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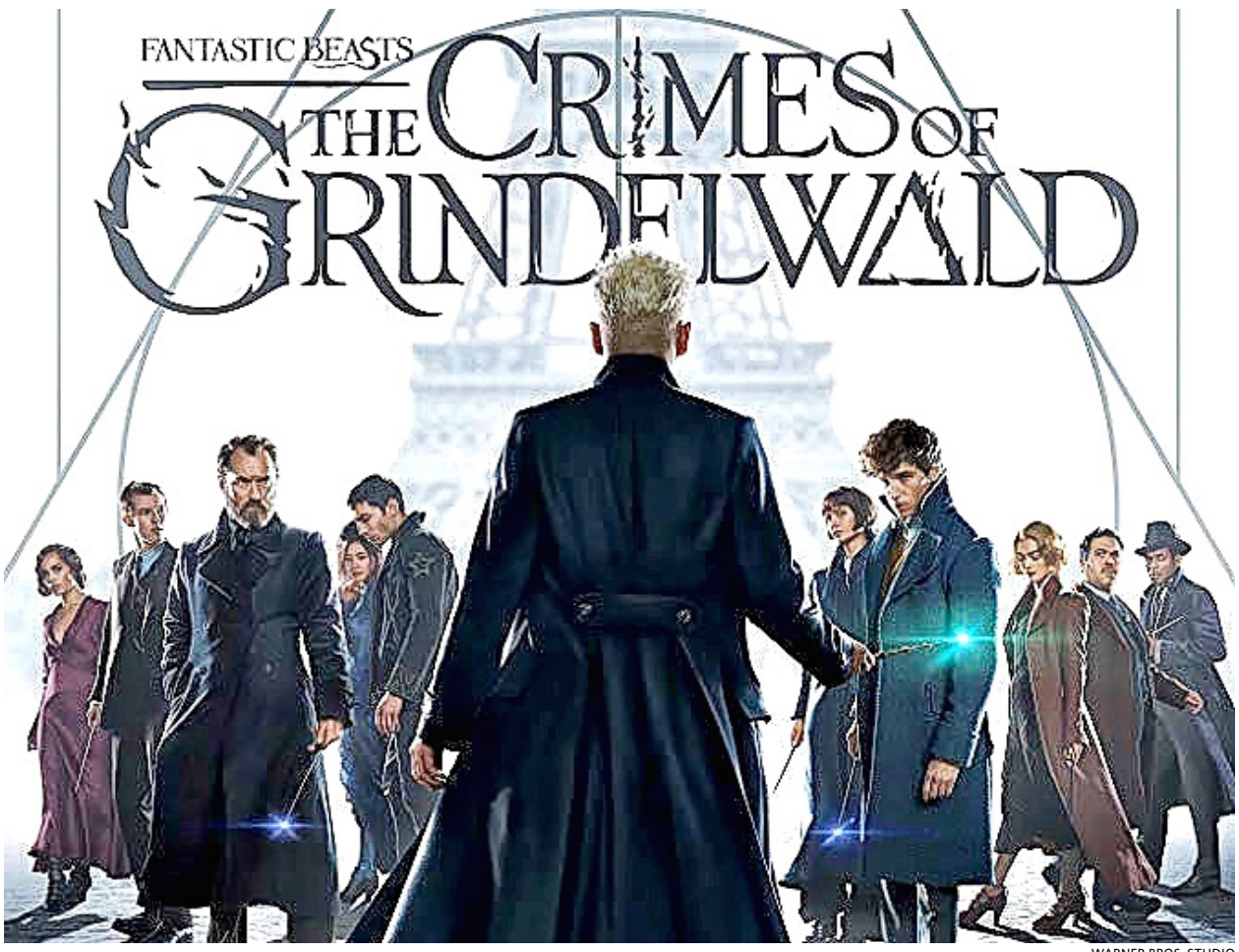
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'Today Show,' Warner Bros. coming to Parkside School Thursday on 'Crimes of Grindelwald' promotional tour



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EDUCATION

CATA's Carpentry Team wins state competition; Electrical Team places 4th



MIKE BURKETT

L-R: Dustin Burney, Karli Marler, Trevor Cheatham, Kenzie Jones and Colton Robison

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ARTS

Closing performance of 'Mary Poppins' signals new era in local theater

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SHAY CULBERTSON

Mary Poppins blows into the lives of the Banks family.

HANCEVILLE – On Sunday afternoon, Wallace State Theatre gave the last performance in a four-day run of the Disney classic "Mary Poppins," in many ways saving the best for last. Its sensory-friendly show, offering an approach geared toward audience members on the autism spectrum and with other special needs, may be the first ever of its kind in Alabama north of Birmingham.

Leading up to the performance, Technical Director Noah Carpenter told The Tribune, "We do adjustments to lighting to eliminate any strobe lights or bright flashes, we leave the house lights up a little bit to prevent the stage from being too bright and overwhelming for patrons, and then on the sound side everything is turned down just a little and we soften any harsh sound effects like crashes or explosions. In addition to these things, a sensory-friendly show has a very open-door policy to allow patrons to come and go as they need to if they are overstimulated, and a lot of the house rules are relaxed. Patrons are able to interact in the ways that best help them enjoy the show; they can sing along or clap or anything they need to help them take it all in."

After Sunday's performance, Show Director Lauren Salerno told The Tribune, "I couldn't be more proud of the cast and crew for their incredibly hard work to make this show a success. The best part, though, is seeing children leave the theater with smiles on their faces and humming tunes from the show. While educational theater is meant to train future theater artists, we're also very cognizant of the fact that we're developing future artists and theatergoers through our young audience members. I hope that after seeing 'Mary Poppins,' a young person will decide to take a tap class, join a children's choir or audition for a play. That will have been greatest achievement with the production!"

Carpenter added, "I'm so incredibly thankful for the cast of this show and the chance to get to be a part of this amazing team of directors. This was such a big show full of firsts for us here, and the students took every one of them head on. It was so much work in everyone's department for this one but every day I'd walk out in the lobby just before doors opened and see all those excited kids and even their parents who were ready for a little reminder of a simpler time in their own life. For me the few minutes a night seeing those faces make the 18-hour days that sometimes happen more than worth it! I hate seeing this one wrap, but as I told our cast after the show, if I know one thing after five years coming back to work with this department it is that they have joined the family, and this isn't our last time on stage together. Once you join this department you always come back to this theater."

Reaction to the sensory-friendly performance

Salerno said she was encouraged to do a sensory-friendly show by an email she received from a local parent.

"It's definitely on my radar, because a lot of theater companies are starting to do that sort of thing. I had a mom email me to ask if we were going to do one, because she would like to bring her child, but she had recently been to a performance that wasn't sensory-friendly, and she didn't feel that it was a positive experience for her child. And I thought, 'Why aren't we doing that? We should be doing that.'"

The mom who initially

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Fall fun and Halloween happenings

Here are some fun activities happening in the area today through Wednesday, Oct. 30-31. Check www.CullmanTribune.com/calendar for more information.

TUESDAY, OCT. 30

Temple Baptist Church Trunk-N-Treat, 6-8 p.m.
30 County Road 1184, Cullman, AL 35057

Friendship Squares Halloween Party, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
East Point Community Center, Hwy. 69 and Hwy 157, Cullman

Dress up in square dance attire or Halloween costume and come join us for a night of fun! We will have snacks and dancing.

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Stabbing at Economy Inn on Hwy. 31 sends 1 to hospital

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CULLMAN – A man was stabbed at the Economy Inn at 1834 Second Ave. NW (U.S. Highway 31 North) in Cullman Sunday night.

According to Cullman Police Department Capt. of Investigation Becky Boyd, the CPD responded to a report of an alleged robbery at Economy Inn Sunday at approximately 11:30 pm.

"Upon arrival officers found Roland Wayne Cleghorn who had been stabbed," Boyd said in a statement. "The victim further stated that he was the victim of a robbery."

Boyd said Cleghorn was transported to Cullman Regional by ambulance and was treated and released.

"Investigators responded to the scene and the investigation is ongoing," said Boyd. "Sgt. Intae Suh is the lead investigator."

Arrest reports: Oct. 25-28

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported for Oct. 25-28, 2018. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

THURSDAY, OCT. 25, 2018

Burcham, Bryan Alexander, 20
- GJ- second-degree rape

Burley, Desirae Nicole, 24
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Cloud, Jason Lynn, 40
- establishment of residence SORNA

Hankins, Tyler Mark, 23
- FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)

Hone, Molly Elizabeth, 26
- first-degree theft of property

Parker, Kristin Rachelle, 29
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Rainey, Kelsey Ann, 27
- FTA- identity theft

Screws, Westly Calvin, 48
- FTA- second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument

Stewart, James Allan, 32
- first-degree theft of property

Wiley, Austin David Ray, 24
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

FRIDAY, OCT. 26, 2018 - SUNDAY, OCT. 28, 2018

Adams, Jeremy William, 36
- DUI- .08 BAC or greater
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Arp, Danielle Annette, 22
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Black, Samuel Blake, 32
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- third-degree criminal mischief

Burch, Krysten Lee, 31
- public intoxication

Chapman, Colby Michael, 21
- judge's order- second-degree rape

Craig, Gregory Glen, 55
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence-harassment

Crowe, Jason Fennell, 44
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Culver, John Wayne Jr., 46
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Edgil, Billy Ray, 56
- third-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
- third-degree forgery

Evans, Sonya Wynette, 47
- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Freeman, Breanna Reigh, 28
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Freeman, Logan Lee, 29
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Gilley, Samantha Brooke, 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Goodlett, Jimmy II, 49
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Hancock, Lavarsha Mykell, 29
- DUI- .08 BAC or greater
- driving while revoked
- unsafe lane change-single lane

Hankins, Tyler Mark, 23
- first-degree theft of property

James, Gregory Merle, 40
- FTA- public intoxication

Kilpatrick, Justin Kenneth, 30
- third-degree burglary

Kilpatrick, Justin Todd, 55
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Lane, Cameron D., 53
- FTA- boat/vessel without a life preserver

Lindsey, Brandon Cole, 24
- public intoxication

Little, Lyles Samuel, 19
- contributing to the delinquency of a minor
- probation violation-sexual misconduct
- probation violation-second-degree sodomy

Thomas, Callahan, 31
- third-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument (5 counts)
- third-degree forgery (5 counts)

Walker, Jackie Lee Jr., 22
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Walker, Laklee Skye Lashea, 25
- probation violation-third-degree attempted robbery
- probation violation-unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Williams, Colby Alan Caine, 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Young, Gregory Dale, 66
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

FRIDAY, OCT. 26, 2018 - SUNDAY, OCT. 28, 2018

Hankins, Tyler M., 23
- first-degree theft of property

Ragsdale, Misty, 40
- public intoxication

Baccus, Mary J., 57
- public intoxication

Hyrdrick, Melissa M., 47
- fourth-degree theft of property

Johnson, Catherine L., 18
- third-degree criminal trespassing

Overton, Debra S., 54
- fourth-degree theft of property

Wilson, Darian B., 23
- fourth-degree theft of property

Speegle, Marty H., 20
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Montgomery, Christopher E., 31
- third-degree criminal trespassing

Peek, Nancy J., 47
- third-degree receiving stolen property
- third-degree burglary

Ross, Michael D., 63
- DUI

Blocker, Jasmine C., 19
- third-degree burglary

Selman, Christian A., 18
- third-degree burglary

Kelso, Dustin A., 28
- FTA- expired tag (2 counts)
- FTA- driving without a license

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No reports provided.

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

Tour (from Front)

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BAILEYTON – When Parkside School teachers Jacy Douglas and Tracey Jones decided to decorate their classrooms in Hogwarts themes from the "Harry Potter" series, they probably weren't counting on receiving national, and even international, attention for their efforts. But they have. On Thursday morning, NBC's "Today Show" will travel to the school to meet the two and other faculty members who transformed a middle school hallway into a Potterhead's dreamland, and Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette has confirmed Warner Bros. personnel will also be on hand to promote the Harry Potter prequel "Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald."

Barnette told The Tribune, "(Author) J.K. Rowling is the one that's kind of pushed to include Parkside in the publicity promotional stops for the new movie. Then the 'Today Show' and Warner Bros. crew is supposed to be with them."

Barnette continued, "I don't think we have a list of who all's coming."

Parkside will hold an assembly with "Today Show" and "Grindelwald" crew in its gym at 10 a.m. Thursday, followed by interviews in the decorated classrooms. The county system has taken the extraordinary step of inviting the public to attend, with a special emphasis on Parkside families and former Parkside students. The Cullman County Sheriff's Office will be on hand to provide security.

"Everybody's invited," said Barnette, "but, of course, that gym only holds so many people. So, as it fills up, you know, there may be people turned away."

Painting of the Harry Potter classrooms, as well as many others at Parkside, was done by local artist, Aaron Sullivan.

Beyond the paint

Barnette told The Tribune, "We are excited for Parkside. They've gotten a lot of attention because of the way they've decorated their halls and painted their classrooms, but that's just a small part of the great things that are going on at Parkside. They also won an award for reading scores, and just this year, they also achieved a Lighthouse Blue Ribbon status. So there's a lot of great things going on there, and it's reflective of great leadership by Mr. (Richard) Orr and the wonderful teachers, faculty and staff that are there at the campus, as well."

He continued, "Parkside has gotten a lot of publicity because of their halls and classroom decorations that have transformed their school. Their 'Harry Potter' hall and classrooms have caught the attention of J.K. Rowling and she has pushed for their school to be a promotional stop for her new movie 'Fantastic Beasts-The Crimes of Grindelwald,' coming out in a couple of weeks. Thursday, 'The Today Show' will be filming the whole assembly and all the interviews."

Said Barnette, "Parkside has been accomplishing some great things; along with the attention that they are receiving from the decorations, the school established "Houses" that students are divided into to work as teams to accomplish goals, the school was recently named a Lighthouse Blue Ribbon School of Excellence and also received $20,000 through a State ARI Initiative for its increased reading scores. 'The Today Show' and WB want us to invite everyone out to this assembly. Please consider attending this assembly and celebrating the successful accomplishments that the leadership, faculty and staff are achieving."

"Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald" is set to be released on Nov. 16. IMDb describes the movie as "the second installment of the 'Fantastic Beasts' series set in J.K. Rowling's Wizarding World featuring the adventures of magizoologist Newt Scamander."

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To: The Editor of The Cullman Tribune
You are ordered to publish the following notice once a week for four successive weeks:

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

James Cox and Lisa Cox, Plaintiff, v. **Joshua F. Brown,** Defendant.

Case No. DV-2017-900117

Notice of Summons

To: Joshua F. Brown

You are hereby notified that the above-styled action seeking monies due the Plaintiffs in a total amount to be determined by jury on breach of contract, conversion, fraud-misrepresentation of material facts, and deceit, as a result of the claims filed against you in the District Court, Cullman County, Alabama, and that by reason of an order for service of summons by publication entered by the Court, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the clerk of the court and to serve upon Plaintiffs' attorney, Nathan A. Brock, 223 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055, an answer to the Complaint on or before December 15, 18 or default judgment will be entered against you.

This 19th day of October 2018.

District Court Clerk
Cullman County, Alabama

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CULLMAN – Next Monday, Nov. 5, the City of Cullman will close a portion of Eva Road between Forrest Avenue Northeast and Scenic Drive Northeast. In a meeting with The Tribune Monday morning, Cullman Police Chief Kenny Culpepper explained that the closure could last up to 10 months, depending on construction schedules. No through traffic will be allowed, and only local residential traffic will be allowed on Eva Road from 13th Street to Scenic Drive.

An initial report that the road's northern closure would be at Forrest Avenue was updated by Culpepper to note that access to the Water Department building just south of the intersection would remain available.

The main concern for the City and police department with this closure is keeping traffic flowing around the high, middle and primary schools during the morning drop-off time, when traffic is the most congested.

Cullman High School and Cullman Primary School

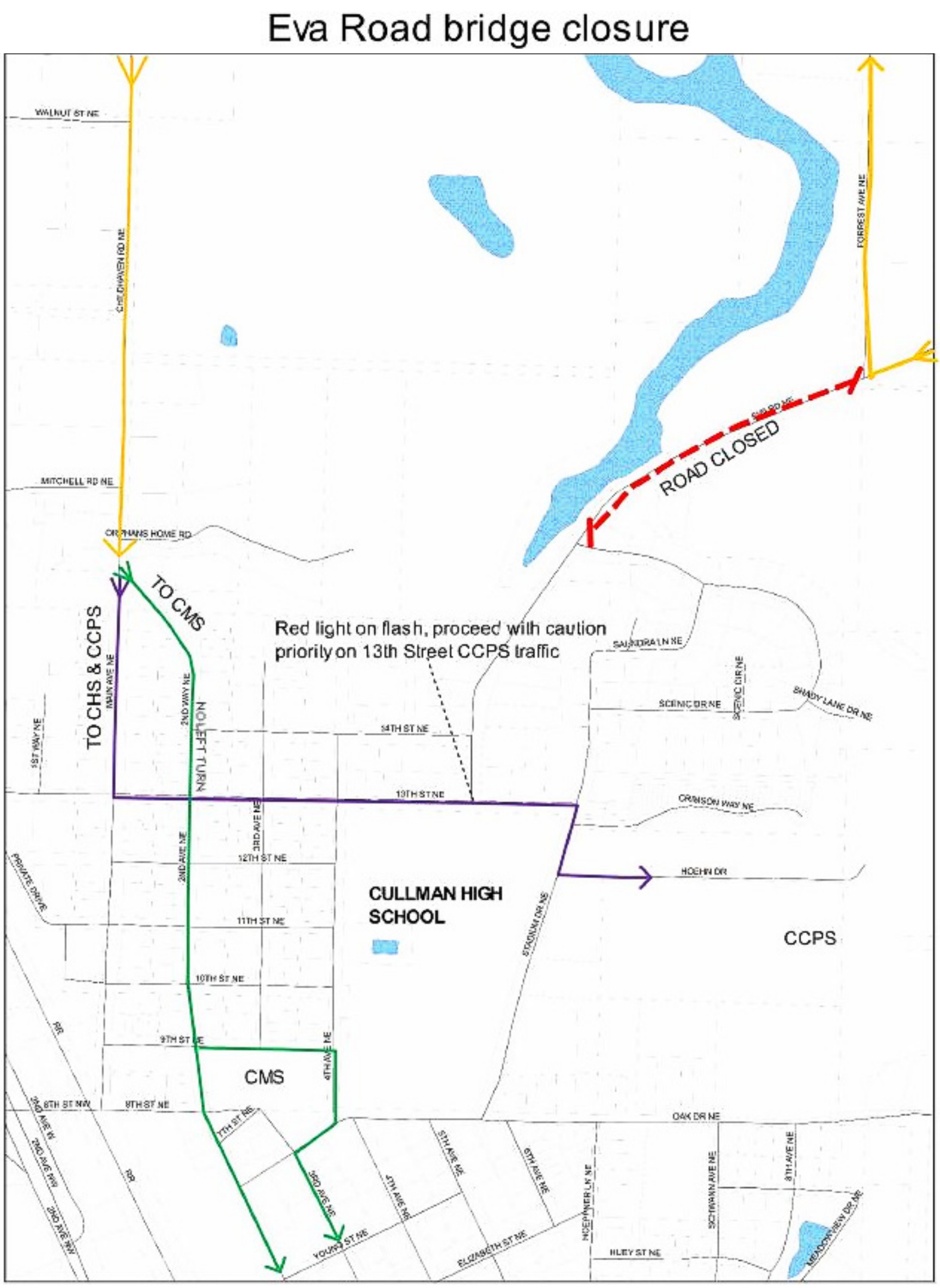
- Traffic coming from the south will be unaffected and may proceed as usual.
- Drivers coming from Hwy. 157 who usually take Eva Rd. should proceed to Childhaven Rd.
- At the fork in Childhaven Rd. at the bottom of the hill past Mitchell Rd. NE and Orphans Home Rd. NE, proceed right onto Main Ave.
- From Main Ave., turn left onto 13th St. and proceed to schools.
- If you take the left fork onto 2nd Way, left turns from that street onto 13th St. will not be permitted during drop-off time. In order to turn left onto 13th St., you must take Main Ave.

Cullman Middle School

- Traffic coming from the south will be unaffected, and may proceed as usual
- Drivers coming from Hwy 157 who usually take Eva Rd. should proceed to Childhaven Rd.
- At the fork in Childhaven Rd. at the bottom of the hill past Mitchell Rd. NE and Orphans Home Rd. NE, proceed left onto 2nd Way, which becomes 2nd Ave. NE
- When you reach CMS, depending on your drop-off point, continue on 2nd Ave. NE or turn left onto 9th St. NE over to 4th Ave. NE.

Extra signage will be posted during this time, and officers may be used at certain intersections to make sure traffic is flowing correctly.

Culpepper observed that the temporary change will likely not be without certain issues, but urged patience and noted that the plan can be modified as needed, if officers see persistent problems at any point on the routes.



CONTRIBUTED

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

CAROLYN ROSE HUCK, deceased CASE NO: PC2018-211

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF CAROLYN ROSE HUCK, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Mike Cone on the 29th day of June, 2018, by the Honorable 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.

Mike Cone, Personal Representative

TO: Publisher of *Cullman Tribune*:

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
P.M.,) CASE NO. JU 2015-110.04
A Minor Child, 01/19/2005)

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of the child born on or about 01/19/2005 to Tammy Michelle Schlichting, respond to the Petition of the Alabama Department of Human Resources for the Termination of Parental Rights by the 20 day of November, 2018 or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

It is further **ORDERED** that this Order and notice be published once a week for four successive weeks in *The Cullman Tribune*, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this the 4th day of October, 2018

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of P.M. born on or about 1/19/2005. to Tammy Michelle Schlichting, respond to the Petition by the 20th day of November, 2018, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, P.O. Box 561, Cullman, AL 35056-0561, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 4th day of October, 2018

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 10 **day of** Oct. **,** 18.

Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
OCTOBER 30, 2018

Holly Pond Vintage Market draws crowds

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HOLLY POND – The second annual local favorite Holly Pond Vintage Market was held this weekend with around 40 vendors set up at the Governor's Park in Holly Pond selling antiques, vintage items, art, boutique clothing and much more. The Town of Holly Pond sponsored the event, while Wayne White and Robin Yates, owners of the Holly Pond antique store The Middle of Nowhere, organized it.

There was a great turnout this year, considering the weather, and many from Holly Pond and the surrounding communities came to see what the market had to offer.

Market vendor and daughter of Yates and White, Bailey Frost, shared, "Holly Pond was excited to bring people from our own community together with people from outside communities to display antiques, vintage arts, crafts and boutique clothing."

Local civic organizations set up booths at the market, too. Holly Pond United Methodist Church sold fried pies, the Holly Pond Lions Club sold brooms and mops, and there was a stand set up for donations to Carpenter's Cabinet, which will continue to accept donations after the market is over.

Said Frost, "We are supporting our local civic organizations as well, and then this year we really wanted to focus on Carpenter's Cabinet to help them with their food pantry that's located right here in Holly Pond. That was our mission for this year."

For the kids, the Guy Hunt Library and Museum put together a children's play area that consisted of mini-golf and other fun activities while nearby a bounce house was set up for them to play in as well.

There were several vendors that offered food, like Kudzu Café, a stand offering roasted corn on the cob, and T's Treats offering baked goods.



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Maggie's Marketplace was one of many vendors set up at Saturday's Holly Pond Vintage Market.

Parkside holds annual Pumpkin Run

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BAILEYTON – The 10th annual Parkside Pumpkin Run took place Saturday morning, with 30-plus runners taking off from Parkside School, looping around Baileyton and finishing up at the town's park.

Young runners from Holly Pond had a great race with Christopher Putman being the first to cross the finish line and Abigail Kusz being the first female participant to finish. Austin Alexander of Good Hope had a great run finishing second overall.

- 10-14 year old winners were Millie Harris and Hunter Farr.
- 15-19 year old winners were Bella Kaufman and Austin Alexander.
- 20-29 year old winners were Lauren Estes and Ashton Guthrie
- 30-39 year old winner was Shane Rusk.
- Over 40 winners were Parkside Principal Richard Orr and Leslie Smith.

Putman felt he had a good race, saying, "My best 5K time is 19:46 and I finished today in 20:05. It's a good race for me and Abigail going into sectionals Thursday at Fairview."

Orr invited visitors back to Parkside to tour the hallways of the school. Parkside has gained recognition for its murals and creative decorating throughout the school. The fifth-grade hallway and classrooms have been transformed into all things Harry Potter and Hogwarts.

Orr praised his staff. "They do all the planning for this run, so I can't really take any credit for it."



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Left to right: Austin Alexander, Christopher Putman and Abigail Kusz

Thousands enjoy Hanceville Fall Fest

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HANCEVILLE – On Sunday afternoon, the streets of downtown Hanceville were taken over by heroes and villains, ghosts, goblins, and sundry assorted characters as the city celebrated its annual Fall Fest.

More than 6,000 visitors are estimated to have passed through the established event district.

Within a few minutes of the fest's opening, a thick line of kids and parents reached from Hanceville City Hall up around Hanceville Drug Company, down Commercial Street to Hanceville First Baptist Church where a Swamp John's dinner was being served, up Church Avenue to Blountsville Street where it circled the block onto Bangor Avenue Around 100 volunteers handed out candy from cars along the streets, Robert Spicer of BlueyOne DJ provided tunes, visitors saw motorcycles and law enforcement vehicles on display, and kids played on inflatables next to the library.

Mayor Kenneth Nail told The Tribune, "This is our annual Fall Fest, sponsored by the City of Hanceville and the area churches.

"And, of course, as you see, I believe there's probably between 6,000 and 8,000 people that's going to come through, and it's always a big deal.

"We just so much appreciate our churches, and what they mean to the community, and how they care about the community. It's just a great event."



W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Addison, Fairview, Meek headed to state tournament

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HUNTSVILLE – Eight local squads made the trip to the Von Braun Center in Huntsville to compete in the North Super Regional Tournament this week, but unfortunately, most of them were sent home early.

As usual, the Addison Lady Bulldogs have punched their ticket to the state tournament in Class 2A after sweeping Horseshoe Bend and Fyffe with ease on Thursday before getting past Cedar Bluff in the semifinal round and defeating Winston County in straight sets in the North championship match.

The Lady Bulldogs will face Fayetteville in the Elite Eight round of the state tournament at the Birmingham CrossPlex Wednesday at 11 a.m.

Addison will be joined by Fairview in Class 4A and Meek in Class 1A. The Lady Aggies secured a spot at the state tournament in Birmingham on Friday with wins over Cleburne County and West Morgan.

Fairview got by the Tigers in straight sets to start the day and knocked off West Morgan in four very tight sets to advance to the semifinal round Saturday morning.

In the first two rounds on Friday, Alivia Boyll and Micah Means racked up 27 and 38 assists, respectively while Daisy Manasco collected a team-high 28 kills.

Tess Bailey and Katie Ball each added 14 kills as well. The Lady Aggies fell to Central Florence in a long and close semifinal round, ending with a 19-17 Fairview loss in the fifth set.

The Lady Aggies will now have a little time off to rest up and prepare for their match with Providence Christian Wednesday at 9:30 a.m.

The Lady Tigers will have a match to prepare for next week as well.

Meek secured its spot in Birmingham on Friday by sweeping Donoho and Belgreen.

The Lady Tigers fell in five sets to Athens Bible in the semifinal round Saturday morning, but they'll be back on the court Wednesday at 11 a.m. to take on Pleasant Home in the first round of the state tournament.

The remaining local teams ended their seasons in the Von Braun Center after putting together excellent 2018 campaigns. The sheer number of local teams represented in the North Super Regional created a heavy Cullman County presence in Huntsville this week.

Cullman 1 – Hazel Green 3: 18-25, 25-23, 11-25, 10-25
The Lady Bearcats' playoff run came to an end Thursday afternoon after they fell to Hazel Green in four sets. Cullman finishes the season as Area 14 runner-up at 19-21. Cullman will lose just three seniors from this squad and is in good shape to bounce back in 2019.

West Point 1 – East Limestone 3: 21-25, 25-19, 25-27, 21-25
After putting together a stellar 44-7 record in the regular season, the Lady Warriors came up short against East Limestone in four sets to bring a great season to an end in the North Super Regional. West Point will lose two All-County players in Josie Huckaby and Selena Clark to graduation but will still have a lot of talent returning to the court next season.

Cold Springs 1 – Sumiton Christian 3: 18-25, 25-21, 21-25, 21-25
The Lady Eagles are area champions and have amassed an impressive 33-10 record but couldn't get past Sumiton Christian on Thursday to keep their postseason run alive.

Cold Springs will be graduating six seniors from this team in May but there are several young starters coming back to fill those roles.

Holly Pond 3 – Pisgah 2: 25-23, 25-23, 14-25, 22-25, 16-14

Holly Pond 1 – Glencoe 3: 25-20, 18-25, 10-25, 17-25
The Lady Broncos were playing their best volleyball of the season this week in both the area tournament and at the Von Braun Center. Unfortunately, it wasn't quite enough to carry them to a state tournament bid. Holly Pond knocked off Pisgah in a five-set thriller to get Thursday started on the right foot but couldn't sustain it for the matchup with Glencoe.

The Lady Broncos' season ended in a place where not many people thought it could, the quarterfinals of the North Super Regional. There are seven seniors on this Holly Pond squad that will be missed next season, but 2018 ends on a high note for the Lady Broncos and that can only help them going forward.

Vinemont 0 – Geraldine 3: 11-25, 9-25, 5-25
Vinemont's solid 2018 run came to an end Thursday morning after the Lady Eagles fell to Geraldine in straight sets.

Vinemont finished the regular season at 20-19 and the top seed in Area 13 but couldn't quite sustain that play once the postseason arrived.

The Lady Eagles have a lot of experience returning in 2019 but will have to replace the production of seniors like Madison Oliver, Taylor McClure, Cassidi Robertson and All-County Team selection Rachel Hall if they want to make it back to Huntsville.

YOUTH FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Warriors, Outlaws, Cyclones clinch championship wins

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VINEMONT – There were six games on Cullman County Youth Football championship Saturday, and three teams were crowned champions after the games.

Cullman Cyclones 20, Good Hope Raiders 8 (third-place game) (Pee-Wee)

The first game of the day was for third place, as the Cullman Cyclones took on the Good Hope Raiders. The Raiders struck first in the opening quarter when Landon Bagwell scored on a touchdown run to make it 8-0, and the score stayed the same for the first half as both defenses kept the opposing offenses out of the end zone.

The third quarter saw the Cyclones tie the game up at 8 on a touchdown run by Cooper Ogstad. He later found Jonah Stallings for a touchdown pass to give them a 14-8 lead; he helped seal third place by picking off an Ayden Black pass and taking it in for the score.

After allowing the opening score of the game, the Cyclone defense completely stiffened as they shut down the Raiders.

West Point 14, Cullman Bearcats 8 (Pee-Wee championship game)

The first championship game of the day pitted the West Point Warriors against the Cullman Bearcats, and it was a great defensive effort by both teams.

The first quarter saw neither team crack the scoreboard. The Warrior running game started to get it going in the second period as Carter Rutherford found the end zone on a 44-yard run, then Noah Laney added a touchdown of his own to make it a 14-0 West Point lead at the half.

The Bearcat offense looked to find the end zone to start out the second half and did as Cooper Loftin cut the Warrior lead to 14-8 with a 28-yard run, but the Bearcats couldn't quite get the lead on their final possession and West Point wound up taking home the championship trophy.

Holly Pond 24, West Point 20 (third-place game) (Fireplug)

The third-place game in the fireplug division saw the Holly Pond Broncos take on the West Point Warriors. The Broncos got off to a very quick start offensively as Hunter Tolbert found the end zone three times in the first half on runs of 65, 7 and 44 yards, giving Holly Pond an 18-0 lead. The Warriors found the end zone on a Tripp Dingler touchdown run to make it an 18-8 game at the half.

West Point made it an 18-14 game in the second half on a Carson Owens touchdown run. But the Broncos extended their lead to 24-14 on another Tolbert touchdown.

The Warriors looked for a late rally to take the lead; they cut it to 24-20 on another Owens run. But they couldn't get any closer and Holly Pond took the third-place win.

Good Hope Outlaws 24, Vinemont 12 (Fireplug championship game)

The fireplug championship game saw the Good Hope Outlaws take on the Vinemont Eagles. Each team traded touchdowns in the opening few minutes of the game as Kamden Collins scored the opening touchdown for the Outlaws while Carson Arbet found the end zone for the Eagles. Good Hope broke a 6-6 tie on a touchdown run by Bentlee Marlow and the Outlaws took a 12-6 lead going into the half.

Collins and Marlow each added a second touchdown in the second half to stretch the Good Hope lead to 24-6. Vinemont looked to stage a late comeback when Tucker Douglas scored on the quarterback keeper to make it a 24-12 game. But it would be too little, too late and the Outlaws took home the championship trophy.

Good Hope Outlaws 18, Vinemont 16 (third-place game) (Wee-Wee)

The third-place game in the wee-wee division pitted the Good Hope Outlaws against the Vinemont Eagles. The first quarter saw both defenses dominate to keep the contest scoreless. Good Hope struck first in the second period on Karson Hollis' first of two touchdown runs in the period; Parker Johnson added another touchdown for the Outlaws and Joshua Rhodes put up Vinemont's first score of the game to make it an 18-8 score at the half.

The score still stayed at 18-8 after three going into the final period. The Eagles cut their deficit to just two at 18-16 on another Rhodes run and looked to take the lead on their final possession; the Outlaws, though, had other plans as they forced a turnover on downs to clinch third place.

Cullman Cyclones 38, Cullman Bearcats 0 (Wee-Wee championship game)

The final game of the night was the wee-wee championship game between the Cullman Cyclones and the Cullman Bearcats. It was all Cyclones from the get-go, and they got their first points by tackling the Bearcat runner in the end zone for a safety. Landon Pitts threw two straight touchdown passes, one to Brody Vincent, and the other to Collin Nelson to make it an 18-0 Cyclone lead at the half.

Weston Keel scored a pair of touchdowns in the third period and Keaton Leathers added another one in the final period to put the final score at 38-0 as the Cyclones ended up hoisting the championship trophy at the end of the game.



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The Good Hope Outlaws celebrate after winning the fireplug championship game on Saturday.









THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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Wallace State cross country teams each win ACCC championship; Tanner King named Runner of the Year

Russell Moore
WSCC

HANCEVILLE – Wallace State's cross county teams are Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) champions.

Wallace State's men had the top four finishers and five of the top eight, and the Lady Lions had six runners finish in the top eight at the conference meet over the weekend.

Competing in their second ACCC meets since the program was reestablished last season, both Wallace State programs shined on their home course.

It's the sixth cross country conference championship all-time for the men's program and third for the women.

"This is a great group of runners. They're great people and get along better than most groups I've had, especially considering everyone is so unique and different.

"We've had leadership on both teams from the runners in the front, middle and back, and we had to have that again in this meet.

"We've demanded leadership from every runner," said long-time Wallace State coach Stan Narewski.

"I'm extremely proud of both groups and appreciate the work (assistant coach) Tony Crider puts in. He does a tremendous job. Our runners respect and love him. We have a great situation."

Wallace State's Tanner King was named the ACCC Runner of the Year after prevailing as the top individual in the ACCC meet. King, a freshman from Northside, finished the 8K with a 26:24.

"It's a great feeling for us to win this championship. When I first got here, it took me a while to get adjusted (to the college game).

"All of the training and our amazing coaches helped me tremendously," King said.

"This means a lot. We had a feeling we could sweep this race and we came close. We were confident coming in and it showed."

As has been the story this season, Eli Wilhite was right on King's heels. Both have shared the top finishes for Wallace State in 2018.

Wilhite placed runner-up with a 26:35.

"This feels awesome. I went out there and just did my job. Of course, all runners want the individual title, but I'm thrilled to see Tanner up there. We've trained all season in preparation for this meet, and we're conference champs," Wilhite said.

Sophomore Victor Bravo finished third overall with a 27:19 for Wallace State and Hamza Abusammour came in fourth with a 27:28, giving the Lions the top four finishers.

Freshman Alex Leary finished sixth with a 27:52 for the Lions.

Wallace State's Jacob Guthrie (29:28) placed 10th overall, Drake Patton (29:31) was 11th and Brennan Wink (29:32) finished 12th. Lindsay Kolter rounded out the field for the Lions.

In the women's meet, Wallace State freshman Jacqueline Serrano finished individual runner-up, earning a 19:53 in the 5K.

She was three seconds shy of matching Marion Military Institute's Savannah Olyniec for the individual championship.

"We challenged Jackie today and she was right there at the end. She was definitely determined the entire time," Narewski said.

Serrano is a J.B. Pennington graduate.

"It's very exciting to be in this position. Our team is unique in many ways, and we complement each other well," Serrano said.



WSCC

Wallace State's Eli Wilhite, left, and Tanner King prepare to turn a corner in the 8K as teammate Victor Bravo trails right behind.

Wallace State's Tatiana Padgett finished third overall with a 20:24 and Marlena Morales was fourth with a 21:16.

"Tatiana Padgett is probably our most improved runner since this summer. She continues to get better and better," Narewski said.

Also for the Lady Lions, Makala Worrell came in sixth overall, finishing with a 21:59, Alexandra Holt (22:34) was seventh and Taylor Barkley (22:36) placed eighth.

Miriam Smith, Alex McDonald and Kelsey Borden rounded out the Wallace State field.

As was the case with the ACCC meet, Serrano and Padgett have had the women's best finishes for Wallace State.

Wallace State hosted the conference meet for the second straight season.

"Every runner has been invested and involved all season, and that's what you ask for as a coach.

"It's a great time to be a part of the program. We're going to continue to build it up," Narewski said.

Wallace State now gears up for the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Division I Championship on Nov. 10 at Garden City, Kansas.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.facebook.com/Wallace-State-Community-College-Athletics-238544719506181/

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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 30 - 31

James Frank John Szilagyi, age 80 of Hartselle, passed away on Thursday, October 25, 2018. He was a 22 year retired CW3 Army Veteran. Mr. Szilagyi was preceded in death by his daughter, Barbara Jean Szilagyi. He is survived by his wife, Nona Burgess Szilagyi; son, Don (Sally) Szilagyi; granddaughter, Rebecca (Daniel) Baker; sister, Vicki Szilagyi; and brother, Bobby Szilagyi. A graveside service will be Tuesday, October 30, at 1 p.m. at Emeus Cemetery.

Bobbie Ruth Williams, 85 of McCalla formerly of Addison, passed away at home on October 26, 2018 surrounded by her family. She was born on January 3, 1933 in Sardis Community. Miss Bobbie was a member of Bible Comes To Life Church in Adger, Alabama. She loved the outdoors and enjoyed working in her garden. he was famous for her story telling and sharing memories. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 from 12 p.m. until 1 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home where services will be held at 1 p.m. Brother Phillip Hill will officiate. Burial will be at Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church Cemetery. She is survived by her sisters in law, Margaret Williams and Betty Williams; and she was Aunt Bobbie to a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Dee and Dora Williams; brothers, Roy, Ray and Lee Williams; and sisters, Jackie Burnham, Dimple McCain and Earline Armstrong.

Funeral Service for Earolyn Ray Lollar, age 75 of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Max Haygood officiating; burial at Cullman Heritage Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Lollar passed away on Saturday, October 27, 2018 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. He was born, January 11, 1943 to Thomas E and Vera Lollar. He is preceded in death by his parents and wife, Bessie Sue Lollar. Survivors include his, daughters, Cynthia (Charlie) Patton and Amanda (Bryan) White, step-son, Michael (Tracey) Christensen, step-daughter, Mary (Lee) Hoops, brothers, Dennis Wayne Lollar and Kermit Lollar, sister, Carolyn Bradley, grandchildren, Stephanie (James) Pace, Corey White, Colton White, Roman Christensen, Devin Christensen, Kyle Christensen, Bridget (Wally) Williams, Richard Findley, Ryan Hoops, great grandchildren, Gabriel Pace, Greyson Pace, Gryphon Pace and Lily Williams. Visitation will be from 11 p.m. until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Mr. Jimmy Henke of Crane Hill Alabama passed away October 27, 2018 at his residence at the age of 47. He was born on June 30, 1971 to James Douglas and Jackie Burrow Henke. He is preceded in death by his father. Funeral services are Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at Livingston Chapel Methodist Church at 2 p.m. with Rev. Ron Collett officiating. Interment will be in the adjoining cemetery. He is survived by his sons James Julius Henke, Justin Wyatt Henke, mother Jackie Burrow Henke and a host of friends and other relatives. Visitation is on Tuesday at Livingston Chapel Methodist Church from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m.

Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah Jane Black Brown, 75 of Goldridge Community, will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, October 30, 2018 in the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Baldwin Heights Baptist Cemetery with Bro. Phillip Ashley officiating. Sarah was born on February 14, 1943 to the late James Curtis Black & Janie Elizabeth Moore Black. She passed away at her residence surrounded by family on Saturday, October 27, 2018. Survivors include her Husband of 56 Years - Manuel L. Brown; 2 - Daughters - Deborah Denise (Harold R. Jr.) Townsend & Donna Gail (Cory Lee) Freeman; Son - Terry Lawayne (Sandy Michelle) Brown; 6 - Grandchildren - Brittney (Kevin) Bowers, Kendall (Jon Lee) Sasser, Devon (Jordan) Taylor, Chandler (Jordan) Brown, Ashley (Lane) Jones & Jordan Drew Freeman; 1 - Great-Grandchild - Crimson Daniel Bowers & one on the way - Sawyer Daniel Bowers.

Darron G. Davis age 65, died on Sunday, October 28, 2018. He passed away at home, after an extended illness, surrounded by family. He retired from BellSouth after 30 years of dedicated service. He spent his retirement years creating inspiring and imaginative works of art which he frequently shared with family and friends. He is survived by his wife of 43 years, Jane Davis; daughter, Stacy (Jason) Steenson; son, Cory (Becky) Davis; grandchildren: Shayla Alexander, Shanna Alexander, Brecken (Kody) Smith, Alexis Steenson, Trent Mishaw, Keythan Mishaw and Sydnie Ward; great-grandchildren; Knox Smith and Lennan Smith. Visitation will be held at Moss Service Funeral Home on Tuesday, October 30, 2018 at 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Funeral Service at Moss Service Funeral Home on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 at 2 p.m. with burial to follow at Livingston Chapel Methodist Church in Crane Hill. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Cullman Regional Hospice.

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Community with Carol: Saving Forgotten Warriors

Carol Berry
Tribune Columnist

Saving Forgotten Warriors' mission statement is "Advocating for the health, safety and wellbeing of our military veterans no matter the era or conflict." This statement was exactly what Jeremy Hogan described in our interview this week.

Jeremy didn't really set out to start a nonprofit three years ago. Little did he know how his life would change with one decision. Talking with a local convenience store clerk, Jeremy learned she was concerned about a local resident. That resident was also a veteran and Jeremy decided to just stop by and check on a fellow military brother. That brother had many needs, the first being immediate medical attention. Jeremy jumped into action and before he knew it he was a story on the local news.

Saving Forgotten Warriors was born, with one man helping his brother in need. Now fast forward three years and Jeremy and his family have a new life. A life of service. He has performed everything from overseeing large home renovation projects to taking out the trash weekly for an elderly veteran.

As I spoke with Jeremy two things stuck out to me: his love for his country and for the men and women that like him had given all they had for it. You hear the cliché once a Marine.....well I can tell you that is true!

I was amazed at all the SFW organization does. The small things. I was aware of the renovation projects done on homes: the money raised to provide transportation for veterans to get to and from the VA hospitals. However, I was not aware of the visits just to check on individuals or trimming the nails of those that can no longer do that for themselves. SFW does it all. I asked Jeremy what his biggest need was today. His answer without hesitation was, "a minivan." He only has a large 16-passenger van to do the hospital transport and due to fuel costs a smaller van would really be helpful. His second answer was "more volunteers."

I hope everyone will watch our interview this week, so you can hear Jeremy explain what he does and the needs his organization has. The most impressive thing about SFW is the fact it has no paid employees! This organization is run completely by volunteers, so every penny given to it goes to the men and women in need. That is very rare and to be honest, hard to pull off. So if you are looking to plug in with an organization that gives all it has to the community, Jeremy and Saving Forgotten Warriors would be worth checking out. I don't think you will be disappointed.

Find our interview at www.Facebook.com/CullmanTribune on Tuesday.



CAROL BERRY

Jeremy Hogan, founder of Saving Forgotten Warriors

Happenings (from Front)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31

Cullman County Public Library Fall Brown Bag Lecture Series- Ghost Stories from Alabama College Campuses, noon
200 Clark Street NE, Cullman

- Speaker: Dr. Alan Brown, member of the Road Scholars Speakers Bureau for the Alabama Humanities Foundation
- Topic: Ghost Stories from Alabama College Campuses
- More information: Please Call 256-734-2720 Ext. 23

Bring your brown bag lunch. The library will provide light snacks and drinks.

Trick or Treat at James R. Smith Trucking, 12-5 p.m.
240 County Road 222, Cullman
Bring the kids and stop by to Trick or Treat with us at James R. Smith Trucking Co.! We'll have at least six different rooms to trick or treat! We'll also have fresh popped popcorn all day! We can't wait to see you!

Sensory-Friendly Trunk Or Treat, 1-5 p.m.
Cullman City Parking Deck, 305 3rd Ave. SW, Cullman
This event is especially for those children who are unable to attend traditional Halloween activities because of problems with sound, lights, or costumes or massive overcrowding.

There will be no smoke machines or strobe lights, no jump scares or loud background music. Costumes are completely optional, and no child will be asked why they are not wearing one.

Candy is welcome. Alternate candy-free goody bags will be available for those with dye sensitivity or food allergies.

The event will take place on the bottom portion of the city parking deck, to limit sound and light pollution without creating a totally dark environment, and to limit drive through traffic.

Families and businesses are encouraged to sign up to bring a vehicle to decorate for free.

Hosted by Fancher Education Center and Cullman Homeschool Connection

City of Good Hope Trick or Treating and Halloween Costume Contest, 3-5 p.m.
Good Hope City Hall, 135 Municipal Drive
Bring the kids by Good Hope City Hall to Trick or Treat and enter into our Costume Contest.

Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place. We will take photos of all the entries. We will choose the winners at 4:30pm and they will be posted on our Facebook page.

- 1st Place - $50 Gift Card
- 2nd Place - $25 Gift Card
- 3rd Place - $25 Gift Card

Trick or Treat at The Sunflour Bakery and Eatery, 4:30-7:30 p.m.
324 County Road 222, Cullman
We will be giving free cookies and candy to all Trick or Treaters Halloween night.

Valley Springs Baptist Church Trunk or Treat, 5:30 p.m.
6979 County Road 437, Cullman

Trunk or Treat at Redeeming Grace Church, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
7549 County Road 222, Cullman

Cullman Police Department Trunk or Treat, 5:30-8 p.m.
Cullman Police Department, 601 2nd Ave. NE, Cullman
The Cullman Police Department will hold its popular Halloween Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, Oct. 31 from 5:30-8 p.m.

The department said there will be police cars, firetrucks a helicopter, games, music, and of course, candy.

According to Sgt. Adam Clark, the department will hand out more that 38,000 pieces of candy.

This year's event is sponsored by Merchants Bank of Alabama.

Music provided by DJ Jammin' Jeff.

First Fest at First Baptist Church Cullman, 6-8 p.m.
501 2nd Ave. SW, Cullman
EVERYONE IS INVITED! Make plans to come to our annual event! We will have Bible story-themed trunks, carnival rides and free food! Bring your entire family and enjoy a night of fun!

Performance (from Front)

contacted Salerno about doing a sensory-friendly show was Valerie Speegle Keller. After accompanying her son Logan to Sunday's show, she shared with The Tribune:

"First of all, I was really amazed at how many turned out for it. When I turned around and saw the crowd I almost cried! And then the show itself was 'Practically Perfect!' To see my son sit there so engaged and so captivated by the music and the actors was a priceless moment.

"At times, he could hardly contain himself in the seat. We had even practiced on how to clap, and I saw him do that a couple of times.

"Of course, his favorites were 'Chim Chim Cheree' and 'Jolly Holiday' and, of course, 'Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious.'"

Logan, who attends the Cullman County Child Development Center, is a big music lover and a longtime fan of "Mary Poppins." Keller said he even gave her a little education on the show, talking to her about the Sherman Brothers who composed the original music.

Two years ago, Keller got the opportunity to take Logan to a theater production of the show which she called "amazing." The reaction of fellow audience members to a special-needs spectator, though, was a different story. Keller had to deal with the looks that special needs parents know all too well, and even people who asked to be relocated elsewhere.

Said Keller, "It was heartbreaking to think we would not be able to take him to this type of thing that he loves so much."

But then she discovered something radically different:

"Not long ago we attended a sensory-friendly showing of 'Beauty and the Beast.' That was like night and day. It was such a different experience; we were more relaxed. There were other children and adults there that had some of the same difficulties. It was just a wonderful experience.

"A few months back, a friend of mine tagged me in a Facebook post showing that Wallace was going to be doing 'Mary Poppins,' because she knew Logan loved 'Mary Poppins.' I commented, 'I wish they could do a sensory-friendly one.' And she said, 'Well, why don't you ask them?' After doing some thinking, I went ahead and sent an email to one of the contacts in the article, asking if they would consider doing a sensory-friendly show. To my surprise I got an email reply pretty fast, saying absolutely they were going to try it."

Keller concluded, "I'm so appreciative to Wallace and to the theater department for going out on a limb like that and trying something new. This means so much to not only the autism and special needs community, but to our community as a whole. Cullman County showed tonight its diversity and its willingness to accept others that might be a little different.

"This is what it's all about, awareness and acceptance! My heart is full tonight because this may have been someone's first time to see a musical. What a memory they will have! What a precious memory for our family!"



U.S. Census Bureau now hiring workers for 2020 Census in Alabama

ADECA
Contributor

MONTGOMERY – Alabama residents looking for some extra income may have a great opportunity to help their country, their state and earn a little extra money all at the same time with a federal job related to the 2020 census in Alabama.

The U.S. Census Bureau is now accepting applications online for temporary jobs related to the 2020 census.

Those jobs include census takers, recruiting assistants, office staff and supervisory staff.

For information about available jobs and to apply, visit http://2020census.gov/jobs.

"The 2020 census is critical to the future of our state, and I'd like to encourage Alabamians – especially retirees, college students or others looking for part-time, temporary work – to take advantage of this opportunity not only to earn a paycheck but assist the Census Bureau with a task that will benefit all of the people of our state," Gov. Kay Ivey said.

The application process for census jobs is handled directly through the U.S. Census Bureau. Alabama state government is not involved in the hiring or selection process.

Participation in the census count, which is required every 10 years by the U.S. Constitution, affects many aspects of Alabama, including congressional representation and the amount of federal funding allocated to the state for many critical programs.

While the census count is several months away in April 2020, the state is already gearing up preparations.

In August, Ivey issued an executive order establishing the Alabama Counts! 2020 Census Committee to promote and educate the public on census activities. Led by the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, the committee is currently filling in membership of its eight subcommittees and will develop an action plan to guide the state's efforts at maximum participation in the 2020 census.

CATA (from Front)

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CULLMAN – Mike Burkett, building construction teacher at the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) shared with The Tribune that on Oct. 25-26, the academy's five-member student Carpentry Team won first place in the Team Build Competition held in Tuscaloosa. The CATA team was the only team at the event to finish in the allotted time and, according to Burkett, "scored high points for their teamwork and communication skills."

The Carpentry Team is made up of:

- Dustin Burney, Trevor Cheatham and Colton Robison from Fairview High School
- Karli Marler from Holly Pond High School
- Kenzie Jones from Hanceville High School
- Fairview's Payton Oden is an alternate.

The annual statewide competition is hosted by The Resource Center for Career Technical Education and sponsored by numerous construction companies and home builder associations from around Alabama. According to the event website, the Team Build Competition is held to showcase the skills of students enrolled in carpentry/building trades and electrical programs in Alabama Career and Technical programs, and to call attention to the home building and industrial/commercial construction industry in Alabama.

The competition instructions contained the following description: "In today's workforce teamwork is essential and it is important that students learn to work in teams while learning the skills necessary for earning and maintaining employment in the construction field. Although it is not possible to build a home in two days, the contest will include many of the skills students are learning in the home building and other construction-related areas.

"The Team Build Contest will replicate the National SkillsUSA TeamWorks contest as much as possible.

"The event will consist of a construction team of career and technical students that will build a structure that cannot exceed 10 feet in length or 8 feet in width.

"Each interior wall will have one electrical outlet, and there will be one switch box and one ceiling light.

"The building must have at least one window and one door.

"Additional items may be added by the contest committee to allow students to use creativity and innovation."

Burkett added, "Teams are judged on their technical ability, but also on safety, teamwork and problem solving on their own without help from their instructors.

"The competition also includes an electrical component of wiring the building with outlets and light fixtures."

Fairview students place fourth in electrical

The CATA Electrical Team of Lance Gandy and Cory Jenkins, both from Fairview High School, placed fourth in the electrical portion of the competition.

Fairview's Payton Oden is also an Electrical Team alternate.

Burkett wished to recognize the Cullman County Homebuilder's Association and President Willy Hendrix (Bill Hendrix Construction, LLC) for their $500 donation to the CATA team to help offset travel expenses.

Burkett said, "Congratulations to the CATA Carpentry and Electrical Teams. We are very proud of their hard work and the great leadership they represented at the competition."

