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Christmases past: Basch family tree lives on

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CULLMAN, Ala. — For 44 years, the sight of a giant, spinning tree glowing in a window greeted motorists as they entered Cullman from U.S. Highway 278 East. The silver tree, decked in hundreds of custom ornaments and glittery tinsel and outfitted with a color wheel light, was visible from the home on the rocky bank across from where East Side Baptist Church now sits. The tree was a grand gesture of Christmas greetings on behalf of Ralph Basch and his family.

"It sat in front of a picture window right on 278," said Ben Harrison, Ralph Basch's grandson, noting that the last time the tree greeted the travelers was in December 2002.

"That's the thing about it, none of the younger kids will know about it," » PAGE 4



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Nathan Basch, grandson of Ralph Basch, poses with his children Preslie and Ezra to the side of the signature Basch family Christmas tree. The tree was a must-see sight since 1958 for travelers on the way into Cullman from U.S. Highway 278 East for holiday shopping. »

– VETERAN SPOTLIGHT –

William Carter



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William Carter poses in front of a framed flag at Cullman VFW Post 2214.

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In celebration of Veterans Day, Tribune reporter Cayla Grace Murphy sat down with veterans at Cullman's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2214 for rapid-fire interviews. The Tribune will be publishing an interview every week for November.

COL. WILLIAM CARTER (RETIRED)

Army National Guard, 1979-2009

Deployment: Iraq

CGM: What do you remember most about the day you enlisted?

WC: The day I enlisted... I was a senior in high school. A friend talked me into coming to the Guard unit on drill weekend. I knew a few of the guys because they knew my dad. They hooked me!

CGM: Can you describe a funny moment from boot camp?

WC: What was so bad for me, I went to Fort Leonard Wood Missouri, in » PAGE 6

TRAFFIC ALERT

City preparing portion of Eighth Street Northeast for paving



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Eighth Street Northeast

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Local family entering mission field in January



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Lyndsie and Micah Camper with their children

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 27

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 27, 2023. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Nov. 20
- harassment; Daystar Dr.
- theft of property; Highland St. SE
- assault; CR 1242
- theft of property; CR 68
- harassment; criminal mischief; CR 1559
- possession of dangerous drugs; CR 907

Nov. 21
- shooting into occupied dwelling; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 832
- harassment; CR 1660
- disorderly conduct; CR 1830
- interference with custody; CR 703
- criminal mischief; Handley Ln.
- theft of property; CR 1273
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; CR 324
- theft of property; CR 702
- domestic violence; CR 1760
- theft of property; CR 1561
- domestic violence; Hwy. 31
- harassment; CR 1291

Nov. 22
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of prescription drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 31
- assault; CR 160
- domestic violence; CR 1295
- theft of property; CR 222
- violation of protection order; CR 522
- obstructing governmental operations; I-65 NB at Rest Area
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S

Nov. 23
- domestic violence; CR 759
- criminal mischief; CR 437

Nov. 24
- burglary; theft of property; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; CR 1225
- theft of property; CR 1354
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 18
- obstructing governmental operations; attempt to elude police officer; CR 744
- burglary; criminal mischief; Hwy. 157

Nov. 25
- harassment; CR 1459
- domestic violence; CR 728
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Campbell Dr.
- trespassing; CR 818
- domestic violence; CR 617

Nov. 26
- domestic violence; CR 437
- domestic violence; I-65 NB at MM 294
- domestic violence; CR 1386
- domestic violence; CR 46
- disorderly conduct; CR 222
- obstructing governmental operations; resisting arrest; Hwy. 69 N
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E

ARRESTS

Nov. 20 – 26

Aderholt, Kandi L.; 31
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Anders, Tyler C.; 30
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- stolen vehicles-auto theft

Armstrong, Jessica L.; 42
- Probation Revoked- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- Probation Revoked- unlawful possession with intent to distribute

Auston, William T.; 38
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-2nd offense

Baker, Grayson, J.; 19
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Beasley, Edward W.; 44
- ex-felon in possession of a firearm

Billups, Andre D.; 32
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family
- assault-reckless endangerment

Brooks, Jacob W.; 37
- FTA- public intoxication
- public intoxication

Coker, Michael J.; 48
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Farr, Daniel Lauton J.; 25
- cruelty to dog/cat

Flanigan Jr., Edsal E.;44
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Freeman, Shane A.; 32
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous

Gatlin, Lois V.; 46
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Glass, Billy R.; 49
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Halligan, Craig A.; 40
- disorderly conduct/disturbing peace/affray

Haynes, Christopher D.; 53
- fraud-swindle/home repair

Hulme, Joyce R.; 58
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

James, Talmadge A.; 43
- assault-harassment

Jenkins, Kimberly M.; 33
- assault-simple assault

Kendrick, Terrance D.R.; 23
- obstruction governmental operations
- speeding-no workers-construction zone

Lambert, Justin D.; 26
- possession of prescription drugs
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of dangerous drugs

Lamons, Christian L.; 24
- Bail Jumping-1st degree-burglary-residence-force

McDonald, Joshua B.; 33
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Mitchell, Tammy M.; 43
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Morgan, Alton W.; 60
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Rhodes, Brittney L.; 34
- family offense- non-support-child

Smith, Jeffery W.; 35
- resisting arrest
- obstruction governmental operations

Sutton, Amanda N.; 30
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Weaver, Jason J.; 31
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Weaver, Kevin L.; 52
- assault-shooting into occupied dwelling
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Weissend, Daniel N.; 43
- family offense- non-support-child
- Grand Jury- theft

Woods, Arron B.; 23
- assault-domestic violence-3rd degree-criminal mischief-2nd degree
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Nov. 21
- harassing communications; person

Nov. 22
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; 1st Ave. NE; damage to 2015 Ford Explorer; $600

Nov. 23
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; Lessman Cir. SW

Nov. 24
- criminal trespass-2nd degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW

Nov. 26
- burglary-3rd degree; C.H. Harris, Inc.; burglary-3rd degree; 3rd Ave. SE; tools
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; Hwy. 157; damage to 2016 Chrysler; $100
- theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $548
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; Hwy. 157; damage to 2009 Toyota Camry; $1,000
- domestic violence-3rd degree-assault; person; Elm Dr. SE

ARRESTS

Nov. 22 – 26

Swope Jr., Michael D.; 38
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance

McCurdy, Joshua E.; 22
- criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree

Yates, Austin K.; 26
- criminal trespass

Yankee, Dylan C.; 24
- public intoxication

Jenkins, Kimberly M.; 33
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Lewis, Ashton D.; 26
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree

Mallard, Benjamin C.; 32
- public intoxication

Haynes, Christopher D.; 53
- home repair fraud

Kratz, Shawn M.; 33
- public intoxication

Cable, Stacy R.; 40
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree

Jackson, Clark A.; 35
- FTA- harassment

Smith, Jeffery W.; 35
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree
- FTA- driving while revoked

Simms, John A.; 44
- theft of property-3rd degree

Estes, Gayla N.; 51
- theft of property-3rd degree

Owens, Erica T.; 33
- attempt to commit controlled substance crime
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of forged instrument

Brooks, Jacob W.; 37
- FTA- public intoxication

Raymond, Robert A.; 43
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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



ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS)

ADOC arrests 2 of its own

Staff Reports
Contributor

ELMORE, Ala. — Former Alabama Department of Corrections (ADOC) Administrative Support Assistant II at Elmore Correctional Facility, Sarah Woodward, was arrested on Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023, and charged with first- and second-degree promoting prison contraband, second-degree possession of marijuana, use of official position for personal gain and trafficking methamphetamine.

During a search of the facility, ADOC Law Enforcement Services Division (LESD) K-9 units alerted on a vehicle in the parking lot. Woodward gave consent to search, and a suspicious package was discovered in Woodward's vehicle. Woodward was detained until she could be interviewed by LESD agents. Once the package was opened and contraband was confirmed, Woodward was arrested and transported to the Elmore County Jail.

Former ADOC Correctional Security Guard at Staton Correctional Facility, Stefan Harris, was arrested on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2023, and charged with first-degree promoting prison contraband, possession of a controlled substance and use of official position for personal gain.

Harris reported for duty and refused to enter the facility scanner, so he was detained to await LESD officers. The first officer on the scene discovered Harris attempting to dispose of a package, and, upon being searched, Harris was found to have other contraband on his person. Contraband was also discovered in his vehicle. After being interviewed by an LESD agent and having an ADOC evidence technician confirm the package contained contraband, Harris was taken into custody without incident. He was then transported to the Elmore County Jail.

Both investigations are ongoing and further charges may be pending.



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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
H.W.)
A Minor Child, 06/05/2019)

CASE NO. JU 2022-401.02

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of H.W., born on or about 06/05/2019 to Caitlin Milligan, respond to the Petition by the 12 day of December, 2023, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 31st day of Oct, 2023.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 1st day of November, 2023.
Clerk of Circuit Court

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
I.W.)
A Minor Child, 05/07/2021)

CASE NO. JU 2022-400.02

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of I.W., born on or about 05/07/2021 to Caitlin Milligan, respond to the Petition by the 12 day of December, 2023, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

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I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 1st day of November, 2023.
Clerk of Circuit Court

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF)
THE ADOPTION OF:) CASE NUMBER: JU 2023-000224.01
M.C.S.,)
A Minor Child.)

NOTICE

The Petitioners having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of M.C.S., born 03/06/2019 to Sarah Kristina Corbin, respond to the Petition by the 2 day of January, 2024 or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioners.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioners: Tonya C. Palmer, 1939 Main Ave. S.W., Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 246-9600 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave. S.W., Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 15 day of November, 2023.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALBAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 27th day of November, 2023.
Clerk of Circuit Court

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M.C.S.,)
A Minor Child.)

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The Petitioners having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of the child born on or about 03/06/2019 to Sarah Kristina Corbin, respond to the Petition for Adoption filed by Benny Joe Trussell and Sandra Trussell by the 2 day of January, 2024 or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioners.

It is Further **ORDERED** that notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the *The Cullman Tribune*, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this 15th day of November, 2023.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Calling All Young Singers!
Cullman Community Young Singers (CCYS) is looking for YOU! All young singers (ages 8-15) are invited to join us on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-4:45 at the Little House at Art Park, 1031 Second St. SW in Cullman. No auditions, just come for a fun afternoon of learning music from pop to classical styles. We will rehearse and prepare to perform at a variety of events in and around the Cullman community. Bring your friends- we will have music and everything you need to get started! For more information, text or email Miss Cindy at 256-338-4404, cindypass22@gmail.com. CCYS is sponsored by Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism.

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 Dr. NW, Cullman
• 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! Pickup 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, Nov. 29 - 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult Bible study of Romans. Free pizza for children at 6:30. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6. Call 727-215-9092 for pickup.
• Friday, Dec. 1 - 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Bring a dish, dessert or drink for a pot-luck meal at 6:15. Nursery provided!
• Saturday, Dec. 2 - Men's breakfast and foundry outreach canceled
• Sunday, Dec. 3 - Prayer - Join Teresa at 9:15 a.m. in the prayer room to pray for our church, nation and those who need healing, salvation or deliverance.
• Sunday, Dec. 3 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call Guy Sunter at 727-215-9092 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults at 10. Praise, worship and communion! Message by Pastor Bobby Dodd, leadership meeting following service at 11.

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). The 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.

Cullman Serenity AlAnon Meetings
The Cullman Serenity AlAnon group meets each Monday at noon at 1519 St. Joseph Dr. NE. There is also a zoom meeting each Tuesday at noon. The AlAnon family groups are a fellowship of friends and family whose lives have been affected by alcoholism. For more information, call 256-708-6645, 850-323-0490 or 256-734-2231.

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.

Winter Wonderland at Sportsman Lake Park
• Check out a variety of still and moving light displays, then hit the concessions stand for a warm cup of hot cocoa or a photo op with Santa Claus!
• The attraction is open 5-9 p.m. through Dec. 29 (closed Mondays and Tuesdays until Dec. 13). It will transition to a drive-through only experience Dec. 26-29.
• Admission is $10 cash per vehicle. Attractions include the Christmas train ($5 per person), horse and carriage rides (select nights at $5 per person), snow machine, photo booth, hot chocolate and additional Christmas entertainment.

Christmas at the Grotto
The spirit of Christmas has returned to the Ave Maria Grotto. Visit and enjoy Brother Joseph's creations, completely decked in lights. The attraction will be open every Friday and Saturday, some Sundays and Dec. 26-27. Friday, Dec. 15, and Saturday, Dec. 16, will be even more magical as food trucks, kids' rides, wagon rides and even Santa Claus! It's an experience you won't want to miss!

Dates
• Nov. 30 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)
• Dec. 1-2 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)
• Dec. 8-10 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)
• Dec. 14 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)
• Dec. 15-16 – 5-9 p.m. (food trucks, kids' rides, wagon rides, Santa Claus)
• Dec. 21-23 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)
• Dec. 26-27 – 5-9 p.m. (kids' rides)

Admission
• Adults - $10
• Seniors - $8
• Military/veterans/first responders - $7
• Teens (13-17) - $8
• Children (5-12) - $7
• Children younger than 4 - free
• Wagon rides on Dec 15,16 - $5
• Kids' rides every night of event - $3

Christkindlmarkt
• Immerse yourself in a German winter wonderland at Cullman's Christkindlmarkt at Depot Park. Every Thursday to Sunday, through Dec. 23, indulge in rich flavors of traditional German Christkindlmarkt Cuisine. Experience ice skating, carousel rides and cherished moments with Santa. Our market's heart lies in its authenticity, from carefully hand-picked vendors to the preserved centuries-old tradition that best exemplifies true German craftsmanship. Treasure offerings from revered German manufacturers like Christian Ulbricht, Dregeno Seiffen, Engstler, Graupner, Knox, Richard Glässer, Ino Schaller, and Richard Sellmer—where each item is a testament to legacy and meticulous artistry.
• Hours are Thursdays 4-9 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sundays 1-8 p.m.
• www.cullmanchristkindlmarkt.com

Christmas in Cullman Parade & Tree Lighting
Gather round the Warehouse District Friday, Dec. 1, as Cullman residents don their holliest jolliest best, boasting decked-out cars and trucks, each hoping to be better than the last and hoping to bring home bragging rights of first-place float. The parade begins at 5 p.m. and will travel north on First Avenue through the Warehouse District to Depot Park, where "The South's Largest Christmas Tree Lighting" will begin just after the parade, with Taylor Hicks and James Spann. Enjoy the Christkindlmarkt, ice skating rink, Christmas carousel and Kinderplatz Santa's Village!

Baileyton Masonic Lodge Breakfast
Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023, beginning at 6:30 a.m. until ... Donations only – to be used to benefit local charities.

34th Annual Cullman County Christmas Parade
Saturday, Dec. 2, at noon. The parade will travel from Wallace State down U.S. Highway 31 to Hanceville Fire Station No. 1. www.facebook.com/hancevillecivitan

Baileyton Senior Center Community Christmas
Saturday, Dec. 2, from 5-7 p.m. Everyone welcome! Free hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, popcorn and drinks. Free picture with Santa! Each child will receive a candy bag, fruit bag and gift.

Town of South Vinemont 2nd Annual Christmas in the Park
Saturday, Dec. 9, from 4-6 p.m. at the Vinemont walking trail/Art Park, 88 Ridgeway St. Santa Claus, cookies and hot chocolate.

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Late-game heroics lead No. 8 Alabama to 27-24 victory at Auburn

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. — Alabama quarterback Jalen Milroe threw a touchdown pass to Isaiah Bond with 32 seconds left to lift the No. 8/8/8 Crimson Tide football team to a 27-24 victory over Auburn Saturday afternoon in Jordan-Hare Stadium.

With the Tide (11-1, 8-0 SEC) trailing 24-20 and facing 4th-and-31, Milroe found Bond for a game-winning 31-yard score to snatch the victory away from the Tigers (6-6, 3-5 SEC).

Alabama used a balanced offensive attack to pile up 451 yards of total offense, including 259 through the air and 192 on the ground. Milroe led the Crimson Tide's offense with 366 total yards which included 259 on 16-of-24 passing and 107 yards rushing across 18 attempts.

Bond finished the game with a team-leading five catches for 75 yards and a score, while Jermaine Burton had four catches for a team-high 107 yards and a touchdown.

Defensively, Jalen Key returned to the lineup to lead UA with seven tackles, while Deontae Lawson, also returning from an absence, finished second at five total stops, including one sack (-3 yards). Dallas Turner contributed four tackles, including two for loss and a sack, to go with a quarterback hurry.

Lawson and Turner helped the Tide finish with 6.0 TFLs (-41 yards) and four sacks (-28 yards) by day's end.

Notes

- Alabama's win was the 19th fourth-quarter victory under head coach Nick Saban.
- Saturday's Iron Bowl win was the Tide's 11th of the season. It marks the 27th time in program history that UA has recorded an 11-win season and the 15th under Saban.
- The 2023 campaign also marks the 13th straight season with 11 wins under Saban, the longest streak of its kind in Southeastern Conference history.
- Alabama finished the season a perfect 8-0 in SEC play to mark the sixth perfect conference finish during the Saban era. The Tide also went 8-0 in 2008, 2009, 2016 and 2018 and finished 2020 at 10-0.
- With his nine points on the night (three PATs, two field goals), placekicker Will Reichard is now tied at 530 points with Keenan Reynolds (Navy) for the NCAA career points record.
- Reichard is now second on the Alabama career field goals list with 80. He trails only Leigh Tiffin's mark of 83.

HOW IT HAPPENED

First quarter

- 10:53 - UA | The Crimson Tide struck first when Roydell Williams crossed the goal line from two-yards out capping an eight-play, 69-yard drive in 3:30
- 05:00 - AU | The Tigers answered when Damari Alston found the end zone from four-yards out finishing off a five-play, 68-yard drive lasting 2:14

Second quarter

- 14:09 - UA | Will Reichard converted a 32-yard field goal to finish off a 12-play, 56-yard drive in 5:51
- 02:24 - AU | Ja'Varrius Johnson crossed the goal line from 12-yards out to end a three-play, 88-yard drive that lasted 1:08
- 01:33 - UA | Jalen Milroe connected with Jermaine Burton for a 68-yard receiving touchdown finishing a three-play, 81-yard drive in 0:44

Third quarter

- 09:12 - UA | Alabama opened the second half with a 22-yard field goal from Reichard for the second time today ending a 12-play, 71-yard drive in 5:48
- 06:36 - AU | Payton Thorne connected with Johnson for a 27-yard receiving touchdown finishing off a five-play, 75-yard drive lasting 2:36

Fourth quarter

- 10:15 - AU | Alex McPherson connected on a 21-yard field goal to close out a 16-play, 72-yard drive that took 8:18 off the clock
- 00:32 - UA | Isiah Bond got his foot down for the 31-yard game winning score. His catch from Milroe capped the Tide's nine-play drive that lasted 4:16

Up next

- Alabama will take on No. 1/1/1 Georgia in the 2023 SEC Championship game which will be played in Atlanta
- The contest will kick off at 3 p.m. and be televised by CBS

Wallace State Volleyball, Cross Country wrap up seasons at NJCAA national championships

Gail Crutchfield
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State's and Volleyball Cross Country Cross Country teams each ended their seasons with a lot to be proud of as the volleyball team advanced in the national tournament further than they ever have before and runners on both the men's and women's squads set new team records.

Volleyball advances further in NJCAA tournament

The Wallace State Volleyball team kept advancing in the NJCAA Division II Volleyball Championships held in Cedar Rapids, Iowa until a final loss to eventual third-place team Johnson County.

The Lions kicked off the tournament with a 3-0 win against Harford before falling to Parkland 3-0. Moving to the consolation rounds, the Lions picked up two 3-0 wins against Sauk Valley and Grand Rapids before falling 3-1 to Johnson County.

Sophomore's Anna Clare Hutto and Braelee Quinn finished strong for the year. Hutto, of Lawrence County, is ranked third in the nation for assists among NJCAA offensive leaders, with Quinn of West Point ranked fourth for kills.

The team finished the season 46-7 overall with their 14th Alabama Community College Conference title in 15 years and their 25th overall. Coach Randy Daniel improved his overall record to 637-128.

Cross Country runners set new records, teams finish in top 10 at NJCAA races

A few days after finishing the NJCAA Division II Cross County National Championship, the Cross Country teams competed in the NJCAA Half Marathon at John Hunt Cross Country Park in Huntsville.

Freshmen Abigale Vega and David Robles each set WSCC Cross Country records for their respective teams.

Vega ran the 13.1-mile marathon in 1:33:02.3 in the women's division and Robles completed in 1:12:22.6 in the men's division.

The women's teams finished eighth in their race, with Vega, of Fort Payne, coming in at 23rd place, followed by Mandy Leonardi of Cullman 38th and Claire Deaton of Madison, 41st.

The men's finished in seventh place, with Robles of Springville coming in at 27th, Luke Kennedy in 41st and Jonathan Phillips in 46th.

A few days earlier, Kennedy, of Huntsville, was recognized as an Honorable Mention for the 2023 NJCAA Division II Cross Country All-America Teams.

The men finished in fifth place at the NJCAA Cross Country National Championship, and the women finished in eighth place. For the men, Kennedy finished in 15th place, followed by Robles at 18th, Phillips 19th and Collin Mayfield of Geraldine, 23rd. For the women, Vega crossed the finish line in 37th place, with Deaton in 47th.

Both the men's and women's Cross Country teams each won their sixth consecutive Alabama Community College Championships for the 2023 season.



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2023 Wallace State Volleyball Team



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2023 Wallace State Men's Cross Country Team

Tree (from Front)

said Nathan Basch, who, with the help of his brother Jared, has brought the tree out of retirement for the family to enjoy.

"People would slow down, stop, and we would be in the big family room watching TV. Someone would come up and knock on the door and mother would say, 'Ralph, who's at the door again?' And if he knew them, he'd say, 'Well, come on in!" smiled Basch's daughter, Nancy Harrison, who inherited the tree after her mother passed in 2002.

"I thought, somebody's got to have that tree. I could have just let them draw straws, but when Nathan bought this house, he was the first boy to move back to Basch Road, so I said, 'The tree is going back out there!'" she laughed. Thus, Nathan (Nancy Harrisons nephew) inherited Ralph Basch's famous tree – but, after years in storage, it needed a bit of work.

"It was in Pop's house and we got it in October of 2010. We got it out and redid all the wire and my brother Jared put two motors in it, but that's basically it," Nathan Basch explained. He said the most recent assembly only took about a day, but brought enough frustration on its own. We threw it together in one day, and I cussed it so many times!" he laughed.

The original tree took much longer to put together, according to Nancy Harrison. Ornaments were carefully laid out, tinsel strung between branches, and even more ornaments hung on the tinsel – "At least 1,600 ornaments," recalled Ben Harrison. "He was overly type-A," Nancy Harrison recollected, laughing, "He would lay towels on the tables. He would arrange the ornaments in threes, and we better not have touched it!"

Today, there's approximately nine or 10 ornaments on every branch, totaling "at least over 900 ornaments," according to Nathan Basch's calculations. While the majority of the ornaments are new, many of them were originally bought in the 1950s, with a few handmade by Ralph Basch himself – ornaments more precious than gold to the Basch family, since many had been lost in the April tornadoes.



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A photo of a photo of Ralph Basch posing in front of another one of his award-winning decorated trees.

"Some of them we were able to find, but some of them we don't know where they are after the tornado," explained Ben Harrison, pointing to a pink bell ornament made of felt and sequins, handmade by Ralph Basch.

Nancy Harrison agreed that while the younger generation may not even have a clue of how relevant or precious the silver tree is, the older generations will be happy to reminisce about those times riding into town for holiday shopping, and will be happy to know the tree still lives, even if it's not open to the public. "People will remember this tree, and remember my dad, how meticulous he was, how much he loved Christmas," she smiled.



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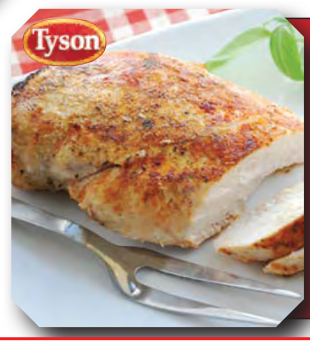


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From sea to IT: Navy veteran Troy Luquire highlights experience as Wallace State student

Gail Crutchfield
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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Troy Luquire is a computer science student at Wallace State Community College. His role goes beyond traditional classroom learning, as he immerses himself in various technology-related projects across campus, including being a part of a work-study program with the IT Department.

On any given day, one may be able to find him snaking an ethernet cable behind office desks or carrying computer parts in his arms. He isn't just a student or technician. Luquire, a family man with a wealth of stories and life experiences, is also a United States Navy veteran.

In 2006, Luquire joined the United States Navy and began his active-duty career in Pensacola, Fla., where he trained to become an aviation electronics technician. He spent a few months here before deciding it wasn't the right fit. He transferred to the Naval Technical Training Facility in Meridian, Miss., where he was taught to be an aviation administrator.

Luquire has always had a keen eye for detail and a knack for math, so working in aviation administration fit him well. For three years he was stationed at a Naval Air Station in Washington state. His duties included maintaining flight logs and managing various aircraft on base. Following his first deployment, he decided he wanted a change of pace in his career.

Luquire spent most of his time in the Navy working as an equipment operator. He has had a penchant for working with tools and heavy machinery most of his life. In the span of eight years, Luquire was deployed four times. After two deployments in Washington, two deployments in California and two additional rounds of schooling, he decided it was time to come home to Alabama.

"With the workups, the being gone all the time with sea duty, the change of schooling – I realized just how tired I was and how much I wanted to go home," Luquire said. "I decided to stay in the Navy Reserve and am still there today." With the Navy Reserve, Luquire is on duty one weekend a month and two weeks out of the year.

In 2015, Luquire moved back home and got a job working as a parts runner on construction jobsites. A couple of years later, Luquire began working at AT&T, operating bucket trucks and using heavy machinery to build network infrastructure. He worked there for four years until a jobsite accident required him to have surgery on his shoulder.

A new direction at Wallace State

"When I moved back home, I kept seeing cybersecurity mentioned all over the internet, so I decided I should pursue that field. I always liked technology, so it seemed like a good fit," said Luquire. "I still wanted to be able to get my hands dirty and hopefully learn the ins and outs of the trade before I retire."

"I may have run heavy equipment most of my life, but I've always been a nerd. I started playing video games when I was knee-high to a grasshopper and have had my fair share of experience with cable management, so it just felt right," he said.

Luquire enrolled in the computer science program at Wallace State in the fall of 2022. As a part of the work-study program with the IT Department, he works four days a week helping technology run smoothly on campus.

"The curriculum and the duties of my work-study program challenge me and teach me new skills all the time," Luquire said. "The people over in IT are great people. For the past few weeks, we've been putting new computers, printers and projectors in classrooms," said Luquire.

Whether in classes or during his work-study, Luquire said one of his favorite parts of Wallace State is learning something new every day.

"It's been great. The curriculum is great, the instructors are great. Wallace is great," he said. "There is no drama. People on campus are friendly. Everyone that is here is here to better themselves."

Wallace State has been recognized by the National Security Administration (NSA) as a Center of Academic Excellence in Cyber Defense.

Wallace State a Military Friendly College

Luquire noted the number of veterans that are in his classes at Wallace State.

"I tend to stick to myself throughout the day and do what I have to do, but there are many veterans in my computer science classes, and we are all very similar. Similar mindsets and similar experiences. That is also one of my favorite parts about being here," Luquire said.

Wallace State has repeatedly earned the designation of a Military Friendly College and was also named a Military Friendly Spouse School for 2022-2023. Wallace State offers several services specifically for veterans such as scholarships for veterans and their families, college credit for prior learning and professional experience for those who qualify, as well as free tutoring, success advising, career services and more.

The Veterans' Corner is located on the sixth floor of the WSCC Library. The Veterans' Corner was established for veterans in order for them to have one central location together to study, socialize and relax between classes.

Meet-and-greets, information sessions and workshops are often held here.

Wallace State's Veterans' Corner was initiated by former IT Department employee Virginia Barber and her Leadership Wallace State team in spring 2015.

Barber, an Air Force veteran who served in Desert Storm, wanted to raise awareness about the experiences of veterans returning to civilian life and proposed a location where veterans could meet and support each other.

Jackie Arnold, financial aid program specialist and VA Certifying Official at Wallace State, works each day with veterans like Luquire. She spends valuable one-on-one time with veterans, helping them obtain the most from their education.

"Here at Wallace State, we are deeply appreciative of the invaluable contributions of our veteran students," Arnold said. "The Veterans' Corner is a great resource for our students as it gives them a venue to study, socialize and relax during down time."

Luquire said he has also taken advantage of the Tutoring Lab and encourages all other students to do the same. The Tutoring Lab is on the eighth floor of the Bailey Center and offers free one-on-one tutoring for all academic programs offered at Wallace State.

In addition to tutoring students on course-specific topics, the Tutoring Lab also helps students create their resumes, improve their study habits and aid in writing and reading skills. The Tutoring Lab is an "open lab," meaning that an appointment is not required. Any student is welcome to come by the lab anytime it is open.



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Troy Luquire

Also on the eighth floor of the Bailey Center is a computer courtyard, where students have access to 25 computers. The computer courtyard is a quiet place for students to take online tests and complete online homework, write papers, conduct research, work on assignments and much more.

Luquire is slated to graduate in the summer of the upcoming year. He looks forward to finishing his education and finding a job in cybersecurity.

"I've done a lot in my life. There are probably enough stories to write a book about," Luquire said. "I don't regret the things I've done because it made me a better person. I am grateful for those things and I'm grateful to be here."

Veterans, national guard/reservists and dependents/survivors are eligible for VA education benefits at Wallace State. The Alabama Community College System adopted The Veterans Access, Choice and Accountability Act of 2014 (Choice Act) after it was passed by the United States Congress and signed into law. The Choice Act guarantees in-state tuition to veterans and their family members.

Registration for the Spring 2024 semester is currently underway, with classes beginning Jan. 8 for regular and Mini Term I and March 6 for Mini Term II. Registration for Flex Start I courses will be held Jan. 13-19, with classes starting Jan. 15 and registration for Flex Start II courses will be held Jan. 20-26, with classes starting Jan. 22. Visit www.wallacestate.edu/register-now to apply and register for classes.

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January, for basic training. It snowed the whole time I was in basic training. It was cold! I remember flying out of Tupelo on a little two-prop plane into St. Louis, Missouri. It was about midnight, 40 below zero. I wanted to get right back on the plane and fly back to Alabama!

CGM: What are some things you remember most about your deployment?

WC: I was in there (Iraq) in '03 and '04. I wanted to go to do my duty, just serving my country, doing my patriotic duties. I was a heavy equipment operator and mechanic – basically, in the maintenance section. Mine was dozers, construction. After they tore everything up, we'd go back in and build roads and stuff.

CGM: Do you have any advice for people transitioning back to civilian life?

WC: As a soldier, when you come back, I think you need to learn that the time you were in, that situation, you need to leave it behind you. When you come back into civilian life you need to transition yourself back into a regular American. I can tell you lots of stuff, but I left all that over there when I left, because I didn't want to bring it home to my family.

CGM: Do you have anyone you want to recognize or remember from your time in service?

WC: In the maintenance section, we had a group of guys that I worked with that was outstanding. I don't miss the war or anything, I miss the guys I served with. There ain't too many of us left, and most of us retired, and we're spread out, so we don't hardly see each other very much.

CGM: Anything else you'd like to add for our readers?

WC: Being a veteran is believing in a country that is free. I've been in places where the people were not free. They couldn't do what we do here. I think everybody should feel blessed that we live in a country that we can live our own lives, and do what we want to do in life. There's countries over there, they can't do that.



Light up the holidays

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VINEMONT, Ala. — The holiday season is here, and families are preparing their holiday ; locals are preparing their menus, carefully selecting gifts and gearing up to spend quality time with loved ones and family. Board games and family movie nights are fantastic traditions, but for the past few years, drive-through light displays have been creeping higher and higher into the most popular holiday activity category. Enjoying a spectacular light show from the comfort and warmth of your vehicle somehow adds extra magic.

Vinemont resident Taylor Davis thought locals needed an epic musically synchronized light display after he saw a large musical display in another town. He eventually brought in his neighbor, Brian Pearson. The men spend all year planning, programming and building props to make each year's show more spectacular than the last's. A mind-boggling 25,000-plus lights adorn the properties, lighting the dark sky and bringing wonder and awe to music and light lovers alike.

"I started this show because I wanted to help bring joy and fun to the holiday season and give people in the community a different experience from what they are used to with static displays," Davis said of what has been dubbed the Pinnacle Landing Light Show. "It has about 25 different songs, so if you come multiple times chances are you will see something different each time."

The Pinnacle Landing Light show begins each year on Black Friday at 5 p.m. and runs through New Year's Day. The love, effort, time and resources Davis and Pearson pour into their show is obvious to any onlooker.

Transitioning from their Halloween show to the Christmas show typically takes a week of hard work and only uses about as much power as each home's own refrigerator.

Pearson and Davis admitted that turning their homes into a six-week-long public light display isn't for everyone. Laughed Davis, "You definitely have to have a passion for it."

The lights are synchronized to the music and beats of popular songs of today's radio, along with movie classics and traditional Christmas carols. Light enthusiasts can expect groovy tunes from every imaginable genre, all the way from Vanilla Ice to the musical score of the Harry Potter and Star Wars movies. The light show operators decided to cater to all the Taylor Swift fans for the 2023 show as well.



TAYLOR DAVIS

Taylor Davis and his Pinnacle Landing Light Show are in full swing for the 2023 holiday season. Come visit a spectacular light show synchronized to popular music, from classics to modern radio.

Said Davis, "For all the Swifties, we have an eight-minute mashup of about 10 of her songs."

Adding joy to the community wasn't the only goal Davis had in mind when he created the Pinnacle Landing Light Show. He wanted to help the community in a tangible way as well. Davis and Pearson have helped local businesses with their holiday-themed light shows, including 4D Farm's Fall Festival Goblin Glow Trail.

Last year, the Pinnacle Landing Light Show collected donations to benefit local nonprofit Curt's Closet, something the mean are doing for the second year in a row. "We are also taking donations to benefit Curt's Closet again. We did the same last year and we are wanting to gather even more this year," Davis said.

Davis and Pearson's Pinnacle Landing Light Show is a free drive-through light display synchronized with a radio station. It is located at 45 County Road 1584 and is open to the public until New Year's Day. The show runs Sunday through Thursday from 5-9 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 5-10 p.m.

Mission (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — If you asked Lyndsie Camper what her heart loves most, she would say without hesitation, "To serve others."

Camper, her husband Micah and their three children have opted to serve in a position in East Africa, which they will take in January 2024.

"Our family will be partnering with a nonprofit organization called ONE30 for this mission work," Camper said. "Micah and I have traveled to East Africa numerous times over the last seven years and every time we go, it has always felt like home to us. Though the people we have worked with in East Africa face daily realities of poverty, hunger and sickness that most of us in the United Stated will never know, they are always so hospitable, full of joy and gratitude. They carry so many attributes that we desire in ourselves and for our children, that when the opportunity fell into our lap, after prayer and consideration, there was no way we could say no."

Camper said East Africa has held a special place in their hearts for a very long time.

"After our family had a nine-month stay in Guatemala, we returned home where Micah became the missions and outreach pastor at Temple Baptist Church," Camper said. "We rented a house and purchased the necessities to get by during our time in the States but refused to buy a home and 'plant roots' because we wanted to remain faithful to God and return to the mission field when the right opportunity came along."

About 16 months after they returned from Guatemala, in a birthing class the Campers were attending to prepare for their third child, a local pastor's wife mentioned an organization their church partnered with called ONE30 that operated in Uganda.

"She let us know that they were in need of American missionaries there and a couple of weeks later she told us we were going to be their first missionaries to live in Uganda, we just didn't know it yet. A few months later, we began to realize she might be right," Camper said.

"After I gave my life to Christ when I was 18 years old, I remember telling the Lord, 'I will live the rest of my life for You' and I absolutely meant it. That next year I felt a calling to go to Africa and I went on my first mission trip to Kenya.

"After that trip, I was sold out to the mission field. I knew God had forgiven me so much, that He deserved all of my life and I wanted to live it for him in a radical way that most won't. I knew moving forward that one day I would move to the mission field to share the Gospel, make disciples and help 'the least of these.'"

Camper said when she met her husband, Micah, and they started dating he told her there was no way he was going to be a missionary.

"Shortly after we got married he went on his first mission trip that happened to be to Africa," Camper said.

"He ended up going back to the same place multiple times and shortly after, he began picturing himself moving to the mission field as well. We felt the Lord urging us to go in 2020. As we began praying and exploring options to go to the field, the Lord opened up an opportunity for us to partner with a mission family that had an organization in Guatemala. We moved in March 2021 with our then 1 and 3-year-old. We lived there for nine months, and during our stay the Lord affirmed our call to missions; we knew we were doing exactly what He had designed our family to do."

Camper said Kip and Cheryl Potter have served on staff as directors of missions ministry of their local church since June 2014.

"Caring for children in Africa, among other aspects of overseas missions operations, was a primary focus of the ministry at that time," Camper said.

"As an organized way to connect families to the hearts of children and the needs of people in Africa, Kip designed an initiative entitled Heart for the Kingdom Kids which allowed families in the local church to sponsor a select child for $30 per month in efforts to improve their quality of life and meet their essential, educational and economic needs."

Camper shared that the Lord began to expand the influence of the local church and opportunities for ministry into other countries. It became exciting to imagine that if one local church could be so generous, certainly a network of churches, corporations and families was nearly unstoppable.

"The Potters began to pray about ways to creatively unite people everywhere in efforts to attend to the children within their circle of care," Camper said.

"So it happened that on a trip to Africa in January 2020 when Kip held a little girl named Gloria who was wearing a ragged, brown make-shift dress, that he was inspired to start the ONE30 Network.

"The ONE30 Network was born out of a desire to have someone dream BIG DREAMS over these orphans and seemingly forgotten children just like good parents everywhere are dreaming for the future of their children. All children deserve a 'hope and a future' that is bright and full of promise. All children should have someone praying over them and working to safeguard their future."

In 2017, with the Heart for the Kingdom Kids initiative, its first boy named Rooney, a child living in Kasese, Uganda, was sponsored by Kip and Cheryl's 16-year-old son Jaron.

Since then, the ONE30 Network has grown to support over 1,500 children in five different countries. In March 2022, the ONE30Network became a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

The network now has multiple orphanages and schools in its care, as well as a growing network of churches, corporations, families and individuals working together to make the dream of a better future for many children become a reality.

"One child for $30 per month is 'ONE30'," Camper said. "By donating $30 a month, our sponsors help to provide the essential, educational and economic needs of their chosen child. Our sponsors provide clean water, food, clothing, shelter and medical care.

"Donations go towards ensuring an education that is Christ-centered and founded on Biblical truth. Finally, we seek to provide career training for older students that will positively impact the lives of their families and their communities for generations to come. Bridging TWO Hearts. Building ONE Future."

Camper said the vision of ONE30 is to seek to support children suffering from generational poverty.

"Since its beginning, they have positively impacted nine impoverished communities in five countries by providing food, clothing, shelter and career training within a Christian environment," Camper said.

The Camper family will be going for a minimum of two years to help meet the needs of the orphans and children in multiple schools across Uganda that ONE30 helps support.

"We will help ensure that they are being provided with three meals a day, their medical needs are met and that they have what they need to flourish in school," Camper said.

"We will also be focusing on discipleship among the locals, equipping them to share their faith on a regular basis and have a deeper personal walk with the Lord. Our goal is to live a life in obedience to Christ's departing words when He said, "Go and make disciples among all nations , to every people tribe and tongue."

Camper said if readers want to follow along their journey as they return to the field, they have a Facebook page called Tribe and Tongue.

"We named our page after the vision our family follows, giving our lives to see Revelation 7:9 fulfilled: "I saw a great crowd, too great to count, from every nation and tribe and people and tongue, standing in front of the throne and before the Lamb."



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Obituary Announcements: Nov. 25-27

Genevieve "Gen" Robbins Crawford, 86
Funeral service for Genevieve "Gen" Robbins Crawford, age 86 of Cullman, will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Mac Buttram officiating. Visitation will be from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 2, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Genevieve "Gen" Robbins Crawford 86, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away on Nov. 22, 2023, surrounded by family. Genevieve was born to William Vester "Rex" and Verna Dye Robbins on Feb. 4, 1937, in Cullman County, Alabama. Genevieve dedicated many years as a Homeroom Mother and a Brownie Troop Leader. As an exceptionally skilled seamstress she tailored dresses for the Atlanta Market and uniforms for the Hattiesburg Dixie Darlings. Genevieve's most prized projects were the intricate dresses and costumes made for her own children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. With her passing Genevieve leaves a legacy of being an incredibly loving, attentive Mimi who happily made herself available to hold any of her babies for hours on end. Genevieve is preceded in death by her parents and her husband James Garland "Bud" Crawford. She is survived by her sister Ellen "Mickie" Coleman (Robert), brother Dale Robbins (Pam), daughters Crystal Crawford Phillips (Ken), Constance "Connie" Willis; grandchildren Meredith Hays (Ryan), Chandra Wolf (Stephen Stasiak), Christopher Willis (Ada), Erin Davis (Taylor), Candace Walker (Brandon), John Kenneth Phillips Jr."Bucky", Dusty Phillips, great grandchildren Allison Stidham, Katelynn Phillips, Abby Saturday, Aiden Hays, Ella Davis, Sophia Walker, Maci Hays, Vivienne Willis and Kadance Davis, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Patricia "Sally" Curl, 75
Memorial service for Patricia "Sally" Curl, age 75, of Cullman, is incomplete at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mrs. Curl passed from this life on Saturday, Nov. 25, 2023. She was born Feb. 12, 1948, to Clyde Edward Schultz and Ruby Mae Foshee Schultz. She is preceded in death by her parents; infant sons, Tony Curl, Jr. and Edward Curl; sister, Nancy Crook; uncle, Daniel Foshee. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Tony Curl; son David (Tristan) Schultz; sister, Deloresa Cooper; grandchildren, Katlin Schultz, Chelsey Schultz, Taylor Schultz, and Cross Anthony Schultz. Sally, as she was known to all, loved her family and grandchildren to the fullest. She loved crafts, arranging flowers, and was a wonderful cook. She was well known in the family for her "magic biscuits" and delicious butternut cake. She loved all children and was known by kids in the neighborhood as Nanny Pickles, because she always handed out pickles to them. She was a lovely lady and will be very missed by all those who knew and loved her. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Henry Roy Goodno, 92
Henry Roy Goodno, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away on Nov. 25, 2023, at the age of 92. Mr. Goodno was born in Cullman County, Alabama, on May 15, 1931, to Henry and Pearl Manord Goodno. Mr. Goodno served our county honorably in the United States Army. He also farmed, enjoyed squirrel hunting when he had time, and was employed by the City of Cullman as a sanitation worker. Mr. Goodno was a hardworking man who loved his family. He will be missed greatly. Mr. Goodno is preceded in death by his parents; wife, Melba Waldrop Goodno; son, Vernon R. Goodno; and siblings, Troy Goodno, Floyd Goodno, Croff Goodno, and Vestell Goodno King. Those surviving Mr. Goodno include his daughter-in-law, Mary Elizabeth Goodno; grandchildren, Jeremy Goodno, Haley Guthery; niece, Marzell Watson; and a host of family, friends, nieces, and nephews. Funeral services for Mr. Goodno are 1 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2023, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel, Adam Whitehead officiating. Friends are invited to visit with the family an hour to services, from 12 noon until services begin. Mr. Goodno will receive military honors, and then be laid to rest alongside his wife, at New Hope #2 Cemetery following funeral services. Joey Ramey, David Heatherly, Karey Goodno, Doug Whitener, Heath King, and Dexten Duke will serve as pallbearers. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Goodno family.

Leslie Diane Malone, 53
Funeral services for Leslie Diane Malone, 53, of Bremen, Alabama will be 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation for the public will be from 5 p.m. on 7 p.m. on Tuesday at the funeral home. The burial will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday Nov. 29, 2023, at Cold Springs Cemetery in Bremen. Reverend Randall Waldrep and Reverend Ernest McKinnon will be officiating the services. Ms. Malone was born on Oct. 5, 1970 to the late Dwight and Beverly (Black) Phillips in Walker County, Alabama. She passed away on Nov. 25, 2023, at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman, Alabama. Survivors include her two daughters, Kendyl Malone and Raegan Malone; grandson, Ryland Spicer; sisters, Keri Keller, Kim Maddox, and Jamie Phillips; niece, Madison (Jordan) McSwain; nephew, Grayson, (Linzi) Phillips; great niece and nephew, Isla McSwain and Decker McSwain; special sister, Arlinda (Ernest) McKinnon; and best friend, Mark Ivey. In addition to her parents, Ms. Malone was preceded in death by her grandparents, Laverne and Irene Black and Talmadge and Lessie-Mae Phillips.

Tammy Kay Sanford, 60
Tammy Kay Sanford, born Aug. 22, 1963, went to her Heavenly home on Nov. 6, 2023, while residing in Honey Grove, Texas. A memorial service will be held on Dec. 2, 2023, at Temple Baptist Church Fairview campus, located at 8701 Alabama Highway 69 Cullman, Alabama 35058. The family will begin welcoming guests at 1 p.m., with services to begin at 2 p.m. She will be laid to rest at Prospect Church of Christ cemetery located at 10430 County Road 222, Logan, Ala. 35098. She was preceded in death by her brother, Norman Sanford. She is survived by her father, Ray (Hazel) Sanford, mother Jo Stewart, brothers Clyde Sanford, Brian (Rachel) Sanford, Roger Paul (Wanda) McBrair, and sisters Diane Johns, Linda Arndt and Teresa Arndt. She was a loving mother to her two sons, Jonathan (Amanda) Hamby, and David (Stephanie) Hamby. She will always be remembered for being a devoted Meeme to her eight grandchildren, Gracie (Patrick) Hamby, Sierra (Trey) Hamby, Eric, Johnathan, Joseph, and Rachelle Hamby, Meagan Runkel, and Malachi (Hannah) Runkel, as well as her great grandchildren Oakley, Oliver, Marley, and Maggie. She also leaves behind a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, and friends. The family would like to express their extreme gratitude for the staff of Versatile Industries in Paris, Texas, as well as the Paris Regional Medical Center ICU staff. Special thanks to Mark Henry Brauch (Sparky), Anita Partain, and the Child Development Center family.

Gladys Louise Carr, 73
Gladys Louise Carr, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away on Monday, Nov. 27, 2023, at the age of 73. Ms. Carr was born to Chelcey Clinton and Eunice Lillian Sims Arrington on Jan. 3, 1950, in Marshall County, Alabama. Gladys worked as both an in-home daycare provider and as a sitter for the homebound. She attended Union Grove Church where she enjoyed worshipping with her friends and neighbors. Gladys liked to crochet, cook, and travel. She loved square-dancing and would travel to various places to enjoy an evening of dancing and fellowship with friends. Gladys was a loving mother and an adoring grandmother, and she will be missed greatly by those who had the great honor of knowing her. Those preceding Ms. Carr in death include her parents; son, Anthony Yates; brothers, Floyd Arrington, Boyd Lee Arrington, Royce Arrington; sisters, Ruth Towers, Helen Whisenant, and Sharon Arrington. Ms. Carr is survived by her sons, Kevin Yates (Tara), Brian Carr (Cassie); daughter, Glendia Breaux; brothers, J.C. Arrington (Karla), Tony Arrington (Kim), Glenn Arrington (Charlotte); sisters, Hazel Culp, June Bailey (Ben); grandchildren, Daniel, Mackenzie, Trista, Alexis, Bailee, Elijah, Aden, Mark; and a host of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Ms. Carr will be held at 2 p.m., Friday, Dec. 1, 2023, at Union Grove Church, Pastor Layne Howard officiating. Friends are invited to join the family for a time of visitation at the church from 1 p.m., until services begin. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to St. Jude's Children's Hospital in memory of Gladys. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Carr family.

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