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Vinemont teacher arrested for engaging in sex act with student

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VINEMONT – A Vinemont teacher has been arrested for one count of engaging in a sex act with a student under the age of 19. Chasity McRae, 35, was taken into custody on Thursday, March 15. She was a counselor at Vinemont Elementary School. The student involved is an 18-year-old male who is a senior at Vinemont High School.

According to Cullman County Schools Superintendent Shane Barnette, "She (McRae) has resigned, thankfully, so we don't have to make a movement on it. She resigned on the day she was arrested."

Barnette said McRae had been employed by the school system for more than 10 years.

"Everybody needs to be aware, in any profession," said Barnette. "This started out through Snapchat and text messaging and gradually escalated to become more. And once we discovered that and we investigated the situation, that's when we had to take some action on it."

Barnette said McRae and the student didn't have any interaction at school that he was aware of.

The Cullman County Sheriff's Office said, in a press release Monday morning, that after receiving information that McRae may have be involved in an inappropriate relationship with a student, CCSO investigators corroborated the initial complaint and McRae was placed under arrest.

McRae was released on a $10,000 bond.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Chasity McRae

What's happening in Montgomery: Cullman County legislative update

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Note: *while preparing this article, The Tribune reached out to Sen. Paul Bussman, R-Cullman, Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview and Rep. Corey Harbison, R-Good Hope. Responses from Bussman and Harbison were not received by press time. Their responses will be published when they are available.*



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Left to right: Sen. Paul Bussman and Reps. Corey Harbison and Randall Shedd pictured at event in Cullman on Nov. 30, 2017.

MONTGOMERY – The Tribune took a little time to see what the legislators who serve Cullman County have been up to during the 2018 session. Below is a brief description of legislation sponsored by Cullman's legislative delegation, based on the language of their sponsored bills, with the current status of each bill.

Rep. Corey Harbison

HB59 - Increases incarceration periods and establishes enhanced penalties for convictions of first, second, or third degree domestic violence if committed in the presence of a minor. This bill would double the incarceration periods for convictions of first or second degree domestic violence if the offenses were committed with knowledge of the presence of a child under the age of 14 years at the time of the offense, if the victim was the parent or legal guardian of the child. *Passed the House and is awaiting a final reading and vote in the Senate.*

HB326 - Increases salary of the Cullman County Coroner and allows Coroner to employ an Assistant Coroner. Under this bill, effective after the 2018 General Election, the Coroner of Cullman County shall receive a salary of twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000), to be paid in equal monthly installments, and shall be paid out of the general fund of the county. The salary in this subsection shall be the total compensation paid to the coroner. The coroner may employ an assistant coroner, and the salary of the assistant coroner shall be paid out of the salary of the coroner. *Passed both houses, awaiting governor's signature.*

HB346 - Requires electronic filing of campaign finance reports. Under existing law, candidates and political action committees who raise $5,000 or less per election cycle are not required to file campaign finance reports with the Secretary of State. This bill would require a principal campaign committee or political action committee that meets the $5,000 threshold for filing campaign finance reports to file the reports electronically with the Secretary of State. *Passed House, referred to Senate committee.*

HB378 - Under existing law, unlawful distribution of a controlled substance is a Class B felony. This bill would create "McGough's Law" to create the crime of "drug delivery resulting in death." The bill would provide that when, without intent to cause death, a person directly or indirectly sells, furnishes, gives away, delivers, or distributes a controlled substance in violation of the law and the use of the controlled substance is a contributing cause of death of another to whom the controlled substance is directly or indirectly sold, furnished, given, delivered, or distributed, the person is guilty of the crime. This bill would also create the crime of "drug delivery resulting in serious physical injury" and would provide that when, without intent to cause serious physical injury, a person directly or indirectly sells, furnishes, gives away, delivers, or distributes a controlled substance in violation of the law and the use of the controlled substance is a contributing cause of serious physical injury of another to whom the controlled substance is directly or indirectly sold, furnished, given, delivered, or distributed, the person is guilty of the crime. Both crimes would be class B felonies. *Currently in House committee.*

HB461 - This bill would propose a local constitutional amendment relating to Cullman County to provide that all allowances or amounts received by the Sheriff of Cullman County for feeding prisoners would be deposited in a special account and used for feeding prisoners in the county jail, and any excess would be authorized to be used by the sheriff for law enforcement purposes. This bill would also provide that effective beginning the next term of office, the annual salary of the Sheriff of Cullman County would be equal to the annual salary of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County. This bill, if passed, would require a local vote in Cullman County during the general election. *Passed House, referred to Senate Committee.*

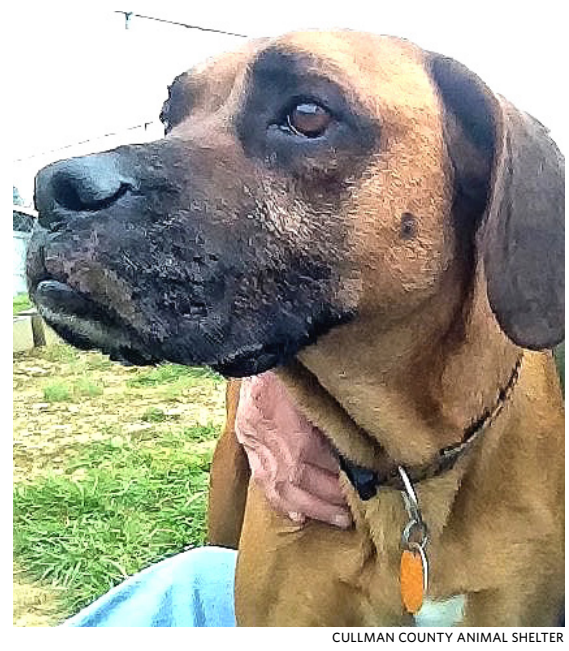
Rep. Randall Shedd

Co-sponsored HB59, HB326, and HB461 with Harbison.

HB201 - Amends Section 14 45-22-222 of the Code of Alabama 1975, relating to parks owned by the county; to further provide for the remaining funds in the Cullman County Park Event Disbursement Fund after all funds due to event winners have been disbursed. Previously, the fund could be drawn upon by the Cullman County Commission or an authorized agent of the Commission or County for disbursements » PAGE 3

PET OF THE WEEK

Copper looking for a human companion



CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

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CULLMAN – Donna Ruttkay from the Cullman County Animal Shelter introduces us to Copper, The Cullman Tribune's Pet of the Week.

"This is one of the kindest dogs I've met!" exclaimed Ruttkay. "Copper is a hound/boxer mix. He is neutered, approximately 2 years old. He is safe, warm and dry and is available for adoption. He is quieter than most. He is low-energy, submissive and floats on his leash. He is respectful of your space... seems he'd rather have you close by, especially when he eats his lunch. He's confused as to why he's temporarily dwelling at the Cullman County Animal Shelter."

Copper's adoption fee is only $5, which is "not indicative of his worth!" said Ruttkay. The fee includes a free 45-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

He doesn't require a veterinarian's visit and will be able to leave the same day as being adopted.

Please consider adopting to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

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SBI investigating officer-involved shooting in Hanceville

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HANCEVILLE – The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) is investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred around 11 p.m. Friday evening at a driver's license checkpoint at Alabama Highway 91 and County Road 747. The incident involved the Hanceville Police Department.

According to an official statement received from Hanceville Police Chief Bob Long early Saturday evening, Eric Lamar Caffey, 23, of Hanceville, whom the statement describes as an armed robbery and home invasion suspect, a convicted felon with a history of violence and in possession of a firearm with outstanding warrants, attempted to flee from the checkpoint when officers tried to get him to exit his vehicle.

"He failed to produce a driver's license. Officers on the scene were familiar with Caffey. They attempted to get him to exit the vehicle," said the statement.

"Caffey, aware of warrants, in possession of marijuana and a firearm, decided to speed away. In an attempt to prevent or limit a high-speed pursuit, officers discharged their weapons.

"Both rear tires were deflated. Caffey still attempted to elude officers at speeds of approximately 70 mph for approximately 1 mile.

"He then came to an abrupt stop in the middle of the road, initiating a collision with a patrol vehicle. A passenger in Caffey's vehicle was not injured."

The statement continued, "He was taken into custody, where he informed the officers that he had been wounded. Paramedics and an ambulance were requested. He was transported to Cullman Regional Medical Center and then transferred to UAB, where he was treated and released."

Long said the Hanceville Police Department contacted the Cullman County District Attorney's Office and the State Bureau of Investigation.

"Both agencies responded promptly. This case is currently under review."



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Eric Lamar Caffey was shot Friday night when Hanceville Police officers discharged their weapons after Caffey attempted to flee a checkpoint. He was treated and released from UAB.

Caffey has been charged with robbery, felon in possession of a firearm, fourth-degree theft of property, attempting to elude, reckless endangerment, first-degree possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

He is currently being held in the Cullman County Detention Center with bonds totaling $46,000.

The names of the officers involved have not been released.

PREP TRACK AND FIELD

Cullman Invitational results

Sammy Confer
Tribune Correspondent

Cold Springs (Girls)

- 100-Meter Hurdles: Morgan Harris- 20.48 (9th)
- 300-Meter Hurdles: Morgan Harris- 58.50 (5th)
- 4x100-Meter Relay: Relay Team- 59.94 (9th), 4x400-Meter Relay: Relay Team- 5:20.49 (8th)
- High Jump: Lilly McSpadden- 4′8″ (5th), Emi Harbison- 4′4″ (9th), Long Jump: Lilly McSpadden- 14′ (7th)
- Pole Vault: Zoe Strawbridge- 7′6″ (5th)
- Discus: Grace Chambers- 101′2″ (3rd), Aubrey Negron- 88′9″ (5th), Kinley Campbell- 80′ (8th)
- Javelin: Zoe Strawbridge- 94′4″ (2nd), Savanna Taylor- 91′6″ (3rd), Kinley Campbell- 91′2″ (4th), Aubrey Negron- 82′10″ (7th)
- Shot Put: Aubrey Negron- 30′1.5″ (4th), Kinley Campbell- 27′8″ (9th)

Cold Springs (Boys)

- 400-Meter Dash: Mason Harris- 51.98 (5th)
- 110-Meter Hurdles- Mason Harris- 16.42 (5th)
- 300-Meter Hurdles- Mason Harris- 43.15 (4th)
- 4x400-Meter Relay: Relay Team- 3:52.48 (10th), 4x800-Meter Relay: Relay Team- 9:07.68 (7th)
- Discus: Peyton Dunn- 108′3″ (8th)
- Shot Put: Brian McAnnally- 44′10″ (1st), Peyton Dunn- 38′5″ (9th)

Cullman (Girls)

- 400-Meter Dash: Sadie Young- 1:04.59 (8th)
- 800-Meter Run: Alexandra Holt- 2:47.63 (9th)
- 100-Meter Hurdles: Ashelyn Cook- 18:98 (4th)
- 4x100-Meter Relay: 53.80 (3rd), 4x400-Meter Relay: 4:31.82 (1st), 4x800-Meter Relay: 11:02.60 (3rd)
- High Jump: Caroline Hollingsworth- 4′8″ (6th), Long Jump: Emily-Klair Brown- 14′8″ (2nd), Lexi Daily- 13′2.5″ (5th)
- Triple Jump: Lexi Daily- 32′3.5″ (2nd), Emily-Klair Brown- 30′9.5″ (5th)
- Pole Vault: Anna Franklin- 9′ (2nd), Sydney Waldrep- 6′6″ (8th), Lindsey Lowery & Brittany Lee- 6′6″ (10th)
- Discus: Emily Johnson- 108′1″ (1st), Ragan Canter- 105′1″ (2nd), Madelyn Hendrix- 80′2″ (7th)
- Javelin: Haley Frankham- 107′5″ (1st)
- Shot Put: Ragan Canter- 27′4″ (10th)

Cullman (Boys)

- 100-Meter Dash: Isaiah Jones- 11.86 (10th)
- 400-Meter Dash: Cameron Baumgartner- 52.70 (7th)
- 800-Meter Run: Edgar Medina- 2:06.28 (3rd)
- 1,600-Meter Run: Jackson Tucker- 4:48.16 (6th)
- 3,200-Meter Run: Will Thompson-10:41.83 (8th), Jackson Tucker- 10:55.19 (10th)
- 110-Meter Hurdles: Will Kress- 15.30 (1st)
- 300-Meter Hurdles: Will Kress- 41.02 (1st)
- 4x100-Meter Relay: 46.77 (9th), 4x400-Meter Relay: 3:41.08 (4th)
- High Jump: Colton Smith- 6′2″ (1st), Kasey Murphree- 5′4″ (10th), Long Jump: Kasey Murphree- 20′10.5″ (2nd)
- Triple Jump: Kasey Murphree- 41′10″ (5th), Colton Smith- 41′9″ (6th)
- Pole Vault: Ethan Hendrix- 10′6″ (5th), Colby Hutson 10′6″ (7th), Nicholas Glass- 10′ (9th), Brock Story- 9′6″ (10th)
- Javelin: Garrett Lee- 134′5″ (9th)

Fairview (Girls)

- Triple Jump: Abby Schnittker- 31′9.5″ (3rd)
- Pole Vault: Molly Freeman- 7′ (6th)
- Discus: Lorin Zehr- 92′9″ (4th)
- Shot Put: Lorin Zehr- 32′5″ (2nd)

Fairview (Boys)

- Triple Jump: Grant Howard- 38′9″ (10th)
- Pole Vault: Isaac Gandy- 9′6″ (10th)
- Discus: Dylan Garner- 135′9″ (1st)
- Javelin: Dylan Garner- 138′4″ (8th)

St. Bernard (Girls)

- 100-Meter Dash: Gracie Loyd- 13.23 (4th), 200-Meter Dash: Gracie Loyd- 28.04 (5th)
- 800-Meter Run: Leahrose Mami- 2:36.00 (3rd), Claire Sanders- 2:46.80 (8th), 1,600-Meter Run: Leahrose Mami- 5:35.07 (2nd)
- 3,200-Meter Run: Leahrose Mami- 12:35.05 (2nd)
- 300-Meter Hurdles: Izzy Warden- 1:00.25 (8th), Kathleen George- 1:01.69 (10th)
- 4x400-Meter Relay: 5:04.15 (7th), 4x800-Meter Relay: 11:25.10 (4th)
- Long Jump: Gracie Loyd- 14′8″ (2nd), Triple Jump: Gracie Loyd- 30′7″ (7th)
- Discus: Ashley Duke- 76′7″ (10th), Javelin: Ashley Duke- 85′9″ (6th)

St. Bernard (Boys)

- 1,600-Meter Run: Andrew Sweeney- 4:40.02 (2nd), 3,200-Meter Run: Andrew Sweeney- 10:13.53 (5th)
- 4x800-Meter Relay: 9:18.87 (8th), High Jump: Elijah Price- 5′8″ (6th)
- Javelin: Christian Peterson- 152′9″ (4th)

Vinemont (Girls)

- Long Jump: Emily Cheatwood- 13′8.5″ (10th), Triple Jump: Emily Cheatwood- 31′9″ (4th), Brilee Wasilewski- 29′11″ (8th)
- Javelin: Kanasta Daniel- 90′2″ (5th)
- Boys- 110-Meter Hurdles: Cameron Carter- 19.85 (8th)

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2. Short-form subdivision – Veigl Ave. SW
3. Short-form subdivision – County Road 222 & County Road 469
4. Short-form subdivision – County Road 1162 and County Road 1169

For further information contact Rick Fulmer or Amber Duke at the City of Cullman Building Department at 256-775-7203.

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STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY
CASE NO: AD-2018-017

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF A.B.L.
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DONE THIS 2nd DAY OF March, 2018.

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

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CULLMAN COUNTY
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2018 4th District Art Competition returning to Wallace State

Office of U.S. Rep. Robert Aderholt

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Robert Aderholt, R-Alabama on Friday called for entries in the 2018 Congressional Art Competition.

"I am pleased once again to be a sponsor of the United States Congressional Art Competition for high school students within the 4th District.

"This is an annual nationwide event that recognizes and encourages the artistic talent we have in our district. Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to compete.

"The 2018 Congressional Art Competition award ceremony and reception will be held at the Burrow Center for the Fine & Performing Arts Building located on the campus of Wallace State Community College in Hanceville, Alabama.

"The date for the ceremony is Monday, April 23 at 10:30 a.m. All students participating in the competition, along with their parents and art teachers, are invited to attend the reception and ceremony.

"Wallace State hosted the competition in 2015 and it was a huge success. (Wallace State President) Dr. (Vicki) Karolewics, and all of the staff at Wallace, went above and beyond to make the event successful and to provide the students with a great experience.

"The 'Best of Show' artwork will represent Alabama's 4th Congressional District by being displayed in the U.S. Capitol Complex for an entire year. In addition to having his or her artwork displayed in Washington, the winner will be awarded two round-trip airline tickets and $500 for expenses to attend the National Exhibition Reception in Washington, D.C. this summer.

"High school students wishing to compete should check with their school's art teacher or administrators. High schools within the 4th District will be receiving letters with more details. Students who are home-schooled are also eligible to participate.

"For more information, please contact Pam Abernathy in our Gadsden District Office at 256-546-0201 or by email at pam.abernathy@mail.house.gov.

"We look forward to seeing the creations of students in the 4th District on display soon at Wallace State."

About the competition

Each spring, the Congressional Institute sponsors a nationwide high school visual art competition to recognize and encourage artistic talent in the nation and in each congressional district.

Since the Artistic Discovery competition began in 1982, more than 650,000 high school students have participated.

Students submit entries to their representative's office, and panels of district artists select the winning entries.

Winners are recognized both in their district and at an annual awards ceremony in Washington, DC. The winning works are displayed for one year at the U.S. Capitol.

Learn more at https://www.house.gov/educators-and-students/congressional-art-competition.

Montgomery (from Front)

to the winners of a conducted event. Any funds remaining in the Park Event Disbursement Fund after disbursement to the winners of an event would immediately be transferred to the individual park fund responsible for the event and thereafter would considered public funds. If this bill passes, those funds may be held in reserve in the Park Event Disbursement Fund for the payment of future disbursements.

Shedd said, "HB201 is a local bill to clear up a technicality for the Cullman County Commission regarding county parks. State examiners (auditors) had some technical concerns regarding park funds and this legislation clears up the confusion."

According to the state legislative website, HB201 passed the House and Senate, and awaits governor's signature; but over the weekend Shedd reported to the Tribune: "HB201 passed this session and became law."

HB443 - Would enable nurse practitioners to practice without collaborating with a physician. Existing law requires nurse practitioners and nurse midwives to practice in collaboration with physicians. This bill would enable nurse practitioners and nurse midwives to practice within the scope permitted by the Board of Nursing and to prescribe medications within the scope permitted by the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Nursing without requiring them to practice in collaboration with a physician. *Referred to House committee, according to the state legislative website.*

Shedd reported over the weekend that the bill had failed, saying, "HB443 is a bill that I was asked by a local citizen to sponsor regarding Nurse Practitioners. It ran into the ire of the Medical Association of Alabama. It will not make it this session."

HB446 - This bill would create the Alabama Rural Hospital Resource Center, within the University of Alabama at Birmingham, to facilitate access to high quality care and improve the health of rural Alabamians by increasing the viability and capabilities of eligible hospitals at no or minimal cost to those hospitals; and would provide staffing and reporting requirements for the resource center, create a rural administrative residency program; and establish the areas in which the resource center may support participating rural hospitals. *Passed House, referred to Senate committee.*

Shedd said of the bill, "This legislation passed the House, and the Senate companion bill is on the calendar this week in the House. I expect it to pass."

Look for information on House resolutions sponsored by Shedd, along with a report on his activities as Chairman of the House Urban and Rural Development Committee, in a separate article.

Rep. Ed Henry

Co-sponsored HB461 with Harbison. Henry, whose district is mostly outside Cullman County, has not sponsored legislation that would directly impact the county.

Sen. Paul Bussman

SB66 - Amends the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission education requirement to become a law enforcement officer to include nonpublic education. Under existing law, applicants for appointment as law enforcement officers are required to be graduates of State Department of Education accredited or approved high schools or to possess a high school equivalency certificate issued by general educational development. This bill would include graduation from a nonpublic education program as qualifying education for applying to become a law enforcement officer in the state. Nonpublic education programs would include a private, church, parochial, or religious school or a home-school program. *Passed Senate, referred to House committee.*

SB67 - Would allow Pharmaceutical Services Providers to petition Dept. of Revenue for direct refund of overpayment of supplemental privilege tax. Existing law provides for a refund to pharmaceutical service providers for overpayment of the supplemental privilege tax on pharmaceutical services paid by those providers in the form of a credit against future taxes. This bill would authorize the Department of Revenue, upon petition by a pharmaceutical service provider who is entitled to a credit of the supplemental privilege tax on pharmaceutical services and has unused credit remaining after October 1, 2018, to refund the provider the remaining credit. *Enacted as law.*

SB68 - This bill makes an appropriation of $500,000 from the State General Fund to Anthony Ray Hinton for the fiscal years ending September 30, 2019, September 30, 2020 and September 30, 2021; as compensation for wrongful incarceration. *Referred to Senate committee.*

Several of Bussman's sponsored bills involve "sunset laws." Under existing law, termination dates are established for enumerated state agencies. The agencies are periodically reviewed by the Alabama Sunset Committee. After the review process is completed, the committee prepares its recommendations for the agencies to the Legislature in the form of sunset bills which either continue, terminate, or continue with modification each agency reviewed.

SB69 - Board of Home Medical Equipment to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB70 - Board of Registration for Foresters to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB71 - Construction Recruitment Institute to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB72 - Sickle Cell Oversight and Regulatory Commission to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB73 - Alabama State Board of Prosthetists and Orthotists to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB74 - State Pilotage Commission to be continued until October 1, 2020. *Enacted.*

SB75 - Surface Mining Commission to be continued until October 1, 2022. *Enacted.*

SB123 - Concerning the State Board of Dental Examiners, this lengthy bill would:

- define and include patient abandonment as grounds for disciplinary action against a dentist.
- expand the exemption of mobile dental facilities subject to registration by the board from certain Jefferson County Department of Health mobile dental facilities to any mobile dental facilities operated by the Alabama Department of Public Health or local county health department.
- revise and clarify the exemption from regulation provided for a dentist who infrequently engages in practice across state lines from less than times a year to less than 10 days a year, and would delete the exemption for practice involving less than 10 patients per calendar year.
- authorize the board to approve and recognize additional continuing education providers.
- expand the time during which an applicant may take the licensure examination to within 18 months after completion of an accredited or approved post-doctoral residency program.
- require each dentist and dental hygienist to display his or her license certificate in a visible location and would allow the licensee to reproduce his or her annual registration certificate.
- authorize the board to establish rules for continuing education requirements for permits.
- increase the dental hygiene by regional exam application fee.
- clarify that failure to comply with any order of the board is grounds for disciplinary action.
- provide for the roll of the board, in lieu of the American Dental Association, in recognizing and approving specialty status in advertising by dentists.
- remove the requirement that board member ballots accompany annual registration forms.
- prohibit an appointed board member from succeeding himself or herself on the board.
- remove the requirement that the board hold an annual meeting in Birmingham at the University of Alabama School of Dentistry and would authorize the board to hold additional meetings as the board may designate.
- require proof of continuing education for the annual renewal of an oral conscious sedation permit.
- make technical 16 corrections.

Passed by both houses, awaiting governor's signature.

SB134 - Remove the State Oil and Gas Board from the sunset review process. *Enacted.*

SB135 - Elevator Safety Review Board continued with certain modifications and removed from the sunset review process. *Enacted.*

SB180 - This bill would require a public water system to notify the State Health Officer before initiating any permanent change in the fluoridation status of its water supply. *Passed Senate, awaiting vote in House.*

SB202 - This bill would establish a 12-year or 200,000-mile depreciation schedule for funding for the depreciation in value for school buses. The current limit on depreciation funding is ten years. *Passed by Senate, referred to House committee.*

SB301 - Relating to persons charged with driving under the influence and the installation of ignition interlock devices on vehicles. This complex bill would:

- further provide for the time periods and conditions for a defendant, including defendants approved for a pretrial diversion program or released on bond, to be required to have an ignition interlock device installed and would provide for the repeal of this provision in five years
- provide that certain enhancement provisions would not apply to ignition interlock requirements
- provide that a portion of the court fee would be distributed to the municipal court if the case is a municipal court case when the person is ordered or agrees to have an ignition interlock device
- delete the requirement for indigents to pay for the services; provide that a person convicted of a third offense would be authorized or required to obtain an ignition interlock device after the completion of his or her incarceration
- require manufacturers to provide ignition interlock services to the indigent under certain conditions without charge
- specify the number of violations for extension of ignition interlock requirements to be consistent with Department of Forensic Sciences rules
- specify that a judge may require the use of an ignition interlock device by a person released on bond and provide for the issuance of a restricted driver's license
- provide that the probation period of any convicted defendant would be extended to include all ignition interlock requirements.

Passed Senate, awaiting vote in House.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2018-083

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PRISCILLA MANN HODGE, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Donna Hodge Jeffers on the 7th day of March, 2018, 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.

Donna Hodge Jeffers
Personal Representative

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

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Southern Towers is proposing to install a guyed telecommunications tower to be located at 85 Lick Creek Road, Holly Pond, Cullman County, Alabama at latitude 34° 10' 17.69" north and longitude 86° 37' 8.61" west. The height of the tower will be 103.6 meters above ground level (363.0 meters above mean sea level). The tower is anticipated to have steady red lights, FAA Style E (L-864/L-865-/L-810). Specific information regarding the project is available by calling Chad Stinnett during normal business hours at (205) 629-3868. Any interested party may submit comments within 30 days of this publication with Environmental, Inc. at 1345 Blair Farms Road, Odenville, AL 35120 for comments on the impact of the proposed action on any districts, sites, buildings, structures, or objects significant in American history, archaeology, engineering, or culture that are listed or determined eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under National Historic Preservation Act Section 106. Interested persons may review the application for this project at www.fcc.gov/asr/applications by entering Antenna Structure Registration (Form 854) file no. A1099877. Interested persons may raise environmental concerns about the project under the National Environmental Policy Act rules of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 CFR § 1.1307, by notifying the FCC of the specific reasons that the action may have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Requests for Environmental Review must be filed within 30 days of the date that notice of the project is published on the FCC's website and may only raise environmental concerns. The FCC strongly encourages interested parties to file Requests for Environmental Review online at www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest, but they may be filed with a paper copy by mailing the Request to FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. A copy of the Request should be provided to Environmental, Inc. at 1345 Blair Farms Road, Odenville, Alabama 35120.

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
MARCH 20, 2018

Hanceville celebrates Irish heritage

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HANCEVILLE – On Saturday, the city of Hanceville observed the St. Patrick's Day holiday with a downtown celebration of its own. The shopping district was decked out in shamrocks and other things green, and a fiddler played while children searched for lost leprechaun gold (They were just painted rocks, but don't tell them!) hidden in little nooks and crannies all over downtown. After an hour of searching, the kids got together for a gold count and the awarding of prizes to the most successful prospectors.

Event coordinator Coleen Vansant read a proclamation from Mayor Kenneth Nail, who was out of town and could not attend:

As early as the 1820s, settlers from Georgia and Virginia came to the area of what we now know as the city of Hanceville. Many of those settlers were born in Ireland or were of Irish ancestry. They were hard working and industrious, and they were determined to carve out a new life in what was still the wilds of north Alabama.

A.S. Martin, an immigrant from Ireland, was the first settler to what became a railroad whistle stop called Gilmer Station. Shortly after came P.H. Kinney, also of Irish ancestry, who arrived in the area and opened a post office in his store in 1872, thus becoming the first postmaster. When the bustling community attempted to incorporate in 1879, the name Gilmer was already taken by a town in Alabama. Mr. Kinney named the town Hanceville, in honor of his father, Hanceford or "Hance" Kinney.

Because of their strength and sacrifice to help build what we know and enjoy as Hanceville today, therefore I, Kenneth Nail, mayor of the city of Hanceville, hereby proclaim today, Saturday, March 17, 2018 as "Irish Heritage Day" in the city of Hanceville.

Vansant said, "We started out small this year, for the first time . . . Hanceville was founded 50 years before Cullman, or the settlers were here. Fifty years before Col. Cullmann even came to Cullman, the Irish were here, settling. So we just wanted to honor our Irish heritage and our Irish founders."

According to Vansant, the event was a small-scale model for larger celebrations in the future.

"This is just a trial run," she said. "We put it together rather quickly in the past couple of weeks.

"It's why we didn't get more activities. But we just wanted to create the awareness, and we're really wanting to come out next year and do some good things to celebrate Hanceville's Irish heritage."



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Hanceville held its first Irish Heritage Celebration on Saturday. The city hopes to make it an annual event.



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Droves of runners turned out for East Elementary's second annual Shamrock Shuffle 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run Saturday morning.

Shamrock Shuffle(s) in spite of weather

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN – It was a wet and overcast start to Saturday morning, but that didn't scare off any of this year's Shamrock Shuffle participants. East Elementary Principal David Wiggins embraced the weather, saying he was happy the runners would get an authentic Ireland experience running in the conditions. The runners either entered a 1-mile fun run or a timed 5K around Cullman's historic neighborhood area behind East Elementary and finished in front of the school.

The event was sponsored by the East Elementary PTO, and its president, Melissa Aaron, was excited to help put together the Shuffle.

"I think it's been a great event; we've had over 150 people that have run it last year and then again this year, so we look forward to doing it again next year," Aaron said. "The fundraising that we do can help make improvements for the playground and then also the technology at the school so we just like everyone in the community to participate, not just those that go to East Elementary, but the primary school, West (Elementary), the middle school and high school as well."

Aaron was also excited to see another great turnout for the run despite another year of wet weather.

"Everyone has really been supportive, and they start talking about it and I know we've had last year's and this year's in the rain, we can't overcome the rain, but people still show up and have fun."







ENTERTAINMENT

Movie Review: 'Tomb Raider' worth the price of admission

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

"Tomb Raider" is directed by Roar Uthaug and stars Academy Award-winner Alicia Vikander as Lara Croft in what is essentially an origin story for this version of Lara that sets up future entries for the franchise.

Vikander's portrayal of Lara Croft is different from the one most people probably know that was played by Angelina Jolie in the early 2000s. While Jolie's version of Croft was already in her prime, we meet this version of Lara before her first adventure and see the events that will shape her into the tomb raider we are familiar with.

Uthaug does a very good job in the action sequences in his big-budget directorial debut, particularly a couple of early chase scenes that were very well done. A lot of that credit goes to Vikander as well, who is great in the action sequences and sells Lara Croft's speed, strength and toughness throughout the entire run time. Once some of the bigger scale action is happening later in the film the green screen can get a bit choppy but overall the action is by far the strength of the film.

Walton Goggins plays the villain Mathias Vogel and Goggins is always good when he plays this type of character. Vikander and Goggins carry this film completely as the two leads, and as good as they are, some of the supporting characters don't bring anything to the plot. It's very clear what characters the filmmakers wanted to focus on, so when they're not on screen you're just waiting for the movie to get back to what you're interested; that can slow things down at times.

Uthaug is clearly going for an "Indiana Jones," adventure genre vibe for this film and there are some very clear references to the Indy trilogy throughout the film, particularly in the third act. I would say that Uthaug hits that tone for the most part but not as well as the Indiana Jones trilogy. This film is also heavily influenced by the "Tomb Raider" video game released in 2013. The film borrows several visual cues from the game design like Lara's outfit, tools and even some of the action set pieces. As far as video game movies go, this one is as visually faithful to the source material as they come.

Overall, the plot and nearly all of the supporting characters take a back seat to the two leads and the action beats, but Lara Croft and the action should be the best parts of a Tomb Raider movie. It won't be the best action film you see this summer, but it's certainly worth a trip to the theater.

Griffin's score: 7/10 stars

Albany Douglas crowned 2018 Vinemont Fair Queen



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Albany Douglas was crowned 2018 Vinemont Fair Queen recently. She will represent Vinemont High School in the 2018 Cullman County Fair Queen Pageant in September.









Arrest report: March 16-18

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for March 16-18. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; **FTA** = failure to appear

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Anderson, Steven Matthew, 39
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Burns, Jeffery Kie, 18
- third-degree theft of property

Campbell, Joshua Adam, 34
- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Carreker, Kayla Marie, 21
- menacing
- reckless endangerment

Cavanaugh, Candice Michelle, 35
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Cobb, Alisha Carolyn, 41
- third-degree domestic violence- reckless endangerment

Colburn, Richard Todd, 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Coleman, Tara Lynn, 35
- chemical endangerment of a child
- obstructing government operations
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- resisting arrest
- tampering with physical evidence
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Drane, Anthony Gwen, 31
- judge's order- DUI-influence of alcohol

Dunn, Tamra Nichole, 34
- FTA- first-degree unlawful possession of marijuana for personal use

Fillmore, John Wayne, 44
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Gilley, Carla Dawn, 40
- contributing to truancy
- FTA- liability insurance required

Hamontree, Brandon Joseph, 32
- GJ- third-degree burglary (2 counts)

Hardin, Jacob Lee, 19
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Harris, Kent Lee, 36
- permitting dogs to run at large

Hines, Timmy Lemark, 55
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- running a stop sign
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Johnson, Robert Gregory, 47
- FTA- third-degree theft of property (2 counts)
- FTA- unlawful breaking and entering of a vehicle

Kanaday, Kandice Lean, 29
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Koshowsky, Donly Kevin Sadet, 27
- third-degree domestic violence- harassing communication

Mayo, Kenneth Ray, 45
- third-degree receiving stolen property

McKinnon, Roger Kyle, 20
- FTA- driving while revoked
- third-degree elder abuse and neglect
- FTA- proof of liability insurance required

Morton, Alexander Scott, 19
- third-degree theft of property

Phillips, Timothy Wayne, 36
- chemical endangerment of a child
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- tampering with physical evidence
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Randall, Dusty Jo, 47
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Reeves, Brenna Hope, 28
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Sherrell, Cameron Daniel, 20
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Shoemake, Vivian Greer, 57
- public intoxication

Shoemaker, Gilbert Michael, 56
- judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Sutton, Amanda Nicole, 24
- harassment

Tubbs, Stacy Lee, 43
- probation violation- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Walton, Andrea Nicole, 33
- chemical endangerment of a child
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- tampering with physical evidence
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

West, Tiffany Leann, 19
- fourth-degree theft of property

Williams, Colby Alan Caine, 19
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- third-degree theft of property

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dugins, Edward M., 53
- FTA- DUI

Brannon, Ronall J., 45
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- driving while suspended

Munson, Munro M., 48
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Gill, Jeremy B., 22
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Potts, Kenneth R., 47

Willingham, Joshua J., 34
- FTA- disorderly conduct
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Busby, Joseph A., 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hames, Laurie T., 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Martin, Mitchell W., 37
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Steele, Justin L., 27
- FTA- accountability: accessory

Barnes, Scott D., 33
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Swann, Fallon M., 29
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Espinoza, David, 24
- DUI

Ramsey, Edwena K., 36
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Harris, Janson S., 40
- FTA- no seatbelt

Zochiquistle, Julio, 38
- DUI

Potts, Kenneth R., 47
- fourth-degree theft of property

Easter, Jerry D., 56
- FTA- public intoxication

Givens, Jason H., 40
- DUI

Parson, Billy A., 21
- FTA- third-degree theft of property
- FTA- improper lights

- **Hankey, Roland S., DUI**

Monfort, John K., 19
- FTA- minor in possession- consumption of alcoholic beverages
- FTA- carrying a concealed weapon

Gilley, Carla D., 40
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- running a red light

McKinnon, Roger K., 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Whitworth, Homer W. Jr., 58
- FTA- public intoxication

Miller, Brasha N., 26
- fourth-degree theft of property

Davis, Kayla M., 28
- FTA- driving without a license
- FTA- expired tag

Martin, John F., 41
- FTA- harassment

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests reported.

Find arrest reports online Monday-Friday at www.CullmanTribune.com.

Obituary Announcements: March 20 - 24

Funeral services for Mandy Lynn Patrum, 47, of Hanceville are Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home; with interment in Concord Cemetery. Visitation on Tuesday 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Mandy passed away on Saturday, March 17, 2018. She is survived by her husband, Mick Patrum; parents, Tommy (Sharron) Green and Sandra Green; children, Lilly Nasetta, Cori (Samantha) Patrum, Brittney Green, Joanie Patrum and Ion Patrum; grandchildren, Chip Green, Journi Patrum, Krimson Ponder, Trenton Ponder and Tyler Ponder; grandmother, Nellie Brown; brothers, Harlan (Martha) Green and Craig Green; sister, Kelly (Chris) Lambert and a host of nieces, nephews, other family and friends.

Funeral service for Ludie D. Hebert, 91 of Cullman, will be 2 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home on March 21, 2018 with Wesley Alldredge officiating; burial at Mt. Zion. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Hebert passed away on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at Woodland Village Health Care. She was born, April 19, 1926 to Marion and Maggie Jane Hanes. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband, Harold Hebert, brothers, Laborn, Mayo, and Rufus Hanes, and sisters, Inez Nobinger, Naomi Fogle, Virginia Jones and Rossie Fugate. Survivors include her, sons, Donald Hebert, Melvin (Carol) Frederick, Dwight Frederick, David Frederick, daughter, Debra (Harvey) Dowell, brother, Pete Hanes, sister, Ollie Farley, grandchildren, Jeff (Marty) Frederick, Jason (Michelle) Frederick, Corey (Sonya) Dowell, Brandon (Courtney) Dowell, and Spethen Frederick and 6 great grandchildren. Visitation will be from 12 p.m. 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Funeral service for Vonzell Williams Clark, 72, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Sardis #1 Baptist Cemetery, Rev. Butch Sharpton officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Clark passed away Sunday, March 18, 2018. She was born October 16, 1945 to Lois and Minnie McLeroy Williams. She was preceded in death by her parents; two brothers and one sister. Survivors include her husband, Jackie Clark; sons, Billy (Kathy) Tolliver, Jeffery (Melissa) Tolliver; daughters, Georgia Lynn Short, Michelle Nix; brothers, Levon (Bonnie) Williams, Lenzell Williams; ten grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a host of family and friends. Visitation will be Tuesday evening at the funeral home from 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Funeral service for William Edward Branham Sr., 75 of Cullman, will be Saturday March 24, 2018 at 1 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home Chapel with Interment at Empire Church of God Cemetery. Visitation for Mr. Branham will be on Friday March 23, 2018 at Cullman Heritage from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Mr. Branham was born on December 14, 1942 to his Parents Everett and Delcie Branham in Pikeville, Kentucky. He was a truck driver for Praxair Co. He passed away on March 17, 2018. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Selsus Branham. He is survived by sons, William (Dawn) Branham, James (Shelly) Branham, daughters, Barbra (William) Rider, Penny (Greg) Hartman, Donna (Dave) Boyer, sister, Audrey Butler, brother, Larry (Sheila) Branham. 7 Half brothers and sisters, nephew, Darrel Davenport, a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends

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SPORTS

CHS alumnus Jordan Lee 3rd angler to score back-to-back Bassmaster Classic victories

JamieDay Matthews, Dave Precht, B.A.S.S., Nick Griffin

GREENVILLE, S.C. – After three magical days on Lake Hartwell, South Carolina, Cullman High School alumnus Jordan Lee now belongs to one of the most exclusive fraternities in professional bass fishing.

Lee, who began Sunday's championship round in sixth place, caught five bass that weighed 16 pounds, 5 ounces and won the 2018 GEICO Bassmaster Classic presented by DICK'S Sporting Goods with a three-day total of 47-1.

Lee was emotional and surprised on stage after collecting the trophy in a celebration similar to his come from behind victory just one year ago.

"It's déjà vu from last year, I had no clue going into today that I had an opportunity to win this tournament," Lee said. "I just went out and did what I could do, and I mean it's unbelievable, I'm really shocked right now just like last year so, what a day."

Two other former Bearcats also competed. Jordan Lee's own brother, Matt Lee, finished with three-day total of 43-15., reeling in the highest total on Sunday, at 17 pounds, 6 ounces; that pushed him all the way up to a fourth-place finish after he entered the last day in 18th place.

Jesse Wiggins missed the cut for Sunday's top 25 but finished at 46th on the leaderboard after pulling in 18 pounds.

Lee, who won last year's Classic on Lake Conroe, Texas, joins fishing legends Rick Clunn and Kevin VanDam as the only anglers in history to win the Super Bowl of professional bass fishing two years in a row.

"That part of it hasn't set in for me," said Lee, who pushed his career earnings with B.A.S.S. past $1 million with the $300,000 Classic win.

"I'm still just freaking out.

"It was just a perfect week for me. I caught fish on five different baits and a lot of different techniques."

Unlike last year, when Lee struggled during the first round of the Classic before rebounding to win, he got off to a good start during this year's first round with a catch of 18-10.

Since he didn't have a good practice, he said he decided to stay within his comfort zone and fish boat docks — much like he does on Smith Lake in his home state of Alabama.

"I just wanted to cover as much water as I could to give myself the best chance of putting a bait in front of a fish," he said. "On this lake, I knew boat docks were going to play because they always do — and that's what I like to do."

With no solid pattern identified, Lee alternated between a Strike King Rage Swimmer and two Strike King stickbaits — an Ocho and a Shimmy Stick. He stuck with green pumpkin and green pumpkin/blue as his primary colors.

He also caught fish throughout the week on an unspecified jerkbait and a homemade bladed jig.

"I really didn't have a game plan," he said. "I knew I could catch a lot of 2-pound spotted bass, and I knew those fish weren't going to win me the tournament. But that's what I wanted to do, and everything just kind of fell into place."

Lee weighed in all spotted bass on Day 2 and saw his weight drop to 12-2. But he still easily made the Top 25 cut in sixth place to fish on Championship Sunday.

But being behind on the final day is nothing new for Lee, considering he started last year's championship round in 15th place and came back to win.

Once again, he hit the jackpot on the final day.



ANDY CRAWFORD/B.A.S.S.

Cullman High School alumnus Jordan Lee, now of Grant, Ala., won the 2018 GEICO Bassmaster Classic at Lake Hartwell with a three-day total of 47 pounds, 1 ounce. This is Lee's second Classic win in a row.

"Today, I went in the back of this one little pocket and the water was 57 degrees," he said.

"I caught a fish — probably my biggest one of the day — and then it turned out there were bass under every dock in there.

"They were swimming around by my boat. It was just loaded."

There was one tense moment for Lee in that pocket when he thought he might have let the historic victory slip through his fingers.

"I really thought I had lost the tournament on my last cast," he said.

"There was one bass about 4 or 5 pounds under a dock, and I pitched my worm right on it and it swirled and ate it. I set the hook and the worm popped off.

"If that one had cost me, it was going to be tough to sleep at night."

As it turned out, though, Lee had just enough weight to edge California pro Brent Ehrler by 1 pound. Ehrler was second with 46-1, followed by Jason Christie, who led the first two days but caught only 8-11 on Sunday and fell to third place with 45-15.

"I didn't go out all week thinking I was going to win this tournament," Lee said. "I just decided I was going to fish the way I wanted to fish.

"You can't plan on winning this tournament. Everything just has to fall into place."

Alabama pro Mark Daniels Jr. won $2,500 for catching the Berkley Big Bass of the week, a 6-11 largemouth he caught on Day 1.

Toyota Bonus Bucks will pay $7,500 to the highest-placing eligible angler and $2,500 to the second-highest-placing angler. About B.A.S.S.

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PREP BASKETBALL

7 local standouts snag ASWA All-State honors

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN – The Alabama Sports Writers Association released this year's All-State Basketball award winners Saturday night and several local players earned spots on the list.

Cold Springs sophomore forward Elizabeth Hill earned on a place on the 3A third team and her fellow Lady Eagle Camryn Crider finished with the season with an honorable mention selection. Hill and Crider were both key components in Cold Springs' 2A Area 13 Tournament victory and their team's performance in the Northwest Regional.

Hanceville's sophomore point guard Kelly Pickett was selected for class 3A's third team. Pickett handled the ball for nearly all the Lady Bulldogs' possessions this season and played a big role in all 19 of their wins on both ends of the floor.

Griffin Morris represented the Holly Pond Broncos on the boys 3A third team after a stellar senior season.

Morris crossed the 1,000-career-points mark during this season for the Broncos, helped lead the Broncos to a Cullman County Tournament title, an Area 11 Tournament title, and collected this year's Joe Shults Award. The award is given to the best senior boys' basketball player in Cullman County each year to recognize excellence on and off the floor.

Fairview senior forward Abbi Taylor received an honorable mention for class 5A after eclipsing the 1,000-career-points mark and helping the Aggies win both the Cullman County and Area 12 Tournaments.

St. Bernard's Christian Peterson played his way onto class 2A's third team after closing out his career as a four-year starter for the Saints with a standout senior season. Peterson helped lead the Saints to a win in the Area 13 Tournament in 2018 and his production over the years will not be easy to replace.

Good Hope's Cole Maddox picked up class 4A honorable mention accolades after a breakout sophomore season that has Raiders fans looking forward to the future on the hardwood.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

ESTATE OF) CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

BETTY W. MAYO DECEASED,) **PROBATE COURT** PC 2017-353

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to HAROLD GREGORY MAYO on the 8th day of March, 2018, 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.

Harold Gregory Mayo
HAROLD GREGORY MAYO
Personal Representative/Executor

ANDRIA RICHTER, Attorney for the Estate
of BETTY W. MAYO, Deceased
300 First Avenue, SE, Ste. 104
Cullman, Alabama 35055
256-775-7757

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

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Hon. Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE

PETITION OF Quintana Ann Rainwater CASE NO: AD2018-011

FOR THE ADOPTION OF

J. T. M., MINOR.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: TONEY MARTIN, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN FATHER OF J.T.M., A MINOR CHILD BORN TO SAMANTHA MARIE DOUTHIT RAINWATER.

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Quintana Ann Rainwater. 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 the Clerk of Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, Post Office Box 970, Cullman, Alabama 35056.

DONE THIS 22nd DAY OF February, 2018.

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
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Cullman, Al 35055

Nathan Harvell
(PLAINTIFF)
VS CASE NO: SM-2017-900884
Krystal Garcia
(DFFENDANT)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

DEFENDANT(S), Krystal Garcia, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the PLAINTIFF, Nathan Harvell, for $4,770.00 plus court cost, cause of action being: Contract/Rent owed.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 24th day of April, 2018, or a default may be rendered against him/her in the above styled cause.

DATED THIS THE 16th DAY OF March, 2018.

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE TO PUBLISHER:

Please publish once a week for four (4) successive weeks in the Cullman Tribune beginning March 20, 2018.

PREP BASEBALL

Raiders dominate Cold Springs on the road, 14-1

Nick Griffin
Tribune Correspondent

BREMEN – The Good Hope Raiders picked up a road win Saturday over the Eagles of Cold Springs in dominant fashion. The Raiders put it away in five innings with a 14-1 win.

Tyler Legg got the start on the hill for Good Hope and went all five in the win. Outside of two walks that led to a run in the third, he kept the Eagles' bats quiet all day, allowing just one run on two hits and collecting four strikeouts.

Said Raiders Head Coach Mitchell Witcher, "I thought Tyler did a great job. He was a little inconsistent, didn't have his best stuff today, but he found it and worked through it. The guys made plays behind him and that's all we want is to throw strikes."

The Raiders were able to take advantage of 10 walks from the Cold Springs' pitching staff and came up with timely hits with multiple runners on.

Legg knocked in the first run for Good Hope in the top of the first with a single through the infield.

Legg was the standout on the mound and in the box for Good Hope, finishing 2-for-3 and leading the team with three RBIs.

The Raiders widened the gap over the Eagles in the second after two runs scored on bases-loaded walks, two runs came home on wild pitches, and Preston Bagwell brought in a fifth run on a sac fly to give Good Hope a 6-0 lead.

Good Hope added another run on an error in the top of the third, and in the bottom of the inning Cold Springs got on the board. Jake Abbot drove in Ayden Alexander to cut the Raider lead to 7-1.

The Eagles weren't able to get cut any deeper into the deficit as the game went on; the Raiders tacked on two more in the fourth on a sac fly from Matt Hancock and an RBI single from Harper Chiaranda.

Good Hope closed the doors on the Eagles in the top of the fifth, starting with an RBI single from Jager Burns that made it 10-1.

Legg drove in two more on a single to left field followed by a Matt Hancock RBI single that made it 13-1.

The Raiders got one more run home on an infield error and three quick outs in the bottom half of the frame to end the game at 14-1.

Witcher was happy with how his lineup capitalized on the opportunities at the plate and took what the defense was giving them throughout the day.

"I was happy with the guys, they had better approaches at the plate today and we were disciplined early, and they helped us out with some walks and hit batters," he said.



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"We hit some balls hard; even though they made plays on some of them I thought we hit it harder today so we're getting better every time we come out."

As the second half of the season starts to get underway and area play approaches, Witcher likes the progression his team has made so far this year and hopes to see the progression continue.

"I think we're settling in on a pitching rotation now for area play and that's been big. Getting Matt Hancock back to where he can catch more innings has been big because it allows Tyler to pitch more and maybe play some third. Harper Chiaranda played great at third today and like I said I think we're improving every time we come out and we're excited about area play."

The Raiders' next matchup will be on the road against Addison Tuesday. The Eagles will be back in action Monday at 4:30 when they host Winston County for the area opener.

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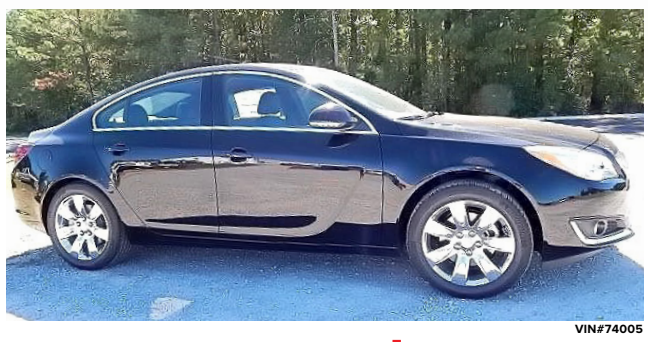
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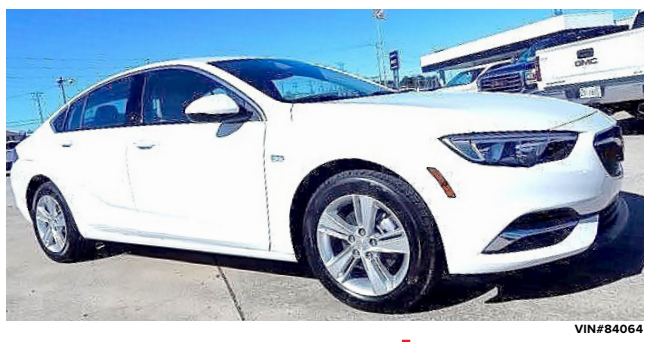
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