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Bearcat Band ramping up for exciting season



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Christopher Smith, director of bands for Cullman High School, leads Cullman High School Band members in marching exercises during their band camp at Cullman High School.

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Unsung heroes: Cullman County Schools maintenance crews prepare for new school year



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Phillip White and Ricky Smith check an electrical multimeter at Holly Pond Middle School.

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'Pride of Hanceville' preparing for new season



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Jesse James, Hanceville High School band director, looks on as students march during band camp at Hanceville High School.

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HANCEVILLE – The Pride of Hanceville Marching Band kicked off its first full week of band camp this week, with students meeting to practice marching and music for this year's half-time show.

Jesse James, who is in his first year as band director for Hanceville, said the students have been preparing for camp this summer.

"This (Monday) is the first day of what we call 'full' band camp. They've been going for about two weeks now prior to today," said James. "First week we had guard, percussion and rookie camp, and we had the younger kids that are new and just starting. We got them going, working on fundamentals and stuff with guard and percussion, just getting them back in the swing of things."

James continued, "Then last week we had our music camp, where we focused every day on learning choreography with our guard and majorettes and working on just our music, so that when we got into camp this week we already had a leg up on it."

Hanceville has a big show planned for viewers during half-time at the varsity football games this year.

"Our show is called 'Viva' and it's an Elvis concert. We're doing 'Viva Las Vegas' as our opener. Then we're doing 'Hound Dog' and 'Jailhouse Rock,' going into 'Can't Help Falling in Love,' but we're doing a take on the original and we're also throwing in the Pentatonix version. That way everybody has a connection to it.

"Then we're closing with 'A Little Less Conversation', which is our drum feature and we've got some surprises in store for that. I don't want to leak too much," James laughed.

Hanceville's band is smaller this year, but that is not a problem for James.

"We're a little smaller than we were last year, but this year we're really focusing on that quality, good quality," said James. "My personal philosophy is, if you have that good quality the quantity is going to come. We're looking to grow in the future, but we're going to start from here."

James said he has big things in store for the band this year.

"We are going to a few competitions this year; of course, we're going to do the Cullman (Fair) Parade and the exhibition and all that," said James. "But the biggest thing that I would like to promote is that we host a marching festival here. It's called the Mud Creek Marching Festival. It's a very well-run competition, we have great judges, the kids work super hard at it, we have great food and it's just going to be a fun time. We have bands from all over the state come. This is my first year doing it; I've never ran one before, but I'm super excited about it."

Pride is not only a name for

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Hanceville gearing up for Kids' Night Out, complete with fireworks



TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Hanceville's annual Kids' Night Out back-to-school celebration will take place on Friday, Aug. 3. This year, the City has added fireworks to the event.

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HANCEVILLE – The City of Hanceville will hold its annual Kids' Night Out to celebrate the start of the new school year on Friday, August 3, beginning at 6 p.m. at C.W. Day Park. The celebration is completely free. Though most attractions will close around 8 p.m., the party won't stop there. This year, Hanceville is adding a new feature to the festival: fireworks. The fireworks will be set off after 8:30 p.m.

Kids' Night Out will feature inflatables, a fishing game set up by the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, a mechanical bull, the city's public pool, and a show of first responder vehicles. Hungry guests can fill up on chicken sandwiches, hot dogs, pizza, cotton

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CARTS driver wins national award; commission rejects FEMA project

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CULLMAN – Cullman County Commission members presented Wade Hancock with a certificate of achievement for his performance in the 2018 National Community Transit Roadeo, held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, at their meeting on Tuesday at the Cullman County Courthouse. Hancock, who was representing the Cullman Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) and Cullman County at the event, was recognized for his first-place finish in the van division and for receiving the 2018 Otis Reed, Jr. Driver of the Year Award.

The event, which took place June 9-10, is a competition in which drivers from all over the United State compete for the highest score on a course that tests the drivers' skills, with a primary focus on safe operations and passenger sensitivity.

In new business, the commission approved a motion to ratify the City of Cullman's abatement for JELCO, in the amount of $88,000 for machinery and personal property.

The abatement was to offset the costs of building an addition to JELCO's current facility.

A motion to consider a set of FEMA mitigation projects concerning the March 19 hailstorm was not approved.

The commission did not consider the project, which would have acquired car shelters for some of the County vehicles, feasible for its needs.

The commission moved to surplus a non-functioning Centurion Security System for disposal.

A motion to purchase seven personal computers for CARTS to replace old machines was approved at the cost of $6,764.45.

Carey Thompson was appointed to the Board of Equalization to replace Mark Aderhold after his resignation.

Commission members approved the purchase of 928G Caterpillar loader from the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs at the cost of $60,000.

The commission approved three proposed plats for re-subdivision, lots one, two, three, five and six in Hawk's Nest, located in District 2 off County Road 184, lots 17 and 18 in Hawk's Nest, in the same location, and lots 18, 19 and 20 in the Clearwater Cove subdivision located in District 2 on County Roads 2015 and 2017.

Commission members also approved two other plats for the Ege subdivision, in District 1 on Leonard Road and Swafford Road, and Hawk's Nest, in District 2 off County Road 184.

Bid no. 1265 was approved by the commission. The bid regarded an extension an agreement with B&B Petroleum to provide gas and diesel for County vehicles.

The commission approved bid no. 1285, which would aggregate the cost of rock or stone for County projects and ensure the purchase the nearest, cheapest material for a given project.

Commission members approved bid no. 1286, for fog and scrub seal.

The next Cullman County Commission meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 14 at 10 a.m. in the commission meeting room at the Cullman County Courthouse. The public is invited to attend.



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Wade Hancock (center), a Cullman Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) driver, is presented with a certificate of achievement for his performance during the 2018 National Community Transit Roadeo by the Cullman County Commission at its meeting on Tuesday. Pictured, left to right, are: Commissioner Kerry Watson, Chairman Kenneth Walker, Hancock, CARTS Director Joyce Echols and Commissioner Garry Marchman

Good Hope amends alcohol ordinance to attract new business

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GOOD HOPE – The Good Hope City Council Monday night approved a change to the City's alcohol sales ordinance.

In a move that the City hopes will attract new businesses, the council approved Ordinance no. 012-2018, which makes amendments to Ordinance no. 003-2012, changing the minimum distance from a church or school where alcohol can be sold.

The council believes the change will help spur economic development down County Road 437 east of Interstate 65, without impacting the city on the west side of I-65.

Subsection two of the new ordinance reads as follows, "Subject to exceptions contained in this section, no facility or property shall be authorized for on-premises sale or off-premises sale of alcoholic beverages where the building in which the premises are located is less than seven hundred (700) feet from any building in which there is a church, public or private elementary, intermediate or junior high, high school or child development facility."

The original minimum distance was 1,200 feet.

The new ordinance also changes section D of the original ordinance, stating that "Where the City licensed premises is authorized for only on-premises sale of alcoholic beverages, the minimum distance between the licensed premises and a church is four hundred (400) feet."

That's a change from the original distance of 650 feet.

The council also approved a $5,000 donation to the Good Hope High School band.

The money will come from the City's alcohol tax fund and will be used to repair or replace any worn equipment, uniforms, etc. that the band wants to address.

A new water drainage project was also approved. Mayor Jerry Bartlett described the issue as a water retention problem on a portion of Day Gap Road.

The early estimate the council has received is $40,000 for the materials and labor needed for the project.

Bartlett described the flooded area in more detail and elaborated on the solution. "When it rains, it floods a couple of yards over there and then it goes across the road and floods into that property.

"It's a very low area and the cheapest way to fix it would be to build a pond area that catches the water and lets it flow out slowly so that it doesn't wash our road away," Bartlett said.

"Three, four or five days after a rain you can just see water holding everywhere and we really didn't think it was a good idea to put the retention ponds in a residential area where there are going to be kids playing.

"So, it's going to take a little bit more of a sophisticated system where we use big pipes, and they have to be run at a lot of different angles and we'll have to clear trees.

"We've got to catch the water in two or three different areas, let it go in these grates and then run out slowly so that kids who are playing wouldn't have any problems with it. It's going to solve a problem that we've had there for several years."

The Good Hope City Council will hold its next meeting Monday, Aug. 13 at 6:30 p.m. at Good Hope City Hall.

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Bearcat (from Front)

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CULLMAN – The Cullman High School (CHS) Bearcat Marching Band is in its second week of full band camp this week, preparing for the rapidly-approaching football season.

Christopher Smith, director of bands at CHS, said this week is a little different form last week.

"This week we have a morning and afternoon session," said Smith.

"We go from 8 a.m.-noon in the mornings, on our practice field, and in the evening we're in the stadium from 6-9 p.m.

"The only day that's different is Wednesday, we do an 8:30-10:30 p.m. rehearsal, so our students can go to church if they want to.

"We call that our moonlight madness rehearsal."

Cullman's weather has been cooperating, according to Smith.

"It's been great. So far this week, we've had really great weather. It's been not too terribly hot, the rain's pretty much stayed away.

"It's going to get a little bit warmer, as the week goes on, but hopefully our students are acclimated to the outside and the marching and everything that goes along with it."

According to Smith, the Bearcat Band has grown and is preparing an exciting show.

"The band's a little bigger than it was last year," he said. "We've got great students and we're looking forward to a great year. Our show this year is called 'Reflections of Our World.' It deals with the different elements of nature. There's a piece of music that deals with water, the earth itself, fire and the air. Each piece in the show deals with a particular aspect of nature and represents it musically."

Parents and fans will notice something different about the Bearcat Band this year, Smith revealed.

"We have new uniforms this year; we're really excited about them," he smiled.

"It took the band boosters 10 years to raise the money necessary to purchase them and we've been working for the last two years to go through the design process and actually fitting the students and ordering the uniforms.

"That is going to be a big new thing that we debut at our first football game this fall, the brand-new uniforms provided by the Cullman Band Boosters."

For those interested in seeing small preview of what the Bearcat Band has in store this year, Smith invites everyone to come to the end of band camp performance.

"We actually have a performance this Friday, at the end of band camp, at 7:30 p.m., for the parents and community or anybody that wants to come out and see what we've got so far," said Smith.

"Now, we won't have the whole show on the field, but we're going to play what we know, and we're also going to play some stand tunes and do a little marching for everybody as well."

Smith has big plans for Bearcat Band this school year.

"Throughout marching season, of course, we're going to play at all the football games, pep rallies, we're playing in the Cullman County Band Exhibition and the Cullman County Fair Parade," explained Smith.

"At the end of the season, we're taking the marching band to Orlando to perform at Universal Studios.

"We're going to march in the parks on Veterans Day and then spend a few days in the parks sightseeing and different things throughout Orlando."

Smith continued, "After that, we transition to concert season.

"We're going to play our big Christmas concert in December and then our band splits into two different groups, the concert band and the symphonic band, and both of those groups participate in music performance assessment, which used to be called state contest, in the spring.

"We also have other performances throughout the spring. Also, our jazz band starts up at the beginning of school and performs at events throughout the year, including our Big Band Dance in February."

Cullman High School fans and parents are in for an exciting marching season, said Smith.

"It's going to be an exciting year for Cullman High School. We've got a new head football coach, we're looking for an exciting football season from our team, looking for some great success there, and our marching band just hopes to contribute to that excitement throughout the game itself and on the field at halftime," he said.

"Myself and Mr. (Doug) Teuscher (assistant director of bands at CHS and Cullman Middle School) are looking forward to a great year with the Cullman band and we hope the community will come out to one of our many performances throughout the fall and spring and see what our kids are able to do."

Night (from Front)

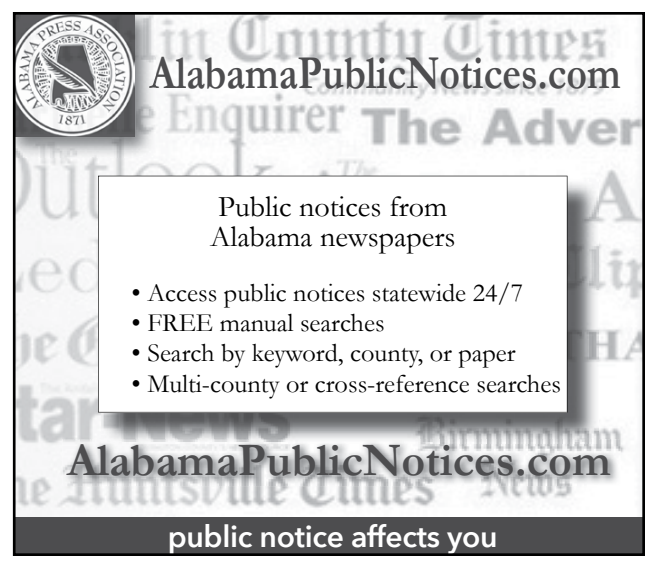
candy or ice cream, while Hanceville students can take turns trying to dunk their principal in a dunk tank. The Alabama National Guard will also have its rock-climbing wall up for visitors who are at least 16 years old, while the City will have its own rock-climbing wall up for all ages.

Michele Allen, event coordinator, said this will be the 10th year for the festival. She took the time to thank each sponsor.

"Every year we raise money to buy school supplies for Hanceville Elementary and without our sponsors this would not be possible. Those sponsors include American Proteins, Our Lady of the Angels Monastery, Ortiz Concrete, Pitts Grocery, Met-South, Merchants Bank, Bailey Rentals, Sharp Communications, Hanceville Nursing Home, Dean Restaurants, Cabin Fever, Advanced Rotors Inc., Smith's Body Shop, Kennedy Galvanizing, LP, B&D Electric, Mullins Body Shop and Hanceville Drug Company. This year we were able to purchase over $4,000 worth of supplies, along with the donations received from our businesses and churches in the area. We are very thankful for those who help us make this happen year after year."

CORRECTION

In our July 24 story "Saying Goodbye," we reported that Shirley Beshears "is currently still seeking a match for a bone marrow transplant." Mrs. Beshears is not looking for a bone marrow donor at this time. We regret the error.




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The use of benzodiazepine and related drugs (Vanaax, Valium, Klonopin, etc.) is associated with a 40 percent increase in mortality among persons with Alzheimer's disease, according to a new study published in the *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry*. The study found that the risk of death was increased right from the initiation of benzodiazepine and related drug use. The increased risk of death may result from the adverse events of these drugs, including fall-related injuries such as hip fractures, as well as pneumonia and stroke. Benzodiazepines are man-made medications that are prescribed for anxiety, panic attacks, depression, insomnia, seizures, nausea, vomiting and muscle spasms.

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Introducing "biosimilar" versions of complex biologic drugs used to treat illnesses such as cancer and rheumatoid arthritis could cut health care spending in the United States by $54 billion over the next decade, according to new analysis from the RAND Corporation. Biologics are complex, protein-based drugs manufactured in living systems. They include insulin, monoclonal antibodies to block inflammation in rheumatoid arthritis and a range of drugs to treat cancer, multiple sclerosis and other serious diseases. Biosimilars are very close to already-approved "reference" biologics in terms of potency, safety and efficacy, but manufactured by different companies. Biosimilars can be approved for marketing by the federal Food and Drug Administration after the manufacturer of the reference biologic enjoys several years of patent and exclusivity protection. While biologics are important treatments for many conditions, they often are expensive and patient copays for the treatments can be several thousand dollars per year. Only one percent to two percent of the nation's population is treated with a biologic each year, however, the drugs accounted for 38 percent of prescription drug spending in 2015.

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Hanceville's band.

"We do have a motto here: purple pride, no excuses, just results. It's one of those things that (the students) say to kinda hype them up, get them going and for them to realize that you can't make excuses to get results, you just have to do it," explained James. "If you make a mistake, fix it and let's go. I hope that they can see the correlation with that in their life too. If you want something out of life you have to work hard to do it, you can't just sit back and make excuses for it. I think that's a very positive message."

The new director intends to impress some of his own values on the students.

"I am huge on respect. I want to make sure that my kids not only respect me, but they respect each other, they respect their parents, teachers, everything," James said.

"I really try to make my kids be the most well-rounded people you can find. We have already got that seed going here. These kids are super respectful, super hard-working and you can't ask for much more than that."

The end of band camp performance will be Friday, July 27 at 6 p.m.

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Maintenance (from Front)

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CULLMAN COUNTY – The 14 facilities/maintenance crew members employed by the Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) have had their hands full this summer, but that's nothing new. Summer provides them the opportunity to get inside facilities and make some noise without having to worry about the kids. And they're not worried about the kids getting in their way. They're trying to stay out of the kids' way.

CCBOE Maintenance Department Director Ron Whaley shared, "My guys do maintenance and small renovations, and some construction. We do things that we don't need to do when the kids are there, because it disrupts the main focus of what the schools do.

"So we do maintenance and renovations, and a lot of stuff in the summer we do, like our boilers have to be cleaned and recertified, elevators, sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, all that kind of stuff the state requires to be inspected.

"If they don't pass the inspection, we have to do whatever it takes to get them certified."

On the Facilities page of the County Schools' website, the department's listed tasks include electrical, plumbing, heating, ventilation & air conditioning, integrated termite management, painting, welding, locksmith, carpentry, renovations and construction.

According to Whaley, a partial list of this summer's projects includes:

- Cold Springs School - Re-roof (storm damage) various buildings
- Welti Elementary School - Re-roof and siding replacement (storm damage)
- Bus Transportation Shop - Re-roof and siding replacement (storm damage)
- Child Development Center - Electrical and HVAC upgrade
- Vinemont High School - Roofing and HVAC upgrade
- Good Hope High School - Electrical upgrade
- West Point Elementary School - Major electrical and roof upgrade
- Cullman Area Technical Academy - Roof and HVAC upgrade
- Hanceville High School - Cafe electrical upgrade
- Fairview High School - Driver's Ed. building re-roof
- Cold Springs High School - Cafe renovation
- Holly Pond High School - Cafe renovation
- Holly Pond High School - Home Ec., Ag. building replacement (phase 3)
- West Point High School - Cafe expansion
- Good Hope High School - Repair/renovate gym restrooms
- Child Development Center - Parking lot expansion
- Maintenance Shop - Re-roof truck shed
- Central Office - Renovation of offices
- Cold Springs High School - Field house plumbing
- Cold Springs Elementary School - Concrete at pavilion
- West Point High School - Construct downstairs classrooms
- Fairview Elementary School - Renovate for new offices
- Child Development Center - Renovate for restrooms in bookrooms
- Fairview Elementary School - Parking lot expansion
- All schools - Capital Plan Inspection List-facilities assessments
- All schools - Capital Plan Inspection List repairs (moderate to severe)
- All schools - Maintenance work orders
- Fairview High School - Waste water treatment plant infiltration repairs
- Vinemont High School - Waste water treatment plant infiltration repairs
- Hanceville Elementary School - Change water pressure regulator
- All schools- HVAC cleaning and repairs
- All schools- Boiler (29 ct.) maintenance, inspection, testing, cleaning
- All schools- Natural gas line inspection with Cullman-Jefferson Gas
- Fairview Elementary School - Change HVAC unit
- Vinemont High School - Install new HVAC controls
- Child Development Center - Install new HVAC controls
- All schools- Capital Plan inspection and update
- All school- water testing
- All schools- Fire alarm system inspection
- All schools- Sprinkler system inspection and repairs
- All schools- Summer work supervision
- West Point Middle School - Replace front doors
- Holly Pond High School - Set up portable classrooms (2ct)
- School Fairview Middle - Replace bleachers

Whaley said of his team, "I've got a good crew. I just coach them. I tell everybody I coach them.

"It's the easiest job you've got. I tell them, 'If we win, it's your fault; if we lose, it's mine.' And so, it's one of the easiest jobs you ever got.

"You hire good, qualified people, and they know what they're doing. I got three HVAC guys that's got over a hundred years' experience, you know, so it's like they make it look easy. It's not easy, but they make it look easy!"

Shop Foreman Johnny McKenney said, "We definitely have some good guys that works here. As many schools as we have, we do a very good job to keep them up."

In more than 22 years, the system has maintained an "up-time" percentage of more than 99.9 percent, meaning that the number of days schools were not able to open for classes due to lack of useable facilities accounted for less than one tenth of one percent of all class days in all 29 schools and program sites.

Whaley and his crew have a habit and a reputation for keeping up what they can keep up, preventing what they can prevent and responding quickly and effectively even to circumstances beyond their control.

Said Whaley, "We've got a little saying that says, 'Be a small part of something big, not a big part of something small.' So people may look at our role as a small part, but it's like we play a small part in something that's real big, that's real important.

"We do a lot of things early in the morning, weekends and stuff. And our goal is, if the principals and teachers never know we're there, they never knew they had a problem--the old saying in maintenance is 'silence is golden,' 'out of sight, out of mind.' It's like they've got enough to do without having to worry about their facilities."

After the county school board meeting Tuesday evening, CCBOE Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette told The Tribune,

"I would like to just say how much I appreciate our maintenance department and all they've done.

"They are truly our unsung heroes, because many times the teachers and principals don't even realize what all they do. And they come in at all hours of the day and night, and fix things, a lot of times, that the schools don't even know were broken.

"But this summer, they've been doing everything from painting to plumbing, to construction and so forth, doing as many projects as they can do to get ready for school starting. And as the teachers come to Institute in a little over a week from now, they'll still be out finishing up projects and stuff, getting ready for it.

"So I can't say enough about our maintenance department, how much I appreciate them and what they do."







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EDUCATION

County school board welcomes new faces

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CULLMAN – The Cullman County Board of Education officially welcomed many new faces to the county schools at its July meeting, most of them being brand new and some being transferred to new positions.

Two of the transfers were Cyndi Roden, who will be the principal of Holly Pond Middle School starting this year, and Daniel Wakefield, who will be taking her place as principal of Hanceville Middle School (moving up from his place as assistant principal).

The other staff appointments are as follows:

- Rebecca McSpadden, eighth-grade science teacher and possible robotics team leader at Good Hope Middle School
- April Burgess, counselor at Cold Springs High School
- Wesley Harden, assistant principal at Good Hope Primary and Elementary
- Kristin Smith, maternity leave substitute for fifth grade at Good Hope Elementary
- Roxi Lee, second-grade teacher at Hanceville Elementary
- Kim Lindsey, secondary curriculum coordinator for Cullman County Schools
- Leah Drock, district instructional coach
- Lexi Lynn, algebra I teacher at Hanceville High School
- Blake Calvert, ninth-grade world history and 10th/11th-grade U.S. history teacher and track and field coach at West Point High School
- Rachel Finley, teacher at Holly Pond Elementary
- Amber Robinson, teacher at Vinemont Elementary
- Kristin Whitlow, speech and language pathologist for all three Holly Pond Schools
- Janie Parson, 10th-grade English teacher at Good Hope High School
- Adriana Skutchan, ninth-grade science teacher at Good Hope High School
- Roy Johnson, assistant principal at Vinemont High School
- Keisha Harris, fifth-grade teacher at West Point Intermediate

Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette expressed his excitement over the new appointments, saying that he feels they will be part of the best year that Cullman County Schools has ever had. This exclamation followed his statement that this year's audit was the best audit report they've ever had, with almost no problems except for some teachers' receipts not being turned in to the school bookkeepers on time.

Other points of business:

- Approved payment to Vinemont HS counselor Erika Bain for working before her hire date
- Approved payment to Lance Lay, James Brown, Scotty Cofer and Todd Johnson for their summer work on the Vinemont HS gyms
- Approved payment to George Redding for summer football field maintenance at Fairview HS
- Approved payment to Chuck Gambrill, Steve Means and Steve Wiley for up to five unused annual leave days
- Approved 2018-19 salary schedule with 2.5 percent raise as passed by state legislature
- Approved request from the technology department to purchase up to 720 Chromebooks and computer carts to support Discover Science Techbooks in 3-12 classrooms that don't have daily access to devices, funded by technology sales tax up to $260,000

- **Approved two maintenance department bids**
  - •$10,000 to Alabama Construction Services for system-wide annual bleacher inspection and repair
  - •$1.39/gal to Thompson Gas for system-wide LP gas bid

- **Approved changes to the following board policies (which can all be read at http://www.ccboe.org/parent___community/documents/policies__calendars__forms__notices/):**
  - 3.16.1 & 3.16.2 - Fundraising and Crowdfunding
  - 6.1.2 - Homeless Students
  - 6.3.1 - Student Meal Charge
  - 6.5.2 - Athletics
  - 7.3 & 7.11 - Academic Standards
  - 7.14 - Parent/ Family Involvement

Open houses for Cullman County Schools will be as follows:

- Sixth grade: Aug. 5, from 2-4 p.m.
- All other grades: Aug. 6, from 4-7 p.m.

The first day of school will be Wednesday, Aug. 8.





Obituary Announcements: July 26- 27

Funeral services for Edna Marie Young, 90, are Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home, Bro. Steve Smith officiating, with interment in Flint Creek Cemetery. Mrs. Young passed away on Sunday, July 22, 2018. She was preceded in death by her parents, John Luke Butler and Elizabeth Edna Alisa Wilson Butler; her husband, Haywood Young and great granddaughter, Chloe Jade Young. She is survived by her sons, Jimmy Young and Carson Young; grandchildren, Jeremy (Melissa) Young, Brandi (Lee) Espy and Jason Young and great grandchildren, Isaiah Espy and Destiny Espy.

William Langley, 68, of Haleyville, entered into rest on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 at ECM Hospital surrounded by his loving family. A full obituary and service information will be announced on Thursday. Nichols Funeral Home directing.

Funeral Service for Nellie Russell Boyd, 84 of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, July 26, 2018 at Fairview United Methodist Church with Bro. Richard Saylor and Pastor Scott Haygood officiating. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Boyd passed away on Monday, July 23, 2018 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born Saturday, February 17, 1934 in Louisiana to Odis and Grace Russell. She was a loving mom, grandma, and great-grandma. She loved Jesus, her family and chocolate ice cream. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Bill Boyd, a brother, Clyde Russell, and a sister, Vera Huckaby. Survivors include her sons, Ken (Sherri) Boyd and Doug (Beth) Boyd, daughters, Dianne McRea and Becky Boyd, grandchildren, Bill McRea, Travis Boyd, Rusty Boyd, Katie England, Mollie Boyd, Erin Boyd, great-grandchildren, Jax, Piper, Blakely and Henley, sisters, Louise Conly and Anne Flint, her dog Ollie, and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Mary Ruth "Idell" Phillips, 91, passed away July 24, 2018. She is preceded in death by her husband J.D. Phillips; parents Dee Troy Haynes and Edith Speegle Phillips; and son Dearl Phillips. She is survived by her daughter Judy (Charls) Wood; son Jerry Phillips; brother Dee Levon Haynes; grandchildren Scott (Julie) Speegle, Kelly Carlsen, Stephanie Cockrell and Karen Phillips; and great-grandchildren J.T. Helms, Jase Carlsen, Abigail Cockrell, Katlin Cockrell, and Caleb Cockrell. Visitation for Ms. Phillips will be Thursday, July 26, 2018 from 9 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. Graveside Service will be at Bowman's Chapel United Methodist Church Cemetery at 11 a.m. with burial to follow. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Funeral Service for Cleon Hendon Calvert, 81, will be at 11 a.m. on Friday, July 27, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home; burial at Good Hope Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Calvert passed away on Tuesday, July 24, 2018 at Woodland Village Health Care. He was born, November 20, 1936 to Mancle and Vannie Calvert. He is preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife, Kathryn Calvert, daughter, Kathy (Tim) White, son, Howard (Patricia) Calvert, grandchildren, Wallace Calvert, Cody (Elizabeth) Calvert, Clint (Heather) White and Chad White, great grandchildren, Amber Calvert and Ally White, brothers, Herlin Calvert, and Eulane (Diane) Calvert, and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and family. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Thursday, July 26, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

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Arrest reports: July 23-24

Wendy Sack
wendy@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for July 23-24. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; FTA = failure to appear

MONDAY, JULY 23
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No report provided.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
Wheeler, Alex H., 23
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Cade, Dejaun A., 40
• FTA- driving while suspended

Mortensen, Eric M., 42
• FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing
• FTA- third-degree theft of property
• FTA- driving while revoked
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- driving without a license

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No report provided.

TUESDAY, JULY 24
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No report provided.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
Woods, Kathy M., 37
• possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Wood, Remington A., 25
• fourth-degree theft of property

Wright, Windy S., 35
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No report provided.

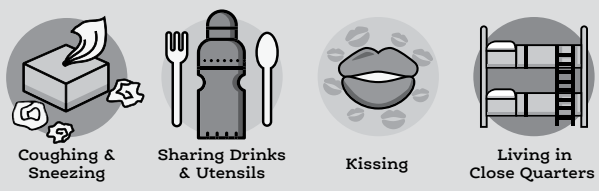
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Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on September 22, 2015 by Donnie R. Weaver and spouse Cara L. Weaver, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1771, Page 27 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on August 17, 2018:

A tract or parcel of land being situated in the locally accepted NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 23, Township 10 South, Range 2 West, and being a part of that certain tract as conveyed to Richard P. Northey and wife, Kathleen L. Northey by deed recorded in Deed Book 394, Page 441 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the northwest corner of said Section 23 and run S 01°18'03" W and run along the west line a distance of 558.73 feet (from which point a found bar marking the southwest corner of said Section bears S 01°18'03" W 4,479.85 feet); thence run S 88°41'57" E a distance of 2652.40 feet to a set rebar on a fence line, same being the west line of said Northey tract as agreed and the point of beginning: thence run S 89°32'42" E a distance of 209.74 feet to a set rebar marking the westerly right of way line of County Road No. 730; thence run S 26°17'13" W a distance of 113.08 feet to a set rebar marking the point of curvature of a curve to the right having a central angle of 27°53'28", a radius of 221.61 feet and a chord bearing of S 40°14'00" W; thence run along the arc of said curve a distance of 107.88 feet to the point of tangency; thence run S 54°10'48" W continuing along said R.O.W. line a distance of 133.88 feet to a set rebar marking the southwest corner, of said Northey tract, same being on an old fence line; thence run N 03°53'33" E a distance of 263.55 feet to the point of beginning. Including a 2011 Kabco MD0004SP DW manufactured home, VIN # KB026350A11 AND KB026350B11 located thereon.

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

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

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
The Cullman Tribune-July 26, August 2, 9, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ROBIN HOLLY PITTS
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: DR-2018-900171.00

JASON ERIC GRISSOM
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Jason Eric Grissom, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Robin Holly Pitts' Complaint for Divorce by September 10, 2018 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in Case Number 25-DR-2018-900171.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 12th day of July, 2018.

Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:
Andria S. Richter
300 First Av SE
Cullman, AL 35055

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF

AVA COLLUM

A minor child CASE NO.: JU-2015-496.03

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BENJAMIN COLLUM, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Verified Petition to Terminate Parental Rights filed by Brittani Howard and/or other relief by 30th August 2018, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in regard to case number JU-2015-496.03, Juvenile Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 18 day of July, 2018.

CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY
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Christy Perry
Tribune Correspondent

CULLMAN – Whether your pet has paws, hooves, scales or feathers, you will want to be at Rumors Deli Saturday, Aug. 4 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. for Paws for a Cause. All proceeds will be benefit the Cullman Area Animal Welfare Association (CAAWA). Get your pets and family ready for food, games, prize drawings, contests and more.

The pet contests will begin at noon. The categories are: Best Owner/Pet Look-alike, Best Costume, Best Trick, Best Pet Hello, Waggiest Tail, Biggest Pet, Smallest Pet.

There is a $1 entry fee per contest or $5 to enter them all. Trophies, donated by Awards Palace, will be awarded to the winners. All animals are welcome to participate so if your goat can wiggle its tail, your pig looks fabulous in a tutu, or your frog can jump through hoops, they need to be there.

There will be many prize drawings for gift cards and gift bags from local businesses and restaurants. Other events include: face painting, snack and Pawperchino stand, name and paw stamps, a bouncy house, rally course and concessions.

Pools will also be available to help keep your pet cool.

Dog food, cat food and monetary donations for CAAWA are greatly appreciated. Rumors Deli is also looking for volunteers to help with the event. If individuals, groups or service organizations are interested in helping, please contact Annette at Rumors Deli.

If you are interested in sponsoring a booth or providing additional prizes, email thisdaydesigns@gmail.com.

For more information and updates please go to the Paws for a Cause event page on Facebook at www.facebook.com/events/278531442723158/.

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