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"... When a black man gets up in the morning, he puts on his armor." - Kristin Hunter

Commissioner, Representative to Address A&M Commencements

Alabama A&M University will split its spring commencement observance into two distinct ceremonies this year, officials reported on March 21 during an extended cabinet meeting of administrators and several heads of campus departments and units.



for nearly 150 graduate students at 9 a.m. in the Event Center on Friday, May 5. Madison County Commission Chairman Mac McCutcheon will serve as the commencement speaker. Prior to his current role, McCutcheon served as the 66th speaker of the Alabama House of Representatives. He served in the state legislature from

2006 to 2022. The 472 undergraduate students and the 43 members of the Golden Class of alumni will be part of the later Event Center procession beginning at 5 p.m. Alabama State Representative (District 19) Laura Hall will address the undergraduates. Hall's committee assignments



have included: Judiciary, Joint Interim on Medicaid, Public Safety, Welfare, Health, Industrial and Economic Development, Joint Budget and Finance and Government Finance and Appropriations. The retired educator received her K-12 administration certification from Alabama A&M University.



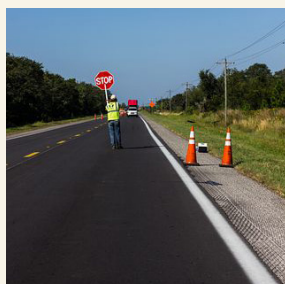
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Sorority to Sponsor Finance Workshop

The Huntsville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. cordially invites you to "Money Matters – A Financial Empowerment Workshop" on April 23, at 2:30 p.m. at the North Huntsville Public Library, 3011 Sparkman Drive NW, Huntsville, Ala. This event promotes education to bridge the gap in financial literacy. This event is open to the public and space is limited please register here: <https://form.jotform.com/230727254542151>. For additional information, contact Ovetta Hobson at president@dsthuntsville.org or icc@dsthuntsville.org.

Council Approves Phase 2 Repaving Contract

Funding to begin Phase 2 of Huntsville's residential street repaving plan for this fiscal year has been approved by City Council. Wiregrass Construction Company won the \$5.1 million contract to improve 51 neighborhood streets within the next 10 months, including about a third in northwest Huntsville. Mayor Tommy Battle's 2022-2023 budget includes about \$19.5 million for street improvements – the



most money ever allocated for residential resurfacing. Phase 1 of the repaving plan resurfaced 108 residential streets.

State Extension/FCS Meeting Set for Huntsville

Prepare yourself for landing in the beautiful Rocket City-Huntsville, Alabama for the 74th Annual Meeting of the Alabama Affiliate of the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences April 12-14. This year's theme is Countdown

to Excellence: NEAFCS-Leading the Way. Conference gatherings will take place at Alabama A&M University, Embassy Suites, the U.S. Space and Rocket Center and other locations. On Friday, coordinators will conclude the meeting

by paying tribute to former members in a memorial service and welcoming new officers in the officer installation ceremony. In addition, the session will include another timely human science presentation and an invitation to the 2023 Annual National Ses-

sion and 2024 State Meeting (75th Anniversary). For additional information about the meeting, contact locally Darlene Minniefield, Urban Regional Extension Agent, Lauderdale County, ACES, at minnida@aces.edu or (256) 766-6223.

Rocket City Lures Tuskegee Regional Alumni Conference

The 64th Southeast Regional Conference of the Tuskegee National Alumni Association will convene

July 20-23 at the Embassy Suites & Spa, located in Downtown Huntsville, Ala. Darlene Minniefield,

regional urban Extension agent, of Florence, Ala., serves as the regional vice president. The theme is

"Celebrating Our Tuskegee Treasures: The Sky Is Not the Limit." by Lamar A. Braxton, Jr.

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Women Make Strides in the Construction Industry

(BPT) - As multiple industries still face workplace shortages, one solution is emerging, especially in traditionally male-dominated fields like construction: recruit more women. According to recent data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, nationwide, the number of women in construction has hit an all-time high, with women now making up 11% of the construction industry. Although that's historically a record high, business owners like 84 Lumber's Owner and President Maggie Hardy aim to do better.

"Building a culture that nurtures the talents of younger workers and seasoned associates, to put them on the track of

success, is one of the most important things to retain talent," explained Hardy. "If you're seeking a career transition, whether from the hospitality industry, the military, or something else, our company doesn't require any prior experience. We can train you on everything you need to know, and our 'promote from within' culture provides growth opportunities that can't be found elsewhere."

Building on a legacy

Under Hardy's leadership, 84 Lumber was named one of America's largest companies by Forbes and made the Inc. 5000 list of America's Fastest Growing Companies of 2022.

Nurturing talent

Many women in the field didn't consider construction as a vehicle for career success but have since changed their minds, like store co-manager Shannon LaMonte. "I come from a family of contractors," explained LaMonte. "But I never

thought to pursue a career in construction, mostly because it was intimidating. 84 Lumber has given me all the tools to be successful in something I've always wanted to be part of."

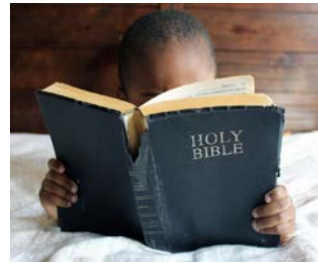
Women in the industry encourage others to try something new - because

you may be surprised at your own abilities. "

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This Sunday's Lectionary



Sunday, April 2, 2023

Sunday of the Passion:

Palm Sunday

(Track 2, Year A)

Liturgy of the Palms
Matthew 21:1-11
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29
Liturgy of the Word
Isaiah 50:4-9a
Philippians 2:5-11
Matthew 26:14-27:66
Psalm 31:9-16

John Drake, Sr. 105th Birthday Celebration

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VALLEY DEATHS



NELMS MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME

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Funeral service for MS. HEDY IBEZIM PHILLIPS (b. 1942) will be Saturday, April 1, at 12 p.m. at St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church with Pastor Dr. Maurice Wright officiating.

Graveside service for MS. JOSEPHINE MOORE (b. 1962) was Saturday, March 25, in Oakwood Memorial Gardens.

Funeral service for MS. KATE FRANCIS LOVE (b. 1954) was Friday, March 24, at Morris Chapel Primitive Baptist Church with Pastor Derrick Langford officiating.

ROYAL FUNERAL HOME

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Funeral service for REVEREND MELVIN BURTON (b. 1957) will be 12 p.m., Monday, April 3, at the Madkins Chapel C.P.C.A. (2403 Oakwood Rd NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Dr. H. Wendell Thompson officiating.

Memorial service for MR. TERRILL ADELBERT BREACH (b. 1967) will be 3 p.m., Sunday, April 2, at the First Seventh-day Adventist Church (1303 Evangel Drive Huntsville, Ala.)

Funeral service for MRS. WENDY RENA MANUEL (b. 1972) will be 11 a.m., Saturday, April 1, at the Cornerstone Word of Life Church (3783 Sullivan Street Madison, Ala.) with Reverend Earla Sue Lockhart officiating.

Memorial service for MR. CLINTON JAMES YOUNGMAN, III (b. 1942) will be 3 p.m., Thursday, March 30, at the Royal Chapel of Memories with Pastor Prentiss Sorrell officiating.

Funeral service for MRS. ADA B. DAVIS (b. 1948) was Tuesday, March 28, at the Touched by the Word Ministries (2611 Pulaski Pike NW, Huntsville, Ala.) with Dr. Tony Mason officiating.

Funeral service for MR. BYRON DELAVAGAS PHILLIPS (b. 1964) was Monday, March 27, at the Madison Mission Seventh-Day Adventist Church (183 Shelton Rd, Madison, Ala.) with Pastor Benjamin Jones officiating.

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Funeral service for MS. JANNIE JEFFERSON (b. 1952) was Friday, March 24, at Serenity Funeral Home Chapel.

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CHAMPION GAME PLAN

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THE CHOICE IS YOURS!

Deuteronomy 30:15 says, "See I set before you today life and prosperity." Then it goes on to say in 30:19, "Now choose life, so that you and your children will live."

Your life is headed some-



where with a purpose. And that could be good or bad, the choice is yours. You see, there are two things that we all possess: time and the choices that we make. It doesn't mat-

ter who you are, what your social status is, or what your ethnicity is--we all have twenty-four hours in a day. Now, what we do with those twenty-four hours is very important when it comes to our ability to make any progress

in life.

Whether it be spiritual progress, physical progress, emotional progress, or even financial progress. We all have the same amount of time in a day to be productive or non-productive. So, we have to understand that the choices that we make will determine the

outcome of our lives.

I once heard someone say that there will always be the "three C's of life": First the challenge. Then, the choice. And then, the consequences of the choices that we make.

So, our goal should be to make the best of our time as well as make good choices, because it's important that we understand and realize that the choices we make everyday will lead us to a path of righteousness or destruction.

The choice is yours.

Question: What direction is your life headed?

Stay encouraged, my brothers and sisters, and make sure you purchase a copy of my book, "A Champion Game Plan for Life," at amazon.com



MARCH 31 - TONY COX - Joseph Anthony "Tony" Cox was born in Uniontown, Ala. He is an American actor known for his roles in *Bad Santa*; *Me, Myself & Irene*; *Date Movie*; *Epic Movie*; and *Disaster Movie*. He is also known for his role in George Lucas' *Willow* and as *The Preacher* in Tim Burton's *Beetlejuice*. He briefly attended the University of Alabama before moving to Los Angeles at age 18 to pursue an acting career. He has also appeared in such television shows as *Martin*, featuring comedian Martin Lawrence.

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VALLEY EVENTS

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April 1

The 3rd Annual Women's Expo Event
Von Braun Center
Huntsville, Ala.
11 a.m.-4 p.m.
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Easter Egg Hunt

R&S Estate Weddings & Events
347 Jade Road
Toney, Ala.
11 a.m.-3 p.m.

"Holi"

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14800 Vishnu Way
Harvest, Ala.
asiaweab.org
11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

April 3-9

Oakwood Alumni Homecoming
Celebrating the 3s and 8

April 5

"Slam for S.A.A.M."
Sexual Assault Awareness Month
Presenters: Alabama A&M University Department of Public Safety and AshaKiran
Guest speakers, Poetry, Music, Marching Maroon and White Band, The Bulldog Elite, Food, etc.
Buchanan Hall
4:30-7:30 p.m.

April 6

Virtual Event: Sexual As-

sault Awareness Month

"Knowledge Is the Key to Unlock Healing"
Presenters: AshaKiran, Family Sunshine Center and Alabama A&M University
10 a.m.-2p.m.

April 8

Concert
Anthony Hamilton with Leela James
The Orion Amphitheater
8 p.m.
<https://www.hudsonalpha.org/biasinsideus/>

April 15

Campin' with K.D.
First Annual Youth Football Camp
Hazel Green Athletic Association
Billy Hunt Park
168 Carriger Road
Hazel Green, Ala.
7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

6th Annual Mustang Mud Run 5K/Obstacle Run
325 Slaughter Road
Madison, Ala.
8:30 a.m.

April 22

Huntsville Music+ Comedy Jam
Lowe Mill Arts & Entertainment
2211 Seminole Drive SW
Huntsville, Ala.
7:30 a.m.

Crawfish Festival

The Camp
5909 University Drive

Huntsville, Ala. - 12 noon

April 24-May 20

"The Bias Inside Us"
Host: City of Huntsville
HudsonAlpha Institute for Biotechnology
601 Genome Way
Huntsville, Ala.

May 4-7

The Golden Celebration of the Class of 1973
Alabama A&M University
Check-In: Embassy Downtown Huntsville
(May 4)
3-7 p.m.

May 5

Spring Commencement 1 (Graduate Students)
Speaker: Mac McCutcheon
Madison County Commission
The Event Center
9 a.m.

148th Founder's Day Luncheon
Ernest Knight Reception Center
1:30-3 p.m.

Spring Commencement 2 (Undergraduates)
Speaker: Rep. Laura Hall
District 19
The Event Center
5 p.m.

May 6

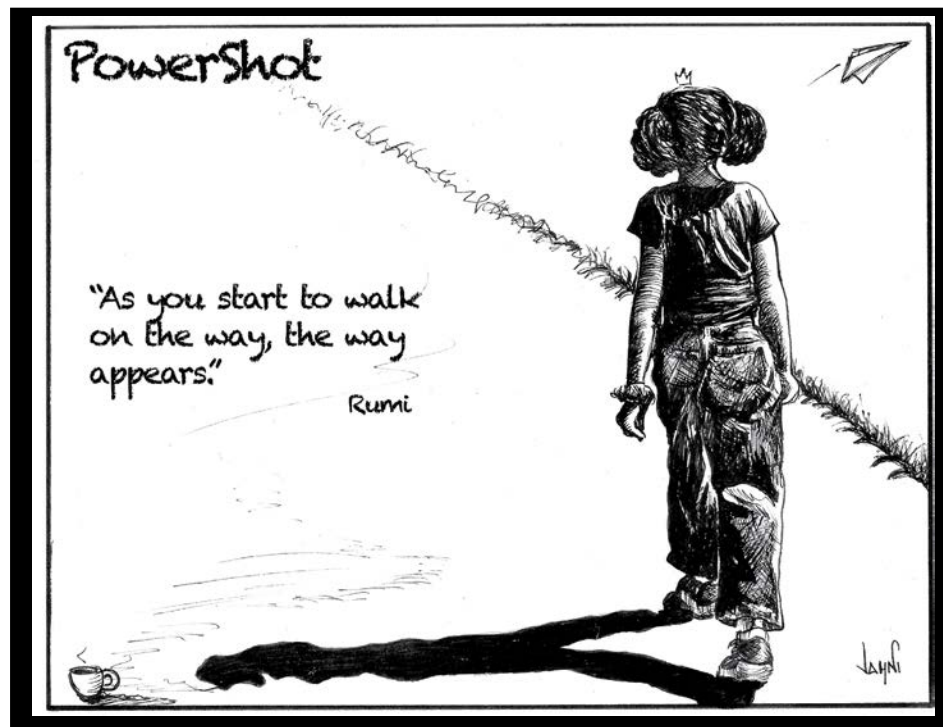
AAMU Alumni Association Award & Scholarship Luncheon
Ernest Knight Reception Center

May 7

Memorial Walk
St. John AME Church Worship Service
Downtown Huntsville
9:30 a.m.

May 20

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*"If you don't understand yourself,
you don't understand anybody else."*

- Nikki Giovanni

What's Required ...

There was a statement my father used to say to me, "Baby, sometimes when you want it in the worst way, you'll get it in the worst way!" At the time, I was a child, I wanted EVERYTHING I could imagine. Aside from what came with it. I just wanted what I saw that looked good to me!

Now, we all know, all that glitters "ain't" gold, right? However, as a child, you have no clue. As an adult, I have grown to understand the difference between what seems attractive but isn't good for me, and what my desires are to push for! Some situations/circumstances/relationships arise in our adult lives where we need to be reminded, "if you want it in the worst way, you may get it in the worst way!" If you have to force someone to pay attention to you, love you, respect you, or be kind to you ... that's NOT your soul mate! I know some people say, "Persistence beats resistance ... Yada Yada" ... He/She is not the one!!! Unless you plan on being persistent all of your days to keep this person semi-interested. Now, don't misconstrue this with attempting to get to know someone, and making an effort to give them your attention, etc. ... that's not what I'm saying. You can't be any more than what you are!! Your true self! If it's not a situation where you know you need to change, you're just changing to pacify that person, and YOU'RE doing all the work ... that isn't the one!

That job you "think" you want. Why do you want it? What do you have to gain

FROM it, or give TO it? Are you willing to do the work? Is it a true fit? Or, are you awe-struck by what it pays, the "clout" you obtain by the title? Possibly you "feel" you need to be in it, but you KNOW you're lazy and not going to do the work! Be honest with yourself! That material item you want! What is it about it that you want? Is it something you like ... or is it trendy? Does it satisfy your needs and desires, or does it make you appear as if you've "arrived"? Can you afford it? Or do you have to buy it (clothing, purses, shoes) on a payment plan just to show you can "keep up" with other people? That has got to be the dumbest thing ever! Yet, people do it. Trust, the industry loves it, because they understand they can milk any weak-minded person out of anything if they dangle any opportunity, at any cost, in front of people! Who is stuck

with that grief or payment at the end of the day? You are! Who is there when those payments hit, and you are no longer excited about the item you are still paying for? Now, most people need credit to buy big dollar items, certain cars, homes, boats, RVs... Some are fortunate to buy them, flat out! But even with that, don't put yourself in a situation where you are stressed out, every month, to drive or live in something you know you can't afford. That's not peace, that's ridiculousness. No one cares, and the only person struggling is you. Someone may say, "That's nice" but, they aren't thinking about it when they lay down at night unless they can't afford it, either, and why are you trying to impress THEM? Side note, there is always someone doing better than you, so stop!

Understand what you want, and why! Pursuing

goals takes hard work, dedication, compromise, time, and discipline. You better know that you want it! To succeed you can't quit! You can't slack! Recognize what you truly want!! Pain comes with it! Long nights come with it! Tough lessons come with it! Be honest with yourself, and your God! Be true to yourself! Above all, be prayerful! Stay in touch with the master! If He gives you signs that a business partner you have chosen is not the one, don't force it. That move is not the one, don't force it! That building is not the one, don't force it! There may be something you can't see right now, that isn't good for you!

Don't force it guys. Don't be lazy, but be prayerful, think about it, understand why you want it, then proceed!

Remember, God loves you and so do I.

He has given you the gift of life, open it.

Millennial Moment

by Gloria B. Caldwell



Farewell, Byron Phillips: Our Swiss Army Knife!

"... be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."
Revelation 2:10.

Byron D. Phillips, 58, passed away Sunday, March 19, following back-to-back strokes that immobilized him afterward for 18 months.

He was a friend, mentor, and quite honestly, a Swiss Army knife!

Just like that all-purpose knife, Byron was skilled at virtually everything: formerly a chef, student missionary to Korea, martial artist, choir director, professional photographer, a Master Guide for Pathfinders, the Seventh-day Adventist Church's equivalent of Boy and Girl Scouts, English teacher, and an accomplished voiceover artist and narrator.

Witnessing without Words

Even though he was inaudible for months, he nonetheless shared his Christianity - even into the adjoining Huntsville Hospital room!

During one afternoon's visit, the attending nurse felt compelled to share with me Byron's influence. Thinking that I was family due to my frequent visits, she thanked us for playing the Christian music and programming of WJOU-FM radio from Oakwood University, Byron's alma mater. "The person in the next room not only now tunes in to that station, but has also begun reading his Bible."

Byron influenced my authorship, too. When he learned that I wanted to complement my print and digital book offerings with an audiobook, he immediately referred me to Alabama A&M University's Communicative Sciences & Disorders lab.

There, assistant professor Ms. Esther Phillips-Embden helped me correct my "plosives" - difficulty in pronouncing certain consonants.

In tribute to this mentor, I offer "The Funeral Poem" by Summer Sandercox.

*"Not how did he die, but how did he live?
Not what did he gain, but what did he give?
"These are the units of measure to determine the worth
Of a man as a man, regardless of his birth.
"Not what was his church, but what was his creed?
And how he befriended those really in need
"Was he ever ready with words of good cheer
To bring back a smile, to banish a tear?
"Not what did the sketch in the newspapers say,
But how many were truly sorrowful when he passed away."*

Farewell, Byron. I plan to see you again in heaven, following Jesus' second coming - but where specifically? In the kitchen? Choir loft? Photographers' gallery?

Or, maybe in heaven's studio, narrating God's audiobook for eternity.

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Mayor Calls for “Data-Based” Decision on Space Command HQ

For decades, Congress and each Administration insisted that Department of Defense decisions about the location of important military installations be based on clear, objective analysis. Those decisions are made using independent data and metrics, not personal preferences. It is how every significant decision has been made, to include Base Realignment and Closure determinations, and the process has served our country and our military well.

The Department of Defense used this same

strategy in its analysis of where to permanently locate its new Space Command headquarters. Multiple communities across the country went through a thorough and exhaustive vetting process twice and, each time, the results were the same – Huntsville, Alabama is the best choice. Not only did Huntsville score highest, but Colorado Springs fell well short of second place on that list. The data clearly shows there are multiple locations better suited for Space Command than Colorado Springs.



To reverse longstanding policy requiring site decisions to be driven by objective, measurable data is the worst thing we can do for our country and national security. Politicians will certainly grandstand and advocate for their communities, and top military personnel may also have preferences on where they want to live. All that is to be expected and can make entertaining headlines. It is not, however, the way our country makes important military decisions.

The mission of Space Command, its headquar-

ters, and the future of space defense should be determined by facts – not by politics, personalities or personal desires. The integrity of this process should remain data based, devoid of politics, and in the best interest of the defense of our country. An objective examination said Huntsville is the #1 location for Space Command. It's time we honor that decision and move forward with the important work of protecting the United States of America and our global allies.

by Tommy Battle

Students on ‘The Hill’ Will Participate in Day of Service April 1



Alabama A&M University's 6th annual Day of Service, “AAMU, Serving the City as ONE,” will be Saturday, April 1, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., based at T.M. Elmore Gymnasium.

“This grand event will bring together the City of Huntsville, the Huntsville City Council, Madison County District 6, Huntsville City Schools, Edmondton Community Development Center, and Alabama A&M University for a great

day of giving back,” says AAMU Service and Learning Coordinator Monica Clarke.

In the past, AAMU freshmen volunteered for this day of service.

“This year, we are releasing hundreds of freshmen, sophomores, juniors, seniors and graduate students into Huntsville and Madison County communities to reinforce the commitment of our founder, William Hooper Council, to serve,” added Clarke.

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Scheduled community volunteers include Enable Madison County, which will build handicap ramps for families. Volunteers will be spring cleaning: picking up trash, raking yards, planting flowers, painting and making general repairs at service sites including:

McNair Junior High School, Mae Jemison High School, Rolling Hills Elementary, Highlands Elementary, Martin Luther

King Jr Elementary, Optimus Park, Harris Home for Children, Edmondton Heights (several locations), Manna House, Huntsville Zoological Association, The Legacy Center and Huntsville Greater Humane Society.

Individuals and organizations interested in volunteering should REGISTER now! For assistance, contact Monica Clarke at monica.clarke@aamu.edu.

- Debra Daniel



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Rosetta James Foundation "Spotlight on Our Elders" ... Featuring

Ida Belle Henderson Crawford



Mrs. Ida Belle Henderson Crawford began her freshman year at Alabama A&M College at Normal, Ala. In May 1965, Crawford received a bachelor's degree in history and social science. Two weeks before graduation, she received a letter from the Superintendent of Shelby County Schools Board of Education. She scheduled an interview and was hired to teach at Calera Elementary School in August. During the following summer, she began taking classes in Library Science at the University of Alabama in Birmingham. In September, when she returned to Calera Elementary School, she was informed that her name had been placed on the teacher exchange list. During the 1960s, many schools in the South fell under the mandatory integration initiative. In December, Crawford was sent to teach at Calera High School, along with three other teachers. The school was classified as a unit school — 1st through 12th grade. She remained at Calera High as the librarian until she relocated to Huntsville, Ala., in 1970.

During that summer, she enrolled in Alabama

A&M University's School of Library Media, and was also employed by the Madison County Schools Board of Education as the librarian for Owens Crossroads Elementary School. In the summer of 1973, she received a Master of Science degree in library media and the following year was employed by the Huntsville City Schools Board of Education as a librarian for Lee High School. Throughout her 25 years at Lee High School, she sponsored school clubs such as: The Junior Civitan Club (Kiwanis), The Student Council, and Boys and Girls Social Clubs. She served on the Huntsville School Policy and Committee, The Alabama Accreditation Team for Schools and Libraries, and the Alabama Review for Library Standards in Alabama.

Crawford and her family

are members of Lakeside United Methodist Church, where she participated in the choir and Sunday School, served one term as Admirative Board Chair and president of the United Methodist Women, and on many programs. In 1964, while a student at Alabama A&M, she became a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. She served as president of Sigma Beta Chapter and the Pan-Hellenic Council. She has served on the national level as coordinator of Zeta Challenger Kids Program. Youth were sent to the Space and Rocket Centers. She served two terms as the South Central Region Parliamentarian, chaired the Alabama State Executive Board, chaired the Scholarship Committee, and served as Historian.

She has served as president, treasurer, historian, and parliamentarian of the Delta Omega Zeta, the Huntsville Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. She is married to Lambert Crawford, and they have two adult children: Linda Crawford-Gamble, D.M.D. (Tony), and Lambert Milo Crawford (Daria).



AHA "History Day" Winners Advance

Earlier this month, hundreds of students, teachers, and judges from across the state joined the Alabama Humanities Alliance (AHA) for Alabama History Day in Montgomery.

The day served as a

celebration of all the hard work and creativity that went into each student's research project this school year.

The day also produced more than 40 student winners who have now qualified for National His-

tory Day this summer in Maryland and Washington, D.C.! Congratulations to all who competed. AHA looks forward to welcoming even more students and schools to National History Day next year.

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Former Breakfast Club Co-Host Visits AAMU



"I see a lot more opportunity for us and a lot more support. We just have to continue to lift each other up." Radio personality and podcaster Angela Yee discussed the Women's History Month theme--"Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories"--during Alabama A&M University's annual Tea on The Hill.

Various campus units and organizations planned several events throughout March in observance of Women's History Month and women's contributions to their communities and American society.

Yee also addressed the power of women in 2023. "My current boss is a woman. The reason I have 'Lip Service,' my podcast with iHeart, is because of women encouraging me. But don't forget, we need our men to support us, too."

The radio star known for hosting The Breakfast Club with DJ Envy and Charlamagne Tha God, answered questions from WJAB Program Manager Erica "Fox" Washington.

Yee talked about everything from starting her own juice business, to 'the two people, dead or alive, she would want to interview.' "Rihanna because she's a new mom, and Lauryn Hill, because she rarely gives interviews."

The AAMU Office of Student Activities & Leadership Development (OSALD) organized the annual Women's History Month event.



Huntsville City Council Meetings

Huntsville City Council's regular meetings are held in the City Council Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

Council work sessions are also held in the Chambers of the Municipal Building on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

For more information, call (256) 427-5011.

"Life is accepting what is and working from that."

- Gloria Naylor

NAAACC Meetings

The North Alabama African American Chamber of Commerce (Huntsville) meets monthly on the 3rd Tuesday at 12 noon.

The meeting location varies. Call (256) 564-7574.

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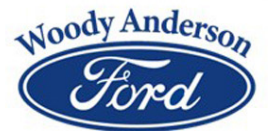


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