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HHHS Names VP for Women and Children's Services

Kyle Buchanan, who has held several key leadership roles for Huntsville Hospital Health System, is the new Vice President of Women and Children's Services.

Buchanan replaces Paula Lucas, who retired after making Women & Children a launching pad for new, first-in-the-region clinical services including the St. Jude Affiliate Clinic, OB Emergency Department and Pediatric ER. Lucas was also instrumental in starting the Wellness Centers.

"Sometimes one walks into a new leadership role to face fires on every corner," Buchanan said. "This is the exact opposite. First, Paula's leadership has been fantastic. Additionally, the medical staff is phenomenal and the staff is rock solid."

A Tusculumbia native, Buchanan joined the Health System in 2009 as vice president of operations at Helen Keller Hospital and later served as CEO of Lawrence Medical Center, a 98-bed hospital in Moulton. For the past couple of years, he has been executive director of the Health System's Population Health efforts, which provides chronic disease management services for about 48,000 Medicaid recipients and 12,800 Medicare recipients.

Buchanan graduated from the University of Alabama with a bachelor's degree in business and earned master's degrees in health services administration from the University of Michigan and business administration from UAB. - HuntsvilleHospital.org



AAMU Will Host 25th Anniversary of AMIE

Alabama A&M University will serve as the host for the 25th Anniversary and Annual Conference of Advancing Minorities' Interest in Engineering (AMIE) September 4-7 at the Westin Huntsville and campus.

The conference theme is "The Power of Partnerships: Celebrating the Past, Transforming the Present and Innovating for the Future."

The conference will feature prominent speakers and inspiring roundtable discussions. Conference and anniversary events will be held on Tuesday, September 4, through Thursday, September 6.



The activity will bring together the Council of Engineering Deans of the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), engineering professionals and leaders from the top corporations and government agencies in the United States to develop strategies to increase di-

versity in the engineering workforce.

The diversity endeavor, according to AMIE, is an "exciting initiative by America's corporate/government leadership, respected engineering professionals and outstanding engineering academicians." Visit amiepartnerships.org

Website Offering Free Listings to Valley Area Nonprofits

IGotHuntsville.com announces that non-profits, charitable organizations, and churches have a free advertising platform in North Alabama.

For non-profits, charitable organizations, and churches that choose to take advantage, IGotHuntsville.com will publish a business directory post in this North Alabama focused website that

will provide their name, address, phone number, mapping capability, e-mail address, website link, social media links, description, photos, video and review/comments section.

Also at no cost, area non-profits, charitable organizations, and churches can join the business network, as well as advertise on

the site's job board and events calendar.

The founder of the site, Cornelius Woodall, says he has created the site to make a difference in the North Alabama community and to make a difference for North Alabama businesses and organizations.

Persons who



would like to learn more should send an e-mail to cw@IGotHuntsville.com.

They may also visit the site at www.IGotHuntsville.com. Moreover, the site can be found simply using the search term "IGotHuntsville" on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn."



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Washington in One Minute



Here are the happenings in Washington, D.C., this week:

1. The Senate is in session this week. The House is in recess until September 4. After 7 GOP Senators failed to show up last week (including Sens. Mike Lee of Utah and Thom Tillis of North Carolina who had first called for the cancellation of the August recess back in May), Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) called votes to confirm 2 federal judges and sent everybody home on Thursday afternoon, one day after convening on Wednesday. Because of the lack of Senators, the Senate did not take up a package containing the FY19 Labor/HHS and FY19 Defense appropriations bills, on which it was expected to begin debate Monday.

2. Also on Monday, President Trump hosted a "Salute to Heroes" to honor agents from the Immigration & Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs & Border Protection agencies. Tuesday, he traveled to Charleston, W.V., to announce a revamped plan to allow states to set emission standards for coal-fired power plants that will significantly roll back an Obama era rule-making, which was intended to retire most of the 300 coal-fired plants in the U.S. and cut CO2 emissions by 19% by 2030. The Trump Administration plan reportedly will provide an incentive to keep coal plants in operation and may only cut emissions by 0.7%. On Wednesday, he awarded a posthumous Medal of Honor to Air Force Technical Sgt. John Chapman who was killed

in action in Afghanistan in 2002. On Friday, the President traveled to Columbus, Ohio, to keynote the 2018 Ohio Republican Party State Dinner. While in Ohio, he also attended a fundraiser for GOP Senate candidate Rep. Jim Renacci.

3. Jurors on Monday in the Paul Manafort trial resumed their deliberations for Day #3 on former Trump Campaign Chair Manafort's 18 counts of bank and tax fraud in the first case that Special Counsel Robert Mueller has brought to trial as part of his wide-ranging probe of 2016 Russian election interference. Last Friday, Judge T.S. Ellis turned down a motion from journalists to release the names of the jurors at the end of the trial, citing a need to protect their "peace and safety."

4. According to The New York Times, last Thursday White House Chief of Staff John Kelly, after hearing reports of a \$92 million price tag, ordered the Pentagon to issue a statement delaying until 2019 President Trump's military parade that had been planned for Veterans Day. On Friday, President Trump announced that he would instead attend a parade in Paris to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the World War I armistice on November 11 and another parade at Joint Base Andrews in Maryland. Last week, the 2.4 million-member American Legion issued a statement that the parade's \$92 million cost would be better spent on American

troops and their families.

5. Last Thursday, the Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights announced that it was launching an investigation into how Ohio State University (OSU) is conducting its probe of the sexual abuse allegations against deceased former team doctor Richard Strauss, who is accused of abusing more than 100 OSU athletes. Former OSU Assistant Wrestling Coach Rep. Jim Jordan (R-OH) – about whom questions have been raised as to whether he knew of the allegations - has leveled a charge of bias against the law firm investigating the abuse allegations, Perkins Coie, calling it "Hillary Clinton's law firm."

6. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services clarified its reporting requirements related to a work program for foreign students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and math. The updated webpage deals with international students whose employment situation changes while enrolled in "optional practical training." The program allows students in STEM fields to apply for up to 36 months of work authorization related to their education.

7. Last week, The Cook Political Report, Washington's most influential political prognosticator, predicted that there are now 37 GOP House seats which they rate as "toss ups or worse," including 10 that "lean Democratic." This is up from January 2018, when Cook had only 20 GOP seats rated as toss ups. The newest GOP toss ups are Rep. Mimi Walters (R-CA), Rep. Tom MacArthur (R-NJ) and an open seat in North Carolina soon to be vacated by Rep. Pittenger, who lost his primary. House Democrats need 23 seats to take control of the House next year.

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Champion Game Plan for Life

by Preston Brown

Hebrews 10:35 tells us: "So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded."

You know, I believe that anytime we face a crisis situation in our lives, it's not unusual for us to lose our confidence. And, when we lose our confidence, we lose our capability of doing what God has called us to do.

In this scripture, the writer of Hebrews is telling us to "not throw away our confidence". He is saying, *Don't focus on the crisis but focus on Christ.*

Don't focus on your

circumstances, but focus on the one who can save you from your circumstances.

You see, one of the things that we all need to realize is that you can lose a lot of things in this life, but don't lose your confidence. I remember losing my mother while I was in training camp for the New England Patriots. But I kept my confidence and still made the team that year. I lost my wife Linda of 30 years, but I kept my confidence and went back to work, and began to preach God's word at the 8:30 praise and worship service at Lakeside United Methodist Church.



I also wrote a daily devotional, "A Champion Game Plan For Life." You see, you may lose a lot of things in life, but if you keep your confidence, God will show you a new day, a new life, and a new direction.

So, don't "throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded."

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

Spotlight on Our Elders ... Featuring

Charles "Chuck" Richard Vedane

Charles "Chuck" Richard Vedane was born December 6, 1934, on a farm south of Lewis, Iowa, one of the three sons of Victor & Della Vedane. "Chuck" Vedane graduated from Menlo High School in May 1952 and set out operating a farm adjacent to his parents. By 1953, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and took basic training and anti-aircraft artillery radar operations training at Ft. Bliss, Tex. Following this intense training, Vedane was assigned to a base outside of Niagara Falls, N.Y.

From 1955-58, Vedane entered St. Louis University's Parks College of Aeronautical Technology, from which he graduated with a B.S. in aeronautics, and he secured an airframe and engine license, and a private pilot's license.

Vedane's productive career includes extensive stints with the Army Ballistic Missile

Command in Huntsville, Ala., where he was responsible for systems testing of Jupiter R&D ICBMs; Marshall Space Flight Center, where he tested Mercury Redstone 1 & 2 and the early Saturn 1 vehicles; Teledyne Brown Engineering, where he organized and managed a Space Operations Department that would eventually employ about 220 people.

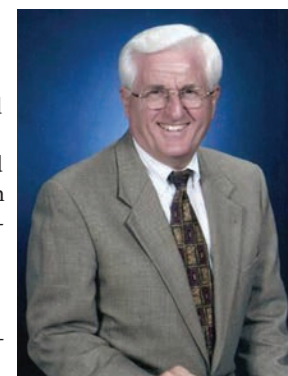
As a member of Trinity Methodist Church, Vedane in 1963 became involved in church and community affairs in response to the racial strife throughout the nation. He prepared a letter from Trinity's Sunday School Class to

the newly elected Governor George C. Wallace informing him that the Governor's

historic "stand in the schoolhouse door" at the University of Alabama was not approved of. This decision has led to more than 50 years of work within the interfaith religious community to promote better relations across

religious, racial, and cultural differences.

Vedane, who ran for Huntsville mayor in 1976, has been actively involved in a number of other volunteer efforts, as well. Vedane and his late wife Lucy had two sons (Scott and Kyle) and a daughter (Rebecca).



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From the Editor



Ahhh, Elders!

Missionary Circle #3 of First Missionary Baptist Church honored two of their elders on Saturday, August 18, in the Fellowship Hall.

Elders Rosetta James and Grace Love, together, have been members of FMBC for over 128 years. Minister Cynthia Carter presented gifts from the Joint Missionary Society, and Lady Virginia Pugh-Gilchrist made a tribute to both elders. Members of the Circle enjoyed a delicious lunch and presented Mmes. James and Love with vases of fresh flowers. Let's continue to give our Elders flowers while they can yet smell them!

Until next week ...

Dorothy

Local Playwright Returns with Stage Play

by Reggie Allen

Huntsville playwright Reggie Lewis, Sr., is bringing back his most recent stage play “The Walls are Talking” for a special one-night encore performance September 9 at Huntsville High School. The show will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m.

The production, which debuted in July, opened to critical success and prompted Lewis to bring the cast and crew back for a sophomore show before embarking on a three-city tour.

A tale of secrets and deception, “The Walls are Talking” proves just how far some will go to guard the skeletons in their closet.

Lewis is keeping details on the show’s plot minimal, but the seasoned producer, actor and singer promises



a bevy of unexpected twist and turns that will leave patrons on the edge of their seats.

“The Walls are Talking” stars Charles R Lyle II, Rikari Hall, Will Conner III, Alice Kindred, AyyCee

Crutcher, James Stallworth, Zami Mare, Tresha “Ms. Lol” Rutledge, Brionne Parrish, lyncohea Corn, Zoe Jones.

Tickets can be purchased in person at CeCe and Co. and Salon Innovative or

2018 Alabama A&M University Bulldog Football

Date	Opponent	Site	Venue	Time
Sept. 1	Miles College	HOME	Louis Crews Stadium (Crews Classic)	TBA
Sept. 8	University of North Alabama	HOME	Louis Crews Stadium	TBA
Sept. 15	U. of Cincinnati	AWAY	Cincinnati, Ohio	TBA
Sept. 22	Southern University	Neutral	Mobile, Ala. (Gulf Coast Challenge)	TBA
Sept. 29	Jackson State University	AWAY	Jackson, Miss.	TBA
Oct. 6	Texas Southern University	AWAY	Houston, Tex.	TBA
Oct. 13	Alcorn State University	HOME	Louis Crews Stadium (HOMECOMING)	TBA
Oct. 20		OPEN		
Oct. 27	Alabama State University	Neutral	Birmingham, Ala. (Magic City Classic)	TBA
Nov. 3	U. of Ark. Pine Bluff	AWAY	Pine Bluff, Ark.	TBA
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Valley Deaths

- Nelms Memorial Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MR. REGINALD M. OLIVER will be Friday, August 24, at 12:00 noon at Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church (315 Winchester Road NE - Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor O. Wendell Davis officiating.

Funeral service for ELDER ROBERT LEWIS ROGERS (b. 1948) was held on Saturday, August 18, at Saint Bartley Primitive Baptist Church.

Funeral service for MR. JOHN WILLIAM HARDIN, JR., (b. 1936) was held Thursday, August 16, at West Mastin Lake Baptist Church (4705 Mastin Lake Road NW - Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Willie Hinton officiating.

Funeral service for MR. ANDREW REAVES, JR., was held Saturday, August 11, at Saint Minor Primitive Baptist Church (Guntersville, Ala.) with Pastor Mario Ford officiating.

Funeral arrangements for MR. MICHAEL BEASLEY and MRS. CELIA M. JIMENEZ are incomplete and will be announced later.

- Royal Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MR. CHARLES EDWARD "BUBBA" CARTWRIGHT (b. 1969) was held Wednesday, August 22, at the Syler Tabernacle P.B. Church (904 Oakwood Avenue, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Gary Battles officiating.

Funeral service for Mr. MR. JAMES WILLIE SCALES (b. 1952) was held Saturday, August 18, at Antioch Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America (923 Browns Ferry Street, Athens, Ala.).

Funeral service for MRS. CLARA SEAL CHATMAN (b. 1918) was held Saturday, August 18, at Draper Memorial COGIC (313 Beirne Avenue, Huntsville, Ala.) with Reverend Kelvin Jones, Sr., officiating.

Funeral service for DEACON JOE "SHINE" BAKER will be 1 p.m., Saturday, August 18, at the Pine Grove Missionary Baptist Church with Dr. C. Jermaine Turner officiating.

Funeral service MRS. GENEVA SCALES WRIGHT (b. 1938) was held Thursday, August 16, at the Fellowship Presbyterian Church (3406 Meridian Street, Huntsville, Ala.) with Pastor Gregory J. Bentley officiating.

- Serenity Funeral Home -

Funeral service for MS. TRACEY PITTS (b. 1982) will be announced.

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August 23-25
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ence
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ensexpo.org
Von Braun
Center
Huntsville, Ala.
10 a.m.-4 p.m.

September 1
Louis Crews
Classic
Alabama A&M
University vs.
Miles College
Louis Crews
Stadium
6 p.m.

September 2
Annual Caribbean Day at



the Park Family Fun Day
www.CANAonline.com
(256) 606-6878
11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Called 2 Preach

by Pastor/Founder Michael D. Rice
Grace Gethsemane Mission Church

“The” Eyes Have It

My father, W.A. Rice, was a master-parliamentarian--a Roberts Rules of Order expert. I often saw him in meetings making corrections about “points of order.” The line that sticks out in my mind most was: “All in favor, let it be known by the sign ‘Aye,’ (Yes) opposers ‘Nay’ (No).” When more said “Aye” than “Nay,” the person in charge would say: “The Ayes have it, and the motion carries.”

2 Samuel 9 records a story of a man named Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan and the grandson of Israel’s first king, Saul. When David came to the throne, he asked if there was anyone left from Saul’s household; not to kill them, but to show them what he called the “kindness of God.” This parabol-

ic pun portrays how David used his position as king to show Mephibosheth that he was worthy. Three sets of eyes viewed Mephibosheth that day and a vote was taken. David’s

servant Ziba voted nay because in his eyes, Mephibosheth’s lameness disqualified him. Mephibosheth also gave himself a nay vote because he referred to himself as “a dead dog.” In his eyes he was not worthy. However, in “the” eyes of the king,



Mephibosheth was worthy, and he was moved to the palace for the rest of his life. It was as if David said, “the” eyes have it and the motion carries. This nation can learn something from David; that in the eyes of God every human being has worth.



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RiahRose Names Honorees

Sarah and Calvin Ford are the 2018 honorees of RiahRose Home for Children Grandparents Day Annual Celebration being held at Early Works Museum on Sunday, September 9, 2018, 1:30 p.m.

The couple was selected because of the dedication to and nurturing of their grandchildren. Their involvement with youth and children goes beyond their biological children.

The Fords individually are involved in numerous activities that educate and encourage the growth of other children. Sarah is an acolyte assistant supporting and training the youth in performing various religious ceremonies at Fellowship Presbyterian Church.

She also served as the



Mission Haven State Representative. Mission Haven is in Decatur, Ga. It houses foreign missionaries and theology students and their families while attending Columbia Seminary. Calvin is chair of the Technology Team at Fellowship Presbyterian Church and has been training the youth and young adults on the operation of the various technologies to enhance the worship services.

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.

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Scenes from Alabama A&M University's Annual Fan Day

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Back-to-School Supplies for MLK Elementary School

by Dr. Joyce Pettus Temple



Members of the Kindle Class, Summer 2018, contributed supplies. Mary Mitchell, teacher, left back corner.



Reverend Joretha Wright (L) delivers contributions from St. John AME Church. Yvonne Jones (R), church secretary, is assisting.



Delivery of supplies to MLK, where staff is available to receive it. L-R: Melissa Cooper, Jabree Davis, Principal Karen Melillo, Assistant Principal Rodney Calloway, and Dr. Enoch Temple. (Fellowship Presbyterian Church).



(Left to right): F.A.I.T.H. Initiative board members Janet Martin, Mary Mitchell, Dorothy Johnson (former board member) and Dr. Joyce Pettus Temple. Not pictured: Christopher Evans.

When board president Mary Mitchell asked for a list of needed supplies from teachers at MLK school, they were like kids at Christmas! They wanted everything! Well, not really. But they did know and ask for the items they necessary to augment teaching and enhance student learning.

The list was a lengthy one, and the F.A.I.T.H. Initiative Board turned to its friends and supporters. In the process, the board found new supporters and its friends came to the rescue.

Fellowship Presbyte-

rian Church members and organizations, community churches and clubs, and the F.A.I.T.H. Board responded with an outpouring of essential supplies to kick off the new school year. Headsets for use with classroom computers were the most expensive items and the most numerous requested. With help from our friends, F.A.I.T.H. was ecstatic to donate a total of 344 headsets, along with other supplies.

The F.A.I.T.H. Initiative is extremely grateful for all gifts and monetary contributions.

We sincerely thank

everyone who contributed in any manner. We recognize and express special appreciation to Fellowship Presbyterian Church USA (FPC), former F.A.I.T.H. board member Mrs. Dorothy Johnson, Fellowship Presbyterian Church Usher Board, St. John AME Methodist Church, the Fun Set Social and Charity Club, and the Summer 2018 Kindle Class.

For lending their trucks to transport the items to the school and donating muscle power, FAITH thanks Anton Canady and Dr. Enoch Temple.

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SEPTEMBER 4 - OCTOBER 30, 2018

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