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MAJOR LEAGUE FISHING

MLF Anglers meet with local school fishing teams at Cullman High School

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Major League Fishing Bass Pro Tour is making Cullman it's third stop, with 80 of the world's best anglers competing on Smith Lake from March 2-7. The anglers launch each day at 7:30 a.m. from the Smith Lake State Park located at 403 County Road 386.

The event is hosted by Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism, Cullman County Parks and Recreation and the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce.

Six of the anglers met at Cullman High School on Thursday to meet with some local school fishing teams from Holly Pond, West Point, Hayden and Wallace State.

The anglers on hand, Randy Howell, Josh Bertrand, Mike McClelland, Kelly Jordan, Bradley Roy, and Keith Poche, came by after their day of competition to give some » PAGE 6



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The panel of anglers take turns answering questions at CHS Thursday

Tim and Stephen Donaldson receive 2021 Friend of Extension Award



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Regional Extension Agent Gerry Thompson, Stephen and Tim Donaldson and Extension System Director Mike Phillips

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman's Tim and Stephen Donaldson of Donaldson Farms were awarded the 2021 Epsilon Sigma Phi Friend of Extension Award on Thursday evening. The Friend of Extension Award is the highest award given to those outside of Extension by ESP– a professional organization of the Cooperative Extension. The award is presented annually to a person(s), business or organization to recognize their outstanding support and personal involvement in Extension efforts.

As part of their efforts with the Extension, Donaldson Farms have hosted the North Alabama Bull Evaluation Center for 50 years.

This center provides area producers with a complete bull performance evaluation, and works to educate seedstock and commercial cattle producers in the value and application of performance data.

The Donaldsons' farm also plays host to a myriad educational events for different groups.

Some of these events include beef producer working groups, county and regional cattlemen's meetings and livestock judging clinics for 4-H, National FFA Organization and collegiate livestock judging teams.

Alabama Cooperative Extension System Director Mike Phillips said, "Everything we do in Extension is about relationships, teambuilding, about helping folks out there in the countryside make a living."

Phillips said the Extension owes a special debt of gratitude to the Donaldsons, "The impact of their commitment to supporting other beef cattle producers and youth education has extended well beyond their community to the regional and » PAGE 12

CRIME

Cullman man arrested for computer tampering; total of 21 counts of child pornography

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PREP BASKETBALL

Bearcats set to battle Huffman for 6A State title



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The Cullman Bearcats will return to The BJCC's Legacy Arena in Birmingham Saturday to play Huffman in the 6A State Championship Game at 2:15 p.m. » PAGE 7

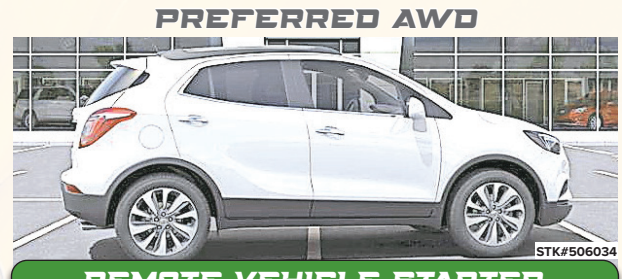
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Cullman Regional starts construction on 30-bed expansion

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported March 4

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

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Feb. 28

- domestic violence; CR 15
- theft of property; CR 590
- domestic violence; CR 1386
- possession of marijuana; CR 1212
- domestic violence; CR 399
- domestic violence; criminal mischief; CR 610
- domestic violence; CR 1742
- possession of controlled substance; Beech Ave. SE
- harassment; CR 1762
- theft of property; Industrial Blvd.
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 703
- criminal mischief; trespassing; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; CR 437

March 1

- criminal mischief; CR 747
- burglary; criminal mischief; CR 719
- resisting arrest; CR 471
- harassment; CR 747
- harassment; CR 855
- harassment; CR 1352
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 S

March 2

- trespassing; CR 1742
- burglary; 2nd Ave. SW, Garden City
- theft of property; CR 1223
- theft of property; CR 1145
- trafficking drugs; possession of controlled substance; CR 437
- domestic violence; CR 1111

ARRESTS

Feb. 28 – March 2

Boyd, Lacie M.; 25
- FTA- distributing private image with intent to harass
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Brockman, Christi M.; 43
- FTA- attempt to commit controlled substance crime
- FTA- dangerous drugs-false reporting
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Ellis, Daniel A.; 41
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Fields, Heath K.; 33
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Garner, Gregory T.; 34
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Gillentine, Reginald T.; 53
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)

Graves, Patricia W.; 53
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Green, David W.; 32
- probation violation-stolen vehicles-auto theft

Henson, Lesley M.; 30
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- improper lane usage

Johnson, Brittany N.; 32
- family offense-causing of delinquency, dependency, or need of supervision

Johnson, Charles L.; 33
- family offense-causing of delinquency, dependency, or need of supervision

Johnson, Christian S.; 24
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Jones, Clinton M.; 33
- burglary-non residence-no force

Kongslien, Brian T.; 36
- criminal computer tampering
- tampering with physical evidence
- possession of child pornography (18 counts)

Lambert, Jimmy W.; 43
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Lawson, Christopher L.; 40
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Martin, Terry D.; 51
- FTA- assault-aggravated assault- A to M to commit crime

May, Christopher L.; 39
- second-degree possession of marijuana

McDonald, Steven S.; 37
- fraud-trafficking in stolen identities

McIntyre Jr., Bryan D.; 37
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Powell, Daiquiri T.; 32
- resisting arrest
- public intoxication

Ramey, Amanda K.; 44
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Schofield, Alexis C.; 19
- FTA- assault-child abuse-simple-family
- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)
- promote prison contraband (drugs) (2 counts)

Tennihill, Jennifer A.; 35
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Thomas, April D.; 44
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Thomas, Bobby W.; 39
- FTA- burglary-residence-no force
- FTA- larceny/theft-shoplifting less than $500
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument (3 counts)
- FTA- buying/receiving stolen property less than $500

Williams, Brittney M.; 35
- FTA- burglary-residence-force

Young, Jimmy L.; 50
- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- tampering with physical evidence

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 28
- third-degree domestic violence; person

March 1
- leaving scene of accident; person; 2nd Ave. SW; damage to '0* Cadillac Escalade; $300
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; knife set; $127

March 2
- third-degree criminal mischief; person; 3rd Ave. SE; damaged lock; $25
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; tag; $50

March 3
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; person; miscellaneous charges
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Main Ave. SW

ARRESTS

March 1 – 3

Weldon, Tina D.; 48
- DUI

Bagwell, Dachery D.; 30
- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- driving while license revoked (5 counts)
- FTA- insurance violation (3 counts)
- FTA- driving without license (2 counts)
- FTA- fail to register vehicle

Owens, Chad M.; 37
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- driving without license (2 counts)
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- insurance violation

Holt, Paula S.; 48
- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Crenshaw, Ashley R.; 30
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (3 counts)

Gilley, Christopher J.; 30
- unauthorized use of vehicle

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, March 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: 5.1%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,454
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 536,080
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 359,411 (+1,227 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,518
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 1,775 (+143 since Wednesday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 2.8%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,561
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,742
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 7,124 (+20 since Wednesday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 38 (+3 since Wednesday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 869
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 24
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 34,068
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 1,751
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 446

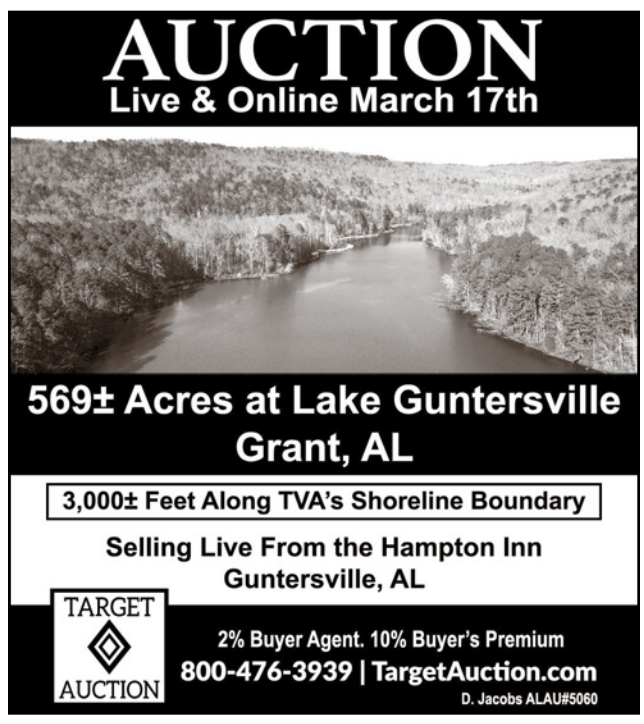
Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,965,595
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,675,165
- Doses administered: 5,851,139
- Additional doses administered: 764,128
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,847,457
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,321,685
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,290,430

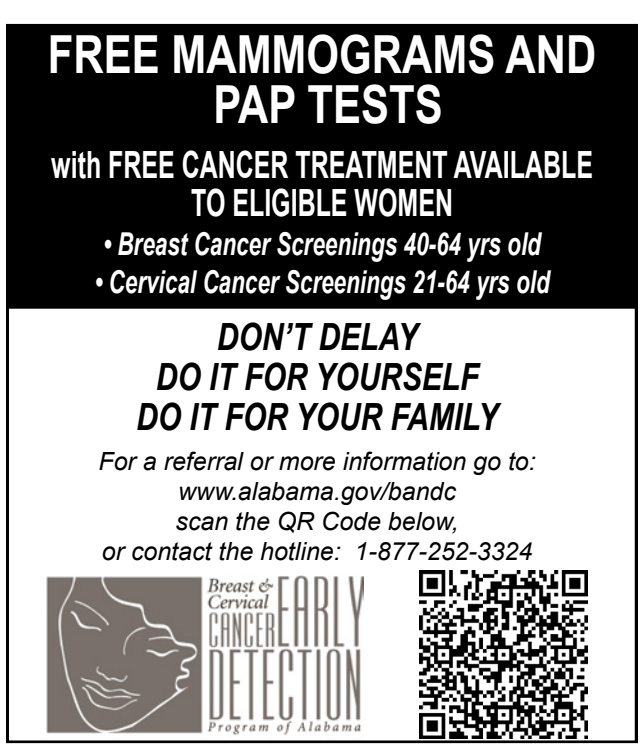
Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 12 and older) are now eligible to receive a vaccine.

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

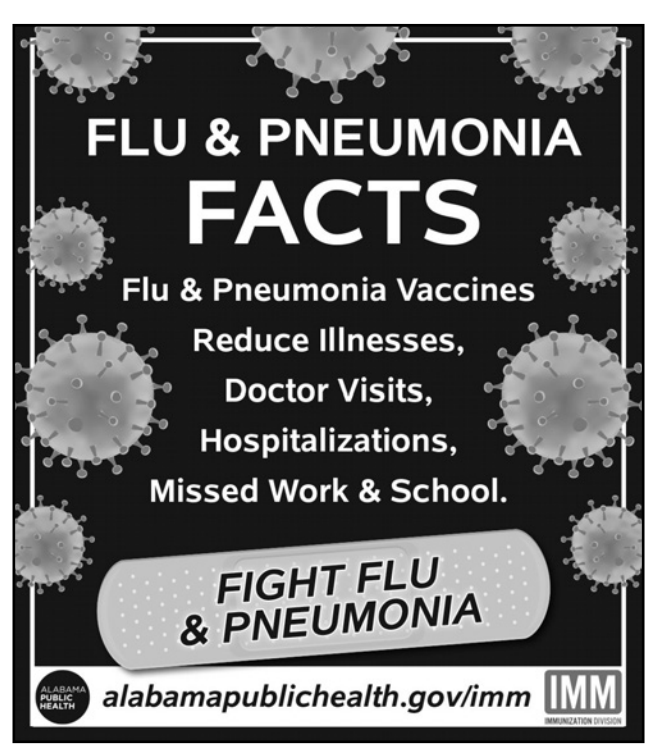












COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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 St. 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, March 5, 8 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Community Sack Lunches. Men are invited to eat a home cooked breakfast and help prepare and deliver sack lunches to our community.
• 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/203435614640045. 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.

Agriplex spring program schedule

Child and home-school programs
• March 5, 9 a.m.: Farm Kids First Peas to the Table: Join us as we find out how Thomas Jefferson's garden is inspiring even the youngest gardeners today.
• March 8, 10:30 a.m.: Library Storytimes Five Senses at Guy Hunt Library Holly Pond. FREE
• March 11, 10 a.m.: Little Farmers Feathered Friends: Explore the world of birds with hands on fun as we learn how to bring birds to our own backyards.
• March 24: Heritage Homeschool Seed Starting: What does a seed need to grow? Find out as we learn all about how to grow our own vegetable transplants for the garden.

Adult programs
• March 8, 6 p.m.: Beginning Farmer and Rancher- Small Scale Vegetable Production: Learn which summer vegetables are the most profitable and learn the best practices for growing them. Registration required, contact Tony Glover at gloveta@aces.edu, or by phone 256-568-0005
• March 14, 6 p.m.: Living Landscapes Growing Shitake Mushrooms: Inoculate your own shitake mushroom log to take home and grow. $40 per person.
• March 16, noon: Lunch and Learn Growing Succulents: Bethany O'Rear will be here to talk about succulents. Free program, light lunch provided. Must call 256-297-1044 to register.
• March 22, 6 p.m.: Heritage Skills Growing and Using Gourds and Pumpkins: Katie Westmoreland will be here teaching us how to grow these useful cucurbits, avoid pests and diseases and also will be demonstrating how to use them in crafting recipes and more!

Register for programs at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/services/.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 12-Step Groups
The Goose Hung High Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, 1st Church of Nazarene, 5415 U.S. Highway 157, Cullman, AL 35058, CLOSED Literature Study, SUNDAYS at 3 p.m. Handicap Accessible.

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.

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

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

Stars and Stripes Rodeo
March 4-5: Hosted by West Point Band Boosters, the 38th Annual Stars and Stripes Rodeo will take place Friday and Saturday, March 4-5 at the Cullman Ag Center. Miss West Point Rodeo Queen crowned Saturday evening. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and show starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are $14 for adults at the door ($12 for presales) and $10 for kids 6-12, and 5 and under are free. Tickets sold at any Premier Bank location and Jack's Western Wear.

Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting
March 8: The Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting will be held Tuesday March 8 at 6 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars building located at (112 Veterans Drive SW, Cullman, AL 35055). The public is encouraged to attend. A light supper will be provided.

East Point Swamp John's Dinner
March 10: East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Swamp John's dinner Thursday, March 10 from 4-7 p.m. (1441 U.S. Highway 278 E, Cullman, AL). Dine-in and carry-out options available. For more information, call 256-962-2116.

Swamp John's Meal at Corinth Methodist Church
March 12: Come by Saturday, March 12 from 4-7 p.m. for a Swamp John's plate, which are $13 each. Located at 5130 County Road 1101, Vinemont, AL.

Valley Springs Baptist Church Youth Revival
• March 12-13: Beginning at 5 p.m. at Valley Springs Baptist Church (6979 County Road 437, Cullman). The evangelists will be Colin Long, Ethan Yarbrough, Clay Rollo and Kenny Shelton.
• Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers in word in conversation, in charity, in faith, in purity. 1st Timothy 4:12 (KJV).

Holly Pond Homemakers Club Meeting
March 15: The Holly Pond Homemakers Club will have a regular meeting at The Holly Pond Event Center March 15, at 1 p.m. Probate Judge Tammy Brown will have the program. Hosts will be Brenda Scott and Deanie Walker. Please come and bring someone.

Soup and Chili
March 19: The Fairview Lions Club is having a soup and chili supper March 19 at the Fairview Town Hall (7525 Alabama Highway 69 N) from 4-7 p.m. your choice of several kinds of soup or chili, cornbread or crackers and a drink for $5 or with dessert for $6. Eat in or carry out options available. All proceeds go to the Fairview Lions Club project fund. For more information, call Kita at 256-385-8805 or William at 256-385-5596.

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.

Cottontails Arts and Crafts Festival
• April 9, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
• 905 SE Commercial St., Hanceville
• Willow Brook Boutique & Design will host a spring arts and crafts festival in downtown Hanceville.

Bloomin' Festival Arts and Crafts Fair
• April 23-24, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
• 1600 St. Bernard Ave. SE, Cullman
• Food, music and artisan crafts all weekend at St. Bernard Preparatory school.
• Admission $7, children 5 and under get in free.

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 cook-off. Follow them on Facebook for more information: https://www.facebook.com/events/265071822436868/.

Man (from Front)

Noah Galilee
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CULLMAN, Ala. – On Tuesday, March 2, the Cullman County Sheriff's Office arrested 36-year-old Cullman resident Brian Thomas Kongslien on multiple warrants, including a total of 21 counts of child pornography.

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry said, "Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested Brian Thomas Kongslien (36) of Cullman on multiple warrants.

He was arrested at the Cullman County Detention Center.

The charges stem from a collaborative investigation between Cullman County Sheriff's Office Investigators and ICAC (Internet Crimes Against Children)."

Gentry stated the work between investigators helped lead to the arrest of Kongslien.

"Our Investigators do an outstanding job working with various agencies in order to get the job done. This arrest is a great example. Through our joint efforts, this individual was arrested for 21 sex offense charges," said Gentry.



CCSO
Brian Thomas Kongslien

Kongslien was charged with:
• Tampering with physical evidence
• Criminal computer tampering
• Possession of child pornography (19 counts)

Kongslien has bonded out of the Cullman County Detention Center.

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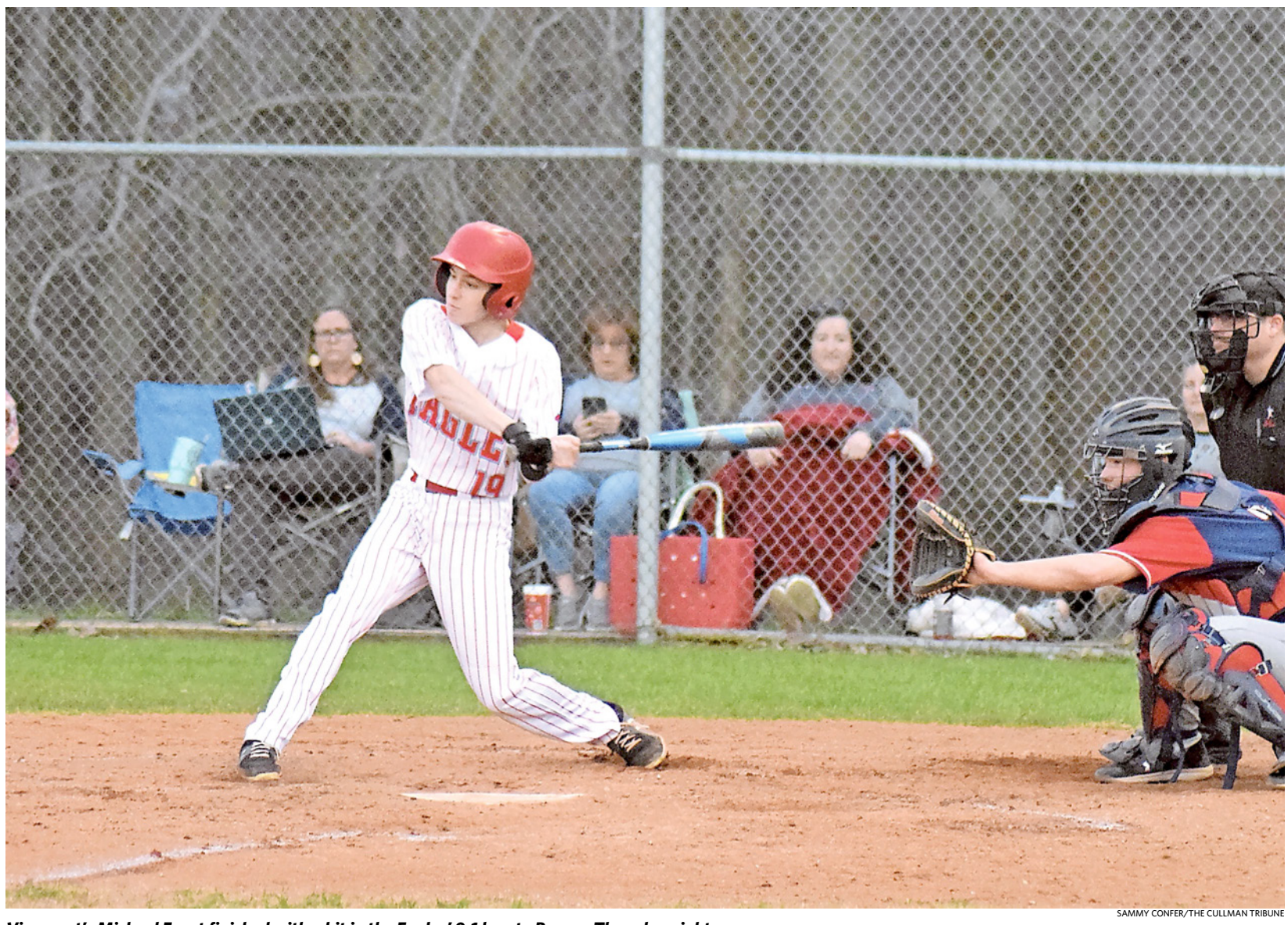
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PREP BASEBALL

Vinemont drops home opener against Brewer, Thursday scoring recap

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Vinemont's Michael Foust finished with a hit in the Eagles' 9-1 loss to Brewer Thursday night.

VINEMONT, Ala. — The Vinemont Eagles played their first game of the season at Mike Cupp Field Thursday night, looking for a win over Brewer. Unfortunately, the Patriots kept the Eagles' bats in check and Vinemont dropped its home opener 9-1.

Both starters retired the side in the first inning, and new Eagle pitcher Preston Williams came in the top of the second inning, and he retired the Patriots in order. Ayden Thomason led off the Vinemont second with a walk, then a sacrifice bunt by Williams and a ground out by Owen Mckinney moved the courtesy runner, Jaxon Holcomb, over to third base with two outs. A ground out, though, ended the Eagle half of the second inning.

Williams retired the first two Brewer hitters in the top of the third, but the Patriots got things going after that as back-to-back singles put runners on first and second with two outs. Then a two-run single gave them a 2-0 lead and the Patriots added another run in the top of the fourth as the Patriot runner stole home. The Eagles got singles from Jarrett Friedrich and Michael Foust in the bottom of the fifth inning but couldn't do anything with it as they went into the top of the sixth inning trailing, 3-0.

Vinemont got the first two outs of the inning as they looked to keep it at a three-run deficit. Brewer had other plans, though, as they launched a two-out rally that saw them score five runs, with the big hit coming on a two-run double, and the Eagles saw their deficit get swelled to 8-0. The Patriots made it 9-0 on a Vinemont error in the seventh.

The Eagles got on the scoreboard in their final at-bats as three straight Brewer errors allowed Friedrich to cross the plate, but they didn't get any closer after that as Vinemont ended up dropping their game to the Patriots, 9-1.

Foust, Friedrich (one run scored), and Rush Sandlin had the only three hits of the game for Vinemont (1-3). The Eagles will stay at home Friday as they will take on Hayden.

Montverde Academy (Florida) 3 - Cullman 2 (Baseball)

The Cullman Bearcats took part in the Perfect Game High School Showdown in Hoover on Thursday, and they faced off against Montverde Academy from Florida.

It was a pitcher's duel through five innings and Cullman looked to finally get something going in the top of the sixth as they loaded the bases with two outs, but a ground out ended their chances of getting on the scoreboard in that inning.

Zac Edwards led off the Bearcat seventh with a double and later scored on a Paxton Ponder single to make it 1-0, but Montverde Academy tied it up at one on a sacrifice fly to send the game into extra innings.

Carter Gay scored on a passed ball to give Cullman a 2-1 lead, but an RBI groundout and a game-winning RBI single sealed the 3-2 win for Montverde Academy.

Ponder (one RBI) and Hayden Stancil each finished with two hits in the game for Cullman, while Edwards and Will Bradberry each collected a hit as well.

The Bearcats will return home on Tuesday as they will face off against James Clemens.

Holly Pond 6 - Fairview 1 (Softball)

Holly Pond hosted Fairview in Thursday afternoon softball action and the Lady Broncos jumped on the Lady Aggies early in the first two innings. Madyson Rickman hit a sacrifice fly to put Holly Pond on the scoreboard and Addison Armstrong scored on a Lady Aggie error to make it 2-0. The Lady Broncos added two more runs in the bottom of the second as Samantha Giles scored on a passed ball and a Fairview error allowed Rebecca Bell to cross the plate to push their lead to 4-0. An RBI triple by Ayda Payne in the top of the fourth inning cut the Lady Aggie deficit to one at 4-1, but the Lady Broncos put up two more runs in the bottom of the sixth as Bell hit an RBI groundout and Giles scored on an error. Holly Pond ended up defeating Fairview, 6-1, as they also got a strong pitching performance from Emma Ray Spitzer.

Bell finished with a hit and an RBI for Holly Pond. Rickman added a pair of RBIs in the game. Giles finished a perfect three-for-three at the plate for the Lady Broncos and she also drew a walk in the contest. Armstrong, Kaylee Stallings, and Mattie Earl each ended up with a hit as well. Spitzer allowed just five hits, one run, and struck out 10 as she dominated the Lady Aggies from start to finish. For Fairview, Payne finished with two hits and an RBI. Emily Benson, Kaitlyn Benson, and Allison Davis each added a hit in the contest as well.

The Lady Broncos will host J.B. Pennington on Tuesday and the Lady Aggies will head back home to take on Vinemont on Monday.

Fairview 4 - Hayden 0 (Baseball)

Fairview got a great pitching performance from Crimson Wright and the Aggies scored some big runs late in the game as they picked up a huge shutout win at Hayden. After being shut out through four innings, Fairview's bats came alive in the top of the fifth. Carson Jones drew a two-out walk and ended up scoring on a Caden Jennings RBI double. Jennings stole home to make it 2-0, and a Dalton Payne two-run home run in the sixth made it 4-0. That was all the run support that Wright would need as he pitched a four-hit shutout and struck out two in the win.

Payne finished with the two-run home run for Fairview and Jennings added a hit and an RBI as well. Lucas West ended up with a pair of hits and Martin chipped in with a hit as well. The Aggies will play Decatur Heritage in a doubleheader at home on Saturday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

West Point 11 - Good Hope 1 (Baseball)

West Point traveled to take on Good Hope in Thursday afternoon baseball action and it was all Warriors in this one as they put up 11 runs in the third through fifth innings in their 11-1 win over the Raiders. Colton McCoy finished with two hits and four RBIs for West Point. Isaac Hoffpauir added a hit and three RBIs, while J.D. Cochran and Cade Simmons each finished with a hit and an RBI in the contest.

For Good Hope, Eli Clements finished with their only RBI of the game. Paydon Bagwell, Colten Whatley, and Caden Drake each finished with a hit for the Raiders.

The Warriors will travel to Madison to take on Scottsboro Saturday night at 5:30 p.m., while the Raiders will travel to Bremen to take on Cold Springs Saturday morning at 11 a.m.

West Point 10 - Danville 0 (Softball)

West Point looked to improve to 7-1 on the season as they took on Danville at home. Carlie Wilkins and Braelee Quinn combined on a five-inning one-hitter and a huge third inning was key in the Lady Warriors' shut out win over the Lady Hawks. All but two West Point players finished with a hit and an RBI in the game, led by Wilkins, who finished with a two-run home run. Bethany Minck added three hits and an RBI. Macayla Wilkins, Brindlee Phillips, Quinn, and Sidney Burks each ended up with a pair of hits and an RBI.

Nikki Tyree finished with a hit and an RBI as well. Wilkins struck out six in her three innings of work and Quinn pitched two hitless innings.

The Lady Warriors will travel to take on Holly Pond Monday.

No. 5 Auburn beats MSU in OT, clinches share of SEC championship

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics



AU ATHLETICS

K.D. Johnson scored 12 points in overtime to lead No. 5 Auburn to an 81-68 victory over Mississippi State Wednesday night.

STARKVILLE, Miss. — K.D. Johnson scored 12 points in overtime to lead No. 5 Auburn to an 81-68 victory over Mississippi State Wednesday at Humphrey Coliseum, clinching a share of the Southeastern Conference season championship.

"This is probably one of the best regular-season wins I've had in a long career, to win a championship on the road at a really good place against a really good team and a really good coach, with our backs against the wall," Auburn coach Bruce Pearl said.

"Our guys wanted this championship. Mississippi State wasn't going to give it to us, and we took it. Everybody contributed. A great, great win for Auburn basketball."

Johnson scored seven consecutive points on a layup, a 3-pointer and a pair of free throws to give Auburn a 68-62 lead with 3:15 remaining in overtime. He finished with 14 points and three assists.

"I live for those moments," Johnson said. "It's a blessing. We decided to catch fire at the right time and get the W."

"That's just the type of player he is," Jabari Smith said of Johnson.

"He has extreme confidence, and we have extreme confidence in him. We're proud of him and we thank him for that."

"K.D. took the game over," Pearl said. "That's a function of his courage and ability. He still had something left."

Smith culminated another huge game with a drive and dunk with 21 seconds left, emphatically slamming the door on Auburn's fourth regular season SEC title.

Smith led the Tigers 27 points on 9-of-13 shooting, adding 10 rebounds.

"Happy to win on the road," Smith said. "It felt good knowing that team has lost only once at home in SEC play.

"We stayed together, battled back and won. It felt great."

Trailing by two in the final minute, Smith hit a jumper to tie it at 61-61 with 51 seconds left. After Auburn got a stop, Smith's 3-point attempt at the buzzer missed the mark, sending the game to OT.

"We buckled down on defense," Smith said. "Everything else took care of itself."

Auburn (26-4, 14-3) tied the program record with its sixth SEC road win and 14th conference win. The Tigers can claim the outright SEC championship with a victory at home Saturday vs. South Carolina.

"All the work we've put in has paid off," Smith said.

"We're excited to see how much better we can get. Just keep playing and get better."

The thousands of Auburn fans in attendance chanted "S-E-C, S-E-C!" in the closing seconds of overtime in celebration.

"I'm happy for Auburn," Pearl said.

"This is our third championship in four years. You feel a responsibility to try to reward this Auburn family for all of their support.

"They wanted to see history made.

"They wanted to be here when we won this championship. I'm grateful."

Mississippi State used a 13-0 run to lead 54-49, the Bulldogs' first lead of the game, but Auburn answered on back-to-back 3-pointers by Smith and Devan Cambridge to go ahead 57-56 with 4:43 to play.

Smith made all five of his first-half shots, including a pair of 3-pointers, to help Auburn build a 19-point lead before State closed on a 6-0 run to pull within 12 at 40-28 at the half.

"I felt like I was in a groove in the first half," Smith said. "I'm happy we got the win."

Zep Jasper hit his first three 3-point attempts. Auburn shot 50 percent in the half on 3s (7 of 14) while the Bulldogs were 0-for-9. Jasper hit back-to-back 3s to give the Tigers an early double-digit lead at 23-10asp, finishing with 11 points and three assists.

Dylan Cardwell was 3-for-3 in the half to help the Tigers shoot 55.6 percent.

Walker Kessler grabbed 10 rebounds and Wendell Green Jr. led Auburn with seven assists and five steals.

Auburn closes out the regular season Saturday at noon against South Carolina in the first game in Neville Arena, which will be formally renamed on Friday.

WSCC basketball teams advance to ACCC Tournament championship games; Women's golf wins WSCC Invite and more

Russell Moore
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Both Wallace State basketball teams have advanced to the Alabama Community College Conference Tournament championship game.

The Lady Lions notched a 61-58 overtime victory over Bishop State in the semifinal round on Thursday at Shelton State's Umphrey Center, and the men later followed with a 77-58 triumph against Chattahoochee Valley.

It's the first time both programs have advanced to the title game in the same season since 2011-2012.

In the women's game, Kyra Long had a pair of huge buckets in overtime and Jazmyn Jackson drained four free throws in the final 49.5 seconds, securing the sixth straight victory for the Lady Lions.

The entire game was tight throughout as neither team controlled a double-digit lead. The teams were tied at 24-all at the half and 49-all at the end of regulation.

Wallace State, the North Division's No. 2 seed, avenged a 15-point January loss to the South's top-seeded Lady Wildcats.

"One of our plans was to keep them under 55 points, and we did that in regulation. We wanted to pack the lane and control (Cordasia) Harris.

"Our women never wavered from the plan and played incredible on both ends of the floor," said women's coach Jessica McBrayer, who earned her 100th career win at Wallace State after Tuesday's semifinal win against Wallace Community College-Selma.

Payton Golden led Wallace State (18-11) in scoring with 14 points. Tamia Yancey finished with nine points and 11 rebounds and Camille Jenkins, the ACCC Player of the Week, added seven points.

After overcoming early-season injuries and attrition, Wallace State is in the ACCC Tournament title game for the second time in three seasons.

The Lady Lions will face second-ranked Shelton State at 4 p.m. on Friday.

"Our women deserve every bit of this opportunity. They've battled all season and withstood multiple challenges. They've committed to the process and put themselves in a great position," McBrayer said.

Men's game

Wallace State 77, Chattahoochee Valley 58

Wallace State's men dominated the second half, punching its ticket into Friday's championship.

The Lions outscored the Pirates 42-25 over the final twenty minutes, advancing to its first ACCC Tournament title game in eight seasons. Wallace State nursed a 35-33 edge at the half.

Te'Derrius Williams, playing in his hometown, paced the Lions with 22 points. Jaylen Lemons scored 18 points, Kuran Garner finished with 17 and Nathan Moore added 14.

Wallace State (28-4) has won seven games in a row, avenging an earlier loss to the Pirates this season.

The Lions opened the tournament on Wednesday with a 64-55 victory over Wallace Community College-Selma.

Friday's men's championship is set for 6:30 p.m. The Lions will play either Shelton State or Coastal Alabama-South.

Wallace State men's golf

Wallace State sophomore Davis Aaron earned a spot on the All-Tournament team at the Stallion Invitational this week, finishing tied for fifth in Tifton, Ga. The tournament was hosted by Spring Hill College.

Aaron carded a nine-over par 225 (76-75-74), staying in contention throughout. He was only eight shots off the lead.

Wallace State's Joshua Darracott placed 12th overall, finishing with a 232 (74-80-78), while Allen Michael Burnett was tied for 15th with a 236 (85-69-82).

George Law and Zackary Coker rounded out the Wallace State field.

Wallace State finished fourth overall as a club. The Lions' 303 in the second round was the third-best score over those 18 holes.

The Lions' next tournament is March 13-15 at Glenlakes Invitational in Foley.

Wallace State women's golf

Wallace State's women's golf captured its second championship in as many tournaments this spring, winning the WSCC Invitational this week at Cross Creek Golf Course.

All five Wallace State golfers finished in the top 10.

Wallace State freshman Hope Harrell was the tournament's individual low medalist – her second individual title this spring.

The Guntersville native won the event by three strokes, carding a 14-over par 158 in the 36-hole tournament. Harrell shot a round-best 78 over the opening 18 holes.

Sophomore Hannah Sanders made her second All-Tournament team of the spring for the Lady Lions, finishing fourth overall with a 164.

Wallace State's Abigail Baker finished sixth overall (173) and Abby Brown was two shots behind her.

Brileigh Roberts rounded out the Wallace State field, finishing 10th.

Wallace State's next tournament March 13-15 at Calhoun.



WSCC ATHLETICS

Wallace State's women's golf team cruised to the Wallace State Invitational title this week. Team members are, from left, Brileigh Roberts, Hope Harrell, Abigail Baker, Abby Brown and Hannah Sanders

Wallace State tennis

Wallace State's women's tennis team swept Snead State in a home conference match this week.

Martina Paillet (6-1, 6-1), Micah Oldacre (6-2, 6-0), Breanna Vann (6-1, 6-1) and Anna Knepper (6-2, 6-0) each notched singles victories.

In doubles, Paillet and Italia Jones earned a victory in addition to Vann and Oldacre.

Both Wallace State tennis teams travel to Coastal Alabama-South on Saturday.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.wallacestate.edu/athleticsfb.

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Robin Cummings announced his retirement as CEO of Peoples Bank of Alabama on January 27, 2022. He will remain a member of the bank board and a special advisor to the Executive team of the bank. Robin was named President and CEO of Peoples Bank of Holly Pond (that later became Peoples Bank of Alabama) in September of 1983. He was named a Director of Cullman Bankshares, Inc., the bank's holding company (that later became Altrust Financial, Inc.), in 1985. We are grateful for his leadership of almost 40 years and look forward to his continual collaborative influence for many years to come.

The Board appointed Tim Williams to serve in the role of CEO and President. Tim has served as president of Peoples Bank since 2014.







EDUCATION

Most WSCC Health Science programs open application process for fall 2022

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Most of the Health Science programs at Wallace State Community College began accepting applications from prospective students on March 1 for fall 2022 entry. This application process is used by the college to select students for entry into the programs which have a limited number of openings available each year for new students.

Each program sets minimum guidelines students should meet to apply to the program, with most – but not all – requiring a minimum ACT and GPA as well as completion of prerequisite courses. All applicants must also apply for general admission to the college in advance of applying to the programs of their choice. Students may apply to more than one program, but it is suggested they apply to no more than three.

Unless otherwise noted, these programs will accept applications from March 1 - June 1:

• Dental Assisting requires a GPA of at least 2.3 and a minimum ACT of 16; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Dental Hygiene requires a GPA of 2.5 and a minimum ACT of 18; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Diagnostic Imaging requires a minimum ACT of 20; 2.5 GPA on pre-requisite courses that should be completed before applying

• Diagnostic Medical Sonography requires a minimum GPA of 2.5 and a minimum ACT of 19; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Emergency Medical Services requires the student be able to enroll in English 101 and Math 100 courses and a minimum ACT of 17

• Health Information Technology requires a GPA of 2.5 and minimum ACT of 17; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Medical Assistant requires a 2.0 GPA and a minimum ACT of 17; no pre-requisite courses are required

• Medical Laboratory Technician requires a 2.5 GPA and a minimum ACT of 18; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying; the two-semester Medical Lab Assistant option requires a 2.0 GPA, but an ACT score is not required

• Nursing will accept applications March 15-May 16 for its traditional Associate Degree, Practical Nursing, Mobility, UAB/WSCC Nursing Joint Enrollment plus our newest option, the UAB/WSCC Joint Enrollment Mobility Nursing. The AND/PN/Mobility options require a minimum ACT of 18 to apply, a minimum GPA of 2.0 at native institution or 2.0 cumulative at institution from which the student is transferring and 2.5 GPA for nursing required academic courses. A minimum GPA of 2.5 high school cumulative from high school is required for students without prior college courses (GED will be used if applicable). The UAB/WSCC Nursing Joint Enrollment and Joint Enrollment Mobility require a minimum ACT of 20, a minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA on all college work as well as a 2.5 GPA on nursing required academic core courses. All academic courses must be complete before the application deadline. Joint Enrollment and Joint Enrollment Mobility students must be admitted to both UAB and WSCC.

• Occupational Therapy Assistant requires a GPA of 2.5 and a minimum ACT of 20; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Pharmacy Technology requires a GPA of 2.0, no minimum ACT is required; no pre-requisite courses are required

• Physical Therapist Assistant requires a GPA of 3.0 and a minimum ACT of 20; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

• Polysomnographic (Sleep Lab) Technologist requires a 2.0 GPA and a minimum ACT of 17; no pre-requisite courses are required

• Respiratory Therapy requires a GPA of 2.5 and a minimum ACT of 18; pre-requisite courses should be completed before applying

The Child Development program accepts new students each spring, with applications accepted Aug. 1 - Nov. 1.

To review Health Science programs, visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/ and click on the Programs link.

For more information about Wallace State Community College, call 256-352-8000.

Anglers (from Front)

advice and answer questions from the beginner fishing teams. They each in turn discussed their favorite places to fish and shared the advice they wished they had when they first started.

Kelly Jordan spoke about how happy they all were to see high school and college fishing teams growing. "You and guys and ladies are the next generation. I've always heard 'in the creeks, off the streets.' Keep fishing, and it'll keep you out of trouble. You have a connection with outside that so many young people today miss."

Keith Poche spoke about how he relates fishing to other sports because it takes time and practice. The difference is that individuals should make sure that have prepared themselves because professional fishing is not a team sport.

Bradley Roy added that fundamentals are one of the most important aspects of fishing that are often forgotten about. "We take for granted the fundamentals--your casting, control of the bow. The teams that make it today, always are able to do those things to perfection." Roy also spoke about how the teams today can utilize the internet to learn by themselves, saying, "You can now learn faster than anybody else at fishing."

Another aspect of fishing that Mike McClellan feels is often overlooked is the importance of keeping oneself healthy. He said keeping your mind and body healthy with a proper diet, as with any other sport, can help fishing performance.

Josh Bertrand also mentioned the importance of not mentally giving up, "No matter how crazy tough the conditions are, there's always fish biting somewhere.

"I think we've all been out there on the water when we're having a tournament day and you're getting beat down because you're not catching fish and your conditions aren't favorable, and you're sitting there wondering 'is it even possible to catch one right now?' It's easy to get in that mode and mentally take yourself out of the game. The more you fish the more you learn that you just can't do that because there's always fish biting somewhere."

Randy Powell reminded the teams that fishermen are always learning. He said he caught the two biggest bass he had ever caught at 48 years old.

"That's what you fish for all your life, just to have those days where you can forget about all those bad days, and you have that one special day like that. That's what fishing is all about," he concluded.

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Bearcats (from Front)

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The story of this year's Cullman Bearcats is one that will be remembered in this community forever, but the final chapter still has to be written. The 'Cats defeated Park Crossing 71-55 in the 6A State semifinals Wednesday and Saturday they'll return to Legacy Arena to battle Huffman for this year's 6A State crown. The Vikings topped McGill-Toolen in a 62-58 thriller Wednesday and like Park Crossing, they have some size and speed that'll present another big challenge for Cullman (28-3) in the title game.

Bearcats Head Coach Stu Stuedeman has been in this game a couple of times as a Mountain Brook assistant and helped the Spartans win a pair of state championships. This is the biggest stage in the state of Alabama when it comes to high school basketball and the pressure of that moment can be a big factor. Stuedeman and his staff are more than aware of that, and they've already discussed it with their team. His message is to 'be who we are' and attack Saturday's game the way they've attacked every other game this season.

"We are constantly working with our team's psychology so that they can have the proper mindset for every game we play. The key to win on this stage is to be who we are," Stuedeman said. "We can't go out there and try to be something different than who we have been all year. Our guys thrive when they play with confidence and are attacking and playing fearless basketball. We will have to keep that same mindset on Saturday."

Cullman will square off against The Vikings (29-6) at 2:15 p.m. and they've been battle tested throughout the postseason.

Starting with the Sub-Regional, Huffman has defeated Springville, Homewood, Mountain Brook and McGill-Toolen by a combined 13 points to get to this stage, so a close game won't be anything new for the Vikings.

"Huffman is big and athletic. They play hard and have a dynamic scoring guard," Stuedeman said. "They'll be a tough challenge, as every team at this point in the season is."

After this historic postseason run, kids in the Cullman community will grow up wanting to play like Garrison Sharpe, Jamar Kay, Tucker Gambrill, Tucker Apel and the rest of this Bearcat team. Through hard work and belief in each other, this Cullman team has risen to legendary status and Stuedeman could not be prouder of this group of guys for building that legacy and the way they have built it.

"It's been a pleasure to coach these guys. I told my assistants on the bus the night before the Final 4 game that I just wanted three more days with this team because they're so special.

"Watching them invest in each other, our younger players, and this community has brought me a lot of joy. Seeing these uncommon men selflessly bring it every day for one another has been a highlight of my life. This is a team Cullman will always remember and use as a measuring stick for all other teams that wear the black and gold and there has never been a more deserving group of men to earn that distinction."

This basketball season will already go down as arguably the greatest in Cullman's history but if the 'Cats write the final chapter they've envisioned and finish things off with a win Saturday, they'll remove all doubt.

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TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to NANCY DIANE WATSON MEYER, as Personal Representative of the Estate of JOYCE BEATRICE JACOBS, deceased, on the 16th day of February, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

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DONE THIS 2nd DAY OF March, 2022.

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Charles Calvin Bratton, Jr., 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 11th DAY OF February, 2022.

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

Jerry Kilgo
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARY HOLLOWAY,
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2022-900035.00**

BRIAN JEANES,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Brian Jeanes, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Mary Holloway's Complaint for Divorce by April 11th, 2022 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in Case Number 25-DR-2022-900035.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 10th day of February, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:
Sara Baker
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IN THE MATTER OF THE
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TERESA ANN STISHER
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

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Deceased. *

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TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to TARA SANDLIN MARTIN, as Personal Representative of the Estate of PEGGY LAMB, deceased, on the 2nd day of March, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

Tara Sandlin Martin
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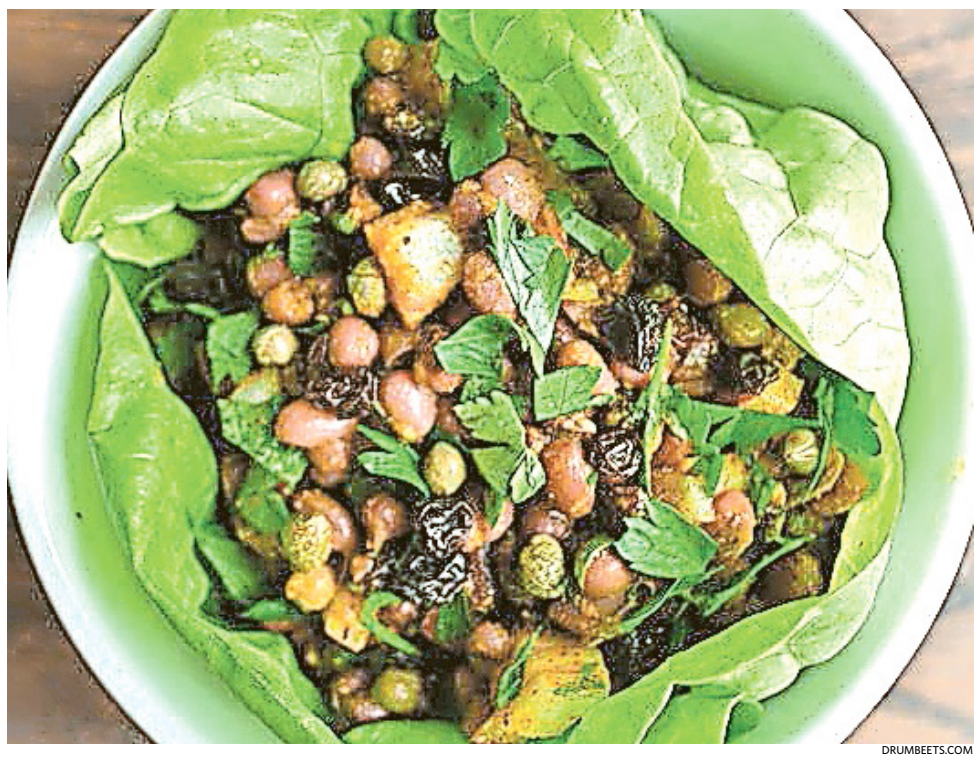

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52 ODES TO JOY: A JOYFUL LONG LIFE

Ben South
Tribune Columnist



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NEVER TRUST A GERONTOLOGIST UNDER 70!

I've been waiting 40 years to say that. Please forget, I was also one of those know-it-all punks who said, "Never trust anyone over 30."

Truthfully, there is some great work in the study of aging being done by gerontologists of all ages. However, I'm not trying to achieve immortality through my research, I'm trying to do that by not dying.

This week, I joyfully celebrate my 70th birthday. Let there be cake and candles! (Also, let there, please be a smoke alarm.)

I think fondly of my youth and there are times when I am wistful about returning—then I remember long division, longing for love, and, oh yeah, that lobotomy. I've lived through Bullwinkle, Bull Connor, Bull Durham and a lot of bull, and I'm still here waiting for the "wisdom thing" to kick in. Until that happens, I'm spending this smile-making week having fun pondering witty and wise things others have said about living a joyful and long life.

Aphorisms, one-liners with a bit of sage and a sprinkling of humor, have been a tasty treat for me throughout the decades. Stephen Anthony Elkins and I offer up a lot of those in the musical we co-wrote, "The Original, One-Liner American Diner."

In my years as a speechwriter and since, I've baked 5,000+ so-called original one-liners. I say "so-called," because "the best things ever said" have mostly been served, frozen, re-heated and re-served through centuries. Some are the delicious classics, I'm placing before you today.

"The Gerontologist of Joy" talks I share, use the four, easily remembered elements of "The S.U.N.S. Age Joy System" (Smile-making, Uniting, Neighboring and Spellbinding) which are essential for a joyful life. Let's have some good old fun with them.

SMILE-MAKING (POSITIVE-THINKING AND POSITIVE DOING)

"I'm at an age where my back goes out more than I do."—Phyllis Diller

"At my age, receiving flowers scares me."—George Burns

Here's a prescription for positivity from Dr. Susan Albers, a clinical psychologist with the Cleveland Clinic, this is for smiling more and eating less. It seems there was a study at the University of Wuppertal in Germany that shows people who smile during meals reduce food cravings more than frowners experience. As quoted in "Real Simple Magazine," (June, 2021) "Albers suggests smiling between bites for a similar result. 'It creates that pause moment and helps release serotonin,' she says. 'We do less emotional eating when we're feeling happier.'"

UNITING (CONNECTING DEEPLY WITH SOMEONE/ SOMEONES)

"I'm at the age where food has taken the place of sex in my life. In fact, I've just had a mirror put over my kitchen table."—Rodney Dangerfield

"Whatever you may look like, marry someone your own age—as your looks fade so will their eyesight."—Phyllis Diller

Money nor fame are what make us happy. The greatest predictor of those who will become happy octogenarians are people who were satisfied with their personal relationships at age 50. This data is from a 75-year-long study of adult development done at Harvard University.

Psychiatrist and Zen priest, Dr. Robert Waldinger, the fourth director of this decade-slong research project, shares the findings in a popular TEDtalk. If you, like me, are joy-aspiring, I encourage you to block out 12 minutes and 37 seconds of your life to listen to his words of well-researched wisdom. Google or search YouTube—"What makes a good life? Lessons from the longest study on happiness."

The Harvard study tracks the lives of 754 men, their spouses and 2,000+ children. The men were a split group of Harvard Sophomores and a group from one of Boston's poorest neighborhoods. Having long-studied the intricacies of this voluminous research, Dr. Waldinger shares this concise conclusion: "Good relationships keep us happier and healthier. Period."

UNITING, connecting deeply, honestly and lovingly is the main thing which will add more joy to your years. Certainly, health, well-being, purpose and meaningful work matter—but above all, quality relationships hold the key to a joyful, long life.

Mark Twain, a happily long-married husband and a devoted father, wrote this late in his long life, "There isn't time, so brief is life, for bickerings, apologies, heartburnings, callings to account. There is only time for loving, and but an instant, so to speak, for that."

After a 30-year marriage, I have been single for the last 10 years. So, I'm always eager to know the latest research on "joy and coupling." The good news for us happy singletons is that having a husband or wife is not the answer. The findings repeatedly underscore that one can be lonely in a marriage.

Over and over, year after year, decade after decade, the answer to having greater joy is in the quality and depth of UNITING with others, versus the quantity of connections. In-person hugs are the best, but research is increasingly suggesting that virtual relationships like those through social media and video gatherings can also be positively meaningful for connecting.

Whether you are 70 years old or 17 and want to live a joyful life, the psychiatric advice Dr. Waldinger offers in closing his TEDtalk is about UNITING: "Lean into connections with family, friends and community."

NEIGHBORING (OTHERS-CENTEREDNESS)

"We could slow aging in Alabama if it had to work its way through the Montgomery legislature."—Ben South

"True terror is to wake up and realize your high school class is running the country."—Kurt Vonnegut

Twenty-six percent of adults in the U.S. donate their time in some sort of NEIGHBORING activity as volunteers in their community. Most are between the ages of 35-54. These stats come from VolunteerMatch.org which also reports: "Studies have demonstrated that volunteers experience a 'helpers high"—a prolonged feeling of calm, reduced stress and greater self-worth after helping others—and overall life satisfaction is higher among those who volunteer. Studies of senior citizens have found that volunteering "reduces the pace of functional decline and is related to lower rates of depression." In short, NEIGHBORING is JOY-GIVING.

SPELLBINDING (MEANINGFULLY ACHIEVING WITH FOCUS)

"By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere."—Billy Crystal

Forget the naysayers' phrase, "You can't teach an old dog new tricks." That was first written in 1523 in a book of animal husbandry where it was used literally about training, uh, mature mutts.

A study at the acclaimed Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care (Toronto) shows healthy old people can perform just as well as young adults on visual, short-term memory tests. Strikingly, what was news from that research for my old skull to learn is that we seniors use different areas of our resilient brains to think. Over the years, we have activated an array of areas of our brains and we are connecting the synapses to generate the— "wisdom thing."

SPELLBINDING is about getting lost in a task you find rewarding and pleasurable. This old dog, me at 70, plans to learn some travel Spanish, re-learn how

Too Young to Be Seventy
By: Judith Viorst*

Deep in my heart I believe I'm
Too young to be seventy.
There are times when I'm wearing
my baseball cap and my jeans
That I even can imagine that, glimpsed
from the rear, I might be mistaken
For someone who could still be in her teens.
Late thirties? Early forties? Middle fifties?
I think I could do the middle fifties just fine,
Like that actress who, when asked
how she could be fifty-four
When her son was forty-eight,
Replied, "My son lives his life, and I live mine."

In the life that I'm living I'm
Too young to be seventy.
The woman I see in the mirror is not the real me.
When I elevate my chin,
When I suck my stomach in,
When I throw my shoulders back,
When I tighten all that's slack,
I can't be any more than
Sixty-one. And a half? Sixty-two? Okay, sixty-three.

As long as we can agree I'm
Too young to be seventy.
Too young in my heart and my soul,
If not in my thighs.
Too hopeful. Too eager. Too playful. Too restless.
Too insufficiently wise. Too young.
Did I mention too young?
Too young to be seventy.

to play "Ragtime Jazz" trombone, write a fun TEDtalk about "Joy & Gerontology" and add more stretching or yoga to my daily exercise. Whatever your age, what new skills would you find SPELLBINDING to learn?

A JOYFUL, LONG LIFE can more likely be yours with this collective wisdom prescribed by gerontologists: 1. Think up– positively and creatively, 2. Connect deeply and lovingly, 3. Love your neighbors and the earth we share, and 4. Be transported by getting in the "flow" of an activity that you find meaningful.

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

- **March 5** — Eva Mendes
- **March 6** — Shaquille O'Neal & Me
- **March 7** — Luther Burbank
- **March 8** — Micky Dolenz, The Monkees
- **March 9** — Bobby Fischer, Chess "king"
- **March 10** — Chuck Norris
- **March 11** — Lawrence Welk

JOKES ABOUT A JOYFUL, LONG LIFE

"I grew this goatee thinking it would say 'Distinguished Gentleman,' but it really shouts "Senior Discount, please!"

"Nearing 70, I've become a bit nostalgic about the art I've created over the years, especially my work on the cave paintings at Lascaux."

"My doctor says I could father another kid after 70. But I think 70 is enough."

AMUSE-BOUCHE WITH COLORADO ADZUKI BEANS
(Source: drumbeets.com)

The culinary term "amuse-bouche" comes from the French "amuser" (to amuse) and "bouche" (mouth). At fancypants restaurants an amuse-bouche is a delightful, little bite, "a gift from the chef" and comes as a treat before the main meal.

Each week, Joy & Gerontology shares a recipe saluting a 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

- 12 ounces Adzuki (mung) beans, soaked overnight or 12 ounces red lentils
- ¼ cup red wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons black pepper
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1 teaspoon mustard seed
- ½ teaspoon turmeric
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon coriander
- ½ teaspoon cardamon
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- ¼ teaspoon clove
- ¼ teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 cup currants
- ⅓ cup capers, drained
- ½ cup diced red onion
- ½ cup parsley, chopped

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Place beans in a bowl and cover with water to soak overnight—the water should be at least 2 inches higher than the beans. In the morning, drain the beans and place them in a pot with new water and bay leaf. Simmer on low heat for 30-60 minutes until tender but not falling apart. Strain. Let cool and place in a large bowl.

2. Measure all spices. Best if you can start with whole spices and grind in a spice mill or coffee grinder. Whisk together with oil, vinegar, sugar and salt. Pour over beans, add remaining salad ingredients and gently fold to mix all together. Marinate for at least 2 hours but 5-6 hours is better or overnight. To serve as an amuse-bouche, mound a dollop of the mixture on an array of large, silver soup spoons and present on a tray or platter.

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

206. The "100th Birthday Salute" of Willard Scott on "The Today Show."

207. Bob Will's yodeling.

208. The whistling theme song of "The Andy Griffith Show."

209. The slide of a steel guitar.

210. Kazoos.

211. Kathryn Tucker Windham, joy-giving storyteller.

212. Derby Pie.

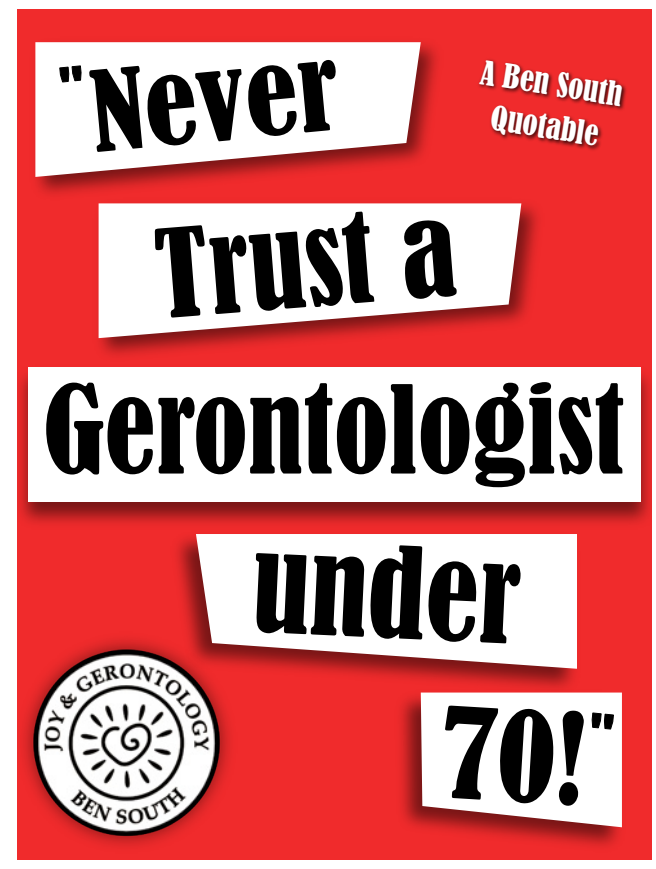
213. The Flip Side.

214. Double Solitaire.

215. Anonymous donors.

216. Nat King Cole, Montgomery native.

217. Zelda Sayre, Montgomery native.



218. Line dancing with an Alabama, Southern Baptist Governor and First Lady at the mansion.

219. Bob Dylan singing like "Floyd, the barber" in Tuscaloosa.

220. The behind-the-scenes, time-weaving computers at Mount Vernon.

221. The bold interior paint colors of America's bold First President.

222. "Mork from Ork" and the hand signal.

223. My sister-in-law's sweet potato casserole recipe.

224. Dorothy Draper's "Why Don't You?" advice column.

225. "Worlds Apart" from "BIG RIVER" sung by Mark Lawrence.

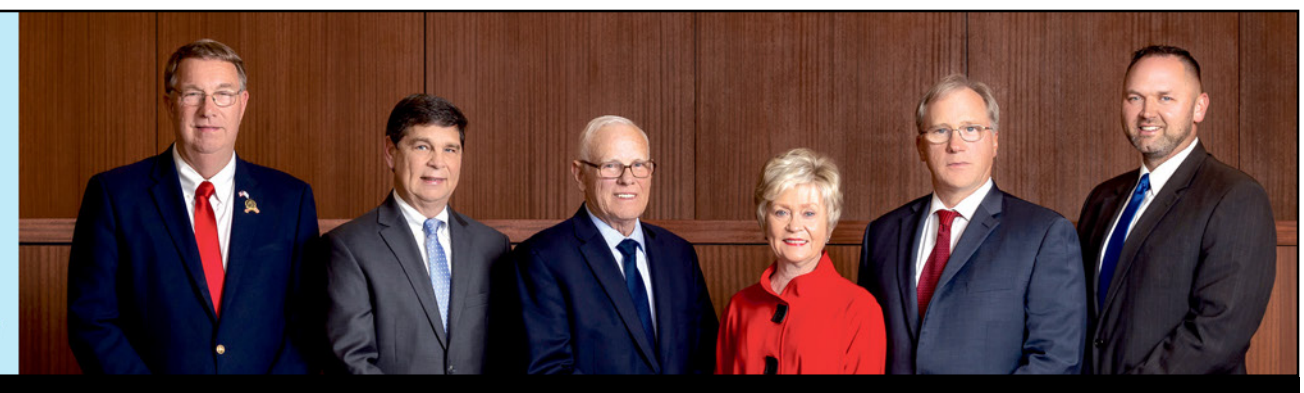
226. Making a yo-yo "Walk the Dog."

227. Brainstorming with "Hammerin' Hank" Aaron's sister.

*This delightful poem is from a collection of works by Judith Viorst, titled "I'M TOO YOUNG TO BE SEVENTY...and Other Delusions." The joy-giving book was a birthday gift to me from my friend and local librarian, Sharon Townson.

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Expansion (from Front)

Jennifer Malone
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Construction has begun on a 4-story vertical tower expansion at Cullman Regional in Cullman, Alabama. The tower expansion is part of a $30 million overall hospital expansion project being built by Birmingham, Alabama based Doster Construction Company that will significantly increase the hospital's bed capacity from 145 to 175 and double the size of the hospital's critical care unit.

The workhorse of the tower expansion is a 130-foot ballasted tower crane used to place the steel foundation and framing to extend the hospital's west bed tower by 84 feet, which will enable the hospital to add 13 new critical care and 12 medical/surgical patient rooms.

The tower expansion also includes previously completed renovations to existing spaces which created five additional beds for a total of 30 new beds.

"It's imperative that North Alabama health care systems like Cullman Regional invest in facilities, technology and talent to meet the future health care needs of our rapidly growing region," said Cullman Regional CEO James Clements.

"We're thankful for a visionary Healthcare Authority Board that believes in our hospital, and for our partners in progress – Doster and TRO."

Also included in the $30 million expansion, Doster will complete construction on the hospital's emergency department this summer.

The project will feature a larger, more modern patient lobby and increase ED capacity by 80%. Both the ED Expansion and Vertical Expansion projects were designed by TRO Jung Brannen Architects.

"We're excited to partner with Cullman Regional Medical Center and TRO again to expand their health care campus," said Doster Operations Manager Brad Mitchell. "The new patient tower will provide Cullman, and surrounding communities, more opportunity in seeking immediate health care attention, while enhancing the capabilities to which Cullman Regional can perform daily."

Doster Construction Company has completed more than 1,500 health care projects across the country and is consistently ranked by Modern Healthcare as one of the nation's top health care contractors.



CULLMAN REGIONAL

Obituary Announcements: March 3-4

Fred Chambers, 62, of Addison
Fred Chambers, 62, of Addison, passed away March 3, at his residence. He was born Jan. 1, 1960, to Don Speer and Dorothy Sue Chambers. Fred loved his girls and his horses. He was a positive person and loved unconditionally while raising many children. Visitation will be held Sunday, March 6, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, with the service at 2 p.m. Brother Tim Box and Brother Tommy Hamby to officiate. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Addison, Alabama. Fred is survived by his wife: Teresa Chambers; daughters: Kerri Baldwin (Kenneth), Tai Chambers and Behre Trammell (Rex); father: Aurthur Arrington; sisters: Angie Hamby (Tommy) and Cindy Arrington and grandchildren: Boston Gordon, Jayleigh Gordon, Rex Trammell III, Collin Trammell and Riley Trammell. He was preceded in death by his mother: Sue Arrington; father: Don Speer; sister: Tracy Taylor and grandparents: Jim and Loree Speer, and Elmore and Iris Chambers.

Patrick Weston Drake, 39
Patrick Weston Drake, 39, passed away March 2, at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman, Alabama. Patrick was born on June 10, 1982, in Cullman, Alabama to Randy and Cherri Drake. Patrick is survived by his wife: Hollie Drake; four children; Lillie Smith, River Smith, Charlotte Drake and Crosby Drake; parents; Randy and Cherri Drake; two brothers: Steven Drake and Randall (Caprice) Drake and a host of aunts, uncles and cousins. He is preceded in death by his grandparents: Hansel and Lottie Drake, and Bert and Berta Mae McGriff. It is hard to put into words what Patrick meant to his family and friends. Patrick displayed his deep love for his wife, children and family through intentionality and spontaneity. At a young age, Patrick developed a passion for the game of golf from time spent with his late grandfather, Bert McGriff. From toddler to adult, you could always find him on the golf course. Patrick embraced an idealistic and entrepreneur spirit. He was always thinking out of the box and constantly pursing his dreams and ambitions. From the creation of Blackwolfe Insurance Group, Blackwolfe Athletica, 4 Arrows Fitness and his partnership in Around the Clock Doc, he became an inspiration and backbone to the community he loved. Patrick's celebration of life service will be held Saturday, March 5 at Desperation Church. The family will be greeting friends from 9-11 a.m. with the service starting at 11 a.m. In lieu of flower, contributions to the WSCC Lions Golf Scholarship Fund may be made to the WSCC Future Foundation, P.O. Box 568, Hanceville, AL 35077 or https://www.wsccfuturefoundation.org/funds.

Margie Ann Cordes, 64, of Vinemont
Margie Ann Cordes, 64, of Vinemont passed away Thursday, March 3, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born July 18, 1957. Margie was a loving wife, mother and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with her family. She liked to go to yard sales and doing crafts with her grandchildren. She is survived by her husband: David Cordes; daughters: Crystal Jones and Kelly Stewart; son: Douglas Cordes; sister: Helen Johnson; brother: Anthony Todd; eight grandchildren; one great-grandchild and two great-grandchildren on the way. She was preceded in death by her parents: Richard and Jeanette Todd and Dora and Kenneth Deskins; sons: Michael David Cordes, Wesley Adam Cordes and Kenneth Andrew Cordes and sisters: Bonetta Raney, Ginger Dickens and Tammy Hutchens. Visitation will be Wednesday, March 9, from noon - 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home, where the service will follow at 2 p.m. Rev. Paul Rivers will officiate. Burial will follow in Livingston Tabernacle Cemetery in Hanceville.

Karen Doris Stewart Hill, 64, of Cullman
Karen Doris Stewart Hill went to be with her Lord and Savior Thursday, March 3, at the age of 64. She was born June 24, 1957, in Cullman, Alabama to the late William Stewart and Frances Crawford Stewart. Karen worked as an LPN for many years caring for her patients with so much love. She is preceded death by her parents; her siblings: Jewel, W.J., J.L. and Donald; her niece: Daphney Stewart and her nephew: Chris Stewart. She leaves to cherish her memory by her son: Josh Hill and his wife, Andrea; daughter: Tosha Pace and her husband: Justin; her grandchildren: Zach Hill and wife Maddie, Bradley Hill and wife Carson, Mallory Hill, Trevor Pace and Tyler Pace; the father of her children and loving friend: Cecil "Ed" Hill; special niece: Felicia Buchanan and husband Will; special great-nephews: Web and Fisher Buchanan; a host of other nieces, nephews and loved ones; her sister-in-law: Karen Stewart and fur babies, Chloe and Rex. Funeral services will be held Sunday, March 6, at 3 p.m. from the Mountain Grove Baptist Church with Bro. Mark Long officiating the service. The family will receive friends from 5-8 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home Saturday, March 5. Hanceville Funeral Home directing.

Lillian Reiter, 92, of Arab
Lillian Reiter, 92, of Arab, Alabama, passed away March 1. She was born April 29, 1929, in Sanford, Florida, to William and Eva Brook. Ms. Reiter is preceded in death by her parents and her husband: Jimmy Reiter. Survivors include a son: David and Kay Roseman; daughters: Peggy and Stan Haynes and Cheri and Darycus Gordon; sisters: Ruth and Mary Ann; grandchildren: Amanda and her spouse Areil, Zach and his wife Danielle, Matthew, Joseph, Jeffery, Valorie, Michael, Robert and his wife Melanie and Liliana; great-grandchildren: Michael, Hunter, Kyle and his wife Johanna and Rachel and her little dog, Precious. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Reiter family.

Judy Faye Mondragon, 57, of Cullman
Judy Faye Mondragon, age 57, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Tuesday, March 1. Judy was born March 31, 1964, in Hartsville, Tennessee. She is survived by her husband: Pedro Mondragon; son: Dustin (Priscilla) Thompson; daughter: Tefanie (Luciano) Bibiano; sisters: April (Donnie) Stafford and Kathy Casteen; brother: Rayvon Thompson; grandchildren: Sara, John, Hailey, Billy, Daniel, Sylas, Abby, Briton, Briana and Britani; five stepchildren and 14 step-grandchildren. No services are planned at this time.

Tina Elaine Brown Guthrie, 59, of Cullman
Tina Elaine Brown Guthrie, 59, of Cullman passed away Tuesday, March 1, at her residence. She was born Jan. 11, 1963. Tina was a loving mother and grandma who was the heart and soul of her family. She encouraged her children to be strong in spite of difficult circumstances. She owned Momma's Florist and loved working with flowers and also enjoyed yardwork and landscaping. She is survived by her children: Christy Guthrie, Donna Guthrie, Elizabeth "Jonie" Guthrie (Patrick Landon), Jason Guthrie and David (Jayme) Guthrie; mother: Joan Charlene (Joe) Downing; sisters: Kathy (Keith) Dunn and Mary (Sam) Dingler; brothers: Bobby (Christy) Brown and Marc (Kelly) Brown and grandchildren: Adrien, Kaden, Zaylie, Ethan and Brayden. She was preceded in death by her husband: William Thomas Guthrie; son: Anthony "Gut" Guthrie and her father: David Olvin Brown. A memorial service will be held Sunday, March 6, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Brother Dusty Hood will officiate. The family will receive friends from 1-2 p.m.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

These uncertain days in which we live

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I usually like to keep my columns somewhat lighthearted, and with a few drops of humor sprinkled in. We have enough in life to bring us down without me doing so. Having said that, I'm having a hard time being lighthearted this week. My heart is heavy, and like many of you, I am upset. This past week, I watched with great disapproval an unprovoked attack in Europe of one country on their neighbor. Not only was the invasion and attack of Russia on Ukraine unprovoked, it was also unnecessary. Ukraine did not appear, as far as I'm aware, to pose any threat to Russia. This newly born war, like many others that have been fought in the past, appears to have been born out of a spirit of greed, and a need for domination and control.

We have watched for weeks as Putin built up his military around the border Russia shares with Ukraine. I kept thinking, or at least hoping, that they surely would not attack, but at the same time, asking why else they would be there. As I watched the events unfold prior to the invasion, I was reminded of the board game called Risk. The game board is a map of the world, containing continents and territories.

Each player has plastic game pieces called armies. Players build up their armies in a territory they already occupy, in order to become strong enough to wage war on a neighboring territory. The problem with what has happened in Ukraine is that this is not a game. This is real life, with real living and breathing people. Many lives have already been taken, and unless this action does not stop soon, there is no telling how many more will die. It begs the question, "For what purpose?"

More than once, our own nation has been on the receiving end of such unprovoked attacks. At least two such attacks come to my mind. One happened on the morning of December 7, 1941, when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. More than 2,400 American died at Pearl Harbor, and 1000 more were injured. President Roosevelt asked Congress to declare war on Japan the very next day. The response probably was not exactly what Japan had expected, and the results certainly were not what they wanted. Japan's Admiral Yamamoto said, "I fear all we have done is to awaken a sleeping giant and fill him with terrible resolve."

The other attack happened on the morning of September 11, 2001. This attack on America was not by another country, but by a group religious extremist. That day 2,877 people were killed by 19 hijackers who committed suicide in carrying out their evil mission.

More than 6000 others were injured. As terrible and as heart breaking as those attacks were, our nation was not destroyed by their cowardly acts of violence and murder. We responded with unity, strength, and prayer. A few days after 9-11, to a joint session of congress, President George W. Bush declared a war on terrorism. I'm praying Ukraine will not be destroyed either.

Is the attack by Russia on Ukraine the beginning of World War III? That is the question many have been asking. Please, let us pray that it is not! Others have asked, "Could this lead to the final destruction of the world?" Since "I am not a prophet or the son of a prophet," I cannot answer that question. I can and will say that this is a world situation that needs our attention, and certainly our prayers.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1932, 1933

From the Files of 1932

Willie Willingham, Doctor J.D. Caldwell, Ealie Beard and Howard Griffin were injured, none seriously, in an auto wreck on Thursday morning, near Hartselle.

Mrs. Y.W. Freeman, 72, of Route Four, Cullman, has returned from a visit to the grave of her son, A.J. Freeman in France. She made the trip to Europe along with 70 other Gold Star Mothers.

Miss Kate Walton and Mrs. E.A. Lowery spent Sunday in Athens.

George Abbott has returned from a visit to relatives in South Carolina.

A new store will open on Saturday morning on First Avenue West.

This ready-to-wear store is owned by P.J. and M.H. Woodard and offers among its bargains, 400 dozen pair of shoes, 400 dozen overalls, 1,000 dozen pair of hose, 1,000 blankets, 500 men and boy's suits – all at bargain prices. Adv.

Doctor J.G. Daves will next week move his office from the Buchmann Building to the Leigeber Building in First Avenue East – Adv.

The Bearcats will play Holly Pond on September 23 for the first game of the season.

The Hi-Y Club at Cullman County High School has chosen Alvin Camp, president, Norman Bender, vice-president, Rob Roy Latta, secretary and Athel Hyatt, treasurer.

Reverend Sim F. Calvert is now compiling a history of the Cullman Baptist Association.

While enroute to Cullman on Saturday, September 10, William Koester of Saint Louis, Missouri was killed in an automobile accident. He with his wife, were enroute to visit Mrs. Koester's mother, Mrs. William Scheinert, 86, of Cullman.

From the Files of 1933

A basket of delicious grapes was presented to the Tribune family by Mrs. M.A. Jones of Vinemont. Miss Ethel Brown gave the Tribune family a mess of nice green beans on Thursday morning. Our thanks to both ladies for sharing.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Plunkett of Atlanta, Georgia are visiting relatives in Hanceville.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren and daughter, Mary left on Wednesday to visit Jim Ratliff in Milan, Texas.

Reuben Hyatt attended the American Legion Convention in Tuscaloosa on Monday and Tuesday.

POET'S CORNER

Across Rivers | By: Randy C. Hale

My grandfather said, "when you cross
the river, you meet a different people."
Through life, I see this truth.

But I have also learned that
what we are here, they are
similarities there.

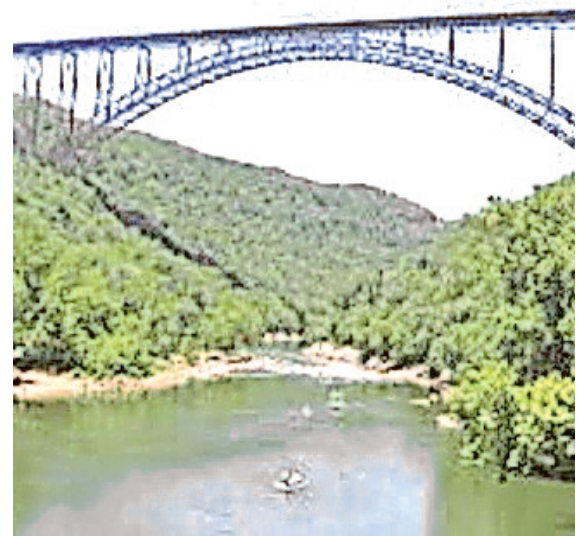
Rivers and oceans do not change
the complete way of us, and there are common bridges built by us all.

When we cross rivers, sail oceans,
climb mountains, we find kinship
amidst our differences.

We find brothers and sisters of old,
and touch the Ancients who have
passed before us from side to side.

What we build here, we build there
and what we destroy, also falls
in distant lands.

It is the human flesh that dies
and the spirit of man survives,
crossing the bridges of time.



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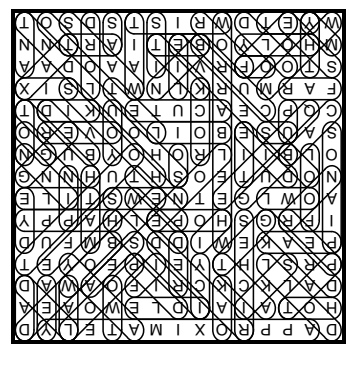
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Award (from Front)

state level."

Regional Extension Agent Gerry Thompson, who has worked with the Donaldsons for about 30 years, stated, "I've learned more from Tim and Stephen than they ever learned from me. They've hosted countless livestock teams from Auburn or high schools. They both are excellent livestock judgers. They've made big impressions on the lives of college kids and high school kids. I can't imagine a bigger Friend of the Extension."

County Extension Coordinator Kira Sims also introduced the Cullman County Extension team with some new members:

- Administrative Assistant - Beth Glasscock
- 4-H Agent - Kerri Roberts
- 4-H TES Administrative Support - Alicia Self
- Snap Ed. Education Agent - Della Bramley
- 4-H Agent Assistant - Roberta McClellan
- Regional Extension Agent - Eddie McGriff



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Eddie McGriff, Della Bramley, Alicia Self, Kira Sims, Kerri Roberts, Roberta McClellan, Beth Glasscock and Tim Stephen



