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Time-honored tradition Decoration Day observed by cemeteries across Cullman County

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CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. — Decoration Day, an annual observance still common throughout Cullman and North Alabama, has a history steeped in tradition, honor and homecoming.

With many family traditions falling to the wayside in the busy 21st century, Cullman is fortunate to have a stronghold on the significance and value of continuing to value its passed natives through Decoration Day.

Leanne West, who recently lost her treasured mother, Joyce Clark, in October, is tasked with reciting her mom's poetry at her mother's church's Decoration Day service on Sunday. Speaking before an audience is a true test for West who prefers to be a hard worker behind the scenes. However, for her mom, West will face her fears and honor her mother's legacy with the knowledge that Clark is still with her and always proud of her.

She shares, "Decoration Day has been a » PAGE 5



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Graveside visitor with flowers for Decoration Day

– LOCAL BUSINESS –

History in the making

Leldon's journey to its new location



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Leldon Maxcy stands with some of his works.

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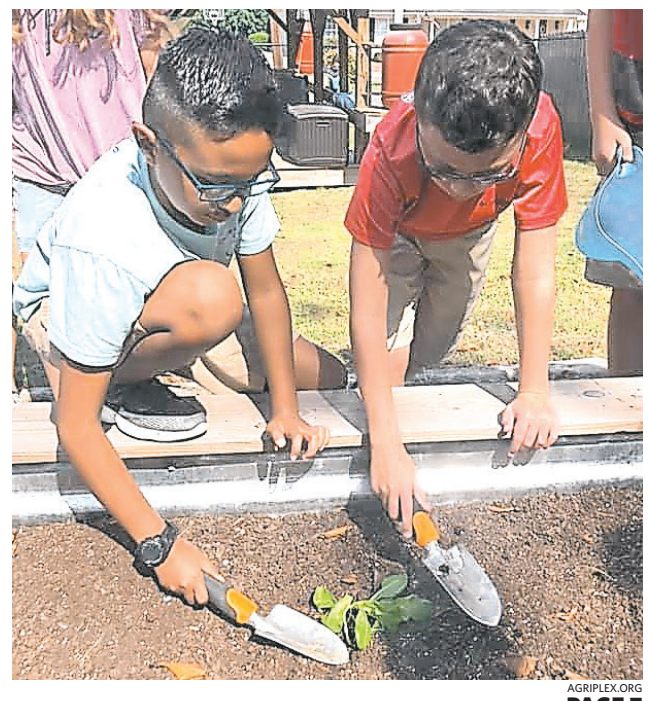
CULLMAN, Ala. — After opening in its original location next to Sips and Strokes in the Warehouse District in August 2020, Leldon's outgrew its space, packed up the belongings and moved up the street to its new home at 117 First Ave. NE, a mere one block north.

"It was destiny that we moved into our new place. I had an art show at the old location and Deborah McAfee, who does glass art along with her husband Danny, was there. We talked then in January. Then, their spot came available in February. I closed down the old store, packed up and opened on March 1 in our new place," shared owner Leldon Maxcy.

Fate has been at work in Maxcy life since the beginning.

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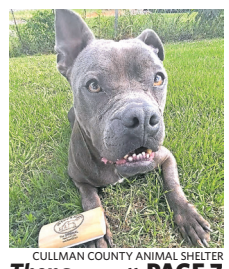
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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 2-3

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 2-3, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

May 26

- Criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 1776
- Permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 1212

May 27

- Domestic violence; Co. Rd. 594
- unlawful possession of marijuana, illegal possession of prescription drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 157
- harassment; Co. Rd. 813
- criminal mischief, trespassing; Co. Rd. 1344
- burglary; Co. Rd. 548
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 953
- menacing; Co. Rd. 1719
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 645
- burglary; Co. Rd. 1204
- criminal mischief, trespassing; Co. Rd. 1548
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1114
- harassment; Hwy 278 E
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 421

May 28

- unlawful possession of controlled substance; Hwy 278
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 91
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, attempt to elude; Co. Rd. 1114
- criminal mischief; Hwy 69 N
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 25
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1114
- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 1711
- unlawful possession of marijuana, illegal possession of prescription drugs; Co. Rd. 747

May 29

- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1600
- illegal possession of prescription drugs; Hwy 69 N
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 613
- reckless endangerment; Co. Rd. 1141
- assault; Co. Rd. 735
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 91
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1069
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 594
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Ryan Rd.
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Scott Dr.

May 30

- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; 4th St. SW
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1442
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1428
- harassment; Hwy 69 N
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; Hwy 278 E
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 1242
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1693
- burglary; Co. Rd. 747
- theft of property; Hwy 69 S
- attempt to elude; Co. Rd. 1371
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 8

May 31

- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 1030
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 201
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 1371
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1422
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 601
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1639
- Violation of Protection Order; Co. Rd. 1112
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, attempt to elude, possession of weapon without a permit; Hwy 278 E

June 1

- drug trafficking, unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Industrial Dr. SW
- drug trafficking, unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1273
- harassment; Co. Rd. 184
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 69 S

ARRESTS

May 31

Blevins, Louise M; 67
- assault-harassment

Davis, Kayla M; 32
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- FTA - promote prison contraband (drugs)
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of a concealed weapon without a permit

Gardner, Brigette K; 30
- forgery-counterfeiting
- forgery-forged instrument
- fraud-identity theft

Gorff, Brian S; 32
- FTA – assault-harassment (2 counts)

Hopper, Natalie G; 20
- burglary-resistance-force
- Grand Jury arrest warrant - Larceny/theft-theft

Jones, Austin A; 27
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs
- attempting to elude a police officer
- drunk/addict in possession of a firearm
- possession of a concealed weapon without a permit

Smith, Dezerah D; 30
- assault-harassment

Wagnon, Jeffrey S Jr; 38
- Probation Violation – possession of dangerous drugs
- flight/escape

Watkins, Dekoda J; 29
- FTA – larceny/theft-shoplifting, $500-less than $1500

Williams, Heather L; 35
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- FTA – possession of marijuana
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

June 1

Bailey, Christopher J; 29
- Probation Violation – larceny/theft of property, $1500-$2500

Brady, Brianna D; 27
- Appears in public place under influence

Burks, Kenneth A; 21
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Duke, Alex M; 20
- drug trafficking
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Garrison, Cooper D; 21
- possession of methamphetamine

Hyde, Kabri L; 21
- drug trafficking
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense (2 counts)
- possession of marijuana
- possession of dangerous drugs

Ingram, Heather L; 30
- FTA – expired license
- FTA – failure/refusal to display insurance
- FTA – speed above 55 mph, highway under four lanes (2 counts)

McCaig, Alisha S; 35
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- FTA – possession of marijuana
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

McCormick, Kenny L Jr; 29
- FTA – driving while license suspended

Palmer-Powell, Louis J; 27
- FTA – driving under the influence (alcohol)

Swann, Terry W; 58
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Villa, Alexis B M; 19
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Woody, Antonia M Jr; 22
- Probation Violation – larceny/theft-theft-miscellaneous

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 1
- Domestic violence – 3rd degree; person; McNabb Rd. SW
- theft of property – 4th degree; Bargain Hunt; 2nd Ave. SW; general merchandise; $31

June 2
- theft of property – 2nd degree; person; pistol; $500
- theft of property – 4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $396
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Cherokee Ave. SW; tool box; $4,000
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; 3rd Ave. SE; damage to '19 Volkswagen Jetta; $500
- harassment; person; Austin Ave. SW

ARRESTS

June 1

Evans, David E; 42
- FTA – driving without license (2 counts)

June 2

Armstrong, Tabatha L; 36
- FTA – theft of property – 4th degree

Bennett, Charles C; 34
- theft of property – 4th degree

Still, Bonnie L; 53
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA - illegal possession of prescription drugs

Wise, Lisa D; 50
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

STATE

Governor Ivey shares Alabama earns 'Silver Shovel' Award for economic development

The Office of Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Governor Kay Ivey announced Friday that Area Development, a national business publication, has selected Alabama for a Silver Shovel Award, recognizing the state's economic development successes in 2021.

The honor reflects strong recruitment results for the Alabama team, with companies announcing new facilities and expansion projects involving $7.7 billion in new capital investment during 2021. It stands as the second highest annual investment total for the state, trailing only the $8.1 billion recorded in 2018.

These 2021 projects will create over 10,000 jobs across Alabama and inject economic vitality into many communities located in both urban and rural areas.

"High-performing companies from around the globe have discovered firsthand that they can find all the advantages they need to succeed right here in Sweet Home Alabama," said Governor Ivey. "The Silver Shovel Award is a testament to the state's pro-business environment and to the skilled workforce that makes that success possible."

In its new report, Area Development singled out The J.M. Smucker Co.'s project to build a manufacturing and distribution facility in Jefferson County as one of its "Deals of the Year."

"The combination of peanut butter and jelly is comfort food for many people, and frozen PB&J sandwiches will be comforting a lot of Alabama lives when a $1.1 billion Smucker's plant opens in Jefferson County," the magazine writes. "The deal promises some 750 jobs that will pay an average of $25 an hour, making the company's Uncrustables frozen sandwiches."

Alabama shared a Silver Shovel Award with Indiana and South Carolina in the category for states with populations between 5 million and 8 million.

"The overarching goal of Alabama's economic development team is to spark the creation of good jobs and enhance opportunity throughout the state by strategically focusing on high-impact industries with solid growth prospects," said Greg Canfield, secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce. "This honor is another concrete example showing that our team is executing on its plan and delivering results that make a difference for the state."

Area Development's annual Gold and Silver Shovel Awards evaluate the overall effectiveness of economic development efforts in states across the nation.

Alabama has been a frequent winner since the magazine launched the awards in 2006, when it won a Gold Shovel.

The state also claimed a Gold Shovel in 2020 for success in economic development projects that advanced the manufacturing sector.

Besides Smucker, other top 2021 Alabama projects listed by the magazine included Hanwha Cimarron's plans for a manufacturing plant in Opelika, Amazon's plans for fulfillment centers in Huntsville and Montgomery, as well as Alabama Graphite LLC's investment in a graphite processing facility in rural Coosa County.

A full look at the state's 2021 economic development results can be found in the Alabama Department of Commerce's comprehensive "New & Expanding Industry Report," released this spring.

Since 2017, when Governor Ivey took office, economic development activity in Alabama has attracted over $32 billion in new investment through projects creating 65,000 jobs, according to Commerce figures.

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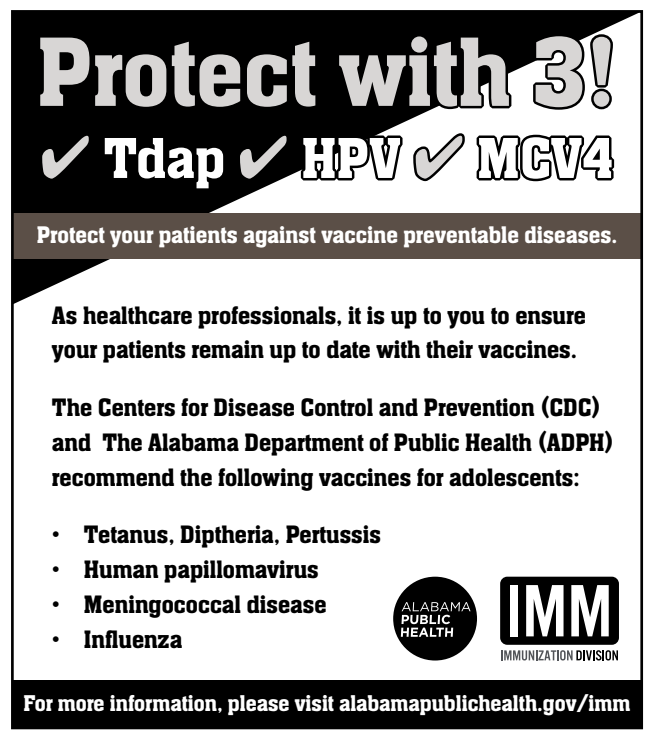
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Monday and Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Church Services-Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph 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.
• Friday and Saturday, June 10-11, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Indoor / Outdoor Yard Sale.
• 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.

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.

St. Bernard Prep Applications Open
St. Bernard Prep is accepting applications for residential and day students in grades 7-11. Think you can't afford it - think again. If your child qualifies academically, scholarships and financial aid are available! Call to schedule an appointment today at 256-739-6682 or visit https://stbernardprep.com/.

Festhalle Farmers Market
• Open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays – 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. until October
• Located at 209 First Ave. NE, Cullman, AL.

Berlin Farmers Market
• Open Saturdays from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. until October
• Located at 50 Mt. Carmel Drive off U.S. Highway 278.

Mt. Zion Yard Sale
June 3-4 – Mt Zion Methodist Church will have a yard sale on Friday, June 3 from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. and Saturday, June 4 from 8 a.m. – noon. They are located on U.S. Highway 31 N across from the Cullman County Agricultural Center.

Movie at the Park
June 11 – The Fairview Lions Club is having a free movie at the park on Saturday, June 11 at the Randall Shedd Community Park on Wesley Ave. in Fairview. "Gnomeo and Juliet" will begin around 8 p.m. There will be concessions and drinks. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets, as well as a canned food item to support the local community food bank. Proceeds will go to the Lions Club project fund. For more information, call Kita at 256-385-8805 or William at 256-385-5596.

Master Gardeners Meeting
June 16 - Cullman County Master Gardeners will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 16, at the County Extension Office, 402 Arnold St. NE, Cullman. At 11 a.m. Alisha Millican, President of the Alabama Mushroom Society, will present a program on mushrooms and other fungi. Current, former and prospective members are invited to attend.

Bates Reunion
June 18 – The Bates reunion will be held Saturday, June 18, beginning at 10 a.m. at Trimble Community Center.

"Heartland Has Turned 20" 2022 Quilt Show sponsored by Heartland Quilters of Cullman
July 8-9 – This event will feature beautiful quilts made by Heartland members, vendors, Guild Challenge 2021 display, donation quilt give away (made with turning 20 blocks), drawing at 3:30 p.m. on Saturday, door prizes and free mini demonstrations. Friday, July 8 from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, July 9 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at East Elementary School (608 Fourth Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055). Admission is $7 per person.

SCHEDULE
Friday
• 2-3 p.m.: Finishing Your Quilt with Carol McKay
• 3-4 p.m.: Paper Piecing with Porsia Anderson

Saturday
• 10-11 a.m.: Selvages-Not One Left Behind with Sheryl Simpson
• 11 a.m. - noon: Hand Embroidery/Redwork with Geraldine Hendrix
• Noon – 1 p.m.: Making Bags with Cheryl Johnson/ Teresa Rogers
• 1-2 p.m.: Rope Bags with Laurie Osborn
• 2-3 p.m.: Bed Turning with Jennifer Bridges

Contact: Porsia Anderson 256-737-7557, Carol McKoy 256-841-2977, Geraldine Hendrix 256-734-8316or Hazel Ruehl 256-339-2224. Please join us as we celebrate 20 years of quilting!

Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet
July 23 – Tickets for the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet on July 23 are on sale at First Southern Financial in the South Cullman Shopping Center. Call 256-737-5120 or 256-736-4445. Tickets are $20 each.

86th Annual Sandlin Reunion
• Aug. 6 – First Sandlin Reunion after two years will be back at the Cold Springs Community Center (8821 County Road 109 in Bremen) on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 10:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Bring covered dishes and drinks. Plates, cups, napkins, forks and ice will be provided. Invite your Sandlin relatives!
• For more information, email patsymedlock@bellsouth.net or call 205-915-1870.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

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

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes
As of May 19, 2022, the Overall Levels of Community Transmission was removed from the Data and Surveillance Dashboard. We have added two tabs: Community Levels for the public and Community Transmission Levels for healthcare facility use only to the Dashboard Hub: arcg.is/0brSGj.

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday) No Updates Available
• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 15.7%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,836
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,453
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 389,644 (+1,096 since Wednesday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,554
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 2,921 (+0 since Wednesday)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 3%
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,567
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,754
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 7,489 (+9 since Wednesday)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 51 (+0 since Wednesday)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 859
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 26
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 23,287
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 3,665
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 203

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 9,520,395 No update available
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,864,065 No update available
• Doses administered: 6,004,832
• Additional doses administered: 835,144
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,874,644
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,374,579
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,663,530 No update 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/.

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JUNE 4, 2022

West Point High School holds Warrior Baseball Camp

Around 100 young players turned out for this year's camp to learn from current and former West Point players and coaches. The camp was held at West Point High School Wednesday and Thursday morning.



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Auburn's DiChiara earns Collegiate Baseball All-America honors

George Nunnelley
AU Athletics

TUCSON, Ariz. — Auburn senior first baseman Sonny DiChiara was named Second Team All-America by Collegiate Baseball this week.

DiChiara's recognition marks the 32nd All-America honor in program history and is the seventh consecutive season an Auburn player has earned an All-America nod. He has already been named the Southeastern Conference co-Player of the Year, First Team All-SEC and a semifinalist for the Golden Spikes Award and Dick Howser Trophy.

DiChiara is the league leader in on-base percentage (.556) and slugging percentage (.787) while ranking third in batting average (.379). His on-base clip is also good for second in the country and is 49 points higher than any other SEC player in the last 10 full seasons.

A native of Hoover, Alabama, DiChiara is fourth among active Division I players with 59 career home runs and has homered 18 times this year, marking the most by an Auburn player since 2010 and tied for the 10th most in program history. He has drawn 62 walks this season, the most in the country and the second most in the team's single-season history, and has reached base in all but one game, including multiple times on 43 occasions.

DiChiara and the No. 14 national seed Tigers (37-19) host Southeastern (30-29) in the first regional at Plainsman Park since 2010 Friday at 6 p.m.



JACOB TAYLOR/AU ATHLETICS

Auburn first baseman Sonny DiChiara

Tradition (from Front)



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part of my life since I was a child. I remember going to Decoration Day ceremonies with my mother and grandmothers as a child.

"And now that my mom and dad have both passed away, it's even more important to me to use that time set aside to honor their memory and to make sure that my kids and grandkids remember those who came before them. I will do my best to carry on the Decoration Day tradition in my family."

Generally held in late spring and early summer, the tradition of Decoration Day dates to the 19th century in the south. The chosen Sunday for each cemetery will find family members adorning their loved ones' gravesites with new flowers and reconnecting with other family.

In the past before many cemeteries had caretakers and trustees to provide upkeep, families would gather on the day before Decoration for a workday to labor over gravesites, removing weeds and trimming the grass.

The following Sunday would see a family reunion of sorts with close and extended family members enjoying a potluck picnic together on blankets spread out on the cemetery grounds.

Many traveled from hundreds of miles away teaching their children of their ancestors and the importance and origins of their family traditions.

The summer season was preferred for Decoration Day in times past as the season was a less busy time on family farms. Between planting season and harvest, the late spring and early summer had more moderate temperatures and slower farm work.

Fresh flowers were commonly used for over a century to embellish the gravesites.

In recent years, silk flowers and arrangements have become a popular option given their ability to withstand the elements for a longer period of time than fresh cut flowers.

The commitment to participate in Decoration Day may seem trivial to some; but, driving past any cemetery in Cullman, it's a special sight to see the memory of those we cherish recognized.



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Sharing (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The American Academy of Pediatrics and other worldwide medical organizations recommend exclusive breastfeeding for babies for six months followed by continued breastfeeding as complementary foods are introduced, then continuation of breastfeeding for one year or longer as mutually desired by mother and infant.

Unfortunately, many women experience challenges when it comes to breastfeeding—mammary congestion, soreness, engorgement—and may even experience low milk supply.

These women are especially affected by the infant formula shortage since they have few alternative methods of providing food for their baby.

Also, the benefits of breastmilk for babies far outweighs those of formula. Since breastfeeding is recommended exclusively for six months, most women prefer to act in accordance with the recommendation to give their baby the most nutrients possible.

Many mothers turn to online milk sharing sites such as Human Milk 4 Human Babies and Eats on Feets—forums for donors with extra milk to give to those with low supply.

The Academy of Breastfeeding Medicine's 2017 Position Statement on Informal Breast Milk Sharing includes, "Informal breast milk sharing is becoming increasingly common as 21st century families' desire to feed their infants with human milk increases."

Sites like Eats on Feets take no responsibility for vetting donors and allow recipients and donors to make arrangements between themselves. Their Facebook group site reads, "We assert that families are capable of making informed choices and of sharing human milk with one another in a safe and ethical manner. It is in the spirit of informed choice that milk sharing on this page shall occur, and all women posting here shall take complete responsibility for the outcome of milk sharing."

The site also released a recent statement concerning the baby formula shortage, "Most coverage of the current formula shortage as well as official suggestions from most, otherwise, reputable organizations only include where to look for formula, reiterating to not feed homemade formulas, goat or cow's milk, to not dilute, etc. There is typically no mention of the obvious: that families with human milk to feed their own baby can safely help families in need."

The FDA advises against the practice of online sharing due to the unlikelihood of proper vetting of donors and the milk often being unsuitable for consumption after arrival; however, the choice is left to the discretion of the mothers.

It is recommended that before accepting donor milk to first consult a health care provider and to have a conversation with the donor about their exposure to infectious diseases and milk storing and handling habits.

For tips on safe storage and handling visit, https://www.cdc.gov/breastfeeding/recommendations/handling_breastmilk.htm. By following the guidelines set by the CDC and FDA, those who wish to donate or receive breastmilk can do so in a safe and informed way.

For mothers looking to alleviate any breastfeeding concerns, Cullman Regional Maternity Center offers a Breastfeeding Help Line at 256-737-2221 where patients can schedule an appointment with a lactation consultant.

Save (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Energy used for cooling and heating your home makes up the largest portion of monthly energy bills, but there are several ways to help save on your electric bill even during the hottest summer months. Improving energy efficiency also increases the level of comfort in your home. There are some tactics for saving that can be done easily at no cost.

Cullman Electric Co-op offers energy and money saving programs and tips including access to Touchstone Energy Cooperative's tools for energy efficiency. Touchstone Energy provides 101 easy ways to save money and energy. The top 10 ways are:

1. Replace any light bulb, especially ones that burn more than one hour per day, with a light emitting diode (LED) bulb.

2. Seal from the inside. Air sealing is an inexpensive way to lower energy costs and improve comfort. Seal gaps and holes in walls, floors and ceilings with caulk or foam sealant. Look for cracks around windows and where wires and pipes pass through.

3. Plug electronic devices such as cable boxes, printers and TVs into power strips to turn off during vacations or long periods without use. Smart power strips make it an easy task to save money.

4. Close shades and drapes during the day to help keep your home cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter.

5. Change your central HVAC system filter when dirty by the manufacturers recommendations. Dirty filters can impact your home comfort and increase your electricity bill.

6. A one-degree increase in heating setpoint or reduction in cooling setpoint can increase energy use by 3-5%.

7. Have your duct work checked for leaks. Leaks at the return, air handler and supply can be a major source of high bills. Mobile homes should be checked at the grill, crossover duct and down flow air handler, for leaks.

8. Set both the upper and lower water heater thermostats no higher than 120 F.

9. An electric space heater can cost more than $100 per month to operate. Minimize their use, except for limited or temporary spot heating. Turn space heaters off when leaving the room.

10. Ensure refrigerator door seals are tight. Eliminate unnecessary refrigerators.

Heating and air conditioning are responsible for 40-50% of monthly energy spendings. Touchstone recommends setting thermostats to 78 degrees in summer, and 68 degrees in winter. According to a U.S. Department of Energy survey, 34 million households set the thermostat at one temperature and leave it there most of the time, whether someone is at home or not. Seventy-four degrees to 76 degrees is the most widely used air conditioning temperature setting range during the day, at night and when no one is at home.

By adjusting the thermostat just a few degrees while no one is home, this can lead to major savings. Cullman Electric Co-op offers a free SmartVIEW energy tracking program to members with an online account so that households can view the amount of energy they are using before their monthly bill comes out.



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2004 Ford Mustang, Vin.#1FAF040604F139006, Florida tag – CZA 5828.

This vehicle will be sold on July 6, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., unless all towing, storage and repair fees are paid before sale date. The sale will take place at Ponder's Wrecker Service, 2600 Alabama Highway 157, Cullman, Alabama 35058.

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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 OF N.A.S.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 04/26/2018

CASE NO.: AD2022-036

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MARILYN ELAINE SAUCEDA, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR N.A.S.
ALEX NATHAN SCHOENEBECK, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, N.A.S. BORN TO MARILYN ELAINE SAUCEDA

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Steven Schoenebeck and Rita Nell Schoenebeck, Petitioners. 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 petitioner, 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 26th DAY OF May, 2022.

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

Annette Irons-Parker
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
DHH, * CASE NO.: JU 21-218.02
a minor, DOB: 07-10-2013. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on July 10, 2013, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
Cullman County Department of Human Resources
P. O. Box 990
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JACKIE BUTLER CLARK, DECEASED. *
CASE NO. PC 2022-140

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Torena Mattea Arnold, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Jackie Butler Clark, deceased, on the 26th day of May, 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 will be barred.

DONE this the 26th day of May, 2022.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

TO: Publisher
The Cullman Tribune

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

Attorney for Petitioner:
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These vehicles will be sold to pay storage and or repair fee at Smith's Body Shop and Wrecker Service, LLC, 11597 US Highway 278 East, Holly Pond, Alabama, 35083, on Thursday, June 30, 2022, at 8:00 a.m.

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
JWH, * CASE NO.: JU 21-219.02
a minor, DOB: 05-01-2011. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on May 1, 2011, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
CFB, * CASE NO.: JU 21-217.02
a minor, DOB: 05-13-2016. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on May 13, 2016, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
DAVID DELL OZMENT, * CASE NO.: PC2022-210
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to SANDRA OZMENT HOFMANN as Personal Representative of the Estate of DAVID DELL OZMENT, deceased, on the 3rd day of June, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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 will be barred.

SANDRA OZMENT HOFMANN
Personal Representative

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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

GUEST EDITORIAL

Learning to recognize heart-related issues post COVID

Josh Warren
CPC Multi-Specialty Group

Since the early part of 2020, COVID-19 has been a major element in our daily lives. It's rare to speak to a neighbor, co-worker, family member or church member that hasn't lost someone to the COVID-19 virus. Altogether, the U.S. has had 80 million documented cases with over 984,000 deaths. In Cullman County, there have been over 364 deaths due to this horrible virus—that's 364 family, friends and co-workers lost. Not only have the citizens of Cullman County dealt with the loss of these loved ones; we are all dealing with the effects of long-term covid symptoms.

Long-COVID or post-COVID symptoms are a broad array of new, returning or ongoing health problems people may experience after being infected by the COVID-19 virus, and which may last up to a year or more. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention estimates that up to 30% of patients might experience long-COVID even if they never exhibited symptoms when originally diagnosed with COVID-19. Some of the most concerning post-Covid issues are ones that relate to the heart. Pulmonary embolisms, heart failure and myocarditis are all serious conditions that require special attention from a cardiologist. A pulmonary embolism is a potentially life-threatening blood clot, typically originating in a patient's leg or pelvis, which travels through the heart and enters the lungs causing extreme shortness of breath.

Myocarditis is an inflammation of the heart muscle (myocardium) that weakens and reduces the heart's ability to pump blood throughout the body. This inflammation causes rapid or irregular heart rhythms, fatigue, shortness of breath, chest pain, joint pain and lower-extremity swelling.

One of the best ways to determine the existence of heart-related issues is by having an echocardiogram. An echocardiogram is an ultrasound of the heart that looks at the size of the heart chambers and heart valves and allows measurement of the heart's ejection fraction (the percentage of blood leaving your heart each time it contracts). If the chambers of the heart are enlarged, it could be an indication of heart failure. An ejection fraction lower than 35% (55% -65% is normal) typically confirms the reason a patient is experiencing symptoms like fatigue, shortness of breath, chest pain, joint pain, swelling in the legs or feet and a fast or irregular heartbeat.

To better serve the cardiac needs of the community, especially post-COVID-19, CPC Multi-Specialty Group has added cardiology services along with the only accredited echocardiography lab in Cullman to our practice.

Led by Dr. Silvio Papapietro, a well-known board-certified cardiologist, Jamie Sims, CRNP and Josh Warren, a sonographer with over 20 years of experience; CPC Multi-Specialty Group is proud to provide these much-needed services. Dr. Papapietro recommends that anyone with myocarditis symptoms have an echocardiogram to detect myocarditis early. With an early diagnosis, treatment may be as simple as prescribing steroids. Unfortunately, if myocarditis is severe, the only treatment available is a heart transplant. If you have been experiencing any symptoms like mentioned above, please contact our office at 256-736-2273 to learn more about our cardiology services and our new echocardiogram equipment with the latest 3-D capabilities.

Fun (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Hanceville is hopping this summer. After last weekend's successful Grilled Cheese Festival, the city will be hosting a Bull Bash Weekend next Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11.

Sponsored by the City of Hanceville and Double Creek Rodeo Company, the weekend will kick off on Friday evening at 5 p.m. with the Parade of the Bulls, a free event for the whole family. Watch as a live cattle drive takes places in the streets of downtown Hanceville.

Following the Parade of the Bulls, Hanceville Civic Center will hold a delicious barbecue dinner where you can dine with the cowboys and get to know about their profession. Outside, there will be the opportunity to see the bulls and horses up close. For the adventurous attendees, a mechanical bull will be set up for you to try your own cowboy skills.

Tickets for the barbecue dinner are $12 and available at Hanceville City Hall or at the Civic Center at the dinner.

The following day, Saturday, June 11, will see the Hanceville Bull Bash held at C.W. Day Park. Professional bull riders will compete and food trucks, vendors, games, Budweiser beer garden and the mechanical bull will be on hand as well.

American Idol Season 16 contestant and Arab native Brandon Elder will perform a concert following the Bull Bash.

Tickets for the Bull Bash, which includes admission to the Brandon Elder performance, are available for $12 at Hanceville City Hall and online. Tickets will be available at the gate for $15.

Earlier in the day on Saturday, the 24th Annual Antique Tractor and Engine Show will be held on the campus of Wallace State Community College in Hanceville.

The free family event will feature all makes and models of antique farm equipment, featuring events like the skillet throwing contest, peddle tractor races and slow races.

Augusta's Sports Grill's food truck will be there along with Nana Bakes and their tasty desserts and treats. Pat's Shrimp and Seafood will be having a shrimp boil and Young's Farms will have their pepper jellies for sale. Everyone's favorite homemade ice cream will make the meal complete. Two free tickets to the Bull Bash will be given away in a drawing at the tractor show as well.

Put on your cowboy boots and plan to visit Hanceville next week!

Thena (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Animal Shelter's Donna Ruttkay shares a bonus Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week: Thena!

According to Ruttkay, Thena is an 8-month-old Terrier mix. This sweet little soul is alert, paired with a patient attitude. She cherishes the time spent with her people while also respecting personal space. As a bonus, she is already savvy on her leash!

Thena is ready to make the perfect companion, therapy or reading dog!

Thena'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 Jenny has been adopted! Thank you to our readers for making forever homes for these furry friends!

Programs (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The North Alabama Agriplex "Sown in the Soil" Summer Camp programs are beginning in June for kids to experience growing and harvesting vegetables, sewing, folk skills like candle making and many more fun activities. There are several camp options this year for kids of all ages. Registration can be completed at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.

Preschool and Elementary Garden Camp – June 6-10, 9-11 a.m.
Elementary Garden Camp is for children ages 6-11 (without an adult).

Preschool Garden Camp is for children ages 3-5 with an adult (at no additional cost). Campers will work in raised garden beds at the Agriplex and take-home projects to continue learning. Both camps are $50 per child.

The Preschool and Elementary Garden Camps have been held every year for about nine years. The event is usually held over five-weeks, but this year will be held all in the same week. Agriplex Director Rachael Dawsey said, "Usually we do it on Wednesdays throughout the summer so that the kids can see things grow. But we think this'll be easier on families to do so they don't forget which Wednesday it is. It'll all be in one block."

Kids will get to harvest and plant in the garden. They will also get to participate in a cooking project with the vegetables they have picked and take home some of their harvest to their parents.

Cullman Touring Farms for Kids – June 16-17, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
This annual tour features wo days of farm tours across Cullman County. One day will be in Hanceville and the next in the Hartselle area. Lunch and dirt dyed T-shirts will be provided. On the first day, kids will be visiting several different facilities including Gibbs Garden Center, Tinney Hall to see their cattle operation, Wallace State to tour the Horticulture facilities and J. Calvert Farms to see the vegetable farm.

For day two, kids will visit WaterWorks to tour the Environmental Education center, Fagerman Farms to observe the sheep operation with 1,000 lambs, Reeves Farm and Vulcan Material. Each day, groups will begin and end at the Agriplex. Paying parents are welcome to attend but may need to drive separately. This event is for ages 7 - 13. The cost is $40 per person, no refunds.

Winston County Touring Farms for Kids – June 13-14, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Winston Touring Farm for Kids is for ages 7 and up. The group will spend two days exploring local farms in Winston County. Drop off and pickup will be at Winston County Extension Office in Double Springs, Alabama. Lunch, snacks and T-shirts will be provided! This event is free and participants can register through the Winston County Extension Office: 205-489-5376.

Nature Day Camp- July 7-8 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
This is a day camp exploring the natural world and native American Heritage with adventure activities including hiking, canoeing, heritage crafts and storytelling. For ages 10-14. The cost is $40 per child which includes meals, snacks and T-shirt.

Heritage Skills Camp – June 28-30, 9 a.m. – noon
With the Heritage Skills Camp, youth will be able to creatively learn folk skills while preserving their cultural heritage. Kids will learn skills like leather working, making gourd bird feeders and candle making. This camp is for rising 6-12 graders. The cost is $100 per child.

Sewing Camp 101 - June 20 – 24, 9-11 a.m.
Adults must attend with children under 9. Sewing Camp 101 is designed for children interested in learning to sew. Campers will learn the basics of hand sewing while making projects to take home. For ages 8 and up. The cost of attendance is $50 per child.

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52 ODES TO JOY: S.U.N.S. SUMMER

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ODE TO SUMMER

My longtime favorite
season is summer.

Though fall, spring nor
winter is a bummer.

At 70, this thought's
not a newcomer;

It came decades ago with
my first frozen rummer.

"Summer afternoon" according to American-born British writer, Henry James, are the two most-beautiful words in the English language. I agree, and at least for me, close runners-up are: "summer morning," and "summer evening." I would almost add "summer noonish" to those beauties but another British writer, Noel Coward, cautioned "only mad dogs and Englishmen go out in the midday sun."

S.U.N.S. SUMMER celebrates the sun-kissed days and balmy nights from Memorial Day through Labor Day and all those wonderful weekends between those freedom-loving American holidays. "The S.U.N.S. (Smile-Making, Uniting, Neighboring, Spellbinding) Joyous Aging System" encourages all ages to savor each season but paraphrasing the Gershwin standard, "Summertime and the livin' is--easy to love." Here are some joyful ideas to add to your own:

S.U.N.S. SUMMER SMILE-MAKING (Positive Thinking and Positive Doing)

• **GO BAREFOOTIN'** across a freshly clipped lawn

• **UNPLUG** from tech and listen to the summer sounds of nature

• **CATCH** fireflies in a jar with tin-punched air holes...then release

• **WATCH** a different sunset every night

• **RIDE** your bike or rent one and pedal your cares away

• **READ** "beach books" or classics, more sunlight means more reading time

• **GAZE** at the stars away from the "light pollution" of urban life (you might spend a wee bit of time on the phone app, "Sky Map" to identify the heavenly bodies and constellations). NASA also has a free app which offers views from outer space and a tracker for the International Space Station

• **SPECTATE** some baseball or get your own game going

• **PLAY**, don't ponder it too much, just play some spontaneously as you did in your childhood, think "squirting water" and "sandcastles

• **HIKE** trails safely alone, remembering a water bottle and some "gorp"

• **TOUR** your town as a tourist would, reminisce and learn some history

S.U.N.S. SUMMER UNITING (Deeply Connecting)

• **TANDEM-RIDING** on a bicycle built-for-two is a great, fun example of pulling together

• **CROQUET** playing is one of the first outdoor games where men and women could equally compete

• **PICNICS** can be fun with just a jug of wine and a loaf of bread but they're really better with thou

• **ROAD TRIPS** with or without a map; get your motor runnin', head out on the highway, you were born to be wild together

• **FRISBEE TOSSING** could be done alone but it would take forever and be a lot of work

• **GLAMPING** or "glam camping" will let you combine someone's knowledge of camp life and another's appreciate for all things campy

• **CRAFTING** outdoors, think making mosaics and sidewalk chalk art

• **HERO-APPRECIATION** at a veterans war memorial is a poignant way to bond with another living soul as together you salute those who sacrificed all for your freedoms; read some names out loud and imagine the lives they lived and the greatest gift they gave

S.U.N.S. SUMMER NEIGHBORING (Others-Centeredness)

• **"HELPER'S HIGH"** can be yours to experience volunteering in your own town or on vacation

• **LIFEGUARDING** and teaching water safety are needed across America; you could also pay for swim class scholarships (contact your local parks and recreation department)

• **FARMERS MARKETS** allow you to support local growers and enjoy delicious, healthy summer foods

• **THEATRE-IN-THE PARK** and other outdoor locations need your help to perform, build sets or add to the audience applause—hosting outdoor family film night can also be great summertime fun

• **THANKING WITH A NOTE** every resident in a veterans home or hospital will make you feel like a patriot too

• **DONATE A FAMILY PICNIC BASKET** to help fight hunger and share your joy of the season

S.U.N.S. SUMMER SPELLBINDING (Meaningful Focus)

• **LAWN-MOWING** is something many people enjoy because it allows them to "get in the zone," forget their own worries and get the almost instant gratification of a well-tended landscape

• **CHURNING** ice cream is good exercise and the repetitive motion and sound can be mesmerizing

• **BUGGING** with the best of 'em; butterflies and even bumble bees are easy to love but just this year, my 70th, I've come up with something kind to say about mosquitoes—fish love 'em—the next time you hear some Christian evangelist offering up praise for the "loaves and fishes," ask them to also thank God for the skeeters that helped Jesus of Nazareth make those fish big enough to share

• **BIRDWATCH** with the intensity of Audubon, tote your bird-identifying book and sketchpad into the wild or at least a park and get lost in the wonderment of summer's aviary glory on the wing

• **GRILL** something obsessively like the lovechild of Martha Stewart and Gordon Ramsey, but without going to prison or cursing like an unhinged sailor

S.U.N.S. SUMMER takes you to another place at least in your thinking. This is a serious-never-solemn summer. Let's gawk for hours at some water and sign up for all the "conscious nothingness" we can handle. It's summertime and the sun-splashed lollygagging is easy.

SUMMER ODES FROM OTHERS

"It's a smile, it's a kiss, it's a sip of wine...it's summertime."—Kenny Chesney

"Summer is the annual permission slip to be lazy."—Regina Brett

"There shall be eternal summer in the grateful heart."—Celia Thaxton

"The summer night is like a perfection of thought."—Wallace Stevens

"And so, with the sunshine and the great bursts of leaves growing on the trees, just as things grow in [a] fast movie, I had that familiar conviction that life was beginning over again with the summer."—F. Scott Fitzgerald

"Live in the sunshine. Swim in the summer sea. Drink in the wild air."—Ralph Waldo Emerson

SUMMER LAFFS

Shakespeare: "Shall I compare thee to a summer's day? Thou art more lovely and more temperate." Today's translation: "You're like summer...HOT!"

Minnesota is excited about summer this year. It's forecast to be on a weekend.

Which is the most desired summer body since the pandemic? The antibody.

I wanted to go skinny dipping this summer, but I guess I'll just go flabby dipping, again.

Fear of heat stroke this summer makes me anxious. I thought about getting an emotional support dog but instead, I'm getting a chin-chiller.

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

June 4—Dr. Ruth

June 5—Mark Wahlberg

June 6—Harvey Fierstein

June 7—Allen Iverson (basketball)

June 8—Joan Rivers

June 9—Jackie Mason

June 10—Judy Garland

SUMMER SHRIMP ROLLS—LOUISIANA
(Source: delish.com)

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. Longevity Cookbook" and highlights vitamin B-3 (niacin) which many gerontologists believe holds the promise for a long, healthy, joyful life.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 cups shredded carrots
- 1 small red onion
- ¾ cups unseasoned rice vinegar
- 2 tablespoons unseasoned rice vinegar
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 cloves garlic
- 1 tablespoon Asian fish sauce
- 16 round rice papers
- 16 cilantro sprigs
- 1 head Boston lettuce
- 1 pound cooked, large shrimp
- 2 yellow bell peppers
- 3 ½ ounces bean thread vermicelli

INSTRUCTIONS

1. In a bowl, toss the carrots, onion, ¼ cup plus 2 tablespoons of the vinegar and 2 tablespoons of the sugar. Let stand until the vegetables soften, 30 minutes, drain.

2. In a glass bowl, mix the remaining vinegar, sugar and garlic. Microwave at high power for about 30 seconds, until the sugar is dissolved. Add the fish sauce and set aside for 30 minutes; discard the garlic.

3. Meanwhile, soak one rice paper at a time in hot water until pliable, about 10 seconds; transfer to a work surface. Set a cilantro sprig and lettuce leaf on the lower third of the rice paper and top with 3 shrimp halves. Top with some of the yellow pepper, vermicelli and the pickled vegetables; roll up tightly, folding in the sides. Place the roll on a platter and repeat with the remaining ingredients. Halve the rolls and serve with the sauce for dipping.

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

502. "Hot Fun in the Summertime" by Sly and the Family Stone.

503. People who ask, "Where are you summering?"

504. Greek ices.

505. Grown-up snow cones.

506. "I Know What You Did Last Summer."

507. "I Still Know What You Did Last Summer."

508. "The Boys of Summer" by Don Henley.

509. "The Ling, Hot Summer" by William Faulkner.

510. "500 Days of Summer."

511. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" in Stratford.

512. "A Midsummer Night's Dream" ballet choreographed by Brooke Desnoes.

513. Summer squash from an Alabama farmers market.

514. "Summer and Smoke" by Tennessee Williams.

515. Donna Summer.

516. "Summer Rain" by Johnny Rivers.

517. "Summer Wine" by Nancy Sinatra and Lee Hazlewood.

518. Riesling and Rose'.

519. The Summer Olympiad.

520. "Wet, Hot American Summer," the classic movie.

521. "Summer in the City" by The Lovin' Spoonful.

522. Vacation Bible School crafts.

523. Grilled Duchess Donuts and hand-cranked ice cream.

524. "Those Lazy-Hazy-Crazy Days of Summer."

HAPPY, JOYFUL S.U.N.S. SUMMERTIME!

History (from Front)

cy's calling came in the most peculiar of places but, for anyone who knows Maxcy and his inherent peculiar nature, it's not very surprising.

"It's a strange story," Maxcy began with a laugh, "but, back in 1997, me and my grandfather, Elmo Via, went to Big Lots of all places, and they had a scroll saw there. I thought that it looked interesting, so we got it. That's what started the journey."
Maxcy was 13 at the time
and that saw only lasted a month. Within that month, he was already hooked and knew he had to get a replacement. This time, his parents stepped in and purchased a new saw for their young craftsman.

Starting off cutting simple shapes, Maxcy would give his family members ornaments for their holiday decorations. Little did he know that the ornaments would be regifted in a way.

He reflected, "When my grandparents passed away, I was able to move into their house and kept a lot of their belongings. The Christmas ornaments that I made for my grandparents that used to go on their tree now get put on my Christmas tree."

From those rudimentary snowmen, the teen began honing his skills with the help of online resources.

"I found online groups and classes and that really influenced me. Those groups taught me what I needed to know. There's always a place for practice but to learn from a craftsman for 10 to 20 years is truly priceless. Having them show you and teach you how different cuts are done and things like that really helps. From there, I leveled up," he chuckled.

Starting off in a shop made from "chicken house wood blown down from a tornado with no window at first." Maxcy's dad installed a window and Maxcy thought he was in the big league.

With a shop and growing knowledge, he sold his work at crafts shows throughout high school and worked at the movie theater for 14 years.

In February 2017, Maxcy did the unthinkable as a newlywed and father of a toddler son and newborn daughter. He quit his day job.

Remembering that leap of faith, he said, "I don't know what we were thinking but it ended up being one of the best decisions of my life. I took my fate into my own hands and went for it."

With a free schedule, Maxcy prepared for the Bloomin' Festival in 2017, but faced a new dilemma.

"I knew what to make for customers at Christmastime but now I had shows in the spring and summer. I thought, 'What the heck am I supposed to do? My ornaments weren't going to sell in April like they did in November so what was I going to make now?' That first year was crazy trying to figure it all out," he laughed.

In 2017, Maxcy began perfecting his popular notebook covers in addition to cutting boards and signs. It was also the year that he first dreamed of opening a store in downtown Cullman.

Three years later, his sales were off the chart, but the shutdown happened making the craft show season obsolete.

Looking back, Maxcy said, "2020, oh what a year. In the beginning of 2020, I was off to a record year. Then, suddenly, everything shuts down. What was I supposed to do? I had online sales, but most of my business was face to face. It's what I enjoy the most."

"Then, we were driving through the Warehouse District one night, and I saw an empty storefront. I wondered how much the rent was. I just wondered."

In August 2020, the store opened and was successful despite construction along First Avenue and the pandemic. So successful that expansion was needed less than two years later.

The new space is roomier and has more work by more local artists including Katie Westmoreland, Laura Walker, Katie Hearn, Mae Dawsey, Karen Steele, Bill Peinhardt and Gary Reid.

"With 70% of the stuff in the store, I can tell you who makes it and how it's made. I know because I've worked alongside them at craft shows for years.

"I've heard their stories. I know where they're from and how they got started. It's not because I read about it on their website," Maxcy proudly shared.

He continued his work ethos, "I feel like if it has my name on it, it has to have the majority of the work done by me. I'm picky. It's hard for me to let go of somethings. I think that holds me back but in a good way. I want quality work out there and mediocre doesn't cut it if it has my name on it."

With the front half of his store open for retail sales, Maxcy plans to have the back portion open for additional selling space in the summer. He also plans to have classes later this year for adults and children alike.

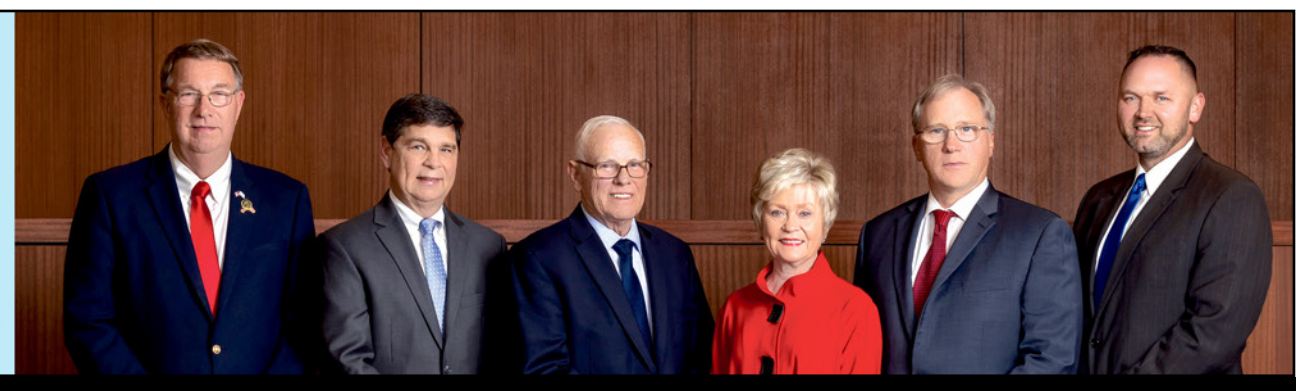
As his young son is already showing an interest in Maxcy's craft, an even bigger and better store might be necessary in the future.



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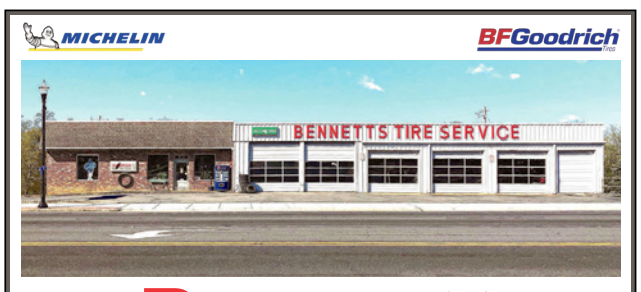
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Obituary Announcements: June 2-3

Charles Wesley Jones, 78, of Holly Pond
Charles Wesley Jones, 78, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away June 1. He was born Sept. 21, 1943, in Marshall County, Alabama, to J.D. and Mildred Chambers Jones. Mr. Jones served his nation honorably in the United States Navy. While at sea, Charles would often times tailor suits and cut hair for the other sailors. Following his time as a sailor, Charles worked as a welder and shop inspector. He enjoyed being outside and he loved flea markets. Charles had many talents and he loved wood working, where he was able to use one of his many his skills. Mr. Jones loved his little dogs, JoJo and Coco. Charles was a friend to many, as well as a loving father and brother. He will be missed greatly by many people. Charles is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his sons: Kenneth Wesley Jones (Jody Hankins), Michael Patrick Jones and Jamie Lee Jones; sisters: Earline Jones Perkins and Carolyn Jones Denton; grandchildren: Shelby, Axil, Tyler, Lexi, Emily and Michael; great-grandchildren: Colt and Blakely; special friends: Carol May and Trecie Grimmett and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. Funeral services for Charles are 2 p.m., Sunday, June 5, 2022, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel, with Dink Lambert officiating. Burial will follow in Brooklyn Cemetery where Kenneth Jones, Patrick Jones, Jamie Jones, Tony Perkins, Robbie Quick and Jacob Walker will serve as pallbearers. Friends are invited to join the family, at the funeral home, for a time of visitation on Sunday afternoon, from noon until services begin. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Jones family.

Darrell Roy Gilley, 74, of Holly Pond
Darrell Roy Gilley, 74, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away peacefully June 1. Darrell was born July 17, 1947, to William Roy and Mavis Wyvone Screws Gilley. After retiring as a boilermaker, Darrell began his second career as an owner/operator and drove millions of miles with his little dog Mr. Tucker at his side. Mr. Tucker passed away after 17 years and Darrell then fell in love with a little rescue named Lucy. When Darrell was home, he loved to fish, and he liked to garden as well. Mr. Gilley enjoyed visiting with his friends at a local café where they would talk and enjoy their friendship for hours. Mr. Gilley was a Freemason. Darrell was a loving father to his three children, as well as an adoring grandfather. His love for his family was evident, as is their love for their him. He will be missed. Darrell is preceded in death by his parents and his wife: Sandra Kay Guthrie Gilley.Mr. Gilley is survived by his children: Terrie Budweg, Joie and Thomas Moore, and Jason and Carla Gilley; grandchildren: Jacob Gilley, Joshua Gilley and Jayden Moore; great-granddaughter: Ivory Gilley; brother: Dale Gilley; sisters: Sandra Collier and Carol Kelsoea; a host of nieces and nephews and his Lucy. The family would like to extend their gratitude to Sean Jackson of Comfort Care Hospice for his exemplary care of Mr. Gilley. They are also grateful for Darrell's neighbor and friend, Shelia Jackson, who was their angel during Darrell's final days. Graveside services for Darrell will be 10 a.m., Sunday morning, June 5, at Brooklyn Cemetery, with Jeremy Collier officiating. Jacob Gilley, Joshua Gilley, Jayden Moore, Nick Kelsoe and Seth Collier will serve as pallbearers. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Gilley family.

Kenneth Wayne Purser, 62, of Cullman
Memorial service for Kenneth Wayne Purser, 62, of Cullman will be Tuesday, June 7, from 5-7 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, with Rev. Steven Sutter officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Purser family. Mr. Purser passed away Thursday, June 2, at his residence. He was born June 29, 1959, to John Wayne and Sena Ray Westmoreland Purser. He was a hardworking man. He was an avid hunter. He loved spending time with his grandsons and his beloved dog, Scooter. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter: Kendra Johnson; brother: Bill Purser and son-in-law: Brandon Barnett. Survivors include his daughter: Amber Barnett; grandsons: Walker Johnson, Weston Barnett and Warner Barnett; special friend: Cindy Powell-Purser; sister: Elizabeth Williams; nieces: Caitlin Williams and Kylie Williams; great-nephew: Meyer Petty; family and friends. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Barviedeene 'Bobbie' Patterson, 90, of Hanceville
Funeral service for Barviedeene 'Bobbie' Patterson, 90, of Hanceville will be at 1 p.m., Sunday, June 5, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Riverside Baptist Cemetery, with Rev. Randy Sellers officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday from noon – 1 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Patterson family. Mrs. Patterson passed away Thursday, June 2, at Hanceville Nursing Home. She was born Jan. 4, 1932, to Cicero Franklin and Clara Lou Prance Hendrix. She loved Jesus, her children, family and friends more than anything. She always showed and told them. Everyone appreciated the power of her prayers. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Edward Esco Patterson; sisters: Boveene Parker, Overa White, Orville Smith and Bonnie Williams; brother: Travis Cantrell; daughter: Vicky Rena Glispie; son: Steven Patterson; son-in-law: Roger Entrekin; daughter-in-law: Rena Patterson and grandson: Matt Osborn. Survivors include her son: James Patterson; daughters: Diane Entrekin and Kathy Patterson; son-in-law: Howard Glispie; grandchildren: Allen (Teresa) Entrekin, Stacy Osborn, Timple (Scott) Basinger, Brian Glispie, Jessica (Shawn) Fallin and Stephanie Glispie; 10 great-grandchildren; 11 great-great grandchildren; her precious fur baby, Tom Kitty; family and friends.

Phyllis Irene Peinhardt
Our sister passed away Sunday, May 15, in an accidental death in Gainesville, Florida. She was born into a U.S. Navy family and learned the meaning of family, country and God and everything in between. She graduated from high school in Los Angeles, California and graduated from community college in Cerritos, California and Gainesville, Florida. She worked proudly for the U.S. government and the private sector. She was predeceased in death by her parents: Mr. Walter A. "Bud" Peinhardt, Senior and Mrs. Lorraine J. Peinhardt, as well as Phyllis' brother-in-law: Mr. Lee Norris. She is survived by her five siblings: Robert (Susan) Peinhardt, Walter A. Peinhardt, Junior, (Linda Jean), Janet L. (Bob) Pierce, Karen L. Peinhardt and Linda S. Norris. She is the aunt of seven nephews and a niece and their spouses and children. She is also survived by her best friend and his family, of many years, Donnie Meier, of Orlando, Florida. She has one living aunt, Agnes in Kansas City, Kansas and numerous cousins spread across America.

Nicholas "Nick" Miller, 21, of the Walter Community
Nicholas "Nick" Miller, age 21, of the Walter Community passed away Tuesday, May 31. He was born at St. Vincent's Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama on July 19, 2000. He loved his family, his Great Danes, his truck and his friends, but had a special love for his mother. Nick is preceded in death by his grandfather: Frank Whittington. Nick is survived by his mother: Debria Miller; sibilings: Nicole Miller Sunday, Katelyn Miller, Jessica Miller, Crystal McElwee and Blake Miller; fur babies: Heidi, Gatsby and Winston; nieces and nephews: Brylei Kayce, Brooklee, Micheal, Atom, Jase, Luke and JoAnna and grandmother: Bernice Whittington. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, June 4, at 3 p.m. from the Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Randall Waldrep officiating. Burial will follow in the Duck River Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 11 a.m. until the time of service on Saturday. Serving as pallbearers will be Chris Twilley, Tristan Vincent, Mikal Kitchens, Chris Chesser, Logan Leach, Charles Hamby and Jason Weatherford. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Miller Family.

Robert Wayne Blake, 72, of Cullman
A memorial service for Robert Wayne Blake, 72, of Cullman, will be from 2-4 p.m., Sunday, June 12, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Blake family.Mr. Blake passed away May 19, at his residence. He was born Dec. 19, 1949, to Robert and Evelyn Champion Blake. He was a decorated veteran that proudly served his country in the United States Army. He was a devoted husband and father. He was preceded in death by his parents: Robert and Evelyn Champion Blake and a son: Daniel Blake. Survivors include his wife: Vicky Gunter Blake; sons: Matthew (Andrea) Blake, David Blake, Phillip Glover and Matthew Glover; daughters: Rusanne Baggett and Lindsey Glover; grandchildren: Lauren, Kaylan, Kohen, Landen and Gavin and a host of family and friends.

Mary Ellen Donley Ellis, 72, of Addison
Mary Ellen Donley Ellis, 72, of Addison, passed from this life June 1, at UAB Hospital. She was born Jan. 27, 1950, to Frank Ray and Juanita Nacoma Boone Donley. Memorial services are being planned by the family and will be announced soon. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Ellis family.

Alvin Lavonn Scott, 82, of Huntsville
Alvin Lavonn Scott, age 82, of Huntsville, passed away Wednesday, June 1, at Huntsville Hospital. He was born Aug. 28, 1939, in Birmingham, Alabama, to Clint and Dera Scott. He was preceded in death by his wife: Lillie Scott; parents; three brothers and two sisters. Survivors include his stepsons: Jackie Fuller and Darryl Fuller; brother: Gene Scott; sisters: Anita Barselton and Joyce Scott; daughters: Evelyn, Patricia and Loretta and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends.

Gregory Allen Pierce, 39, of Holly Pond
Gregory Allen Pierce, 39, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away May 31. He was born Feb. 27, 1983, in Mobile, Alabama, to Robert Leslie Pierce Jr., and Vickie Christopher Pierce. Greg was a proud veteran of the United States Navy. He was involved in the Cullman Chapter of the Disabled American Veterans. Greg was proud of his military service. He enjoyed metal detecting, and collecting coins and glass bottles. Greg was also a loving father. He will be missed by many. Greg is survived by his wife: Katie Pierce; sons: Dusty and Brandy Pierce, and Sawyer Pierce; daughters: Emily and Dylan Hall, Abigail Batemon and Harley Pierce; sister: Lucretia and John Green; grandchildren: Kinleigh Pierce, Hunter Pierce, Winter Hall, Rynlie Hall and Gannon Hall; nephews: Gage and Anakin; and a host of family and friends. Services for Mr. Pierce will be announced at a later time. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Pierce family.

James Loyd Smith, 87, of Holly Pond
James Loyd Smith, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away May 31. Mr. Smith was 87 years old. He was born in Cullman County, Alabama, on Jan. 7, 1935, to Jesse James and Dora Mae Ramsey Smith. Loyd loved to work. A mechanic by trade, Mr. Smith enjoyed working on cars even after his retirement. Loyd played an important role in the lives of his daughter and grandchildren. His love for them was evident and he will be missed greatly by them all. Mr. Smith is preceded in death by his parents; his wife: Faye Marie Hudgins Smith; brother: Guy Smith and sister: Dorothy Higginbotham. Loyd is survived by his daughter: Juritta and Kerry Neal; grandchildren: Brett and Sara Neal, Melindy and Chris Ham and Jennifer and Chris Jones; great-grandchildren: Cody Jones, Maddi Ham, Kalli Ham, Jaylee Jones, Boone Neal, Case Neal, Meier Neal and Merritt Neal and a brother: John Ray Smith, Sr. Funeral services for Mr. Smith are 11 a.m., Saturday, June 4, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel, with Bro. Phillip Robinson officiating. Burial will follow in Baileyton Cemetery where Brett Neal, Chris Ham, Chris Jones, Cody Jones, Jackie Smith, Steve Barnes, Stewart Smith and Rick Smith will serve as pallbearers. Friends are invited to visit with the family an hour before service time, from 10-11 a.m. The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff of Hanceville Nursing Home, as well as the staff of Comfort Care Hospice. The care given to Mr. Smith was exceptional. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to a local hospice in memory of Loyd. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Smith family.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

It is decoration season in Northeast Alabama

Bill King
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This past Monday was Memorial Day. Memorial Day has become the unofficial beginning of summer. In reality, the holiday is so much more than that. It is a special time when we pause to remember and honor those individuals who have fallen in battle. It is a time when we salute those who have given their very lives for our national freedom. Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day. Decoration Day dates back to 1868. James Garfield, a representative from Ohio and former Civil War General in The Union Army, addressed a crowd of over 5000 people at Arlington National Cemetery, on May 30, 1868.

In his address he said, "Hither our children's children shall come to pay their tribute of grateful homage. For this we have met today."

Of course, Garfield went on to become President of the United States, but only served for six months before he was shot and died several months later. Ironically, he was not buried at Arlington.

Following Garfield's address on that 1868 day in May, those who had gathered made their way through the newly formed cemetery to visit the graves of their relatives and friends who had been buried there.

That original gathering was only three years after the end of The Civil War. Most of those buried at Arlington then were Union soldiers. Eventually, Decoration Day became known as Memorial Day.

It became a time to honor all Americans who had fallen in battle, and not just Union soldiers, and not only those from the Civil War.

Where I grew up, Decoration Day meant something a little different. We celebrated Memorial Day, and we honored all the fallen soldiers on that day, but Decoration Day was when we decorated the graves of family.

It might fall on any given Sunday, but usually during the month on May and even into the first part of June.

As an adult, I have lived in various parts of the Southeast, and I've noticed that this seems to be a practice mainly carried out in Northeast Alabama and Northwest Georgia.

Some family members went to the cemetery on Saturday to clean up the graves. Sometimes that meant cleaning off any weeds and adding a fresh covering of white sand or chipped-marble rocks. Of course, new flowers were then added.

Then on Sunday everyone came to the church where the cemeteries were located. We worshipped together and then went outside and gathered around long cement-slab tables with edges rough enough to take off a finger.

The preachers didn't preach quite as long that day, even though they had a packed house, because the food was getting cold.

I suspect the preachers were also thinking about all that fried chicken, baked beans, and deviled eggs.

After we ate so much that we needed to confess, we gathered back inside, with hand-held-funeral- home fans. Some sang hymns and some just listened, while old men and small children took an after-lunch nap.

The singing was so loud, no one noticed the snoring! May we never forget those who have gone before us. Especially those who paid a price for us.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1920

From the Files of 1920

Miss Audrey Chandler spent Sunday in Hanceville with friends.

Horace Quattlebaum of Akron, Ohio is spending a few days in Cullman.

Mr. Talmadge Bland has accepted a position in Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Glasscock of Welti are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

Doctor W.H. Price and two little daughters attended the fair in Birmingham on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stiefelmeyer announce the arrival of a little daughter at their home on the East side.

Mr. Carl Griffin returned to Anniston on Saturday after a visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S.P. Griffin near Good Hope. He is a baggage manager at the Union Depot there.

The first community fair was the greatest event ever held in Cullman County on October 14, 1920. Hulaco, Baileyton, Joppa, Fairview and Prairie Grove Communities held a joint fair that was a credit for all of Cullman County.

The fair was excellent in every way including farm produce, canned food, needlework and sewing, cattle, poultry, cooking, schoolwork, etc.

There was a basketball game, horseback riding and buggy driving of a skillful type. The day was filled with good old-fashioned fun. Booths sold drinks and eats to the crowd. The profits from sales were designated for school needs.

Professor Keller, the County Superintendent of Education, delivered a fine lecture on better schools at Fairview School on Saturday night.

Misses Hettie, Elberta and Leona Bailey, the three pretty schoolteachers at Brushy Creek School attended church and Sunday School at Brushy Pond on Sunday.

Amon Pinkerton is boarding at the Andrew Pinkerton residence in order to attend the junior high school.

Charley Keaton was a visitor of Lee Hestley on Sunday evening.

Reverend G.W. Campbell preached his farewell sermon at Ryan's Creek Church on Sunday.

Ellis, the little son of Reverend and Mrs. S.J. "Sim" Calvert, who has been very sick with fever, is improving.

POET'S CORNER

The Deserted House | By: Alfred Lord Tennyson, 1809-1892

Life and Thought have gone away
Side by side,
Leaving door and windows wide:
Careless tenants they!

All within is dark as night:
In the windows is no light:
And no murmur at the door,
So frequent on its hinge before.

Close the door, the shutters close,
Or thro' the windows we shall see
The nakedness and vacancy
Of the dark deserted house.

Come away: no more of mirth
Is here or merry-making sound.
The house was builded of the earth,
And shall fall again to ground.

Come away: for Life and Thought
Here no longer dwell;
But in a city glorious—
A great and distant city—have bought
A mansion incorruptible.
Would they could have stayed with us.

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

JUNE 4

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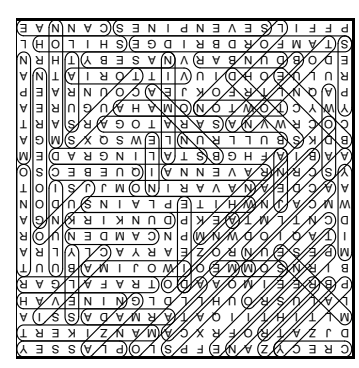
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JUNE 4

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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
JUNE 4, 2022

West Point Class of 1959 holds reunion



CONTRIBUTED

*The West Point Class of 1959 held their reunion on Saturday, May 28, at Brandin Iron Restaurant in West Point. **First row:** Hilda Still Wright, Betty Yates Kendrick, Myrle Wood Higdon, Joyce Phipps Griggs, Melba Blackwood Aris, Jean Campbell Blackwood and Billie Ruth Casey Wisner; **Second row:** Elizabeth Thomas Waldrep, Carolyn Kilgo Jones, Reba Chandler Jones and Hilda Alvis Johnston; **Third row:** Doys Jones, Bobby Wright, Marlin Raney, Clyde Laney, Frankie Burnham, Enoch Morris, Doyle Jones, Delton Duke, Wheeler Daniel, John Sellers, Danny Wallace, Dale Glover and Wayne Phillips; **Not pictured:** Brenda Smith Drake*

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