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FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP

Cullman Police Department, Cullman Cosmetic and Family Dentistry and WDJC host annual free community cookout



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Left to right are Cullman Economic Development Agency Executive Director Dale Greer, Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry, Rev. James Fields and Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Police Department, along with Cullman Cosmetic and Family Dentistry and WDJC, hosted its annual free community cookout Friday at the Festhalle. It was the fourth year for the event, the goal of which is to give the community an opportunity to enjoy an afternoon while getting to know the city's police officers.

CPD Sgt. Adam Clark coordinated this year's cookout, with Freddie Day Catering providing the barbecue while Sgt. Todd Craig grilled hot dogs.

Clark thanked Cullman Cosmetic and Family Dentistry, saying, "We couldn't do this without them and their sponsorship."

In past years, the cookouts have seen an annual turnout of around 400-500 people.

"This is just something we do to keep in touch with the public and make sure that they see us in a positive light.

"A chance to get out and mingle with everybody and talk to them," Clark said.

"We are here to help everybody and take care of everybody and we appreciate our community.

"This is just a way to give back to our community. It's fun. It's just a fun day."

Cullman Cosmetic and Family Dentistry closed its office to make sure everyone could enjoy the afternoon, with Office Manager Rida Poston sharing, "We love it. It's just a good way for people to interact with the police under good circumstances and get that feeling rather than when people have had a wreck or are in trouble."

The dentist office brought free toothbrushes for both kids and adults.

EDUCATION

'Servanthood at its best'

CATA students, teachers headed to Lee Co.; donations welcome



W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman Lions Club President Mike Ponder presents a check to CATA Health Science Club President Gracie Simmons as other Health Science students look on, including Destiny Hunt, Yulissa Dios, Paige Mullins, Alexis Jenkins, Tamela James, Cheyenne Key, Chase Dupree, Kenna Sharpton and Hunter Needham.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – On Thursday, April 18, a group of students from the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA), led by Health Science teachers Tracy Smith and Adrian Basch, will travel to storm-stricken areas of Lee County to join in tornado relief efforts and deliver gifts from area businesses, churches and individuals.

On Thursday of this week, CATA issued a press release reading in part:

This year our senior health science class chose as our mission to serve others. Our organization is constantly looking for ways to serve members of our community.

On Sunday, March 3, Lee County, Alabama was hit by a horrific tornado. This storm killed 23 people, including 3 children. When we heard about the devastation, we knew we wanted to help in any way possible.

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Cullman-area Easter egg hunts

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are several Easter egg hunts and other events happening around the Cullman area. To submit an event, email wendy@cullmantribune.com or visit www.Cullman-Tribune.com/Calendar.

SATURDAY, APRIL 13; FRIDAY APRIL 19; SATURDAY, APRIL 20

THE BUNNY PATCH AT 4D FARM- 10 A.M.-5 P.M.
7182 County Road 703, Cullman
Spring on the farm- $10.95 plus tax or ages 2 and older. Admission includes: cow train, barnstormer tubing, low ropes course, 200-ft. ziplines, 80-ft. slides, jumping pillow, farm animals, hayrides, visit with the Easter Bunny, ongoing egg hunts and scavenger hunt. www.4DFamilyFarm.com

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

CULLMAN PARKS AND RECREATION THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM EASTER EGG HUNT- 5:30 P.M.
Field of Miracles, 1630 Field of Miracles Dr., Cullman
RSVP by April 12: Kelly, 256-734-9157
Food, games, prizes and more! Egg hunt starts at 6:15.

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

SPORTSMAN LAKE PARK EASTER EGG HUNT- 9 A.M.
1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW, Cullman
Free Easter egg hunt for all ages. Come get your picture made with the Easter Bunny!
Age groups:
• Ages 1-4 will be on the splashpad
• Ages 5-8 will be on the playground
• Ages 9-12 will be on the putt-putt golf course
www.facebook.com/events/158671901704990

DAYSTAR EGG DROP 2019 (DAYSTAR IN HARTSELLE)- 9 A.M.-NOON
Daystar Church - Hartselle Campus- 1010 Nance Ford Road SW, Hartselle, AL 35640
A REAL Helicopter will drop 20,000 plastic eggs filled with candy and toys to the ground. It will be amazing! There will be a separate area for younger children. Bring your own basket!

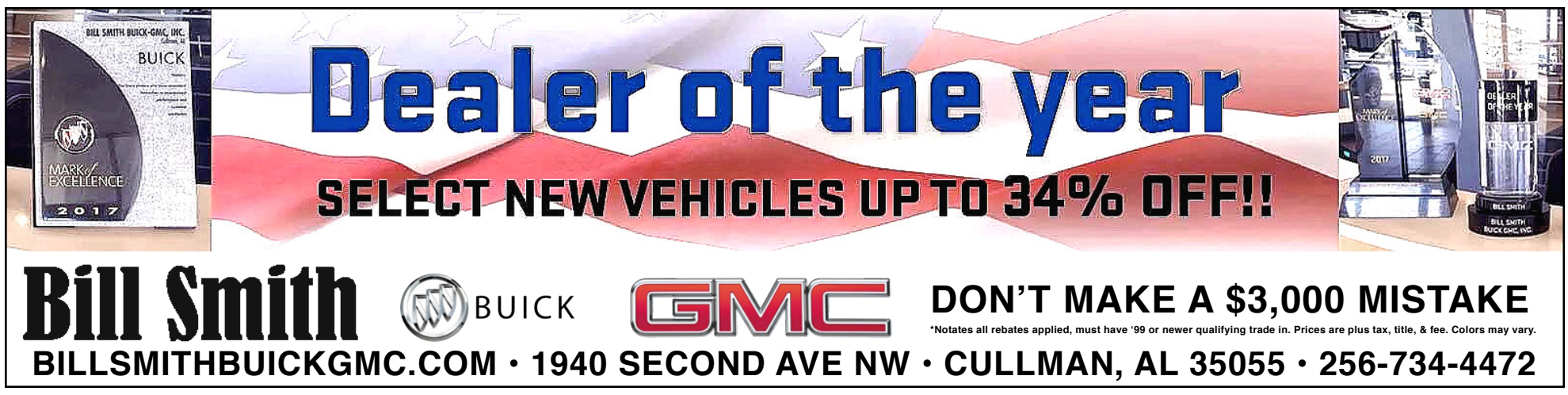
Children & Adults are encouraged to be a part. There will be bounce houses, giveaways, prizes and plastic eggs raining from the sky.

IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT THIS YEAR'S EVENT:
For safety and security reasons, wristbands will be required for participation in the egg drop. Adults and children without a wristband WILL NOT BE PERMITTED in the area where the Helicopter Egg Drop will take place. Wristbands will only be distributed at the registration tables."

www.eventbrite.com/e/daystar-egg-drop-2019-tickets-56648034797?aff=ebdssb-destsearch

PETER COTTONTAIL PARTY- 9 A.M.-3 P.M.
Perfectly Planned Parties & Events- 1310 Second Ave. NW, Cullman
$10 per family. The Easter Bunny will be there all day for photos. There will be a photo station so moms and dads can take

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LEGALS

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RUDIE KEITH COOPER, Deceased.) **CASE NO.: PC-2018-389**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ANGELA MADRIGAL, as Personal Representative of the Estate of RUDIE KEITH COOPER, deceased, on the 12th day of April, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 12th day of April, 2019.

Angela Madrigal
Personal Representative

June Brooks
Attorney for Estate
P.O. Box 73
Cullman, Alabama 35056

TO THE PUBLISHER OF: THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Please publish the above notice for three (3) consecutive weeks and provide a proof of publication affidavit to the Probate Judge of Cullman County, Alabama.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY **CASE NO: AD-2019-011**

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF B.N.M.
D.O.B. 07-23-2014
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: **BROOKE COURTNEY RATLIFF AND ELTON NICK MORGAN, ANY KNOWN, UNKNOWN, OR DISCLOSED PERSONS WHO MIGHT BE THE BIOLOGICAL MOTHER AND FATHER**

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY BARRY EDGE AND DEBORAH EDGE, 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 PETITIONERS, 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 10th DAY OF April, 2019.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABMA

Nancy F. McClellan
Bland, Harris & McClellan, PC
Attorney for Petitioners
401 2nd Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC2019-119

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JETTIE A. WHITE, DECEASED

TO THE HON. TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Michael White, as Administrator of the Estate of Jettie A. White, Deceased, on the 10th day of April, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

MICHAEL WHITE
Administrator of the
Estate of
Jettie A. White, Deceased

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
Judge of Probate

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE; THE ESTATE OF MATTIE RUTH KENNER, DECEASED,)
PLAINTIFF,) CASE NO.: CV-2015-900422.00
V.)
ELEANOR CLOPTON AND BYRON WENDELL KENNER,)
DEFENDANTS.)

FILED IN OFFICE
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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

NOTICE OF FILING LAWSUIT

NOTICE to the following Defendants: A tract or parcel of land being a part of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 5, Township 13, Range 3 West. Located where the North right-of-way of Highway 91 crosses the SE line of the above described property continue West along said right of way a distance of 160 yards to a point of beginning; thence North 201 feet, thence West 210 feet, thence South 201 feet, thence East 210 feet more or less back to the point of beginning; Byron Wendell Kenner, and his heirs or devisees, if deceased, all unknown heirs of Tom Kenner and Mattie Ruth Kenner, and all other persons claiming any present future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in said described lands:

You are hereby advised that the Plaintiffs has filed a Petition for Declaratory Judgment to Quiet Title and Application for Order to sell Real Property to Pay Administrative Expenses and Distribution to Next of Kin to those lands described as: A tract or parcel of land being a part of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 5, Township 13, Range 3 West. Located where the North right-of-way of Highway 91 crosses the SE line of the above described property continue West along said right of way a distance of 160 yards to a point of beginning; thence North 201 feet, thence West 210 feet, thence South 201 feet, thence East 210 feet more or less back to the point of beginning.

This Petition is set for hearing on June 4, 2019 at 9:00 AM before Judge Gregory A. Nicholas

The aforesaid Defendants must answer said Petition on or before May 28, 2019 or, thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against the said Defendants, in Cullman County, Alabama Circuit Court Case No. 2015-900422.00.

Done this the 4th day of April, 2019.

Lisa McSwain, Clerk
Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ROY L. MCDOWELL, Deceased.) **CASE NO.: PC-2018-398**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to CANDACE R. PALMER, as Personal Representative of the Estate of ROY L. MCDOWELL, deceased, on the 4th day of April, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 4th day of April, 2019.

Candace R. Palmer
Personal Representative

Stephen N. Pritchett, Jr.
Attorney for Estate
441 Highway 31 South Suite 205
Warrior, Alabama 35180

TO THE PUBLISHER OF: THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on October 2, 2007 by Andrew Larry manning and wife Eleanor A. Manning, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1540, Page 343 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 April 24, 2019:

A part of Lot Number One (1) of Oak Dale Park Addition to Cullman, Alabama, as shown and designated in the recorded map of the above mentioned Addition and being a part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 10. Range 3 West, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of said Lot No. One (1); thence running North 52 feet, thence West 69 feet to a marked corner; thence South 52 feet, thence West 69 feet to a marked corner; thence South 52 feet to a point on the South line of said Lot No. One; thence East 69 feet along the South line of said Lot No. One to the point of beginning.

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

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ALLEN D. MOORE, Deceased.) **CASE NO.: PC-2019-075**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Patricia B. Barker, Personal Representative of the Estate of Allen D. Moore, deceased, on the 10th day of April, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of said County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

DONE this 10th day of April, 2019.

/S/ Patricia B. Barker
Personal Representative

Pamela E. Nail
Attorney for Petitioner
200 Second Avenue, Southwest
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

April 13- 15

VFW Auxiliary Indoor and Outdoor Yard Sale- Saturday, April 13
Indoor and outdoor yard sale Saturday, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Free burgers and dogs, LifeSouth Bloodmobile. The Auxiliary is competing in the Rock-a-Thon Saturday at 11 a.m. They may not be able to run a marathon for veterans, but they can rock!! 112 Veterans Dr. SW in Cullman

Car Wash at Arby's on Hwy. 157- Saturday, April 13
Arby's on Hwy. 157 in Cullman will have a car wash on Saturday, April 13 from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. to raise money for the Make a Difference Campaign to support No Kid Hungry, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Junior Achievement.

April Walking Tour- Saturday, April 13
The April Walking Tours will take place every Saturday morning in April. All tours will begin at 10 a.m. There is no charge. Each tour is approximately one hour long and will begin and end at the Cullman County Museum. Cullman County Tour Guides will include: Dr. Bill Peinhardt, Michael Sullins, Ben South and Leslie Bearden Hyde of the Southern Ghost Girls. This year is a special one for the tours, as this is the third and final year of the Alabama Bicentennial celebration. Admission to the museum will be free after the tours for those interested in learning more about Cullman's past.

Safe Kids Expo- Saturday, April 13
The annual Safe Kids Expo will be Saturday, April 13 at Sportsman Lake Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Come spend a fun-filled day at the park enjoying activities, games and snacks all while learning about ways to keep kids SAFE from child abuse and neglect.

Cullman Electric Cooperative's Touch A Truck- Saturday, April 13
Come celebrate our Cullman area first responders, and get the kids up close and inside vehicles from the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, the City of Cullman police and fire departments, Cullman EMS and several volunteer fire departments from across the county. This is a communitywide event held at the Cullman County Fairgrounds. Admission and parking are both FREE! The event is from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Other vehicles visitors can "touch" will include bucket trucks, tractor trailers, buses, farm tractors, and heavy work and construction equipment from local businesses. "Touch A Truck is meant to be a hands-on event," said Brian Lacy, Cullman EC's manager of communications. "The doors will be open on these vehicles, and guests are encouraged to get inside and check them out. People from all of the emergency agencies or businesses will be there to talk about the vehicles and show people around." Cullman EC will have free popcorn, Cullman Regional will perform free health screenings, and many of the participating businesses will have giveaway items as well. Donations will be collected to assist local first responder agencies.

Walk MS: Cullman 2019- Saturday, April 13
Walk MS: Cullman 2019 will be Saturday, April 13 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Heritage Park.

2019 Ms. Senior Cullman County Pageant- Saturday, April 13
The 2019 Ms. Senior Cullman County pageant will take place Saturday, April 13 at 2 p.m. at Wallace State Community College's Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre. Ten beautiful ladies will compete for the honor at this year's pageant, themed "Be All You Can Be." Serving as emcee will be Miss Alabama 2018 Callie Walker. Admission to the pageant is $10 and includes a program. Children ages 6 and younger get in free.

Senior Outreach Organization Dinner and Entertainment
The Senior Outreach Organization meets on the first, second and third Saturday of each month at The Link of Cullman County. (It is not affiliated with The Link of Cullman County, it is only renting the building.) The meal begins at 5 p.m. and the entertainment starts at 5:30 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m. The Link of Cullman County, 708 Ninth St. SE, Cullman

Gospel Singing- Saturday, April 13
A gospel singing will be held on April 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Cullman County Commission on Aging Building, 1539 Sportsman Lake Road, Cullman. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 256-796-6072.

Cullman High School Performing Arts Presents "The Hunchback of Notre Dame"- Saturday, April 13
Shows are April 13 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. All shows at the Cullman High School auditorium. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for students. Tickets sold at the door.

Cullman County Schools Presents a Countywide Production of "Sleeping Beauty"- Sunday, April 14, Friday, April 19 and Saturday, April 20
The production will feature students from across Cullman County Schools. Performances will be at Fairview High School:
- Sunday, April 14 at 2 p.m.
- Friday, April 19 at 6 p.m.
- Saturday, April 20 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Tickets are $6.

West Point Town Council Meeting- Monday, April 15
6 p.m. at West Point Town Hall

Garden City Town Council Meeting- Monday, April 15
6 p.m. at Garden City Town Hall

Cullman City Council Meeting- Monday, April 15
7 p.m. at Cullman City Hall

Berlin Town Council Meeting- Monday, April 15
7 p.m. at the Berlin Community Center

UPCOMING...

Quilting Class at the Cullman Extension Office
- April 24 & 25 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- April 26 from 10 a.m.-noon
- Learn to piece, applique and put together a wall-hanging/table topper, game/checkerboard.
- All supplies furnished; cost is $45
- Call Raydonna Sims at 256-737-9386 for more information.

Pilot Club of Cullman 27th Annual Fashion Show/Luncheon Charity Fundraiser- Wednesday, April 24
- "Stars Fell on Alabama" - An Alabama 200 Bicentennial Celebration
- Pilot Club of Cullman 27th Annual Fashion Show/Luncheon Charity Fundraiser
- Wednesday, April 24, 2019
- 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Cullman Civic Center
- 10 a.m. - Doors open – vendor shopping at 10 a.m., set up by local businesses
- 11:30 a.m. - Lunch by Freddie Day Catering
- 11:45 a.m. - Fashion Show - Models and fashions from 12 + local merchants
- Door prizes donated by area businesses and Pilot members, 100-plus to be given away.

Tickets for the event are $20 and can be purchased:
- Cullman County Museum
- Cullman Civic Center
- Any Pilot Club member

Tickets will not be sold at the door. For ticket sale questions, contact Sandra McCluskey at 205-960-7633.
Deadline to buy tickets is April 17.

2nd Annual Auto, Motorcycle & Antique Tractor Show- Saturday, May 4
Holly Pond High School from 4-8 p.m. Sponsored by the Holly Pond Band. Registration starts at 2:30 p.m. $20 for first entry; $15 for each additional entry. For more info or to register online, visit www.facebook.com/HPBroncoBand.

Vinemont High School Class of 1994 25 Year Reunion- Saturday, May 4
The Vinemont High School Class of 1994 will hold its 25-year reunion on Saturday, May 4 at The Brandin' Iron in West Point at 5:30 p.m. For more information, call Julie Barck at 256-339-1924.

Good Hope High School Class of 1969 50 Year Reunion- Thursday, May 16
Good Hope High School's Class of 1969 will hold its 50-year reunion on Thursday, May 16 from 5-8 p.m. in Belle Vue Hall at Stone Bridge Farms in Cullman. For more information, contact Becky Barnard at 256-339-1806 or Jeanne Milligan at 256-520-5951.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Cullman City Cemetery
Ground flowers at the Cullman City Cemetery need to be removed by April 15 to prepare for Decoration Day on May 12.

Good Hope Public Cemetery Decoration Weekend Clean up Announcement
Good Hope Public Cemetery will hold its annual Decoration Weekend on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5. Please have all flowers and decorations removed from the cemetery by Sunday, April 21. Donations are tax deductible and essential for maintenance.

Good Hope Public Cemetery Special Event
On Saturday, May 4, the Good Hope Public Cemetery will participate in the Alabama Bicentennial living history tours, with Good Hope High school students telling about some of the cemetery's residents. Hope to see you there!

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Arrests and incidents reported on April 11-12

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported on April 11-12, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

REPORTED ON APRIL 11
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
April 8
• domestic violence; CR 1223
• unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1114
• domestic violence; Mize Rd. N
• harassment; CR 648
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1192
• criminal mischief; Fire Station Rd.
• criminal mischief; Hwy. 157
• domestic violence; CR 584
• theft of property; CR 107
• theft of property; CR 1082
• harassment; CR 558
• theft of property; CR 1714
• burglary; CR 587
• harassment; CR 855

April 9
• possession of drug paraphernalia, giving false name to law enforcement officer; CR 1141
• receiving stolen property; CR 468
• permitting dogs to run at large; Fairview Rd.
• domestic violence; Neptune Dr.
• domestic violence; CR 1043
• domestic violence; Bailey Rd.
• unlawful possession of marijuana, illegal possession of prescription drugs; CR 1640
• theft of property; CR 565
• domestic violence; CR 1203
• theft of property; Hwy. 91
• criminal mischief, theft of property; CR 1349
• theft of property; CR 1273

April 10
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, resisting arrest; CR 730
• harassment; CR 1269
• harassment; CR 855
• harassment; Beech Ave. SE
• theft of property; Hwy. 278 W
• harassment; CR 222
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 W
• theft of property; CR 1400
• theft of property; CR 1605

ARRESTS
April 8
Brown, Dalton Myles, 21
• second-degree theft of property

Francis, Shane Michael, 25
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Graham, Laura Caroline, 32
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Harris, Nicholas Duane, 34
• carrying a pistol without a license
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Jenkins, Jerry Taylor, 23
• FTA- first-degree receiving stolen property
• FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)

Kilpatrick, Justin Todd, 55
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• running a stop sign
• switched tag
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Owens, Chad Michael, 34
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Parker, Chad Stephen 34
• second-degree burglary

Sellers Margaret Denise, 45
• public intoxication

Trussell, Anthony L., 33
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

April 9
Arnold, James Anthony, 55
• hindering apprehension of an escapee

Badalucco, Joshua Wayne, 31
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Brown, James Stephen, 24
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Campbell, Rodney Louis, 48
• second-degree bail jumping – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Cooper, Cassandra Hope, 32
• illegal possession of alcohol in a dry county
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Cornelius, James Gregory, 27
• giving false name to law enforcement officer
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- illegal possession of prescription medicine
• probation revoked – first-degree receiving stolen property

Edwards, Terry Eugene
• FTA- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle (with theft)

Lenz, John Ludwig, 47
• negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument (14 counts)

Lenz, William Dallas, 47
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

London, Dennis Charles II, 32
• drug court sanction – second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

McAlpin, John Burt, 51
• harassing communications

Mobley, Miranda W., 39
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Nunnery, Trevor Alan, 30
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Simmons, Joshua Byron, 42
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Vences, Raul Flores, 23
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

APRIL 10
Aderholt, Shauna Dawn, 38
• contributing to truancy

Bentley, Jonathan Matthew, 42
• contempt of court

Butler, Larry Trebor, 30
• attempting to elude
• improper lane usage
• no tag/tag not plainly visible
• passing in a no passing zone
• reckless driving
• running a stop sign

Harbison, Vicky Pratt, 55
• third-degree burglary

Henry, John Wayne, 55
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Lee, Salina Evon, 53
• FTA- contributing to truancy

McAlpin, John Burt, 51
• obstructing government operations

Whittle, Lauren Peyton, 26
• public intoxication
• resisting arrest
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Wibright, Patrick Frank, 30
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Wilson, Michael Allan, 53
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
April 8
• counterfeit $100; State of Alabama; St. Bernard Dr.
April 10
• forgery; DHR; forged document; unknown amount of property value
• second-degree theft of property; person; Hickory Ave. SW; medication; unknown amount of property value
• second-degree theft of property; Walgreens; 2nd Ave. NW; medication; unknown amount of property value
• first-degree theft of property; person; Main Ave. NW; '08 Ford F250; $4,000
• third-degree burglary; person; Denson Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $440

ARRESTS
April 10
Baker, Mary M., 35
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Henderson, Colton C., 26
• FTA- public intoxication

Johnson, Johnny W., 34
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Knight, Summer D., 32
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Addie, Brandon L., 34
• fraudulent use of credit/debit card (2 counts)

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
April 11
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle, first-degree theft of property; City of Cullman; Main Ave. SW; damaged property, tools and copper; $16,070
• harassing communications; person
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; 2nd Ave. NW; damaged property, purse and contents, phone; unknown amount of property value

ARRESTS
April 11
Haney, Joshua Z., 34
• public intoxication

Young, Keisha N., 28
• FTA- expired tag
• FTA- insurance violation

Johnson, Daniel A., 39
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Vincent, Brandy N., 31
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Oliver, Michael A., 41
• obstruction/using false ID

Vandiver, Joshua S., 27
• FTA- failure to yield

Boyles, Willie B., 61
• public intoxication

Rainey, Rainey A., 28
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
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Michele Lee Quick, a healthcare professional, passed away April 10, 2019 Hanceville, Alabama. Funeral Services Saturday April 13, 2019 11 A.M. at Faith Restoration Church with internment at the Hopewell Cemetery Hanceville, Alabama. Survivors include husband Blue Quick, three children, Jasmine Quick, Grace Quick and Samuel Quick. Mrs. Quick's parents Russell Lee (Brenda) Stewart and Shelia Diane (Jim) Daniel. In-laws Derrill Quick and Vallie Quick

Rickey Wayne Harris, 63 of Cullman, Alabama, entered into rest on April 10, 2019, at his home. Mr. Harris was born on November 21, 1955 in West Hollywood, Florida. He was a graduate of West Point High School in 1974. Rickey enjoyed coon hunting when he was able and was known by the nicknames "Fat Rat" and "Mule" by his family and friends. Visitation will be on Saturday, April 13, 2019 from noon until 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home Chapel in Addison, Alabama where services will be held at 2pm. Brother Larry Duke will officiate. Burial will be in Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church Cemetery in Addison, Alabama. Rickey is survived by his wife of 13 years, Belinda Harris; sons, Roman Harris and Colten Smith; daughters, Samantha Collier and her husband Chris, and Breaunah Smith; brothers, Ronald Harris, and Bruce (Hilda) Harris; sisters, Mary (Clyde) Saint, and Bertha Harris; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. He was known as "Paw Paw" to his 2 grandchildren, Katie and James Harris. He was preceded in death by his parents, Alvin Harris and Alice Burk; brothers, Jimmy Harris, and Billy Harris.

Delwyn "Del" Bates, 78 of Cullman, passed away on Wednesday, April 10, 2019. Mr. Bates was a loving husband, father and friend. He was a very talented musician and was known for playing the mandolin and piano by ear. He loved to coon hunt and was a member of the Cullman County Coon Hunters Association. He was preceded in death by his parents: Lincoln and Lona Bates; son, Byron Holdbrooks and brothers: Gene Bates, Floyd Bates and Mervin Bates. He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife, Connie Bates; son, Jeff Bates; daughters: Sherri Shellby, Kerri Bingham and Nicole (Baron) Wood sisters: Wilda Kohlenberg and Trilba Sue Estep; 13 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. His family will receive friends on Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. The Celebration of Life Service for Delwyn Bates will be held in the chapel of Moss Service on Sunday, April 14, 2019 at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Malcolm Carter officiating.

Gracie Kelsoe Hutson of Cullman passed away April 10, 2019 at the age of 93. She was born April 20, 1925 in Cullman to Henry Clem and Ethel New Kelsoe. She is preceded in death by her parents, husband of 67 years Lenard Hutson, daughter Martha Samples, son Hoyt Hutson, great grandchild Benjamin McGinnis, 3 sisters Agnes McLeskey, Gertha Hutson, Helen Davis, 2 brothers Buddy Kelsoe and Orvis Kelsoe. Funeral services are Saturday, April 13, 2019 at noon at Spring Hill Baptist Church with Bro. Ken Dees, Rev. Samuel Tucker and Rev. Tim Aris officiating. Interment will be in Spring Hill Cemetery. Survivors are: son Gerold Hutson, 2 daughters Sandra (Mack) Tucker, Charlotte (Glen) Arrington, grandchildren: Samuel Tucker, Perry Tucker, Amy Allcorn, Phillip Hutson, Lisa McGinnis, Stephen Hutson, Tammy Trussell, Karen Gay, Derrick Hutson, Bo Bartlett, Casey Bartlett, Cindy Taylor, Joy Bush, Jamie Morris, 28 great grandchildren and 10 great great grandchildren. Visitation will be Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until service time at Spring Hill Baptist Church. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Funeral service for Mary Jane Hyche, age 77, will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Dwight Raburn officiating; entombment in Cullman Heritage Funeral Home Mausoleum. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Hyche, of Cullman, passed away peacefully on April 9, 2019, surrounded by her family at UAB Hospital. She was born May 12, 1941, in Cullman, Alabama to Harvey and Estelle Chance. Jane had a kind soul and was a free-spirited and loving person. She loved her family and her children dearly. Her grandson, Jordan, was the apple of her eye. She loved to go to yard sales and have yard sales. She was always the life of the party and was always laughing and smiling, no matter what. She was a caregiver for 52 years to her son, Ricky Graham. She was a loving mother to both of her children. She was preceded in death by her parents, Harvey and Estelle Chance; husband, Thurston Hyche; son, Ricky Graham; and brother, Jerry Chance. Survivors include her daughter, Tammy Graham (David) Brewer; grandson, Jordan Brewer; sisters, Judy Gay and June (Ricky) Lovvorn; and brother, Joe Chance. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to one of the following charities: St. Jude Children Hospital, United Cerebral Palsy, or Breast Cancer Foundation of Alabama. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2019.

Funeral Service for Betty Millwood, age 71, of Vinemont, will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 13, 2019, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Ernest Morris officiating; interment in New Hope North Baptist Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Millwood passed away on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at UAB Hospital. She was born September 7, 1947, to Walter and Mavis Warren. She was preceded in death by her parents; grandfather, Judson Vance; and sisters, Brenda Horton and Carolyn Warren. Survivors include her husband, Raymond Millwood; daughters, Renea Millwood, Kim (Tim) Akers, and Jamie Millwood; sons, Douglas (Tayana) Millwood, Stevie (Kristi) Millwood, and Scottie (Christie) Millwood; grandchildren, Amanda Akers, Travor Millwood, Judson Millwood, Toni Millwood, Adam Millwood, Jojo Walker, Colton Millwood, Preston (Samantha) McClellan, Takota Millwood, Alex Millwood, Samantha Millwood, Austin Millwood, Jeremiah Harbison, and Carolyn Standridge; great-granddaughter, Ariel Leigh McClellan; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Friday, April 12, 2019, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Charlotte Faye Milam Studdard, 70, of Altoona, AL., was born on March 11, 1949 and passed away on April 9, 2019. Preceding her in death were her parents Ellison and Amy Ruth Henderson Milam, husband Jimmy Wayne Studdard; sister Shirley Gladden and grandchild Marc Marks, Jr.. Survivors include her children Shannon Bellew (Terry) and Nancy Milam McCay (Mike); grandchildren Christopher Bellew (Lori), Jerry Bellew (Katelynn), Angel Bellew (Michael Weaver), Hollie Vaughn, Roman Vaughn, Tashana Rivera (Manuel), Cameron Price (Jamie) and Katelyn Marks; great grandchildren Jaxon Bellew, Kylie Bellew, Casen Weaver, Vincent Vaughn, Zoey Vaughn, Kayden Price, Elizabeth Rivera, Nevaeh Rivera and Manuel Rivera, Jr.; siblings Leonard Milam (Brenda), Sherron Reeves, and John Thomas Milam (Donna); special sisters-in-law: Judy Grigsby and Karen Crane. A memorial service will be announced later by the family. Lemley Funeral Home and Crematory directing.

Anna Kathleen Mitchell better known as Kate, 29, of Oneonta, went to be with her Lord, Jesus Christ on Monday, April 8, 2019. She was born on January 25, 1990, in North Carolina to Howard Bartlett Mitchell and Mary Lee Horton. She was preceded in death by her twin sister, Sydney Allison Mitchell; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mitchell, Col. Merrill Q. Horton; Aunt Trisha Mitchell; special and beloved four-legged friends, Wolfe, Buddy, Bruiser, Julie and Max. Those left to cherish her memory are her mother, Mary Lee Horton; father, Howard B. Mitchell; brothers, Thomas and Owen Mitchell; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hayes, Linda Shuff; uncles, Merrill Q. Horton, Jr., Frank H. Horton and wife Marsha, Pat (Jack) Mitchell; aunt, Susan Carter and husband Dennis; special loved ones, Nanny Candy Klinedists and Kara Wells Elliott (Bone Marrow Donor); god mother, Lee Mathews (Scott); cousins, Emily Coyle and Hannah Huie Herrington (Adam). Funeral services will be held 11:00 AM on Saturday, April 13, 2019 at the Lester Memorial United Methodist Church with burial in the Oak Hill Cemetery. Bro. Harvey Beck and Bro. Barry Hallman will officiate the service. Pallbearers will be Judge Steven King, Mr. Stephen Jonah King, Mr. Scott Mathews, Mr. Will Mathews, Mr. Josh Mathews and Mr. David Mathews. The family will receive friends one hour prior to services on Saturday at the church. Lemley Funeral Home is honored to serve the Mitchell Family.

Funeral services for David Timothy "Dave" Smith, 69, of Cullman are Saturday, April 13, 2019 at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home, Rev. Tommy Graves and Rev. Larry Heatherly officiating, with interment in Shady Grove Cemetery. Visitation on Saturday from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home directing. Mr. Smith passed away on Thursday, April 11, 2019. He was born March 2, 1950 in Arab. He was an Eagle Scout and served in the Merchant Marines. He was preceded in death by his parents, Aubrey and Renee Justice Smith; brother, Steven Smith; sister, Terri (Ray) Bentley and nephew, Kevin Bentley. He is survived by his wife, Cecelia "CC" Smith; daughters, April (Craig) Box, Angela (Thomas) Fossett, Jody Cantrell and Joshua (Tiffany) Cantrell; grandchildren, Shelby Dowdell, Aubrey Box, Allen Burgess, Stephanie Burgess, Jacob Cantrell, Jeremiah Cantrell, Joseph Cantrell, Jamen Cantrell, Olivia Cluxton, Madeline Cluxton and Ryder Cantrell; great grandchildren, Jaxton, Ashlynn, Jayden, Journey, Kennedy, Jazzel, Lyla, Jayce and Atlas; aunts and uncles, Geraldine "Pete" Bolen, Frances Justice, Clyde (Rachel) Smith and Charles Brown; niece, Randi Thomas; nephew, Jonathan (Sarah) Bentley; great nephews, Xavior, Alex and Brysen; brothers/sisters-in-law, Mike and Pat Hammonds and Rick and Janice Thomas.

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PREP SOFTBALL

Lady Warriors topple Good Hope 5-3 to win 6th straight county title; Wednesday night scoring wrap-up

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HOLLY POND, Ala. – For the sixth straight season, the West Point Lady Warriors are your Cullman County Softball Champions after defeating Good Hope 5-3. The Lady Warriors enjoyed a bye in the opening round but topped Holly Pond 4-1 to advance to the title game. Good Hope edged out Cold Springs 7-5, courtesy of a walk-off homer from Bailey Swann, and routed Hanceville 13-1 to punch its ticket to the finals. Home runs from Makayla Brown, Molly Pendley and Gracie Abbott accounted for four of West Point's five runs in the title game, and Carlie Wilkins tossed all seven innings against the Lady Raiders' high-powered offense.

After two scoreless innings, West Point was the first on the scoreboard thanks to an RBI single from Abbott and the Lady Warriors stretched their lead to 2-0 in the fourth with a solo shot from Brown.

The Lady Raiders scored on an error to trim the lead to 2-1 in the bottom of the fourth and Sidnie English tied the game at 2 with an RBI single up the middle.

Pendley got both runs back for West Point in the top of the fifth with a two-run bomb to left-center that made it a 4-2 game, but Good Hope wasn't done yet.

A sacrifice fly from Angelina Flanagan brought Swann home to score and cut the lead to 4-3 going into the seventh inning.

With a one-run lead in the top of the seventh, the Lady Warriors picked up an insurance run off the bat of Abbott when she drove one over the left field wall and put West Point up 5-3 with three outs between them and the county title.

The Lady Raiders got two runners on the bases with the winning run at the plate, but Bethany Minck collected the final out of the game in the infield and the Lady Warriors held on to win it in a nail-biter, 5-3.

Coach Eric Pendley has seen his fair share of county championships in his time at West Point and his team is proud to be able to consistently bring home hardware, but he knew tonight's matchup against Good Hope would be one of their toughest tests.

"That's something that they take a lot of pride in and I knew that this was going to be the toughest battle out of the six years that we've won it because Tim (Tucker) does a phenomenal job with that bunch," Pendley said. "They'll be in Montgomery; they're a great ball club."

The Lady Warriors have battled through some injuries this season, most notably the loss of one of their strongest batters, Olivia Ball, and Pendley is proud of the way this team has fought it out through some obstacles.

"We've overcome a lot of adversity," Pendley said. "We lose Olivia and she was All-State last year with 22 home runs, and then my catcher goes down and Molly (Pendley) has to catch and she's never caught in her life and then Carlie (Wilkins) has been out for two weeks with tendonitis in her arm and I didn't know if she was even going to get to throw today. So, after seeing them fight the way they have I just couldn't be prouder of them."

OTHER WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCORES

Vinemont 4 – Hanceville 3 (baseball)
The Eagles hosted Hanceville for a pair of critical area matchups on Wednesday and took both games by a combined two runs.

After taking a 3-0 lead in the third, the Bulldogs bounced back to tie it by the end of the fifth inning, but a sacrifice fly from Wyatt Thomason brought home the go-ahead run for Vinemont in the bottom of the sixth and proved to be the difference in the 4-3 Eagles win.

Travis Hopper collected a pair of hits for Vinemont in the win and Deacon Samples (one hit), Colby Miller, Isaac Smith and Thomason each drove in a run. Mark Dyer went 2-for-4 at the plate with an RBI in the loss for Hanceville.

Vinemont 9 – Hanceville 8 (baseball)
After edging out the Bulldogs in game one to even the series, Vinemont was able to squeak out another win over Hanceville in game two and clinch the area title.

After the Eagles built an 8-0 advantage in the first three innings, the Bulldogs rallied and came all the way back to tie the game at 8 in the top of the seventh. Unfortunately for Hanceville fans, Vinemont still had some heroics left and Zander Noblett drove a sacrifice fly into center field that allowed Wyatt Thomason to come home and give the Eagles this year's area crown.

Clay Rogers was a perfect 4-for-4 at the plate with an RBI in the win and Noblett (three RBIs) along with Thomason collected three hits for Vinemont. Alex Campbell led the way at the plate for the Bulldogs, going 2-for-4 with a grand slam and four RBIs.

Cullman 6 – Hartselle 0 (baseball)
A shutout performance on the mound from Peyton Colvard lifted the 'Cats to a 6-0 win over Hartselle in the first matchup of the area series and Cooper Beck racked up four hits to help out as well. Cullman scored three in the first and got three more in the fourth with a bases-clearing double off the bat of Beck.

Beck was 4-for-4 at the plate with three RBIs in the win and Colvard (one hit) and Brennen Norton (one hit) each drove in a run for the Bearcats as well.

Fairview 3 – Oneonta 1 (baseball)
Dayne Black was the star of this Wednesday night area matchup as the senior standout went the distance on the mound, allowing just one run on two hits and collecting 10 strikeouts to go along with his two-run homer in the bottom of the first.

Black led the way at the plate with a hit and two RBIs for the Aggies and Jack Brown (one hit) drove in the other run in the win for Fairview.

Cold Springs 7 – West End 2 (baseball)
After falling behind 1-0 in the second, the Eagles tied things up in the top of the third and scored three in the fourth to take a 4-1 lead over West End.

Cold Springs tacked on three more in the top of the seventh to build some insurance before the final frame and West End was never able to come back and match the Eagles.

Dylan Gable led the Eagles with two hits and Brooks Stephenson (one hit) and Jake Abbott led with two RBIs. Ayden Alexander (one hit), Brodee Bartlett (one hit) and Roberto Ayala each drove in a run for Cold Springs as well.

Good Hope 11 – Ashville 0 (baseball)
The Raiders racked up 14 hits and scored all 11 of their runs in the first three innings of their game one matchup against Ashville and managed to put things away in five innings. Colton Williams was 3-for-3 with three RBIs in the win for Good Hope and Caleb Rusk (two hits) and Lane Speegle (two hits) each drove in three runs in the win as well.

Preston Bagwell tossed all five innings for the Raiders, allowing no runs on just two hits and picking up six strikeouts.

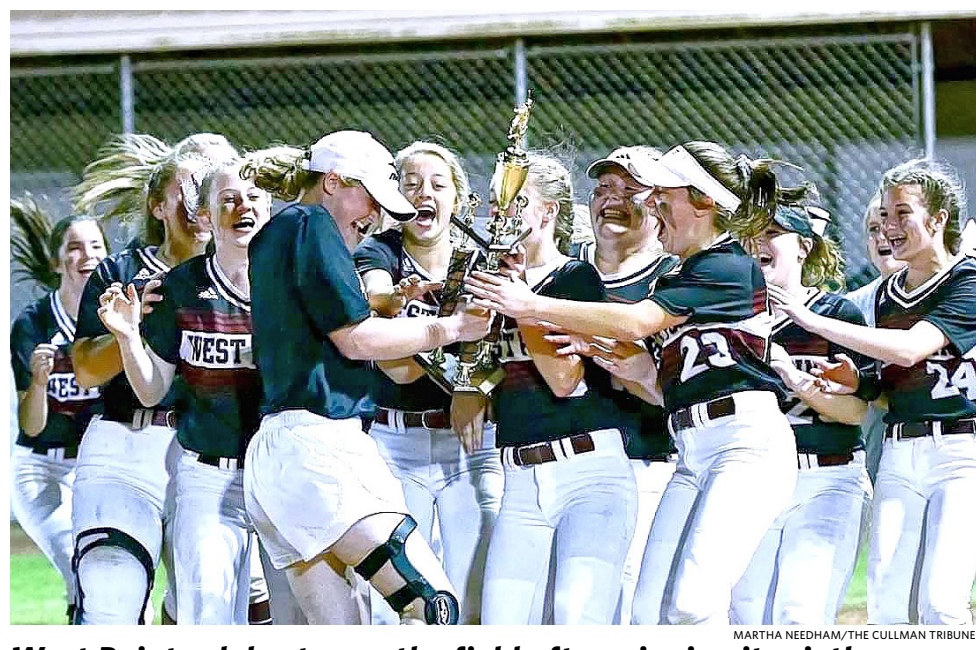
Good Hope 6 – Ashville 5 (baseball)
Good Hope had a little more trouble with Ashville in their second Wednesday night matchup and after trailing 2-1 most of the way, the Raiders plated five runs in the bottom of the fifth to move ahead for good.

Colton Williams led the way at the plate with two hits and two RBIs and Harper Chiaranda drove in a pair of runs for Good Hope as well.



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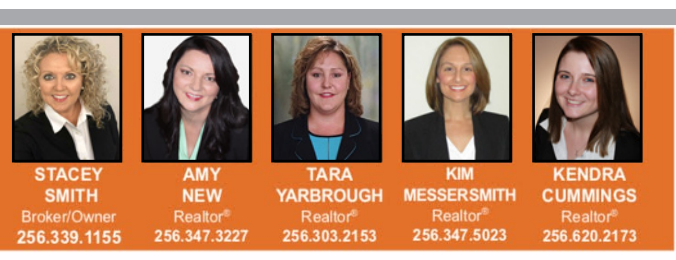
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PREP BASEBALL

Bearcats win 9th straight area title with dramatic 10-8 win at Hartselle; Thursday night scoring wrap-up

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HARTSELLE, Ala. – Thursday's first matchup between the Bearcats and the Tigers was just another typical Cullman v. Hartselle game in which the 'Cats built an 8-1 advantage by the bottom of the seventh, the Tigers plated seven runs in the final frame to force extra innings and Cullman rallied to win it 10-8 with an area championship on the line. Cooper Beck and Brennen Norton both stepped it up for the Bearcats in the eighth inning as Beck blasted a two-run shot over the right-field fence to give them a 10-8 lead and Norton came onto the mound in the bottom of the eighth with the winning run at the plate and put out the final three batters to secure the win and this year's 6A, Area 14 title.

After catching his breath, head coach Brent Patterson talked about his team's ability to remain calm and rally after Hartselle's huge seventh inning.

"We've been through a lot throughout the year and we've been on both ends of that. To get punched in the gut like that, I really don't have an explanation for how that happened. We just made a couple mistakes and they hit some balls in the right places and then Drew Nix gets that huge, huge hit that was so clutch and it takes the life out of you for a second, but A.J. (Miller) came in and threw one pitch, quieted the storm, and then Nik Fondren does his thing and Cooper just gives us a gigantic response with a two-run homer that was like life in our blood again," Patterson said. "I can't say enough about Brennen. He just makes big pitches and actually the bigger the situation is, the better he's been."

Patterson continued, "I'm just so, so proud of them and happy for them to be the area champions and beat a team like this on their field," Patterson said. "It's an honor to be area champions in this area with three quality teams."

The man who put the 'Cats in front 10-8 with a two-run bomb in the top of the eighth, Beck, knew what he was looking for when he stepped into the box and delivered one of the biggest hits of the season so far for Cullman.

"I was looking for something off-speed because I knew they were trying to get away and off-speed on me all series but I was able to keep my hands back, find a fast ball middle-in and just let the barrel work and then the rest was just how it was," Beck smiled. "We just never quit. Coach P. preaches to us day in and day out to never give up and it was tough, I'm not going to lie, but we were able to rally together and come out on top."

The 'Cats got on the board first in the top of the second when Brady Patterson came around to score on an error and Nicholas Braswell singled up the middle to make it 2-0 early. Beck scored on another error in the top of the third to stretch the lead to 3-0 and an RBI single from Ben Hollis gave Cullman a 4-0 advantage.

Hartselle cut the lead to 4-1 with a solo home run in the bottom of the fourth but Dylon Wallace answered with a two-run homer of his own in the top of the sixth to make it a 6-1 game going into the seventh inning. Patterson brought in another run in the top of the seventh with a sacrifice fly, and Wallace doubled into left field to tack on another run and give the Bearcats an 8-1 lead with three outs to go.

Things took a sharp turn in the bottom half of the seventh. The Tigers led off the inning with a double and later strung together four straight singles to bring in three runs and cut the lead to 8-4. With two outs on the board, a two-run single trimmed the lead to 8-6 and just one pitch later, a two-run shot to left-center field tied the game at 8 and forced extra innings, but Cullman wasn't going to let the area title slip away.

Fondren singled to get on the base paths and Beck drove a fast ball over the right-field fence to put the 'Cats in front for good.

Norton made his way to the mound in the bottom of the eighth with two runners on base and the tying run at the plate, but he battled for the final three outs and secured the win for Cullman.

Wallace led the Bearcats at the plate with a pair of hits and four RBIs, followed by Fondren who also collected two hits and Beck with a two-run homer. Patterson (one hit), Hollis (one hit) and Braswell (one hit) each drove in a run as well.

OTHER THURSDAY SCORES

Cold Springs 3 – West End 0 (baseball)
The Eagles punched their ticket to the postseason Thursday night with a 3-0 win over West End and they did it with a shutout performance from Jake Abbott on the mound. Abbott tossed a complete game for Cold Springs and allowed just five hits in the win.

Logan Rice (one RBI) and Brodee Bartlett each collected a pair of hits in the win and Lawson Burgess (one hit) finished with two RBIs.

Russellville 5 – West Point 3 (baseball)
The Warriors were bounced out of the playoff race with a tough loss on the road Thursday night in which Russellville plated a pair of runs in the bottom of the sixth to break a 3-3 tie and kept West Point off the board in the seventh to put the game away.

Levi Farley finished 3-for-3 at the plate with an RBI and Aubry Cleghron (solo homerun) and Whitt Laney each recorded a pair of hits in the loss.

West Point 5 – Russellville 4 (baseball)
Game two of the night between the Warriors and Golden Tigers went down to the wire just like game one. West Point took a 3-2 lead in the top of the sixth, but Russellville answered with a pair of runs in the bottom half of the inning to move in front 4-3; the Warriors had an answer as well.

An RBI triple off the bat of Hunter Persall tied the game at 4 in the top of the seventh and just one pitch later, Persall crossed the plate on a wild pitch to give West Point a 5-4 lead. Will Cochran made his way to the mound for the final frame and collected the final three outs to seal the deal for the Warriors.

Rylan Jones was the standout at the plate, finishing 3-for-4 with a pair of RBIs and Persall (one hit) and Eli Folds (one hit) each drove in a run for West Point as well.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Bearcats meet Dylon Wallace (1) at the plate after his two-run homer during Cullman's 10-8 win over Hartselle Thursday.

Oneonta 3 – Fairview 1 (baseball)
After edging Oneonta 3-1 on Wednesday, things were reversed Thursday night as the Redskins bounced back to defeat the Aggies.

Fairview took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first with an RBI single from Dalton Payne but couldn't find a way to get on the board again and fell on the road 3-1.

Payne led the Aggies with two hits and an RBI and Riley Carroll recorded a hit in the loss as well.

Oneonta 14 – Fairview 1 (baseball)
The Aggies had even more trouble with Oneonta in the second game of the night and after entering the third with a slim, 2-1 lead, the Redskins plated nine runs in the bottom of the third to put the game out of reach for Fairview.

Jarrett Miller and Oakley Mullican recorded the only hits of the game for the Aggies.

Meek 13 – Brilliant 3 (softball)
The Lady Tigers routed Brilliant with a huge offensive performance Thursday night in which they blew things open to pull away after a scoreless first and second inning.

Kalin Rivers (one hit) led Meek with two RBIs and Madison Smith (one hit), Brooke Cleghorn (one hit), Hannah Taylor (one hit), Savannah Smith (one hit), Bailee Fincher (two hits) and LaKota Alden each drove in a run as well.

Addison 8 – Winston County 2 (softball)
The Lady Bulldogs took a big lead early in this one and the Lady Yellow Jackets were never able to answer offensively. Addison took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first but plated four more in the top of the third to put away Winston County.

Sam Brannon (two hits) led the game with three RBIs and Destiny Walker (two hits) drove in a pair of runs as well. Anna Grace Luker (one hit), Madison Aderholt (one hit) and Asia Millwood each posted an RBI in the win.

Hazel Green 7 – Cullman 1 (softball)
The Lady Bearcats only trailed by one after the first inning, but Hazel Green tacked on five in the bottom half of the second to stretch the lead to 6-0 and put the game out of reach for Cullman.

Alex Stansell (one RBI), Faith Guest and Savannah Davis posted the only three hits of the game for the Lady Bearcats.

Ashville 5 – Good Hope 2 (baseball)
The Raiders were able to move ahead and take a 2-1 lead in the third inning of this matchup, but Ashville responded with three runs in the bottom of the fourth and Good Hope's bats couldn't catch up.

Lane Speegle (one hit) led the Raiders with two RBIs and Preston Bagwell led the way with two hits in the loss.

J.B. Pennington 12 – Holly Pond 0 (baseball)
The Broncos took a tough loss against the Tigers Thursday night after falling behind 4-0 in the first and never getting the bats going on the offensive end. Pennington tacked on eight more runs in the top of the fifth to put the game away early and eliminate Holly Pond from playoff contention.

Fairview 7 – Danville 0 (girls' soccer)
- Emma Gardner – 3 goals
- Greta Bishop – 2 goals
- Sydney Babb – 2 goals
- Addie Eddleman – shutout in goal

Fairview 1 – Danville 0 (boys' soccer)
- AB Diaz – 1 goal
- Mason Roberts – shutout in goal

Guntersville 11 – West Point 1 (girls' soccer)
- Grace Lee – 1 goal
- Mallory Campbell – 1 assist

Guntersville 11 – West Point 1 (boys' soccer)
- Axel Roman – 1 goal
- Sammy Flores Romero – 1 assist

FUNNY THINGS FROM YESTERDAY

Little square house with a half-moon on the door

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
Tribune
Contributor



I know some of my readers are old enough to remember these little buildings. There were many across the county at one time.

They were usually at the edge of a field, away from the house, but they were close enough to make it in an emergency. These were outdoor toilets. My grandparents had one of these little houses at their home.

Most of them had a Sears Roebuck catalog that you could read until you were through with your business. Then you would use two or three pages for cleanup.

The toilet that my grandparents had did not have any boards across the back until about the fourth board.

This was left open for air flow to help keep the smell down.

I was at the time about 8 years old and was visiting my grandparents.

One day when I had to visit the little house I was sitting there looking at the toys in the Sears Roebuck catalog.

I heard some chicken clucking out back but paid no attention to them.

All at once, one of those dad-gone chickens jumped and pecked me on my backside.

BOY!!! I tell you, that will bring you to your feet quicker than the national anthem.

After using two sheets out of the Sears Roebuck catalog I was out and throwing dirt clods at those chickens. There are some changes since those days that I am very glad of.

First, I am glad to have indoor plumbing. Second, Sears and Roebuck catalogs are no longer used. Third, chickens are raised indoors.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

They call themselves recycled teenagers

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Jean and I have had the joy of spending the past two-weeks touring southern Italy, with a group known as "Opelika's Recycled Teenagers."

In ten days, we traveled over one-thousand miles together, by motor-coach, across some of the most beautiful country I've ever seen.

According to the Fit-Bit of one of our team members, we walked fifty-two miles on foot. I am fully convinced that at least two-thirds of those miles were up and down steps!

In the coming weeks, after Easter, I will share more about Italy, but this week I want to write about our group.

Recycled Teenagers is a senior-adult group, but don't tell them I called them seniors! They certainly don't act their age, and I mean that in the best possible way.

Ten years ago, Valerie White, was hired by the Opelika Recreation Department, to work at the newly-built Sportsplex Fitness Facility, in Opelika.

One wing of the new building included a large, multi-room, space called the Adult Activity Center.

During her job interview, Valerie was told they wanted someone to play bingo with the senior adults and have a few pot-luck dinners.

She said, "You probably need to hire someone else. I would be bored." She was hired. She has not been bored and neither have those who are part of her group.

They have certainly done far more than play games and eat too much. They are not your grandmother's senior-adult group.

They became so active, that a second full-time staff member was needed. Seven years ago, Mary Kuhn was hired as their assistant-director.

One of the group's first outings was an overnight shopping trip to Birmingham.

Several of the ladies were in one of their hotel rooms, laughing and having a great time of clean fun.

The hotel manager received a complaint about "a wild group of teenagers making too much noise."

When he knocked on their door, he was stunned to find a room filled with senior- adult ladies, all wearing Krispy-Kreme- Doughnut hats.

Valerie laughed and said, "They aren't teenagers, they are recycled teenagers!"

The name stuck. The minimum age requirement to join the group is sixty-two.

I barely made the cut! Some of us have recycled several times. The oldest member is ninety-three.

Around three-hundred members show up each week for various activities.

There are numerous on-campus events, including an exercise group called, "Silver Sneakers."

They do "joint- friendly" exercises, including cardio, strength, and balance classes. Some do water aerobics and Zumba classes.

Some play racquetball several times each week. A group of men shoot pool every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

A group goes bowling together once a month. They've gone zip-lining, paddle-boating, and tubing down the Chattahoochee River.

All that exercise works up quite an appetite, so yes, they do eat together, occasionally.

They visit The Bulloch House, in Warm Springs, Georgia, once a year, and go out to local restaurants once a month.

They have a catered Christmas luncheon, which I had the privilege of singing at this past year.

They have a picnic each spring and a dance quarterly, with a live D.J.

When the Recycled Teenagers aren't at the Sportsplex, they aren't necessarily sitting at home either.

They have done bus trips to D.C., Savannah, Chicago, Cape Cod, Vermont, South Dakota, San Antonio, Charleston, Saint Augustine, Daytona and Niagara Falls.

There are some places they can't reach by bus, so they board airplanes. They've been to Ireland, northern Italy, and celebrated Christmas on the Danube.

Now, twenty-nine of us, plus ten out-of- state guests, have toured southern Italy, including Sicily.

There are many more overseas trips coming up.
Whatever your age, don't quit and don't sit at home alone.

Stay active. Don't sit down, shrivel up, and wither away. Keep moving, even if you move slowly.

Get out there, get with other people, make new friends, and enjoy life as long as you possibly can.

Churches and senior-centers everywhere have groups and activities such as these I've described. Please go join one and enjoy yourself.

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Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1950:
The Democrats captured the local offices on Tuesday. B.F. Fant defeated Hubert E. Mitchell for State Senator, Kenneth J. Griffin outpolled O.N. Murphree for Probate Judge, W.C. (Crant) Waldrop defeated D.B. Hunter for Sheriff. Cullman County favored Lister Hill for United States Senator and Gordon Persons for Governor.

The local chapter of the Alabama Petroleum Industries Committee elected Royce McMeans – Chairman, Cal Leeth – Vice-Chairman and Bert Morgan – Secretary.

Two juveniles were caught, after taking candy and cigarettes from the Drive-In Theatre and attempting to break into the money machine.

Police officers Bob Higginbotham, Lester Roden and John Alexander made the arrests, around midnight on Saturday, on a tip from a film delivery man.

Mrs. William R. Griffin was seriously injured and Mr. Griffin slightly injured in a car accident in Louisiana.

Mrs. J.E. Sutterer broke her wrist, when she fell on Saturday.

Ned Weaver, of Berlin has sold his truck to his son, Austin.

Darrell Tubbs and Asa Blalock received defensive honors for the most tackles in the mud against Albertville.

Among those going for military physicals this week are Willy E. Burmester, Robert F. Kress, Roy Charles Shaw and Richard E. Arndt.

Mrs. Arnold King is the Joppa P.T.A. President. Vice-President is Mrs. Cecil Minor and Secretary-Treasurer Mrs. Clyde Hooten.

Mr. and Mrs. C.W. Kelton and children have moved from the Thigpen settlement at Hanceville to Birmingham.

Large crisp head of lettuce at Brothers Store – 10 cents. Ad.

Henry Grady Pinkston was honored on his tenth birthday.

Those present included: Jan Davis, Barbara Yost, Donna Yates, Judy Vann, Betty Sanders, Sandra Wagner, Nancy Whitt, Sharon Dahlke, Wrenda Brock, Carole Pinkston, Sandra and Kay Martin, Fagan Thompson, Junior, Billy Whitt, David McCoy, Don Ross Patton, David Thompson, Dale Brock and Perry Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude R. Edwards, of Hanceville, have a new daughter, Claudean, born on November 3rd.

The Hanceville Bulldogs are undefeated. The team includes: Dickie Garner, Leland Burkart, Stubby Trimble, Jimmy Duren, F.W. Shaver, Byron Whitaker, Benny Talley, Coach Lonie Eitson, Don Harrison Charles Ryan, Eugene Sticher Byron Quick, Billy Morrison, Donald Boyd, Lum Brown, Joe Fine (Manager), Joe Dean, Bob Anderton, Robert Johnson, Billy Johnson, Donald Doggett, Bobby Chappell, Alton Little, Billy Ray Horsely, Victor Voight, Jack Lindsey, James McElroy, Dale Kennemur and Darrell Jordan.

Elbert Reese, of Vinemont, is supplying sweet potatoes to the new dehydrating plant in Cullman.

Poet's Corner

Good Friday Meditation Ezekiel 36:26

By: Joe Whitten
Odenville, Alabama

"And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the
heart of stone from your flesh
and give you a heart of flesh."

What if my heart lay cold and could
not grieve to contemplate the death
of Christ; did not recoil to think
of lashing scourge; or cringe
at thorns piercing His sacred
head; could feel no anguish at
the thought of cross and nails?

The heart of stone would lie
like onyx in my chest
did not my eyes bring up with
grateful tears that God supplied the sinless sacrifice.

Thank God! That His redeeming grace showed me my sin;
brought me to Christ who changed
my heart of stone to flesh and
cause me comprehend my woeful state and gave me faith to turn
and run into His open arms.

God's justice, wrath, and love-all
three- combined upon the altar
cross of Calvary, so I could rest
in His salvation given free.

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

Botany is destiny. The verdant green, grassy stretches of flatland in Tuscaloosa County have provided some of the most legendary playing fields on the North American continent for centuries. When you're here, it's easy to imagine yourself with Chief Tuskaloosa, a paramount leader of the native, Muskogean-speaking people circa 1500, sitting on a grassy mound with hundreds of spectators cheering on the teams of men playing lacrosse, women competing in the Moccasin Games and children vying for archery awards as they learn hunting skills.

From the earliest days when humans have gathered in Tuscaloosa County there have been two types of play: Games of Dexterity and Games of Chance. For 900 years, this has been a place where skills were tested and betting on the outcome has added to the excitement. At the world-class Alabama Museum of Natural History on the campus of the University of Alabama, you'll find prehistoric sports objects and also dice. Vegetable plant dyes even allowed devoted fans to wear clothing the same color worn by their favorite players and teams.

Here are ways PLANTS + PEOPLE + PLAYGROUNDS have entertained people in Tuscaloosa County through the centuries:

• **CHUNKEY**- This game was played on open, grassy fields when the Mississippian tribes established large communities here, AD 1300-1600; Chunkey involved contestants throwing spears across a field, then rolling a large stone; the spear closest to where the stone stopped rolling was the winner.

• **HORSESHOES**- Though variants like Ring Toss were played by the Choctaw Indians and their Mississippian ancestors in the area, the popularity of this lawn game played with iron horseshoes came with the Spanish explorers.

• **CABER TOSS**- Brought to Alabama from the Scottish Highland Games traditions by the early 1800s white settlers, this involved a player, generally a grown man, hoisting a full-length, limbed log into the air for it to flip and land with scores based on closeness to the log's original position; other field games of the period included Crack The Whip and Tug of War (Historical note: Tuscaloosa was Alabama's capital 1826-1846)

• **CROQUET**- The first game played on Alabama grass where the genders could equally compete, this form of "ground billiards" is similar to golf; it originated in England (1856) and quickly became popular in English-speaking America; the sophisticated, 6-wicket croquet was likely played on the "commons" of the University of Alabama by the 1880s.

• **BADMINTON and LAWN TENNIS**- These racquet sports played on grass fields came to America in the second half of the 19th century via the British; badminton, originally called "Poonah," began in British India in the 1850s, and lawn tennis, the original name for all tennis, originated in Birmingham, England; both games were popular in Tuscaloosa County and are enjoyed by many today, though more playing surfaces are not plant-based.

• **FOOTBALL**- Brought to the University of Alabama in 1892 as a "pastime diversion" by William G. Little, a student who had learned the game when he was enrolled in prep school in Andover, Massachusetts, football has been the no. 1 stadium spectator sport in the county for decades. The regulation size for college football playing fields is 120 yards long (including 10 yards of "end zone" for each team) and 53 1/3 yards wide.

• **FRISBEE/ULTIMATE FRISBEE/FRISBEE GOLF/TRASH CAN FRISBEE (KanTam)**- Evolutionists believe throwing discs across a field predates man; since the beginning of recorded history, discs have been thrown as recreation, competition and as weapons; the aerodynamically-designed plastic discs we know as Frisbees originated in California in the 1950s and proliferated throughout U.S. colleges immediately; other than solitary sports like running, Frisbee is currently the most-popular field sport played in Tuscaloosa County.

• **FUTURE FIELD GAMES**- As our culture becomes increasingly technologically advanced we can expect new forms of entertaining games to play and watch in the great outdoors; Pokémon Go got more people playing outside than some games experienced for centuries; one can imagine "Games of Drones" in Bryant-Denney Stadium.

Here are other ways to enjoy PLANTS + PEOPLE in Tuscaloosa County:

• **TUSCALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS**- Northport Farmers Market, 4150 Fifth St., 35476, April-December; Tuscaloosa River Market, 1900 Jack Warner Parkway, 35401, open year-round.

• **TUSCALOOSA COUNTY U-PICK FARMS**- Leavelle Farms, 17952 Foxfire Road, Buhl, AL 35446, BLUEBERRIES; Miss Emily Parker's Snow's Bend Farm (Coker, AL); Hudson Farms, 22759 Old Jasper Road Berry, AL 35546

• **BROWN GREENHOUSE PLANT NURSERY**- Trees, shrubs, hanging baskets, great variety, 335 Crescent Ridge Road NE, Tuscaloosa, AL 35404

• **JERIMIAH'S COMMUNITY GARDEN**- Created and cared for as a food mission for the needy by Holy Spirit School and Parish; this is a beautiful place visually and spiritually.

• **URBAN COOKHOUSE**- 1490 Northbank Parkway #110, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406, a multi-location/multi-city restaurant success started by UA grads with a focus on healthy, fresh, locally-sourced vegetables-great Veggie Quesadilla and delish Turkey Crunch Wheat Sandwich.

• **PRESIDENT'S MANSION GARDENS**- Located on the south end of the University of Alabama's famed greenspace called "The Quad," the elegant mansion, completed in 1841, is surrounded by head-high, Instagram-ready, mature azaleas and camellias; the mansion narrowly escaped destruction during the American Civil War when the university became a military school, known as the "West Point of The Confederacy," and sent 200 cadets each year to the battlefields.

• **DRUID CITY**- The nickname for the city of Tuscaloosa comes from the number of water oaks planted on downtown streets beginning in the 1840s; the leafy, pedestrian-friendly streets were cited when Tuscaloosa was voted one of "The Most Livable Cities in The United States;" Tuscaloosa is regularly named as one of "The 50 Best College Towns" with the many, barefoot-friendly, green spaces saluted.

• **PLANTING AN IDEA**- Recognizing "botany is destiny" and celebrating nine centuries of outdoor games on its grassy fields, Tuscaloosa County could create an Olympics of such contests. This might be done at a county stadium that plays on 21st century live turf. Also, students at Shelton State Community College, Stillman College and the University of Alabama could compete for creating new games where PLANTS + PEOPLE come together positively and pleasurably in this games-loving part of the state. Think of Quidditch, the fictional, outdoor game of dexterity author J.K. Rowling conjured for her "Harry Potter" phenom.



The Alabama honeysuckle border was inspired by an 18th century, Southern applique quilt.

Y'ALL COME to Tuscaloosa County on your 67-County, Alabama Garden Party tour!" We'll make it a fun-and-games lawn party.

Many thanks to Neal Hargle and Cindy Makemson, serving gardeners, farmers and all in the area through the Tuscaloosa County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System.

TUSCALOOSA COUNTY VEGETARIAN GAME DAY LOADED SWEET POTATOES

INGREDIENTS

- 3 large, Alabama sweet potatoes
- 2 cups fresh, Brussels sprouts, sliced
- ½ medium-sized, Alabama red onion, sliced
- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. freshly ground, black pepper
- ¼ cup golden raisins
- ¼ cup toasted Alabama pecans, chopped
- 2 tbsp. lite, bottled Italian vinaigrette

DIRECTIONS

1. Bake sweet potatoes by preheating oven to 400F. Drizzle potatoes with 2 tbsp. vegetable oil and rub with salt. Place on a 15 x 10 inch baking pan. Pierce potatoes several times with fork. Bake 1 hour until tender.

2. Toss together cauliflower, Brussel sprouts, onion, olive oil, salt and pepper. Pour into 15 x 10 inch baking dish in oven preheated to 400F.

3. Bake the cauliflower mixture with potatoes for 25 minutes, stirring once. Remove from oven. Toss raisins, walnuts and vinaigrette, then spoon over potatoes.

The Cullman Tribune is celebrating the Alabama Bicentennial (1819-2019) with statewide field reporting by Alabama Master Gardener/Botanical Artist Ben Johnson South. This year-long feature, "The 67-County Alabama Garden Party," will spotlight different counties each week. Each county will get its own "quilt block," along with a historical profile, and we'll share a recipe specific to the area. At the end of the year, all 67 counties will be put in a book to commemorate the Bicentennial.

Hunts (from Front)

as many pictures as they want. Each child will get to paint a ceramic egg or small canvas and they will get a small Easter prize to take home.

Light refreshments will be served. This is a come and stay as long as you want event. www.facebook.com/events/2310405255891775

HOLLY POND EGGFEST WITH GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH- 10 A.M.
Holly Pond Park- Lions Park Road, Holly Pond
Bring your family/friends and come enjoy a communitywide egg hunt with loads of activities and fun for all ages! We will have grilled hot dogs, face painting, inflatables, games, door prizes and an egg hunt grouped into age groups. Don't miss out on the fun! www.facebook.com/events/2827575680593858

CITYWIDE EASTER EGG HUNT AT HERITAGE PARK WITH WKUL AND SEVENTH STREET BAPTIST CHURCH- 10:30 A.M.-1:30 P.M.
Heritage Park soccer fields- 1705 Lee Ave. SW, Cullman
Ages 1-12. The Easter Bunny will be there, so bring your camera and have a picture. www.facebook.com/events/288831412038781

THE GOLDEN TICKET HUNT- 11 A.M.-1 P.M.
Fairview: The Grace Place- 4154 Huckaby Bridge Road, Falkville, AL 35622
Join us at Fairview: The Grace Place for our annual Easter party!

We'll have free lunch for everyone and age-categorized egg hunts. In each group there will be one golden ticket winner.

We're excited to also have a petting zoo, bouncy houses, snow cones, yard games galore and special appearances by some Disney princesses and also the Easter Bunny. www.facebook.com/events/438428243577424

CATA (from Front)

Shortly after the storms, we reached out to Lee County to see what their needs were. At that point, they were just trying to come to terms with the aftermath. Upon returning from our spring break, we reached out to Lee County Board of Education and Lee County EMA. At that point, they were better equipped to tell us their needs. Specifically, their needs now include monetary/gift cards, physical labor to help with cleanup and working in the warehouse to organize donations for delivery.

Next Thursday, April 18, students from Cullman Area Technology Academy and faculty will travel to Lee County to help members of the EMA and Board of Education. Our volunteers will be out in the devastated areas working hand in hand with the EMA to assist with cleanup and sorting through belongings. Also, volunteers will be at the long term donation warehouse in Opelika, sorting through donations and packaging them for delivery.

On Thursday of this week, the Cullman Lions Club joined the effort by visiting CATA to present a $1,500 check to the Health Science department for the project.

Smith told The Tribune, "Cullman Lions Club is presenting a donation to CATA volunteers who are going to Lee County next Thursday. We're taking a group of 45 students to Lee County to do actual physical labor to help them with their recovery. We're also making donations, as far as gift cards and such, to that community. They've sort of been forgotten about. That community's been hit hard; there were 23 lost lives, three were children.

"Our Health Science seniors, they want to do a lot of community service outreach, and this was their idea. But it's campus-wide, our entire campus."

The group of 45-50 students, representing all of CATA's programs, will be accompanied by Smith and Basch, along with precision machining teacher Tim White, engineering teacher Mike Gay and automotive technology teacher Tim Melton, with Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) volunteers Teresa and Franklin Fincher.

After presenting the Lions' check, club President Mike Ponder shared, "We're one of the largest service organizations around. We raise money to put it back into the community. We're so experienced around here with having tornadoes, and it's a blessing to be able to help someone else, some tornado victims that's going through what we've been through. It's wonderful that these seniors here are willing to be able to go down there and help."

Donors to the cause include numerous individuals, including CATA faculty members and their families, along with:

- Cullman Lions Club
- Cullman Lioness Club
- Logan Methodist Church
- Thomas Cabinet Shop
- Reggie Freeman
- Fastenal (Hartselle)
- Ferrell Seymour, a Lee County principal and Cullman County Schools graduate, is arranging for the team to be fed while on site.

Teresa Fincher said other churches have also committed to sending in contributions before the team leaves next Thursday morning. She expected that they will be able to deliver around $3,500 in monetary gifts and gift cards to storm victims. Donors have also supplied three large bags of kids' books, which will be given to the school classes of the three children killed in the storm.

Said Basch, "It was the kids' idea to reach out and do as much community service this year as we possibly could, and so all the credit goes to these kids. And it being led in the beginning with the Health Science kids, I mean, this is what we go into. Our careers are about being servants to others. Servanthood at its best."

Get involved!

CATA can no longer take cash donations after Friday, April 12, but will still accept gift cards to be distributed in Lee County through Wednesday, April 17. To give, or for more information, contact CATA at 256-734-7740.

In a press release, CATA shared, "Businesses located in the Lee County area include Wal-Mart, Kroger, ALDI, Lowe's, Home Depot, Tractor Supply and Dollar General. Please consider one of these businesses when buying gift cards. These donations will be given to those in need when needs arise by leaders of recovery teams and other community leaders of Lee County."

EDUCATION / ARTS

University of Alabama dance team visits Welti Elementary

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WELTI, Ala. – A bad weather school closure may have canceled its February visit, but University of Alabama student dance team Dance Alabama! stayed true to its word and came to Welti Elementary School Friday morning. The student body was treated to performances of traditional ballet, early modern, tap, jazz, hip-hop and modern contemporary dance. Afterward, a handful of volunteers from among the students were even invited to come up and dance with team members after a few minutes of warm-up and instruction.

Dance Alabama! faculty advisor Lawrence Jackson shared about his group, "The students create and design their own concert; they choreograph the concert, the faculty adjudicates their choreographic works, and then they perform in both the fall and the spring. They do a concert in the fall and another one in the spring.

"Then what we do with that concert is we extract pieces from that concert, and we take it on tour around Alabama in the spring . . . It's what brought us here through the Alabama Touring Arts program."

In an earlier press release, the group explained its approach, as well as the state's touring arts program:

Dance Alabama! presents concerts that highlight work from University of Alabama student and faculty choreographers. In each performance, there is a mixture of group works, solos, duets and trios that engage students with fantastic partnering as well as a range of movement styles. Performances show a diverse repertoire of dance works, which include classical ballet, contemporary modern dance and hip-hop mixed with traditional jazz. Dance Alabama! performances that occur throughout the academic year. These performances are choreographed and designed by students and faculty.

Following the performances, dancers engage the student audience through dialogue and questions, other times through call and response exercises, or through leading a brief warm-up and creating a short dance with the students.

The Alabama Touring Artist Program provides performances of music, dance and theatre by

Alabama artists for Alabama children. "Alabama is indeed fortunate to have an abundance of outstanding performing artists," said Joel Daves IV, Council Chairman. "Providing opportunities for students to enjoy and learn through the arts is a top priority for the Council."

The Alabama State Council on the Arts is the official state arts agency of Alabama. The staff of the Council, directed by Elliot Knight, administers the grants programs and provides financial assistance in arts education and programming. The Council receives its support through an annual appropriation from the Alabama Legislature and funding from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.



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The Dance Alabama! performers give Welti students an opportunity to join in the fun.

After the performance, Principal Gina Webb shared, "Welti Elementary was truly grateful to be awarded a grant by the Alabama State Council on the Arts statewide Touring Artist Program.

The Dance Alabama group did an amazing job performing and interacting with our students. Learning through the arts helps our students develop problem-solving skills, language skills, decision-making skills, and boosts critical thinking.

"Through art education, students become more creative, confident and accountable. The arts engage students in a way that is nontraditional. Most importantly, the arts are fun for kids! All it took was looking at the faces of our students to see the joy and excitement dance created."



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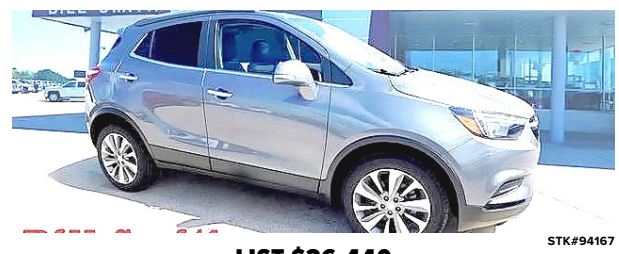


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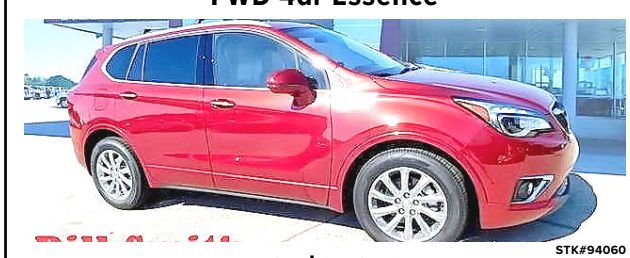


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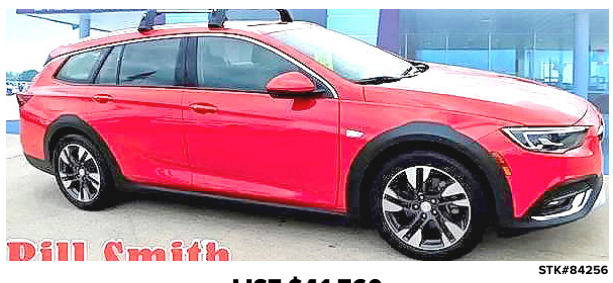


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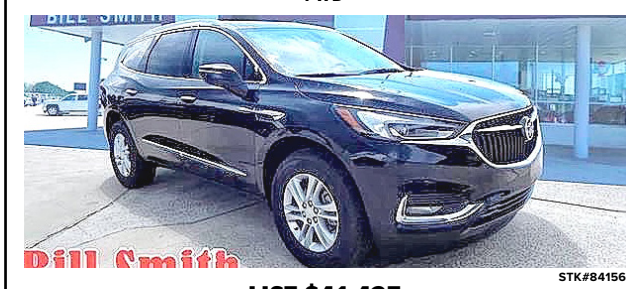


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