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Palomino, WildWater see early Labor Day crowds

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Saturday was the saving grace for the Labor Day weekend's festivities seeing only partially cloudy skies at two of Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism's (CPRST's) locations: Palomino RV Resort and WildWater.

Palomino RV Resort at Burrow-Hamilton Farm hosted Labor Day festivities with local cover band The Overtones playing in the late afternoon. The beachfront by the Slippery Summit was a popular site for children and adults with the braver souls bouncing about the summit, the largest inflatable water park attraction in the area. The parking sites were filled with RVs packed with families traveling to experience the one-of-a-kind adventure found at Palomino. The hiking trails, » PAGE 5


JAMIE KIRK
The Overtones performed at Palomino RV Resort's Labor Day festivities on Saturday, Sept. 4.

Sweet tater fun


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This weekend's Sweet Tater Festival at Smith Lake Park got started Sunday morning with Daniel Bowden, Nick Haynes/Terry Adams, the Clog Wild Cloggers and more before wrapping up Monday afternoon with a golf cart parade and the Rebecca Egeland Trio. Smith Lake Park was also packed with food vendors, arts and crafts and the Sweet Tater Festival Car Show over the holiday weekend.


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Sutton Mill Farm hosts inaugural dove hunt

Katie Drummond
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN, Ala. — For most people, this time of year means college football, bonfires and all things fall, but for the proprietors of Sutton Mill Farm in the Duck River community, it means dove season is here, and they couldn't be happier.

This year Bruce Shaw and Mia Dodson, owners of Sutton Mill Farm, kicked off the season with their inaugural dove hunt, with an average turnout of 70 hunters coming from as far as Florida and Tennessee just to experience all that the 70-acre farm has to offer. Friends and family volunteered to help staff, cook and make everything go as smoothly and efficiently as possible, even in rainy conditions.

Dodson said the idea for the dove hunt came from her partner Shaw after a Thanksgiving get-together with friends in 2021 on the Dodson family farm, where Sutton Mill is located.

Shaw, a Holly Pond native who in 2006 was left wheelchair bound after a football injury, has always had a passion for hunting.

Growing up around the sport, he was determined that nothing would keep him from his passion, not even his injury. Shaw always found a way to continue to hunt. He keeps a positive attitude, and his friends and family are extremely supportive and wanted to help make his dreams become a reality. It is that support that helped make opening season at Sutton Mill a success.

"Hunting is a big part of Bruce's life," Dodson said. "He works on the farm every day making sure that all the work that needs to be done to get the fields ready is done properly and by the book to make sure the hunts will be successful."

It was also Shaw's experience as a kid, hunting with his dad, that inspired the upcoming youth hunt the weekend of Sept. 17.

For Dodson, being able to use her family farm and having a part in making Shaw's dreams a reality make every challenge and learning curve worth it. Shaw and Dodson hope to continue the seasonal dove hunt every year, with hopes of many other opportunities for events like fall festivals becoming a reality. What do the hunters think? They and their dogs seem to be loving Sutton Mill's Dove Hunt and are looking forward to coming back every year.

To book a hunt, visit www.suttonmillfarm.com or www.facebook.com/suttonmill, or contact Shaw at 256-339-1559 or bruceshaw@suttonmillfarm.com.

Sutton Mill will be hosting dove hunts the next two weekends, with the youth hunt being the last hunt for the season.

Sutton Mill Farm is located at 2728 County Road 771 in Cullman.



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Bruce Shaw and Mia Dodson

Grant establishes UAH as hub for statewide university high-performance computing

Jim Steele
UAH

HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — The University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH), a part of the University of Alabama System, will become the Alabama hub for statewide high-performance computing (HPC) under a nearly $1 million two-year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant.

"This funding will allow us to establish a high-performance computing facility to serve a consortium of 10 Alabama universities, both public and private," said Dr. Vladmir Florinski, the principal investigator for the effort that attracted $972,261 from NSF's Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR).

The proposal leveraged the UAH-managed NSF EPSCoR Track-1 Future Technologies enabled by Plasma Processes (FTPP) and Connecting the Plasma Universe to Plasma Technology in Alabama grants to develop the HPC consortium and relate it to statewide FTPP needs for HPC support.

"As the host site, UAH will ultimately have control over the hardware design, use policy and resource allocation," said Florinski, a professor of space science and researcher at UAH's Center for Space Plasma and Aeronomic Research (CSPAR), which is one of the most prolific HPC users on campus.

"However, we plan to invite representatives from each participating institution to serve on an advisory board, thus making decision-making a collective experience," he said.

"As a result, UAH will forge closer ties with the other state colleges that would enable more collaborations on science and engineering projects involving computer modeling or data analysis."

The Advisory Board will meet remotely every semester and make recommendations on how to share computing and storage resources among the numerous research entities. Resource distribution could be based on groups, projects or individual users.

"Faculty, researchers and students from every participating university will be able to apply for accounts and run their applications on the system," said Florinski. "A central web portal will be created to simplify account applications."

Eighty percent of the grant money will purchase a new HPC cluster that will dramatically improve the computing capabilities of the consortium, he said.

Once deployed in the server room in Cramer Research Hall, the system will consist of three to four racks densely packed with individual servers called nodes.

Each node will have 64-128 central processing unit cores, for a total of about 3,000 cores for the entire system.

"The real power of the machine will come from its graphics processor subsystem, consisting of 20-24 Nvidia Ampere units with a total of some 160,000 CUDA cores," Florinski said. "The theoretical maximum double-precision performance will be in the range of 240-360 teraflops."

Users across the state will connect to the new flagship HPC cluster remotely using a secure shell protocol.

The project will mostly rely on existing network connections between the sites. CSPAR information technology personnel will be responsible for operation and maintenance of the new HPC system.

Prior to bringing the new facility online, a series of network bandwidth tests will be performed to determine connection speeds between the hub and its users.

UAH's Office of the Vice President for Research and Economic Development and CSPAR personnel will work with UAH's Office of Information Technology at each campus to optimize routing to achieve the best throughput possible.

Before other users are allowed, resource sharing policies and support structure must be implemented and tested.

"The system will be integrated into a national federation network allowing resource sharing with users outside the state, as required by NSF's policy," said Florinski. "As the system enters production, my role will shift to helping the participating institutions – especially those that serve minority groups – to develop and improve their HPC capabilities to take full advantage of this important resource."

He said the success of the project is dependent on the existence of regional fiber optic networks.

"This includes the Alabama Research and Education Network and also the University of Alabama System Regional Optical Network and Southern Crossroads of the Georgia Institute of Technology," he said.

UAH's College of Science and College of Engineering teamed in the grant proposal. Departments providing a list of projects that would benefit their research include Biological Sciences, Chemical and Materials Engineering, Computer Science, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering and Space Science.

For CSPAR, the new system will allow performance of much larger physics-based numerical simulations, ranging from space weather forecasting to cosmic ray science that previously could only be run at national level supercomputing facilities.

"We hope, naturally, to attract HPC users from other departments as well," Florinski said. "In addition to that, the Department of Space Science plans to introduce a graduate certificate in computational physics that will involve the new system in an educational capacity. This offers an opportunity to collaborate with the departments of Computer Science and Electrical and Computer Engineering on the new curriculum."

UAH is partnering with several existing programs to introduce graduate and undergraduate students to HPC in the context of their summer research projects, he said.

"We also plan to reach out to current and potential HPC users across the state by offering a series of webinars focusing on certain advanced topics, such as the use of graphics processing units in a distributed memory environment."

LEGALS

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
PHYLLIS ELAINE WATWOOD) CASE NO PC 2021-037
Deceased.)

AMENDED
NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION OF ADMINISTRATRIX FOR DECLARATION OF INSOLVENCY AND FINAL DISCHARGE

TO: REGIONAL FINANCE, K.C. PAYNE, WILLIAM PAYNE, LINDA JOINER, DANIEL PAYNE, KENNETH PAYNE, FRED STROUP, KENNY STROUP, ANGELA HOCUTT, PAM THOMAS, PATTY ELLIOTT, ROBERT ELLIOTT, CATHY ELLIOTT, PATRICIA STROUP, MICHELLE STROUP, GEORGE STROUP AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OR INTEREST PARTIES

Please take notice that a *Petition of Administratrix for Declaration of Insolvency and Final Discharge*, was filed on the 27th day of July, 2022, made court record the 29th day of July, 2022 by Tina R. Miller, Administratrix of the Estate of Phyllis Elaine Watwood, by and through her Attorney Shay Persall. A hearing on said Petition has been **SET FOR THE 20th day of SEPTEMBER, 2022, AT 10:30A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 19th day of August, 2022

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

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STATE OF ALABAMA)
) **NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**
COUNTY OF CULLMAN)

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

Date & Time of Sale: Monday, Sept 12 2022 at 11:00 a.m./p.m.
Sale Location: 500 2nd Ave SW
Cullman, AL 35055

Writ of Execution Parties: Redstone Federal Credit Union
vs.
Donald W. Ellis AKA Wayne Ellis
3426 County Road 1807
Arab, AL 35016

and/or

Donald W. Ellis AKA Wayne Ellis
3300 County Road 1807
Arab, AL 35016

By virtue of an Execution issued to me by Marshall County Circuit Clerk, Angie Johnson, pursuant to the Code of Alabama, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Execution issued on a judgement, with interest and cost. Upon the expiration of proper notice and advertisement, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder at the date, time and location listed above, all right, title, and interest of Donald W. Ellis AKA Wayne Ellis, in the real property, described as follows:

The Southern portion across the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 9, Township 9, Range 1 East of Huntsville Meridian boundering on and lying West of the New Harmony Road in Cullman County, Alabama and containing 10 acres, more or less.

Source of Title: Deed Book 497, Page 122, recorded in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama.

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THEREFORE, according to said command, I shall expose for sale at public auction, all the right, title, and interest of the above-named Donald W. Ellis AKA Wayne Ellis, in and to the above-described property on the date listed above, subject to all prior encumbrances of record.

Dated this the 10 day of Aug, 2022

BY: Matt Gentry, Sheriff
Sheriff Matt Gentry

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CHARLOTTE ELAINE BYRAMS, * CASE NO.: PC 2022-248
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to STEVIE JO STUMP and LACY LANEY, as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of CHARLOTTE ELAINE BYRAMS, deceased, on the 26th day of August, 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.

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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) Mondays and Thursdays 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.
• 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 birthdays. 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.
• Wednesday, Sept. 7 - 7 p.m. Adult - "THE BAIT OF SATAN," children and youth Bible Study Classes. Free pizza for children at 6:30 p.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6 p.m. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Friday, Sept. 9 - 6:30 p.m. Friday Night Lights - Bring a dish for our pot-luck supper. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hangups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Nursery provided.
• Friday, Sept. 9 - 11 a.m. Adult Lunch - Please bring a dish, drinks or dessert and join us in fellowship. Adults of all ages are welcome!
• Saturday, Sept. 10 - 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Community Outreach - Join our men for a free breakfast; help prepare and distribute sack lunches in the 5 Points area. All men are welcome!
• Sunday, Sept. 11 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults 10 a.m. Adult class 11 a.m. message by Pastor Bobby Dodd.

Alcoholics Anonymous
Sundays, 3 p.m. at Cullman First Church of the Nazarene, 5415 Alabama Highway 157. CLOSED literature study. Handicap accessible.

TOPS (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.

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

Master's Hand Food Pantry at The Link
• 708 Ninth St. SE, Cullman, AL 35055
• Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
• Closed for lunch noon-1 p.m.

GriefShare Grief Support Group
• Sundays, 3-5 p.m., through Nov. 20, at First Baptist Church Cullman, 501 Second. Ave. SW
• Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend- GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Call 256-734-5632 for more information.

Heartland Quilt Guild
The Heartland Quilt Guild will meet Thursday, Sept. 8, at Christ Covenant Church, 1310 Saint Joseph St., at 6:30 p.m. Special speaker will be Ann Barrett. She will be doing a bed turning and telling us her story. All are welcome.

Cullman Downtown Merchants Association Bluegrass Festival
Saturday, Sept. 9, from 5-10 p.m. at Depot Park. Featured guests are Cotton Pickin' Kids, Barefoot Nellie and Cottonmouth Creek. Food, fun, music for all. For more information, email atog218@aol.com.

Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department 50th Anniversary Celebration
Saturday, Sept. 10 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Station 1. Enjoy some good food, bounce house for the kiddos and some awesome music by Jesse Priest. While you are here, take a look at our trucks and equipment. We look toward to seeing everybody.

Cullman Education Retirees Association (CERA) Meeting
Thursday, Sep. 15, at Stone Bridge Farms. We will meet at 11 a.m. with a program by Alabama Securities and a brief business meeting, followed by lunch about noon. Retirees and friends of education are invited.

Hanceville Kids' Night Out
Thursday, Sept. 15, from 6-8 p.m. at C.W. Day Park. This yearly event provides the community's children a chance to get to know local police officers, fire personnel and community leaders while enjoying family fun.

Sportsman Lake Park Fall Yard Sale
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Site reservations will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6 ta 7 a.m. Sites can only be reserved in person and are first come, first served. Pavilion sites are $35 and grass sites are $10. The kiosk, stage and gazebo can be rented for $15. Sportsman Lake Park is located at 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman.

2nd Annual Chambers Fall Festival
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at Chambers Farm and Garden Supply. Around 60 vendors will be on-site, including food trucks, shaved ice, a balloon artist and kids' games. The festival will feature live music, giveaways and in-store specials. Parking will be at the West Elementary ballpark.

Superhero Fire
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 4-6 p.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center, 902 Commercial St. Free admission. Free food. Wal-Mart heart and Hanceville Fire & Rescue trucks will be on-site. Daryl Nethery with Kozmic Sound. Opening prayer by Carl Cooper from The Hedge Ministry in Arkansas. Guest speaker will be Lacy Tolar from Rescue 1 Global in Tennessee. Domestic violence, human trafficking, recovery center and suicide prevention and awareness vendor advocates.

Oktoberfest German Dinner at Sacred Heart
The annual Oktoberfest German Dinner will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church's Family Life Center on Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 4-7 p.m. Sponsored by the women's Altar Society, the event this year is drive-thru only -follow signs at church. The meal consists of bratwurst and German-style kraut, (meat by Brickyard Meats), German potato salad, green beans, applesauce, bread and dessert for $15. There are NO children's meals this year. All proceeds raised go toward the sponsoring Altar Society's church upkeep projects. Everyone welcome to enjoy this yearly meal celebrating our German heritage!

Harvest to Home Dinner & Silent Auction
Sept. 29 at 5:30 p.m. This will be a locally sourced dinner starting with a menu curated by Chef Nichols, department chair of the Wallace State Culinary Arts Program. This is the North Alabama Agriplex's largest yearly fundraising effort. More details coming soon.

Oktoberfest
Sept. 29-Oct. 1 at the Festhalle. Join us for the 41st Annual Cullman Oktoberfest to celebrate Cullman's rich German heritage! This festival features a Biergarten with German and local craft beers, live music, food, kids and adult activities and some fun events for your furry members of the family!

Cullman County Fair Parade
Saturday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. along U.S. Highway 31 from Cullman First Baptist Church to McGriff Tire. www.cullmanfair.org/fair-parade

Cullman County Fair
Oct. 6-15 at the Cullman County Fairgrounds. www.cullmanfair.org

Peinhardt Farm Day(s)
The Peinhardt Living History Farm Foundation will host Peinhardt Living History Farm Day over an unprecedented two-day span this year: Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15-16, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This hands-on fall festival teaches all ages what farm life was like in the 1930s and 1940s in north Alabama. Free for ages 2 and younger and $10 for all others. The farm is located at 1711 Talley Ho St., Cullman.

6th Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ
Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 29-30, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School. The event features some of the best artisans in the Southeast with their work including pottery, wreaths, door hangers, flowers, wood turned bowls, clothing, birdhouses, honey, jewelry, soap, brooms, metal art, glass art, freshly ground cornmeal and grits and more. While shopping, enjoy live music and the best pulled pork in the Southeast as well as ribs, hamburgers, brats and chicken. On Sunday at 4 p.m. St. Bernard will give away cash prizes totaling over $12,000. Bring the entire family for a weekend of fun on our 800-plus acre campus. Admission is a $10 requested donation. Children younger than 5 get in free. NO PETS, PLEASE. Festival guests can also tour our world-famous Ave Maria Grotto at a reduced admission of $5 all weekend.

Baileyton (from Front)

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BAILEYTON, Ala. — The Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) is celebrating its 50th anniversary and wants the community to participate in the festivities. On Saturday, Sept. 10, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., the department will welcome everyone to Station 1 (165 Fire Station Road) for fellowship and free meals provided by the Cullman County Sheriff's Office. There will be a water slide and bounce house for the kids and live music from local favorite Jesse Priest. Fire trucks and equipment will also be on display.

"We have had a small event for our members a few times around this time of year," said BVFD Chief Zack McGee. "This being our 50th anniversary, we decided to host an event for the community."

Since its founding 50 years ago by the Baileyton Booster Club, the department has grown exponentially.

McGee previously told The Tribune, "They purchased a military surplus 5/4-ton truck and mounted a tank and pump on it for use as the first fire truck. It was initially housed in the shop of one of the original members. Upon construction of Baileyton Town Hall, the fire department was moved into the basement of that building until the construction of a four-bay station at the Baileyton Town Park in 1986."

In 2011, the department upgraded to the new station at 165 Fire Station Road, which has five bays, a safe room, expansive meeting area, full kitchen, a sleeping area for two people, offices and a lounge. It also houses a brush truck, medical response vehicle, fire engine, a water tanker and other equipment.

The department has a second, three-bay station on County Road 1725 that houses a brush truck and a fire engine, said McGee.

Some of the BVFD's original firefighters include Troyce Hadley, Billy Fletcher, Bobby Martin, Bobby Murphree, Billy and Leon McElroy, James Harold Howell, C.O. Ewing and Ralph Walker, among others.

Baileyton fire chiefs through the years have included Hadley, Larry Farley, Horace Dover, Joe Golden and Mike Stapler.

McGee has been chief of the BVFD since 2016 and works diligently to connect with the community. He hopes everyone will come out Sept. 10 to help the department celebrate 50 years of service.

Anyone interested in volunteering with the BVFD can call 256-796-2332 or email baileytonvfd@gmail.com.


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Cullman County Youth Football week 3 scoring recap

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WEST POINT, Ala. — Week three of the youth football season has come and gone and there was another full slate of great games going on Saturday. The West Point Warriors hosted the Hanceville Bulldogs, the Cold Springs Eagles traveled to take on the Cullman Bearcats, the Cullman Cyclones hosted the Holly Pond Broncos, and the Good Hope Raiders took on Fairview on the road.

Hanceville Bulldogs at West Point Warriors

- Fireplug: Warriors 20 - Bulldogs 0
- Wee-Wee: Warriors 28 - Bulldogs 0
- Pee-Wee: Warriors 36 - Bulldogs 0

Cold Springs Eagles at Cullman Bearcats

- Fireplug: Bearcats 46 - Eagles 0
- Wee-Wee: Bearcats 36 - Eagles 14

Holly Pond Broncos at Cullman Cyclones:

- Fireplug: Cyclones 38 - Broncos 0
- Wee-Wee: Cyclones 30 - Broncos 0
- Pee-Wee: Cyclones 34 - Broncos 0

Good Hope Raiders at Fairview Aggies:

- Fireplug: Raiders 6 - Aggies 0
- Wee-Wee: Raiders 38 - Aggies 0
- Pee-Wee: Raiders 36 - Aggies 6

Week Four Schedule - Sept. 10

- West Point Warriors at Holly Pond Broncos (4 p.m.)
- Cullman Cyclones at Cold Springs Eagles (4 p.m.)
- Vinemont Eagles at Good Hope Raiders (9 a.m.)
- Fairview Aggies at Hanceville Bulldogs (9 a.m.)



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The West Point Warriors swept their youth football matchups against Hanceville Saturday.

No. 1 Alabama opens season with 55-0 win over Utah State

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Junior quarterback Bryce Young combined for 295 yards of total offense and six touchdowns to lead the top-ranked University of Alabama football team past Utah State, 55-0, Saturday night in front of 98,321 fans inside Bryant-Denny Stadium. The Tide opened the season with a win for the 16th-straight year under head coach Nick Saban.

Young finished the night with a team-leading and career-high 100 yards rushing (five rushes) while throwing for an additional 195 yards on 18-of-28 passes with five touchdowns. Running back Jahmyr Gibbs finished with 93 yards on nine carries in his Crimson Tide debut. Juniors Traeshon Holden (5 catches, 90 yards, 2 TDs) and Jermaine Burton (5 catches, 35 yards, 2 TDs) combined for 10 receptions, 125 yards and four touchdowns to lead the aerial attack.

Redshirt senior Jaylen Moody paced all Tide defenders with five tackles, including one for loss and one quarterback hurry. In all, Alabama's defense accounted for five tackles for loss, four quarterback hurries and a forced fumble on the way to the team's first shutout in a season opener in 34 years.

Alabama Head Coach Nick Saban said

"I was really pleased with the way the players approached this game. I thought we had good energy, I thought we had good intensity. We had good preparation throughout this week. [Utah State is] challenging with some of the things they do. I thought the first group did a really good job and we had a lot of intensity. And we've missed some things which we need to clean up, but for the most part I thought the first group did a really good job in this game. It was as good team win.

"I thought the offense played well, defense played well and, except for at the end when we got to punt block, the special teams were solid. But there are things that we need to improve on and get better at and players need to understand the importance of sustaining the kind of intensity they have, whether it's in preparation or practice, so that we can build and improve as a team. Utah State played hard they have a good team. No disrespect to them, but we're going to play teams that are much more physical and aggressive and talented than what they are.

"So, we're going to have to do things correctly and it's going to be important the guys get to understand that. I told all the young players on the team that if they are going to get an opportunity to play, are you going to be able to take advantage of that? Are you prepared to go out there and take advantage of doing your job?

"Knowing what to do and go out there and get five or six penalties, wrong formations, holding calls. It's good experience for them, but I think the biggest thing is the lesson that they learned in terms of how you have to prepare for a game so you can take advantage of an opportunity when it comes to. We [were able] to play a lot of players. I wish we could even play more but we're trying to get guys experience to make our team better. And that was the number one goal when we started subbing guys in later on in the game."

Notes

- The shutout victory marked the first time in 34 years that Alabama has opened the season without allowing a point to its opponent (defeated Temple, 37-0 on Sept. 10, 1988)
- The 55-point margin is the largest margin of victory in a season opener in the Saban-era
- Prior to Saturday's nights win, Saban guided the Crimson Tide to a 48-point win exactly seven years ago to the day when UA defeated USC 52-6 on Sept. 3, 2016
- The Crimson Tide scored on the first nine offensive drives of the contest en route to the shutout win
- Bryce Young matched his career high with the five touchdown passes, the fourth time across his 25-career games for the Crimson Tide that he has achieved the feat
- The Tide's signal caller also secured a career-best 100 rushing yards in a contest on five carries
- The Alabama defense limited Utah State to only seven first downs, the fewest allowed in a game since holding Mississippi State to six on Nov. 10, 2018
- Alabama held Utah State to just 136 yards of total offense, including 57 yards passing and 79 yards rushing
- The first – and only – punt of the game for the Tide game late in the third quarter
- Paid attendance was 98,321

HOW IT HAPPENED

First Quarter

- 09:56 – UA | Will Reichard got the Crimson Tide on the board with a 45-yard field goal to cap off a seven-play, 44-yard drive that lasted 2:52
- 05:55 – UA | Bryce Young finished off a seven-play, 60-yard drive that took 3:02 off the clock when he threw his first touchdown pass of the season, finding Jermaine Burton in the back of the endzone to stake the Tide to a 10-0 lead
- 03:06 – UA | Young threw his second touchdown of the quarter when he found Traeshon Holden for a nine-yard connection which completed a three-play, 34-yard drive that lasted just 1:01

Second Quarter

- 12:19 – UA | Burton's second touchdown reception came off a two-yard reception from Young to finish off an 11-play, 82-yard drive that spanned 4:27.
- 10:14 – UA | Holden caught his second touchdown of the game off a 14-yard catch-and-run while the four-play, 77-yard drive lasted just 55 seconds and was highlighted by 63-yard carry by Young
- 02:56 – UA | Reichard connected on a 33-yard field goal to finish off an 11-play, 51-yard drive
- 00:15 – UA | Alabama closed out the half's scoring with an eight-yard touchdown reception by Jase McClellan, the fifth touchdown pass for Young in the half, matching his single-game career high

Third Quarter

- 13:37 – UA | Young accounted for his career-best sixth touchdown of the night when he scampered for a four-yard run to paydirt to finish off a three-play, 65-yard drive that took 1:19 off the clock
- 10:18 – UA | Redshirt freshman quarterback Jalen Milroe threw his first career touchdown pass when he found McClellan on a 17-yard strike that completed another short drive, lasting just 1:54 on four plays and 44 yards

Up next

Alabama plays its first road game of the season in Austin, Texas next Saturday against the Texas Longhorns

The Tide and Longhorns are scheduled for an 11 a.m. kick-off on Fox.

Officer (from Front)

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GUNTERSVILLE, Ala. — Hanceville Police Sgt. Steve Gunn aided in the rescue of two visitors who were swept up in flash flood waters at Lake Guntersville State Park on Sunday, Sept. 4, according to Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail.

The mayor reported that a man and woman were unable to combat the power of the floodwaters and were swept into a culvert and into the rising waters of a creek.

It was there that Gunn and an unidentified man pulled the couple from the water. The man and woman were transported to a local hospital and are expected to recover, according to Nail.

"The city of Hanceville is proud of the actions of Sgt. Gunn and the other unidentified man, no doubt saving lives today," he said.





Big-play Tigers beat Mercer 42-16 in season opener

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – After lightning delayed Auburn's season opener for 90 minutes in the third quarter, Tank Bigsby provided his own lightning strike, racing 39 yards for a touchdown on the first play after the game resumed.

Generating explosive plays on the ground and in the air, Auburn kicked off the 2022 season by defeating Mercer 42-16 Saturday at Jordan-Hare Stadium.

"We came out and started fast, got the touchdown the very first play, that was good," Auburn coach Bryan Harsin said.

"Proud of our guys. Proud of the work they put in, proud of the things they did to have themselves prepared and ready, and to go out there and be 1-0 today on our field."

The big-play Tigers produced seven plays of 20 yards or more.

Auburn scored touchdowns on four of its first five drives with Jarquez Hunter scoring the season's first points on a 19-yard run on the Tigers' first drive.

Auburn gained 88 yards in two plays on its second possession on a 49-yard run by quarterback Robby Ashford and a 39-yard pass from T.J. Finley to Ja'Varrius Johnson.

Auburn made it 14-0 on Finley's 2-yard touchdown pass to John Samuel Shenker.

Hunter's 2-yard touchdown put the Tigers on top 21-0 early in the second quarter with 84,562 in attendance.

Bigsby, who led Auburn with 147 rushing yards on 16 carries, scored on a 2-yard touchdown run to give Auburn a 28-0 lead with 5:04 remaining in the first half.

"We wanted to run the football," Harsin said. "Jarquez had a big night. Tank, that was a great start after the lightning delay.

"If we can run the ball like that and be effective and spread it out a little bit and hit some shots, that seemed pretty effective. It starts with running the ball."

Mercer capitalized on an Auburn interception to score on a 5-yard touchdown pass with 20 seconds left in the half.

Derick Hall recorded a third-down sack to force a punt in the third quarter.

Ashford threw a 56-yard pass to Johnson to set up Hunter's third touchdown, a 1-yarder that gave Auburn a 35-7 lead before lightning within eight miles of Pat Dye Field delayed the game late in the third quarter.

The Bears added nine fourth-quarter points on a field goal and a touchdown with 25 seconds remaining.

Linebacker Cam Riley led Auburn with a career-high 15 tackles, exceeding his 2021 season total of 14.

Johnson made four receptions for 117 yards, averaging 29.3 yards per catch.

Ashford, a redshirt freshman, produced 168 yards of total offense, completing 4-of-7 passes for 100 yards while rushing for 68 yards on six carries.

The Tigers (1-0) continue their five-game homestand next Saturday when San Jose State visits Jordan-Hare Stadium at 6:30 p.m. on ESPNU.

"We've got plenty of things to work on," Harsin said.

"It wasn't perfect. We'll assess tomorrow and then we'll get back to work. It's got to come back to us.

"They're energized about the win, they're excited about the potential of this team, and they're also realistic that we have to keep improving to achieve the goals we want to achieve."

Postgame notes

- Captains: Derick Hall, Owen Pappoe, John Samuel Shenker, Shedrick Jackson
- Coin Toss: Mercer wins the toss and elects to defer; Auburn will receive
- Eagle Flight: Independence from section 46
- Attendance: 84,562

Team notes

- The last Auburn game interrupted for a weather delay was the 2018 Southern Miss game at Jordan-Hare Stadium
- First-time starters for Auburn: OG Kameron Stutts, C Tate Johnson, WR Tar'Varish Dawson Jr., DL Jayson Jones,
- Auburn has scored in 118 consecutive games, the second-longest streak in school history
- Auburn has won 16 straight home games against non-conference opponents dating back to a 19-13 loss to No. 2 Clemson to open the 2016 season
- Auburn has won 45 straight home games against unranked non-conference opponents since a 26-23 overtime loss to South Florida in 2007
- Auburn is now 101-27-2 (.787) all-time in season openers

Individual notes: offense

- Jarquez Hunter's three rushing touchdowns gives him his first career multiple-score game; he now has six rushing scores in his career. The last Auburn player with three rushing touchdowns in a game was JaTarvious Whitlow vs. Mississippi State in 2019
- T.J. Finley's touchdown pass to John Samuel Shenker was Finley's 7th TD pass at Auburn. It was Shenker's third career TD catch
- Robby Ashford's 49-yard rush in the first quarter was the longest by an Auburn quarterback since an 80-yard rush by John Franklin III against ULM in 2016
- Tank Bigsby has 16 career rushing touchdowns after his second-quarter score
- Bigsby has posted his 9th career 100-yard rushing game, with 147 yards and two scores; that gives him 17 career rushing touchdowns, and this is his 6th multiple-TD game
- Bigsby now has 2,080 career rushing yards, to rank 18th all time, passing Secdrick McIntyre (1,992 from 1973-76) and Lionel James (2,068 from 1980-83); next is James Bostic (2,084 from 1991-93)
- Ja'Varrius Johnson records his second 100-yard receiving game with a career-best 117 yards. His 56-yard reception was also a career long. The last Auburn receiver with a 100-yard game was Shedrick Jackson (111) at South Carolina last season
- John Samuel Shenker ranks 7th in career tight end receptions (50); next is Victor Hall (54 from 1989-91) Shenker is 5th in tight end career receiving yardage (599); next is Philip Lutzenkirchen (628 from 2009-12)

Individual notes: defense

- Linebacker Cam Riley's 15 tackles are a career high; he led the team in tackles for the first time. Riley had the most tackles by an Auburn player since Zakoby McClain had 15 tackles at Arkansas last October.
- Derick Hall now has 18.5 career tackles for loss; Hall has 13.5 career sacks and 91 career tackles. Eku Leota now has 11.0 TFL in his time at Auburn and 21.0 for his college career

Individual notes: special teams

- Anders Carlson ranks fourth in career PAT made at Auburn with 156; he is third in Auburn career scoring with 357 points



Crowds (from Front)

kayaking and canoes all saw ample activity during the park's Saturday celebration.

Guest Bridget Hanover was impressed by the offerings for all ages at Palomino as she watched her toddler play in the sand while her son and his friend walked the trails.

"It's just a good, wholesome family atmosphere," she said. "Nobody is rowdy, and even though there's a bunch of people staying here, it's peaceful. We're really glad we came."

Meanwhile, WildWater welcomed visitors for its last weekend of the season before closing until next summer.

The premier water park has seen guests from all over the country in its inaugural summer, and CPRST is eager to open the gates again next year to visitors big and small.

"We like coming here and relaxing while our children play and enjoy themselves. This is the sixth time we've come this summer, and we had to come this weekend to end the summer," shared guest Maria James.

"We bought the season passes the second time we came. I've heard people complain about the price, but it's about the same price as all of us going to the movies.

"Here, we get to be active and give the children the opportunity to be outside and play instead of being inside and sitting in front of the television. We can't wait for next year."



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‘Hive 5’ for honey: Celebrate National Honey Month

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AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — Sticky, sweet and good for you. With its rich flavor and many uses, honey is a staple in many homes. September is National Honey Month. Celebrate with a spoonful of local honey and learn about the benefits of beekeeping.

Purchasing local honey

According to the National Honey Board, honey demand reached an all-time high in 2021. It has many beneficial uses, and the flavor is a favorite of many. Alabama Cooperative Extension System Regional Agent Jack Rowe said honey can be used when cooking, for medicinal purposes, as a preservative and a sweetener.

“Honey is good for cooking, preserving foods and even just for sweetening,” Rowe said. “It is the sweetener of the whole past ages of humanity.”

Also, one of the best ways to support communities and local people is by purchasing locally grown and produced products. Local honey can be found at almost any farm stand or farmers’ market.

“Local honey is one of those joys in our culinary lives,” Rowe said. “It’s fragrant, it’s tasty, it supports local people and keeps the ideals of local life and food alive.”

However, one common myth that Rowe said has been disproved is the thought that honey from local bees prevents seasonal allergies.

“The plants the bees feed from are not the ones releasing airborne pollen,” Rowe said. “Also, honey never contacts any of our nasal membranes.”

Benefits of beekeeping

Beekeepers are an important aspect of the agriculture industry, and it is a hobby that more people are taking part in. Alabama Extension Urban Regional Agent Allyson Shabel said beekeeping is a great hobby to help connect you to the environment around you.

Also, beekeepers play a key role in protecting and caring for local pollinators. The bees pollinate the local crops that farmers and gardeners have planted while also producing honey for local communities.

“Protecting pollinator populations in your local environment is important,” Shabel said.

“Many flowering plants in your landscape rely on pollinators to produce the next generation of seeds.”

Beekeeping also provides an opportunity to stay active. From lifting heavy boxes to wearing protective suits in hot weather, beekeeping requires physical endurance and disciplined time management to make sure the colony survives.

“Beekeeping can be physically demanding, but very rewarding,” Shabel said. “It is a very physical hobby that requires strength and stamina.”

Getting started

Shabel said one of the best ways to start beekeeping is by reaching out to local beekeepers and taking whatever classes are available.

“Take a beginner beekeeping course,” Shabel said. “Alabama Extension hosts a beginner beekeeping class at the annual ACES Beekeeping Symposium in February.”

Also, Shabel said joining a local beekeeping club allows prospective beekeepers to talk with others about how they manage their time and apiary.

“The bees are fascinating and there is always something new to learn,” Rowe said. “And honey has been a part of human history forever. Both are important to the lives of everyone.”



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More information

For more information about honey and beekeeping, visit your local Alabama Extension office to talk to an agent, or check out the Bees & Pollinators section of the Alabama Extension website at www.aces.edu.

Poker Run (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Redline Leather Workz will host a poker run Saturday, Sept. 10, in memory of Hanceville’s Wesley Mayer, who lost his life earlier this summer. Mayer, 32, died July 10 in a single-vehicle crash on County Road 565, where he was riding his Harley-Davidson. The proceeds from the run will go to the mother of Mayer’s daughters for their benefit.

Registration begins at 9 a.m. at Redline, located at 222 Arkadelphia Road NE, in Hanceville, with kickstands up at 11. The last bike is expected to be in at 4 p.m. and the best and worst hands will be determined at 4:30. There will be food, music, door prizes and a 50/50 lottery at 5.

Poker hands are $20 per hand with multiple hands allowed per motorcycle, and passengers are $10.

The route will be:

- Redline Leather Workz, 222 Arkadelphia Road NE, Hanceville, AL 35077
- Gold Diggers Bar & Grill, 364 Lake Shore Lane, Double Springs, AL 35553
- Arrowhead Bar & Grill, 761 County Road 941, Crane Hill, AL 35053
- Valley Tavern & Grille, 1710 Tally Ho St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055
- Redline Leather Workz, 222 Arkadelphia Road NE, Hanceville, AL 35077

For more information, visit the event’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/events/934598610626235.

Trimble (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — This Thursday, Sept. 8, Firehouse Subs in Cullman will donate 25% of all sales made between 5-9 p.m. to Cullman County Sheriff’s Office Deputy Nathan Trimble and his family. The Trimbles recently lost their home to a fire.

As the local owner and operator of the Cullman restaurant since December 2018, Jason Hayles is dedicated to sharing the brand’s commitment to supporting local first responders through the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, which has granted more than $1.5 million throughout greater Birmingham. By raising funds for first responders, the Foundation aims to “help them save lives.”

Trimble’s sister-in-law is also a valued team member as a shift leader at Cullman’s Firehouse Subs and has worked there for three years.

“When I learned our team member Tosha is the sister-in-law of Deputy Trimble, I wanted to help their families out during this difficult time,” said Hayles.

“It’s important to us at Firehouse Subs to support our local first responders who do so much to keep our community safe.”

Cullman’s Firehouse Subs is located at 1302 Second Ave. SW (U.S. Highway 31), Ste. G, Cullman, AL 35055.



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Cullman County Deputy Nathan Trimble



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The June yard sale at Sportsman Lake Park drew hundreds of shoppers.

Sale (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Sportsman Lake Park will host its fall yard sale Saturday, Sept. 17.

Site reservations will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6. Interested vendors who are vying for a top spot to sell their wares will need to appear in person at the park beginning at 7 a.m. The sellers will pick their preferred sport on the grassy areas, take the flag assigned to the spot and take it to the concession stand to pay and reserve the spot for the yard sale.

The pavilion sites are typically claimed quickly, so early arrival is strongly suggested. Interested parties should report directly to the concession stand (no flag needed) and pay for an available pavilion. The spots are first come, first served and sell out quickly.

The price for a pavilion site is $35 and the grass sites are only $10. The kiosk, stage and gazebo can be rented for $15.

Spots cannot be reserved over the phone. Prospective vendors must appear in person at Sportsman Lake Park to pay for their spots on Sept. 6.

On the day of the yard sale, gates will open at 7 a.m. with great deals available from vendors throughout the large park. The yard sale will close at 3 p.m. Admission to the park will be free. Sportsman Lake Park is located at 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman.

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From the Live Well Kitchen: Fiesta Confetti

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Ala. Cooperative Extension System

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — This bright and colorful recipe from the Live Well Kitchen isn't lacking in flavor. Live Well Alabama's Fiesta Confetti is a spicy, veggie-loaded appetizer that will be a great addition to any meal.

"Not only is this dip loaded with nutrients from the variety of veggies, but it's also lower in sodium than most store-bought salsas thanks to the two easy steps of rinsing the canned items and making your own seasoning rather than using a taco seasoning mix," said Katie Funderburk, Alabama SNAP-Ed coordinator.

INGREDIENTS

- Three Roma tomatoes, diced
- One to two jalapeño peppers, fresh, diced with seeds removed
- Three large, sweet bell peppers (any color)
- One can black beans, 15 ounces, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup whole kernel corn
- 2/3 cup onion, red or white, diced
- 1 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Pro tips

Use fresh, frozen or canned corn. Drain and rinse with canned corn; thaw first if frozen corn. For more heart-healthy fats, add fresh avocado.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Mix all ingredients in a large bowl. Toss well to cover vegetables evenly with spices and lime juice.

2. Serve immediately or chill with whole-grain chips or crackers.

Want to learn more? Step-by-step instructions for the Fiesta Confetti recipe and an instructional video are available at LiveWellAlabama.com.

Live Well Alabama

Live Well Alabama is a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program-Education (SNAP-Ed) initiative developed by the Alabama Cooperative Extension System at Auburn University.



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Live Well Alabama's Fiesta Confetti

This initiative reaches residents across the state with research-based education.

"Live Well Alabama recipes are meant to equip people of all ages and experience levels to prepare healthier foods for themselves and their families," Funderburk said.

Eating healthy doesn't have to be difficult or expensive. Live Well Alabama provides numerous recipes that are simple and budget friendly.

For more information about Live Well Alabama and to find more Live Well Alabama recipes, visit www.LiveWellAlabama.com. Also, check out more Live Well Alabama tips and recipes on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and Pinterest.

UNA's student enrollment tops 9.5K for 1st time

Michelle R. Eubanks
UNA

FLORENCE, Ala. — For the 14th consecutive term, the University of North Alabama boasts record enrollment, with more than 9,500 students enrolled in undergraduate, graduate and credential programs at the institution. This number reflects greater than a 12% rate of growth from fall 2021 and denotes increases across all student types – freshmen, transfer, international, online and graduate.

"These impressive numbers clearly indicate the resonance and strength of the North Alabama brand and experience among every type of student – locally, regionally, nationally and internationally," said UNA President Dr. Ken Kitts. "The vibrancy of campus is exhilarating and indicative of the University's growth and momentum. It is a great time to be at UNA!"

With the sharp increase in on-campus students, UNA has also experienced a record number of students living in University-affiliated housing, largely attributable to the University's workforce development focus and degrees that lead directly to high-paying jobs. Among those in-demand programs are computing, engineering, nursing and health professions, accounting and professional management and elementary and early childhood education.

"The dynamism of our academic programs at the credential, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels distinguishes North Alabama as a first-choice institution for all learners," said Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Dr. Ross Alexander.

"Perhaps more importantly, our degrees are career accelerators for our students and workforce development catalysts for employers."

In addition to the increase in the number of on-campus international students, international partners, including those in China at Guizhou University-University of North Alabama International College of Engineering and Technology on the Guizhou University campus in Guiyang, China, have contributed significantly to the increase in enrollment for fall 2022.

UNA's innovative partnership with this top-100 Chinese research university launches this fall.

Further, the Delores and Weldon Cole Honors College has more than 750 students enrolled, marking its largest enrollment in its more than 15-year history at UNA.

"In an incredibly volatile and chaotic enrollment environment, UNA is experiencing atypical and unprecedented growth," said Executive Director of Admissions and Enrollment Innovation Julie Taylor.

"The University's 'diversified enrollment strategy' is both highly functioning and sustainable."

Final census figures are not anticipated until the end of October in order to accommodate Fall 2 term classes. The initial enrollment of more than 9,500, however, indicates a 40% enrollment increase since 2015. In fall 2021, with a 6% enrollment increase compared to fall 2020, UNA was recognized as the fastest-growing public university in Alabama. With a 12% enrollment increase this year, the University may continue to have that distinction.

Obituary Announcements: Sept. 3-5

Bob G. Barnett, 78
Bob G. Barnett, 78, of Cullman passed away Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022. He was born June 27, 1944, to John and Myrtle Powell Barnett. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Barnett family. Mr. Barnett is preceded in death by his parents; his wives: Mae Barnett and Linda Barnett; brother: Bud; sister: Ruby; granddaughter: Ramona. Survivors include his daughters: Laney Sparks, Tracy (William) Powell, Michelle (Patrick) Tye, Gina (John) Driver; sister: Joyce Lancaster; grandchildren: Toby, Holly, Krystin, Kamren, Blake, Isaac, Caleb, Kimberly, Jordan, Justin, Robert, Dallas; several great-grandchildren; and a host of fur babies.

Dessie Fallin, 79
Dessie Fallin, 79, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Sept. 3, 2022. She was born in Cullman County, Alabama, on March 18, 1943, to Albert and Ina Hardin Simpson. Mrs. Fallin worked for 34 years at the Oneita sewing factory in Cullman. Dessie was also a member of Holly Pond First Baptist Church. Her passion was her grandchildren, working in the garden and preparing holiday meals for the family. Dessie is preceded in death by her parents: Albert and Ina Simpson; and her first husband: Jerald "Jerry" Duncan. Dessie is survived by her husband of 28 years: Troy Fallin; sons: Chris Duncan (Victoria); stepsons: Donald Fallin (Megan) and Ronald Fallin (Elicia); grandchildren: Eden Duncan, Casey Fallin Beery (Rob), Sean Fallin, Cody Fallin (Callie), Claudia Fallin, Nic Fallin; brothers: Bill Simpson (Sheryl), Alton Simpson, Jerry Simpson; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation services for Mrs. Fallin are Tuesday, Sept. 6 from 6- 8 p.m. at the Holly Pond Funeral Home. Funeral services are Wednesday, the 7th at 11 a.m. at the Holly Pond Funeral Home. She will lie in state from 10:30-11 a.m. followed by a graveside service at Holly Pond Cemetery. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Fallin family.

Chriss Eugene Lott, 62
Funeral service for Chriss Eugene Lott, 62, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2022, at Eastside Baptist Church with interment in Cullman City Cemetery. Rev. Sam Hollis and Rev. Matt Smith will officiate. The family will receive friends at the church from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Lott family. Mr. Lott passed away Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022, at Woodland Village Health Care. He was born April 11, 1960, to Marvis Eugene and Vernell Freeman Lott. Chriss worked on the lake for Hoyt Perdue for 24 years. He was a member of Eastside Baptist Church. His hobbies included rock climbing, skydiving, scuba diving and flying planes. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a sister: Cheryl Lee. Survivors include his wife of 26 years: Donna Lott; son: Noah Lott, M.D.; daughter: Amanda (Robert) Kelley; brother: Jeff Lott; grandchildren of love: Blake and Karson Battles; family and friends. Pallbearers will be Robbie Lee, Daniel Lee, Chad Lee, Byron 'Babs' Freeman, Byron Cornett, Chance Lott.

Frances Violet Harris
Frances Violet Harris, of Crane Hill, Alabama passed away on Friday, Sept. 2, 2022. Arrangements will be announced later. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Eula Dean McGaughy, 87
Eula Dean McGaughy, 87 of Jasper, passed away Friday, Sept. 2, 2022, at her residence. Dean was born on July 1, 1935, in Lawrence County, Alabama. She was a loving wife, mother, and grandmother who enjoyed spending time with her family, especially her great grandchildren. Visitation washeld Sunday, Sept. 4, 2022, from 2-3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home – Double Springs. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery. Dean is survived by her sons: Jerry Dale McGaughy and Gary McGaughy (Jackie); grandsons: Brandon McGaughy and Jared McGaughy (Megan); great grandchildren: Kynlie McGaughy, Alyssa McGaughy, and Parker McGaughy; brother: Kelly Jetton; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband: Everett Emoise McGaughy; parents: Walter and Della Jetton; brothers: Gurtis and Carlton Jetton; and sisters: Evelene Hill and Faye Marshal.

Ronald Dale Butler, 70
Ronald Dale Butler, age 70 of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Sept. 2, 2022, at his residence. Ronald was born on June 13, 1952, in Jasper, Alabama. He attended Old Trinity Missionary Baptist Church and his hobbies included watching TV and taking hikes. Service arrangements will be announced Tuesday at noon. Ronald is survived by his mother: Doris Jewel Smith; sister: Elizabeth (Thomas) Campbell; nephews: Christopher Hassell and Justin Hassell; niece: Jessica Hassell Aaron (T.J.); great nieces: Arayah Faith Hassel and Brianna Elizabeth Hassell; great nephew: Lucas Michael Hassel; and a host of friends, cousins, aunts, uncles, and church family and his little buddy Remi. He was preceded in death by his father: Leon Odell Butler; grandparents: Nora Baugn and Walker Jack Downey, Lee and Leiala Butler; stepfather: Rudolph Smith; and host of other family.

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SugarFest (from Front)

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ARAB, Ala. — More than 170 craft vendors displayed their wares Saturday at Arab's annual SugarFest. The all-day, sweet-themed festival at Arab City Park also saw 23 food trucks, live music, plenty of kids' activities, the Sugar Rush 5K and the Miss SugarFest Pageant.

Festivalgoers could stroll through the Arab Historic Village in between visiting vendor tents. Nestled just behind the park, the Historical Complex showcases buildings preserved with authentic furnishings and décor from the 1880s to the 1940s.

Residents also had the chance to dunk their city officials, including Mayor Bob Joslin, at the dunking booth for $1 per throw to go toward the Arab Emergency Relief Fund.

Live music included Winston Ramble, Lamont Landers Band and headliner, Trotline.

The festival concluded with the grand fireworks show after dark. East Coast Pyrotechnics out of South Carolina, which also organizes the fireworks for the Atlanta Braves, handled the show at SugarFest. "It is seriously the most incredible fireworks show you've ever seen," said volunteer Chandler Dunn.

Arab's SugarFest began in 2019 with a group of residents looking to plan a unique community event. They did not expect many people to show up but had an estimated 5,000 attend the first festival. Last year the festival doubled in size, with 10,000 guests attending.

City of Arab Director of Economic Development Melissa Cook said the festival keeps growing every year.

"It looks like the crowd is much bigger," she said. "The kids' area is bigger, entertainment is better."

Various organizations volunteer to help the festival run smoothly. The presenting sponsor this year was City of Arab Parks and Recreation. Proceeds from the event go back into the festival, to local causes and scholarships.

See more photos at www.facebook.com/thesugarfest.



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