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BUSINESS

Cullman Wal-Marts unveil new grocery pick-up service

Heather Mann
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN – Following the lead of many stores around the country - as well as within the state in cities like Birmingham, Hunstville and Auburn - both Wal-Mart locations in Cullman unveiled grocery pick-up services on Wednesday. Ribbon cuttings were held at both locations.

At the Olive Street Wal-Mart, Store Manager David Roberts explained, "Wal-Mart is already dedicated to saving people money, but this service will help save the one thing you can't buy: time."

The way the program works, he said, is "as easy as 1, 2, 3." Online shoppers simply (1) download the grocery app or go to https://grocery.walmart.com/, (2) shop for their items and reserve a pick-up time and (3) visit the stores to receive the groceries. Shoppers using the pick-up service park in the designated pickup spots at their reserved times, and associates bring the groceries out to the cars. Shoppers can also request to see some of the products chosen by the personal shopper (the associate who collected the groceries ordered online) to make sure they are the desired quality, though Roberts assured everyone that the personal shoppers "will choose only the best."

Before the ribbon was cut at his store, Roberts invited several guests to join him on stage for a few words about the new service. First was Pastor Trae Norell from Grace Chapel to deliver an opening prayer.

Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Leah Bolin said the Chamber has several calls from people wanting to know when the pick-up service would be coming to Cullman. "We're so excited for the service it's gonna offer to citizens all over the Cullman area, so congratulations, thank you for your hard work, and I'm gonna be first in line for the pickup."



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Designated grocery pick-up parking spots are marked with bright orange. Online shoppers simply (1) download the grocery app or go to https://grocery.walmart.com/, (2) shop for their items and reserve a pick-up time and (3) visit the stores to receive the groceries. Shoppers using the pick-up service park in the designated pick-up spots at their reserved times, and associates bring the groceries out to the cars.

"The Wal-Mart Distribution Center's been here for many, many, many years, and that's what brought Sam Walton here years ago. Actually, without Sam, Heritage Park probably would not have been built," said Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs, who took the stage to talk about the ways Wal-Mart has helped the Cullman community. Jacobs said Walton donated $70,000 toward the park's construction when the idea was conceived, then his wife Helen Walton later contributed to building one of the park's largest pavilions. "As you can see, Wal-Mart and Cullman are pretty good partners. I think that if we can get a little bit more money at the end of the day, we'd really appreciate that."

While on the subject of money, Roberts presented three donation checks from Wal-Mart to two local schools and Cullman Parks and Recreation. Aaron Sparks from Cullman High School and George Redding from Fairview High School both came on stage to receive their schools' checks ($2,000 for Fairview and $2,500 for Cullman). Cullman Parks and Recreation Executive Director Nathan Anderson received a donation of $2,000 to go toward a new playground pavilion (all-inclusive with wheelchair access).



CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

Pet of the Week: Bingo!

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

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Arrest reports: May 7-8

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for May 7-8. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

MONDAY, MAY 7
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Atchley, David Ray, 53
• probation violation- aggravated cruelty to animals

Brown, Ian Cole, 21
• judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Buckelew, Michael Andrew, 30
• attempting to elude
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Collins, Billy Leon, 29
• third-degree burglary
• third-degree criminal mischief
• first-degree criminal trespassing

Dauksza, April Maranda, 31
• second-degree bail jumping-harassing communications
• FTA- harassing communications

Johnson, Rodney Brett, 32
• GJ- aggravated child abuse (2 counts)

Loyd, Dylan Keith, 26
• third-degree burglary
• third-degree escape
• third-degree promoting prison contraband

Nail, Halie Nichole, 24
• FTA- improper lane usage
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Nichols, Sarah Ann, 28
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Pearson, Jowan Isaac, 21
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Sheppard, Janice Carroll, 48
• FTA- driving while suspended

Vaughn, Leann Linette, 43
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

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Moody, Jerod W., 37
• DUI- controlled substance
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Dauksza, April M., 31
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Prince, Cailee A., 19
• fourth-degree theft of property

Vaughn, Leann L., 43
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- driving while suspended

Brown, Anthony T., 32
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No arrests reported.

TUESDAY, MAY 8
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Cordell, John Cody, 23
• court appearance

Davis, Holly Latta, 30
• FTA- disorderly conduct

Finley, Trent Lawayne, 29
• FTA- driving while revoked

Hill, James Tyler, 23
• judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Swann, Jessie Wayne, 31
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Thompson, Destiney Kiah, 20
• FTA- driving without a license

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Strickland, Ronnie J., 44
• public intoxication

Perrodin, Jacob A., 24
• first-degree theft of property

Smith, Justin W., 30
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Kenny, Frank H. Sr., 51
• public intoxication

Rooker, Harold K., 67
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Finley, Trent L., 29
• FTA- DUI

Stevens, Jeremy W., 37
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance (2 counts)
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No arrests reported.

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

Fairview council donates funds to summer program, discusses softball complex

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FAIRVIEW – The Fairview Town Council approved a $500 donation to Fairview School's summer program for underprivileged or at-risk students at its monthly meeting Monday night. The program is run at no cost to the students and received a $500 donation from the council last year as well.

The council also heard from Fairview resident Kayla Mauldin about her concerns about school traffic blocking her and her family from getting to their home. The road in question, Mauldin Road, is marked as an exit from the Fairview High School baseball field, and after games, residents on the road are unable to get onto the one-lane road. After looking over a property map, the council determined that the road, for the most part, sits on Fairview High School's property. The council advised Mauldin to share her concerns with the high school and/or the Cullman County School Board and suggest widening the road.

To close out the meeting, the council discussed avenues for building a softball complex. No official decisions were made but some council members did suggest looking into a grant for the project and any new roads or extensions of roads that could be necessary.

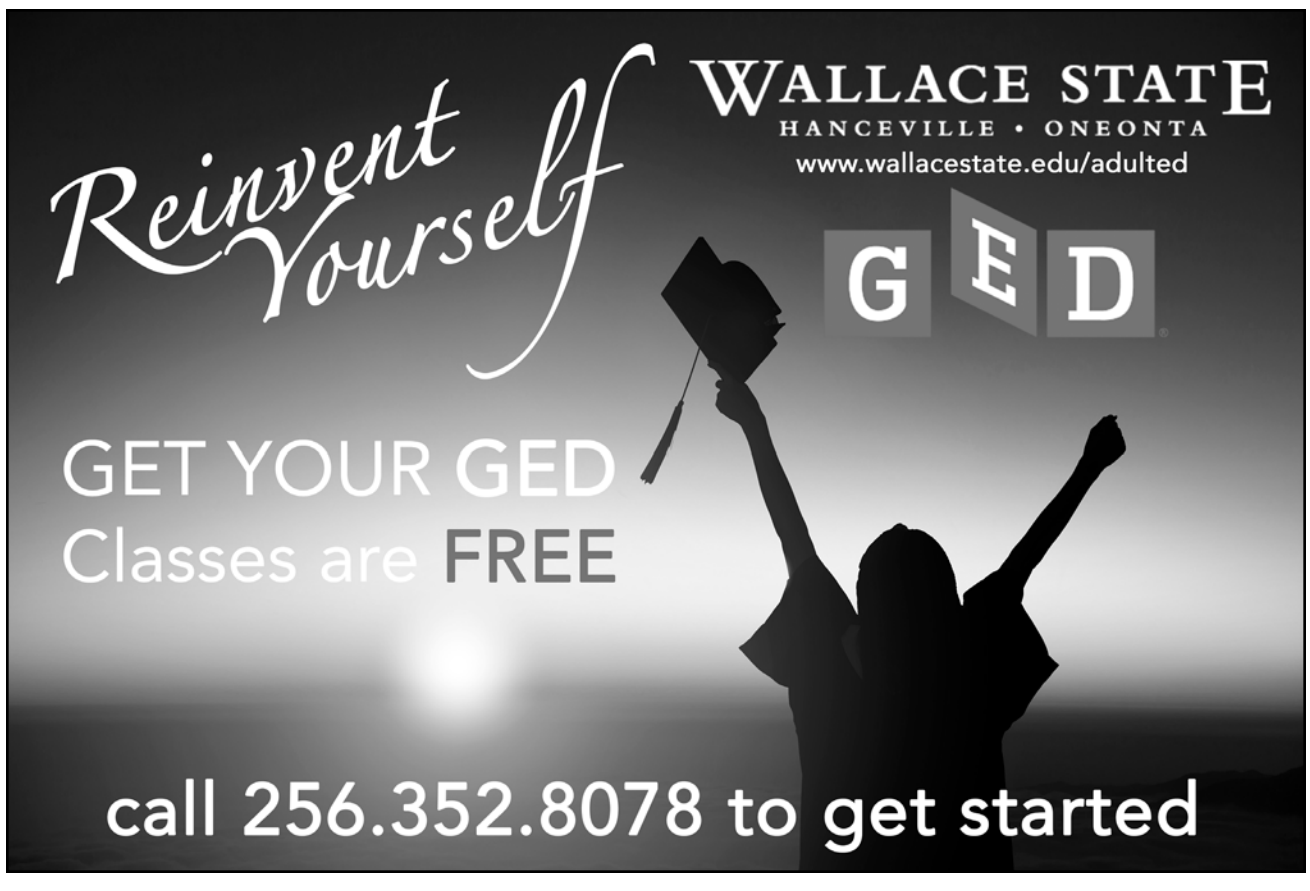
The Fairview Town Council will hold its next meeting on June 4 at 7 at Fairview Town Hall.



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The Fairview Town Council meets on the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Fairview Town Hall.







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Cullman Planning Commission recommends ordinance to streamline actions on deteriorated properties

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CULLMAN – On Monday evening, the City of Cullman Planning Commission voted to recommend to the City Council the adoption of an ordinance (2018-27) that would consolidate policies found in multiple Alabama laws into a single coherent city ordinance to deal with deteriorated properties.

The ordinance covers City action in numerous instances, including (among others) buildings:

- with load-bearing walls or structures overloaded, buckled, or leaning
- with significant deterioration even in non-structural areas
- damaged by disaster, vandalism, or abandonment
- infested with vermin
- with improper ventilation or sanitation
- lacking sufficient emergency exits
- containing electrical or other equipment operating in an unsafe condition

The ordinance sets forth the actions that can be taken when such conditions are found, including repair, relocation or demolition of buildings at the City's expense with a tax lien being placed on the land to reimburse City costs.

The 21-page ordinance also sets forth a detailed procedure governing how municipal officials are to deal with such properties and their owners.

City Building and Planning Director Rick Fulmer said that the extensive regulations create a series of checks and balances to protect both city officials and property owners, and to prevent abuse of the ordinance's policies by anyone.

Other business

Subdivisions

The commission approved two subdivisions:

- Short-form subdivision – Denson Avenue Southwest & Second Street Southwest
- Short-form subdivision – Logan Street Southwest - Village Subdivision

Due to the absence of persons necessary for discussion, a subdivision request for Heritage Village, Preliminary Phase III was tabled until the next commission meeting.

Site plans

The commission approved two site plans:

- Fourth Street Southwest (US Highway 278 West) – GLS Supply to build a new office and warehouse facility - approved
- Beech Avenue Southeast – CARTS wash facility to add a new 1,662-square-foot building

Miscellaneous

The commission approved the following requests:

- Conditional use request -1630 Second Ave. SW – Theraplay Pediatrics to provide speech, physical, and occupational therapy services, along with extensive pediatric therapy services including sensory facilities.
- Annexation request – 118 County Road 463 (off US Highway 278 West) – 38 acres to be annexed as agricultural land. The commission sent a favorable recommendation to the City Council.
- Annexation request – off East Hanceville Road Southeast (County Road 702) as residential. The commission sent a favorable recommendation to the city council.

Colony steps back from removal of councilman, moves forward on storm shelter; changes coming to library

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COLONY – On Tuesday evening, the Colony Town Council voted to proceed with a project to give the town a storm shelter, while putting the brakes on plans to remove absentee Councilman Julian Fields.

The council accepted a sub-grantee agreement for the state's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program which will help fund the construction of a community storm shelter for the town.

Under the grant's matching terms, Colony will have to provide $27,000 of the proposed $108,000 cost of the shelter. The council is now preparing to seek bids with the assistance of Cullman County Economic Development for construction of the shelter near the town hall and library/educational complex.

Proposed removal of Councilman Fields

The second item on the council's agenda was the removal of Councilman Julian Fields, who has not attended a council function in more than three months. According to the Code of Alabama section 11-40-25:

"Any elected municipal official who misses all regular and special called council or commission meetings for 90 consecutive days, beginning on the date of any absence, shall be removed from office by operation of law."

Under the law, the council would be able to reinstate a removed member at a later time if a majority of members vote to accept the removed member's reason for absence, or they may proceed with replacement.

In the absence of Mayor Donnis Leeth, who was out of town, Mayor Pro Tem Curtis Johnson recommended that the measure be tabled until a later meeting, and the other council members concurred.

Tom Bevill Library changes

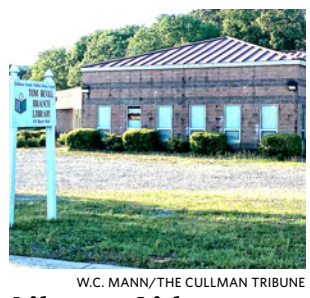
Early Tuesday afternoon, the following notice appeared on the Town of Colony Facebook page:

"We say goodbye to Patricia Ponder as librarian at Tom Bevill Library. New hours in effect today."

Nothing was mentioned during the council meeting, but when asked about the change after the council meeting, Curtis Johnson said that former Colony Administrative Assistant Brenda Johnson, who was reassigned two weeks ago as a library aide, will take over as town librarian.

He also reported that, as of now, the library's hours will be 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday.

The Colony Town Council meets at 6 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in Colony Town Hall. The public is invited.



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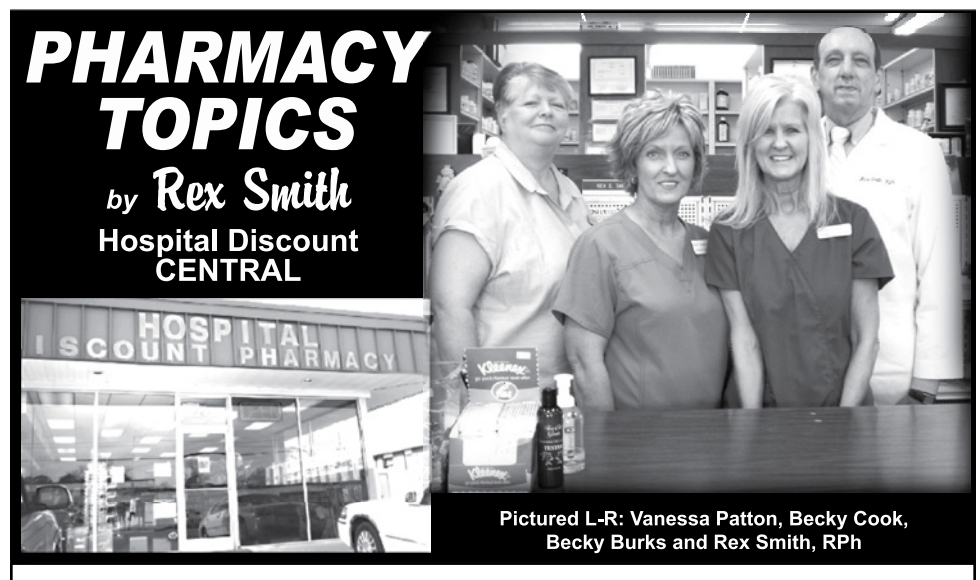
Library Aide Brenda Johnson has replaced Town Clerk Patricia Ponder as Colony town librarian, and the library's hours have changed. The library is pictured on Tuesday, May 8, 2018.



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Use of blood-thinning medications among older adults was significantly associated with higher rates of hematuria (the presence of blood in urine) – related complications, including emergency of department visits, hospitalizations and urologic procedures to manage visible hematuria, according to a study published by *JAMA*. Antithrombotic (reduces the formation of blood clots) medications, such as warfarin and aspirin, are among the most commonly prescribed and also among the medications most commonly associated with adverse events. While hematuria represents a less life-threatening adverse event than intracranial or gastrointestinal bleeding, it is common and involves diagnostic evaluation including abdominal imaging and invasive testing and management. The prevalence, severity and risk factors for hematuria associated with the use of anti-thrombotic agents are largely unknown.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Verzenio (abemaciclib) to treat adult patients who have hormone receptor (HR) – positive, human epidermal growth factor receptor 2 (HER2) – negative advanced or metastatic breast cancer that has progressed after taking therapy that alters a patient's hormones (endocrine therapy). Verzenio is approved to be given in combination with an endocrine therapy, called fulvestrant, after the cancer had grown on endocrine therapy. It is also approved to be given on its own, if patients were previously treated with endocrine therapy and chemotherapy after the cancer had spread (metastasized). Breast cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States. The National Cancer Institute at the National Institutes of Health estimates approximately 252,710 women will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year and 40,610 will die of the disease. Approximately 72 percent of patients with breast cancer have tumors that are HR-positive and HER2 –negative.

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STATE FISHING CHAMIONSHIP

Raiders come in 2nd; Good Hope's Williams, Taylor take 2nd place boat

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JASPER – There were a handful of local teams out on Smith Lake over the weekend for the 2018 Alabama Student Angler Bass Fishing Association (ASABFA) State Championship and one of them, Good Hope High School, finished just a few points short of winning it all. The Raider finished with 3,334 total championship points, just 42 points behind first-place Alexandria.

In boat scores for the Raiders, Colton Williams and Chase Taylor took second place with 299 points, Landon Graham and Jesse Blackmon's boat placed 15th with 286 points and the boat of Will Dickerson and Tucker Putman finished 17th with 284 points.

Connor Herald and Isaac Lancaster from Addison High School also put together a great performance on the water over the weekend, finishing in seventh place individually with 294 points, helping the Bulldogs finish 30th as a team with 2,781 total championship points.

The Vinemont Eagles were the last of the local schools competing, and they also had a boat finish with high scores. Eli Chambers and Hunter Herfurth's boat racked up 274 points to take 27th place and help lead Vinemont to a 37th place finish at 2,611 points.



TANYA ARNOLD

The Good Hope Raiders fishing team finished in second place in the 2018 Alabama Student Angler Bass Fishing Association State Championship on Smith Lake in Jasper May 4-5, 2018.

STATE

Ivey awards more than $924K to assist with utility bills for low-income, elderly residents

Russell Sellers
Contributor

MONTGOMERY – Gov. Kay Ivey has awarded grants totaling $924,255 to assist low-income and elderly Alabama residents who need help reducing their home's utility bills.

The grants support Alabama's Weatherization Assistance Program which provides funds to improve the energy efficiency and safety of qualifying homes. Priority is given to those with disabilities, the elderly and low-income households with children.

Community Action Partnership of North Alabama Inc., which serves Cullman, Lawrence, Marion, Morgan, Walker and Winston Counties, received $61,025.

"Those living with limited and fixed incomes, including elderly and disabled residents, often struggle to pay higher utility bills in the hot summer months," Ivey said.

"I am pleased that these grants will help make energy-efficiency improvements to their homes, freeing up funds in their budget for other essentials."

An energy audit is conducted of each home that qualifies for weatherization assistance to determine the most cost-effective measures. Common improvements include installing insulation in the attic, walls and floor; sealing air leaks around doors and windows; repairs or tune-ups for air conditioning and heating units; and replacing incandescent light bulbs with high-efficiency bulbs.

In addition to lowering energy bills, the improvements can reduce the risk of fire and other hazards.

Ivey awarded the grants to 14 community action agencies across the state that manage the program at the local level and receive applications from individuals who wish to be considered for assistance.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants from funds made available by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"Gov. Ivey and ADECA are committed to helping those who truly need it most throughout the state," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said.

"Through the Weatherization Assistance Program, we're able to help many elderly, disabled and underserved residents make permanent improvements to lower energy bills during these hot summer months."

Below is a list of each grant, the recipient agency, counties served and the agency telephone number:

- $103,678 to Central Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission (Autauga, Chilton, Dallas, Elmore, Lee, Macon, Perry, Russell and Shelby) 334-262-4300
- $25,607 to Community Action Committee Inc. of Chambers-Tallapoosa-Coosa (Chambers, Coosa and Tallapoosa) 256-825-4287
- $17,279 to Alabama Council on Human Relations Inc. (Lee) 334-821-8336
- $52,045 to Community Action Partnership of Huntsville-Madison and Limestone Counties Inc. (Madison and Limestone) 256-851-9800
- $113,065 to Jefferson County Committee for Economic Opportunity (Jefferson) 205-327-7500
- $86,939 to Mobile Community Action Inc. (Choctaw, Mobile and Washington) 251-457-5700
- $51,768 to Montgomery County Commission (Montgomery) 334-832-1210
- $61,025 to Community Action Partnership of North Alabama Inc. (Cullman, Lawrence, Marion, Morgan, Walker and Winston) 256-355-7843
- $69,293 to Community Action Agency of Northeast Alabama Inc. (Blount, Cherokee, DeKalb, Etowah, Jackson, Marshall and St. Clair) 256-638-4430
- $34,577 to Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama Inc. (Colbert, Franklin and Lauderdale) 256-766-4330
- $102,793 to Organized Community Action Program Inc. (Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Lowndes and Pike) 334-566-1712
- $68,770 to Community Action Agency of South Alabama (Baldwin, Clarke, Conecuh, Escambia, Marengo, Monroe and Wilcox) 251-626-2646
- $60,236 to Community Action Agency of Talladega, Clay, Randolph, Calhoun and Cleburne (Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne, Randolph and Talladega) 256-362-6611
- $77,180 to Community Service Programs of West Alabama Inc. (Bibb, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Lamar, Pickens, Sumter and Tuscaloosa) 205-752-5429

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– GARLAN GUDGER

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Cullman council gets earful from Heritage Village residents, honors retiring firefighter

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CULLMAN – On Monday evening, the Cullman City Council took a moment to recognize a veteran firefighter, then set about fighting a fire of its own.

Fire Engineer Terry Gamble honored on his retirement

Cullman Fire Rescue engineer Terry Gamble was recognized by CFR Chief Brian Bradberry and Council Public Safety Committee Chairman Andy Page, as the firefighter prepares to retire after 25 years of service. Gamble has served with the CFR since March 5, 1993.

Bradberry told the crowd, "He's been a great firefighter, very dedicated. He's one of those firefighters that you could always count on to make off-duty runs, off-duty calls, and anything we'd have where we had a need, Terry was just always good to step up and help us."

Gamble is a certified pump and aerial apparatus operator, certified fire instructor and engineer.

Heritage Village

As soon as the floor was opened for persons not on the agenda to speak, the council meeting temporarily became a referendum on the Heritage Village subdivision off Welti Road and construction company Barker Brothers. Kerry Zozoka, a subdivision resident who addressed the council at its last meeting, returned with several other residents to make a complaint about stormwater drainage issues and bad road conditions in the neighborhood. Zozoka presented the council numerous photographs and noted that multiple neighborhood residents were having similar problems.

Zozoka told the council, "I have potholes in my road. I have a 7-foot (wide) river that runs through my backyard. I have no street lights, so you can't walk around the neighborhood safely, for fear you're going to fall into one of the potholes."

Other residents concurred that the streets are not well maintained, and that rainwater that should drain down channels running between the middle of blocks between backyards does not flow properly, ending up running between houses and into front yards out to the street.

Mayor Woody Jacobs and council members explained that some of the water issues appeared to be occurring on private property that falls outside city jurisdiction. They assured the residents, though, that city officials would visit Heritage Village and examine the situation themselves, and that they would determine what the city could do, and what residents would have to take up with Barker Brothers Construction.

As to the street conditions, Jacobs noted that construction of the subdivision is ongoing, and that the streets will not fall under city jurisdiction until that time. He did tell the residents, though, "they have not been completed to the city's satisfaction."



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Retiring firefighter Terry Gamble was commended by Councilman Andy Page and Cullman Fire Rescue Chief Brian Bradberry for 25 years of service before his retirement.

Other council business

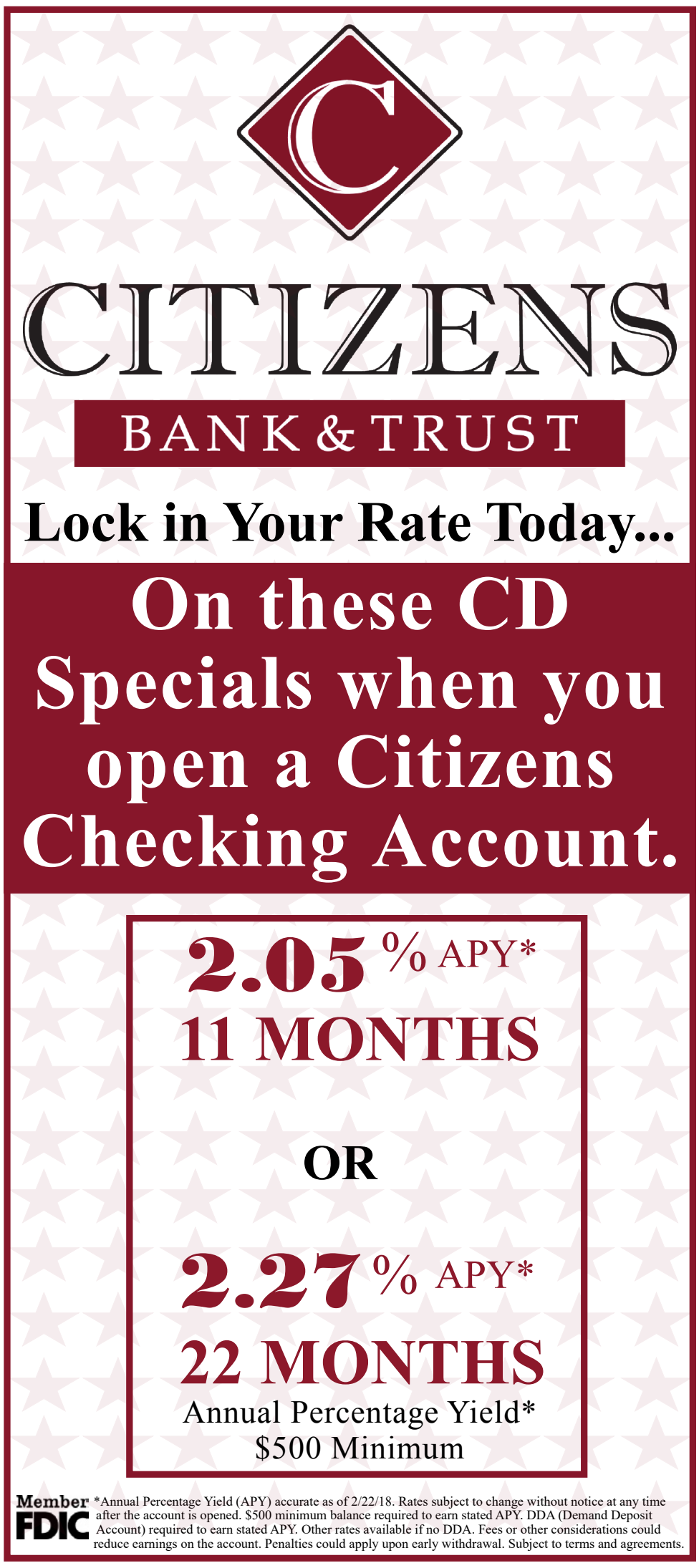
The council approved:

- a request from Brenda Allison of Pentastar South Car Club for a special event permit to hold the annual MOPAR Car Show on June 9, 2018 from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. in Depot Park to benefit Secret Meals for Hungry Children
- a request from Louise Cole of Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation, Inc. for a special event permit to hold the Bikers Against Cancer Ride starting at Cullman Regional on June 23, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Resolution No. 2018-49 to renew the general liability, property, and workers compensation insurance for the City of Cullman with the Travelers Companies through the city's local agent, Wayne Mauldin of Smith-Gray Insurance, Inc. Jacobs said that this could have been put up for bid, but the extensive amount of insurance-funded reconstruction and repair going on in the city right now made staying with the current provider a more logical choice.
- Resolution No. 2018-50 to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Cullman City School Board to provide part-time police officers at each school campus. This resolution will provide one extra officer for Cullman High School and will raise the pay of school resource officers to match that of current city police reserve officers.
- Resolution No. 2018-51 to enter into a professional consulting services agreement with Retail Strategies, LLC for the recruitment of retail businesses to the city

The council also approved the following board reappointments:

- Darlene Quick and Beverly Wilkerson to the board of the Cullman County Center for the Developmentally Disabled
- Alan Green and Ronnie Easterwood to the City Alcohol Review Board

The next Cullman City Council meeting will take place at 7 p.m. on Monday, May 14 in the city hall auditorium. The public is invited to attend.









Obituary Announcements: May 10 - 20



Dr. Garlan Edward Gudger, Sr. of Cullman, Alabama went to his Heavenly home on May 7, 2016. And just as he would have wanted, he was at his home in his bedroom when his heart closed the final chapter of his earthly life. He became a Christian at age 16 on Mother's Day at his home church in Salisbury, NC, where he was born and raised. He attended Salisbury schools and played sports from an early age. He played basketball, varsity football from the eighth grade until graduation, and was the county weightlifting champion. He resided in Salisbury until leaving for Castle Heights Military Academy in Lebanon, Tennessee, where he was selected as an All Mid-South football player. From Heights he earned a football scholarship to Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, Tennessee, where he played on the OVC championship team. He graduated from Tech with a BS and MS in Health and Physical Education, and later returned to Middle Tennessee to earn his Doctorate in Junior College Administration. In 1969 he began Southern Accents Architectural Antiques in his garage. The company has grown through his and his son Garlan, Jr's. leadership to be ranked this past month in the Top 5 in the nation for the industry. Dr. Gudger coached locally at West Point, Fairview, and Cullman High Schools. He loved his players, and many of them went on to become coaches themselves. After his own coaching days were over, he was always a presence at all his children's and grandchildren's sporting events, no matter when or where, coaching from his chair at the end of the court or behind the fence. His words to his grandchildren were always, "Do your very best. That's what God expects." He used those words in his life as well, being "tough as nails" as he went through various health issues, including an organ transplant after receiving a kidney from Garlan, Jr. and surviving Type 1 diabetes for 66 years, a very rare accomplishment. So much so, in fact, that he was awarded a medal from the Joslin Diabetic Clinic at Harvard University. He was also awarded the "Flavious Smith Outstanding Alumni Award" from Tennessee Tech in his major department, "Outstanding Dean" of the Alabama Junior College Deans Association, a group that he founded at the inception of the community college period, and was inducted into the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame in 2014, an honor he greatly cherished. Dr. Gudger was the first dean hired at Wallace State, serving in that capacity for 23 years, helping students with everything from personal dilemmas to financial problems, in some cases funding the student's college career himself. He retired in 1995 and continued to support Wallace State, encouraging students to enroll, promoting athletics, and forever being a cheerleader of all that the College accomplished. An endowed scholarship bears his name through the Future Foundation. The Dr. Garlan Gudger, Sr. Endowed Scholarship was originally established by Jeremy Oden to honor Dr. Gudger's leadership and impact at Wallace State. Contributions to this fund may be made by being mailed to WSCC Future Foundation - Gudger Scholarship, PO BOX 568, Hanceville, AL 35077. He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Dot Denning Gudger, and his three children, Jill Gudger Howell and husband Michael; Joy Gudger Barker and husband, Brady; and Garlan Edward Gudger, Jr. and wife Heather Pierce Gudger. He is also survived by six loving grandchildren, Victoria, Alexandria, Mary Elizabeth, and Sarah Katherine Barker, and Garlan Edward Gudger, III (Tripp) and Pierce Gudger. One sibling survives Connie Gudger Mathews, of Salisbury, NC; two nephews, Justin Kepley and wife Amber, and their three sons, Charleston, SC.; nephew Jim Denning, McMinville, Tenn; and two nieces Lindsey Kepley Hamrick and husband, Justin, and their two sons, Apopka, Florida; and niece Eva Denning Quinley and husband Ron, Knoxville, Tenn. He was preceded in death by his parents Hoyle and Ruth Gudger, infant brother, grandparents Paul and Liz Gudger and James and Maggie Womble, all of Salisbury, NC. His desire was to always make the world, especially his community of Cullman that he loved, a better place. We believe he has done that while at the same time influencing generations of young people to have a better life and become better people. Visitation will be 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. Thursday, May 10, at First Baptist Church, Cullman. Funeral services will be at First Baptist on Friday, May 11, 2018 at 11 a.m. with Dr. Ed Hayes and The Rev. Tom Richter officiating with interment in the Cullman City Cemetery. Moss Service is in charge of arrangements. - 1 Timothy 4:7 "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith."

Funeral Service for Rickey Tipton, age 63 of Vinemont, will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Randy Burtram officiating. Burial will be at Union Grove Cemetery in Holly Pond. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Tipton passed away on Monday, May 7, 2018. He was born January 12, 1955 to Condred and Sue Tipton. He is preceded in death by his parents and his son, Shawn Tipton. Survivors include his daughter, Bridget (Phillip) Keef, daughter-in-law, Michelle Tipton, sister, Karen (Don) Hanson, brothers; Keith Tipton and Chris (Cheryl) Tipton, grandchildren; Lane & Clay Tipton, Tucker Keef, and Bailey Keef, nephews; Cody (Fankie) Tipton and Connor Tipton, and great nephew, Griffin Tipton.

Victoria "Vicki" Jo Hammond Hankey of Cullman passed away on May 8, 2018 at the age of 65. She was born in Michigan on October 12, 1952 to Douglas Lee and Mary Jo Chandler Hammond. She is preceded in death by: parents, brothers Tony Hammond, Shane Hammond, mother-in-law Alice Hankey. She was a 1971 graduate of Hanceville High School. Funeral services are Thursday, May 10, 2018 at Moss Funeral Home Chapel at 2 PM with Rev. Doug Pitts and Jeff Marksberry officiating. Interment will follow in Hopewell Cemetery. Survivors are: husband James A. "Jim" Hankey Sr., daughters April Bowen (Craig) German, Heather Hankey, son Travis Bowen, granddaughters Paige Hankey Stewart, Brooklyn Hankey, grandsons Hayden Witcher, Bodey Witcher, Peyton German, Brayden Hankey, Sawyer Hankey, brother-in-law Dennis (Sarah) Hankey, sisters-in-law Ann Hammond, Esther (Wells) Turner, a host of nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Pallbearers are: Hayden Witcher, Craig German, Steven Johns, Keith Burns, Adam Williams, Brian Campbell, Rusty Turner, Honorary Pallbearers: Jeff Crane and Wayne Sandlin. Visitation will be on Thursday from 12 noon until service time at 2 p.m. at Moss Funeral Home.

Funeral services for David Thomas Bost, 78, of Vinemont are Friday, May 11, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home, with interment in Ebenezer Cemetery. Visitation on Friday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mr. Bost passed away on Tuesday, May 8, 2018. He was preceded in death by his parents, Monroe Bost and Francis Pauline Sanders Bost and a sister, Mildred Collins. He is survived by his wife, Mary Bost; sons, Terry Bost and Brandon Bost; daughters, Robin Hendrix, Donna Vest, Brenda Scott and Kim Rider and a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Funeral services for Glenda Holmes Hopper, age 82 of Eva, will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Dan Hopper and Elder J.L. Hopper officiating. Burial will be at Gum Pond Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Hopper passed away on Wednesday, May 9, 2018. She was born June 26, 1935 to Herbert and Annice Holmes. She is preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her husband, J.L. Hopper, son, Dan (Donna) Hopper, daughter, Judy (Randy) Caudle, grandchildren; Buckley (Beth) Hopper and Ashley (Brittany) Hopper, great grandchildren; Brandon, Brynne, Brayden, and Kelsie Hopper, brother, Arvid Holmes, and sisters; Verna Holcomb and Dean Thompson. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Friday, May 11, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to be made to the Gum Pond Primitive Baptist Cemetery Fund.

Funeral services for Lola Mae West, 83, are 2 p.m. Saturday, May 12, 2018 at Cullman Funeral Home; interment in Johnson's Grove Cemetery. Visitation is Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. She passed away on Sunday, May 6, 2018. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lewis Franklin Johnson and Velma Light Johnson; her husband, Wayne West; daughter, Brenda Williams and great granddaughter, Haley Trollinger and brother, Carlos Johnson. She is survived by her children, Sherry Trollinger, Terry West and Marty (Vialinda) West; son-in-law, Billy Williams; brother, James Johnson; sisters, Effie Gunter, Nola Fae Payne, Vetra Shoemaker and Gayree Waldrep; grandchildren, Zachary Trollinger, Patrick West and Jasary (Corey) Tubbs and great grandchildren, Zoe Trollinger and James West.

James Dingler, 76, of Holly Pond passed away Monday, April 24, 2018. He is preceded in death by his parents, Kenneth Elmer Dingler and Veola Hann Yelli; wife, Carolyn Schrader Dingler; son, James Alan Dingler; and brother, Erven Dingler. Survivors include his daughters, Carol Richards and Tammy (Allen) McKendree; brother, Clayburn Isaac Dingler, of Texas; eight grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and one great grandchild on the way. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Sunday, May 20, 2018 at Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel.

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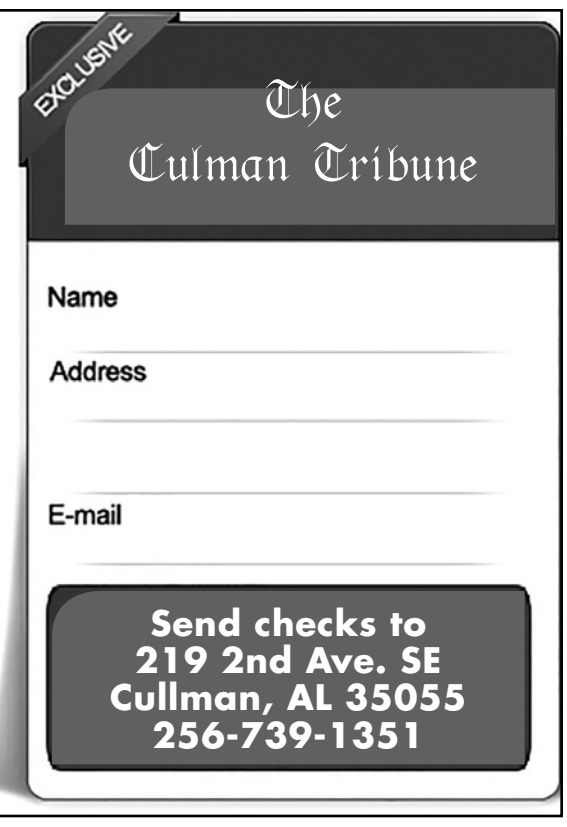
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Baileyton council addresses dangerous intersection

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Tribune Correspondent



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Baileyton Town Council

BAILEYTON – The Town of Baileyton is taking steps to make what it says is a dangerous intersection safer.

The intersection in question, at Summit Road and Holly Pond Road, has been the site of numerous car wrecks, according to the council, and at least one fatality (in May 2016).

At its meeting this week, the council, along with Mayor Johnny Dyar, said it has almost run out of ideas to make the intersection safer.

The solution proposed at the meeting was to follow the City of Hanceville's lead and purchase LED stop signs to make the stop signs much more noticeable. With County Commissioner Gary Marchman present and willing to discuss having the County help the Town with the project, the council passed a motion to purchase one LED stop sign if the County would purchase the other.

There was some concern that better sign visibility might not help much if drivers were still speeding, but Dyar said he felt the Town had to at least make one last attempt to stop the wrecks.

Referencing the last fatality, he stated, "If you'd seen that man lying dead and his wife lying beside him, you'd wanna at least buy a stop sign, too." However, Dyar said if the LED signs don't reduce the traffic accidents, he would push for turning that stretch of road over to the County and letting it work on the issue.

In old business, the council said park coaches were supposed to get together and go over the rules for park sports, which they could then send out to parents, but complications arose after the rule sheets were sent out. Dyar proposed having next year's rules finalized and sent out before sign-ups even begin.

Some pieces of land purchased by the Town need to be cleaned up, so the council is working on hiring someone to perform maintenance.

The council noted that maintenance needs to be performed on a road that was paved last year (damage occurred from people throwing away heavy objects like refrigerators or TVs), but the Town's dump truck is still being repaired for broken brakes.

In new business:

- There will be a baseball tournament on June 2 to help raise funds for a local victim of throat cancer.
- The council voted to renew the Town's video service contract with AT&T.
- A Town bus has faded due to sun exposure from not being entirely covered by the bus shed. The bus cost $80,000 and is otherwise in almost-new condition, so the council proposed extending the shed roof by about 8 feet to prevent further damage.
- Two new storm shelters will be added to the town: one near the cemetery, the other near Parkside School. The current storm shelter holds 97 people, but the council said there have been problems with occupants not closing the door during storms to let in more people.
- The cheerleaders from Holly Pond High School are talking with the council and the Baileyton Senior Center about organizing a fundraiser to help pay for a cheerleading building on campus.

Bingo! (from Front)

run around the yard, with a cheerful, bubbly personality. This dog needs a job and might make a good therapy/service/agility/hiking companion.

Bingo's adoption fee is $90, which includes: DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, neutering, microchip, 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).

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior.

Several of the shelter's dogs have even been "hired" recently to work as special needs service dogs.

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Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or visit them at 935 Convent Road NE. Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.



Correction

The Tribune incorrectly captioned this photo in its May 8, 2018 edition as Lee Auman, Democratic candidate for U.S. House of Representatives. The photo actually shows Alabama Attorney General candidate Chris Christie. We regret the error.

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JIM HAYS OF CULLMAN JOINS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT CITIZENS BANK & TRUST



Citizens Bank & Trust announces the appointment of James E. "Jim" Hays, Jr. of Cullman to its Board of Directors. The appointment of Hays expands the Board to 9 directors. "Jim is an accomplished business leader and his broad experience across important industries will add a valuable perspective to our Board of Directors," said Charlie Williams, President and CEO of Citizens Bank & Trust. "We appreciate his willingness to serve as a director and are confident that he will add great value to our Board of Directors."

MORE ABOUT JIM HAYS

Jim Hays, a Cullman native, is the president of Hays & Son Oil Co., Inc., Dodge City Travel Center, Inc., and the Managing Member of Hays Properties, LLC, and JTK Group, LLC. These companies are centered in Cullman, Alabama. Hays graduated from Cullman High School in 1976, the same year his family bought a small gas distributorship in Cullman. The business grew into Hays & Son Oil Company and now markets over 20 million gallons a year of gas and fuel through retail outlets branded Conoco, Pure, Chevron, and Shell and approximately 200 customers in agriculture, construction, and trucking businesses. Hays and his family also founded two real estate development companies in Hays Properties, LLC and JTK Group, LLC. Hays has served in the petroleum industry as a founding member and stock holder of the Pure Oil Jobbers Cooperative which markets fuel in 10 southeastern states. He has served two terms on the Pure Oil Board of Directors and is currently serving his second term on the board of the National Association of Truckstop Operators (NATSO).

Hays and his wife, Terri, have been married and working together for 36 years. They have one daughter, Karen, a teacher, and a son-in-law, Jordan Graham, who is a nurse. Hays has been a member of Northbrook Baptist Church since 1999 and has served on various committees including Stewardship, Properties, and Long Range Planning.

ABOUT THE COMPANY

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF:
BOBBY GENE SHOEMAKER,
DECEASED.

CASE NUMBER: PC2017-335

Letters Testamentary of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 3rd day of May, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, 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.

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To: Publisher of THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Honorable Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

Dingler (from Front)

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CULLMAN – When Morgan Dingler went to help out at a dinner for needy families, it was an eye-opening experience that left her wondering what she could do to help her community and combat hunger. With a little research and help from Melissa Betts, the children's minister at her church, Dingler found her answer: peanut butter. A recently concluded donation drive spearheaded by Dingler collected more than 1,000 jars that will be distributed to students by Knapsacks for Kids, a children's charity with offices in Cullman, Hanceville, Vinemont, West Point, Holly Pond and Good Hope serving students and their families all over the county.

On Tuesday, the 16-year-old Cullman High School sophomore and Cullman First Methodist Church youth shared her story with The Tribune.

"I went and helped at The Link (of Cullman County), and they were feeding homeless people from around Cullman or people that just didn't have a lot of money to support themselves," said Dingler. "And we were serving them food, and I just noticed that it's a lot of people that you don't normally expect to be in such a little community. And so I went to Melissa, because she's over the children's organization at church, and I asked her if there was anything we could do to help."

Why peanut butter?

Peanut butter has been manufactured in the U.S. since the 1880s and started as an expensive snack food for the rich. By the end of the 19th century, it was being served in some hospitals as a means of providing patients with a good source of protein that did not have to be chewed. In the 20th century, it became cheaper to produce and found a place as an economical source of protein for needy families: a healthy commodity that could be stored for long periods of time without needing refrigeration.

Numerous area businesses, churches and schools participated in Dingler's drive, including:

- First United Methodist Church of Cullman
- St. John's Little Lambs
- East Elementary School
- Cullman High Schools- Ms. McCutcheon's Spanish classes and Mrs. Gleaton with the Leo Club
- Fairview Schools
- Vinemont Schools
- Holly Pond Schools
- Warehouse Discount Groceries - Hanceville, Downtown Shopping Center, and Hwy. 157
- Save A Lot Cullman
- Grace Chapel
- James R Smith Trucking

Betts said about Dingler, "I've known Morgan for the last eight years, so she was very young when I met her, and I've watched her grow through adolescence all the way now to really developing into a young lady who desires to be a leader in our community. And not only is she pursuing leadership opportunities through the church, but also through school. And I really believe that a young person who would step out and just say to our county a program like this needs your support, and have the response that she's had, says a tremendous amount about her leadership abilities.

"So, if she's 16 now, I can't imagine how developed she will be in her leadership skills as an adult."

Knapsacks for Kids

Approximately 4,783 students, one in every four, in Cullman County suffer from some degree of food insecurity. On Fridays during the school year, Knapsacks for Kids provides backpacks full of food to students who have been identified as having a lack of regular access to sufficient food. The program feeds around 600 students around Cullman County. Through its members' efforts and community donations, the program is able to feed one student for around $200 per school year, or around $5 per week.

Knapsacks for Kids is always looking for more volunteers and donations of goods or money. To get involved, contact Betts at 205-410 5791. Betts connects interested volunteers with local volunteer leaders.

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