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LIGHTS ON



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A small crowd gathered Wednesday evening to see the Christmas lights turned on atop buildings in downtown Cullman.

Cullman PALS wins big at state Governor's Awards



CHERRIE HANEY

Parkside School won first place in the Cullman County Clean Campus program. April Smith and Rhonda Vanzandt accept the award.

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EDUCATION

HELPING HANDS

CATA construction students spend Thanksgiving break on building project at Harmony School

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LOGAN – While most area students are relaxing during their Thanksgiving breaks, a group of students from the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) are spending some of its time on a community service construction project at Harmony School in the Logan community.

CATA Building Construction teacher and Construction Club Advisor Mike Burkett shared, "Harmony School has an exceptional outdoor classroom, but they needed a structure to serve as an outdoor classroom while their students were studying in the environmental lab areas.

"Harmony Teacher/Media Coordinator Lea Scott approached CATA Construction Club about building a pergola (a free-standing garden structure that supports a roof) at Harmony modeled on the one the club had built a couple of years ago outside the Horticulture Lab at CATA.

"After some planning and fundraising, Harmony provided the materials and CATA Construction Club students began construction last Friday evening and the following Saturday morning. They plan on finishing up later this week.



MIKE BURKETT/CATA

L-R: Colton Robison, Cory Jenkins, Payton Oden, Dusty Burney and Lea Scott

"The 12 foot by 16 foot structure will have seating on three sides and will be paved with crushed gravel. Harmony will ultimately plant vines on the pergola for shade and to support climbing vegetables.

"CATA students worked with Harmony to plan, design, cost estimate and implement the project that was several months in the making, a worthwhile and rewarding endeavor in a different kind of 'real world' learning environment."

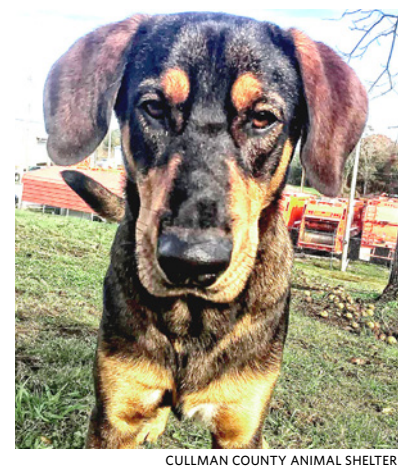
CATA's Building Construction program garnered state-level accolades in October, when its team went to Tuscaloosa for The Resource Center for Career Technical Education's Team Build Competition.

"The carpentry team won the statewide competition, and the electrical team took fourth in its category. 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."

(BONUS) PET OF THE WEEK

Joey's looking for his forever home

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CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

Joey

CULLMAN – Cullman County Animal Shelter volunteer Donna Ruttkay has reported that Li'l Debbie, this week's official Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week, has been quickly adopted! With the seat now vacant, we're holding a "special election," and Ruttkay introduces us to a new friend:

Joey is an approximately 1-year-old hound mix. He's a laid-back, low- to medium-energy pet who loves to be around people. He wants to be part of whatever the humans around him are doing, but he behaves himself: he's submissive and takes to his leash well. He could have a good future as a companion, comfort or therapy dog.

Overall, Ruttkay describes Joey as "beautiful, loving" and "a real nice fellow."

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior. Several of the shelter's dogs have even been "hired" to work as special needs service dogs.

Joey's adoption fee is $90 which includes: DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, neutering, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

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

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



West Point set to open new turn lane, Dale's Market

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WEST POINT – The West Point Town Council this week extended an invitation to the community to join in as it celebrates the opening of the new Dale's Market, as well as the now-completed Alabama Highway 157 turn lane project. The event is scheduled for Nov. 30 at 11:30 a.m.

West Point Mayor Kenneth Kilgo said he has invited many high-profile guests, and the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce will also be on hand for the occasion. Following the ribbon cutting, Dale's will be giving out free chicken sandwiches and pizza. The first 200 gas customers will receive a free T-shirt.

The new turn lane is on the eastbound side of the highway as it approaches the County Road 1242 intersection where Jack's is located. The council awarded the bid for the project in May to T&K Construction, LLC of Vinemont. The total bid was priced at $301,260.54. The Town of West Point is responsible for approximately $90,000 of the project after accounting for grants and other contributions. ALDOT previously committed $100,000 to the project, while the Cullman County Commission put in $50,000, according to Kilgo.

At the West Point Town Council meeting this week, Kilgo addressed what he said are rumors regarding Dale's Market: "I want to make a statement for the record to alleviate any questions.

"Our responsibility ends at the end of the right of way. Anything we have spent has been on that right of way. We cannot, would not and never would give a penny of money...that Dale's Market is on Greg Black and Black Enterprises.

"Whatever happens with them, whatever they pay or do; they bought that property."

The council also discussed possible ways to stop truck traffic on County Road 1243, which allows access to the road behind the school. Large trucks and dump trucks using the road are described as "very, very, very dangerous," according to Councilman Timmy Smith.

The hazard comes from large trucks regularly using the road as school kids are attempting to cross the street at the two crosswalks. The town council hopes to find a solution by its next meeting.

West Point High School Tennis Coach Shanda Gardner addressed the council regarding the electric bill at the school's tennis court.

The council agreed to pay $1,000 a year to the school to assist with the power bill.

Discussions continued on the addition of a splash pad at the town's playground. The council hopes to see drawings of the proposed splash pad at the upcoming meeting.

Smith said of the possible addition, "It's something for the community and kids. It will be wonderful, and I believe it is money well spent."

Councilman Frankie Jones added, "Any money spent on the kids is money well spent."

Berlin expanding as town council approves 1st annexations

Heather Mann
Tribune Correspondent

BERLIN – As the newest town incorporated in Cullman County, Berlin took several huge steps toward expanding its borders and improving the community at Monday's town council meeting, approving the Town's first petitions of annexation - one for the Lovelady farm, the acreage of which will expand Berlin's size by roughly 20 percent, and another for a house connected to the farm which added two more citizens to the town's population. The approved annexations did not add any county roads, but Mayor Patrick Bates said he knows of several people ready to annex whose properties would likely include county roads.

On the topic of annexation, the council also approved a resolution to request an opinion from the Alabama attorney general on two statutes it says conflict about the annexation of county roads. One statute states that if the Town were to annex property including a county road, the Town must immediately begin paying for the road's maintenance; the other, for which the Town has already passed a resolution, gives the Town a grace period until May 1, 2020 before taking over maintenance for those roads.

The council is eager to have the conflict resolved; Bates stated, "Since the majority of our tax money is based on population, and the population that will be used for the recalculation during the 2020 census will be based on whatever our boundaries are on Dec. 31, 2019, it would be in our best interest to do some annexations prior to the census."

On community projects, the council discussed the addition of street lighting at the intersection of U.S. Highway 278 and County Road 747.

Due to a slight misunderstanding with the engineer about getting price quotes to light the north and south sides of Hwy. 278 at the intersection, lights were installed on the existing poles and transformers on the north side about two weeks before the council meeting without the council's approval. Because the engineer admitted fault on his part, the work order was held open until the council decided whether or not to keep them. Bates reported that the cost of operating all the lights would be roughly $60 per month, and other councilmen reported positive feedback from the owner 278 Rock Grocery, employees of the Berlin Plaza Quick Stop and the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department about the increased visibility at night. The council voted unanimously to keep the installed lights.

The council finished the meeting with two points of business regarding its rental of the Berlin Community Center to use as a town hall. The current agreement is that the council can have the center on every non-holiday Monday, which presented some problems for December and January. For December, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve both fall on Mondays. To avoid any conflicts with residents who might want to use the community center, the council voted to "close town hall" those two days. It also moved the date of January's council meeting back a week to Jan. 28, 2019 as to not conflict with Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

The next regular council meeting will be Monday, Dec. 17 at 7 p.m.

PALS (from Front)

Cherrie Haney
Contributor

CULLMAN – Cullman's People Against a Littered State (PALS) won big this year at the state Governor's Awards program, held Nov. 7 at the Marriott at Capitol Hill in Prattville.

The annual awards program is sponsored by the Alabama People Against a Littered State (PALS) and recognizes groups and individuals who have demonstrated outstanding commitment in the areas of litter control, recycling, local clean-up efforts, environmental education and volunteerism.

In addition to the annual Governor's Awards categories, PALS recognized and presented scholarships to the state winners of the 2017–18 Alabama Clean Campus Program.

The Clean Campus Program focuses on implementing litter education programs in Alabama schools.

Approximately 600 schools are enrolled in the program, which is sponsored by Alabama PALS, ALFA and the Alabama Farmers Cooperative.

Cullman County Clean Campus winners:

• First place: Parkside School – April Smith, and Rhonda Vanzandt accepting

• Third place: Cullman City Primary School – Lanie Williamson

• Honorable Mention and her first year to enter – Hanceville Elementary – Michelle Pender

Governor's Award winners

• The City of Cullman Sanitation Department won the Outstanding City award for its efforts in keeping Cullman a cleaner place to live, work and play.

• The Governor's Award for Law Enforcement went to Sheriff Matt Gentry and the Cullman County Sheriff's Office for its dedication to picking up litter on Cullman County roads, keeping Cullman a special place to live.

• Cullman County PALS Committee won the Governor's Outstanding County Award for all its efforts in keeping Cullman clean, which is an ongoing effort. It also won the Coca-Cola "Don't Drop it on Alabama" Spring Cleanup Award for its efforts in recycling while cleaning up the roadways.

• The Governor's Award for Business and Industry went to Webb Wheel Products of Cullman for its outstanding work in recycling and keeping Cullman a cleaner place to live and work.

• Cherrie Haney, president of Cullman PALS was presented the Don Hines Memorial Award for her leadership efforts in keeping Cullman special.

Legal Ad

The Alcohol Review Committee of the City of Cullman will hold a public hearing on Monday, November 26th, 2018 at 4:00 p.m. in the administrative conference room at City Hall located at 204 Second Avenue NE. The Committee will receive public comments for and against the alcohol license applicant listed below:

Rock N Roll Sushi – 1900 Marktplatz SW – Restaurant On-Premises
Cullman Bowling Center – 1710 Talleyho Street NW – Restaurant On-Premises
Cabin Fever Beverages – 2038 Pear Drive NW – Package Store Off-Premises

Public Notice for Request for Bids on Aviation Fuels at the Cullman Regional Airport

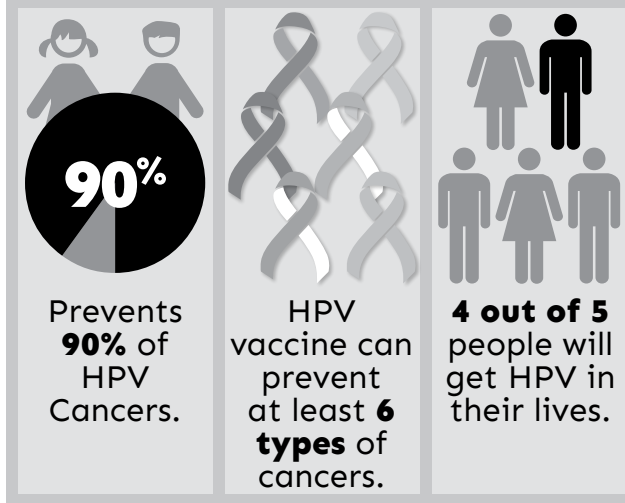
The Cullman Regional Airport is requesting sealed bids for Aviation Fuels at the Cullman Regional Airport. Bids will be received in the office of the Airport Manager located at the Cullman Regional Airport (231 County Road 1360, Vinemont, Alabama 35179) until 2:00 p.m. on December 7th, 2018 at which time bids will be publicly opened and read. The Cullman Regional Airport reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities in awarding this bid to the lowest bidder. Bidders are to state that bids submitted are firm and that no claims for errors will be made after bids are opened and subsequent thereof. If you have any questions concerning this bid, please contact Ben Harrison, via email only at bharrison@cullmanal.gov.

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MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on December 12, 2012 by Bryan Dillion Shope and wife Shelby Kay Shope, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1693, Page 903 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 December 7, 2018:

A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 35, Township 11 South, Range 2 West, more particularly described as follows:
Begin at the Northwest corner of a 15 acre tract of land, being 15 acres evenly off the South side of said forty; thence East along the North line of said 15 acre tract 210 feet; thence South 210 feet; thence West 210 feet to the West line of the 15 acre tract; thence North along the West line of the 15 acre tract 210 feet to the point of beginning. Containing one (1) acre, more or less.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
1998 Free St. Cambridge manufactured home, Ser # 3803C01.

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

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Dewayne N. Morris
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Arrests reported on Nov. 20-21

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CULLMAN – Below are the arrests reported on Nov. 20-21, 2018. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

ARRESTS REPORTED ON NOV. 20, 2018
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Simmons, Nicholas H., 39
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Knowles, Chandler R., 25
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Valdez, Kelly A., 21
- chemical endangerment of a child
- third-degree criminal trespassing

Luker, Joshua J., 24
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- failure to signal

Speakman, Tyler L., 24
- fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No arrests reported.

ARRESTS REPORTED ON NOV. 21, 2018
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Wren, Mahalla N., 38
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- carrying a pistol without a license

Willingham, Tyren S., 22
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence

FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Wood, Remington A., 26
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Walden, Stephanie L., 30
- FTA- theft by deception
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs

Bell, Christopher S., 29
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Doss, James E., 73
- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance

Cleghorn, Roland W., 48
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Christiansen, Christina M., 35
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Griffus, Mark A., 53
- harassing communications

Morgan, Christopher S., 38
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Burbage, George R., 44
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence

Thomas, Denzil J., 51
- public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No arrests reported.

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

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The Cullman Tribune will be publishing Letters to Santa this year beginning Dec. 1 through the Christmas holidays.

Each letter will be published, some in print* and all online. Letters should contain a salutation, an introduction of the child, the child's list and any wishes for others, e.g. asking that Santa remember a brother/sister, or children who might not know how to write, etc. Each one should be signed and include the child's age, grade and school (if applicable).

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Santa Claus
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Letters may also be dropped off or emailed. For more information, contact Robin Winton at 256-739-1351.

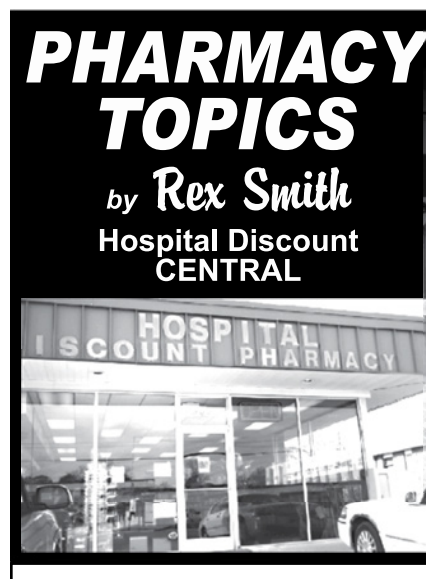
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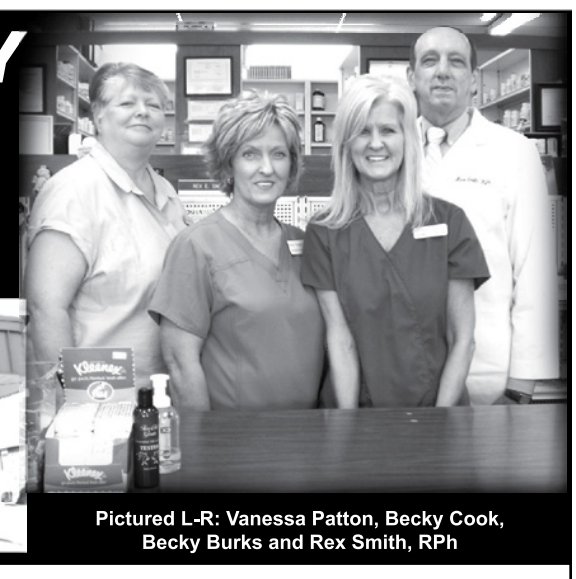


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PHARMACY TOPICS

by Rex Smith
Hospital Discount CENTRAL





Pictured L-R: Vanessa Patton, Becky Cook, Becky Burks and Rex Smith, RPh

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

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A retrospective analysis in the *Journal of Parkinson's Disease* has found that Parkinson's disease participants who received a monoamine oxidase type B (MAO-B) inhibitor for a longer period of time experienced slower clinical decline.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved Odactra, the first allergen extract to be administered under the tongue (sublingually) to treat house dust mite (HDM-induced nasal inflammation (allergic rhinitis), with or without eye inflammation (conjunctivitis), in people 18 through 65 years of age. House dust mite allergies are a reaction to tiny bugs that are commonly found in house dust. Dust mites, close relatives of ticks and spiders, are too small to be seen without a microscope. They are found in bedding, upholstered furniture and carpeting. Individuals with house dust mite allergies may experience a cough, runny nose, nasal itching, nasal congestion, sneezing and itchy and watery eyes.

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COMMUNITY NOTE

Cullman High School Class of 1958 60th reunion

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The Cullman High School Class of 1958

The Cullman High School Class of 1958 held its 60th reunion in August. Class members pictured from left to right:

First row (seated): LaNell Blair Raley, Glenda Wright Quattlebaum Griffin, Donna Yates McAnnally, Jack Aldridge, Mary Ruth McDonald Knight, Myra Guthery Fowler, Mary Nell Calvert Crook, Mary Charlene Koehler, Janette Garrison Woodard, Hazel Chandler Radford, Edgar (Eddie) King, Ray Oaks

Second row (standing): Harold DeLayne Weeks, Judy Vann Weeks, Carol Ann Cameron Fortenbury, Betty Dahlke, Dora Speegle Johnson, Delnor (Del) Denney , James Tidwell, Annie Ruth Newsom Rohrscheib, Dawn Woodard Dunlap, Rebecca Ann Nuss Pfeil, Carolyn Day Pace, Jacquelyn Harris Crupi, Gwen Bradford Arnold Davis, Robert Jerold (Jerry) Calloway, Henry Pinkston

Third row (standing): Sonny Lee Hagedorn, James Danny Martin, Robert Land, Olene Hinkle DePlachette, Billy Bradford, Randy Hairston, Vera Nell Lindsey Bowling Sanford, Alpharetta Nix Tucker, Homer Huffstutler, Mary Helen Manning Porch, Joan Wilhite Duke, Wayne Moss, Rodney Hildreth, Sam Hicks, Joe Easterwood

Fourth row (standing): Asa Hartwig, Herlin Callan, Wayne Giles, Lee Wilhite, Paul Motzkus, Dewey Lee Robertson, Patrick (Pat) Brandon, C. Don Reid

Teachers attending but not pictured: John Tillman , Hardy Cornett , Don and Frances Williamson, Mary Sue Faulkner, Jean Livingston Phillips

EDUCATION

City school child nutrition workers recognized

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CULLMAN – Cullman City Schools' Child Nutrition Program managers were recognized by Superintendent Dr. Susan Patterson at Monday night's meeting of the Cullman City School Board.

The city school system recently received the Alabama Best Practice Award for its Farm to School Program, in which it sources fresh produce through a program with the North Alabama Food Bank.

Recognized were Cullman High School's Michelle Nix, Cullman Middle School's Sabrina Yarbrough, East Elementary School's Amy Emmert, West Elementary School's Tina Bates and Cullman City Primary School's Donna Avery.

Curriculum Coordinator Sharon Windham gave a brief presentation of the projected school accountability data.

The official data is scheduled to be released in a report from the Alabama State Department of Education on Dec. 21.

Districts will be able to review the data on Dec. 13. The projected report card score for the school system is 91.07.

The board approved changing the December payroll date from Dec. 31, 2018 to Dec. 19, 2018.

The next scheduled board meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 18, 2018 at 5 p.m.



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Shown left to right are Dr. Susan Patterson, Donna Avery, Tina Bates, Amy Emmert, Sabrina Yarbrough and Michelle Nix.









STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PREVIEW

Addison, Good Hope hungry for quarterfinal wins this Friday

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CULLMAN – Thanksgiving is an important day for a lot of people in the community, but in Addison and Good Hope, Friday is the most anticipated day of this week. The Bulldogs and Raiders will be back on the field for a pair of AHSAA State Football Playoff quarterfinal matchups and once you've made it this far, every team you face has the potential to win it all. Addison will host Aliceville while Good Hope hits the road to face off against Oneonta.

(10-2) Addison v. (10-2) Aliceville

The Yellow Jackets have played dominant defense all season, so Addison will have its hands full on the offensive side of the ball Friday. Aliceville has pitched three shutouts this season and has held its opponents to single digits in nine of its 12 games. Because of the strength of its defense, the Yellow Jackets' offense hasn't had a ton of pressure to deal with this season. If the Bulldogs can find a way to put some points on the board Friday, they can put the Aliceville offense in an uncomfortable and unfamiliar situation.

That being said, the Yellow Jackets are averaging 30 points per game this season and present plenty of challenges for the Addison defense as well.

Aliceville has a lot of speed on that side of the ball and can generate explosive plays if you don't play sound defensively.

The Bulldogs have won five straight and are averaging 44 points per game in that stretch. Some of those points have been coming on defense and special teams as well, so a scoring play in those phases of the game could be a big difference maker for Addison. With a stout defense coming to town to take on a high-powered Bulldogs' offense, something has to give and only one team can advance to the semifinals.

(11-1) Good Hope at (9-3) Oneonta

After an impressive, emotional win over then-undefeated Jacksonville in front of the home crowd last week, the Raiders will have to get back up for another tough opponent, this time on the road.

Like the Raiders, Oneonta has been able to put points on the board this fall. The Redskins are averaging 30 points per game offensively and have scored a combined 99 points in their two postseason victories over Brooks and D.A.R. A big part of that production comes from standout wide receiver Jaden Kent who is currently committed to play for the Troy Trojans at the next level.

Good Hope hasn't had much trouble finding the end zone this season either. The Raiders are scoring 36 points per game thanks to a potent running game, so the defensive side of the ball is where you can start to find separation between these two teams.

Good Hope is giving up just 15 points per game this season and is coming off one of its best performances on that side of the ball in the 27-12 win over Jacksonville. The front seven in particular has been lights out for the Raiders and but they'll have to continue playing at a high level to contain the Redskins' offense.

Good Hope was won six straight and looked better each week since falling at Northside in October and has no intention of slowing down now.









STATE

Ivey proclaims Small Business Saturday

Daniel Sparkman
Contributor

MONTGOMERY – Gov. Kay Ivey has signed a proclamation formally declaring Nov. 24 as Small Business Saturday in Alabama. Small Business Saturday is designed to celebrate and support small businesses and the impact they have on Alabama communities.

According to the latest figures from the U.S. Small Business Administration, small businesses account for 99.4 percent of all businesses in the state and employ 47.5 percent of Alabama's private sector workforce. A small business is defined as a business having less than 500 employees.

"Small businesses are one of the key drivers behind our recent economic success. They serve as the centerpiece for most cities and towns across this state," Ivey said. "When you shop local, you have the opportunity to develop relationships with business owners in your community and many of them offer unique products and services that you simply can't get online or at department stores. I encourage all Alabamians to visit their local main street, curb market, or favorite restaurant and shop local on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year."

This year marks the eighth anniversary of Small Business Saturday, which is traditionally held the Saturday following Thanksgiving as holiday shopping unofficially kicks off.

Rosemary Elebash, National Federation of Independent Business/Alabama state director, said, "Shopping on Small Business Saturday has become a tradition. When you shop local with family owned small businesses, you are helping your town to have steady economic growth. Family owned small businesses provide jobs, sales tax revenue to fund schools, infrastructure and a good quality of life for their friends, neighbors and citizens of their community."

According to a survey by NFIB and American Express, 108 million shoppers spent $12.9 billion at independently owned businesses on last year's Small Business Saturday. The survey said 43 percent of U.S. adults shopped or ate small on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, and this year they expect to surpass that.



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Governor Ivey signs the Small Business Saturday proclamation. Also pictured are L.D. Ralph, deputy district director, Alabama District, U.S. Small Business Administration; Charlotte Meadows, Alabama Small Business Commission; and Rosemary Elebash, NFIB/Alabama state director.





Obituary Announcements: Nov. 23-25

Richard "Ricky" White, of Addison entered into rest on Wednesday, November 21, 2018, at his home surrounded by his loved ones. A full obituary will be posted later by Nichols Funeral Home.

Marilyn J. Kennedy, age 70 of Hanceville passed away November 19, 2018. She was born November 21, 1947 to Dwight L. "Moody" and Mildred Case Harris. She is preceded in death by her husband John D. Kennedy. Memorial services are Friday, November 23, 2018 at 1 p.m. at Moss Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David McGowan officiating. Interment will follow in Vinemont Baptist Cemetery. Survivors: daughter Carla (David) Scrimpshire, son Doug (Sabrina) Kennedy, Brother Jerry (Shirley Harris, grandchildren Jeremy (Griselda) Garza, Stephanie Arnold and 6 great grandchildren thru the family of Jeremy Garza. Visitation is Friday from 12 p.m. until service time.

A Celebration of Life service for Mary A. Clark Chappell, 80, of Cullman, AL, will be Friday, November 23, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mary passed away, Monday, November 19, 2018, in Cullman. She was born April 28, 1938 in Hugo, OK to Bryan and Cassie Clark. Mary owned and operated Clark's Pharmacy, Valliant, OK for several years. She later went to work for Kellwood in Idabel, OK before transferring to Phil Campbell, AL. After retiring from Kellwood she worked for Farm Bureau of Alabama in Cullman. She is preceded in death by her husband, Von Chappell, and her parents. She is survived by her daughters, Debbie (Leslie) Bills, Kay (Craig) Weston, and Terri (Terry) Jester; son, Mark (Kim) Hall; grandchildren, Michelle (Jeff) Foster, Jeremy (Lindsay) Grimmett, Bryan (Hanna) Holden, Landry Hall and Hadley (Jack) Turner; great-grandson, Benton Holden; and cousin, Linda Terry. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Comfort Care Hospice, 1910 Cherokee Ave SW, Cullman, AL 35055 or a charity of your choice.

Celebration of Life for Jimmy Joseph Miller, age 80 of Cullman, will be at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Doyle Berry officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Miller passed away on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at Cullman Regional. He was born September 2, 1938 to Bascom and Mavery Miller. He is preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Patricia Miller; daughter, Julia (Keith) Ledgers; son, Michael (Beverly) Miller; granddaughter, Michele (Dallas) Dodge; grandson, Alec Ledger; and great-grandsons Caden Ross and Elijah Ross. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Temple Baptist Church Building Fund or to the American Cancer Society.

Funeral service for Mae Atrice Harden, age 83 of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, November 24, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Bro. Dennis Reeves officiating; interment at Union Hill Freewill Baptist Church Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Harden passed away on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at her residence. She was born December 1, 1934 to Robert and Lula Mae Hale. She is preceded in death by her husband; Roland L. Harden; son, Gaylon Harden; and her parents. Survivors include her daughter, Patricia (Windell) Campbell; grandsons, Brian (Kerry) Hutson and Adam Campbell; great-grandchildren, Channing, Lily, and Devin; brothers, Arthur (Joyce) Hale and Thomas (Patsy) Hale; and sister, Bobbie Lou Bates. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Friday, November 23, 2018 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Joyce Ann Smith Faulkner passed away November 20, 2018 at the age of 82. She was born November 16, 1936 to John Raynard and Alma Grace Berry Smith. She grew up in Vinemont and attended Vinemont High School. She was married to Earl Faulkner for 64 years. She was a loving wife and mother. She is preceded in death by her parents and a son Earl Steven Faulkner. Graveside services are Saturday, November 24, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Ebenezer Cemetery with Rev. Larry Duke officiating. Survivors are her husband Earl Clinton Faulkner, children Denise Faulkner (David) Brannan, Reeta Faulkner (Keith) Morrow, Christy Faulkner Moyers, grandchildren Brad (Kristie) Williams, Brandi (Jorge) Peralta, Tasha (Gary) Miller, Justin (Crystal) Merritt, Skyler (Cassi) Moyers, Taylor Moyers, Sylis Morrow, Nick (Jill) Faulkner, Whitney Faulkner, 11 great-grandchildren, siblings Brenda (Dale) Drake, Keith (Becky) Smith, Gerald (Lois) Smith, Kenneth Smith, Mack (Frankie) Smith and Larry (Gloria) Smith. Visitation is Friday, November 23, 2018 at Moss Funeral Home from 5:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.

Memorial service for Jerry D Vandiver, Jr, age 55 of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m. on Sunday, November 25, 2018 at Stone Bridge Farms with Todd Henderson officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Vandiver passed away peacefully on Tuesday, November 20, 2018 at his residence after a courageous battle with prostate cancer. He was born October 14, 1963 to Jerry and Kathleen Vandiver. He was a 1982 graduate of Hartselle High School and a 1986 graduate of Austin Peay State University with a degree in business management. He worked for FedEx for 18 years and A&R Transport for 11 years. He was a wonderful, selfless, and happy man, who was loved by all and truly embodied a Christ-like love that he extended to everyone he met. He is preceded in death by his father, Jerry Vandiver, Sr. Survivors include his wife of 31 years, Shanda Vandiver; daughters Gretchen Vandiver of Greenville, SC and Halle Vandiver of Cullman, AL; mother, Kathleen Vandiver of Athens, AL; sister, Jennifer Moore of Athens, AL; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends who he adored. Special thanks to all of his physicians and nurses at UAB who took excellent care of him. We would like to thank Kindred Hospice and Cecily Miner for being such a blessing to us in his final days. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the children's ministries at First United Methodist Church, 320 3rd Avenue SE, Cullman, AL 35055, or The Mike Slive Foundation for Prostate Cancer Research, P.O. Box 530748, Birmingham, AL 35253.

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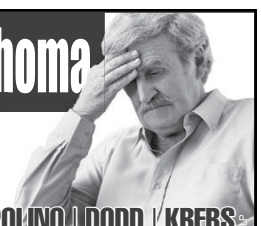
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY

CASE NO: AD-2018-101

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF J.R.G.
D.O.B. 07-25-2012
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: TARA HITT GIBBS, MOTHER
ADDRESS UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY BRANDY GIBBS, PETITIONER, COREY GIBBS BIOLOGICAL FATHER. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST PUBLICATION. THE RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS ARE SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, 500 2ND AVENUE SW, ROOM 101, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35055.

DONE THIS 29th DAY OF October, 2018.

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

Michael W. Fuller
Attorney for Petitioner
Fuller, Willingham, Fuller
& Carter
413 1st Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WANDA SUE BRIGHT, * CASE NO PC-2018-382

DECEASED. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to SHARON BRIGHT, as Personal Representative of the Estate of WANDA SUE BRIGHT, Deceased, on the 20th day of November, 2018, by the Honorable Tammy Brown. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Sharon Bright
Personal Representative

Shane Hanrahan
Hollaway Law Office
Attorney for Petitioner
P.O. Box 758
Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 571-0151

TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JERALD HENRY MCMURREY, * CASE NO PC 2018-317

Deceased. *

AMENDED

NOTICE OF HEARING

PETITION FOR PROBATE OF THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF

JERALD HENRY MCMURREY

TO: JERALD HENRY MCMURREY, JR., TAMMY MCMURREY, MARCUS MCMURREY, WAYLON MCMURREY, SEAN MCMURREY AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a Hearing on the Petition for Probate of Will for Jerald Henry McMurrey has been set for the 10th day of January, 2019, at 9:00 a.m., before the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama, at this time you may appear or if you have an objection to the Petition for Probate of Will you must make your objection known in writing and file said objection with this Court before the day and time of said Hearing.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055

DONE this the 14th day of November, 2018.

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

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper and send and Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate

Steven C. Smith, Esquire
Smith & Smith, LLP
Attorney for the Petitioners
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Cullman, Alabama 35055
(256) 734-4721

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
MARTHA CAROL HAYES– Deceased

Case Number: 2018- 385

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Edwin Joseph Hayes on November 20, 2018, by Tammy Brown, Probate Judge of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Virginia E. Miller
Sexton/Miller LLC
420 20th Street North, Suite 2000
Birmingham, Alabama 35203

To: The Editor and Publisher of the Cullman Tribune
Please Publish the above notice for three successive weeks in your newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY

CASE NO: AD-2018-105

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF M.I.B.
D.O.B. 02-02-2003
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: ANGELA GRACE HODGE-BARNETT, MOTHER
ADDRESS UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY JEREMY W. STONE AND DEIDRE L. STONE, PETITIONERS. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LAST PUBLICATION. THE RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS ARE SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, 500 2ND AVENUE SW, ROOM 101, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35055.

DONE THIS 20th DAY OF November, 2018.

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

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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made in the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Billy J Barnes Husband And Glenda M Barnes Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Firstbank ISAOA/ATIMA, its successors and assigns dated October 23, 2014; said mortgage being recorded in Book 1746, Page 905, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to SunTrust Mortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 323, Page 762 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, SunTrust Bank successor by merger to SunTrust Mortgage Inc., under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 7th day of December, 2018 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
Commence at the NW corner of Sec. 10, T10S, R2W; thence South along the Section line a distance of 559.0 feet; thence left 89 degrees 27' left a distance of 290 feet to the P.O.B. of the land herein conveyed; thence continue along the same bearing a distance of 100.0 feet; thence 90 degrees 10' right a distance of 150.0 feet; thence 89 degrees 50' right a distance of 100.0 feet; thence 90 degrees 10' right a distance of 150.0 feet to P.O.B. The above described property lies in the NW ' of the NW ' of Sec. 10, T10S, R2W in Cullman County, AL.

Said property is commonly known as 58 County Road 1619, Cullman, AL 35058.
The indebtedness secured by said Mortgage has been and is hereby declared due and payable because of default under the terms of the Note secured by said Mortgage, including but not limited to, nonpayment of the indebtedness as and when due. The indebtedness remains in default, and this sale will be made for the sole purpose of paying the same, including all expenses of the sale, attorney's fees, and all other payments provided for under the terms of said Mortgage.

Said property will be sold subject to the following items, which may affect the title to said real property: all zoning ordinances; matters which would be disclosed by an accurate survey or inspection of the property; any outstanding taxes, including but not limited to, ad valorem taxes, which constitute liens upon said property; special assessments; all outstanding bills for public utilities, which constitute liens upon said property; all restrictive covenants, easements, rights-of-way; the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law; and any other matters of record superior to said Mortgage. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the party in possession of the real property is Billy J Barnes and Glenda M Barnes or tenant(s).
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 a part of the foreclosure process.

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EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
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The Cullman Tribune-November 22, 29, December 6, 2018

ELECTION 2018

Gudger, Stadthagen sworn in with political veterans

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Shown left to right: Cullman County Commissioners Garry Marchman and Kerry Watson; Rep. Scott Stadthagen, R-Hartselle; Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview; Rep. Corey Harbison, R-Good Hope; Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman; District Judge Rusty Turner; and Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry

CULLMAN – On Tuesday evening, exactly two weeks since the Nov. 6 election, Cullman County's legislative delegation and commissioners, all Republicans, were sworn in during a ceremony at the Cullman Civic Center. New state legislators Sen. Garlan Gudger (District 4) and Rep. Scott Stadthagen (District 9), returning Representatives Randall Shedd and Corey Harbison, and County Commissioners Garry Marchman and Kerry Watson took their oaths of office, surrounded by family and friends.

Two freshman legislators ready to get started

Cullman County will send a new legislator to each chamber of the Alabama Legislature this coming session. Stadthagen and Gudger will receive orientation beginning in December, then will attend legislative sessions in January to take care of internal matters such as choosing a speaker and majority leader. After a break in February, the regular session will begin in March 2019.

Stadthagen is already making plans, telling The Tribune, "In February, I'm going to do the town hall meetings like I told everybody in my campaign, before session starts.

"We're going to have them in West Point, we're going to have them in Hartselle and Lacey's Spring, and then we're going to go over the big ticket items, kind of feel where our community's at and how they feel on them before I go down there."

Stadthagen said he has already begun work on a bill that will offer financial incentives to state departments that figure out how to save General Fund money from their budgets by returning 10 percent of the savings to the department in the form of staff bonuses.

"I'm just excited, man," said Stadthagen. "I'm excited to get going and get things accomplished!"

Gudger reflected on the whole election process, sharing, "It's been an emotional swing from deciding to run, to going through the campaign and meeting so many people that got behind me, and from my father passing, all the way until tonight through the election process. It's been an emotional roller coaster, and that's what campaigns and tough campaigns and elections are all about. But I am humbled and honored to be here, and I'm thankful that I get to represent the 4th District in the Senate of Alabama, and I'm going to do my very best to be able to honor and make everyone in this district be proud of their state senator."

A veteran legislator observes

The Tribune asked Shedd, the elder statesman of Cullman County's legislative delegation, what surprises might await the two freshmen when they get to Montgomery.

"Probably the one thing that frustrates most freshmen legislators is how slow the process is. You know, it doesn't happen fast. We call it 'making sausage.' Sometimes it doesn't look good, but sausage always tastes good, most of the time," he said. "So that's probably the one thing: how slow it is to get something accomplished."

Shedd expressed plenty of confidence in his junior partners, though.

When asked what might catch the new guys off guard about life in the Legislature, he responded, "You know, probably not that much, because they've both been so active in politics before getting there.

"When I went in, it was a special election, so I went in right halfway through the session. But, you know, there's a lot of orientation that'll be taking place in December, then there's the organizational session in January, and then we go in session in March. So I think these guys are going to be super prepared already, just because of their involvement that they've had, and the campaign prepares you pretty good, too."







