

UCMBC Host Site of Annual Extension Successful Aging Initiative

The Virginia Caples Lifelong Learning Institute, established under the technical guidance of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System (ACES), presents the 15th Successful Aging Initiative (SAI) in Madison County on Thursday, October 13, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, located at 315 Winchester Road in Huntsville, Ala.

The 2016 theme is "The

ABCs of Aging," and Louis Colbert, vice president of operations at Philadelphia Corporation for Aging, the fourth largest area agency on aging in the nation, will be the guest speaker.

Workshops and general sessions will focus on legal, financial, health, social, and the emotional concerns of aging.

The Successful Aging Initiative is a free one-day event that is open to the public and designed to address issues impacting Alabama's older adults.

Participants obtain easy-to-understand information and resources that enable them to make informed decisions, to maintain independence, to play active roles in society, and to improve their quality of life. Older adults and family members, caregivers, and senior service providers are encouraged to attend.

A lunch will be provided

in addition to free health screenings, door prizes, and other giveaways. Visit http://www.aces.edu/urban/sai/ to register by Friday, October 7. No telephone registration will be accepted due to high attendance.

For general event information, contact Jackie Collier at (256) 372-4947 or Wendi Williams at (256) 372-4953.



Deltas Will Sponsor Free Financial Management Seminar

The Huntsville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., will sponsor a Financial Management Seminar on Retirement Savings Plans and Understanding Credit, Credit Report, and Credit Scores.

The two-hour seminar will be held on October

22 from 10 a.m.-12 noon at the First Missionary Baptist Church, located at 3509 Blue Spring Road in Huntsville, Ala.

The event is open to the public. For additional information, e-mail Dsteconomicdevelopment@mail.com.

OU Chief Attends Presidential Task Force on Policing

OUPD Chief Melvin Harris recently became a part of the President Barack Obama's Task Force on 21st Century Policing at the White House.

The Task Force was created in response to the turmoil gripping the nation regarding the number of deaths of African Americans in police custody.

Over 300 police agencies have participated in

a series of discussions to present recommendations and solutions to help law enforcement agencies and communities strengthen trust and collaboration.

"There were only a few colleges and universities represented overall, and I was particularly proud that Oakwood University was recognized," said Harris.

"It's clear that law enforcement has a long way

to go to rebuild trust in our communities," he continued.

Harris also believes that Oakwood has a pivotal role to play in this time of unrest. "Oakwood's students and the OU Police Depart-

ment must lead out in the local Huntsville community, and in other communities, to not only talk about

the problem, but to be a part of the solution."

OUPD will now be a part of the President's Police Data Initiative that will collect and publish data on policing activities. This level of trans-

parency could help foster a new era of trust and safety for all citizens.

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Friday, September 30



Miss AAMU Coronation Miss Carmen Wright Elmore Building 7 p.m. Admission: Free

Saturday, October 1

Homecoming Kick-off Party Wear Your Maroon and White 9 p.m. -1:00 a.m. The Quad (Free)

Sunday, October 2

Gospel Explosion Featuring William Murphy Elmore

Gym 6 p.m. (Free)



Monday, October 3

Evolution of Culture DJ Battle The Quad



12-3 p.m.

Fashion Show Elmore Building 7-9 p.m.

Tuesday, October 4

"Building Your Brand as a Speaker: David Banner

Knight Center 12:30 p.m. Admission:

Free

Talent Show Elmore Building 7-9 p.m. Admission: Free

Bulldog Birthday Bash



Elmore Building 10 p.m. - 1 a.m. Admission: Free (For AAMU Stu-

dents Only)

Wednesday, October 5

Mason's Wreath Laying Ceremony The Block 1 a.m.





Fish Fry Block Party Knight Center Courtyard 12-2 p.m. Admission: Free (For AAMU Students Only)



Wild'N Out Wednesday Comedy Show featuring Anthony Chico, Karlous Miller, and Miss Co-Coa Brown Elmore Building 7 p.m. Admission: Free with valid

AAMU student ID | \$10

Thursday, October 6

General Public

"Race, Justice, and Hope Campus Symposium" Moderated by Fonzworth Bentley Knight Center 12:30 p.m. Admission: Free

NPHC Step Show Elmore Building 6 p.m. Admission: \$10 (AAMU students)/\$20 (General Admission)/\$20 (At the Door)

Homecoming-Door Decor Contest (All Day)

Friday, October 7

Alumni Golf Tournament Colonial Golf Course 8 a.m. Contact: Taylor Byrd, Jr. (256) 565-0212

On-Campus Parade 11 a.m.

Homecoming Pep Rally The Quad 12 p.m.



Day Party and Yearbook Blowout Featuring R&B Artist "SILK" The Quad 4-7 p.m.

Homecoming Concert Featuring Young Dolph, Lucci and Roscoe Dash Admission: \$25 general public / Free for AAMU students with valid student ID: Purchase Tickets Von Braun Center 7 p.m.

Alumni "Throw Back" Party Throwback Party Flyer Admission: \$30/Person or \$35 at the Door | Reserve table: \$400 (limited) The Lumberyard 7 p.m.



Saturday, October 8

Homecoming Parade Downtown Huntsville 7 a.m.-12 noon

Alumni Association "Big Tent Tailgate" Contact: Erica McClain (256) 679-5634 Front of Louis Crews Stadium 12 p.m. Admission: \$10 (Free for

Paid Alumni Members)



2016 Homecoming Game Louis Crews Stadium Game Time: 2 p.m. AAMU vs Alcorn

Tailgate Cook-off Front of Louis Crews Stadium 6 p.m.

*In case of rain, all campus events will be held in Elmore Gym.

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Valley Scopes by Melissa

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TAURUS Your warmhearted traits, along with your proficiency, is making it possible for someone to quickly pick up the valuable skills that you're sharing.

AQUARIUS The selfless concern, that you've demonstrated for others, along with your soothing, original way of looking at things, continues to make itself apparent in your behavior.

LIBRA Your charm is making it easy for other people to relate to ideas that you've become adept at expressing.

SCORPIO You'll be glad to know that your emotional magnetism is offering a boost of interest, and it is inspiring

cooperation on a project or special goal very dear to your

VIRGO Your analytical firmness of mind is a quality that family members are finding true strength in during a time filled with emotion.

CAPRICORN Disciplined spending is one of the qualities that will make having extra cash on hand for future trips, or for helping someone else in need, a cinch for you.

ARIES The dynamic attitude, that you exude is making your views in the power of independence clear as you encourage others to have the same pioneering, self assured reliance.

GEMINI The lively way in

which you are approaching a difficult situation will override possible tension in the air, helping you, as well as those around you to adapt.

SAGITTARIUS Your optimism, along with extra research on a critical issue, will be your lifeline during a somewhat heated culmination, aiding you to stay abreast of others on your chosen path.

LEO Your enthusiastic approach to work is promoting an additional increase in dividends with potential for accelerated personal growth, within your vocation.

PISCES Your sensitive ways are creating a yearning for deeper comprehension, which could lead to reconciliation and a sense of peacefulness.

CANCER Converting sympathetic vibes into a more palpable type of energy will allow you to maintain orderas tides change with a certain acquaintance.

Beyoncé Making Up Show in Nashville

Singer-songwriter Beyonce is scheduled to perform at the Nissan Stadium October 3. This takes place after the multi-Grammy award winner mysteriously cancelled her May 5 performance a few days shy of the scheduled date. While several reports state that the lastminute cancellation was due to the venue being under construction at the time, Beyonce's reps have vet to release a statement as to why the show was rescheduled.

The surprising change left many of her fans in shock, but many figured that the show would receive a new date by vear's end. Less than a week after the cancellation, the "Single Ladies"

singer announced a second leg of her U. S tour, which included the rescheduled Nashville date.

In February, Beyoncé made headlines when she

debuted a new music video--"Formation"--less than 24 hours before her halftime performance at the championship football game. Moments after the

show, an advertisement announced the "Formation World Tour."

Months after the tour's announcement, there was no word of album until late April, when Beyonce' released a mysterious message to her fans, the Bevhive.

After teasing a cryptic special on H.B.O, the hour long program would later be revealed as her sixth studio album and second visual album, "Lemonade."

> With the U.S leg of the tour kicking off less than a week after the album was released, it was a bold move for the 35-yearold performer.

This isn't the first time the R&B singer surprised her fans with unprecedented new music. In 2013, Bevoncé released her selftitled visual album without any previous promotion. This was followed by the infamous joint "On The Run" tour with husband Jay Z.

Since the debut of "Lemonade," the album has not only garnered a generous amount of accolades and awards, but a generous helping of controversy.

A narrative of love and infidelity, many critics and fans have speculated that the album's source material mirrors the love life Beyonce and Jay Z, both of which are known for keeping their personal life from the public eye. Throughout the tour, there have been nothing short of surprises. Recently, her dance captain, Ashely Everette, received a surprise on-stage proposal sanctioned by the Queen Bey herself. With this being her first rescheduled show, attendees might be in for a special treat.

Tickets can be purchased on Ticketmaster.

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Valley Deaths

Funeral service will be announced later for **Mrs. Nannie Mae Battle** (b. 1934).

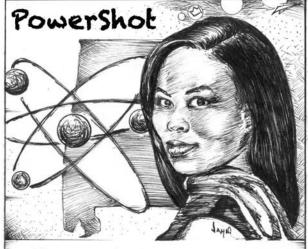
Funeral service for Mr. Shannon T. Wat-kins (b. 1970) was held Sunday, September 25, at St. Minor Primitive Baptist Church - Guntersville, Ala., with Pastor Mario Ford officiating.

Funeral service for Mrs. Lois J. Hunter (b. 1937) was held September 24 at Saint Bartley Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Mario Ford officiating.

Funeral service was held for **Mr. Levi Pinchon** (b. 1948) on Sunday, September 18, at 1 p.m. at the Nelms Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Dennis Green officiating.

Funeral service for Mrs. Margret Bell Mastin Bishop (b. 1937) was held Saturday, September 17, at Nelms Memorial Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Dr. Shirley Fletcher officiating.

Funeral service for Mr. Green R. ("Duck")
Jones (b. 1940) was
Saturday, September
17, at Union Chapel
Missionary Baptist
Church with Rev. Dr.
O. Wendell Davis officiating.



Karen Rogers-Moore

Ten Keys to Success

- 1. Set Goals
- 2. Thoroughly review goals
- Acknowledge your accomplishments
- 4. Yearn for more knowledge
- 5. Omit negativity
- 6. Never procrastinate
- Pray for strength and guidance
- 8. Apply yourself consistently
- Toughen your ability to minimize televison viewing
- Have confidence in yourself



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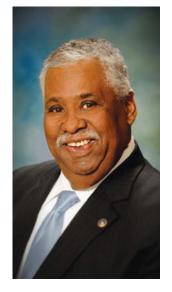
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Commissioner to Host Mental Health Initiative

In an attempt to take aggressive action toward dealing with Madison County's portion of the state's mental health crisis, Commissioner Robert "Bob" Harrison is orchestrating a community conversation and vision meeting.

The Jail Diversion Initiative is an ardent effort to meet the growing needs of law enforcement officers, emergency responders, hospital staff and mental health care advocates who are committed to offering more adequate treatment and care for those with mental illness.

There will be a special meeting of Madison County Commissioners for an open discussion and information session on



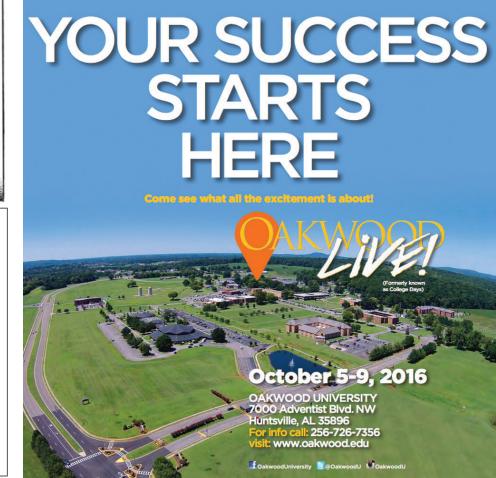
October 18, 2016, at 10 a.m.-12 noon at the Robert "Bob" Harrison Wellness and Advocacy Center, 6156 Pulaski Pike NW, Huntsville, Ala.

The guest presenter for

this meeting will be Leon Evans, president and CEO of The Center for Health Care Services of Bexar County, Tex. Evans will share insights and outcomes of his nationally acclaimed program.

Many state and local leaders as well as other major stakeholders have confirmed their attendance for this groundbreaking meeting.

The call-to-action that will follow is aimed at creating a task force to synergize government efforts with those of mental health agencies to best address the short and long term care needs of Madison County residents coping with mental illness and substance abuse.



Calendar of Events

September 30

Miss Alabama A&M University Coronation Elmore Building 6 p.m.

October 3-5

Association of the United States Army Annual Meeting & Exposi-Huntsville, AL - AUSA.org

October 8

Alabama A&M University Homecoming Day AAMU vs. Alcorn State Louis Crews Stadium 2 p.m.

October 12

Mayor's State of the City VBC, 8 a.m.

October 14

The Sixth Annual Breast Cancer Survivors Celebra-

at the calendar and ask-

has seemingly flown by;

the Fall of 2016.

it is already the end of the

month! We are officially in

ing where did the year go?

Before I knew it, September

"Recovery Through Tragedy" Event Scheduled

The Ann Thomas Center will present "Recovery Through Tragedy" Saturday, October 1, at the UAH Conference Training Center, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. General admission is \$50: students with ID, \$35. Preregistration recommended (Business attire).

The facilitators in-

clude Tomeka Hale, MSW, LGSW, and book signing author Nita D. McGee, LCSW-PIP. A special guest panel will include Pastor M. T. Hicks and Minister Heather Lewis, CEO, ANother Chance.

The Blue Event (Help! Stop the Violence!) will follow from 7-10 p.m. with Angela Monger as the keynote speaker. (After 5 attire requested).

For additional information, contact the annthomascenter.com. The Ann Thomas Center is a leading resource for behavioral health treatment.

Champion Game Plan for Life

You know, God has a

long range plan for each and every one of us. No matter how good things are now, they can be better. No matter how bad things are now, they can

get better. You see, God has

only one thing in mind for

your future, and that's "better". He wants us to be better spiritually, better emotionally, and even better financially. In Jeremiah 29:11, it says:

"I know the plans I have

for you, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." When we partner with God and accept Jesus as our Lord and Savior, no one can stop His plan for our lives. So let us lean not on our own understanding. Trust that God has a great plan for your life.

Stay encouraged, my brothers and sisters!

Harvesting Cash Crops

We're entering the harvest Am I the only one looking season, a time for gathering and storing. Those in the farming and agriculture industry spend this time of year out on the farms, gathering fresh crops that have been growing from the

> Earth. The good food from the Earth is then stored in order to get us through the winter when there isn't much growth.

Even though we all aren't in the farms or fields, the natural habits of fall still

happen. We spend this time of year mostly in our workplace, school, or other active environments.

Entrepreneurs harvest

year round. We harvest a crop called cash, which we go out in our various fields to gather resources for our community. If we are harvesting the right way, we will save the cash that we earn so that we have enough stored

in case there are droughts. Saving and storing your resources is pertinent in business. As a matter of fact, the way in which you store and

protect your resources can determine how you will

I recall Dorothy Wang, from the TV show "Rich Kidz of Beverly Hills," making a statement along the

by Amoi Savage

lines of: "People are billionaires for a reason. My dad doesn't like to spend money." Even most people I know with money, don't spend their money. Many people who accumulate wealth are very cautious about spending their hard earnings. It definitely takes discipline and that is something I am even having to work on. Gathering resources may not be easy, but the hardest part is to store and save. However, we have to remember finances are ever-changing. You can be rich one day and poor the next; or poor one day and rich the next. But the key to maintaining wealth is saving. There is an entire account dedicated to saving because it truly is necessary for business and personal assets.





Fall and Spring are my favorite times of the year. The weather isn't as extreme as winter and summer, and they are the most productive seasons. Many of us are off during the summer, or use most of our vacation days, and all of the holidays are in the winter, so there is less productivity than in the

Although the weather isn't quite in sync with the calendar, we are transitioning from the summer to fall.

spring and fall. Schools are

primarily in session during

the fall and spring.



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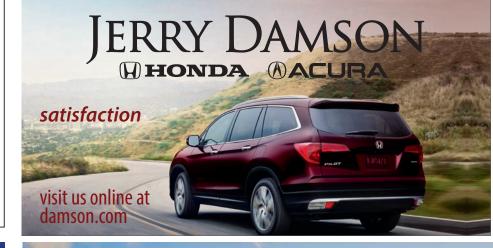
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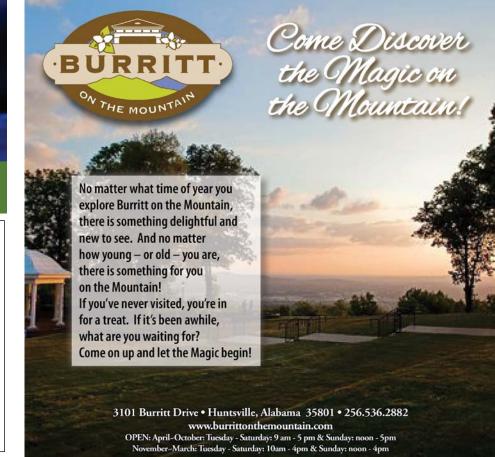
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