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Riley creates task force to investigate bingo

Governor says electronic machines like those at Greenetrack are illegal

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Controversial civil rights leader buried in Eutaw

Speakers says Bevel's good deeds transcended incest conviction

By Jason Morton Staff Writer

EUTAW | For Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan, the civil rights achievements of the Rev. James Luther Bevel should stand apart from any transgressions in his personal

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Tide suspends star lineman **Andre Smith for Sugar Bowl**



Alabama's Andre Smith scores a game-tying touchdown during the fourth quarte at the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La, in December 2006.

Tackle was being investigated over improper contact with a sports agent

By Christopher Walsh Sports Writer NEW ORLEANS | The University of Alabama football team will be without its most honored player when it face No. 7 Uthh on Friday night, as junio left tackle Andre Smith was suspended from the team and sort home.

Tuscaloosa resident may be oldest man in nation

Gerontologists dispute claim that artist is 112

By Desiree Hunter The Associated Press MONTGOMERY | The weekend death of the nation's oldest man at 112 has put into question whether self-taught Alabama artist Frank Cal-





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pants Bring finger food.

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ing at 10:30 p.m.-midnight, Call 205-759-2702.

FRIDAY ARTS

"Who Does She Think She Is?": 7:30 p.m. at Bama Theatre, 600 Greensboro Ave Admission is \$5-87. Call 205-738 5195 or visit www.tuscarts.org. SATURDAY

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Maraoke: 8p.m. with Par Chapman at VFW Post 0022 and Ladies Auxilliary, 7001 Univer-sity Blvd. E. in Cottondale. No cover but doeastions welcomed to help fund veterans and com-

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years.

Department spokesman John Ziegler said Monday the state is standing by its records, which show he was born on July 2, 1898. But he said documents are being reviewed and other outside records sought for confirmation.

firmation.

The nation's oldest man, George Francis, died Saturday in Sacramento. He was born on June 6, 1896, 24 days before the date listed by Alabama as Calloway's birthdate.

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"He is being promoted as being 112 when we think that based on documents we've seen, that's said Monday. 'So be wouldn't even be a centenarian, let alone a supercentenario. Calif-based of the supercentenario. Calif-based cales of the extreme déderly and keeps a list of its Web site.

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on man to be Walter Breuning of Montana, who is 112 years, 98 days old. The birthday listed by the state for Calloway would make him 112 years and 179 days old on Monday. Calloway

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about that, Ziegier said. "Bul as we continue to go through the whole process of looking at various alternate ages, we just state that his birthdate — in over 50 years of being in our system — is July 2, 1896. If that turns out not to be the case, we still appreciate Mr. Frank and his work."

NEWSMAKERS

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Critics' Choice presenters are announced

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Kristan Scott Thomas, Brendom Fraser, Lusran Dern, Statt Hundkinas and Mellesa Leo will slow help hand out treplates at the ceremony in Sunt Mentes, Call Pro-Langeria Pariar, to Josh Pooline and Fraser, Lusran Dern, Lugran Perri, Lugran



WER POLL

Yesterday's question: What is the top cal story for the year?

Results: Tide's undefeated regular season 73% m in schools 7% Postsecondary education scandal 8% Total votes: 346

SOUND OFF

To Sound Off on any topic, call 205-722-0188 or e-mail I thought it was a law that one had to drive one or wo car lengths behind the car in front of you. It would ertainly be safer.

- Tuscaloose

SUNDAY'S WINNERS 12/28

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