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EDUCATION

West Point High Scholar's Bowl Team headed to National Championship in Chicago

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WEST POINT, Ala. — The West Point High School Scholars Bowl team recently finished third of 12 at a tournament in Glasgow, Kentucky. Glasglow's annual event invites teams estimated to be the top 10-12 "Small Schools" in the nation. West Point's team has been invited every year, but this year was their highest finish.

The team will be going to the Small School National Championship » PAGE 7



COACH LEE HENRY

The team that competed in Kentucky, left to right: Judd Douglas, Abigail Roy, Sophie Henry, Carter Duke, John Davis Yovino, Brodie Henry

– LOCAL GOVERNMENT –

Colony Councilwoman Ethel Alexander announces bid for mayor's seat



ETHEL ALEXANDER

Councilwoman Ethel Alexander at Colony Town Hall

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COLONY, Ala. — Two-term Colony Councilwoman and recent Mayor Pro Tem Ethel Alexander on Monday announced her candidacy for the mayor's seat in the southwest Cullman County town, challenging incumbent Mayor Curtis Johnson. Alexander made her decision after Johnson and others on the current coun- » PAGE 5

CRIME

Boaz man arrested in Cullman for sexual abuse



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Multiple arrests made across Cullman County this week for CCSO

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 4

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 4, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 31

- domestic violence; CR 747
- illegal possession of prescription drugs; attempt to elude police officer; using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution; Hwy. 31
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1114
- domestic violence Ege Dr.
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 626
- domestic violence; CR 1678
- trespassing; Harbison Dr.
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1714
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 437
- domestic violence; CR 623

Feb. 1

- assault; CR 1401
- domestic violence; CR 35
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 1367
- domestic violence; CR 572
- theft of property; CR 1223
- theft of property; CR 375
- theft of property; CR 1718
- domestic violence; CR 542
- harassment; CR 40

Feb. 2

- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 463
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 437
- domestic violence; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 1435
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 1695
- harassment; CR 1122
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1589
- domestic violence; CR 437

ARRESTS

Jan. 31 – Feb. 2

Baker, Tyler W.; 29

- family offense- first-degree financial exploitation of the elderly
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous

Bledsoe, Jill S.; 55

- probation violation- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)

Martinez, Nicole L.; 39

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

McCain, Carl A.; 25

- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution
- attempting to elude police officer

Paul, Michael J.; 43

- DUI (alcohol)

Tucker, Jenna A.; 29

- possession of methamphetamine

Clingan, Ronald; 52

- Grand Jury- sex offense-failure of adult sex offender to register with local law enforcement

Durham, David J.; 45

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- -possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Guthery, Brandon D.; 27

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hall, Marty R.; 48

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hook, Samuel J.; 32

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- Grand Jury-fraud-impersonating a peace officer
- Grand Jury- promote prison contraband (weapon)

Kanute, Jerrell W.; 52

- motion to revoke bond-sex offense-failure to register as sex offender
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Lindsey, Genesis M.; 42

- FTA- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft)
- FTA- stolen vehicles-auto theft

McDuffie, Joey L.; 37

- FTA- burglary-residence-force
- resisting arrest

Moreno, Dekota B.; 21

- motion to revoke bond-larceny/theft-miscellaneous
- FTA- sex offense-sexual abuse of a child less than 12 years old

Oneil, Kevin R.; 37

- assault-harassment

Overton, Shayla D.; 26

- FTA- driving while license suspended

Screws, Sean D.; 24

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Tanner, Rebecca L.; 53

- possession of methamphetamine

Thomas, Ricky W.; 60

- possession of methamphetamine

Waldrop, Tony L.; 62

- motion to revoke bond-drug trafficking
- possession of methamphetamine

White, Kellsy B.; 26

- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Williams, Walter A.; 34

- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- public intoxication

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Jan. 28

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Woodland St. NW
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Lakehill St. NW; miscellaneous; $100
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; tag; $76

Jan. 30

- counterfeit $20; State of Alabama; 2nd Ave. SW

Feb. 2

- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $285
- harassment; person; Cullman Shopping Center NW
- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $236
- third-degree burglary; City of Cullman; CR 1650; wire; $2,500
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $231
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Clearwater Dr. NE
- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; clothing; $20

Feb. 3

- third-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; scanning device; $678
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $142
- leaving scene of accident; person; 2nd Ave. NW; damage to '10 Mazda; $500

ARRESTS

Feb. 2

Watts, Jesse W.; 37

- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Adams, Martin D.; 51

- third-degree criminal trespass

Hornbuckle, Kyle T.; 31

- fourth-degree theft of property

McClendon, Zachary A.; 32

- third-degree forgery
- third-degree possession of forged instrument
- third-degree theft of services
- identity theft

Clowers, Brianna H.; 29

- fourth-degree theft of property
- attempt to elude
- resisting arrest

Rogers, Wendy S.; 44

- fourth-degree theft of property

Cadle, Tracy L.; 55

- fourth-degree theft of property
- third-degree criminal trespass

Feb. 3

Durham, David J.; 45

- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Mann, Jacob C.; 26

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- expired tag

Wilson, Terrell D.; 22

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Brown, James, R.; 39

- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- improper lane usage
- FTA- driving on wrong side of road
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- driving without driver's license

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, Feb. 4, 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.

*The dashboard has been redesigned to help people better understand the current transmission levels in their communities and the impact of COVID-19 in Alabama. The moving 7-day sum is updated daily instead of weekly--instead of a 3, 7 and 14-day average, the dashboard will provide a 7-day moving sum for cases. The 2020 and 2021 breakdowns of cases and deaths will be provided - not just a total sum over both years.

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday)

- Positivity in tests in Alabama: 30.1%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,432
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 534,098
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 318,966 (+22,068 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,496
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 688 (+152 since Wednesday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 26.5%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,562
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,735
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 6,276 (-128 since Wednesday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 14 (+5 since Wednesday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,727
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 458
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 74,325
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 22,349
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,540

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,422,495 No updates available
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,502,625 No updates available
- Doses administered: 5,755,355
- Additional doses administered: 724,161
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,820,325
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,289,562
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,919,870 No updates available

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.

CULLMAN REGIONAL COVID-19 UPDATE, FEB. 2

On Feb. 2, Cullman Regional Medical Center released the following COVID update:

Cullman County is in the High-Risk category for overall level of community transmission.

Cullman Regional Current Situation

- 80 COVID positive patients, four of whom are on a ventilator
- Continue to be vigilant in mask wearing and social distancing. Everyone should continue to follow precautions to prevent the spread of infection – wash hands, socially distance and wear a mask when you cannot socially distance.

COVID vaccine clinics

Vaccines for ages 12 and up

Cullman Regional's COVID vaccine clinic is located on the hospital's Mobile Unit in the parking area of Professional Office Building 3 on the east side of campus. This location is most easily accessed through the hospital's main entrance at the traffic light off Highway 157.

- Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. No Wednesday or Thursday appointments are available. When you arrive, please pull up to the mobile unit and a staff member will give you further instructions.

- Vaccines are by appointment only. To schedule a vaccine appointment visit: https://cullmanregional.com/cullman-regional-vaccination-clinics/?swcfpc=1.

- If no appointments are available, please check back the following day as we post additional appointment openings regularly.

Vaccines for ages 5-11

If you would like to schedule a COVID-19 vaccination for your child, you may schedule an appointment at Cullman Regional Medical Group – North by calling 256-735-5075. Online appointments are not accepted for children's vaccines. Appointments are available only on Fridays from 8 a.m. - noon. All children must have a parent or legal guardian with them to receive their vaccination.

Additional community locations providing vaccines

Pfizer

- CVS – Hanceville
- CVS – South Cullman
- Walgreens – North Cullman
- Walgreens – South Cullman

Moderna

- Borden Family Pharmacy
- CVS – North Cullman
- Heritage Pharmacy - Dodge City
- Heritage Pharmacy of Cullman
- McSwain's Pharmacy
- Medical Arts Apothecary
- Publix
- Specialty Pharmacy
- Village Discount
- Walmart – Highway 157
- Walmart South

Johnson & Johnson

- McSwain's Pharmacy
- Medical Arts Apothecary
- Specialty Pharmacy
- Village Discount

The best protection from serious illness due to COVID remains vaccination and a booster when applicable. COVID vaccines can be obtained at Cullman Regional as outlined in this document.

Visiting Cullman Regional:

As a reminder, Cullman Regional upholds visitation restrictions in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines.

These restrictions include:

- All visitors must check-in and complete a temperature check at the front desk
- Masks are required for employees and visitors regardless of vaccination status
- Only one visitor is allowed per adult (16 or older) patient in all hospital departments except the Emergency Department*. (Two visitors allowed per minor patient ages 15 or younger)
- COVID-19 positive patients will not be allowed to have visitors
- All visitors must be over the age of 16

Please remember that visitor hours are from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. daily. Visitors to the Cullman Regional Medical Group Clinics must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and only one visitor is allowed per patient or two visitors per minor under the age of 16.

***Emergency Department Restrictions**

- Due to the influx of COVID positive cases and out of an abundance of caution, no visitors are allowed in the Emergency Department. Limited exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis. In those limited exceptions, we will only allow (one) visitor/caregiver who will not be allowed to rotate with any other visitor during the patient's stay in the Emergency Department to limit unnecessary exposures. We appreciate your compliance with these regulations to keep our staff, patients and families safe.

Stay up to date on all of the information by following us on social media: Facebook, Instagram and Twitter or visit https://cullmanregional.com/coronavirus-2/ for more information.

Cullman Regional update courtesy Mary Beth Sellers

Arrests (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman County Sheriff's deputies made multiple arrests county wide concerning narcotics over the first week of February.

On Tuesday, Feb. 1, Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a trespassing call in the Vinemont area. After some investigation, Rebecca Lynn Tanner, 53, of Falkville, was located at the residence, and was found to be in possession of drugs.

She was arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine.

On Wednesday, Feb. 2, CCSO Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the Baileyton area for a traffic violation.

David Joshua Durham, 45, of Arab, was the driver.

It was determined that Durham had two active warrants and was arrested. Inside the vehicle, drugs and paraphernalia were also found. Durham was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of dangerous drugs (warrant) and possession of drug paraphernalia (warrant).

Also on Wednesday, Samuel Joseph Hook, 32, of Cullman was arrested on multiple warrants and grand jury indictments. He was charged with possession of dangerous drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, impersonating a police officer (GJ) and promoting prison contraband (GJ).

Cullman County Sheriff's Office Deputies conducted a traffic stop in the Holly Pond area for a traffic violation on Wednesday.

Ricky Wayne Thomas, 60, of Holly Pond was the driver. Consent to search the vehicle was given by Thomas. Drugs were located inside the vehicle. He was arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine.

"I am proud of the deputies here at the Cullman County Sheriff's Office for their hard work and determination. We will continue to do everything we can to battle this problem and protect the citizens here in Cullman County," said Sheriff Matt Gentry.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
David Joshua Durham


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Samuel Joseph Hook


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Rebecca Lynn Tanner



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Ricky Wayne Thomas

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 Street 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 Saint Joseph Drive 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.
• Saturday Feb. 5, 8 a.m.: Men's Breakfast. Home cooked breakfast followed by community sack lunch outreach ministry. All men are invited.
• 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 1-2 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.
• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthday. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/2034-35614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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.

CASA volunteer training
Cullman County CASA (Court appointed special advocates) is looking for dedicated volunteers to speak up for abused and neglected children in foster care. They need YOUR VOICE! A training class will be beginning soon! For more information, please contact Candace Lingo at cullmancountycasa@msn.com.

Application deadline for Eightmile Creek Watershed
• The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service announced the deadline to submit applications for the National Water Quality Initiative. The deadline to apply is Friday, Feb. 25. Cullman NRCS is offering an opportunity for agricultural producers in Eightmile Creek watershed to apply for financial assistance to install conservation practices that protect water quality through NWQI.
• Eligible conservation practices through NWQI include those that promote soil health, reduce erosion, and lessen nutrient runoff, such as cover crops, reduced tillage, nutrient management and animal waste management systems.
• Cullman County producers located in the Eightmile Creek watershed interested in participating in NWQI and meet eligibility criteria should contact the Cullman NRCS office. Please phone the Cullman County NRCS office at 256-734-6471 ext. 3. Applications signed and submitted to NRCS by the Friday, Feb. 25, deadline will be evaluated for fiscal year 2022 funding.

T.O.P.S (Take off Pounds Sensibly) Meetings
Fridays, 9:30-11 a.m., at Cullman Housing Authority Community Center (1545 Vine Circle SW, Cullman, AL 35055). First meeting is free. TOPS, a national program, is a hands-on/pounds-off approach to weight loss and management through weekly meetings providing information, accountability, support and encouragement where you make the changes that make sense to you.

Cullman NAR-ANON Group Meetings
The NAR-ANON family group meetings are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. We offer Help by sharing our experiences, strength and hope. We carry the message of hope by letting others know that they are not alone by practicing the 12 Steps of NAR-ANON and changing our own attitudes. We Respect Your Anonymity. Our program is not a religious one, but a spiritual way of life. Meetings will be held at The Ruehl Building (family life center of St John's Church) Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. Contact Jamie Weathersby Smith 256-708-7122 or Don or Nancy McKenzie 256-736-3327 or 256-736-3470 for more information.

Wallace State Fine and Performing Arts fall – spring performances

Night of Jazz
• Feb. 10, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring Wallace State Faculty and Friends
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee
• March 18-19, 7 p.m., March 20, 2 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring Wallace State Theatre
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Dazzle Me, Disney!
• April 7-9, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Wallace State Singers
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Big Band Dance
• April 15, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts
• Featuring the Wallace State Jazz Band
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Dance Spring Showcase
• April 22, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Allegro Dance Theatre
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Spring Under the Stars
• April 26, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts (bring lawn chairs, blankets etc.)
• Featuring the Wallace State Concert Choir and Concert Band
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Holly Pond Parks and Rec Ball Signups
Jan. 27 – Feb. 10: Holly Pond Park and Rec will have signups for Spring Baseball, Softball and T-ball during regular business hours at the Town Hall. Regular hours are Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Thursday from 1-4:30 p.m. Additional signup days are Jan. 27, Feb. 1 and 3 from 5-8 p.m. and Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Last day for signups is Feb. 10. Signups will take place at Holly Pond Town Hall.

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation scholarship application open
Jan. 22 – March 4: The Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for a $500 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. Applicant must be a U. S. citizen, high school senior, and living in the State of Alabama. Deadline to receive completed applications in the district office is March 4. For more information, please contact Kathy Holmes at 256-734-1431 or at cullman@alconservationdistricts.org

NARFE Cullman Chapter Meeting
• Feb. 14: The Cullman Chapter of NARFE – National Association of Retired and Active Federal Employees will hold the February meeting Feb. 14, at 11 a.m. at the Golden Carrol in Cullman. We will be playing Bingo, so bring a $10 gift.
• For more information call 256-796-6072. Hope to see you there!

Cullman County Master Gardeners Meeting
Feb. 17: Cullman County Master Gardeners will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Tally Ho Street, Cullman. At 11 a.m. Kira Sims, County Extension Coordinator, will present information about the trees and shrubs that will be available at the Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee tree sale to be held at the Agriplex on Feb. 19. Master Gardeners, interns and members of the public are invited to attend. No charge and no reservation needed. For more information, contact Stefanie Light at 240-469-8417.

Cullman Community Theatre's "Arsenic and Old Lace"
Feb. 18-20: Cullman Community Theatre will present "Arsenic and Old Lace," a play by Joseph Kesselring, Friday, Feb. 18 – Sunday, Feb. 20 at Stone bridge Farms. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the show will start at 7 p.m. To get your tickets, call 256-347-9109 or email noah.carpenter123@gmail.com.

Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee Tree sale
• Feb. 19: The Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee will be holding a tree sale Saturday, Feb. 19 at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Tally Ho Street, Cullman. The sale will begin at 8 a.m. – noon (or until all trees are sold). Trees are bare root seedlings and are $2 each. Ten tree and six shrub species will be available.
• All proceeds go toward the Cullman County Forestry Awareness Week Now school program for 6th graders and National FFA Organization Forestry judging contest.
• Come learn about the characteristics of the trees and shrubs for sale before the tree sale, Thursday, Feb. 17 at 11 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex.
• For more information on the tree sale, contact Kathy Holmes, Cullman County Conservation District, 256-734-1431, kholmes@cullmanswcd.com or Kira Sims, Cullman County Extension Office, 256-737-9386, klc0023@auburn.edu.

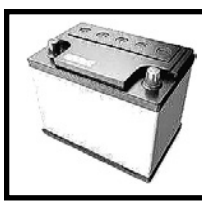
Pleasant View Singing
Feb. 20: Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have their regular third Sunday night singing on Feb. 20, at 5 p.m. "2nd Mile" from Dekalb, Mississippi will be the guest singers. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival
March 19: The 5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival will take place Saturday, March 19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., hosted by Snead's Farmhouse. Booth fees are $30 per booth. For more information about becoming a vendor Snead's Farmhouse at judysnead9522@gmail.com.

2022 Hanceville Grilled Cheese Festival
May 28: The Hanceville Grilled Cheese Festival is back for the second year! The festival will take place Saturday, May 28 starting at 9 a.m. Features will include vendors, food trucks, live music and plenty of activities for adults and kids alike. Most food trucks will feature their own signature grilled cheese. There will also be a grilled cheese cookoff. Follow them on Facebook for more information: https://www.facebook.com/events/265071822436868/.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Cold Springs sweeps regular season finale against Hanceville

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BREMEN, Ala. — The Cold Springs Eagles and Lady Eagles were back home at Jesse George Gymnasium Thursday night and both teams collected wins over Hanceville in their regular season finales. The Lady Eagles outscored the Lady Bulldogs 18-10 in the fourth quarter to pull away with a 47-37 win and after winning a thrilling overtime battle against Hanceville in this year's County Tournament, the Eagles took the rematch Thursday night 62-46.

Cold Springs 47 – Hanceville 37 (Varsity Girls)

Victoria Stanley knocked down a three to put Hanceville on the scoreboard first, but Cold Springs' Malaya Taylor scored in the paint to make it 3-2. A pair of Ciara Calvert free throws and another Taylor basket gave the Lady Eagles a 6-3 lead. Erin Bailey added another basket in the basket for Cold Springs to make it 10-3. Hanceville's Jolee McHan cut it to 10-5 as she knocked down a short jumper and a Katelyn Boyd free throw made it 10-6 as the Lady Eagles went into the second quarter with the four-point lead.

Paizley Whitlow pushed Cold Springs' lead to 12-6 with a short jumper, but later on, a Boyd layup and another Stanley trey cut it to 14-13 with 3:48 remaining in the first half. Savanna McAnnally added a pair from the line to give the Lady Bulldogs a 15-14 lead and later on hit two more to give Hanceville a 17-16 lead. Calvert and Taylor scored the next six points for Cold Springs as they got the lead right back at 22-17, but a McAnnally three from the right corner cut it to 22-20. Taylor, though, scored again in the paint as the Lady Eagles would take a 24-20 lead into the locker room.

McAnnally knocked down another three to start out the second half for Hanceville, then a rebound and put-back by Kate Sterling gave the Lady Bulldogs a 25-24 lead. An Ella Bruer would lead to a Mia Light fast-break layup as Cold Springs got the lead right back at 26-25. Ella Bruer added a shot in the paint to make it 29-25, but a Boyd shot down low cut it to 29-27 and the Lady Eagles held the slim two-point lead going into the final period.

McAnnally hit another shot from long-range for Hanceville as that gave them a 30-29 lead early in the final period. A pair of Taylor free throws gave Cold Springs a 31-30 lead and they looked to finally create some distance from them and the Lady Bulldogs. Ella Bruer picked the perfect pair to get red-hot from behind the three-point line as she knocked down back-to-back threes and Kenady Graves added one from there as well and the Lady Eagles pushed their lead to double-digits at 40-30 with 4:30 remaining in the game. A McHan short jumper cut it to 40-32, but Ella Bruer added a tough layup down low, and Mia Light drilled a pair from the line to increase Cold Springs' lead to 44-32. The Lady Eagles would pull away at the end as they ended up taking the game, 47-37.

Bruer and Taylor each finished with 14 points for Cold Springs while Calvert added seven. For Hanceville, McAnnally finished with 13 points. Boyd added 10 points and Stanley ended up with six.

Cold Springs 62 - Hanceville 46 (Varsity Boys)

Hanceville's Will Calvert and Cold Springs' John Mark Smith each knocked down a three to tie the game up at three early in the first period. A nice lefty layup by Calvert gave the Bulldogs a 5-3 lead, but Brody Peppers and Seth Ingram each scored in the paint to give the Eagles a 7-5 lead. Another Ingram basket and a Smith layup pushed Cold Springs' lead to 11-6 with less than two minutes to go in the opening period. A pair of Braxton Broad free throws cut it to 11-8, but Smith drilled a trey to make it 14-8. Cold Springs would take a 14-10 lead into the second period.

Seth Williams hit a driving layup to increase Cold Springs' lead to 16-10 early in the second period. Hanceville was scoreless for the first two and a half minutes before a Zach Campbell basket in the paint made it 16-12, but Smith answered right back with yet another three to push the Eagle advantage to 19-12. A Drew Campbell layup helped the Bulldogs cut the deficit to five at 21-16, but Tanner Kilgo scored back-to-back baskets in the paint to help Cold Springs push their lead to 25-16. Zach Campbell and Brayden Harris each knocked down a shot down to cut it to 25-20, but Peppers and Kilgo each added a shot in the paint and the Eagles went into the locker room with a 31-20 lead.

Peppers and Calvert each traded baskets to start out the second half as a Calvert shot in the paint cut it to 35-25 early in the third period. Zach Campbell made it 37-27 on a layup, but Peppers added a pair of shots in the paint to make it 41-27. A pair of Williams treys helped push Cold Springs' lead to 47-31 and a Kilgo basket made it 49-31. A Harris trey cut the deficit to 15 at 49-34, but Peppers finished the third quarter strong as he scored the final seven points of the quarter for Cold Springs. The Eagles would take a 56-34 lead into the final period.

Hanceville looked to mount yet another comeback in the fourth quarter as Calvert scored the first five points for the Bulldogs to make it a 56-39 game. The inside game for Cold Springs, though was simply just too much for Hanceville to handle as a Williams layup, followed by a pair of Peppers shots in the paint, increased the Eagle lead to 62-39. Cold Springs would go on to win their game over Hanceville, 62-46.

Peppers led the way for Cold Springs with 23 points, eight rebounds, and a pair of steals. Smith added 11 points, while Williams and Kilgo (eight rebounds) each ended up with 10 points. For Hanceville, Calvert (six rebounds) and Harris (two steals) each finished with 13 points, while Zach Campbell added eight points.

The Eagles will host their area tournament Tuesday and will take on Winston County at 5:30. The Lady Eagles will travel to Winston County Monday, and they will take on Addison at 5:30. The Lady Bulldogs will travel to take on Good Hope Monday at 6:30 and the Bulldogs will take on Good Hope at Oneonta Tuesday at 5 p.m.



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Cold Springs' Brody Peppers finished with 23 points in the Eagles' win over Hanceville Thursday night.



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The Cold Springs Girls Cross Country Team received their state championship rings during the Eagles' game against Hanceville.

PREP BASKETBALL

Addison downs 4A Dora at home 60-53

Todd Walker
Tribune Correspondent

ADDISON, Ala. — Addison hosted the 4A Dora Bulldogs on a rainy night at Allen Stephenson Gym and came away with a hard fought, 60-53 win. Addison improved to 18-9 on the season while Dora fell to 18-8.

The first period started with Addison playing about as good as they have all year and smothering the much larger Dora ladies with their patented woman to woman defense and causing numerous turnovers. Addison jumped out to a big lead and held the powerful Dora squad to only two points in the period. Addison won the period 19-2. Addison's Junior Gracie "Bug" Manley led the way with eight points, four rebounds and two steals. Bracie "Tiny" Rodgers had three points, four boards, two steals and two assists. Dora's lone basket was scored by Lyria Meadows, a sophomore.

In the second period, Addison stretched the lead to 22-2 and then the ladies from Dora apparently woke up and decided that enough was enough. The comeback was on as the Dora Lady Bulldogs started playing basketball. Dora won the period 17-10 to go in at the half down 29-19. Dora was led by eighth grader Bella Reese who had five points. Senior Ja'kiyah Womack had four points and three blocked shots. Sophomore Lyria Meadows had two points and three rebounds. Addison was led by Anna Grace "The Glove" Luker who kept Addison close as she had five points and five rebounds.

The third period was a carbon copy of the second period as Dora got all the loose balls and seemed a step quicker than the Addison Lady Dawgs. Dora won the frame 18-10 to cut the Addison lead to 39-37, going into the fourth period. Dora was led by Womack who had only two points but grabbed four more rebounds and four blocked shots. Womack, if she didn't block the shots, altered them all night long. Junior Rukia Chapel had eight big points. Addison's Luker had four points and three rebounds. Junior "Magic" Molly Gilbreath scored two points and grabbed two boards for Addison.

The fourth period was an exciting one for both fan bases. Both Dora and Addison got hot from outside and generally played very good team basketball. The defense was solid, and the offense was fairly crisp.

The score was all tied up at 41 with 6:47 to go in the game when Addison went on a run. The Addison Lady Bulldogs scored 8 of the next 11 points to take a 49-44 lead with five minutes left. Gilbreath scored four points with Luker and Hadley "Shooter" Butler put in two points each. Dora responded by scoring the next four points, two points each from Reese and Lyunnie Rogers. The score stood at 49-48 in Addison's favor with only four minutes to go. Over the next three minutes Addison outscored Dora 11-0 to lead 60-48 and for all intents and purposes, seal the game. Addison was able to pressure the young Dora ladies into several turnovers during the span and limited them to one shot per possession. Luker led Addison with eight points and Gilbreath tallied six. Dora's Chapel nailed two deep three-pointers for six points and Reese had six as well. Addison was able to win the period 21-16 and come away with a 60-53 victory.

Addison Head Coach Bailey Boland,

"We got off to a great start and then kinda slacked off. We, as a team, have to learn to play hard for all four periods. We cannot take a period off. When you get a 20-point lead you should put the team away. We weren't able to do that, and you have to give the young women from Dora a ton of credit," Boland said.

"Even down by 20 they never quit and really pressured us. Playing this type of game should really help us get ready for Monday night (the area tournament). We play Cold Springs in the first round and my mom (Head Coach Tammy West) has advanced out of the first round of the area tournaments for the past 27 years. We are going to try and end that streak on Monday."



COURTESY OF CINDY LUKER

The Addison Lady Bulldogs defeated Dora at home 60-53 Wednesday night.

Unofficial stats:

Addison was led in scoring by Luker with a game high 20 points, 10 rebounds, three assists, two steals and a block. Manley had 13 points, seven boards and four steals. Gilbreath had 11 points, two points and two steals. Rodgers had seven points, seven boards, five assists and seven steals. Butler had seven points, three boards and two steals. Lydia "Barbie" Ergle had three boards and one assist. Emma Ridgeway had two points, one rebound and a steal. Lauryn Cunningham had two boards and two assists. Gracie Roberts had a big rebound in the fourth period.

Dora was led by Chapel's 16 points. Reese had 11 points and five boards. Meadows had 11 points and five boards.

Womack had seven points, 12 rebounds and an amazing nine blocked shots. Millicent Wilson had four points.

Mikayla Reese had two points and three boards. Rogers had two points and three boards. Amiyah Doaty had two boards.

Addison plays at Winston County High School Monday night at 5:30 pm against the Cold Springs Lady Eagles in the first round of the Area Tournament.

Alexander (from Front)

cil voted her out as mayor pro tem last week, saying that she was elected to that position illegally.

Alexander and Johnson have been at odds since the previous administration under former Mayor Donnis Leeth, and the situation became worse when Alexander was elected mayor pro tem in Johnson's absence at the council's first administrative meeting following the 2020 election.

According to the Alabama League of Municipalities' Council Meeting Procedure guide, "Members elected to the municipal council are required to assemble and organize the council on the first Monday in November after their election."

After arriving that morning and finding Town Clerk Patricia Ponder – whom he had attempted to fire without council approval – present at Town Hall, Johnson announced that the required administrative meeting was canceled, and left.

In his absence, the other council members present went ahead with the meeting and voted Alexander in as mayor pro tem.

Of last week's vote to oust her, Alexander said, "I asked why this motion was made. Mayor Curtis Johnson replied I was voted as pro tem illegally. I asked how he came to that conclusion; he stated he was not there when the council voted to make me mayor pro tem.

"According to Official Alabama League of Municipalities Handbook, it is the first order of business for the council to elect a chairperson pro tempore.

"Also, the council can change and elect another council member to fill this position anytime. However, the problem I have is, Mayor Curtis Johnson stated I was an 'illegal' pro tempore. Mayor Curtis Johnson made that statement in front of the other council members. That statement is untrue."

Alexander expressed anger over the controversy with Johnson, saying that the mayor "has on several occasions tried to degrade my name, character and position. His continued attack on me, the past administration and council continuously shed a negative light on our town."

In announcing her candidacy, Alexander told The Tribune, "I have been living in the town of Colony for 17 years. I have grown to love and respect this beautiful and historical town.

"The history of this town deserves better. The town founded by ex-slaves and acquiring its township 1981, shows their determination and willpower to build a safe haven for people of color, along with leaving a beautiful and rich legacy to their descendants.

"Because of my love and concern for the direction of Colony I have decided to announce my bid for mayor of The Town of Colony.

"Some make ask why now, why make the announcement now. Our town is hurting, we need constancy, and stability within its realm.

"I feel the next mayor and council must have certain leadership qualities to move the town into the 21st century.

"My qualification as a community worker, mover and shaker, strong work history, love for God and my proven love for this fragile town, of Colony I feel I could move the town into a positive, significant and important light and take its rightful place as strong and stable community within the county and state."

Alexander pointed to her credentials, which include bachelor's and master's degrees from Alabama A&M, 20 years as a teacher in Birmingham City Schools, serving as an engineering aide at Boeing Aerospace with Department of Defense Secret Clearance, membership and official positions in numerous cultural and heritage groups and activity in ministries of her local church and denominational agencies.

Alexander said, "My platform for my election will be establishing honesty, promoting stability of daily operations, open door policy to town residents, transparency, seek professional help when needed, build pertinent partnerships with other mayors throughout Cullman and the state of Alabama at large and represent Colony both in my action and dress code.

I want to be a mayor and a woman the town could be proud to call their mayor. Finally, I want to continue supporting our children and seniors.

"I take it seriously, the mayor position, and feel whoever wants to be the next mayor of this beautiful and historic town of Colony, you have two and a half years to show yourself worthy of this prestigious position. The clock is ticking."

The Tribune reached out to Colony Town Hall but was unable to reach Mayor Johnson for comment.











WEATHER

Red Cross gives tornado safety tips

Be Red Cross Ready
Contributor

WASHINGTON D.C. — With spring approaching, uncertain weather conditions are bound to arise. Instead of being reactive the "Be Red Cross Ready" campaign is trying to help with preventive measures to ensure everyone has the best chance of surviving a tornado. Below is some information on how to keep your family and pets safe in case of this type of event.

Tornado safety
Learn how to stay safe during a tornado, and how to improve your home's ability to withstand tornadoes.

About tornadoes
Tornadoes are violent: they can completely destroy well-made structures, uproot trees and hurl objects through the air like deadly missiles. Although severe tornadoes are most common in the Plains States, they can happen anywhere. Learn what to do to keep your loved ones safe.

Top tips
- Identify a safe place in your home where household members and pets will gather during a tornado: a basement, storm cellar or an interior room on the lowest floor with no windows.
- In a high-rise building, pick a hallway in the center of the building. You may not have enough time to go to the lowest floor.
- In a mobile home, choose a safe place in a nearby sturdy building. If your mobile home park has a designated shelter, make it your safe place. No mobile home, however it is configured, is safe in a tornado.

Know the difference!
- A tornado WATCH means a tornado is possible.
- A tornado WARNING means a tornado is already occurring or will occur soon. GO TO YOUR SAFE PLACE IMMEDIATELY.

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO BEFORE A TORNADO?

Prepare in Advance
Be sure you're Red Cross Ready. That means:

- Assembling an emergency preparedness kit.
- Creating a household evacuation plan that includes your pets.
- Staying informed about your community's risk and response plans.
- Ensuring each family member knows how to get back in touch if you are separated during an emergency.
- Download the Emergency App for iPhone or Android

HOW TO PREPARE FOR TORNADOES

Protecting your family
- Talk about tornadoes with your family so that everyone knows where to go if a tornado warning is issued. Discussing ahead of time helps reduce fear, especially for younger children.
- Check at your workplace and your children's schools and day care centers to learn about their tornado emergency plans. Every building has different safe places.
- Ensure that every member of your family carries a Safe and Well wallet card.
- Make sure you have access to NOAA radio broadcasts, either through streaming an online NOAA radio station, downloading a NOAA radio app in the Apple Store or Google Play or purchasing a battery-powered or hand-crank NOAA radio in the Red Cross Store
- Check emergency kit and replenish any items missing or in short supply, especially medications or other medical supplies. Keep it nearby.

Protecting your home
- Make a list of items to bring inside in the event of a storm.
- Make trees more wind resistant by removing diseased or damaged limbs, then strategically remove branches so that wind can blow through. Strong winds frequently break weak limbs and hurl them at great speed, causing damage or injury when they hit.
- Remove any debris or loose items in your yard. Branches and firewood may become missiles in strong winds.
- Consider installing permanent shutters to cover windows. Shutters can be closed quickly and provide the safest protection for windows.
- Strengthen garage doors. Garage doors are often damaged or destroyed by flying debris, allowing strong winds to enter. As winds apply pressure to the walls, the roof can be lifted off, and the rest of the house can easily follow.

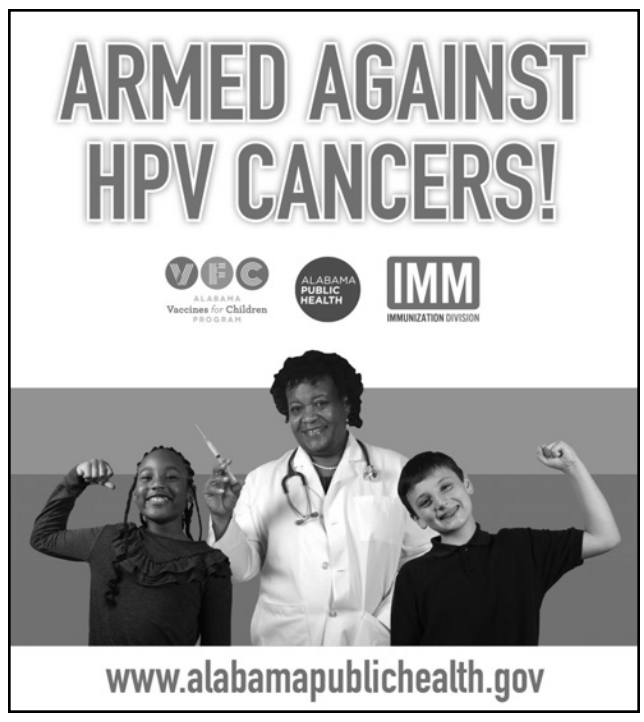
Right before a tornado
Don't wait until you see the tornado to act! If you do nothing else:

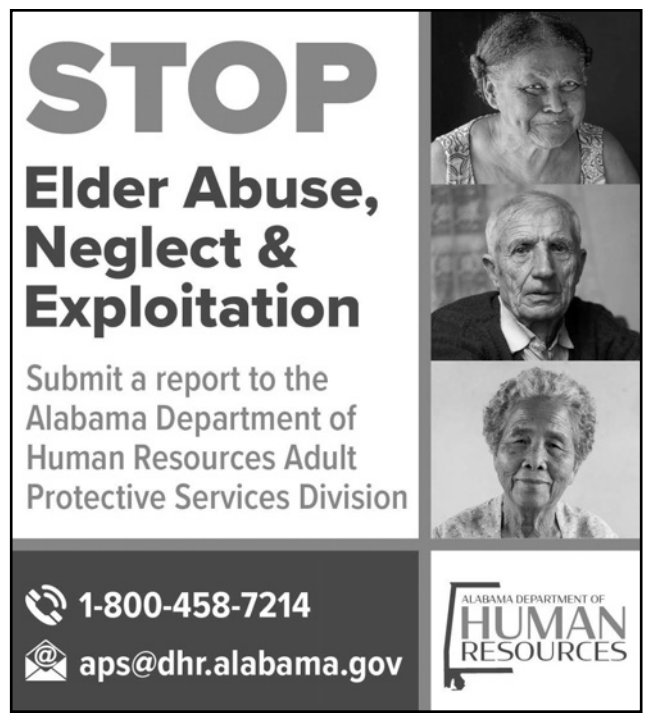
- Listen to local area radio, NOAA radio or TV stations for the latest information and updates.
- Move to an underground shelter, basement or safe room. If none is available, a small, windowless interior room or hallway on the lowest level of a sturdy building is the safest alternative. Remember: no area of a mobile home is safe during a tornado. If you have access to a sturdy shelter or a vehicle, go there immediately, using your seat belt if driving.
- Find a local emergency shelter and know the best routes to get there if you need to.

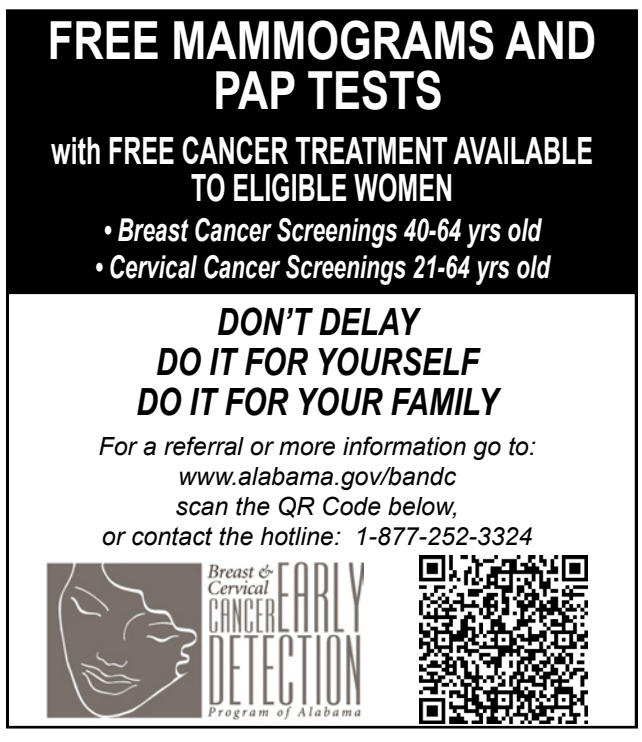
Then, if you can, do this:
- Watch for tornado danger signs: dark, often greenish clouds – a phenomenon caused by hail; wall cloud – an isolated lowering of the base of a thunderstorm; cloud of debris.
- Move or secure any of the items on your list of items to bring inside or anything else that can be picked up by the wind.
- Bring your companion animals indoors and maintain direct control of them.















Abuse (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office arrested a Boaz man on Tuesday, Feb 1.

Dakota Blake Moreno, 21, of Boaz was arrested by Cullman County Sheriff's Office Deputies for multiple warrants.

He was charged with larceny / theft (two counts) and sexual abuse of a child less than 12 years old.

Visit CullmanTribune.com for updates.

Championship (from Front)

in Chicago the weekend of April 24. Coach Lee Henry says, "Registration, travel, lodging and food are very expensive. So, we are still looking at ways to make some more money. Some sponsorships or donations from the community would be awesome."

According to Henry, the team tried to cut costs by renting a van instead of flying, but the trip will still cost about $5,000-6,000.

Henry added, "We used to get a lot of donations and host several tournaments a year to make money.

"But we weren't able to host a single tournament last school year due to COVID, and we ended up going through all our financial reserves to stay afloat. In addition to that, some of our most generous supporters over the years haven't been able to give as much. So, we're struggling a little.

"I hate asking parents to foot so much of the bill, but we will get there one way or another."

Coach Henry has been coaching the Scholar's Bowl team at West Point High for 10 years.

He says, "We have consistently had really competitive teams since I've been at West Point.

"I think this is one of the strongest high school teams we've had though, and our captain is a freshman, so I'm hoping for several more strong years."

Winter (from Front)

Olivia Law
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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Animal Shelter's Donna Ruttkay shares this week's Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week: Winter!

According to Ruttkay, Winter is a 2-2.5-year-old Siberian Husky. She is a medium-energy sweet girl who does exceptionally well when in the company of her people. She is also expanding her skill set with her understanding of proper leash etiquette.

Winter is ready to make someone a wonderful therapy, companion or hiking dog!

Winter's adoption fee includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, 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.

Good news!
The Cullman County Animal Shelter shared that recent POTW's Echo and Hazel were both adopted! Thank you to the community for providing forever homes to these furry friends!



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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)
FRANCES Y. WILLINGHAM,) CASE NO PC 2021-001
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
AMENDED PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: ANTHONY THOMPSON
ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

The Petition of Dan J. Willingham to admit to probate the Last Will and Testament of Frances Y. Willingham, deceased, has been set for hearing on the 1st day of March, 2022, at 9:30 a.m.

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

Done this the 3 day of February, 2022.

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

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

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Dan J. Willingham
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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)
)
WILLIAM J. DANIEL, JR.,) CASE NO.: PC-2020-134
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT AND
DISCHARGE OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

TO: HOLLY POND FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, SANDRA SCHMITZ, SELETA CULVER, OFFIA DANIEL, OLIN DANIEL, JASON YOUNG, JAVAN YOUNG, CHRISTY MORAN, RICKY DANIEL, WILLIAM DANIEL, KEITH DANIEL, DON DANIEL, JAVON DANIEL, COURTNEY CAMPBELL, AND ANY OTHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a Hearing on the Petition for Final Settlement and Discharge of Personal Representative filed by Randall Daniel, Personal Representative of the Estate of William J. Daniel, Jr., by and through his Attorney Alex Chaney, set for hearing on the **1st day of March, 2022, at 10:30 A.M.** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

DONE this 4th day of February, 2022.

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

Alex J. Chaney
Attorney for Personal Representative
po Box 1052
Cullman, Alabama 35056

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
WENDI LEIGH PEREZ-ANDRADE CASE NO AD 2021-090
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

E.C.P.C. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 08-18-2005

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MARISOL CANALES-CHAPULA, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR E.C.P.C.

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Wendi Leigh Perez-Andrade, Petitioner. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 13th DAY OF January, 2022.

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

Kimberly H. Drake
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To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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WENDI LEIGH PEREZ-ANDRADE CASE NO AD 2021-091
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

J.C.P.C. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 07-06-2007

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MARISOL CANALES-CHAPULA, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR J.C.P.C.

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Wendi Leigh Perez-Andrade, Petitioner. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 13th DAY OF January, 2022.

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

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

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

RICKY GRAVEMAN, *
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PLAINTIFF, *
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VS. * CASE NO. CV-2022-900019
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Lot Number 20 according to the Map of Piney Point Subdivision as recorded in Misc. Book 56, Page 173 in the Probate Records of Cullman County, Alabama, being part of the West half of the Southeast Quarter, of the Southeast Quarter in Section 8, Township 10 South, Range 3 West. *
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AND *
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PATRICIA DIANE LILL, *
And A, B, C, D and all other *
persons claiming any present, future, *
contingent remainder, reversion, or other *
interest in said lands, *
*
DEFENDANTS. *

NOTICE

The Defendant, Patricia Diane Lill, and any unknown Defendants, must answer the Complaint in Rem to Quiet Title filed by Ricky Graveman on or before the 28th day of March, 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against her in case number CV-2022-900019 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County Alabama.

DONE this the 31st day of January, 2022.

LISA McSWAIN, Circuit Clerk

REQUESTS FOR BIDS

CULLMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT - VINEMONT, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received until Thursday, FEBRUARY 17, 2022 at 2:00 PM at Cullman Regional Airport located at 231 County Road 1360, Vinemont, Alabama 35179 and at said time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment and performing all work necessary for: HANGAR PROJECT at CULLMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT. Major items of work include: site work, foundation, and construction of a hangar: base bid - 100' x 100' hangar. All Bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Engineer; the Bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying the license number on the outside of the envelope in which the Proposal is delivered. **Proposer must be an Alabama General Contractor licensed by the State Licensing Board for the General Contractors for Alabama pursuant to Alabama Code Section 34-8-1, et seq.** Proposer must place his/her current license number on the outside of his/her sealed proposal or otherwise Proposer's proposal shall be rejected. These projects include all required site and building design and engineering; foundation, structure, utilities, fire protection; doors, windows, restrooms, finishes; HVAC, lighting, electrical, plumbing, and other associated items to create a fully capable facility. Any proposal received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals will be returned to the Proposer unopened. The Request for Proposal may be examined in the office of the Airport Manager. You may also request the documents from the Airport Manager at bharrison@cullmanal.gov. Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid guaranty in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid, but not to exceed $50,000. The bid guaranty may be by certified check or bid bond made payable to the City of Cullman / Cullman County. Bids may be held by the City of Cullman / Cullman County for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of evaluating bids prior to award of contract. The City of Cullman / Cullman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in the bids received. The City of Cullman / Cullman County will hold retainage not to exceed 5% of the work completed.

Cullman Regional Airport
Ben Harrison, Airport Manager
231 County Road 1360
Vinemont, AL 35179

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on October 15, 2010 by William Bryan Jones, a single man, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1690, Page 782 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on February 11, 2022:

All that tract or parcel of land tying and being Lot 5 of the Redivision of Lot 18 of Saddlebrook Estates and unrecorded redivision, more particularly described as follows Commencing at an iron pin found at point purported to be the southeast corner of Lot 18 of Saddlebrook Estates as recorded in Plat Book 7, Pages 151 :& 152 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama. Being more particularly described as follows: thence North.89 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West 31.44 feet to a point on the West margin of Neptune Drive; thence along the West margin of said drive North 3 degrees 57 minutes 24 seconds West 308.71 feet to a point on the South margin of Mercury Drive; thence along the South margin of said drive as follows: thence North 88 degrees 24 minutes 31 seconds west 279.02 feet to a point; thence North 87 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds West 15.09 feet to a point, the point of beginning for the property herein described; thence leaving the. south margin of said drive South 4 degrees 11 minutes 17 seconds West 147 68 feet to point thence South 68 degrees 30 minutes 26 seconds West 104.28 feet to a point; thence North 4 degrees 11 minutes 17 seconds West 188.02 feet to a point on the South margin of said drive; thence along the South margin of said drive as follows: thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 52 seconds East 70.51 feet to a point; thence South 87 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds East 29.49 feet to the point of beginning containing 0.38 acres more or less.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
2002 Southridge manufactured home, Vin No. 1SRP17181AAL and 1SRP17181BAL located thereon.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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52 ODES TO JOY: SPELLBINDING

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Tribune Columnist



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ODE TO SPELLBINDING
Hocus pocus, fully focus.
Cast off the spell
of the phone,
And fully succumb
to the joy zone.
Presto, change-o,
feel the glow.
Find your mojo in the flow.

A dictionary definition for SPELLBINDING is "holding one's attention completely, rapturously, as though by magic." Terms athletes use for this full, emotional involvement are "flow," "being in the zone," "totally locked in."

Spellbinding, one of "The Four Rays of Joyful Aging," is a highly positive, motivating, passionate experience. Our self-consciousness disappears and we become lost in whatever smile-making thoughts and actions we are joyously immersed within. When we are in spellbinding mode, we are almost functioning on automatic as if by self-hypnosis and our concentration is piercingly laser-like.

What we call "our life purpose" and the French call "plan de vida" is related to this joy. It's universal, the Japanese call finding an enthralling calling— "ikigai." We have enough self-knowledge to grasp what our values are and to align our unique talents for joy.

I keep a card on my bedside table that reminds me to ask myself each morning: "What will I do today to bring joy?" Each evening, the card reminds me to ask: "What did I do to bring joy today?" I didn't invent the idea, I learned about it from reading a biography of one of my smile-making idols, Benjamin Franklin. With an awareness of this life purpose each day, I concentrate my thinking and increase the likelihood of becoming spellbound.

You would have to concentrate a bit to remember the name of the Claremont University psychologist who popularized the concept of "flow"—Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi.

In his 1990 bestseller, "Flow: The Psychology of Optimal Experience," it was "MC" who proposed one could feel absorption in a task at will and make the routines of work more purposeful and enjoyable.

Spellbinding can cause our sense of time to leave us, as if we're living in slo-mo. However, being caught up in an activity, whether it is banging a hammer, banging on a piano or banging something else pleasurable can make a passionate afternoon feel like an hour.

Many times, I've experienced the trance-like state of spellbinding while painting in my studio, gardening for hours or reading on a park bench in the sunshine.

I love food and can generally set my watch by what my stomach tells me, but when spellbound, I can lose track of time and become swoony-headed and in need of food and drink.

Research by Harvard University professor, Dr. Teresa Amiable, finds that when creative types have a spellbinding moment, they test with higher levels of creativity not just that day but the next day as well.

This could suggest to business leaders who want an innovative workforce that they should encourage associates to daydream and to follow those dreams. (Note: Dr. Amiable's current research is connected to gerontology and focuses on how people can more successfully transition to retirement.)

Brain scans in both athletes and artists in the "flow" state show a release of pleasure-inducing, performance-enhancing chemicals like dopamine, serotonin and endorphins. Our imagination and positivity are spiked and we are enthralled.

SPELLBINDING CAN BE BOOSTED, HERE ARE SOME WAYS:

• **REDUCE DISTRACTIONS**—Confucius said, "The man who chases two rabbits catches neither." And, Steve Jobs said, "Focusing is about saying, 'no.'" Spellbinding is mono-tasking.

• **SET NEW GOALS REGULARLY**—Stretching yourself will increase the likelihood of your being engrossed in whatever the activity is and achievement of your goals will feel rewarding. Your brain likes to grow.

• **ADD SOME FRESH CHALLENGES**—"Flow" happens more for crafters who are applying a new technique rather than someone who is applying yet another coat of Mod-Podge to the same decoupaged object as the last forty-seven applications.

• **CHOOSE TASKS THAT ARE SMILE-MAKING FOR YOU**—I don't expect "spellbinding" to ever happen on those twice-a-year times when I must dust furniture, though it could for you if that's your thing. However, I remember enjoying playing the trombone in the high school band and think making music again these decades since could be a smile-making activity for me to re-learn and pursue. I'll hope to have some energized focus and gain that oft-reported "air of invincibility" that "flow" may render.

SPELLBINDING ODES FROM OTHERS

"Concentrate all your thoughts upon the work at hand. The sun's rays do not burn until brought into focus."—Alexander Graham Bell

"Love life, engage in it, give it all you've got. Love it with a passion, because life truly does give back, many times over, what you put into it."—Maya Angelou

"The successful warrior is the average man, with laser-like focus."—Bruce Lee

"Focus like a laser, not like a flashlight."—Michael Jordan

"Live life to the fullest and focus on the positive."—Matt Cameron

"You should enjoy your work, so pursue something you find interesting, and if you work hard at it, it will turn into a passion."—Cary Bergeron

"To succeed you have to believe in something with such passion that it becomes a reality."—Anita Roddick

"Forget the fast lane. If you really want to fly, harness your power to your passion."—Oprah Winfrey

SPELLBINDING MAGIC MUSIC TO CREATE YOUR ZONE

Crowdsourcing with the Birmingham Theatre Family on Facebook, created as if by magic (Birmingham, Alabama is known as the "Magic City") the music to take you on a "Magic Carpet Ride" the next time you are getting into your own zone painting, crafting, exercising, gardening—and yes, even house-cleaning.

"Magic to Do" from the musical, "PIPPIN," was the first suggested song and it came from Jeff Pierce, a gifted, NYC-based theater performer and athlete/personal trainer friend of mine who experiences "Flow" in both careers. Jeff is a popular actor on national stages and his mention of "Magic to Do" prompted his captivating, frequent co-star, Kristi Tingle Higginbotham, to offer a mesmerizing rendition of "That Old Black Magic." Then, like a billowing flow from Aladdin's lamp these Broadway and pop pleasures are ready to cue up for your spellbinding experience:

"Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered" ("PAL JOEY"), "Magical Mystery Tour" (The Beatles), "I Put a Spell On You" (Nina Simone), "24K Magic" (Bruno Mars), "Magic Carpet Ride" (Steppenwolf or The Halo Benders), "Friend Like Me" ("ALADDIN"), "Dark Lady" (Cher), "The Wizard and I" ("THE WIZ"), "Could It Be Magic" (Barry Manilow), "Abracadabra" (Steve Miller Band), "Magic Man" (Heart), "XANADU" (the entire musical song list according to Birmingham theater director, Dane Peterson), "You Can Do Magic" (America), "Stay With Me" (the witch casts a spell "INTO THE WOODS"), "Old Devil Moon" ("FINIAN'S RAINBOW"), "Witchcraft" (Frank Sinatra), "Magical Mr. Mistoffelees" ("CATS"), "Swamp Witch" (Jim Stafford), "No Good Deed" ("WICKED"), "You Do Something to Me" (Cole Porter), "Blood Sugar Sex Magik" (Red Hot Chili Peppers), "Magic Friend" (2 Unlimited, this and many others in this roster suggested by Lee and Delaine Green, Birmingham "show people"), "The W.A.N.D." (Flaming Lips), "Magic Spells" (Crystal Castles), "Houdini" (Foster the People), "Magic Dance" (David Bowie), "Hocus Pocus" (Focus), "Could This Be Magic" (Van Halen), "Strange Music" (Electric Light Orchestra), "Magic Number" (De La Soul), "Journey of the Sorcerer" (The Eagles, instrumental) and lots of spellbinding Fleetwood Mac.

SMILE-MAKING JOKES ABOUT SPELLBINDING

What do you call a dog who casts magic spells? A Labracadabrador.

Aladdin has been banned from the magic carpet race. Apparently, he's been using performance enhancing rugs.

My girlfriend said, "I want tonight to be magical." And then, she disappeared.

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Feb. 5—Henry Golding

Feb. 6—Babe Ruth

Feb. 7—Chris Rock

Feb. 8—John Grisham

Feb. 9—Carole King

Feb. 10—Elizabeth Banks

Feb. 11—Thomas Edison

ALASKA SALMON VALENTINE'S NIGHT SOUP
(Source: tasteofhome.com)

Each week, Joy & Gerontology shares a recipe saluting healthy food produced in America. The delicious and nutritious collection is called "The S.U.N.S. USA Longevity Cookbook" and highlights vitamin B-3 (niacin) which many research gerontologists believe holds the promise for a long, healthy, joyful life.

INGREDIENTS
- 1 large potato, peeled and cut into 1½" pieces
- 1 large carrot, cut into ½" slices
- 1 ½ cups water
- 1 cup reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 5 medium fresh mushrooms, halved
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- ¼ cup reduced-fat evaporated milk
- ¼ cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
- ½ pound salmon fillet, cut into 1½" pieces
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Place the first four ingredients in a saucepan; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium; cook, uncovered, until vegetables are tender, 10-15 minutes.

2. Add mushrooms. In a small bowl mix flour and milk until smooth; stir into soup. Return to a boil; cook and stir until mushrooms are tender. Reduce heat to medium; stir in cheese until melted.

3. Reduce heat to medium-low. Add salmon; cook, uncovered until fish just begins to flake easily with a fork, 3-4 minutes. Stir in pepper and salt. Sprinkle with dill. Serves two.

1,070 JOY-GIVING THINGS FROM MY FIRST 70 YEARS (continued)

116. "The Magic Land of Allakazam."

117. "Shezam," Gomer Pyle.

118. Johnny Carson's "Carnac."

119. Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring"

120. Damien Hirst "Polka Dot" paintings.

121. Lady Gaga's "Poker Face."

122. Paintings of dogs playing poker.

123. Magician's assistant, Nani Darnell.

124. Keith Haring everything.

125. The Super Bowl game preempted by "Heidi."

126. My pet goat that Mama named Billy Faulkner.

127. That Hammerstein was Stephen Sondheim's babysitter.

128. Diana Krall and her husband, Elvis Costello.

129. Whitney Houston and her aunt, Dionne Warwick.

130. "That Girl," Marlo Thomas.

131. That humanitarian/comedian, Danny Thomas.

132. "And, I am tellin' you, I ain't goin!"

133. The spellbinding vamps and Tennessee Ernie Ford.

134. Bedazzling everything that doesn't move.

135. David Byrne, American joy-giver.

136. Martha Stewart, America's schoolmarm.

137. "Old Jews Telling Jokes," Broadway comedy.

138. "Spellbound," fragrance by Estee Lauder.

SHEZAM! HAPPY, JOYFUL DOING-WHAT-YOU-LOVE MONTH!



ARTS

Exquisite Miniatures on display at Wallace State

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Evelyn Burrow Museum at Wallace State Community College welcomes EXQUISITE MINIATURES, an exhibition of miniature paintings by Wes and Rachelle Siegrest, to campus this spring from February - April. Admission is free.

EXQUISITE MINIATURES consists of 50 signature paintings including landscapes, portraits, still life, wildlife and other subjects by Wes and Rachelle Siegrist. The exhibition is accompanied by a book of the same title about Wes and Rachelle Siegrist and their art, with an introduction by David J. Wagner.

Miniature art has a long tradition in the history of art. The portrait miniature, which became popular among the elites in Europe during the Renaissance, could be seen as a predecessor to the photograph, an easily transportable and intimate memento of a loved one.

However, the tradition includes illuminated manuscripts and other paintings, engravings and even sculptures that are very small, a form also employed around the time in Asia. Miniature painters could render entire epic scenes on a palm-sized canvas using brushes which might consist of a single hair.

"We are delighted to show this unique exhibition representing a contemporary approach to an important tradition in the history of art," said Kristen Holmes, administrator of the Burrow Museum. Magnifying glasses will be available for close inspection of the artwork at the museum, or patrons are welcome to bring their own.

Wes and Rachelle Siegrist are an American husband and wife team who mesmerize viewers with miniature paintings so exquisitely crafted that they are often mistaken for tiny photographs.

Their tiny treasures, as collectors often refer to them, typically measure less than nine square inches and appear even more detailed when viewed under magnification.

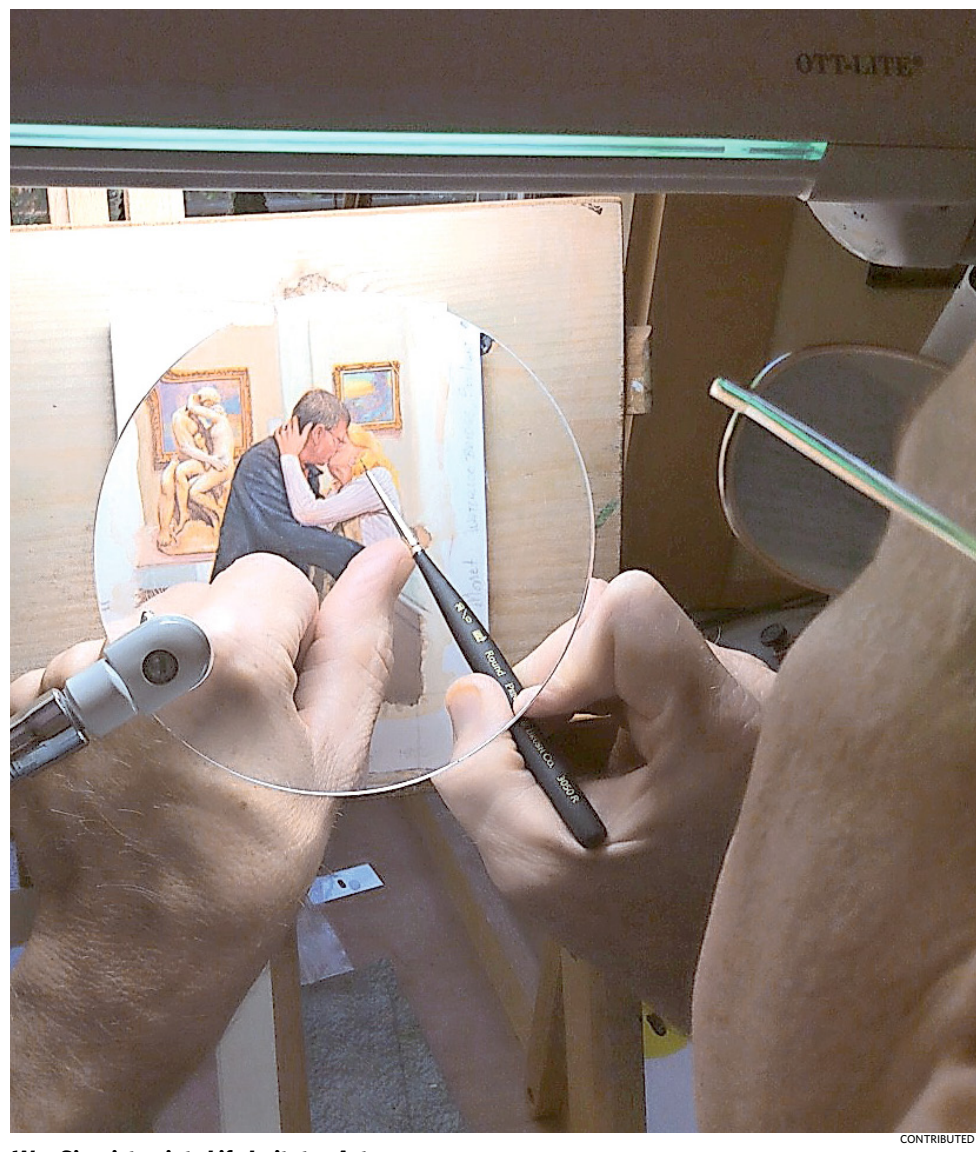
A hallmark of their work is their ability to convey the feeling of a larger canvass or the essence of the natural world in miniature.

Wes and Rachelle Siegrist are members of the Miniature Artists of America, the Miniature Art Society of Florida, the Miniature Painters, Sculptors & Gravers Society of Washington, D.C., the Cider Painters of America and the Hilliard Society of England. They are the authors of the world's first standard definition of miniature art adopted by the Association of Miniaturist Artists. Small wonder, therefore, that the Siegrists have been referred to as "World Ambassadors for Miniature Art."

EXQUISITE MINIATURES BY WES AND RACHELLE SIEGRIST first premiered at the prestigious R.W. Norton Art Gallery in Shreveport, Louisana, home to one of the great museum miniature collections in the United States in 2010 and has toured widely in the intervening years. EXQUISITE MINIATURES is produced by David J. Wagner, L.L.C., with company President David J. Wagner, Ph.D. serving as curator/tour director.

The Evelyn Burrow Museum is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Please check the website for details and special operating hours at http://www.burrowmuseum.org/.



CONTRIBUTED

Wes Siegrist paints Life Imitates Art

EDUCATION

Wallace State offers family history classes near and far

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Wallace State Community College Genealogy program is offering several classes during the spring 2022 semester that will allow individuals to research their family history and document it for future generations.

Upcoming classes include Genealogy and the Computer, Advanced Genealogy, Southern Genealogy and Civil War Genealogy, and will be taught by history professor Robert S. Davis.

The non-credit classes are two-night sessions on a Wednesday and Thursday from 5-9 p.m. in the basement of the Wallace State library and cost $50.

These classes are offered as Continuing Education classes through the Center for Career and Workforce Development.

To register contact Ashley Baker at ashley.baker@wallacestate.edu or 256-352-8386.

Davis also offers a three-hour intendent study college course (History 282V) for credit in researching a family tree

Wallace State Hanceville has one of the best research facilities for Family History and Genealogy in Alabama, including books, databases, files, microfilm and more. It also offers classes in researching ancestors and local history.

Davis will also conduct a series of free public presentations o on researching family pasts for the Comer Library in Sylacauga. Upcoming classes will be Researching in the South; Friday, March 11, 1-3 p.m., Military Records and the Civil War; Friday, March 25, 1-3 p.m., and Computer Research; Friday, April 8, 1-3 p.m.

This program and others will also be available on Zoom and recorded. For more information, contact Catherine Dobbs at 256-249-0961.

Davis will also be giving a free talk on writing your autobiography and book publishing, as well as introduction to genealogy for the Alabama Humanities Council. This program will be on April 15 at the Dothan Houston County Library. For information contact Ashley Bynum at 334-899-3121.

Wallace State's genealogy collection in the college's library is open free to the public with its helpful staff to answer questions. The regular hours are Monday – Thursday; 7:30 a.m. – 9 p.m. (the staff goes home at 4:30 p.m.), Friday; 7:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. and Saturday; 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. For more information, call 256-352-8263 or visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/library/genealogy.



WALLACE STATE

Pro. Robert S. Davis















Obituary Announcements: Feb. 3-4

Barbara Lee Yeager Williams, 80
Funeral services for Barbara Lee Yeager Williams will be 10 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 10, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, with a graveside service at Cullman Memory Gardens Cemetery to follow. Visitation will be at 5:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 9, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with the rosary beginning at 7:30 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Williams family. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Sacred Heart Church Organ Fund. A memorial service will be held at a later time. Barbara was born on July 1, 1941, in Cullman, Alabama. Active in her community, she was a business owner with her husband (Central Cabinet), a Girl Scout leader, an avid member of the bowling league, held a variety of positions with the Cullman Moose Lodge, including the WOTM's Alabama Deputy Grand Regent and loved to travel. At the age of 16, Barbara met her husband Eddie while they were both working at Kuhn's Five & Dime Store. They dated for two years and were married for 62 years. Barbara loved her family. She is survived by her husband: James Eddie Williams; her children: JaCynthia Williams, Jeffrey Williams and Sabrina (Kevin) Williams Mitchell; her grandchildren: Heather Sellers, Brad Smith, Amber Sellers, Shaun Smith, Todd (Sam) Williams, Kayla Williams, Ceth Hopper, Keegan Mitchell and Alyssia Mitchell; her great-grandchildren: Ariana Sellers, Peyton Workman and Lakelynn Sellers; her sister: Edna Yeager Brown and a large extended family. Barbara was proceeded in death by her daughter: Regina Williams Smith and her parents: Gilbert "Pug" Yeager and Irene Bolte Yeager. A special thanks to Kathy Adams and Karra Smith for their assistance to the family.

Anita Sams, 63
Anita Sams, age 63, loving mother of two and adoring wife to Mike Sams, passed away unexpectedly on the 2nd of February at UAB Hospital. Anita was born to Carl and Edna Swann on Oct. 23, 1958, in Cullman Alabama. Anita was an avid lover of life and travel. Anita loved her husband, children, grandchildren, friends and baby Beau (cat). Anita met her husband Mike in high school and would have celebrated 46 years of marriage on the 27th of February. Anita is survived by her husband: Mike Sams; daughter: Amy (Nick) White; son: Eric (Stephanie) Sams; grandchildren: Tyler White, Tayler White and Kinlee Sams; brothers: Raymond Roger (Johnnie) Swann and O'Neal Swann; sister: Joan Rogers and sister-in-law: Jeanette Swann. Anita is preceded in death by her parents: Carl and Edna Swann and brother: Kenneth Swann. There will be a service for those who would like to say their last goodbye to Anita on the 6th of February at noon at Moss Service Funeral Home. Graveside service to follow at Cullman City Cemetery at 2 p.m.

Carol (Williams) Henshaw, 75, of Cullman
Carol (Williams) Henshaw, age 75, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Friday, Feb. 4. Carol was born July 9, 1946, in Cullman, Alabama to Robert Samuel and Carolyn Minerva Caudle Williams. She is preceded in death by her husband: Bobby Joe Henshaw; sister: Mary B. Wilhite and her parents. Funeral services are Monday, Feb. 7, at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel at 12:30 p.m. with Pastor Andy Heis and Pastor Maison Goodwin officiating. Interment will follow services in Huntsville Memorial Gardens. Survivors are son: Robert Joel (Priscilla) Henshaw; brother: Sam (Robin) Williams; grandchildren: Robert Andrew Henshaw and William Jackson Henshaw; step-grandchildren: Elijah Garrison and Brooke and Lizzie Mae (Maison) Goodwin; three stepdaughters and their husbands and children. Visitation is Monday, Feb. 7, from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Robert Charles Tidwell, 84, of Cullman
Robert Charles Tidwell, 84, of Cullman passed from this life Feb. 2, at the Cullman Regional Medical Center. He was born July 11, 1937, to Dolis and Elmer Chambers Tidwell. A memorial service will be planned and announced by the family. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Tidwell family. Mr. Tidwell was preceded in death by his parents and his wife: Tommie Lou Tidwell.He is survived by his daughters: Robin Griffin, Cynthia (Michael) Kendrick and Susie (Kenneth) Tyler; sister: Margaret Hill; grandchildren: Morgan Taylor Griffin, Hayle Kendrick, Cody Kendrick, Gage Kendrick, Jason McCallister and Chase Tyler; great-grandchildren: Elaine Kendrick, Mila Tyler and Kennedy Kendrick; special friend: Kelly Flynt and a host of family and friends.

Wanda Faye Whitten, 76, of Haleyville
Wanda Faye Whitten, age 76, of Haleyville, passed away Thursday, Feb. 3, at her son's residence surrounded by loving family. Mrs. Whitten was born Dec. 10, 1945, in Haleyville, Alabama. to George and Lonnie Mae Motes. She was a member of Ephesus Baptist Church in Haleyville. Visitation will be Sunday, Feb. 6, from 1-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will be held at 2 p.m. Brother Jeff Flinn, Brother Gary Wakefield and Pastor Jeff Whitten will officiate. Burial will be in Littleville Cemetery. Wanda is survived by her sons: Karl Whitten and his wife Gnean, Jeff Whitten and his wife Tracy and Kevin Whitten; daughters: Pamela Adair and her husband Stanley, Karen Sutherland and her husband Thomas, Evelyn Whitman and her husband David and Larissa Adair and her husband Jonathan; grandchildren: Jennifer, Heath, Timothy, Jody, Jeffrey, Latasha, Drake, Dwight, Shane, Amber, Scott, Steven, Adam, Nicole, Nicolas, Austin and Alissa; great-grandchildren: Andrew, Alex, Kylie, Alayah, Layla, Gabriel, Molly Mae, Cole, Gage, Cadince, Emma, Eli, Zane, Zeke, Skye, Isabella, Brianna, Jaxon, Aydric and Areia and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years: L. V. "Buck" Whitten; parents: George and Lonnie Mae Motes; sisters: Jean, Essie, Ruby and Ila and brothers: Freeland, Kelsey and Hollis. Pallbearers will be grandsons.

Rowena F Lane, 93, of Arley
Rowena F Lane, 93, of Arley, passed away Feb. 2, at Pine Place Assisted living. She was born March 2, 1928, to Harold Folsom and Winnfred Merrill in Monmouth, Maine. Visitation will be held Friday Feb. 4, from 12:30-2 p.m., where services will begin at 2 p.m. at Meek Baptist Church. Brother Etsel Riddle will officiate. Burial will be at Meek Baptist Church Cemetery. Mrs. Lane was a longtime member of Meek Baptist Church; she was helpful to others and very community minded. She was a very loving person and will be greatly missed. Mrs. Lane is survived by two sons: Kerry Lane (Carol) of Deland, FL and Dana Lane of Arley; three grandsons: Robert Lane (Misty) of Arley, David Lane (Donna) of Cordova and Brian Lane of Durham, North Carolina; two granddaughters: Lisa Otten (David) of Homestead, Florida and Heather Lane of Homestead; three great-grandsons; four great-granddaughters; two brothers: Leroy Folsom (Mary) of East Boston and Laurence Folsom of Monmouth, Maine; two sisters: Rebecca Ferguson (John) of St. Petersburg, FL and Karen Mitchell (Walter) of Fayette, Maine and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband: Pete Lane; daughters-in-law; Linda and Kathy Lane; three brothers and two sisters.

Cody "CJ" Grattan, 20, of Hanceville
A celebration of life service for Cody "CJ" Grattan, of Hanceville, will be 2 p.m. Friday, Feb, 4 at Hopewell Baptist Church in Hanceville. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery. The family will accept friends for a visitation at the church on Friday from noon – 2 p.m. Mr. Grattan was born March 22, 2001, in Cullman, Alabama. He died at the age of 20 at his residence on Jan. 31. CJ was always full of life to say the least. He had a soft spot for being a social butterfly. Not only did he enjoy creating laughter, but he also had a way of putting a smile on the faces of those around him. Even his smile would light up the room. Making sure you felt special was a key role in his life. Aside from his bright personality, CJ was an avid weightlifter. He had a passion for going to the gym, working out and staying active. CJ will be missed by many family and friends. Survivors include his mother: Jennifer (Jim) Miller; father: Sean Grattan; siblings: Cole Grattan, Savannah Grattan and Alex Miller; grandmother: Jean Cline; great-grandmother: Ruth Edmondson; grandfather: Carter Miller; uncles: Zack Cline and Tom Herd; an aunt: Wendy Herd and a host of nieces, nephews and many friend. Mr. Grattan was preceded in death by his grandmother: Sandy Miller and grandfather: Carl Edmondson.

Deborah Jan Foust, 61, of Cullman
A celebration of life service for Deborah Jan Foust, 61, of Cullman will be 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 5, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m. prior to the service on Saturday. Pastor Robert Lancaster will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Foust family. Miss Foust passed from this life Feb. 3, at her residence. She was born July 7, 1960, to Samuel Glen and Mary Alene Cofer Foust. She was preceded in death by her parents: Samuel Glen and Mary Alene Cofer Foust. Miss Foust is survived by her brother: Samuel James (Patsy) Foust; her niece: Kandice (Bain) Adams; two great-nieces: Savanah Barnett (fiance' Charlie Klopfer) and Mary Grace Barnett; her nephew: Riley Adams and a host of family and friends.

Carolyn Jo Patterson Sawyer, 70, of Cullman
Visitation for Carolyn Jo Patterson Sawyer, age 70, of Cullman, will be from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 5, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Sawyer passed away Wednesday, Feb. 2. She was born Nov. 26, 1951, to Robert W. and Julie Wright Patterson. Ms. Sawyer was a graduate of Hanceville High School in 1970. She worked in the floral design industry for years and eventually was a co-owner of her own shop, Ring Around the Roses, in Cullman. She was a wonderful mother and Mela. She was always there to help anyone she could, and she loved her family and they loved her. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Randy Patterson and Terry Patterson and great-nephew: Colton Evans. Survivors include a daughter: Carrie (Jimmy) Morrow; grandchildren: Tiffani Morrow, Taran (Randall) Garrison and Trevor Morrow; great-granddaughter: Hadley McClure; sisters: Joyce (James) Duke, Shirley (Ted) Calvert, Shelba (Jerry) Eddleman, Nellie Hall and Vivian Ransom; brothers: Bobby (Jackie) Patterson, Gary (Teresa) Patterson, Keith Patterson and Jeff Patterson; a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews and a special dog: Maddie.

Virginia Irene Stewart Lee, 83, of Cullman
Mrs. Virginia Irene Stewart Lee, 83, of Cullman passed away Wednesday, Feb. 2, at her residence. She was born Jan. 7, 1939, in Cullman, Alabama to Tillman Stone and Josie Cofield Stewart. Irene loved going to the senior center at Sportsman Lake and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She is survived by her daughter: Gail (Dennis) Swafford; two grandchildren: Corey Strickland and Adam (Allison) Swafford; five great-grandchildren: Alex (Jana) Martin, Tori (Clint) Swafford McCormick, Trey Strickland, Callie Swafford and Easton Swafford; seven great-great grandchildren: Dawsyn Williams, Rylan Williams, Carter Martin, Amberleigh Kirkpatrick, Asher Kirkpatrick, Mia Kirkpatrick and Atticus Martin; two sisters-in-law: Mary Ann Sams and Sue Smith and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Thermon Lee; three children: Virginia Diane, Mona Lisa and Randall Gene; seven sisters: Nell Gay, Freda Lindsey, Jane Tidmore, Ethel Stewart, Mary Stewart, Savannah McCroy and Della Creel and five brothers: Fred, Till, Bill, George and Lee Stewart. Funeral services for Mrs. Lee will be Sunday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home, with interment in Mount Zion Cemetery. The family will receive friends Sunday from noon – 2 p.m. Brother Scott Sessions is officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Mrs. Lee's name to Brooks' Place Child Advocacy Center at P.O. Box 1252 Cullman, Alabama 35056.

Ellen L. Cates, 98, of Bremen
A graveside service for Ellen L. Cates of Bremen will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 6 at Cold Springs Baptist Cemetery. Reverend Horace Swann will officiate. Mrs. Cates was born Dec. 8, 1923, in Cullman, Alabama to James Harding and Missouri (York) Harding. She died at the age of 98 at her residence on Feb. 2. Survivors include her children: Larry Cates, Hilda Gillham and Judy (Tip) Fulmer; grandchildren: Kerry (Amanda) Hancock, Shane (Tracey) Hancock, Blake (Tracey) Gillham and Brandon Gillham; a host of great grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and a special friend and neighbor: Ellen Hogeland. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Cates was preceded in death by her husband: Grady Cates; grandson: Mark Hancock and daughter-in-law: Brenda Cates.

Robert Earl Bronson, 78, of Hanceville
A graveside service for Robert Earl Bronson of Hanceville will be 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 5 at Lystra Missionary Baptist Cemetery in Baileyton, Alabama. Johnny Bennefield will be officiating. Mr. Bronson was born on April 3, 1943, in Osceola, Florida to Harold Eugene and Margie (Yates) Bronson. He died at the age of 78 at his residence in Hanceville, Alabama on Feb. 3. Survivors include his sons: Robert Bronson Jr. (Bobby) and Hisham (Gena) Ibrahim; daughter: Terri (Johnny) Bennefield; a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews and a sister: Vera Campbell. In addition to his parents, Mr. Bronson was preceded in death by his wife of 50 years: Sandra Bronson.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

My laptop has now become a Baptist

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I hate to admit this, but sometimes I spend more time on my computer than I do with some family members. I am always on there, writing columns, stories, songs, sermons, and books, not to mention checking email, doing finances, on Facebook, or playing a game. I've worn out several laptops over that last 30 years. Now that I think about it, my cars usually last longer than my computers. If the car manufactories ever figure out how to make cars become obsolete as quickly as computers do, we will be in big trouble. Let's just keep that thought between us and maybe they won't think about it!

My newest laptop is like a high-dollar car...it came loaded with all the bells and whistles. Well, actually, I'm not sure if it was the bells or the whistles, but a few of the extra items had to be loaded after I bought it. I don't even have to turn this one on. I just open it up, and magically the screen lights up and comes on. It's fast too. Unlike some I've owned in the past, this one will come on before the next lunar eclipse occurs! One of the things I like most about my new one is the touch screen. I'll never buy anything else. I don't have to hunt and peck...I just see and touch!

Now the reason I bought a new laptop is because my old one became a Baptist. Oh no, I don't have anything against Baptists. I often speak and do programs in churches of various denominations, but I am a Baptist. Honestly, I don't really believe my old laptop became a Baptist, but I have no doubt that it was baptized...by full immersion! And, like a few Baptists I have known, it didn't work anymore after that!

If you know Jean, my sweet-loving wife, you know that she goes with a drink in her hand almost all the time. No, not that kind of drink. It is a brewed drink, but it is brewed ice tea. On a good hot day, she goes through about a gallon.

She has a couple of tea glasses that hold almost that much as a good-size swimming pool! I've warned Cocoa (Fifteen), our mini dox, about getting too close to those full glasses, for fear she might fall in and drown. Of course, I am teasing. Her tea glasses aren't quit that big, but they are big enough that if a full one gets "tumped" over, it can cause a small flash flood. If a cell phone, or a lap top computer, is setting nearby, the result can be disastrous! I know you are way ahead of me and have already figured out what happened to my old laptop. Actually, it was only about one-year old, but once a computer has been fully immersed, whether in water or ice tea, it becomes like a few other Baptists I know, it won't work anymore! Since it was closed, I thought, I even prayed, that enough liquid had not gotten inside to do any harm. I was wrong. Many years ago, my computer died and I lost 40-pages of my doctoral dissertation. The good news is that costly lesson taught me the importance of backing up everything. This time, that lesson, with the assistance of the cloud, paid off.

Let me leave you with one final thought. Unless you are a computer, cell phone, or remote control, being baptized is not a bad thing.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1930, 1936

From the Files of 1930

Miss Eunice Butler has recently graduated from Alverson Business College in Birmingham.

Mrs. John Luyben and Mrs. F. Mallery were joint hostesses on Thursday at a Valentine party for the Michigan Card Club.

Mrs. Alvie Biggers, Mrs. Ewing Wallace, Mrs. Harry Schlosser and Miss Mattie Leah Rollo spent Wednesday in Birmingham.

Doctor Voight Culpepper of Tuscaloosa will spend a few days this week in Cullman County on a hunting trip.

Winner of the school attendance contest for the month of January are Group I – Kilpatrick 94.5 percent, Group II – Simcoe 91.3 percent and Group III – Cullman County High School 94.8 percent.

Mrs. E.E. Wilhite celebrated her 70th birthday on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Brandon.

Baldwin boys and girls basketball teams won over Brickyard on Friday afternoon.

Countywide meeting of the P.T.A. will be held on February 18th at City Auditorium. Miss Norman Smith will be here from Montgomery to organize a county council.

The home of George Abercrombie was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday night about 10 o'clock.

From the Files of 1936

On January 3, 1936, a box of ripe strawberries was presented to the editor by Fritz Hartwig of Hanceville, Route One. The weather had not been cold enough to stop growing vegetation.

The First Christian Church gave a pounding on Wednesday for Reverend and Mrs. Piper, their pastor.

Robert Rosson has returned to State University after spending the holidays in Cullman with his parents.

Willie Griffin has returned to Howard College to resume his studies, after spending the holidays in Cullman with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Pope of Henry County, Georgia, were visitors in Cullman and Berlin during the past week.

POET'S CORNER

The Owl and the Pussy-Cat | By: Edward Lear (1812-1888)

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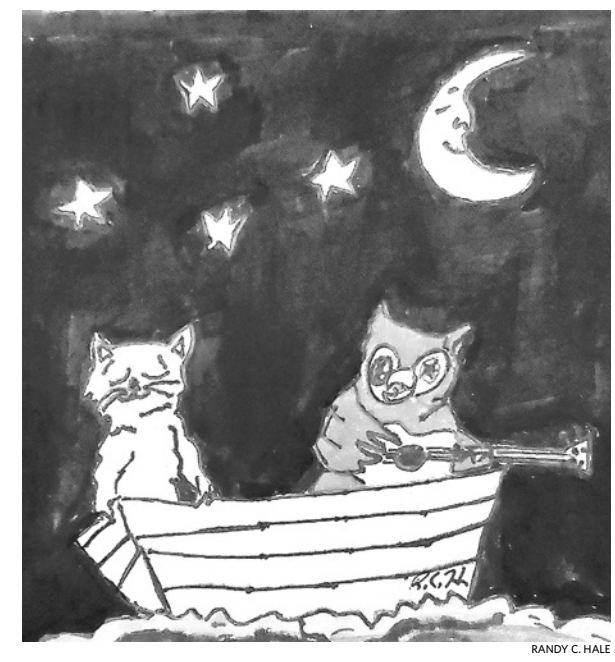
The Owl and the Pussy-cat went to sea
In a beautiful pea-green boat,
They took some honey, and plenty of money,
Wrapped up in a five-pound note.
The Owl looked up to the stars above,
And sang to a small guitar,
"O lovely Pussy! O Pussy, my love,
What a beautiful Pussy you are,
You are,
You are!
What a beautiful Pussy you are!"

II

Pussy said to the Owl, "You elegant fowl!
How charmingly sweet you sing!
O let us be married! too long we have tarried:
But what shall we do for a ring?"
They sailed away, for a year and a day,
To the land where the Bong-Tree grows
And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood
With a ring at the end of his nose,
His nose,
His nose,
With a ring at the end of his nose.

III

"Dear Pig, are you willing to sell for one shilling
Your ring?" Said the Piggy, "I will."
So they took it away, and were married next day
By the Turkey who lives on the hill.
They dined on mince, and slices of quince,
Which they ate with a runcible spoon;
And hand in hand, on the edge of the sand,
They danced by the light of the moon,
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They danced by the light of the moon.



RANDY C. HALE

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

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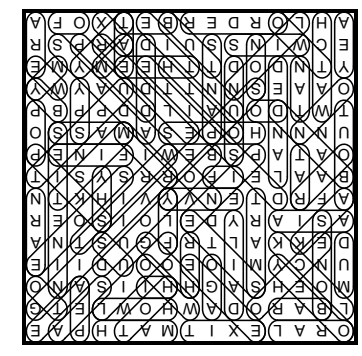
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EDUCATION

Cullman County Schools present February Teacher, Staff Member of the Month



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Center: Teacher of the Month, Katara Lane, Welti Elementary (Kindergarten)



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Center: Staff Member of the Month, Susan Peinhardt, Harmony Custodian

Ty Watwood
Cullman County Schools

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Schools, along with America's First Federal Credit Union, recognizes a teacher and staff member each month.

For the month of February, they are:

Teacher of the Month: Katara Lane, Welti Elementary (Kindergarten)
Katara started working at Welti as a pre-K teacher. "Her love of Welti, the students and the faculty and staff is evident in the 45 minutes she travels one way to drive to school each day. Katara is kind and compassionate to all her students," said Gina Webb, Welti principal. "Teaching them how to become a family through her Conscious Discipline practices, Katara has attended numerous Conscious Discipline trainings and has completed the book study on her own time. She works to keep up with the most current ways to reach children in a positive relationship manner and to build resiliency in her students. She embodies encouragement for all!"

Staff Member of the Month: Susan Peinhardt, Harmony Custodian
Susan is a beloved member of the Harmony staff who goes above and beyond each day. "She makes our school look fantastic, keeps everything clean and sanitized and comes in early and stays late to help with whatever is needed," said Kevin Sullins, Harmony principal. "She is an amazing person for our school and during the pandemic... she is doing all she can to make our school safe and to help out any way she can. We are very lucky to have her at Harmony."

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