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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Hanceville City Council officially names donated land

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — A generous donation of 19.52 acres of land to the City of Hanceville has recently been established by the city council as The Larry and Lillie Tucker Arboretum. The land was gifted to the city by Lillie Tucker and is located off Highway 31, south of Hanceville Firestation 1.

Mrs. Tucker joined the Hanceville City Council Thursday night where she finalized the transaction and learned of the arboretum to be named in she and her late husband's honor.

Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail explained, "Lillie called me several » PAGE 2



City attorney Dan Willingham assists Lillie Tucker as she finalizes her gift to the City of Hanceville while Mayor Kenneth Nail looks on.

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– LOCAL BUSINESS –

Cullman's White Willow becomes first-time winner of 'Best in Bama' award



FACEBOOK

White Willow offers full-service interior design from furniture selection to placing items and hanging art.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Two Cullman-based businesses, White Willow and Karma's Coffeehouse, are recipients of this year's Alabama Magazine's "Best in Bama" awards.

White Willow owner Libby Crider spoke of the win for Best Furniture & Interiors saying, "We were just so excited to find out. We were not expecting it. We really did not even consider ourselves in the running because we are kind of a new store to Cullman."

Though it only went into business this year, White Willow has been making huge steps. It originally began in a small 900 square foot shop just around the corner from their current location at 302 First Ave. SE.

Since outgrowing that location and finding their footing within their new store, they have gained a huge clientele base with property buyers on Smith Lake.

"We advertise in Alabama Magazine and for Best of Bama, people nominate you and the winner is voted on, but with Best of Bama, you don't know that you have been nominated until the end when they announce the winner," continued Crider.

White Willow offers full-service interior design from furniture selection to placing items and hanging art. Crider explained, "We have done a few stagings for homes but mostly, we work for the customer or purchaser of the home."

White Willow employees select the store's furniture and design items from two markets, one in Georgia and one in North Carolina. "We sell off the floor or we order custom furniture. We have all of the fabrics back there so you can pick. » PAGE 2

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Hanceville City Council discusses preparations for upcoming music events, solutions for noise complaints

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EDUCATION

Prospective students visit Wallace State's Applied Technologies programs during Open House



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Wallace State HVAC/Refrigeration instructor Ryan Iversen discusses his program with visitors, from left, Paul Smith, Jake Smith and Jennifer Smith, all of Hartselle. » PAGE 2

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Land (from Front)

weeks ago and said, 'Kenneth, would you like to acquire the 19.52 acres next to the fire station?' I said, 'Lillie, what's your definition of acquire?'"

She informed Nail that it was her wish to donate the property, appraised at $200,000, to the City of Hanceville.

An arboretum is defined by Oxford Dictionary as "a botanical garden devoted to trees."

Nail's vision when he heard of Tucker's intention was to commit to maintaining the natural beauty and fauna of the property while providing additional walking trails for people to enjoy.

Nail explained, "We've got some good things planned down there already.

"We have talked about building an outside learning pavilion over there and my plan is natural trails that tie into the existing greenway trails."

The trails on the property located on the west side of Highway 31 would continue under the highway bridge connecting to the trails at Hanceville's Veterans Park which connects to trails leading to the Hanceville Civic Center.

Tucker was honored to learn that the arboretum would be named for her and late husband.

She was emotional as she voiced her appreciation of Nail and the leaders of Hanceville saying, "I would like to commend this guy (Nail) for the work he does for the City of Hanceville.

"He has done a wonderful job here and I appreciate him so much."

Students (from Front)

Russell Moore
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — A rainy night did not deter prospective students from attending Wallace State's Applied Technologies Open House earlier this week.

Jake Smith, a homeschooled soon-to-be senior from Hartselle made Wallace State's HVAC/Refrigeration Department among his first stops during the event.

"I'm interested in a few programs across campus and thought this was a great opportunity to learn more. I like solving problems, and I know there are components like that to HVAC," said Smith, who was joined by his parents, Paul and Jennifer. "I've looked forward to this Open House since we noticed it online." Kira Watts, 20, is in the final stages of completing her GED through Wallace State's Adult Education Department. She made plans to earn more knowledge about the college's Salon and Spa Management program.

"This program has been on my mind for a few years. I love the opportunities it presents," Watts said. "I wasn't going to miss this."

After completing a Dual Enrollment Welcome Night, many of those students visited specific Applied Technologies programs afterward.

Through dual enrollment, high school students can enroll in Wallace State's Fast Track for Industry program, allowing them to complete their classes fully on the college campus.

Full tuition scholarships are available to students enrolled in Career Tech Dual Enrollment programs.

Wallace State's Applied Technologies Division also includes the following programs:

- Agricultural Production/ Horticulture
- Collision Repair
- Culinary Arts
- Diesel Technology
- Engineering Technology
- Machine Tool Technology
- Mechatronics, Electronics Technology and Robotics
- Small Farmer Training and
- Welding.
- Advanced Automotive Technology
- Aviation/Flight Technology

Most programs also have work-based learning opportunities available.

An additional Applied Technologies Open House is scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 17 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Interested individuals are invited to stop by the James C. Bailey Center lobby for campus maps, schedules and information and they will be directed toward the program(s) of their choice for a tour.

For more information, contact 256-352-8394, email Jamie.robertson@wallacestate.edu or visit www.wallacestate.edu.

Award (from Front)

Say you liked that sofa, but you did not like the fabric – it is very customizable. We have some customers that we design every detail of their homes," shared Cridder, "I think that Cullman has become kind of a shopping destination for lots of local cities because we have several furniture stores and several clothing boutiques, and I think we all just work well together.

"If we do not have something, we will send customers somewhere else. We really do all work as a team."

The other local business that brought home a Best of Bama title is Karma's Coffeehouse with its fourth win for the title of Best Coffeehouse.

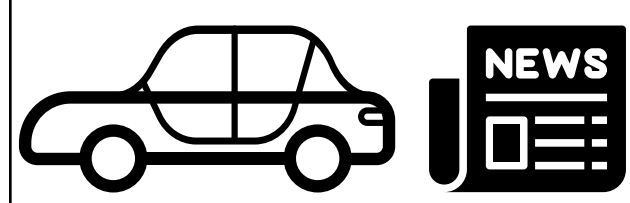
Alabama Magazine wrote, "–Karma's was built to be a place for the community. Specializing in espresso drinks crafted by baristas, they also offer chai, matcha, smoothies, chillers, a variety of teas and much more."

All Best of Bama winners are featured in the July edition of Alabama magazine. A PDF of all winners is available at https://www.alabama-magazine.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Best-of-Bama-721.pdf.



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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, July 23, 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: 435,069 (+ 2,257 since Wednesday)
- Probable cases in Alabama: 132,174 (+ 1,043 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama: 9,154 (+ 11 since Wednesday)
- Probable deaths in Alabama: 2,318
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,945 (+ 59 since Wednesday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,267 (+ 6 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 142
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 62
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 44,242
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co: 1,927
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 137
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,734,029
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 11,004
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 99,718
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 727

Vaccine details (updated Tues, Thurs)
- Doses Delivered to Alabama: 4,745,105
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 3,187,235
- Doses administered: 3,376,543
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 1,575,798
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 1,575,798
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 1,557,870

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

Variants of SARS-CoV-2
Variants of SARS-CoV-2 continue to circulate in Alabama and pose a significant threat of increased disease. Variants of concern reported, as of July 9, are Alpha (820 cases), Beta (2 cases), Gamma (31 cases) and Delta (56 cases). These variants are more transmissible, specifically the Alpha and the Delta, and some variants have less response to treatments such as monoclonal antibodies.

Percent positivity escalates
Alabama's current statewide percent positivity for COVID-19 has increased to its highest level since February 2021, at 7.7%. This is equal to the percent positivity recorded April 3, when vaccines had not been readily available.

Percent increase in COVID-19 cases
The number of COVID-19 cases reported in Alabama has risen 39% from June 26 - July 9. 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.

COVID-19 hospitalizations increase
As of July 14, 341 persons were reported hospitalized as a result of COVID-19 disease. On July 3, 179 persons were hospitalized due to COVID-19. Increases in numbers of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations due to COVID-19 are the result of low vaccine rates and unvaccinated persons not following preventive measures for themselves such as wearing masks, good hand hygiene and social distancing. So long as Alabama has such low rates of vaccination, cases will continue to rise, posing risk of illness and death from COVID-19, as well as threatening the ability of our health care system to treat all Alabamians.

Make vaccination a priority
This July 14, 4,124 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 vaccine shields vulnerable people and saves lives.

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For more information, please visit alabamapublichealth.gov/imm

LEGALS

Notice of Self Storage Sale

Please take notice IN-N-OUT Self Storage located at 106 13th St., Cullman, AL 35055 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the facility by the below occupant who is in default at an auction. The sale will occur or otherwise disposed as an online auction via www.storageauctions.com on 8/3/2021 at 10:00am. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings.

Mary McElhone, unit #368, 3040 County Road 1246, Vinemont, Alabama 35179.

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

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
Attorney for Petitioner
1939 Main Avenue, SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the foregoing notice once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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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

Jeremy P. Summers
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1275 Center Point Parkway
Birmingham, Alabama 35215

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported July 23

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 23, 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 22

- first-degree theft of property; person; cash
- third-degree theft of property; person; Saundra Ln. NE; miscellaneous; $900

ARRESTS

July 22

Collier, Christopher D.; 38

- fourth-degree theft of property

Everly, Nicholette E.; 32

- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- resisting arrest

McDuffee, Michael J.; 40

- third-degree theft of property

Nunnelley, Justin G.; 34

- FTA- DUI
- FTA- improper lane usage
- FTA- insurance violation (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- expired tag

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 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 SW. 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.
- 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 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.

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

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 Oct. 2 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 home-school 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.
- October 2nd - 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

- 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.
- Aug. 16 - 6 p.m., Learn to Sew Christmas in August: Get an early start on Christmas decorating and join us for felt ornament making for the tree using sequins and decorative thread.
- 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.

Country Legends Rediscovered Exhibition

- Evelyn Burrow Museum at Wallace State Community College.
- Through Aug. 31. Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- 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 County Road 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.

Grace Episcopal Church VBS

July 25-28 - Join us for this year's VBS fun titled "The Fishy Messenger" from 5-7 p.m., Sunday, July 25 - Wednesday, July 28. Your child or grandchild who will be in K - 6th grade next year will love learning about the story of Jonah and The Whale and what this exciting Bible story teaches us! Of course, there are no costs. To sign your child up leave a message at the church office 256-734-6212 or email Paige Gardner at pbgardner18@gmail.com. Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE, Cullman.

UNITE Summer Encounter at Church at the Well

July 30-31 - This weekend is dedicated to students encountering the power and presence of God. There will be powerful worship and dynamic speakers that will take us further into all that God has! Services are nightly at 7 p.m. with pre-service games starting at 6:30 p.m. at Church at the Well (708 Ninth St SE, Cullman, AL 35055). Saturday morning service is at 10:30 a.m. followed by Orphan Run 4 Hope!! We hope to see you there! Get ready to ENCOUNTER!

Orphan Run 4 Hope

July 31 – Starting at 12:30 p.m. at Heritage Park. Orphan Run for Hope Project helps ordinary people do extraordinary things by participating in a 5K to benefit orphan children around the world. OR4H exists to be a bridge between churches and passion-driven people to orphans and orphanages that truly need our help! Join us for this year's OR4H and let's make a difference!

White City Junior High Reunion

July 31 – The annual White City Jr. High Reunion will be held July 31. It will be at the Johnson Crossing Fire Dept building at 1542 County Road 617 Hanceville, AL (old school location) and is for anyone who ever attended White City School. It will start at 9 a.m. We will furnish paper products, ice, water and tea. Bring your favorite food and all your memories!! Call Ronnie McElroy Crocker at 256-347-6976 for more info or visit our Facebook page.

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 p.m. - 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.

United Way of Cullman Designer Bag Bingo Fundraiser

Aug. 3 – United Way of Cullman County's Women United will host their 2nd annual Designer Bag Bingo fundraising event Tuesday, Aug. 3, at The Loft 212 (212 Fourth St. SW Cullman, AL 35055). Doors open at 5 p.m. and bingo starts at 6 p.m. Tickets are $35 each or $350 for a table of eight. Each ticket includes light refreshments and 15 games. Donate a gently used purse filled with personal care items for a chance to win a door prize. For more information and/or to RSVP, call 256-739-2948 or send an email at dmcdonald@uwaycc.org. To purchase tickets, visit https://www.uwaycc.org/.

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.

WSCC Applied Technologies Open House

Aug. 17 – Wallace State Community College Dept. of Applied Technologies will host an Open House Tuesday, July 20 from 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Department tours and refreshments will be provided. Stop by the Bailey Center Lobby for campus maps, schedules and information. Call 256-352-8000 for more information.

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Preparations (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The City of Hanceville grew a bit as a result of Thursday night's city council meeting. The council voted to accept 19.52 acres donated by Lillie Tucker and in a separate ordinance annexed the approximately 17-acre Ward property off of Highway 91.

The 19.52 acres south of the Hanceville fire station was donated to the city by Lillie Tucker. The council passed an ordinance establishing the Larry and Lillie Tucker Arboretum.

The Ward Property, located at 24471 AL Highway 91 in Hanceville, will house DB Technologies, an advanced engineering and manufacturing business.

The building on the property currently is undergoing renovations. The Hanceville Planning Commission will meet next week to begin the process of zoning the annexed property.

The council approved the request for a special event license based on the recommendation of the Alcohol Planning Committee to allow alcohol sales at the Hanceville Music Fest scheduled for Sept. 18 featuring Confederate Railroad. The event will be held at Hanceville's Veterans Memorial Park.

This will be the second concert event to include the sale of beer and alcohol in the City of Hanceville. Mayor Kenneth Nail said before the unanimous approval, "This is not the first time we have done this. We had a great event the year before last before COVID hit. No problems and we had a great police presence there. Everybody behaved and we didn't have any problems."

The council also approved a finance option to pay for the new fire pumper expected to arrive in late September. The City opted for an eight-year lease with monthly payments of $5,700 a month. Once the eight years of monthly payments are completed, the City will have full ownership.

In other business:
The council discussed different ways the city could try to limit the noise and music from events at the Hanceville Civic Center. During the public comment portion, a citizen voiced her concerns regarding the noise levels experienced by the residents. Installing a second set of double doors at the entrance, installing foam to the walls around the stage area and sealing areas around the A/C units are a few remedies they considered.

The City of Hanceville will welcome the Kingsmen and Gold City in concert at the Hanceville Civic Center July 30. The concert will begin at 5 p.m. and pre-sale tickets can be purchased at City Hall for $10. The day of the concert, tickets can be purchased at the door for $15. Tickets are also available at https://www.eventbrite.com.

The next Hanceville City Council meeting will be Aug. 12 at 5:30 p.m. inside City Hall.

Forward (from Front)

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When in the process of moving forward in life, do you ever find yourself gravitating toward what you ran from in the first place? Maybe not the exact circumstances or person, but the recognition of patterns you were trying to break reemerging?

Maybe you left a job due to mistreatment by your employer or other negative experiences, and suddenly you are seeing yourself surrounded by the same issues at your new place of employment.

It could be a relationship that ended and, while the problems were initially solved by the separation, you start to notice the same gut feelings with someone new.

These mirroring instances throughout life do not always happen immediately. I myself occasionally notice that I gravitate toward an empty space in the room. Abandonment is funny like that.

When you grow up expecting revolving doors, you cannot help but to look for them and pray you know how to resist the temptation.

You could experience something as a child and not notice the feelings of déjà vu until decades later.

The way someone exits a room and suddenly, you are terrified that they might not come back.

Realistically, you know that they will, that people do not actually cease to exist when they leave your line of vision, but it can be hard to remember that in the moment.

Just as it is all too easy to become the "I will never leave you," after being left time and time again.

Maybe you entered life being thrown the responsibility of managing the emotions and ease of those around you, catering to their comfort or beliefs to make life more bearable.

When you are presented with the idea that people will leave early on, you will learn to do anything to keep the ones who stayed around.

As children, our jobs are simply to "be" children. When we are young, we rely on our parents or guardians to take care of us.

Food, clothing and warmth are at one end of the spectrum as our most basic needs.

In order to survive, we must have these met, but we require so much more to thrive.

When you are young, your mind is soft, and it is the responsibility of those around you to instill the qualities that can guide you to finding the best possible version of yourself as an adult.

Teach your children blind obedience, and they will never know how to stand up for themselves or implement boundaries.

Teach them their words do not matter, and they will lose their voice entirely.

Leave them, and they will waste so much time looking for clues to prove everyone else will too.

The truth is, we all deserved to be dealt different hands than what we got, but maybe the growth comes once we make peace with what we were given.

We change and our motives shift from constantly serving those around us to understanding that it was actually never wrong to be selfish sometimes.

We choose the paths we do because we have all had a sense of 'being here before', and it's difficult to break a cycle until you acknowledge its presence.

Your responsibility does not lie with the emotions and comfort of those around you. You are responsible for doing what is best for you.

Do not allow that to be dismissed by the reminder that you should care for others. You care for others best when you are the best version of yourself.

Never forget to offer yourself grace for how far you have come and where you are going. I am so proud of you.











SEC Media Days: Bryan Harsin 'proud to be at Auburn'

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

HOOVER, Ala. – Making his debut at SEC Media Days, Auburn head coach Bryan Harsin's last words to reporters sounded like his first words to his football team.

"We're here for you," Harsin said, describing the culture he's instilling on the Plains. "The expectations for you are simple: your personal best. Show up, care and repeat. Every single day.

"You're going to do it to the very best of your ability every single day. That's the standard. How do we do that? Discipline. What is discipline? Self-regulation.

"You've got to be able to get up and do things over and over and over to build those habits to be successful. Understand that you want to be great. Here's what it takes.

"What comes with discipline? Toughness. In this game, you'd better be tough physically and mentally. You'd better be able to perform at your very best when the circumstances are against you.

"I don't want you to survive. I want you to thrive in situations where things get really difficult and tough for you.

"The last one is conviction. I want you to believe in yourself. When you wake up, I want you believing in yourself, and I want you believing in what we're doing.

"That's who we are, that's who we'll always be, and those are the things we strive for daily."

In his closing remarks, Harsin also addressed Auburn fans.

"When we go out there and play on Sept. 4, I want our fans and everybody that watches and tunes into our game to see a disciplined team, a tough team, and a team that believes they can win every time they step on the field and every single practice.

"You want to be one of those teams that every single year you're in the hunt for an opportunity to win a national championship. That's been my message with our guys.

"I've won Sunday through Friday, so what am I going to do on Saturday? I'm going to win. That's what everybody wants."

Harsin invited quarterback Bo Nix and linebacker Owen Pappoe to accompany him to SEC Media Days to represent their teammates.

"Those two players have done a great job since I've been here," Harsin said. "They've been leading and doing a tremendous job this summer. Both guys are hard workers, and they deserve the opportunity to be here to represent their team."

Asked about the pressure that comes with coaching in the SEC West, Harsin said that's one of the things that attracted him to Auburn from Boise State.

"As a coach and as a competitor, everything I do, I want to win," he said. "I've always tried to prepare and find ways to win, and every little thing has mattered to me.

"This is why you come to Auburn. This is why you want to be in the SEC. You want to play against the best. You've got the best talent, not just in football but in any sport in the SEC. The best athletes in the world come to the SEC. You've got the best coaches in the SEC.

"If you want to be a part of that, understand what you're getting into and the level that all those coaches take each and every day with every one of those players. Do I understand that? Yes. Do you work every single day to be in that elite group? Yes.

"There have been other opportunities, but not like this. The chance to be in the SEC and to play against the very best, and when you do it at a high level, you have the chance to be the very best as well.

"As a competitor, that was a big draw for me. I'm proud to be at Auburn."



TODD VAN EMST/AU ATHLETICS

Auburn coach Bryan Harsin on the main stage at SEC Media Days Thursday.

Alabama lands league-high 16 players on Preseason All-SEC Teams

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

HOOVER, Ala. – The University of Alabama football team was represented by a league-high 16 student-athletes on the Preseason All-SEC Teams, the league office announced on Friday morning. In addition, the Crimson Tide was selected to finish atop the SEC West and repeat as league champions, according to media members in attendance at SEC Media Days this past week.

Alabama's eight first-team selections include a league-high six on defense to go with two on offense.

The Crimson Tide added two second-teamers on both offense and defense to go with one specialist spot. UA's third-team group is made up of two defenders and one offensive player.

FIRST TEAM

Offense
- WR – John Metchie III
- OL – Evan Neal

Defense
- DL – Phidarian Mathis
- LB – Will Anderson Jr., Christian Harris, Henry To'oTo'o
- DB – Josh Jobe, Malachi Moore

SECOND TEAM

Offense
- TE – Jahleel Billingsley
- OL – Emil Ekiyor Jr.

Defense
- DL – LaBryan Ray
- DB – Jordan Battle

Special Teams
- PK – Will Reichard

THIRD TEAM

Offense
- RB – Brian Robinson Jr.

Defense
- DL – DJ Dale
- LB – Christopher Allen

Alabama was also picked to win the SEC Western Division with 130 first-place votes and 932 points, ranking ahead of Texas A&M with the Aggies predicted to finish second in the division at 760 points.

Alabama also received the most votes to finish as SEC Champions once again, with the Tide totaling 84 points compared to Georgia's 45.

The Crimson Tide enters the 2021 campaign having won a league-leading 28 SEC Championships in program history, including five of the last seven conference titles.

Alabama is scheduled to open the 2021 season against Miami on Sept. 4 at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, Georgia.

The neutral-site pairing is set for a 2:30 p.m. kickoff with the game airing on ABC.

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram.

General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.

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Obituary Announcements: July 23

Tommy Garfield Cofer, 83, of Cullman
Mr. Tommy Garfield Cofer, 83, of Cullman passed from this life Thursday, July 22, at his residence. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Cofer family. Mr. Cofer was born Nov. 10, 1937, to James Edward and Mary Ellen Wyatt Cofer. He is survived by his son: Dewayne Garfield Cofer; nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Horace "Bud" Calvin Oden ,73, of Falkville
Funeral Service for Horace "Bud" Calvin Oden , age 73, of Falkville, will be at noon Friday, July 30, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with interment in Dorsey Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - noon prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Oden passed away on Thursday, July 22, at his residence. He was born April 6, 1948, in Birmingham, Alabama to Horace E. and Virginia Mae Gunter. He was preceded in death by his father; son: Charles Keith Oden; stepfather: Thomas Gunter; brother: Tommy Gunter and sisters: Pat Oden and Sheri Anderson. Survivors include his daughter: Anna Oden; son: Matthew Oden; four grandchildren; mother: Virginia Mae Gunter; sisters: Donna (Porter) Bryant, Charlotte (Marlin) Bailey, Mary (Galin) McClendon, Sandy Oden, Diane (Perry) Lloyd and Penny McDonald; brothers: Jimmy Long, Mike Gunter, George Gunter and Mike Oden and a host of nieces, nephews and extended family.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

My best birthday present ever

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I've had a few. They don't seem to be such a big deal anymore. Birthdays...I'm talking about birthdays, not presents. About the only thing I have to look forward to with the coming of this birthday is that I will be old enough to begin drawing on all those Social-Security deposits. I remember years ago, wondering if there would be anything left to draw by the time I got there. I may not live long enough to get it all back, but it looks like I will give it a shot.

When I was a kid, I was always excited about having another birthday, but my family didn't make a really big deal out of them.

I always got something, usually one present, and Mama always made me a homemade cake. The present may have been a toy truck or a model car later on. The cake was usually chocolate with fudge icing. I always licked the mixer beaters and cleaned out the bowl with a spoon.

I still do when opportunity presents itself! Years later, when I served as pastor in Rainbow City, my administrative assistant, Ms. Jo, always baked me a Coca-Cola cake. I didn't tell Mama, but Ms. Jo's was every bit as good as Mama's, only I didn't get to lick the beaters or clean the bowl. A couple of years ago, I was speaking at a church in the Rainbow City area and my dear friend, Ms. Jo, not only came to hear me, she brought me a Coca-Cola cake...and it wasn't even my birthday!

The best birthday present I have ever received came in 2009. That gift didn't actually come on my birthday, which is the 28th, but two days later, on July 30th. That gift was a beautiful, blue eyed, baby boy. William Andrew is his full name, but we call him Drew. If you are a regular reader of my column, then you know who Drew is. He is my and Jean's only grandchild. He will be 12 next week, and I will be five-and-one-half times that!

When I first heard he was coming, and that his ETA was around the last week in July, I hoped, and even prayed, that he would be born on my birthday. His mother disagreed, saying everybody needs their own day. I accused her of holding out for a couple of days before he was born.

Being a grandfather, and having a grandson like Drew, is more of a blessing and joy than I could have ever imagined, but what a week that was back in 2009. We had moved to Opelika two years before Drew was born, but because of the housing-market crash, it took us two years to sell our house back in Southaven. Finally, we managed to "give it away," and closed on a house in Opelika just before

Drew's grand arrival. He was born on a Thursday. Drew and his mother came home from the hospital the following Saturday, which happened to be the same day we moved into our new house. It was like a 3-ring circus around there when the mother and new-born baby stopped by for everybody to ooh and aah over the cutest newborn we had ever seen. We couldn't celebrate long that day, because there was too much work to be done, but we've had 3-day celebrations (28th-30th) every year since. Even though he overshot the runway by two days (thanks Ashley), I still have to say that getting my one-and-only grandson is the greatest birthday present I've ever had! Happy birthday Drew! I love you buddy!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1951

From the Files of 1951

Teen chatter

Out Friday night were Leona Giles and Donald Patrick, Edigna Edwards and Bob Ward, Martha Pierce and Raymond Tucker, Jackie Culver and Kenneth Milligan, Wanda Baker and Jimmy Wood, Dottie Schlosser and Robert Bowling, Ellen Faye Shaw and Kitty Owen, Edna Perkins and Jack Hudson, Mary Ann Hasenbein and Troy Bradford, Delane Duke and Joe Gamble, Nancy Moore and Kennon Wood and Martha Jo Smith and Harold Freeman.

Hither and yon on Saturday night wee Doris Schafer and Ed Henke, Rita Luyben and Robert Buettner, Barbara Wood and Charlie Thompson, Nell Ann Durham and Darrell Jordan, Justin Bridges and Asa Blalock, Ann Harbin and Bill Handley, Nancy Price and Donald Patrick, Jean Ann Owen and Jimmy Chaney, Edigna Edwards and Bobby White, Jane Ann Thompson and Shorty Hodge, Betty Jo Johnson and Charlie Eidson, Marie McClendon and Bill Bowling, Wanda Baker and Ted Warnke, Doris Burnham and Joe Wolfe, Patsy Headricks and Donnie Blair, Yvonne Ragland and Sonny Thomas, Kaye Lee and Wally Green, Ava Dean Nailer and Bill Brooks, Helen Waters and Tommy Roden, Polly Aldridge and Loyd Compton, Eleanor Thomas and Garry Brown, Mart Willingham and Bill Lovelace, Jeanell Tucker and Shorty Nix, Milo Tucker and Vincent Viper, Mary Hasenbein and John Smith, Barbara Mann and Wayne Brown, Jo Ann Giles and Paul Driver, Peggy Perry and Dwight Henslee, Betty Mann and Frank Bennett, Gail Brown and Jon Suggs and Jerlene Harris and Horace Phillips.

Lystra news

Reverend A.F. Holden was re-elected pastor at Lystra Baptist Church for another year.

Mrs. Ruby Moses and Hershel visited Mr. and Mrs. Basil Moses and Ylenda, of Birmingham, last week.

Those who have enjoyed the picnic at the home of Bettye Guess on Sunday were Zollie Talley, Junior and Jimmy Brown, Kelvin and Kelton Moses, Bertis and Milton Guess, Leon and Nadine Farley, Lura Vee and Nellie Fay Moses, Louise and Carol Faye Stapler and Mary Ellen Talley.

Mrs. J.P. Johns, Ralph, Reba and Radford from Tennessee visited her mother, Mrs. Ruby Moses, last week.

POET'S CORNER

Psalm 32 — King James Version

Blessed is he whose transgression
is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Blessed is the man unto whom the
Lord imputeth not iniquity, and
in whose spirit there is no guile.

When I kept silence, my
bones waxed old through my
roaring all the day long.

For day and night thy hand was
heavy upon me: my moisture is
turned into the drought of summer.

I acknowledge my sin unto
thee, and mine iniquity have I
not hid. I said, I will confess my
transgressions unto the Lord; and
thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.

For this shall every one that is
godly pray unto thee in a time
when thou mayest be found: surely
in the floods of great waters they
shall not come nigh unto him.

Thou art my hiding place; thou
shalt preserve me from trouble;
thou shalt compass me about
with songs of deliverance.

I will instruct thee and teach thee
in the way which thou shalt go: I
will guide thee with mine eye.

Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule,
which have no understanding: whose
mouth must be held in with bit and
bridle, lest they come near unto thee.

Many sorrows shall be to the wicked:
but he that trusteth in the Lord,
mercy shall compass him about.

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice,
ye righteous: and shout for joy,
all ye that are upright in heart.

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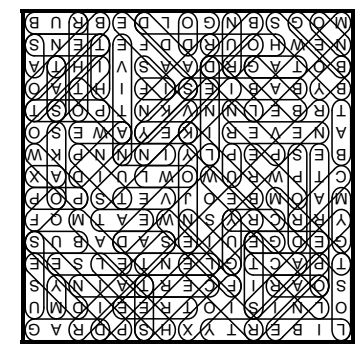
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365 AMERICAN JOY-GIVERS for 2021—The Funny Papers Birthday Party

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We'll see ya in the funny papers collection of the National Museum of American History for our next fun, birthday party. Located on Constitution Avenue between 12th and 14th streets, this popular D.C. tourist experience is home to more than 1.8 million treasured, American objects, from Abe Lincoln's stovepipe hat to Julia Child's stove.

The museum's Graphic Arts Collection holds some 900 original and reproduced comic art drawings representing over 375 artists and some 400 titles including: "Peanuts," "Dick Tracy," "Wonder Woman," Jim Davis' "Garfield" and the camera-ready comic art drawing for "Bugs Bunny."

JOIN US...

You feel the joyful, child-like glee as we're greeted by 8' tall "Garfield" and "Bugs Bunny" characters and a room wrapped in supersized, full-color pages from decades of Sunday funny papers. 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:

July 24—JENNIFER LOPEZ (aka "J Lo") is a triple-threat, stadium-rousing singer/actress/dancer. She is a pop culture icon and the most influential Latin entertainer in North America. J Lo first garnered fame as a dancer on the television variety show, "In Living Color." She has a landmark star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and a Billboard Magazine Icon Award.

July 25—MAXFIELD PARRISH was a wildly successful illustrator and painter in the first half of the 20th century. He is known for his joy-filled, saturated colors and idealized neo-classical imagery. He made his living from posters and calendars featuring his work. The even more famous illustrator, Norman Rockwell, referred to Parrish as his "idol." Maxfield Parrish's painting, "Daybreak" (circa 1922) is the most popular American art print of the 20th century. He was also an avid machinist and referred to himself as a "mechanic who loves to paint." My favorite way to enjoy the art of Maxfield Parrish is in the King Cole Bar at the St. Regis Hotel (NYC) surrounded by his murals and sipping on a King Cole cocktail.

July 26—GRACIE ALLEN was a vaudevillian and comedian who was internationally adored as the zany partner and comic foil of husband George Burns, her "straight man," appearing on radio, television and films as "Burns and Allen." Her star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame is at 6672 Hollywood Boulevard. Burns and Allen were inducted in the Television Hall of Fame in 1994.

July 27—BUGS BUNNY was born July 27, 1940, in Brooklyn, New York under Dodgers stadium. Or so says his back story created by the Warner Brothers animation team of: Tex Avery, Robert McKinson and others. At a very young age, Bugs learned to dance and started a barbershop quartet. Years late,r after starring in film and television cartoons, he became the president of Mexico for a week, temporary became Batman, a rancher and numerous other colorful adventurers.

July 28—JIM DAVIS is a cartoonist best known as the creator of America's favorite ginger cat, "Garfield," one of the world's most widely syndicated comic strips. "Garfield" gives joy to more than 300 million readers every day. David founded the Professor Garfield Foundation to support children's literacy.

July 29—KEN BURNS is a filmmaker known for his style of using archival footage and photographs in documentary films. His award-winning Americana films include: "The Civil War," "Baseball," "Jazz," "The War," "The National Parks: America's Best Idea," "Prohibition," "The Roosevelts," "The Vietnam War" and "Country Music." He has won two Grammy Awards and 15 Emmy Awards.

July 30—LISA KUDROW, who is best known for playing the dizzy blonde Phoebe Buffay on the television sitcom, "Friends," has a degree in biology from Vasser. She began her comedic career as a member of "The Groundlings," an improv and sketch comedy troupe in Los Angeles. Kudrow worked on the staff of her physician father while pursuing comedy jobs and she earned a research credit on his study on the comparative likelihood of left-handed individuals developing "cluster headaches."

COMMENTS OVERHEARD AT "THE FUNNY PAPERS BIRTHDAY PARTY:"

"Life is too short to live the same day twice."—Jennifer Lopez

"There seem to be magic days once in a while, with some rare quality of light that hold a body spellbound."—Maxfield Parrish

"Try to understand me. Nothing is impossible."—Gracie Allen

"Do you happen to know what the penalty is for shooting and fricasseeing rabbit without a fricassee-ing rabbit license?"—Bugs Bunny

"Diet is "die" with a 't'."—Garfield

"It is the great arrogance of the present to forget the intelligence of the past."—Ken Burns

"You can't pursue something and be committed to it if you're apologizing for it every party."—Lisa Kudrow

"You've gotta do things that make you happy."—Jennifer Lopez

"The hard part is how to plan a picture so as to give to others what has happened to you. To render in paint an experience, to suggest the sense of light and color, of air and space."—Maxfield Parrish

"A friend asked her doctor if a woman should have children after 35. I said, "35 children is enough for any woman."—Gracie Allen

"And remember, 'mud' spelled backwards is 'dum.'"—Bugs Bunny

"I'm not overweight, I'm under-tall."—Garfield

"Do not lose your enthusiasm. In its Greek etymology, the word enthusiasm means 'God in us.'"—Ken Burns

"I just listened to that inner voice. It's always a good move to listen to that inner voice...if it doesn't lead to a crime."—Lisa Kudrow

"No matter where I go, I know where I came from."—Jennifer Lopez

"Thank you for letting me use colors as rich and deep as you please...Now that I have done it, I don't think I'll ever go back."—Maxfield Parrish

"My husband will never chase another woman. He's too fine, too decent and too old."—Gracie Allen

"I know this defies the laws of gravity, but I never studied law."—Bugs Bunny

"With due respect to Will Rogers, I never met a lasagna I didn't like."—Garfield

"I'm an artist. I've chosen to work in history the way someone might choose to work in still lifes or landscapes."—Ken Burns

"I'm the youngest in my family and everyone is very funny, and I was always trying to keep up with them. I just loved making people laugh."—Lisa Kudrow

"You have to take care of yourself, your body, your mind, take care of your soul—be your own keeper."—Jennifer Lopez

"Current appreciation of my work is a bit highbrow; I've always considered myself a popular artist."—Maxfield Parrish

"I often put boiling water in the freezer. Then whenever I need boiling water, I simply defrost it."—Gracie Allen

"Don't think it hasn't been a little slice of heaven...'cause it hasn't!"—Bugs Bunny

"Shirley MacLaine said, 'You're so funny.' Then, she gave me a hug. Everything went white. I couldn't hear, I couldn't see. I thought I was going to pass out."—Lisa Kudrow

"Always remember, you will live, you will love, you will dance again."—Jennifer Lopez

"Hey, just a cotton-pickin' minute. Well shut my mouth and call me 'cornpone,' if it ain't the 'lil ole South."—Bugs Bunny

"I'll accept being Phoebe to people for a while longer, given how much fun it was. That's totally fair."—Lisa Kudrow

"My classic recipe for roast beef: 1 large beef roast and 1 small beef roast. Put both in the oven. When the little one burns, the big one is done."—Gracie Allen



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PARTY MENU FOR "THE FUNNY PAPERS BIRTHDAY PARTY:"

APPETIZER—Ken Burns Baseball Park Pretzel Bites (kingarthurbaking.com)

SALAD—Bugs Bunny Carrot Salad (allrecipes.com)

ENTRÉE—Gracie Allen Big Little Balsamic Roast Beef (addapinch.com)

SIDE DISH—Jennifer Lopez Eggplant Chorizo Bake (elmejornido.com)

BREAD—Jim Davis "Garfield" Savory GINGERbread (sweetandsavorymeals.com)

BEVERAGE—Maxfield Parrish King Cole Cocktails (see below)

DESSERT—Lisa Kudrow Coffee Bar Blondies (allrecipes.com)

ONE TO GROW ON—All of Ken Burns' major documentaries are available to stream at https://kenburns.com/. When you check out the website, look for info on The Better Angels Society. This nonprofit group created by Ken Burns and his team is dedicated to the preservation of American history.

As we scan the walls for Alley Oop, Andy Capp, The Archies, Beetle Bailey, Betty Boop, Blondie, Brenda Starr, Buck Rogers, Cathy, Little Orphan Annie, The Family Circle, Dennis the Menace, The Far Side and all the rest of our funny paper favorites, we leave the last words of the evening to these two characters: Garfield who says, "Love me, feed me, never leave me." And, that all-time American joy-giver, Bugs Bunny, who quits chomping on a carrot long enough to say, "Eh, what's up doc?"

MAXFIELD PARRISH KING COLE COCKTAILS
(source: diffordsguide.com)

INGREDIENTS
- 2 oz bourbon
- 1/4 oz Fernet liqueur
- 1/2 oz sugar syrup (2 sugars to 1 water)
- 1/2 oz chilled water

INSTRUCTIONS
Stir all ingredients with ice and strain into a chilled glass. Traditionally served in a martini glass and garnished with an orange and a pineapple slice.

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