edu/dieselbydistance.

**Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame**
Aug. 14 - The Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame will hold its annual banquet and induction ceremony Aug. 14 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Stonebridge Farms. Tickets can be obtained at First Southern Financial and are $20 each. For more information call 256-737-5120 or 256-736-4445.

**Free Community Movie Night at Vinemont Community Center**
Aug. 21 – Bring a blanket or chair and come enjoy "Toy Story 4!" Start time will be announced at a later date. Vinemont Community Center – 88 Ridgeway Street, Cullman, AL 35058

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# Man (from Front)

in the movie, it kind of reminded me of that to some extent."

Greenhaw grabbed his Polaroid 2 camera and snapped four photos of whatever was standing in front of him. Before he took the photos, he did speak to the figure. He explained, "I said something to the effect of 'howdy stranger' and there was no response at all. I didn't push my luck. At that point, I reached in and turned the blue lights on the patrol car and seen how reflective the material really was. Then, when I looked back, it was moving away from me, so I decided to chase it down and, if I have to, run over it. That didn't happen either."

He took the photos and laid them out on the console of the patrol car. When he looked back, the figure was moving.

He said, "It wasn't moving like you or I would move. It's like it had springs on its feet or something."

The strange being was said to have run away at speeds exceeding human capabilities.

Greenhaw pursued the figure in his patrol car and although he reached 35mph in the field he was in, it wasn't fast enough to catch the figure.

Greenhaw would eventually lose sight of the figure after crashing his patrol car. The shiny E.T. then faded into the darkness leaving Greenhaw to wonder what had just happened to him.

Greenhaw had the four photos he took in a safe place for several years following the encounter, but he claims that almost 10 years later to the date, someone broke into his home and stole the four pictures. He filed a police report in 1983 regarding the break-in. Also missing were his service revolver and a shotgun.

"I took them out and looked at them frequently for the 10 years that I had them. I thought, 'That's really weird,' the only three things I had with me that night, the shotgun in the car, the service revolver and the pictures; all three of them came up missing,' he said.

He said, "I pretty well withdrew myself from the public for years."

People made life difficult for Greenhaw after he recounted his experience from that night. "People who were supposed to be my friends, the only thing I found out is that I really couldn't trust anyone. I withdrew, I ran and I went places to try to get away from it."

Greenhaw and his wife raised five children, three of whom were adopted. He added, "I turned out to be a person I never dreamed I would be because of what happened.

"It made me hard, but it made me strong as well. I came close to losing my sanity, but my wife and God kept me from losing my sanity. That's the only thing that kept me going. I am still a believer in life after death and at one point, I didn't believe there was any other life source in the universe, but that really changed."

Greenhaw never sought financial gain from the encounter. If anything, sticking to his accounts from that strange autumn evening has made his life incredibly difficult and left him isolated and ridiculed by many.

Whether you believe or don't believe that Greenhaw's encounter was with an extraterrestrial being, one thing is certain – he definitely witnessed something strange in that field that night.

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– BOOK REVIEW –

# SHE READS

## 'Calling Me Home' by Julie Kibler

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With this week's "She Reads" pick, author Julie Kibler transports you back and forth through time as stories are exchanged between our two main characters, Isabelle McAllister and Dorrie Curtis. Isabelle is an elderly white woman in her 90s with no surviving family and one beloved friend, Dorrie, a black woman in her early 40s. The two have built up an almost familial bond since Isabelle wandered into the salon that Dorrie owns and became her favorite client several years before the story takes place.

The story truly begins when Isabelle asks Dorrie if she would be willing to drive her all the way to Cincinnati, Ohio for a funeral.

Since Dorrie has such a soft spot for the old woman, she agrees and their journey is set in motion.

As the two make steady progress on their road trip, Isabelle begins to reminisce about her youth, when she was 17 years old and growing up in a town called Shalerville, Kentucky, which was a "sundown town" in the 1930s.

As Isabelle tells of growing up in a prominent family in her community, she reveals her youthful rebellious sentiments toward her parents' close-minded ideology and the path which would soon lead her to a forbidden romance.

Her earnest and fascinating tale leads Dorrie to reflect on situations in her own life when she felt consumed and challenged.

Their trip reveals deep and heartfelt stories of struggle, the cruelty of the world and whether time truly transcends it all.

This book will surely make you both laugh and cry as their stories unfold.

Kibler does a breathtaking job taking each page and storyline into such startling detail that both the love and loss will feel like your own.

After I finished this book, I took several days to myself without speaking to anyone about it.

I needed to process everything that I had just lived through, through the eyes of these characters who now seemed so real I could reach out and almost touch them.

I felt real emotions for them – for the things I had just learned to be true, that I never learned in school.

My heart ached in ways I do not think I know how to fully capture in writing.

There is a horrific history to this nation concerning racism and this story provides a rude awakening, even if you already thought you knew what you needed to know.

When I was finally ready to delve into this book with someone, I shared my remorse over the pieces of knowledge that I had only just learned and someone very dear to me replied, "There are things they don't teach you.

"Somethings you just don't learn that way.

"You learn through life, through experience and knowledge, and now you know and you're responsible for it. So, you take that, and you do good with it."

I believe this to be true. So, this week I encourage you to do exactly that, take this story and do nothing but good with its truths.



















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# ‘I wanted to accomplish something I thought was impossible’ Cullman’s Gingrich completes Last Annual Heart of the South Marathon

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**GAFFNEY, S.C.** — 78 runners competed in the Last Annual Heart of the South Marathon in June and one of those runners was 64 year-old Bob Gingrich of Cullman, who was the second-oldest runner in the race. Gingrich is a math and science teacher at Vinemont Middle School. The race started in Gaffney, South Carolina and ended in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

From there, they only had the supplies they had with them, along with other supplies that they obtained along the way.

They had 10 days to get back and Gingrich completed the 332-mile race in eight days, eight hours, 28 minutes, and 12 seconds.

This race was on Gingrich’s bucket list for over a year, and he first heard about the race several years ago.

“I first heard about the race several years ago.” Gingrich said.

“It is a race that branched off of another race, the Last Annual Vol State Race, a 314-mile race across Tennessee.”

Gingrich had to deal with an awful lot during the race.

He walked hours and hours in the open heat, slept behind rocking chairs on the front porch of an insurance business, trekked through the rain of a tropical storm, went up and over a mountain on the Kimsey Mountain Highway, skirted through the streets of East Chattanooga, ate whatever he could find at whatever stop he passed, and he bandaged sore, blistered feet daily.

He was determined to finish the race after day three and he had a pretty decent crowd waiting for him when he finished.

“I knew, after day three, I could finish,” Gingrich said.

“I wanted to accomplish something I thought was impossible.

“The two race directors, one of the race director’s wives, two of the runners, and my wife was at the finish, got a handshake, a T-shirt, and a 332 sticker when I finished.

“I averaged four hours of sleep for six nights and didn’t sleep the seventh night. I did the last 80 miles without sleep.”

Gingrich gave some serious advice to those people who are working toward achieving goals that they might believe are impossible as well.

“The physical part is something everyone can do.” Gingrich said.

“It’s really tough mentally to keep going. Your body can do much more than your brain tells you.

“Run and walk for hours and hours every chance you get for months.”



VINEMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL

***Vinemont Middle School teacher Bob Gingrich finished the Last Annual Heart of the South Marathon from Gaffney to Chattanooga in June.***

# Patience (from Front)

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It has been a few weeks since I last wrote anything for The Policies of Starting Over, and for this, I feel I owe at least a small explanation. I am not the type of person who enjoys forcing ideas, I feel like there is a certain amount of authenticity lost whenever things do not come organically. If I push too hard, the result becomes something I am no longer willing to assign my name to, but if I am patient and I allow the words and thoughts to flow as they are, something magical happens.

I am a writer. I have loved it my entire life and recall writing my first “poem” when I was only six or seven.

I think it was something about how sad it made me to pick wildflowers from the ground because I knew it caused them to die.

Once, I remember getting so upset with my younger sister because she started to pick dandelions for our mother, and I told her she should have just gone and gotten her so she could have seen the entire field instead of a handful which would wilt all too soon.

This thought process took root and grew with me quickly, but only recently have I seen its relevance in my life today.

When we want something, what is the most normal human reaction that occurs?

We reach out and take it, right? Frequently, the impulse to just “have” whatever it is that we are after takes control and in the process, we forget that by practicing patience and letting that thing develop and present itself to us in due time, we are making a longer-term investment in it.

We pick the flowers instead of planting the garden.

Our own impatience often results in us having things that were not meant for us in the first place.

One of my favorite lines in the world is, “Curiosity killed the cat, but satisfaction brought him back,” and while this can be true of some things, it is most definitely not true for all.

Curiosity acts as inspiration and it is only natural to want to indulge the feeling and push for more, but unless it is tended to and nurtured, satisfaction may not be the end result.

My grandmother has a small greenhouse, and her yard vaguely resembles a southern botanical garden, which is the result of her mastery with flowers and her endlessly patient and gentle spirit has taught me time and time again about instilling time and effort into things.

A better illustration I recently heard is the difference between the microwave and the stove.

The microwave boasted its quick, efficient method of heating food, and that soon, stoves would be a thing of the past.

In response the stove gently replies, “You may be faster, but I am far more reliable. I take more time because when you want something done too quickly, it often loses its quality.”

So that is our policy for the week.

When you start over, allow yourself patience. Patience to heal, to move on, to begin again. Instill time and effort into these steps.

Do not beat yourself up because you feel like it is not moving fast enough.

This life is all too unpredictable to waste your time trying to plan everything out.

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# Obituary Announcements: July 9

**Brian “Keith” Swann, 52, of Bremen**
Brian “Keith” Swann, age 52, of Bremen, Alabama passed away on Wednesday, July 7. Keith was born Aug. 25, 1968 in Cullman, Alabama to Wanda Kay Speegle Swann and Bertie Roosevelt Swann. Keith is survived by his wife: Melanie Roddy Swann; sons: Wyatt (Madison) Swann and Will Keith Swann; mother: Wanda Kay Speegle Swann; brother-in-law: Jim Williams; sisters-in-law: Shelia Pulley and Pam Roddy; brother-in-law Robert (Lisa) Roddy; uncle: Harce (Linda) Swann and nephew: Clancey Williams. Keith was preceded in death by father: Bertie Roosevelt Swann and sister: Kathy Maria Swann Williams. A celebration of life visitation for Keith will be held Saturday, July 10, from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home Chapel, 1901 Second Avenue, NW, Cullman, Alabama 35055. A celebration of life funeral service to follow at 2 p.m. An interment will be at Arkadelphia Cemetery. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Swann family.

**Bryce Anthony Herron, 6, of Cullman**
Bryce Anthony Herron, age 6, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Wednesday, July 7. Bryce was born January 14, 2015 to Chelsea Nicole Mann and Dean Edward Herron. Bryce is survived by mother: Chelsea Nicole Mann (Nick); father: Dean Edward Herron; sister: Chana Herron; brother: Ashton Herron; grandparents: Donna Mann Whitten (Donnie) and Christopher and Tammy Herron; uncles and aunts: Matthew Mann, Will Herron (Ashley), Clint Herron (Erica), Casey Herron (Hironi) and Kyle Herron; great-grandparents: Coletta Day and Jerry and Frances Herron and great-uncle: Mitch and D.J. Herron. Bryce was preceded in death by brother: Dayson Herron; grandfather: Michael Mann; uncle: Daniel Mann, great-grandfathers: John R Day and Travis Leyon Mann and great-aunt: Tina Y. Morgan. A celebration of life visitation for Bryce will be held Sunday, July 11 from noon - 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. A celebration of life funeral service will occur Sunday, July 11, at 2 p.m. Interment will be Sunday, July 11, at Mount Vernon Cemetery. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Herron family.

**Tina Lynn Latta, 50, of Cullman**
Funeral Service for Tina Lynn Latta, 50, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 11, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Butch Shedd officiating. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, July 10, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Latta passed away Thursday, July 8, at her residence. She was born Aug. 30, 1970, in Birmingham, Alabama to Bobby and Nancy Gaines.She was preceded in death by her parents and grandmother: Lillie Smith. Survivors include her son: Nick Latta; brothers: Doug (Karen) Gaines and Brian (Amanda) Gaines; nieces: Tabitha (Colby) Tew, Brittney Gaines and Latasha Gaines; nephews: Tanner Gaines and Eli Gaines; great-nieces: Lily Tew, Ivy Tew, Serenity Gaines, Baylee Gaines, Peyton Barry and Paisley Barry and a host of other family and friends.

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## BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

# I'm not as young as I once was

**Bill King**
Tribune
Contributor



Well, it's July... again. You know what that means, don't you? Yes, it does mean the celebration of Independence Day, but I was speaking about something else. It also means that I have almost finished one more trip around the sun. On the 28th of this great month, I will begin still yet another one. When you've made the circle as many times as I have, and some of you have, life begins to look a little different. One of my next-door neighbors and friend had some random thoughts on life. He said he stole them from a friend, so I'm stealing them from a friend who stole them from a friend. I suspect his friend stole them too, but I don't know from who.

**Here are a few of them, with commentary on some:**

**1.** Age 60 may be the new 40, but 9 p.m. is the new midnight.

**2.** The older I get, the earlier it gets late. I've also noticed that supper comes earlier than it did in my younger years.

**3.** It's the start of a brand-new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles. By the way, turtles are believed to be among the oldest reptiles in history. This may explain why they move so slowly, and why I identify with them so easily.

**4.** When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15-years ago. After all, 15-years ago has begun to feel like yesterday.

**5.** I remember being able to get up without making sound effects. I also remember when it didn't hurt, and that's why I make those sound effects.

**6.** I recently had my patience tested. I'm negative.

**7.** Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers. If you asked, "What is Tupperware," you're too young to be reading this. To prove how good that stuff is though, you can't remember the last time you went to a Tupperware party, yet you still have all that Tupperware in your cabinet.

**8.** When someone asks me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing. I have learned that is best to find something, before they ask me to do something that I really don't want to do, but feel like I have to.

**9.** I finally got a full-eight-hours of sleep. It only took me three nights.

**10.** I run like the winded.

**11.** I hate when a couple argues in public and I missed the beginning. I can't figure out whose side I'm on.

**12.** When someone asks me what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

**13.** When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery. (That's also part of those sound effects I make when I get up).

**14.** I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

**15.** When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "East" or "West." And, yes, I do own a GPS, but sometimes I have a hard time setting the thing.

**16.** Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes your day. We call those people policemen!

I am so looking forward to my next revolution and praying for many more to come. Who knows what the next one will bring?

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## HISTORY

# Files from Yesteryear: 1951

**From the Files of 1951**

**North Walter news**

Mr. and Mrs. Leak Hosey, of Akron, Ohio, were the Wednesday night supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earnesteen Gable.

Mrs. Johnnie Guthrie spent Saturday afternoon here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ratliff spent a few days last week in Birmingham.

**Mount View news**

Private Charles M. Shikles, of Fort Bragg, North Carolina, spent last weekend in Cullman with friends and relatives.

W.E. Patillo and Mrs. C.G. Shikles and Margaret and Gary visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E.D. Shannon, at Holly Pond.

Mrs. A.F. Norris is spending a while in Columbus, Georgia with Mr. and Mrs. Otis McKinney and children.

**South Walter news**

Among those from this community attending the Christine Singing Convention, which was held at Brushy Pond were Mr. and Mrs. G.O. Plunkett and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Abercrombie, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith and daughters, Gail and Betty Ann and Mrs. A.C. Bice, Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Burrow and daughter, Carolyn, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Mayfield and son, Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Mayfield and daughter, Glenda, Mr. and Mrs. Ervie R. Burns and children, Ivalene, Ronnie, Ruth and Roma, Mrs. Floye Norris and sons, Joe Dean and Wesley Baker and Elwin Norris and Ellen Loyd.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Strong and son, Chipper, of Alexandria, Virginia, are spending two weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Glasscock, Junior and E.C. Also Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Stubbs and children, Dianne, Randy and Michael, of DeFuniak Springs, Florida and Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Shaw and children, Donna and John, of Montgomery, spent the weekend with their parents and the Strongs.

**Mount Herman news**

Mrs. J.L. Ellenburgh and family and W.D. Solley visited their mother, Mrs. Eda Harper, at Ruth, on Monday.

Rachel Teague and daughters spent Labor Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J.H. Hemrick. Mr. and Mrs. Ulden Reynolds carried her home on Monday night.

Eva Hardin is working at Cullman.

## POET'S CORNER

### *Summer Nights | By: Randy Hale*

At the pond near my home,
the male bullfrogs bellow
in a deep bass,
"I want you! I want you!"
And the female frogs answer
in soprano,
"not yet, not yet, not yet, not yet!"

The cicadas shrill their long chorus
that some would find irritating,
but I grew up with these familiar
sounds of home.

I imagine words like the katydids
saying, "Katy didn't," while others
affirm, "she most certainly did."
I hear the barred owl croon
a nosey, "who, who, who cooks
for you?"

Our cat, Domino, black fur with
one white spot on his chest
is paying no mind to the orchestra,
until the coyotes join in and
we both turn our heads in their
chilling direction.

"Awe woo!" At the cloudy moon,
they yelp.
"Hear that?" I say?
"They want a fresh steak."
"Yep, yep, yep," they go,
agreeing in a unison concerto.

## CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

JULY 10, 2021 - JOBS

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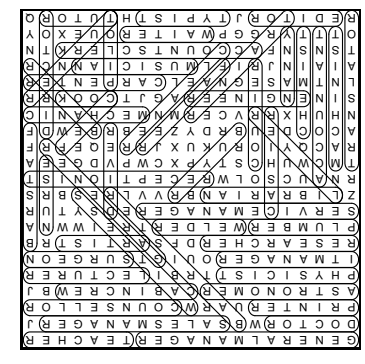
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# 365 AMERICAN JOY-GIVERS for 2021: The Elements of Style Birthday Party

**Ben South**
Tribune Columnist

The most famous "kettle hole" in America is the setting for "The Elements of Style Birthday Party." It was formed by retreating glaciers 10,000-12,000 years ago near present-day Concord, Massachusetts. This "kettle hole" is Walden Pond where Henry David Thoreau lived in an intentionally simple style for two years in a small cabin on the shore.

The stylish group of joy-givers agreed to come wearing a style for which they are well-known. The parade to the picnic by the pond includes: Harrison Ford in Indiana Jones mufti, Will Ferrell in a Ron Burgundy leisure suit, Sofia Vergara in a festive, Columbian "wiggle dress," Mr. Thoreau in a simple suit, Clement Moore dressed as St. Nicholas in a jolly red suit with white fur trim, William Hanna in a Fred Flintstone orange loincloth topped with a blue necktie and E.B. White wearing something unaffected and reminding us of a thought he shared in "The Elements of Style"—"To achieve style, begin by affecting none."

**JOIN US...**

You feel the joy as we settle on picnic blankets beneath the dappled shade of the Red Maples, Acer rubrum, that surround Walden Pond. 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 JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK:**

**June 10**—SOFIA VERGARA (Sofia Margarita Vergara Hyson) is a Columbian American actress, television producer, presenter and fashion model. She has been the highest-paid actress on American television for the last seven years. In this, her adopted country, she is best-known for playing the character Gloria Delgado-Pritchett in the ABC comedy series, "Modern Family," and as a judge on "America's Got Talent."

**June 11**—E.B. WHITE (Elwyn Brooks White) was a writer, the author of several, classic children's books including "Charlotte's Web," Stuart Little" and "The Trumpet of the Swan." White won a Pulitzer Prize and the Presidential Medal of Freedom. He also edited and updated William Strunk, Jr.'s English language grammatical and stylistic guide—"The Elements of Style."

**June 12**—HENRY DAVID THOREAU was a naturalist, essayist, poet, philosopher and major Transcendentalist. He is best known for his book "Walden," which is a reflection upon simple living in natural surroundings, and for his essay "Civil Disobedience," which argues for controlled but persistent resistance to an unjust government.

**June 13**—HARRISON FORD is an actor, airplane pilot and environmentalist. He became an international film star as Hans Solo in the original "Star Wars" movie and in four, feature film sequels. He is also widely known for originating the role of Indiana Jones in the titular film franchise. He is a recipient of numerous awards including the American Film Institute's Life Achievement Award and the Cecil B. DeMille Award.

**June 14**—WILLIAM HANNA was an animation artist, voice actor, cartoonist and saxophonist. While working at MGM Studios, he med another skillful animator, Joseph Barbera, and their first collaboration was in creating the "Tom and Jerry" cartoon series. The two formed Hanna-Barbera, which became the most successful television animation studio, responsible for such classics as "The Flintstones," "The Huckleberry Hound Show," "The Jetsons," "Scooby-Doo," "The Smurfs" and "Yogi Bear." During their 1960s heyday, the Hanna-Barbera audience was over 300 million television viewers, and their works were translated into more than 28 languages worldwide.

**June 15**—CLEMENT MOORE was the joy-giving poet who wrote the Yuletide classic, "Twas the Night Before Christmas." He was a professor of Oriental and Greek Literature, as well as Divinity and Biblical Learning at the General Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New York City. Moore gained considerable wealth by subdividing and developing parts of his large, inherited estate on the island of Manhattan. For 10 years, Moore also served as a board member of the New York Institution for the Blind.

**For a bit of Christmas joy in July, here are lines from Clement Moore's holiday classic:**
"Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse."

"The stockings were hung by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there."

"The children were nestled all snug in their beds, while visions of sugarplums danced in their heads."

"The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow gave the lustre of mid-day to objects below."

"His eyes—how they twinkled! His dimples so merry! His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry."

"But, I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight, 'Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."

**June 16**—WILL FERRELL is an actor, comedian, producer and comedy writer. He first rose to fame in the mid-1990s as a cast member of the NBC sketch comedy show, "Saturday Night Live." He was named "Best Comedian of 2015" at the GQ Magazine Awards. He has a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Ferrell's comic characters include Lord Business in "The Lego Movie," Chazz Reinhold in "Wedding Crashers," Mustafa in "Austin Powers," Mugatu in "Zoolander," Frank the Tank in "Old School," Brennan Huff in "Step Brothers," Ricky Bobby in "Talladega Nights," Buddy the Elf in "Elf" and Ron Burgundy in "Anchorman."

**COMMENTS OVERHEARD AT "THE ELEMENTS OF STYLE BIRTHDAY PARTY:"**

"Listen, I'm not afraid of anything. I'm Columbian."—Sofia Vergara

"Always be on the lookout for the presence of wonder."—E.B. White

"The question is not what you look at, but what you see."—Henry David Thoreau

"The force is within you. Force yourself."—Harrison Ford

"Animation will continue to thrive as long as there are children, parents, television and the need to laugh."—William Hanna

"Before you marry a person, you should first make them use a computer with slow internet to see who they really are."—Will Ferrell

"Accents are funny. It sets me apart from the other girls doing comedy. It gives me more—how do you say?—pop-oo-laaarrrity."—Sofia Vergara

"I arise in the morning torn between a desire to improve the world and a desire to enjoy the world. This makes it hard to plan the day."—E.B.White

"The price of anything is the amount of life you exchange for it."—Henry David Thoreau

"Behind every great man is a woman telling him he's not that hot."—Harrison Ford

"Hanna-Barbera stuff is strictly for fun. We're not out to give a message."—William Hanna

"Whenever someone calls me ugly, I get super sad and hug them because I know how tough life is for the visually impaired."—Will Ferrell

"Immature is a word boring people use to describe fun people."—Will Ferrell

"I'm fearless, I don't complain. Even when horrible things happen to me, I go on."—Sofia Vergara

"The world is full of people who have never, since childhood, met an open doorway with an open mind."—E.B. White

"You must live in the present, launch yourself on every wave, find your eternity in each moment."—Henry David Thoreau

"You have to have the darkness for the dawn to come."—Harrison Ford

"I just like to smile, smiling is my favorite."—Will Ferrell

"I didn't want to be an actress. I wanted to be a dentist, but you never know what life will bring you."—Sofia Vergara

"All that I hope to say in books, all that I ever hope to say, is that I love the world."—E.B. White

"This world is but a canvas to our imagination."—Henry David Thoreau

"If I were a serious person, I'd probably have a real job."—Harrison Ford

"It's kind of funny how the colors red, white and blue represent freedom until they are flashing behind you."—Will Ferrell

"One of the most time-consuming things is to have an enemy."—E.B. White

"Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads."—Henry David Thoreau

"What this party needs is more cowbell."—Will Ferrell

**PARTY MENU FOR "THE ELEMENTS OF STYLE BIRTHDAY PARTY:"**

APPETIZER—E.B. White SOME PIG Pork Rillettes (foodandwine.com)

SALAD/SOUP—Will Ferrell "Buddy the Elf" Pasta and Candy Salad (maverickbaking.com)

ENTRÉE—William Hanna "Flintstones" Brontosaurus Burgers (allrecipes.com)

SIDE DISH—Harrison Ford Indiana Squash Gratin (tasteofhome.com)

BREAD—Henry David Thoreau Walden Pond Raisin Bread (thespruceeats.com)

BEVERAGE—Sofia Vergara Columbian Sex Coffee (see recipe below)




BendigoArt.com/CullmanTribune.com

DESSERT—Clement Moore Sugar Plums (foodnetwork.com)

**ONE TO GROW ON**—E.B. White narrated the 1973, Oscar-nominated, animated short film, "The Family That Dwelt Apart," based on his short story of the same name.

As the delightful gathering came to goodbyes, E.B White saluted the joy-givers with words from another of his always-in-print books, "Charlotte's Web." "It is not often that someone comes along who is a true friend and a good writer. Charlotte was both." To the celebrants of "The Elements of Style Birthday Party," he didn't say "some pig," though they'd all said that of themselves during the delicious picnic, but he did say as if it were written across Walden Pond—"TERRIFIC...HUMBLE...RADIANT." As a final toast to the joy-givers, he added, "Friendship is one of the most satisfying things in the world."

**SOFIA VERGARA COLUMBIAN SEX COFFEE**
(source: nomadcoffeeclub.com)

**INGREDIENTS**
- 2/3 cup hot, Columbian coffee
- 1 tablespoon raw cacao
- 2 tablespoons of coconut milk
- 1 tablespoon of honey
- 1/2 teaspoon of cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon of maca (Aztec root, powdered)

**INSTRUCTIONS**
1. Pour the coffee in a medium bowl.
2. Add cacao, coconut milk, honey and cinnamon.
3. Beat with hand blender until frothy.
4. Add the maca powder, beat once more and serve immediately.

