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Annual Community Food Drive Drop Off Runs Nov. 1-21

The 2021 Community Food Drive will run from Nov. 1 through Nov. 21 to help feed the hungry.

Donors can leave items in designated containers at the Lillian United Methodist Church, 12770 Perdido St. or at the Spanish Cove property owner's office, 2129 Clubhouse Drive.

There will not be a pickup date from homes so all donations must be dropped off by Nov. 21.

Items must be non-perishable and those most requested are applesauce, canned chicken, tuna and salmon, canned meat and vegetables, cooking oils, crackers, canned or dry fruit, granola bars, instant mashed potatoes, macaroni and cheese, meals in a box, nuts, pasta, peanut butter, rice, powdered milk, canned soup, stew and chili, whole grain cereal, grits and oatmeal.

Lillian American Legion Post 48 to Host Veteran's Day Program Nov. 11

American Legion Post 48 of Lillian invites all veterans and their families to a Veteran's Day celebration at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11, at the Lillian Community Club hall. Those attending should arrive no later than 10:45 a.m. The program begins promptly at 11 a.m.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, side dishes and beverages will be served at no charge.

Lillian Community Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Set for Nov. 21

This year's annual ecumenical Thanksgiving service will be held at 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21, at Episcopal Church of the Advent in Lillian. Sponsored by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay, Rev. Tina Lockett of the church will lead the service. Church members will also be providing the music.

The church is located at 12099 County Road 99.

Lillian Christmas Parade Returns With Rep. Steve McMillan as Grand Marshal

The annual Christmas Parade is back this year. Slated to kick off at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 11, the grand marshal will be State Representative Steve McMillan, who will be retiring at the end of his current term.

All organizations, churches,



McMillan

businesses, groups, clubs and individuals who would like to be in the parade should contact Judy Wargo by phone at 586-383-1206 or by email at paul-wargo3@gmail.com.

The parade is sponsored by the Optimist Club of Perdido Bay.

Participants will assemble around noon in front of the Lillian Community Club.

Census Results Show Big Increase in Baldwin County

Results from the 2020 Census confirm what has been obvious for the past several years – Baldwin County is growing in population.

Census results show that Baldwin County increased from 182,265 residents in 2010 to 231,767 in 2020. That's an increase of 49,502 people, and it puts Baldwin County at the top of the list for the fastest growing county in Alabama.

This most recent census also shows Baldwin County as the seventh fastest growing metropolitan area in the United States.

When looking at individual cities within the state, Gulf Shores has grown the most. The current population sits at 15,014 which reflects a 54 percent jump in the last 10 years. Next on that list is Spanish Fort, with a 48 percent population rise since 2010.

Other area cities toward the top of the list include Fairhope, placing fourth among the fastest growing towns, up from 15,326 in 2010 to 22,477 in 2020. Foley came in seventh place with numbers increasing from 14,618 in 2010 to 20,335 in 2020. And Daphne ranked 11th with a current population of 27,462, up from 21,570 in 2010.

Lillian's population was tabulated at 1,728 with the previous total at 1,330.

Only one local municipality saw a decrease in population. Perdido Beach dropped from 581 in 2010 to 555 for 2020, a negative 4.5 percent change.

Bay Minette grew to 8,107 in 2020, up from 8,044 in 2010. Elberta's numbers went from 1,498 in 2010 to 1,974 in 2020.

Orange Beach now boasts a population of

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2020 Census	Alabama	Baldwin County	Lillian
Total population	4,903,185	223,234	1,728
Median household income	\$51,734	\$56,439	\$54,362
Bachelor's degree/higher	26.3%	32.2%	22.6%
Employment Rate	54.7%	52.2%	42.8%
Total Housing Units	2,284,922	119,425	758
Total Households	1,897,576	82,325	668
Median Age	39.4	43.0	53.8
Population under age 5	5.8%	5.5%	6.9%
Population age 18 & over	77.9%	78.3%	85.2%
Population over age 65	17.4%	20.0%	35.1%

Source: www.data.census.gov

The route will be the same as previous years, moving along Highway 98 to the bridge, up Sixth Street to Barclay and back down to 98. A route map will be published in next month's issue of *The Lillian*.

Those not marching or riding in the parade should find a spot along the route and watch. There will be no rain date.

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Library Returns to Market in Park

The Lillian Perdido Bay Library will once again be at Market in the Park on Nov. 20. We will be giving out kids' books, so come on over! What a great beginning for some of the kids we see to have their own book to look at and read. The library is fortunate to be able to do this with all the donations that we receive. We will also be selling hardback books and paperbacks at the park.

The library operates solely with donations and volunteers. If for some reason we cannot use the books that are donated, we have several sources to pass them to, such as the Waterfront Mission, veterans, the prison and some church libraries.

We are open to serve the public and hope our new neighbors will visit the library. It's a small building, but there's so much material inside.

We have hardback fiction books in regular and large print, short stories in regular print and large



Lillian Perdido Bay Library Corner

By Betty Bovat

print, paperbacks, non-fiction hardbacks and paperbacks, a biography section, classics, westerns, DVDs, audio books, music CDs, a computer lab and a printer to copy, fax and scan.

Our current hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon.

Current Lillian Perdido Bay Library Hours

**Tuesday,
Wednesday &
Thursday
10 a.m. — 2 p.m.**



**Friday & Saturday
10 a.m. - noon**

Songfest Set at Lillian's Bayside Baptist Church on Nov. 21

Bayside Baptist Church will be hosting a community wide songfest at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21. The church is located at 33677 Highway 98 in Lillian.

The public is invited for gospel

music including a saxophone solo, solo and duets with guitars and piano, choir music, an acapella solo and congregation singing.

For more information, call 812-371-2323.

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8,095 in 2020, up from 5,441 in 2010, slightly

under a 50 percent growth rate.

Robertsdale went from 5,276 in 2010 to 6,708 in 2020, while Silverhill experienced slight growth from 706 in 2010 to 768 in 2020.

Finally, Summerdale witnessed a growth rate of 70.3 percent, increasing from a population of 862 in 2010 to 1,468 in 2020.

Census information is used for the planning and implementation of counties and municipalities across the U.S. Data is used to determine how federal grant dollars are distributed over the next ten years, and includes money for education, healthcare, law enforcement and highway infrastructure.

For more information on the 2020 Census data results and redistricting, visit www.census.gov.

	<u>2010</u> <u>Population</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>Population</u>	<u>Percent</u> <u>Change</u>
Bay Minette	8,044	8,107	+ 0.8%
Daphne	21,570	27,462	+ 27.3%
Elberta	1,498	1,974	+ 31.8%
Fairhope	15,326	22,477	+ 46.7%
Foley	14,618	20,335	+ 39.1%
Gulf Shores	9,741	15,014	+ 54.1%
Lillian	1,330	1,728	+ 29.9%
Orange Beach	5,441	8,095	+ 48.8%
Perdido Beach	581	555	- 4.5%
Robertsdale	5,276	6,708	+ 27.1%
Spanish Fort	6,798	10,049	+ 47.8%
Summerdale	862	1,468	+ 70.3%

Build Your 'Cash' Account Before Retiring

If you're going to retire in the next few years, you'll want to start thinking about making some changes to your investment portfolio. And one area you may want to look at is whatever type of cash account you might have – because, when you're retired, the amount of cash you have readily available may be even more important than when you were working.

Your cash management account could pay a slightly higher rate than a typical savings account, as well as serving as a holding place for funds that may eventually be transferred to other investments. Furthermore, it can provide you with these benefits:

- You can pay for emergency expenses. You might be retired, but life goes on – and life is full of unexpected expenses, such as a new furnace or a costly auto repair. It's a good idea for retirees to keep at least three months of living expenses in a separate cash

account, which can help pay for emergencies without forcing you to dip into your longer-term investments.

- You can save for a short-term goal. You may have several short-term goals, such as a long vacation or a kitchen remodeling project. If you are trying to reach this type of goal within a year or two, you may want to start moving funds into your cash management account. For goals with longer time frames, you may want to consider using other types of investments appropriate for the specific goal and your risk tolerance.

- You can protect some money from market volatility. When you're a long way from retirement, you may not be particularly bothered when the financial markets drop, leading to a decline in the value of your investment portfolio. However, once you're retired, those downturns might not be quite so tolerable. As a retiree, you



Financial Focus

By Jason Kozon of Edward Jones

may want to maintain one year of expenses (adjusted for outside income sources such as Social Security) in a cash management account for spending purposes. Knowing you have this cash set aside may help you feel more comfortable when markets are volatile. Nevertheless, holding too much cash has risks of its own. Retirement can last for more than 30 years, so you'll want to be invested in enough equities and fixed-income vehicles to provide your portfolio with the balance and growth potential necessary to

help you avoid outliving your money.

As you can see, building your cash management account can be helpful in several ways. So, in the years preceding your retirement, look for opportunities to add to this account. For example, you could use some of the money from a tax refund or a bonus at work. And, if you haven't already done so, you might direct your bank to move a certain amount each month from your checking or savings account into your cash management. When you're retired, do what you can to replenish your cash account as much as possible.

Your cash management account is important at every point in your life, but it may take on even greater meaning when you're retired – so do whatever you can to keep it in good shape.

CHIT CHAT

Chit Chat is a column for you. Take this opportunity to brag a little, share a little, and have fun with birthdays, anniversaries, vacations, grandchildren and family visits.

Happy birthday wishes in November go out to Price Legg, Richard C. Holt, Radcliff Coyle, Steve Greer, Martha Kreamer, Carolyn Holt, Vicki Coyle, Sue Dickson, Gail Stewart, Allyson Greer, Peggy Bingle, Dick Rice, Jocelyn McCoy, Brandon Williams, Rosemary Bocard, Aubrey Verret, Linda Andrews, Bob Linde, Evelyn Duckworth, Bill Burns, Hannas Hayles, Annette Culpepper, Gladys Morris, Mac McMorris, Ger-

ald Jackson, Jim Peale, Joan Fletcher and Rose Vargo.

Celebrating wedding anniversaries in November are Ron and Barbara Parks (1963), Cliff and Mary Collier (1974) and Brannen and Megan Hall (2010).

If you would like to add or delete information from the Chit Chat column, please email lillianeditor@yahoo.com, mail it to *The Lillian*, P.O. Box 1088, Lillian, 36549 or place a note in our folder at Lillian Perdido Bay Library.

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Lodge Selling Boston Butts in November

As part of its community outreach, the Lillian Masonic Lodge 925 is holding a Boston butt sale prior to Thanksgiving. The 8 to 10-pound Boston butt will be smoked, wrapped and sold for \$40 each.

Lodge members are able to accept check or cash. If someone wishes to pay with a credit card, the lodge will charge an additional online processing fee.

The link to purchase online or to pay with a credit card is available on at www.lillianmasoniclodge925.org.

The meat will be ready for pick-up

on Thursday, Nov. 18 at 11 a.m. at the lodge at 12600 South Perdido St. The lodge will offer barbeque sandwiches and lunch plates on pickup day for a donation between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The delivery area is within 30 miles of Lillian but the delivery fee is not included in the purchase price.

To order a Boston butt, contact Joe Taylor at 251-962-4301 or David Johnson at 816-721-6907. The deadline to order is Nov. 14.

Additional information can be found by emailing jeffreyakeener@gmail.com.

Masons to Host Pancake Breakfast

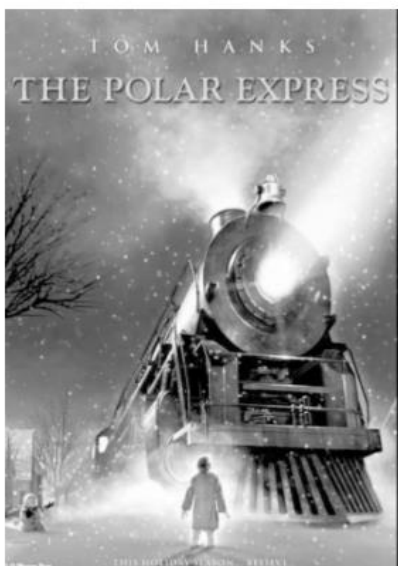
The next open house pancake breakfast at the Lillian Masonic Lodge 925 is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 6 from 8 to 9:30 a.m. The breakfast includes scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns and pancakes. Coffee and juice are also available.

The pancake breakfast is part of an effort to build greater awareness in the community of the Lillian Masonic Lodge and freemasonry. Mak-

Lillian Masonic Lodge

By Jeff Keener

ing good men better is one of the goals of freemasonry, while food, fun and fellowship is the call to action of the pancake breakfast. The breakfast is offered to the general public without charge. For more information, please contact Jeff Keener at 251-210-9081 or 859-991-4619 or at jeffreyakeener@gmail.com



Join us for the perfect lead-in movie for the holiday season, THE POLAR EXPRESS starring Tom Hanks. There might be a surprise or two in store for kids of all ages that night, too. (Hint: It might involve a visit by a famous couple who love to wear red and want to read a special poem they have written especially for the children of Lillian.)

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First Baptist to Host Thanksgiving Dinner

First Baptist Church of Lillian will be hosting a community Thanksgiving dinner at noon on Nov. 25.

Those attending should bring a side dish to share. Meat and drinks will be provided.



First Baptist Church

"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" John 8:12

Weekly Bible Study Opportunities

Adult Men & Women 18 years & up:

Monday 6pm: Dinner and Bible Study in the Family Life Center

Wednesday 5:30pm: Dinner All Ages

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Children Grades K-5:

Youth Grades 6-12:

Youth and Kid's Activities in the Family Life Center

* Free childcare is provided during all Bible Studies and services at our church

Sunday Worship Opportunities

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Children's Director: Debbie Sweppenhiser

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Consider Donating to Community Groups

I don't usually get a lot of important mail as I do most of my transactions, paying bills, etc., online. Last week I received two very important pieces. One was from the Lillian Volunteer Fire Department and the other from the Lillian Recreational Park. Yes, they were both asking for donations and I went directly to my check-book.

Now, I can't afford to donate to everyone who asks me, but these two are on the top of my "give" list. Why? Because they affect every one of us in Lillian. According to last month's issue of *The Lillian*, the fire department answered 106 calls in September. This included 75 medical assists.

Thank goodness we don't have a lot of fires, but we do have many who need the help of our firefighters to get us to the hospital in emergencies. How many of you have used this important service for yourself, family members or friends? What would we do if these generous men and women were not here for us? They are an important part of our community. Please give generously or at least the \$75 requested. It could save your life.

Why should you give to the Lillian



Just a Thought or Two

By Sally McKinney

an Recreational Park? Because it's a community asset. The men and women who run the park work hard to provide a lovely place for us to walk, take classes like yoga and art, set up craft tables, buy crafts and other items, and enjoy movies and music. They provide basketball and pickleball courts, baseball fields that are used by local teams, including the Elberta High School teams. Don't forget about the stupendous Christmas in the Park displays the past two years and coming up this December.

I could go on and on but I'm in Illinois using my daughter's laptop and it's driving me crazy, so I'm going to stop.

What I'm trying to say is these organizations help to make Lillian the wonderful place that we call home. Whether you use their services or not, they are essential to our community. Please be generous.

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Learning About the Spotted Lanternfly

What do you know about kudzu? Most people refer to it as the vine that ate the south. Perhaps you learned in school about the Dust Bowl in the 1930s and 40s.

Kudzu, a vine native to Japan, was introduced as the government's solution to soil erosion. This darn vine can grow up to a foot per day and has turned into an extremely invasive spe-

cies that contributes nitrogen pollution.

The kudzu conquest happened long ago. Other invasive species have traveled from all corners of the globe to wreak havoc in our area including feral hogs, lionfish and Burmese pythons.

Another is heading our way soon - the spotted lanternfly.



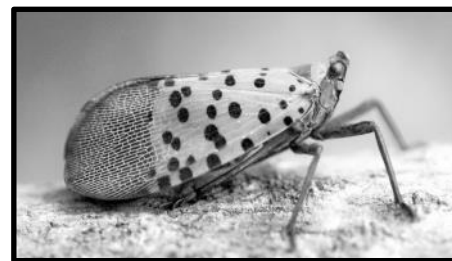
Know Your Critters

By Celeste

The spotted lanternfly is native to India, China and Vietnam. The first sighting in the United States was in 2014 in Pennsylvania, on a tree of heaven, an invasive tree brought to North America from China in the late 1700s.

Perhaps you know this tree by a different name, such as stinking sumac, Chinese sumac, varnish tree or stink tree. This plant comes with its own host of issues, not the least of which is that it is the favorite harborage and nesting site for the spotted lanternfly.

This bug is one of the most visual-



Spotted lanternfly

ly striking in the nymphal stages, and the best camouflaged as an adult. When it hatches from its egg, it is black with white spots. As it molts, it gains red spots to go with the white spots.

When it is fully mature, a spotted lanternfly is glorious. The top wings that cover the body are tan with two different patterns of black spots.

One pattern is of little spots clustered near the wing edges that almost look like stripes, and the other is large spots scattered throughout the rest of the wing.

The hindwing has one vertical black stripe and one vertical white stripe on the outside, and the inside portion is a bright red with white spots.

The visible parts of the body are golden yellow with wide black stripes.

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Evening Worship	6:00 pm		
<u>Tuesday</u>		<u>Friday</u>	
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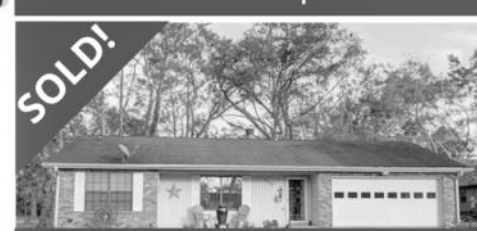
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To give an idea of how fast they spread, they were introduced into South Korea in 2004 and spread throughout that entire country in three years.

The lanternflies lay egg masses in late summer and autumn on the trunks of trees and any smooth-surfaced item sitting outdoors.

The egg masses, which resemble smears of dry mud, can also be laid on the smooth surfaces of cars, trucks and trains. They can be unintentionally transported to any part of the country in just a few days.

Once the eggs hatch, they crawl to nearby host plants to start a new infestation.

The spotted lanternfly feeds on a wide range of fruit, ornamental and woody trees. They feed by piercing the bark of trees or the skin of vines to invade a plant's vascular system to feast on sap.

They remove large amounts of sap and excrete copious amounts of

clear, sticky "honeydew" that can coat the tree and anything beneath.

Their feeding seriously stresses trees and vines. The lost nutrients can cause infected plants to grow more slowly, exhibit dieback or they begin to die from the branch tips.

So far it seems to not be a serious pest in Alabama. If you do happen to see it, please report it to our state department of agriculture. If the infestation is caught early before it can become entrenched, it could be eradicated, at least in our area.

We can slow the spread by identifying and destroying new infestations wherever they arise.

Speaking of lanternflies, I've decided that from now on I'll carry a lantern with me everywhere.

So I can light up the room.

Okay, that one was terrible. Here's a totally unrelated joke to make up for it: Did you know there's no on-the-job training for trash collectors? They just pick things up as they go along.



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Learning About the Lillian Swamp

Have you heard of Lillian Swamp? Located a couple miles north of town, it is an Alabama Gulf Ecological Management Site (GEMS) that is around 4,055 acres in size.

The pine savannah wetland habitat adjacent to Perdido Bay, Baldwin County's Lillian Swamp Complex consists of several acquisitions managed as a nature preserve.

The Lillian Swamp Complex was acquired with financial support from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's National Coastal Wetlands grant program.

Adjacent to the Lillian Swamp Complex are tracts owned by ADCNR's State Lands Division and the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT). Habitat management and recreational opportunities, such as hiking, hunting and wildlife observation, benefit from coordination between Forever Wild, the State Lands Division and ALDOT.

Hunters must have a valid hunting license and permit map; and follow regulations, seasons, and limits for the county in which the tract is located.

In 2014, the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) was awarded \$464,750 to acquire the 675-acre Lillian Swamp Wetlands tract as an addition to the Lillian Swamp Wetlands Complex.

The wetlands complex lies within the Perdido River Coastal Area at the mouth of the Perdido River and borders Perdido Bay.

Acquisition of this tract supports the goals of multiple federal, state, and other agencies to protect sensitive species and their habitats. The ADCNR has recommended this area as a Geographical Area of Particular Concern (GAPC), which are managed according to conservation plans.

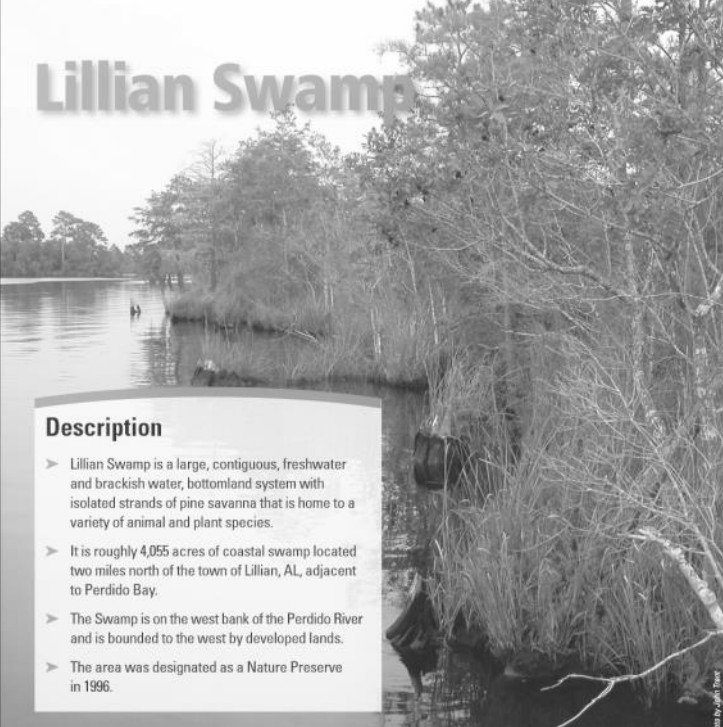
The wetlands have also been designated as a Gulf Ecological Management Site, which means that it is considered to be important to the environmental quality of the Gulf of Mexico.

Perdido Bay has also been identified as a conservation priority in Alabama's Wildlife Conservation Strategy and by the Northern Gulf Coast Wetlands Planning Program.

Coastal wetlands comprise less than 10 percent of the nation's land area yet support a significant number of wildlife species, including 75 percent of migratory birds, nearly 80 percent of fish and shellfish, and about half of all our threatened and endangered species.

Alabama Gulf Ecological Management Site (GEMS)
The GEMS Program was established by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Gulf of Mexico Program and five gulf states to advance conservation efforts of coastal areas that represent unique habitats for fish, wildlife and other natural resources of particular significance.

Lillian Swamp



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- The Lillian Swamp South Addition Tract (238 acres) is located in the south eastern section of Lillian Swamp.
- The Caney Bayou Tract (320 acres) is located in northern Lillian Swamp.
- The West Addition Tract (894 acres) is located in the western section of Lillian Swamp.

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Lillian Swamp South SLD Tract (405 acres) is located in the southern tip of Lillian Swamp.

Alabama Mental Health Dept. Tract (438 acres) is located at the far east end of Lillian Swamp.

ALDOT Wetlands Mitigation Bank (645 acres) is located near the center of Lillian Swamp.

Alabama Forest Resources Center Conservation Easement Tracts (1,115 acres) is located in the north eastern corner of Lillian Swamp.

Description

- Lillian Swamp is a large, contiguous, freshwater and brackish water, bottomland system with isolated strands of pine savanna that is home to a variety of animal and plant species.
- It is roughly 4,055 acres of coastal swamp located two miles north of the town of Lillian, AL, adjacent to Perdido Bay.
- The Swamp is on the west bank of the Perdido River and is bounded to the west by developed lands.
- The area was designated as a Nature Preserve in 1996.

Quick Facts About Lillian Swamp

- Habitats include freshwaterwetlands, wet pine flatwoods, slash pine savannas, pitcher plant bogs, Atlantic white cedar forests and bay, tupelo and cypress swamps.
- The area's surface soils are mainly of the Troup-Plummer-Bayboro Association.
- The swamp provides habitat for endangered, threatened and rare species including wood stork, gulf sturgeon and river frog.
- It is a critical stopover habitat for migrating shorebirds and waterfowl. Tens of thousands of trans-gulf migratory birds, representing over 200 species, fly along the Mississippi flyway and use the swamp's diverse habitats to rest and refuel during migration.
- To get there from the intersection of Route 98 and County Road 99, go north on County Road 99/Boykin Blvd. and go approximately 1.7 miles to Oak Street. Turn left on Oak Street and the parking lot will be ahead on your right.

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About 46 million turkeys are prepared for Thanksgiving in America each year.

This is according to the National Turkey Federation, which also reported that 95 percent of Americans polled eat turkey at Thanksgiving.

The first Thanksgiving is believed to have taken place in 1621 in Plymouth, Massachusetts.

Surprisingly, there's actually very little information on record about this "first" Thanksgiving. But we do know that it was a three-day festival to celebrate a bountiful harvest, and that it was attended by pilgrims and the Wampanoag people.

What meats were served at the first Thanksgiving?

Believe it or not, there is no rec-

ord of turkey being on the menu at the first Thanksgiving. Venison, swan, duck, and goose were likely served instead. People also feasted on seafood, including lobster, oysters, fish, and possibly eel.

Who was the first president to pardon a turkey?

The first president on record to pardon a turkey was John F. Kennedy. The reprieve took place in 1963 when JFK received a 40-pound turkey with a sign around its neck that said, "GOOD EATING, MR. PRESIDENT!"

It wasn't until 1989 that George H.W. Bush officially made turkey pardoning an annual event.

President Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday.

For more than 200 years, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states. In 1863, amid the Civil War, President Lincoln

made Thanksgiving a permanent national holiday, according to the History Channel.

Benjamin Franklin wanted the turkey to be the official bird of the U.S.

In a letter to his daughter, he lamented the choice of the bald eagle as the official bird because of its "bad moral character." He noted that a turkey is a "more respectable bird" and is native to the country.

Thanksgiving once took place on



a different Thursday in November.

President Franklin Roosevelt moved Thanksgiving to the second-to-last Thursday in November in 1939. It was an attempt to help the economy

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Choosing Gratitude

The day after Thanksgiving, a woman caught her husband weighing himself. He was sucking in his stomach. "That won't help you," she said. He responded, "Oh yes it does, it is the only way I can see the numbers!"

I hope you're ready for Thanksgiving, and not just for the turkey and all the trimmings. Giving thanks is important to a successful life. A growing body of research is indicating that a sense of gratitude is vital if we are to be happy and whole persons.

Have you heard the old story about the young man who enthusiastically joined the monastery? Wanting the highest and the best, the young monk immediately took the vow of silence. This meant the monk could only speak two words a year and those were reserved for his annual evaluation with the abbot. The first year passed and the abbot asked the monk how he was doing. Without hesitation the monk replied, "Food bad." Another

The Methodist Message

By Rev. Daniel Randall

year passed and the abbot again asked the monk how he was doing. The monk replied, "Bed hard." When asked for an evaluation the third year, the young monk said, "I quit." "Well," said the abbot, "I'm not surprised. All you have done since you came here is complain, complain, complain."

The Apostle Paul encourages us in Philippians 4:8, "Whatever is true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, and commendable, if there is any excellence, and if there is anything worthy of praise, think on these things."

Gratitude is a learned behavior. We are not born grateful. When you are a baby, it's all about you. 'Hold me, feed me, change me, rock me, walk me, and do it right now!' What is cute for a two-year-old is repulsive in

a twenty-two-year-old and intolerable in a 62-year-old. Paul said it well: "When I was a child, I talked like a child; I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put childish ways behind me." I constantly find adults who have missed that maturation process. The Apostle Paul says we should set our minds on what is true, what is honorable, what is just, what is pure, what is pleasing to God, what is commendable.

Jesus was our earthly model of gratitude. Jesus thanked God before and after each meal. In Sabbath school he learned to pray the Psalms. "Bless the Lord, O my soul ...and forget not all Gods benefits." Such were the prayers that came from Jesus' lips. Jesus lived a life of gratitude. Do you?

With a heart of gratitude, fill your minds today with the best, not the worst, the beautiful, not the ugly, the things to praise, not the things to curse. Cultivate an attitude of gratitude. When it comes to worry and

anxiety, take it to the Lord in prayer and let the peace of God guard your heart.

You see peace is not the absence of conflict. Peace is the consolation of the heart in the middle of the storm. From a Roman prison where he was sentenced to die, Paul declared in Philippians 4:6, "Do not worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving; let your requests be made known to God." Gratefulness is a profoundly spiritual and powerfully healing state of being that abides through the tides of time.

May the daily song on our lips be, "Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because He's given, Jesus Christ his Son. And now let the weak say, I am strong. Let the poor say, I am rich. Because of what the Lord has done for us." To speak gratitude is courteous and pleasant, to enact gratitude is generous and noble, but to live gratitude is to touch heaven.

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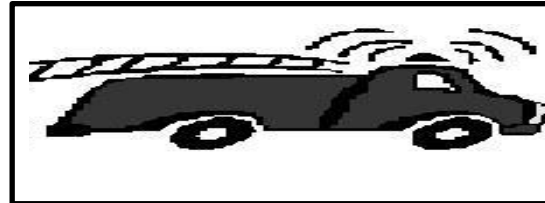
LVFD Welcomes New Officers, Members

The Lillian Volunteer Fire Department responded to 104 calls in September which included 63 medical assistance, 13 public assists, 4 motor vehicle accidents, 1 structure fire, 2 vehicle fires; 4 alarms/investigations; 8 calls cancelled en route; 8 aircraft standbys and 1 miscellaneous.

LVFD held their Annual General

Membership meeting and elections on Oct. 4. We addressed the financial records for Fiscal Year 2021 and Chief Nick Dewhurst discussed accomplishments of LVFD and the budget for FY2022. All items were passed by the board.

Garry Tucker has been named the new vice president with Goretti Lysek



Lillian Volunteer Fire Department

By Goretti Lysek

as new treasurer. Mary Jo Conley and Doug Abercrombie were reinstated for another two years. Josh Heisler and Laura Wells were welcomed as new board members. We said goodbye to

Lamar Wiggins who had served as vice president and Chris Policelli who was a board member. We wish them well and say thanks for their service.

We are happy to announce two new members. Matthew Mitchell, 27, and originally from Tennessee, has plenty of fire fighting experience. Since the age

of 16, he has volunteered with three different departments in Tennessee and gained a tremendous amount of knowledge and skills. He is excited to add to these skills and to help protect Lillian.

Our second recruit is Madison Langley, 24, also from Tennessee. She comes from a long line of fire fighters. Her grandfather was a fire fighter for 25 years and her father for 38 years. Join us in welcoming them to Lillian and LVFD.



Mitchell



Langley

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The 2020-21 fundraising letters were mailed at the end of September. Addresses were provided by Baldwin County Revenue Commissioner's Office.

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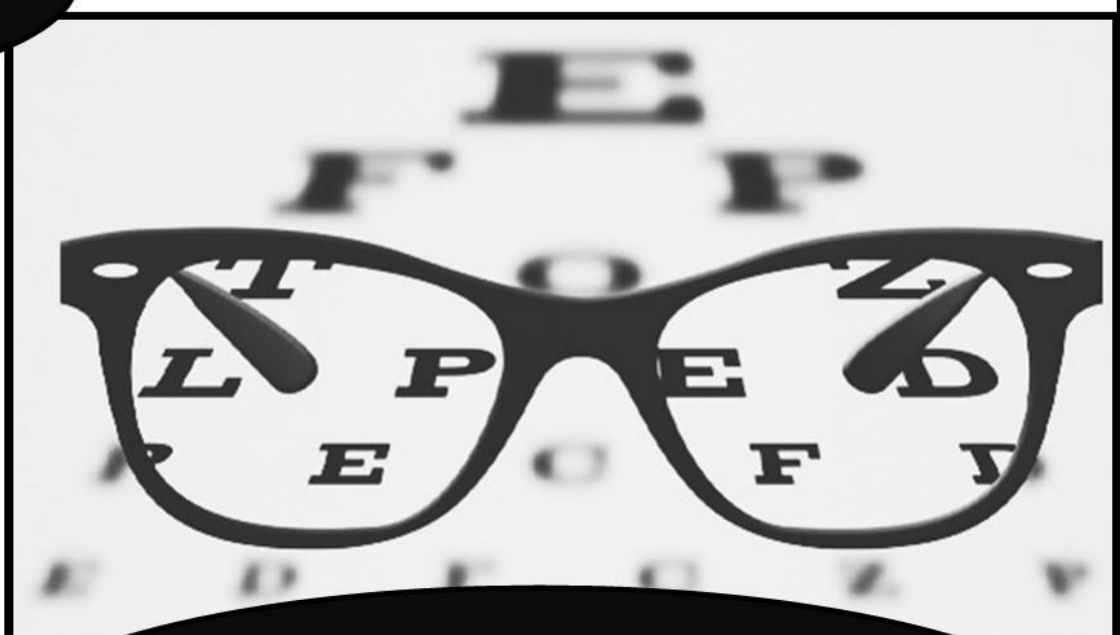
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■ Thanksgiving, From Page 9

during the Great Depression to expand the Christmas shopping season. In the end, most states still celebrated on the last Thursday of the month, while Colorado, Mississippi, and Texas observed both Thursdays.

The NFL team the Detroit Lions always play on Thanksgiving Day.

While you probably watch football every Thanksgiving, you might not have realized that the Detroit Lions play every single year! In 1934, they played the Chicago Bears on the holiday as a way to attract more fans. Even though the Lions lost the game, it was the start of a tradition that holds strong today.

Minnesota produces the most

turkeys in the country.

There's a chance your holiday bird came from Minnesota—they produce around 40 million turkeys every year!

It's estimated that over 30 million households make green bean casserole every year.

The infamous casserole turned 65 years old in 2020—it was originally called the "Green Bean Bake" when Dorcas Reilly, a home economist who worked in the Campbell's Soup Co. test kitchen, invented it in 1955. You can see the original recipe in the National Inventor's Hall of Fame in Akron, Ohio.

About 200 cranberries are needed to make one can of cranberry

sauce.

Ocean Spray, which is the largest producer of cranberry products in the U.S., produces almost 80 million cans of cranberry sauce a year—85% of that supply is sold during Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Pumpkin pies haven't changed much over the past 200 years.

Cookbooks from the late 1700s contained recipes for pumpkin pies that were similar to the custard-like filling we have today.

The author of "Mary Had a Little Lamb" helped Thanksgiving become a holiday.

Sarah Josepha Hale, who also wrote the famous children's poem, lobbied state and federal officials for years to make Thanksgiving an official holiday. She argued that the day could help bring unity to the divided country

due to the Civil War.

The breaking of the wishbone is actually based on an ancient tradition.

Breaking a wishbone and making a wish is probably one of those traditions that you never really understood. It originated with the Etruscans, an ancient Italian civilization who be-

lieved that birds were oracles and could predict the future. Basically, they kept this bone—the furcula—in order to hold on to the bird's supposed powers by making wishes.

Which president refused to make Thanksgiving a national holiday?

Thomas Jefferson famously refused to recognize Thanksgiving because it involved prayer and he believed strongly in the separation of church and state.

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your children.

We will continue to monitor usage and if the need is greater, we can add to it. Let us know your thoughts or suggestions.

We are grateful for Raymond Osborne who built the blessing box. And we are thankful for the folks who regularly fill it.



**Lillian
Recreational
Park**

By Monica Leonard

Next, would anyone have the skill to build a little free library? Bird houses?

Send your ideas by email to leonard.m02@outlook.com.

Park Getting Into Christmas Spirit with Holiday Events

Christmas is coming early to Lillian Recreational Park, starting with a visit by a very famous couple who typically dress in red. They shall remain nameless for now, but, here's a hint – they live way, way north of here. This “very famous couple” is making time in their very hectic schedule to come to Lillian to read a very special story they have written just for the children of Lillian.

They will read the story just before the showing of the Lillian Recreational Park's November movie, “The Polar Express,” starring Tom Hanks. A great family film, it is the story of a young boy who embarks on a magical adventure to the North Pole while learning all about friendship, bravery and the spirit of Christmas. It will serve as a great lead-in to the holiday season and will be shown on Friday, Nov. 19.

The day after the movie, the park will move into full Christmas spirit with the annual Holiday Mart taking place on the soccer field. Lights for Christmas in the Park will start going up, exhibits will be put into place and the bandstand will get all decked out.

The Holiday Mart on Saturday, Nov. 20, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., will be full of great options for people on your holiday gift list.

If you've never been to Christmas in the Park, you don't know what you've been missing, so mark your calendar now!

Christmas in the Park begins with a “sneak peek” preview party on Dec. 3, just prior to the cel-

ebration's official launch on Saturday, Dec. 4. While Christmas in the Park is free to attend, there is a cost to attend the preview party. Tickets are \$25 each, which includes food and entertainment. Tickets can be purchased through the park's Facebook page or by calling the park at 962-2129. Tickets are also available from committee members.

The official Christmas in the Park kick-off is on Saturday, Dec. 4. It's free and open to the entire community to come enjoy. Not only will Santa be there to listen to all the Christmas wishes, but Mrs. Claus and some elves will join him. There will be lots of activities for the entire family to enjoy before the launching of the lights at dusk. The trees will be lit every night through Dec. 31.

Christmas in the Park is run entirely by volunteers and we would love to have you join us! There are lots of different ways to help, so if you would like to volunteer on a short- or long-term basis, please call Lucy Smith at 719-494-7986, or visit the park's Facebook page and let us know you'd like to be involved.

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Millview Was a Leader in Lumber Industry

Editor's note: This information was taken from the Pensacola Historical Society Quarterly, Vol. 1, No. 3, July 19, 1965 and the September 2001 issue of *The Lillian*

Ten miles west of Pensacola on Lillian Highway and Perdido Bay lay the remains of what was once a thriving community whose population of 3,000 rivaled that of Pensacola. It was a different story in the 1870s and 1880s when the lumber industry was at its peak.

At that time, Millview stretched from the Sand Cut (Saufley Field Road) to the Suarez Grant on the county road (Lillian Highway), a distance of about 2.5 miles.

There were six miles with a cutting capacity of 65 million feet per annum in operation.

Community life revolved around the mills, with work whistles blowing at 5, 5:30 and 6 a.m. men worked 12

Looking Back at Local History

By Janel Smith

hours a day and received 50 cents. Timber was brought to the mills by ox carts and log trains or was floated down the rivers and creeks into the bay.

The Blackwater and Styx Rivers and the Eleven Mile creek flow into the Perdido River that empties into the north end of the bay. On the right is Bayou Marcus and crossing Lillian Highway on the left is Herring's Bayou.

The McLaughlin Railroad or the Pensacola-Perdido Railroad made three trips a day from Perdido Wharf in Pensacola to Millview, a distance of 5.8 miles.

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By 1880 this line had 5 locomotives, 72 freight and log cars and one passenger coach. Timber was the priority. The locomotives were small and often pulled 20 cars loaded with timber so passengers were not taken aboard until Boyd's Crossing near Sand Cut.

There was also transportation by water. Passengers and mail were taken by boat from the depot wharf to points in Alabama on the opposite side of the bay. Those early mail boats were sailing craft and in later years were power driven.

Southern States Lumber Company was the largest operation in Millview, formed by the merger of Muscogee Lumber Company, Seminole Lumber Company and the George W. Robinson Company. Southern operated two mills at Millview and two at Muscogee.

The company gave a plot of ground west of the Whitaker Mill on the bay side to the community for a church and school. However they were never built due to the timber industry decline. An acre of land directly across the county road was donated for a cemetery.



Millview School was located along the tracks with 70 students attending.

Other buildings included 4 churches, a Masonic Temple, an Odd Fellows Hall and various businesses.

With no reforestation efforts, timber was soon exhausted and the decline of Millview began. By 1893, McLaughlin Railroad had pushed as far as Loxley and the road was graded to Mobile.

■ **Thanksgiving, From Page 12**

**The first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade took place in New York City in 1924.**

*It featured live animals from the Central Park Zoo, Broadway performers, Macy's employees, and small floats. The last float held a Santa Claus who waved to spectators.*

**When did the parade first feature balloons?**

*Today, Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade is famous for its oversized balloons, which made their debut in 1927. They included a Felix the Cat balloon and inflated animals, according to the History Channel.*

**Jingle Bells was originally written as a Thanksgiving song.**

*First published in 1857, Jingle*

*Bells was written by James Lord Pierpont and intended to be sung on Thanksgiving. If you listen carefully, there's no mention of Christmas.*

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**How did Thanksgiving lead to the creation of TV dinners?**

*In 1953, the Swanson company had 260 tons of frozen turkey leftover after Thanksgiving. So the company packaged the turkey into trays along with popular Thanksgiving side dishes. It was a huge success and the rest is TV (dinner) history!*



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## Remembering St. Andrew, the first Apostle

Being November, it would be easy to write about Thanksgiving Day and all the things that make us thankful. Instead I want to continue my theme of saints of the church and focus on St. Andrew, the first Apostle.

Andrew was St. Peter's brother, and was called with him. "As Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is now called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. Jesus said to them, 'Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.' At once they left their nets and followed him." (Matthew 4:18-20).

Unlike the three synoptic gospels (Matthew, Mark and Luke), the Gospel of John gives a different account of how Jesus called Andrew. And it is arguably Andrew's most important moment in the Bible. In the Gospel of John, John the Baptist tells everyone

Jesus is "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world" (John 1:29), and he's "God's Chosen One" (John 1:34). "The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi where are you staying?"

"Come," Jesus replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him.

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus." —John 1:35-42.



### Moving Forward

By Rev.  
Tina Lockett

This account tells us Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist, that he was the first apostle to call Jesus the Messiah (though Peter got all the credit for it in Matthew 16), and that he led Peter to Jesus.

Since the Gospel of John records that Andrew followed Jesus before any of the other apostles (and the other disciple is not named), the Byzantine church referred to Andrew as the Protoklete, or "the first called." That is pretty much his biggest claim to fame.

Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels. Before the multiplication of the loaves, it was Andrew who spoke up about the boy who had the barley loaves and fishes.

Tradition holds Andrew was martyred by crucifixion in the Greek city of Patras around 60 AD. Like his brother, Peter, Andrew allegedly did not consider himself worthy to die in the same way as Jesus, and tradition claims he was bound—not nailed—to a cross which was hung in an X shape instead of a T.

Andrew is the patron saint of several countries and cities including Barbados, Romania, Russia, Scotland, Ukraine, Portugal and Greece. He is considered founder and first bishop of the Church of Byzantium and is the patron saint of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. St. Andrew is the patron saint of the Russian Navy.

Andrew does not get center stage in the Bible as did his brother Peter, but we know Andrew recognized the Messiah, Jesus and followed him. Then Andrew told Peter to come and see this new teacher. We can all learn from Andrew to follow Jesus and then invite others to come and see as well.

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## BALDWIN COUNTY BLOTTER

■ Baldwin County officers responded to an assault report at 6:31 a.m. Oct. 1 in the 2600 block of Pine Ridge Drive, Lillian.

■ Officers responded to a report of assault at 3:18 p.m. Oct. 6 in the 9700 block of Soldier Creek Road, Lillian.

■ Theft was reported at 7:52 a.m.

Oct. 12 in the 10 block of Buena Vista Drive, Lillian.

■ Another theft call was received at 9:16 a.m. Oct. 12 in the 1100 block of Santa Anna Drive in Lillian.

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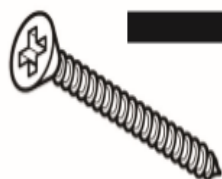
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## OBITUARIES

### Ruth Urbanek Galyean

Ruth Urbanek Galyean, 95, of Elberta, passed away in Pensacola on Oct. 5, 2021.

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on April 1, 1926, to Regina and George Henry. She married Matt Urbanek and they had three daughters, Betty, Ruthann and Gloria. In 1957 they moved to Elberta and Matt passed away in March 1958. In 1994 Ruth married Lloyd Galyean and resided in Santa Rosa, Calif., and then in Elberta. Lloyd died in 1998.

Ruth worked at Elberta School and then at Elberta State Bank which eventually became Regions Bank.

Ruth is survived by her children, Betty (Clark) Cathey, Ruthann Kichler and Gloria (David) McWatters; grandchildren, Heather and Justin Cathey, Matthew and Nathan Kichler and Gabriel McWatters; and great-grandchildren, Blakely Kichler, Owen Cathey, McCoy and Baylor Kichler Tobias McWatters and Tatum McWatters.

Ruth was predeceased by her sister, Regina Barker, and a brother, George Henry.

Services were held at Abiding Love Church on Oct. 11. Cason Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**Obituaries may be submitted to The Lillian by emailing the information to [lillianeditor@yahoo.com](mailto:lillianeditor@yahoo.com).**

**The obituary will be included in the next issue.**

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### Linda Brazzel Glover

Linda Brazzel Glover, 62, a resident of Elberta, passed away Oct. 9, 2021.

She was a loving wife, mother, daughter, sister and beloved Nina. She attended St. Bartholomew and St. Margaret Catholic Churches and was an advisor for Mary's Shelter, Elberta.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Pressley Glover; a son Buggar Glover; and her in-laws, Boudreaux and Sue Glover.

She is survived by her daughters, Shelly (Michael) Blase, of Loxley, and Mary Chappell, of Huntsville; her parents, John and Dean Brazzel, Silverhill; a sister, Carol (Pete) Kulicka, Silverhill; grandchildren, Kaleb Devine and Cody Devine, of Silverhill, and Caitlin Chappell and Madelyn Chappell, of Huntsville; faithful companion, Weezer; and nieces, nephews and other loving relatives and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Mary's Shelter, Elberta.

Wolfe Bayview Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Thomas L. Madden

Thomas L. Madden, 72, of Elberta, passed away Oct. 12, 2021.

Thomas was a veteran of the United States Army. He was a loving husband, father, son and friend who will be missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Michelle Marie Madden; and a sister, May Bell Logan.

He is survived by his wife, Angelyn Madden of Elberta; a daughter, Melissa Madden Fell of Elberta; a son, Troy Madden of Robertsedale; sisters, Retta Louise Williams of Robertsedale, Illene Spencer of Robertsedale, and Linda Havell, of Silverhill; a brother, Dennis Madden of Silverhill; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held at Pleasant View Baptist Church on Oct. 17. Interment followed in Gilley Memorial Cemetery. Donations may be made to Baldwin Baptist Association Disaster Relief Fund, 15840 Silverhill Ave., Silverhill, AL 36576.

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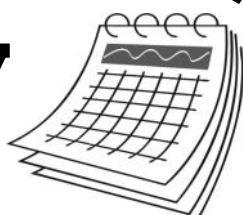
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- Nov. 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 - AL-ANON meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Lillian United Methodist Church in the conference room
- Nov. 3, 10, 17 & 24 - Weight Watchers meets every Wednesday in the First Baptist Church auditorium on Barclay Street, weigh-in starts at 10 a.m., meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.
- Nov. 6 - Pancake Breakfast, 8 to 9:30 a.m., Lillian Masonic Lodge
- Nov. 8 - LASAR meeting, 7 p.m. second Monday of each month, Barclay Street
- Nov. 9 & 23 - Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church Food Pantry, 9 to 11 a.m., second and fourth Tuesday of the month
- Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day program, 11 a.m., Lillian Community Club, sponsored by American Legion Post 48
- Nov. 13 - Optimist Club of Perdido Bay meeting, breakfast at 8 a.m. with meeting to follow, Lillian Community Club
- Nov. 15 - American Legion Post 48 meeting, 7 p.m., third Monday of each month, Lillian Community Club
- Nov. 16 - St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, 9 to 11 a.m., third Tuesday of each month, St. Joseph Catholic Church
- Nov. 19 - Movie in the Park, activities begin at 5 p.m., movie at dusk, Lillian Recreational Park
- Nov. 20 - Holiday Market in the Park, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., Lillian Recreational Park
- Nov. 21 - Community Thanksgiving Service, 4 p.m., Episcopal Church of the Advent, sponsored by Optimist Club of Perdido Bay
- Nov. 21 - Community Songfest, 6 p.m., Bayside Baptist Church
- Nov. 25 - Community Thanksgiving dinner, noon, First Baptist Church, bring a side dish

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