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Cullman Kid's Mart annual fall/winter sale this Friday-Sunday



FACEBOOK/THE ATRIUM

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CULLMAN – Starting this Friday, Aug. 25 and running until Sunday, Aug. 27, Cullman Kid's Mart will be holding its annual fall/winter sale- an upscale children's, teen and maternity consignment sale.

"We have two sales each year," said the fifth-year co-owner of the organization, Susan Glass, who runs the business with her husband. "We have two sales every year, the spring and summer, and then the fall and winter."

Glass said that, while she and her husband have only owned Cullman Kid's Mart for five years, she was involved with the business for 10 years leading up to her purchase of it.

"The Cullman Kid's Mart has been around for about 25 years," she said.

While the drop-off period for this year's fall/winter sale has ended, those who want to participate in the next sale can do so by visiting the Kid's Mart website (www.cullmankidsmart.com) and registering as a consigner.

"We have never really taken monetary donations," said Glass. "But we really do encourage people to come out to this year's sale to get a good deal on clothes, toys and shoes. It's a way cheaper way to get the things you need for way cheaper than retail."

This weekend's event will be at The Atrium at 3920 Highway 157.

"We inspect all the items to try and provide the highest quality items for shoppers," Glass said. "While some things slip through the cracks, we do our best to ensure only the top-notch stuff gets through."

Dates and times:

- Friday, Aug. 25- First-Time Mom Sale, 9-11 a.m. No children, please.
- Friday, Aug. 25- Public Sale, 11 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Saturday, Aug. 26- 25% Off Day, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Sunday, Aug. 27- 50% Off Day, noon-4 p.m.

Popular CCSO Citizens' Academy underway

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CULLMAN – The latest class of the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Citizens' Academy got underway Tuesday evening, with approximately 80 enrolled participants, including this time a Cullman Tribune correspondent. The Tribune will report each week, giving an inside view of what happens as participants are exposed to the world of law enforcement and learn more about being good citizens of their community, state and country.

Sheriff Matt Gentry personally kicked things off. "I get very excited when I see a group this large that wants to be involved in their county. First and foremost, it's an honor and a privilege for me to be the sheriff of Cullman County. This is my home, and this is where I was born, and this is where I'll die. So I tell the other 66 sheriffs, I say, 'I live in the greatest county in the state of Alabama, and it's because of our citizens.'

"One of the things we believe in at the CCSO, and this is something that we campaigned on, and this is something that we believe with all of our hearts--we talk about this all the time: the sheriff's office doesn't belong to me, it doesn't belong to the deputies; it belongs to all of us. And we, as a community, make our sheriff's office strong."

After introducing the CCSO command staff, Gentry turned the floor over to guest speaker Chess Bedsole, a Republican lawyer and criminal court judge who served as the Alabama

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Hanceville's knapsack program plans for new year; 'Bulldog Pantry' unveiled

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HANCEVILLE – The Hanceville Knapsacks for Kids program leaders met with representatives of other local groups last Thursday to plan for this school year, and to discuss a new offering for needy families of Hanceville students. Nancy Horton and Sandy Waters, who head up the program at Hanceville First United Methodist Church, shared a little about what is happening.

Horton explained, "The Hanceville Schools Knapsacks for Kids Committee met for their planning meeting Thursday. This is the beginning of the third year for this community effort to provide weekend meals for eligible students of all three schools. We are proud to partner with 14 churches, civic clubs and individual donors to support this effort.

"Additionally, a new program will benefit families that need emergency food assistance. The program will be called the Bulldog Pantry.

"This program will be designed to help the families of Hanceville students who might be experiencing an emergency need for food due to circumstances beyond their control. The eligible families will be identified after they make application through the school counselors. Donations of non-perishable food items will be accepted on Thursday mornings at 9 a.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center."

Hanceville's Knapsacks program relies on numerous partners, who donate goods and give their time to come and pack bags.

Last year's partners included Hopewell Baptist Church, Hanceville First United Methodist, Stouts Mountain Baptist, Trinity Lutheran, First Baptist Hanceville, Northside Church of Christ, Center Hill Baptist, Garden City Church of God, Pleasant Grove Methodist, Hanceville Civitan Club, Hanceville Culture Club, Highway 91 Homemakers Club and Pirkey Tax Service. More help is coming: Megan Bear recently informed The Tribune that her Hanceville Rocks rock painting/hunting group will be helping out this year.

Waters added, "We had a great kick-off meeting. There was a lot of enthusiasm from all of our community partner representatives.

"It is truly a blessing to see the various churches, civic groups, businesses and individuals that come together to make this program a success. I would also like to thank Mayor Kenneth Nail and the council for their continued support.

"There is a strong possibility that without their belief in the program and their desire to help Hanceville's children, the Knapsacks for Kids program may have never become a reality."

Any person or group interested in helping can contact Horton at 256-309-1936 or Waters at 256-339-0634.



W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Knapsacks program volunteers plan strategies for the new school year.

Welti man jailed on drug charges

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CULLMAN COUNTY – A Welti man was arrested late last week and charged with unlawful distribution of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of a controlled substance and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

Rodney Dylan Witcher, 48, was arrested by Cullman Police Department Sgt. Chris Thomason and officers Trey Higginbotham, Cole Kelley and Dustin Colburn at his residence. The original arrest was for distribution, but according to a media release from the CPD, during that arrest, Witcher was also found to be in possession of methamphetamine and drug paraphernalia, leading to the additional charges.

The distribution charge stemmed from an undercover operation during which Thomason, Investigator Justin Craft and Colburn allegedly made a controlled buy of methamphetamine from Witcher.

Witcher is being held in the Cullman County Detention Center.



CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Rodney Dylan Witcher

WSCC Public Service Announcement

Public invited to meet visiting accreditation review team from ACEN

Gail Crutchfield
WSCC

HANCEVILLE – Wallace State Community College Department of Nursing Education wishes to announce that it will host a site review for continuing accreditation of its Associate Degree and Practical Nursing program by the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

You are invited to meet the site visit team and share your comments about the program in person at a meeting scheduled at 4 p.m., on Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2017 at the Wallace State School of Nursing and Center for Science, room 219.

Written comments are also welcome and should be submitted directly to:

Dr. Marsal Stoll, Chief Executive Officer
Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing
3343 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 850
Atlanta, GA 30326

Or email: mstoll@acenursing.org

All written comments should be by the ACEN by Oct. 6, 2017.

Cullman High School Class of 1967 50th Year Reunion

The CHS Class of 1967 50th year reunion will be Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at Terri Pines Country Club.

$50 single/ $100 couple. Dress casual. Meal to be served at the reunion, to include prime rib, etc.

Cash bar. Also 1960's music to be played in the background for all to enjoy.

There will be a guided tour of the new high school at approximately 2 p.m. for those that would like to attend.

Event Contact: Charles Davis, Danny McAfee

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Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on October 10, 2008 by Chris Yeager, a married man, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1578, Page 977 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on September 5, 2017:

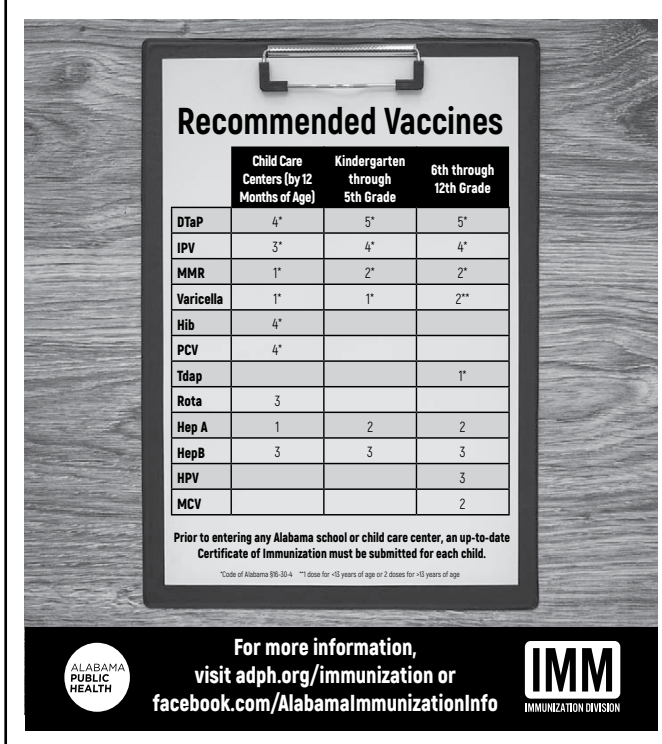
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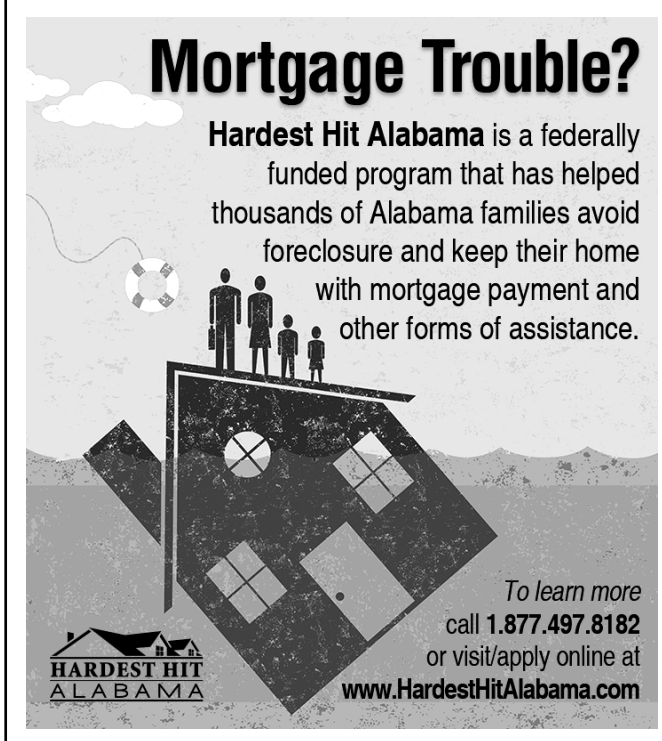
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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Siliq (brodalumab) to treat adults with moderate-to-severe plaque psoriasis. Siliq is administered as an injection. Psoriasis is a skin condition that causes patches of skin redness and flaking. Psoriasis is an autoimmune disorder that occurs more commonly in patients with a family history of the disease and most often begins in people between the ages of 15 and 35. The most common form of psoriasis is plaque psoriasis, in which patients develop thick, red skin with flaky, silver-white scales.

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Donepezil, a medication that is approved to treat people with Alzheimer's disease, should not be prescribed for people with mild cognitive impairment without a genetic test. UCLA School of Nursing researchers discovered that for people who carry a specific genetic variation. Mild cognitive impairment is a transitional state between normal age-related changes in cognition and dementia. Because many people with the condition display symptoms similar to those caused by Alzheimer's disease, some physicians prescribe donepezil, which is marketed under the brand name Aricept and is the most-prescribed medication for Alzheimer's. Donepezil was tested as a possible treatment for mild cognitive impairment in a large, federally funded study published in 2005, but it was not approved by the FDA. Still, doctors have often prescribed the drug "off-label" – meaning that it is not approved for that specific disorder – for their patients with mild cognitive impairment.

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Lineman involved in electrical accident Tuesday ID'd; details remain scarce

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A staging area was set up on County Road 703 Tuesday afternoon after a lineman was severely injured in an electrical accident.

CULLMAN COUNTY – A lineman working for Hixson, Tennessee-based APL Power Services, under contract with the Cullman Electric Cooperative, was involved in a serious electrical accident on Tuesday afternoon near the community of Walter. According to WRCB TV in Chattanooga, family members identified the lineman as Holden Beck, a husband and father of five children. A GoFundMe page has been set up at www.gofundme.com/3f7vd-the-beck-family.

The original call for assistance reported that a lineman had been electrocuted in the 800 block of County Road 768. Responders from the Walter Volunteer Fire Department, Cullman EMS, Air Evac Lifeteam, the Holly Pond Volunteer Fire Department, Hanceville Fire Rescue and the Cullman County Sheriff's Office converged on the scene, setting up a staging area on County Road 703. Beck was airlifted to UAB Hospital with life-threatening injuries.

Brian Lacy, communications manager for the Cullman Electric Cooperative, said on Tuesday evening, "The lineman was involved in a contact incident, meaning he made direct contact with a power line."

When asked how dangerous the victim's situation is, Lacy said, "The voltage levels in a power line have enough electricity running through them that any kind of contact that a lineman makes can be potentially lethal. I'm sure they're taking every medical precaution at this point in time as they treat the injuries."

The incident occurred at approximately 4:22 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.

Late Tuesday evening, the Co-op released the following official statement:

"A lineman working for an independent contractor under contract with Cullman Electric Cooperative was involved in an electrical accident Tuesday afternoon, Aug. 22, 2017, near the Walter community in southeast Cullman County. The lineman was transported by helicopter to a hospital in Birmingham. The lineman was an employee of APL Power Services based in Chattanooga, TN. No additional information on the incident or the status of the injured lineman is available at this time. The thoughts and prayers of all Cullman Electric Cooperative employees go out to the lineman and his family."

On Wednesday afternoon, Lacy said, "Because there is an ongoing investigation, we won't have any specific details to share about the incident. Any personal information (name) or medical updates will need to come from APL or the lineman's family. Because he is not a co-op employee, we are not at liberty to release any of that information."

The Tribune did reach out to APL Power Services for comment; however, we were told that everyone from the office is down in Alabama following the incident and that no further information is available at this time. Lacy did confirm that the lineman was in a bucket truck working when the accident occurred.

The Co-op released a second statement Wednesday afternoon:

"The accident is currently under investigation. The lineman is being treated at UAB in Birmingham. Because he is not a co-op employee, Cullman EC will not be releasing his name or any medical information. We can say that the injuries he suffered were severe and life-threatening, so please keep this lineman, his family, his co-workers and all of the medical staff providing treatment in your prayers."

21st annual Sweet Tater Festival Sept. 3-4

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CULLMAN – The 21st annual Sweet Tater Festival is coming up soon. Scheduled for Labor Day Weekend, the festival will take place at Smith Lake Park on Sunday, Sept. 3, and Monday, Sept. 4.

The event, which lasts for two full days, costs just $5 for admission, not including camping fees if those attending want to bring a tent or a recreational vehicle.

"It is just an enjoyable couple days at the park," said Doug Davenport, director of Cullman County Parks and Recreation.

The two days will be packed with events and contests such as a golf-cart parade, with the best in show being awarded prizes that are yet to be announced.

"There is also going to be the second year of a sweet potato pie eating contest sponsored by Bojangles, and a Pepsi-chugging contest, and Pepsi donates all the drinks for that event too," said Davenport.

The park recently completed what Davenport says is the largest Pepsi can in the country. The department worked with Pepsi Cola of Cullman, who painted the old, non-functioning water tower next to the Smith Lake Park office building to look like a Pepsi can.

"It is 32 feet tall, and we are pretty sure that is the biggest in the country. We only know of two others that even exist, and ours is bigger than those," he said. "We're trying to get in the Guinness Book of World Records for that."

Along with the contests and the natural scenery of Smith Lake Park, there will be as many vendors' booths, if not more than last year's number of 137.

There will also be the annual car show at the event, which Davenport thinks had a bad turnout last year because of the threat of rain.

Davenport anticipates around 7,000-8,000 people will attend the event each day. "When we moved the event to Smith Lake Park several years ago the potential for the event just grew," he said. "We just try to provide different events and things that people can get involved with and excited about."

Davenport, after doing some research about the event, stated that it was initially named the Sweet Tater Festival because at the time of its inception Cullman was the no. 10 sweet potato producer in the United States.

There will be live entertainment for both days of the event.

"In previous years we have arranged the acts and set it all up ourselves, but this year we hired professionals, so you'll see that it is a little beefed up from years past," Davenport said.

Ag Tag helps support local ag education efforts

Mary Johnson
ALFA Farmers

CULLMAN – Motorists may purchase an Ag Tag at the local probate office for an additional $50 when renewing registration. Recently redesigned, the tag features a patriotic farm scene and displays the drivers' commitment to supporting Alabama students and farmers.

"These tags are really nice," said Cullman County Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham. "Agriculture remains the largest industry in our County and buying these tags will give our citizens the opportunity to show their pride and support for the industry." Funds raised through Ag Tag sales support education and promotion efforts including the annual Alabama Ag in the Classroom Summer Institute for teachers, Farm-City Week programs, college scholarships for students studying agriculture-related degrees, prizes for livestock show competitors and other youth agriculture programs.

"I'm proud to be an Alabama farmer and that agriculture has supported my family for years," said Cullman County Farmers Federation President Steve Lake. "Buying an Ag Tag for your vehicle is a great way to promote agriculture and show support for farmers."

Find out more about the Ag Tag and the Alabama Farmers Agriculture Foundation at http://www.AlabamaFarmersFoundation.org.

Academy (from Front)

State Director for Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign who is currently running for Alabama attorney general.

Bedsole talked about his experiences on the campaign trail up to the Republican Convention, then his life lived largely in vice presidential candidate Mike Pence's plane. He talked about the stresses of living a life filled with threats, and spoke of the Secret Service agents he came to know with great fondness. After the election, he served on Trump's transition team, studying Obama's executive orders and finding, in his words, that "the degree of social engineering was incredible, especially in the military."

Bedsole explained his vision for service as a judge and attorney, saying, "If you are called, then you owe it to your community, to your religion, and to your loved ones to say 'yes' when you hear that call."

Next, Lt. Jason Allen talked about sex offender registration and compliance.

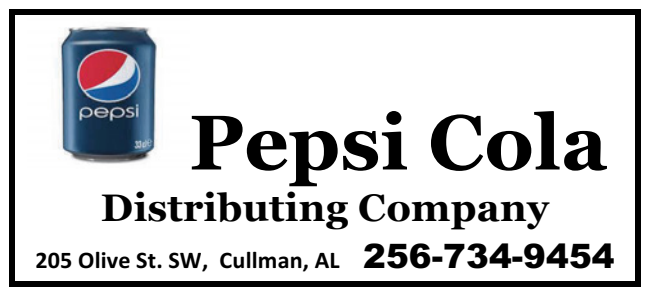
He pointed out that 249 registered sex offenders live in Cullman County, and that deputies performed more than 3,000 home checks on those offenders last year, making sure that offenders were where they were supposed to be and doing what they were supposed to do.

After a break time with a generous supper, participants were divided into groups to tour the sheriff's office building.

The groups visited the:

- Evidence room and saw how evidence is stored and secured, and viewed an extensive collection of drug paraphernalia presented by Evidence Custodian Alan Phelps
- 911 dispatch center and saw how the system helps the CCSO get help to where it is needed as quickly as possible
- Investigation office to learn how teams of investigators deal with crimes against property and against persons
- Gentry's office, where he talked about the various pictures and items displayed there, and presented more about what it means to be the sheriff.

Next week's class meeting will focus on the work of patrol deputies.



Judge declares mistrial in case of former CHS principal Elton Bouldin

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN – Former Cullman High School Principal Dr. Elton Bouldin's jury trial concluded Tuesday with Judge Scott Vowell declaring a mistrial after the jury was unable to come to a unanimous decision after three hours of deliberation. The trial began Monday afternoon and went through the day on Tuesday. Shortly before 6 p.m., the jury informed Vowell that they were split and could not come to a decision, but the judge asked them to keep trying. Shortly after 7:45 p.m., he declared a mistrial. Bouldin was facing third-degree trespassing charges stemming from an incident in April 2016 when he and Cullman High School Assistant Principal Mark Stephens went to the home of a student, Justin Butts. The two educators entered the home- Bouldin says they were invited in; Butts says they were not.

The day was long and packed to the brim with testimony from former students Austin Smith and Brennen Stricklin, current Cullman City Schools administrators Aaron Sparks (Cullman High School assistant principal) and David Wiggins (East Elementary School principal) and Superintendent Dr. Susan Patterson.

The jury heard some new information from the testimonies of both Jason Butts and Bouldin about what exactly occurred at the home of then-student Justin Butts on April 14 of last year.

The two had conflicting stories when it came to what occurred over the phone during the incident, with Butts testifying that he and his wife Julee were told by their son Justin Butts that Bouldin began tapping on his driver's side window when he returned home from in school suspension (ISS) that afternoon in order to get him to exit the vehicle. He also stated that later after Bouldin and Stephens had entered the house, he instructed his son Justin to put him on speaker phone so that he could speak directly to Bouldin. Butts said he asked, "Can you hear me?" and said he heard Bouldin reply by saying yes. It was at that time he said he told Bouldin, "Get out of my house; you better not be there when I get back."

Contrary to Butts' account, Bouldin testified that Stephens was the one who tapped on Justin Butts' window when he arrived and when asked about Justin Butts' version of the events, claimed that Justin "made that up." Bouldin also refuted Jason Butts' claim that he spoke to him over the speaker phone, saying, "That was a lie," and that he has "never spoken to Mr. Butts." Bouldin also testified that Justin Butts telling Bouldin and Stephens to wait outside did not happen, and said, "That was a lie." Bouldin said that Justin Butts told them they could "come on in; I'm sorry my room is so messy."

Recorded conversations between Bouldin and Patterson, as well as Stephens and Patterson were played for the jurors. In his conversation with Patterson, Bouldin said that he wanted to try to meet Justin Butts at the house before the parents returned home and wanted to verify the caliber of the gun. He went on to say that he wanted to try to resolve the situation in a way that would allow Justin Butts to participate in his class' graduation. He also told Patterson that he thought Stephens was good enough friends with the Butts family that they could resolve the situation without any police or resource officers.

In the taped discussion that Stephens had with Patterson, Stephens stated that he felt comfortable enough with the family to meet Justin Butts at the house without his parents being present. During a phone call with Julee Butts later after entering the house, Stephens said, "Julee was uncomfortable with us being in the house and told me to wait there for her to get home." Julee Butts challenged that statement in her testimony yesterday when she said, "I told him I was uncomfortable with him being there, and that they had no business being there." She went on to say that Stephens and Bouldin had "crossed the line and needed to leave".

In the end, the 12 members of the jury were unable to come to a consensus after hearing all of the testimony and never got closer than a 9-3 margin of agreement. The case will be tried again with a new jury at a later date that is yet to be determined.

Background

Bouldin was found guilty of third-degree trespassing on Oct. 13, 2016 in a bench trial presided over by Cullman County Circuit Judge Martha Williams and appealed that verdict on Oct. 25, 2016, requesting a trial by jury. Jury selection was Monday morning, and Monday afternoon testimony began. The jury trial was presided over by former Jefferson County Circuit Judge Scott Vowell. It was originally assigned to Cullman County Circuit Judge Greg Nicholas, who quickly recused himself following the assignment.

Bouldin was again facing third-degree trespassing charges stemming from an incident in April 2016 when he and Cullman High School Assistant Principal Mark Stephens went to the home of a student, Justin Butts. The two educators entered the home- Bouldin says they were invited in; Butts says they were not.

The student's mother, Julee Butts, later swore out a warrant against Bouldin and Stephens, who subsequently turned themselves in and were released the same day.

Following the guilty verdict in his bench trial, Bouldin was sentenced to 10 days of labor and a $200 fine; however, Williams suspended his sentence and instead placed Bouldin on unsupervised probation for six months. On a second charge, failure to report an incident of school violence, Williams found Bouldin not guilty. He had two weeks to appeal the ruling.

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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 23-26

Shirley Ann Reeves McNabb lived her life Nov. 3, 1944 – Aug. 20, 2017. Funeral service held Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at Moss-Service Chapel with interment in Hopewell Cemetery. Shirley is survived by son Mark (Trish) Burrow; daughters- Donna (Terell) Hann and Jeri (Gary) Bartlett; step-daughters- Abby (Jeff) Frasier, Kay Cason, Belinda Creel. Shirley's life saw the passing of the following loved ones- James Howard and Annie Lou Green Reeves, mother and father; husband- Jack McNabb; son- Britt McNabb, step-son – Larry (Carol) McNabb. Brothers James Stearlin (Fern) Reeves, Tom (Becky) Reeves, Allen (Judy) Reeves and Michael (Linda) Reeves and sister- Kathy (Michael) Loyd. Granddaughters Breanna Burrow, Jennifer (Abe) Rooks, Alysha (Conner Jeffers) McNabb, Alyson McNabb, Samantha McNabb, Erin Thompson, Zoie Frasier, Taylor Cason Oaks, Brook Picard Ami, Whittney McClellan, Bayli Creel; grandsons- Wesley Brown, Jacob Hann, Matthew Bartlett and Jack McNabb. Great-grandchildren – Bentley Michael Rooks, Cooper Dale Rooks, Lillian Michelle Jeffers, Isaiah Pickard. Shirley's days were filled with many more friends, relatives and neighbors.

Cuethal Asa Hightower, 82, of Bear Creek, entered into rest on August 20, 2017 at his residence. Mr. Hightower was born on April 20, 1935, in Cullman. Cuethal was a member of Antioch Baptist Church for 52 years. He served in the United States Army during the Korean War. He was a truck driver for 25 years and was known as "Cue Ball" on the CB. Cuethal started the Bear Creek Fire Department and Rescue Squad, and served as the fire chief for 30 years. He was the manager of Bear Creek Water Works for 18 years. He was an active member of the town of Bear Creek for 43 years, where he held every position except mayor. Cuethal received multiple fire and rescue awards. He loved riding motorcycles, fishing, boating, and water skiing. Funeral service held Tuesday, August 23, 2017 at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville. Brother Jeff Whitten will officiate. Burial will follow in Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery in Phil Campbell. Cuethal is survived by his wife of 61 years, Yvonne Hightower; son, Steve Hightower; daughter, Pam Ricketts and husband Art; brother, Eddie Hightower and wife Mary; sisters, Louell Cole, Ivalee Dobbins, Shelia Kimbrough and husband Danny; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was "Paw Paw" to 3 grandchildren, Brandon Ricketts, Colton Ricketts, Chris Hightower; and 4 great grandchildren, Jackson Hightower, Kenleigh Ricketts, Kingston Ricketts, and Bankston Ricketts. He was preceded in death by his parents, Duford and Carrie Hightower; brother, Ronald Douglas Hightower; sisters, Louise Cagle, Eloise Shellnutt, Betty Faye Mobley, Bobbie Fell, and Nellie Joe Grelly.

Funeral Services for Ancil Wallace, 71 of Cullman, will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 23, 2017 in the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, Burial will follow at Cullman City Cemetery, with Bro. Jim Deason & Bro. Nick Woods officiating. Cullman Funeral Home directing. Ancil was born on February 7, 1946 to the late John Amos & Icie Mavis Hale Wallace; and passed away at home Sunday, August 20, 2017. He loved to travel, and work in his garden, was an avid Alabama fan and a lifelong member of the church of Christ. He is preceded in death by his parents, and a brother, Jerry Amos Wallace. Survivors include his Wife of 50 years – Betty Jo Jester Wallace; Daughter – Sharyn (Gary) Hollingsworth; Son – Lee (Kristie) Wallace; 5 – Grandchildren – Drake Hollingsworth, Callie Hollingsworth, Icie Wallace, Baylor Wallace & Copper Wallace; 3 – Sisters – Margaret (Howard) Millican, Eloise (Charles) Campbell & Peggy (Sonny) Tucker. Donations may be made to the Joe Lee Griffin Hope Lodge in Birmingham or American Cancer Society, in lieu-of-flowers.

William Wallace, 78 of Double Springs, entered into rest on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 at his home surrounded by his loving family. A complete obituary and funeral arrangements will be announced at a later date. Funeral under direction of Nichols Funeral Home.

Funeral services for Vernelle Haley Miner, 85 of Eva, will be 2 p.m. Friday, August 25, 2017, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Chapel, with interment in Bethel Methodist Cemetery in Morgan County. Nicky James will be officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Miner passed away Tuesday evening, August 22, at her residence. She was born October 6, 1931, to parents, Wallace and Autie Frederick Haley. She is preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include a son, Alan (Gerry) Miner; three daughters, Pam (Mark) Farmer, Sheila (Robert) Johnson, Trisha (Gary) Livingston; 12 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; three brothers, Freddie Haley, Dale Haley, Carlson Haley; and a sister, June Maxwell. Visitation will be Thursday evening from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial service for Dale Allen Burgess, 54 of Bremen, will be held Saturday, August 26 at 1 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Burgess passed away on Monday, August 21, 2017 at UAB Hospital. He was preceded in death by his parents, Daryl Delane Burgess and Coline Hunt Burgess and a brother, Roger D. Burgess. He is survived by his wife, Belinda Burgess; daughter, Stephanie Hanna Cecile Burgess; son, Christopher Allen Burgess; stepchildren, Kevin Busby and Laranda Nixon; eight grandchildren; one great grandchild; brothers, Billy (Patsy) Burgess, Mitchell Burgess, David (Karen) Burgess and Tim (Pam) Burgess; sisters, Janice (Wayne) Day and Jeanette (Kenneth) Calvert; and a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2017 – 23
TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTY INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the **Raul and Kimberly Organista** has petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, which property is owned by the petitioner, be annexed into the City of Cullman:

PPIN: **043674**
PARCEL: **17-01-12-0-001-099.000**
DESCRIPTION: **Commence at the Southeast corner of the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ Section 12, Township 10 South, Range 3 West; thence South 89 degrees 37 minutes West a distance of 506.1 feet; thence North 01 degrees 27 minutes West a distance of 268 feet South 89 degrees 16 minutes West a distance of 80.0 feet; thence North 10 degrees 39 minutes West a distance of 184.0 feet to the Southeast corner of Lee Property and the true point of beginning; thence North 80 degrees 48 minutes West a distance of 205.9 feet to the east right of way of a public road; thence South 00 degrees 26 minutes East along said right of way a distance of 71.71 feet to the North right of way of a public road; thence along North right of way by the following bearing and distances: South 73 degrees 19 minutes 15 seconds East 121.7 feet; thence South 81 degrees 23 minutes 17 seconds East 84.35 feet on the West right of way of a public road; thence North 01 degrees 51 minutes East along West right of way 86.35 feet to the true point of beginning: Said land lying and being in the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ Section 12, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama.**
Source of title: Deed Book 618 Page 234.
ADDRESS: **94 COUNTY ROAD 701, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35055.**

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as **R-1 RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT**.

SECTION 4. The City of Cullman cannot at this time provide adequate fire protection due to limited road access and/or water supply. This property shall continue to be served by its current primary fire responders and/or utility providers. The City of Cullman will be a secondary responder and utility provider.

SECTION 5. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 6. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 14th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Garlan Gudger
President of the City Council

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley Moore
City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 14th day of August, 2017.

/s/ Woody Jacobs
Mayor

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby give to all owners, secured parties and lienholders of the following described motor vehicles, which I have a right to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, in accordance with the State of Alabama abandoned motor vehicle law, Statues, Chapter 13, Section 1-8, Title 32 and Alabama Law Act Number 83-494-S-80, as per Legislative Act 2015-470:

1997 Ford F150, Vin: 1FTEF17W4VNB85426

This vehicle will be sold on September 23, 2017, at 12:00 p.m., at Just GM Auto and Truck Repair, Incorporated, 105 3rd Avenue, Southwest, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY

CASE NO.: AD2017-049

IN THE MATTER OF:
P. E. R.,
A minor child.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN FATHER OF P.E.R. , A MINOR CHILD BORN TO BRITNEY HOPE SMITH,WHOSE WHEREABOUTS ARE UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY JENNIFER BETH ROBERTS AND MEAGAN MARIE ROBERTS. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST NOTICE OF PUBLICATION. YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS IS SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, POST OFFICE BOX 970, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35056.

DONE THIS 22nd DAY OF August, 2017.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
Attorney for Petitioner
PARKER AND PARKER, P.C.
215 Main Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055
(256)775-4444

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2017-218

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF NEIL ED RAINWATER, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Neil Ed Rainwater, II, and William Clark Rainwater on the 2nd day of August, 2017, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Neil Ed Rainwater, II, and William Clark Rainwater
Personal Representatives

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Steven C. Smith
Attorney for the Estate
Smith & Smith, LLP
P. O. Box 398
Cullman, AL 35056-0398
(256) 734-4721

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
ROBBIE LEE BRADFORD, * CASE NUMBER PC2017-181
DECEASED. *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED

BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters of Administration of said Deceased having been granted to SANDRA BRADFORD BENDER, Personal Representative, on the 8th day of August, 2017, by the HONORABLE TAMMY BROWN, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

SANDRA BRADFORD BENDER, Personal Representative
The Estate of ROBBIE LEE BRADFORD, Deceased.

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for three successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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419 2nd Avenue Southwest
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE ESTATE OF)
BILLY EARL TURNER) CASE NO.: PC2017-196
Deceased)

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 11th day of August, 2017, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of the Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Steven C. Smith

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To: Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Hon. Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
THE ESTATE OF:)
BILLY RAY ALEXANDER,) Case No.: PC – 2017- 225
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Jonathan Charles Alexander as Administrator of the Estate of Billy Ray Alexander, deceased, on the 11th day of August, 2016, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Jonathan Charles Alexander
Administrator of the Estate of
Billy Ray Alexander, deceased

Beverly Paschal Poston,
Attorney for the Estate of
Billy Ray Alexander, deceased
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama, 35055

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the foregoing notice one a week for 3 consecutive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on May 28, 2013 by Gary E. Robinson and wife Donna E. Robinson, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1708, Page 505 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on September 20, 2017:

A tract or parcel of land being situated in the NW ¼ of the SE ¼ of Section 18, Township 10 South, Range 1 West, Cullman County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a found iron marking the northwest corner of the NE ¼ of the SW ¼ of said Section 18 and run S 88°58'19" E, and run along the north line, a distance of 1240.00 feet to a point; thence run S 01°34'52" W a distance of 700.00 feet to a point; thence run S 89°08'56" E a distance of 413.33 feet to a set rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue S 89°08'56" E a distance of 248.92 feet to a found rebar marking the west right of line of County Road No. 771; thence run N 03°05'04" E, and run along said right of way line, a distance of 175.11 feet to a set rebar; thence run N 89°08'54" W, departing said right of way line, a distance of 248.91 feet to a set rebar; thence run S 03°05'08" W a distance of 175.11 feet to the point of beginning. Situated, lying and being in Cullman County, Alabama.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
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1988 Toyota 4X2 Short, VIN # JT4RN50R6J0343529

2001 Honda Accord, VIN # 1HGCG16581A065029

These vehicles will be sold to pay storage and or repair fee at Smith's Body Shop and Wrecker Service, LLC, 11597 US Highway 278 East, Holly Pond, Alabama, 35083, on Friday, September 29, 2017, at 8:00 a.m.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on July 6, 2007 by Natalie F. Bonner, a/k/a Natalie Bonner, a single woman, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book 1528, Page 538 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on September 5, 2017:

A parcel of land located in a part of the NW ¼ -NW ¼ of Section 16, Township 12 South, Range 4 West, Cullman County, Alabama, being more particularly described as follows:

Begin at the SW corner of said NW ¼ -NW ¼, said point being a 1 ½" open pipe, and run N00°40'38"W, along the west boundary line of said ¼ - ¼, a distance of 621.46', to a point; thence N89°12'10"E, leaving said ¼ - ¼ line a distance of 135.61' to a capped rebar; thence S05°41'04"E, a distance of 43.94', to a capped rebar; thence S06°22'08"W, a distance of 48.48', to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence S22°39'39"W, a distance of 29.45', to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence S17°48'45"E, a distance of 40.10', to a capped rebar; thence S67°23'22"E, a distance of 54.53' to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N13°07'09"E, a distance of 23.14', to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N48°21'04"E, a distance of 31.90', to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N18°39'41"E, a distance of 53.61', to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N46°26'03"E, a distance of 68.45' to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N54°39'26"E, a distance of 68.36' to a capped rebar (Rollins); thence N89°11'11"E, a distance of 23.84', to a point on the southwesterly right-of-way of Brushy Pond Road and a point of curve; said curve being non-tangent, to the left, having a radius of 1003.36' a delta angle of 11°30'07", and an arc length of 203.75'; thence S30°05'19"E, along the chord of said curve a chord distance of 203.40'; thence S35°54'22"E, along said southwesterly right-of-way of Brushy Pond Road, a distance of 574.29', to a capped rebar and a point on the south boundary of the NW ¼ - NW ¼; thence N88°57'10"W, along the south boundary of said NW ¼ - NW ¼, a distance of793.02' to the point of beginning.

Said parcel of land contains 7.75 acres more or less.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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Cullman High School Class of 1957 holds 60th reunion

Pictured, (sitting on floor): *Maxine Drake McCain, Joyce Earl Brown, Gene Wilhite, Patty Swann Miller, Glenda Holmes Neal, Carole Brindley King and Brenda Tiffin Tucker*

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Row two: *Jimmie Lou Sanford Abbott, Gail Haynes McCullers, Betty Clements, Mary Sue Bibb Rodgers, Rhonda Westbrook Aderhold, Jeanenne Oden Skinner, Nellie Sue Griffin Glaser, Jorene Burgess Kinser, Charlotte Mullins Burks, Nelda S. Beasley, Sonny Mullins, Perry Tucker, Dale Neel, Wilda Bates Kohlenberg and Freda Entrekin Beasley*

Row three: *Jean Chandler Holmes, Mary Frances Hartwig Laney, Mary Flippo Clark, Dot Burton Webb, Barbara Grund Polvcci, Dorothy Stansell Fowler, Shelby Williams Ledyard, Joan Day Walker, Frank Duke and Garrell White*

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