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Billy Jones, Red Robinson, John Samaniego



Story time with Ms. Jennie every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m.

Community Calendar

March

- 3 Beautification Board Meeting at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall
- 4 City Council at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall
- 10 Park and Recreation Board Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall
- 13 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall
- 15 We'll all Sing Hallelujah: Sacred Sounds of Alabama from 1:00 -8:00 pm in Columbiana
- 18 City Council at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall

For further information and a complete list of events, please visit cityofcolumbiana.com



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I think it wise to share our thoughts on those inquiries.

Remember none of this is set in concrete. Any or all of it is subject to change. If we start one way and it's not working well for Columbiana we'll change it until we get it right.

This Trolley will be the first and only transit system operating in Shelby County, so we will have a steep learning curve on how to properly do this. We can all make it work —TOGETHER-.

▶ We plan to start in April.

▶ We plan to have volunteer drivers, CDL license with passenger endorsements are required.

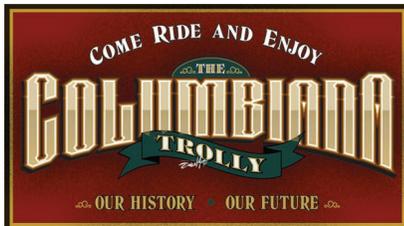
▶ We still need a few more driver volunteers. Background checks will be run on all volunteer drivers.

▶ Driver shifts will be from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

▶ We will ask each driver to donate 1 shift per week.

▶ Driver seminars and 'familiarization with Trolley' classes will be held.

Trolley route will be basically the same each day with spots at designated places such as Post



Office, Doctor Offices, apartment complexes, downtown, schools, ball parks and other high volume areas in town. We welcome input on where you want these stops to be located.

There will be no charge to ride the Trolley, however donations will be gratefully accepted and along with advertising sign revenue will

be used to finance Trolley Expenses.

I feel the Trolley will give Columbiana a much needed transportation option and will also serve as a positive public relations tool for our City.

We are all in this together!

Mayor Stencil Handley
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In touch ...

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Upcoming Event

April Walking Tours of Downtown Columbiana

The City of Columbiana has partnered with the Alabama Tourism Department to provide April Walking Tours in downtown Columbiana. Every Saturday in April at 10:00 a.m., different Columbiana residents will guide walking tours and give history, 'tales of the community', along with personal stories.

If you are interested in being a tour guide or a participant of a tour, please contact Helen Dean at City Hall at 205.669.5808. Stay tuned for more information!!

New Lions Club in Columbiana

All service minded Business Leaders, Community Leaders and Retirees are invited to be a charter member of the new Columbiana Lions Club.

The first Informational and Organization meeting will be on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, at Bernie's On Main, 115 South Main Street, Columbiana, AL at 12 noon.

Lions Clubs International is the largest service club in the world with over 1.36 million members, in over 45,000 Lions clubs in 208 countries around the world who care about their Community and find personal satisfaction by helping others.

Lions clubs provide eye examinations, eye glasses and eye surgeries to the less fortunate, plus support projects that improve education, assist the disabled, improve the safety of the community, the possibilities are endless. Each Lions club determines the projects that the members feel will benefit their community the most.

You can find out more about our Association and what we do throughout the world by visiting our web site at: www.lionsclubs.org.

For more information contact: Lion Jim Crews: lbjcrews@centurytel.net Ph: 205-388-0257

School News



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Elvin Hill Elementary Student Council Representative Caleb Russell, presenting Valentine's treats, Bingo Prizes and other goodies to our Senior Center in Columbiana. Each year Elvin Hill Elementary does community service project for the Senior Center. Sponsors Mary Kay Park and Jenny Lespi, "This is one of our favorite community service activities!"



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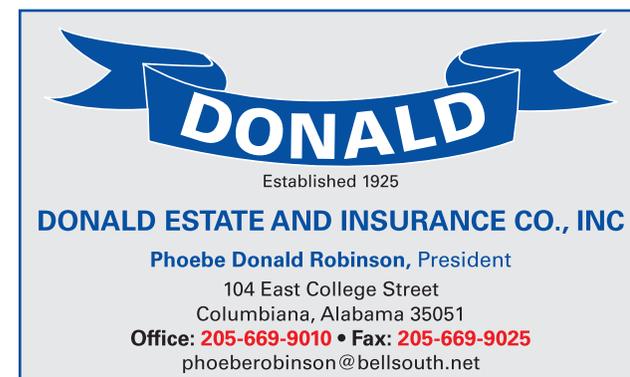
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Columbiana Library Celebrates Dr. Seuss and Read Across America

On Monday, March 3rd the Columbiana Public Library will host a Read Across America program for teens and children in the Columbiana area. The program will begin at 3:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the library.

"I am so excited to host this program again this year," said Columbiana Director, Dutcha Lawson. "Last year when we began our Teen Advisory Council, they came up with this program. They wanted to do something with younger students like a reading buddy program. I mentioned doing a program around Dr. Seuss's birthday and Read Across America and they really liked the idea," said

Lawson. We will have different stations where students do different activities.

They will begin by reading a Dr. Seuss story that they choose with their buddy. We will have a Dr. Seuss cake and snacks, pin the tail on the cat, as well as activity sheets. Last year it was a lot of fun and we can't wait to do it again this year!

► **What:** Dr. Seuss Read across America Reading Buddy Program

► **When:** Monday, March 3rd from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

► **Where:** Columbiana Public Library.

► **For Whom:** Children of all ages and teens.

Name That Park Contest

It's not often that you get the opportunity to do something that will last for years to come. Here's your chance for a little fame and a whole lot of fun!

The City of Columbiana is undergoing an extensive transformation of the property formerly known as Summer Classics. It will be complete with basketball court, amphitheater, indoor and outdoor performance space, pavilion and open park areas. The new recreation and entertainment area features all of the resources for a day of fun!

The City of Columbiana is holding a "naming contest" for this wonderful new recreation area. Before the recreation area is complete, now is the time to come up with a permanent name worthy of this park.

Judging criteria will be as follows: Reflect the spirit and uniqueness of the park, position the park in the minds of residents and visitors, distinctiveness, and the ability to lend itself to an easy to remember destination. Please submit your ideas by mail to Helen Dean at City Hall (107 Mildred Street, Columbiana, AL 35051) or by email at hdean@cityofcolumbiana.com.

Contest submissions will be accepted until April 1st. A selection committee (comprised of the Columbiana Beautification Board) will review all submissions and choose a list of 3. At that time, members of the public will be invited to vote for the final name and a winning name will be announced.

Columbiana Volunteer Opportunities

Bus Drivers

The Columbiana Trolley will begin its transit route in April. CDL Passenger Endorsement is required. Background checks will be required. Shifts are from 8:30am - 12:30pm and 1:00pm - 5:00pm. The City of Columbiana is looking for volunteers willing to commit 1 day a week for a single shift. Please contact Helen Dean at Columbiana City Hall (205.669.5808) if you are interested and willing.

Location change of business in Columbiana:

Alan's Outdoors
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Between the pages *Columbiana Library News*

March Schedule

- Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. — Storytime with Ms. Jennie
- Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. — Loose Stitches Knitting Group
- 3 — Dr. Seuss Read Across America Day Reading Buddy Program 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- 6 — Eat, Drink, Read! Author – Skip Tucker at the Shelby County Arts Council at 7:00 p.m.
- 8 — Quilt for Kids 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- 14 — St. Patricks Day Story and Craft 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- 25 — Library Board Meeting 4:30 p.m., Book Group 6:00 p.m.

Library Hours

M, W, F 9 a.m. – 4:50 p.m.
T, Th 9 a.m. – 7:50 p.m.
Sat 9 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.

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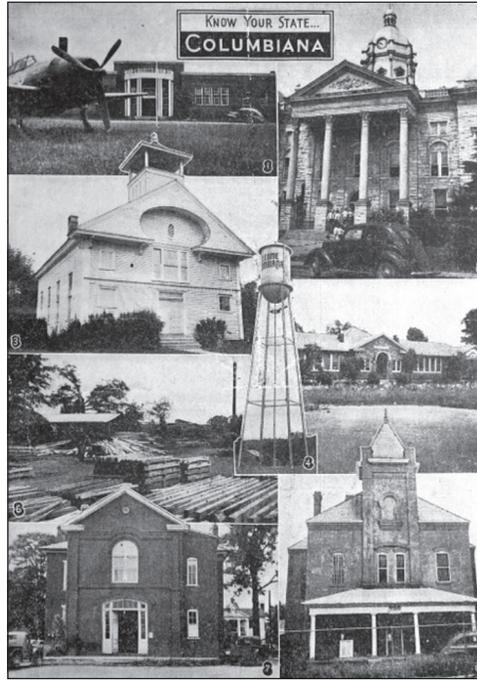
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Know Your State

Can you guess what these 1946 places are in this photo? Watch the next issue of The Bugler for the correct answers. Courtesy of Bobby Joe Seales, President of the Shelby County Historical Society, Inc.



Breakfast Muffins

*Courtesy of Linda Cook
Busy Hands Framing and Gifts*

Ingredients:

- 1 pound cooked sausage
- 1 cup Bisquick
- 4 eggs beaten
- 1 cup shredded cheddar Cheese

Directions:

- ▶ Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- ▶ Grease or line muffin pan.
- ▶ Stir together all ingredients and spoon mixture evenly into greased muffin tin.
- ▶ Bake for 20-25 minutes.
- ▶ Yields: 12 Muffins.

Linda's Notes: I used sausage in the muffins, but you could substitute cooked ham or bacon. You could also jazz up these muffins with chopped peppers, onions, and/or mushrooms. Great recipe to customize to your family's preferences.

Business of the Month



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ABOVE: Beautification Award Business of the Month Barn Brat.

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We'll all Sing Hallelujah: Sacred Sounds of Alabama come to Columbiana

Join the Alabama Folklife Association for the preview of a new exhibit, Sacred Sounds of Alabama, and a day of programs dedicated to Alabama's Sacred Harp heritage.

We'll all Sing Hallelujah is funded in part by the Alabama Humanities Foundation.

1:00 p.m. — 104 Mildred Street. View Sacred Sounds of Alabama at the Shelby County Arts Council (SCAC). Singer and author Buell Cobb will provide a reading from his new book, Like Cords Around My Heart, A Sacred Harp Memoir and be available to sign books.

2:00 p.m. — (SCAC location) Lecture by Dr. David Warren Steel, author of Makers of the Sacred Harp and professor of music and southern culture at the University of Mississippi.

3:00 p.m. — (SCAC location) Public Discussion led by Dr. Nathan Rees and Jesse Pearlman Karlsberg, who both serve in leadership positions in Sacred Harp organizations, education, and publishing. Panelists to include Buell Cobb, David Ivey who is now a National Heritage Fellow of 2013, Bridgett

Hill Kennedy who is an avid singer and longtime participant at Camp Fasola, and other Sacred Harp leaders from Alabama to be announced soon.

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. — Sacred Harp singing. The group will walk over to the oldest Shelby County Courthouse for a singing to be held in the beautiful upstairs of this historic building that serves as the headquarters of the Shelby County Archives and Museum, 1854 North Main Street. ADA ***This facility does not have an elevator, but does have a video monitor downstairs so people can hear and view activities upstairs. All other facilities are one story and meet ADA.

7:00 p.m. — Dinner on the Grounds will be provided at Bernie's on Main Street, 115 S. Main Street, home to great southern cooking, so let them do the work and enjoy.

All facilities are in walking distance. The exhibit is funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, Alabama Council on the Arts, and the "Support the Arts" Car Tag fund. To register for this event, please visit <http://www.alasacredsounds.eventbrite.com/>.

Shelby County Arts Council Schedule

**The Legendary Dill Pickers
"The Old Time Radio Show":**
Saturday, March 1, 2014 at
7:00 p.m., \$25.00

**Eat, Drink, Read! Author –
Skip Tucker at the Shelby
County Arts Council**
Thursday, March 6, at
7:00 p.m., Free

My Name is Julia,
presented by the Seasoned
Performers, Sunday, March 9,
2014 at 2:00 p.m., \$15.00

Gallery Opening: The Dream

Mecca Artist Group Exhibit,
Thursday, March 13 at
6:00 p.m., Free

**A Sweet Strangeness
Thrills My Heart:**
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at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March
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Snow Angels

Here are just a few examples of how Columbiana residents, employees and business owners stepped up to help those in need during the recent Snow event in Columbiana.

►A local business took it upon themselves and quickly opened their business to make a temporary home to stranded motorist in Columbiana. Magnolia Meadows Golf Course (Tim and Martha Wilson) was home to 12 stranded motorists and the Mayor for overnight accommodations. Donations of food and blankets poured in from the community.

►The Columbiana Streets and Maintenance Department, the Columbiana Environmental Services Department, The Columbiana Police Department, The Columbiana Fire

Department and Rescue 88 all worked together in their efforts to help the public. They were seen on several occasions pushing cars up hills, helping get cars out of ditches to get people home and off the roads and transporting stranded motorist get to Magnolia Meadows Golf Course or to their homes.

►The Columbiana Police Department made it their mission to get all children home from Elvin Hill Elementary, Columbiana Middle School and Columbiana High School. The Columbiana Police Department was glad to say MISSION ACCOMPLISHED.

While the weather outside may be frightful, it's nice to see a community willing to extend some Southern hospitality when it was needed the most.




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