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– FEATURE –

50 YEARS LATER

To the moon and beyond

THE APOLLO 11 MOON LANDING AND CULLMAN'S ROLE IN THE SPACE PROGRAM



NASA

The Apollo 11 mission, the first manned lunar mission, launched from the Kennedy Space Center, Florida via the Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) developed Saturn V launch vehicle on July 16, 1969 and safely returned to Earth on July 24, 1969. The Saturn V vehicle produced a holocaust of flames as it rose from its pad at Launch complex 39. The 363-foot-tall, 6,400,000-pound rocket hurled the spacecraft into Earth parking orbit and then placed it on the trajectory to the moon for man's first lunar landing. Aboard the space craft were astronauts Neil A. Armstrong, commander; Michael Collins, Command Module pilot; and Edwin E. Aldrin Jr., Lunar Module pilot. With the success of Apollo 11, the national objective to land men on the Moon and return them safely to Earth had been accomplished.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Today, the United States celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin became the first humans to set foot on the surface of the moon. Armstrong stepped onto the surface first, famously saying, "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." One Cullman man who watched the 1969 landing live on TV saw things that looked familiar to him, because he had helped build them.

This week, The Cullman Tribune sat down with Joe Hayden, a Cullman native who has been called the "Rembrandt of precision machining," along with his daughter, NASA engineer Mary Hayden Hovater, in his west Cullman home. A master at machining, finishing and polishing metal, Hayden worked on components used in the Apollo 11 landing and other missions, including the Hubble and James Webb Space Telescopes, the space shuttle and a NASA experiment that required him to finish quartz spheres that hold the Guinness world record for the world's most perfectly round man-made objects.

At 17, Hayden literally walked off from his parents' rural Cullman County farm and hitched a ride to town to enlist in the Army. After the recruiter drove him back home, since he was a minor, his mother signed a waiver and he was back on his way. He served on occupation duty in post-World War II Germany with one of the Ranger battalions of the 16th Infantry Regiment, 1st Infantry Division. After two years, he got out, but he was reactivated for the Korean War, during which he was assigned to the fabled 101st Airborne Division to work in training and operations (G3 for you military folks).

Between and after his military enlistments, Hayden worked as an administrative clerk for a construction company, as a night desk clerk in a hotel and after that, as a grocery clerk at Kroger.

Bored with the job and tired of the pay, according to Hayden, "I said, 'The heck with this.' I went to Michi-

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Residents, organizations file suit against Tyson over spill, plant conditions

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ALEA suspends search for missing Smith Lake boater

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CRIME

Crane Hill man sentenced to 10 years in federal prison

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CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Danny Ray Tucker

CULLMAN, Ala. – United States District Judge Abdul K. Kallon sentenced Danny Ray Tucker, 51, of Crane Hill, on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 to 130 months, a little more than 10 years, in federal prison.

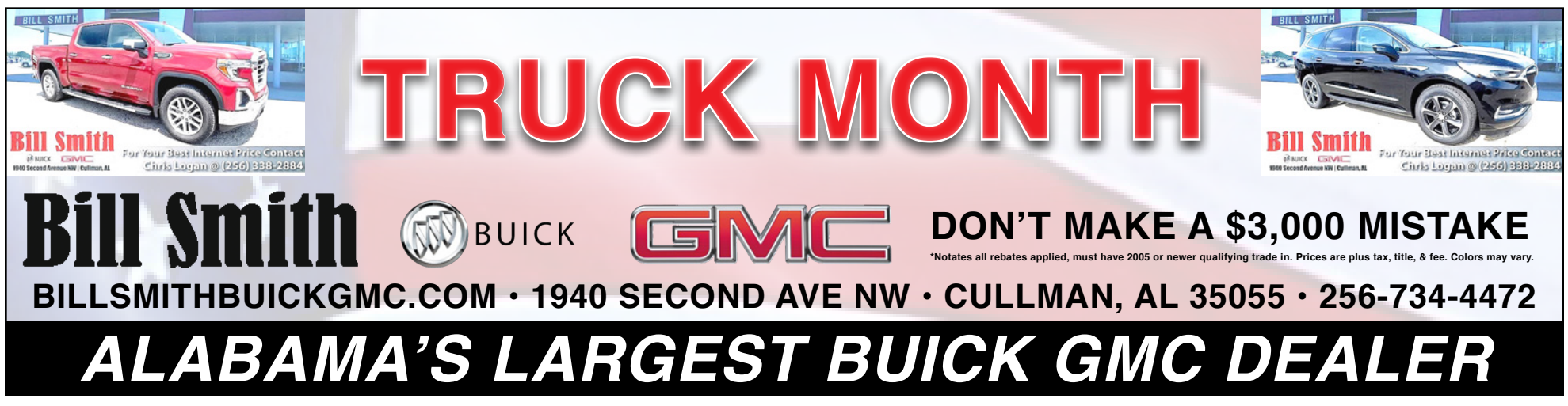
The sentence stems from a United States federal grand jury indictment for conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute methamphetamine. Cullman County CNET, along with DEA agents, arrested Tucker in February, along with six other defendants, who were all indicted by the Department of Justice.

Upon release from imprisonment, Tucker will be on supervised release for five years.

"I am glad we are able to work with DEA and the Department of Justice to get this drug dealer off the streets," said Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry. "I would also like to say that having a tough U.S. Attorney like Jay Town, who was appointed by President Trump, we are able to fight and remove drug dealers who have been a menace to our community."

In a previous statement on this case, Town said the arrest, as well as the other arrests, "represent the hard work of our law enforcement partners, the depth of which continues to grow, and exemplifies our collective efforts to return our neighborhoods to their rightful owners...the law-abiding citizens. For those alpha criminals convicted of federal crimes, the Department of Justice has reserved bed space in federal prison, where there is no sanctuary of parole."

Under the Federal Truth in Sentencing program, Tucker will have to serve at least 85 percent of his time.



Arrests and incidents reported July 18-19

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 18-19, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

REPORTED JULY 18
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
July 15
• possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of a controlled substance; CR 818
• domestic violence; CR 1742
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 728
• violation of a protection order; CR 706
• harassment, theft of property; CR 515
• domestic violence; CR 555
• harassment; CR 436
• possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of a controlled substance; CR 437
• burglary; CR 426
• harassment; Mockingbird Road

July 16
• domestic violence; Mize Road
• theft of property; CR 1809
• violation of a protection order; CR 515
• theft of property; CR 248
• theft of property; CR 1387
• theft of property; 2nd Ave. SW
• theft of property, trespassing; CR 1245
• theft of property; CR 30, CR 35
• attempting to elude a law enforcement officer; CR 1551
• domestic violence, menacing; CR 781

July 17
• trespassing; CR 557
• trespassing; CR 463
• possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 609
• reckless endangerment, violation of a protection order; CR 1106
• theft of property; CR 437
• theft of property; CR 832
• theft of property; Hwy. 69 S
• domestic violence, criminal mischief; CR 859
• possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1570
• attempting to elude a law enforcement officer, reckless endangerment; CR 1606, CR 1609
• domestic violence, harassment; CR 386

ARRESTS
July 15
Baldwin, Adam Nicholas Ryan, 33
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Chisolm, John Harmon, 50
• FTA- fourth-degree theft by deception

Cornelius, John Brandon, 39
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument
• second-degree theft of property

Gilley, Christopher James, 27
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Martin, Kenny Dewayne, 41
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Pierce, Robbie Lynn, 51
• USMS weapon offence

Sims, Taleigha Dionne, 33
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
• FTA- illegal possession of prescription medicine (2 counts)

Wilson, Troy Curtis, 34
• FTA- sexual misconduct

July 16
Coots, Tyler Steve, 24
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Criscoe, Katrina Mary Fay, 34
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Fillmore, John Wayne, 46
• attempting to elude
Godsey, Christopher Hoyt, 44
• harassment

Hyde, David Brandon, 35
• injury/destruction of state property by a convict or prisoner (3 counts)

Payne, Jimmie Christopher, 46
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Payne, Tammy Leeann, 44
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment
• third-degree domestic violence – menacing

Retting, Ian Tyler, 22
• second-degree promoting prison contraband (2 counts)

Smitherman, Breylan, 22
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Wilson, Brooklyn Nicole, 18
• DUI- .08 BAC or greater
• headlights required (night)

July 17
Denney, Christopher Robin, 52
• FTA- DUI

Garrard, Richard Leon, 43
• second-degree criminal mischief

Johnson, Brian Douglas, 38
• FTA- attempting to elude

Knight, Brandon Sr., 36
• chemical endangerment of a child (2 counts)
• torture, willful abuse of a child under 18
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Martinez, Pedro Prado, 48
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• violation of a domestic violence protection order (3 counts)

Moctezuma, Amy Michelle, 38
• harassing communications

Mullins, James Brian, 59
• third-degree robbery

Murphy, James Ray Jr., 50
• FTA- first-degree attempted theft
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Oden, Nicholas Wayne, 30
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Sivley, Joseph Bradley, 36
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Walker, Jeffery Lee, 38
• FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Whitaker, Brian Keith, 37
• public intoxication

Wydemon, David Randall Jr., 40
• FTA- giving false name to law enforcement

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 17
• first-degree theft of property; person; Hwy. 157; '16 Chev. Equinox; $20,000

ARRESTS
July 17
Thomas, Mark A., 57
• public intoxication

Ford, Jessica D., 24
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree promoting prison contraband

Cofield, Caleb C., 34
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

REPORTED JULY 19
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 18
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; vacuum cleaner; $299

ARRESTS
July 18
Walker, Jr., Jackie L., 23
• FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Neely, Zachary G., 38
• fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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



COMMUNITY CALENDAR
July 20 - 22

SATURDAY, JULY 20
6th Annual Nicholas Fillinger Memorial Run
7:30 a.m. at St. Bernard
The 6th Annual Nicholas Fillinger Memorial Run celebrates the life and memory of Nicholas Fillinger. The race raises funds for the Nicholas Fillinger Foundation that rescues boys from human trafficking, educates young athletes in safe training techniques and provides a college scholarship to a student who possesses character and skills similar to Nicholas' - passion, protection, competitiveness, determination, compassion and justice. This is a fun morning filled with running, fellowship, celebrating and community. Runners, walkers and spectators welcome! Register at www.Active.com or at the event.

Jack Aces & Elks Lodge Christmas in July Toy Run
Christmastime is coming.... This year the Jack Aces & Elks Lodge Christmas in July Toy Run will be July 20. Come help support local charity Christmas Love Inc. with a $10 toy or donation. Breakfast will be available before the ride, with burgers and dogs served after the ride. The Elks Lodge doors open at 8:30 a.m., with kick stands up at 10 a.m. Help spread the word to support a good cause. We look forward to seeing you all there. Message the Jack Aces for more information.

"Oklahoma!"
• Presented by Cullman Community Theatre in conjunction with Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism
• Cullman High School Auditorium, 510 13th St. NE in Cullman
• Saturday, July 20 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.
• Tickets- $10 advance, $12 at the door; students $5 advance, $7 at the door
• Advance tickets available at Cullman Civic Center.
• More: www.cullmantribune.com/2019/07/16/cullman-community-theatre-presents-oklahoma-this-friday-saturday/

Fairview High School Class of 1974 Reunion
The Fairview High School Class of 1974 will have its 45-year class reunion Saturday, July 20 at 5 p.m. at Whispering Cedars, 1244. County Road 730, Cullman, AL 35055. We will receive donations only for this evening of fun, fellowship and food. Casual dress. See you there. For info, contact Ray Hulen Wren at 256-412-7238.

Hanceville Music Fest
• 5-11 p.m. at Veterans Park
• The City of Hanceville and Bud Light proudly present Hanceville Music Fest, the second event in our inaugural Summer Concert Series.
• The event will feature The Natchez Trace Band and Another Hero.
• Admission is $5; children 5 and younger are free.
• We will have some fun for the children and for adults as well! This is a rain or shine event, so lawn chairs and umbrellas are encouraged. We will have a wide array of food trucks, so leave your coolers at home, please.

SUNDAY, JULY 21
Special Needs Free Swim at the Aquatic Center
• 3-5 p.m.
• Free Swim Hosted by Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism
• Free swim is for those with special needs and immediate family members. All guests must sign in at the CWAC front desk before entering the pool. Parents/guardians/caregivers must stay in the pool area at all times during the therapeutic recreation swim time.

MONDAY, JULY 22
Good Hope City Council Meeting
6:30 p.m. at Good Hope City Hall

Cullman City Council Meeting
7 p.m. at Cullman City Hall

UPCOMING....
West Point High School Class of 1962 Reunion
The West Point High School Class of 1962 will hold its 57-year reunion Saturday, July 27 from 1:30-4 p.m. at the Brandin' Iron in West Point. For more information, call 256-747-6883.

Christmas in August Kickoff Event
The annual Christmas in August Kickoff Event will be held Wednesday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. at Northside Baptist Church (1310 Katherine St. NW). Every year, the West Cullman Baptist churches collect and fill backpacks for underprivileged children. This year, the backpacks will be delivered to the Mississippi River Ministry. The kickoff program includes Christmas music, a skit, a video of area that will receive backpacks, how to fill a backpack and speaker Jonathan Reid of Sardis Baptist Church. Pizza will be served following the program. All ages are welcome to attend! Contact 256-620-0828 for more information and to RSVP.

85th Annual Sandlin Reunion
• Cold Springs Community Center; 8821 County Road 109, Bremen, AL 35033
• Saturday, Aug. 3, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
• Bring covered dish and drinks; plates, cups, napkins, forks and ice provided.
• Invite your Sandlin relatives.
• Chairman: Dr. Randall Sandlin; Secretary: Patsy Sandlin Medlock
• Contact: Anita Sandlin Glover, 1283 Highland Lakes Trail, Birmingham, AL 35242, patsymedlock@bellsouth.net, 205-995-7988 (home), 205-915-1870 (cell)
• Let's conserve postage! Please email me your email address. If you don't have an email address, invitations will be sent via U.S. mail. Thanks!
• Directions: Interstate 65, Exit 299 toward Dodge City/Jasper, take AL-69 South (approximately 14 miles). Turn RIGHT on CR-54. At 1st STOP sign, turn RIGHT on CR-109. At the STOP Sign at Cold Springs High School, turn RIGHT. Less than 1/4 mile, Cold Springs Community Center is on the RIGHT!
• Sandlin Chapel & Cemetery are off AL 69 S.

LEGALS

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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-2019-006**

IN RE: THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF A.A.P.
D.O.B. 12/12/2011
A MINOR CHILD.

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: **ANDREA LYNN TOLBERT PERDUE**
ADDRESS UNKNOWN

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA BY MARK ANTHONY PERDUE AND LORI ANN PERDUE, PETITIONERS. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS IS 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 11th DAY OF July, 2019.

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

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Attorney for Petitioners
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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 *
WARNER M. MERCER * CASE NO PC 2018-197
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
SALE OF LAND FOR PAYMENT OF LEGACIES
AND AMENDED SALE OF LAND FOR PAYMENT OF LEGACIES

TO: EDWARD WEBB, TOM WEBB, HILDA MERCER RYDER, BRANDY N. MERCER WHITNEY MEYER RANDOLPH, MELISSA MERCER MAYFIELD, JOEL MERCER LAURA YATES TOWNSEND, BARBARA CRUCE STEVENS, JOHN K. CRUCE, DOROTHY K. CRUCE MCDONALD, HERMAN GENE JEAGER, JAMES DAVID JEAGER, CYNTHIA JEAGER MILLER, CHARLES TERRY MORRIS, CHRISTY MORRIS CHASTEEN, BRANDON MORRIS, CHRISTOPHER MORRIS, JOHN WAYNE MORRIS, PHILLIP ALLEN MORRIS, ELLA MORRIS COUCH, MARY WILKINS COLLUM, TIMOTHY WILKINS, PAUL RODNEY WILKINS AND VELDA WILKINS ROGERS AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

The Petition for Sale of Land for Payment of Legacies and Amended Sale of Land for Payment of Legacies for the Estate of Warner M. Mercer, has been set for hearing on the **19th day of September, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.**

All persons of interest residing or being without the state are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Done this the 12th day of July, 2019.

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 is said newspaper

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
GENORA A. BROWN * CASE NO PC 2019-184
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: HOLLY BROWN WOODARD, JENNIFER ROLLO BALLENGER, BRANDON ROLLO, 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 the estate of Genora A. Brown has been set for the **17th day of September, 2019, at 9:00 a.m.,** before the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

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

DONE this the 17th day of July, 2019.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2016 - 019

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARGARET VIRGINIA NICHOLS, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO KELLEY NICHOLS JETT and ALL OTHER KNOWN AND UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MARGARET VIRGINIA NICHOLS:

A Petition Seeking Direction of the Court filed by Mike Cone, Personal Representative of the Estate, has been set for hearing on the 13th day of August, 2019, at 9:30 a.m.

All known and unknown heirs and persons in interest residing or being without the state are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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ORDINANCE NO. 2019 – 22
TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that Angela F. McConnell has petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, which property is owned by the petitioner, be annexed into the City of Cullman: PPIN: 27463. PARCEL: 17-08-28-0-001-011.000. ADDRESS: 2101 Main Avenue SW. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: A part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 28, Township 10, Range 3 West, more particularly described as follows, to-wit: Five acres of even width off of the North side of said forty, containing five acres, more or less. Less 15 feet off of the North side of the above described five acre tract being conveyed to Mrs. Kathleen Hachbarth for roadway, with right to use said roadway being reserved by owner, his heirs and assigns. LESS AND EXCEPT: A tract or parcel of land containing 2.54 acres of land, more or less, and being situated in the SE l/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a set rebar marking the NW corner of said quarter-quarter and run S 00°15'22" W and run along the west line, a distance of 15.00 feet to a set rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue S 00°J 5'22" W, a distance of 149.29 feet, to a set rebar; thence run S 89°18'25" E, a distance of 742.13 feet to a set rebar; thence run N 00°14'11" E, a distance of 149.29 feet to a set rebar which is 15 feet South of the North line of said SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4; thence run N 89°18'25" W, and run parallel with the north line, a distance of 742.08 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any rights of way and/or easements of record. ALSO: A non-exclusive right of way easement for ingress and egress. Said easement is for the limited purpose of ingress and egress and shall not be blocked by vehicles or other obstacles. Said right of way easement is described as: Fifteen feet wide of even width off of the North side of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama.
SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.
SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as AG-1 AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT.
SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.
SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 15th day of July, 2019. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 15th day of July, 2019. /s/ Woody Jacobs - Mayor

Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, will hold a public hearing on August 12th, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium at City Hall, 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. At this time anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-24 (set forth in full below) will be given an opportunity to be heard:

ORDINANCE NO. 2019 – 24
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-03 AND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Backstage Venues LLC, the following describe the tract or parcel of land, to-wit:
PPIN: 201428. PARCEL: 17-07-26-0-001-006.001. ADDRESS: 1644 John H. Cooper SE.
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 1B of the Resurvey of Lot #1 of John H. Cooper Subdivision, as shown by the recorded plat, recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama in Plat Bk 2017 page 18.
PPIN: 201428. PARCEL: 17-07-26-0-001-006.000. ADDRESS: Vacant Lot located on John H. Cooper SE.
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot #4 of the John H. Cooper Subdivision, as shown by the recorded plat, recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama in Plat Cabinet B, Slide 196-A.
within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as M-1 Manufacturing District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from M-1 Manufacturing District to B-2 Business District.
2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.
3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 12th day of August, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.
4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.
5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance be and are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.
6. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this ordinance.
7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

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Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, will hold a public hearing on August 12th, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium at City Hall, 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. At this time anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-23 (set forth in full below) will be given an opportunity to be heard:

ORDINANCE NO. 2019 – 23
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2004-03 AND THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Terri and Brian Holmes, the following describe the tract or parcel of land, to-wit: PPIN: 11516. PARCEL: 17-02-09-4-025-001.000. ADDRESS: 213 Main Avenue NW. LEGAL DESCRIPTION: *Commencing 245 feet north of the southeast corner of the SE 1/4. of the SE 1/4 of Section 9, Township 10, Range 3 West, at the northeast corner of lot owned by G. C. Henslee and wife, Linnie Henslee (see Deed Book 122, Page 475); thence at right angles to section line westerly 200 feet; thence at right angles northerly and parallel to section line 85 feet; thence at right angles easterly 200 feet; thence at right angles southerly 85 feet to the point of beginning, being 85 feet fronting on the section line and extending westerly 200 feet of equal width on which is situated the old C. L. York frame residence. Subject to an easement for a street now in use off of the east end of said property. Subject to the following: 1. Right of way to City of Cullman as recorded in Deed Book 362, Page 793 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. 2. Right of way to City of Cullman as recorded in Deed Book 362, Page 795 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. 3. Permissive Use Agreement pertaining to the encroachment of a structure as recorded in Deed Book 683, Page 320 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. 4. All outstanding rights of redemption in favor of all persons entitled to redeem the property from that certain mortgage foreclosure sale evidenced by mortgage foreclosure deed dated November 7, 2018, and recorded on November 14, 2018, in Deed Book 678, Page 179 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Alabama or the United States of America. Source of Title: Deed Book 678, Page 179.* within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as R-4 Residential District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from R-4 Residential District to CBD Central Business District.
2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.
3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 12th day of August, 2019 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.
4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.
5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance be and are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.
6. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this ordinance.
7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

PB MIN BK 180 PG 797 - 07/18/2019 11:22 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WILFORD OVERTON, * **CASE NO.:PC2019-223**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by MICHAEL OVERTON, petitioner, on the 11th day July, 2019, and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Michael Overton
Petitioner

Seth Thompson
Attorney for Petitioner
1701 Main Ave SE Suite 5
Cullman, AL 35055

To: PUBLISHER OF ***The Cullman Tribune***:

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

DONE this the 18th day of July, 2019.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

PB WIL BK 91 PG 550 - 07/17/2019 01:03 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
ELEANOR FRANCES CHRISTINE G. VEST, CASE NO.: PC2018-025
Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

TO: **THOMAS HIGGINS**
DANA K. VEST
CAROLE V. ADCOCK

Please take notice that Personal Representative, **Raymond A. Williams**, by and through his Attorney of record, Roy W. Williams, Jr., filed a Petition for Final Settlement, on the 28th day of June, 2019. A hearing on Final Settlement of the **Estate of Eleanor Frances Christine G. Vest, deceased**, shall be heard on the 27th day of September, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at which times you may appear if you so choose in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, Cullman County Courthouse, 505 2nd Avenue NW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama.

DONE this 17th day of July, 2019.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

Roy W. Williams, Jr.
Attorney for Personal Representative
416 1st Ave SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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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 *
WILLIAM GLENN HIPP, * CASE NO PC-2019-222
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Amber Nicole Johnson, as Personal Representative of the Estate of William Glenn Hipp, Deceased, on the 18th day of July, 2019, 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.

Amber Nicole Johnson
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for the Personal Representative
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

PB MIN BK 180 PG 600 - 07/12/2019 08:57 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JERRY ANTHONY HARPER * CASE NO PC 2017-152
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

TO: ANTHONY L. HARPER, AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a hearing on the Petition for Final Settlement filed by Doris M. Harper, personal representative of the Estate of Jerry Anthony Harper, is set for hearing on the 16th day of September, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

DONE this 12th day of July, 2019.

Doris M. Harper
Personal Representative
Estate of Jerry Anthony Harper

Roy W. Williams, Jr.
Attorney for Personal Representative
416 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

To The Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above and foregoing notice for three (3) consecutive weeks and send proof of publication to the Judge of Probate.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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gan."

Hayden may have been destined to create things from metal. In Michigan, the grandson of an Irish blacksmith ("I guess I just had a gene for it," said Hayden.) took a job working in a machine shop, despite having no experience. He admitted to The Tribune he neglected to inform the foreman of that little problem, but he learned quickly by watching what other workers were doing. There, he became highly skilled at lapping, a process of finely shaping or smoothing surfaces.

After two years at that shop, which routinely laid off workers between projects, Hayden left to find something with more consistent job security, and found a small machining company called Speedring. The company would eventually locate a shop in Cullman, allowing Hayden to return home, and would change owners and names. Operating for years as Axsys Technologies, the plant is now part of the Precision Structures and Optics (PS&O) group of General Dynamics, situated right down Alabama Highway 157 from Hayden's west Cullman home. He stayed with the company for 36 years.

Hayden said, "I can remember when we started; Speedring was pretty small then. I guess the whole building we was in wasn't much larger than this house. But Speedring had always had a reputation of close machining, but when we got the contract to build these parts--you've got to realize that (tolerances, the amount of gap allowed between adjoining parts, in) an automobile engine is down in the thousandths of an inch. Well, this thing was in the millionths of inches, and so we bought new machines, tore them down and rebuilt them before they'd get closer tolerances.

"Then we had to hire the people to run them. And I remember one time, for one machine we hired five people before we got one that the foreman was satisfied with. But we probably had some of the best machinists in the world at Speedring at that time.

He continued, "They'd call for these parts to be checked at 68 degrees. Well, the building we was in was about 80 degrees all the time. So we didn't have time to put in an air conditioner or nothing, so we took a wash tub and put a big piece of brass in the middle of it, and we put water in it and kept adding ice cubes to the water until we got our parts- and we set the gauge right in the center of them- until we got our parts down to 68 degrees. And they stayed there. They finally, before it was over with, they built a new building that was air-conditioned.

"Then we had a problem with- we couldn't buy, commercially, instruments where we could check down that close, that would suit our needs. So, they hired a mechanical engineer that had just retired from the Navy, and hired an electrical engineer who'd retired from the Navy, and hired a mechanical engineer, and we designed and built our own machines to check down, to go down to one millionth of an inch. And some of those gauges are still being used today down at Axsys.

"But then we had to--the machines would only machine down to like one ten thousandths of an inch. We had to go down to like 10, 15 millionths of an inch. And whatever the tolerance was on these parts, we tried to make them half what the tolerance was: if it called for a hundred millionths of a tolerance, we tried to make it 50 millionths of a tolerance. When we got them off the machine, they wasn't nearly down to the right correct size, so we had to work them down by hand."

Hayden described precision work on articles of aluminum and beryllium, a rare metal lighter than aluminum but stiffer than steel. Speedring manufactured guidance system components and fuel cells for the Apollo command module, as well as guidance system components for the lunar module, the craft that actually touched down on the moon.

Said Hovater, "If it wasn't for them, they wouldn't have been able to land or get off the moon."

In a document provided by General Dynamics, Program Manager Troy Wesson wrote:

"The mirrors in the Apollo guidance system 'required surface flatness to 1/10 wavelength (which) must be completely stable under all conditions of space flight. Such requirements would be practically impossible without the use of beryllium as the mirror substrate.' (1970s Speedring brochure) They were installed in a precision instrumented sextant manufactured by Kollsman Instrument Corporation utilizing a design by MIT and were 'used to determine the Command Module's position and attitude with relation to stars or landmarks. This data was then supplied to the onboard computer to calibrate the spacecraft's Inertial Measurement Unit.' This was a 'a critical component of the spacecraft's navigation system' (from a description on icollector.com in an item auction). Apollo 8 Astronaut William Anders called Speedring's optical unit assembly 'an important part of the primary guidance navigation system of the Apollo command module.' (Detroit Free Press, June 20, 1969)."

Hayden and his coworkers were initially kept in the dark about the final destination of the equipment they were building, and they were required to hide what they were doing from others.

Said Hayden, "It was more or less a secret thing. When we had visitors come into the shop, they'd cover the machines up with a tarp where nobody could see them. Kept it kind of quiet, what they was doing, because of the competition, you know. But we never saw the parts after they were finally machined. We made parts and somebody else put them together. I guess they went together okay, because they said they worked flawlessly."

By the time of the July 1969 moon landing, the Speedring staff had been informed about the nature of its project, so Hayden got to watch the event live on TV with full knowledge that what he was seeing included his own handiwork.

Smiled Hayden, "We was proud of what we done, you know. It was amazing; we couldn't believe it. Then, after we landed, I was thinking, 'They're never going to get off of there.' I'll bet they were thinking the same thing!"

Hayden was also called on to polish a mirror module that would travel to the moon with Apollo 11. He showed The Tribune a copy of a photo of Buzz Aldrin carrying it from the lunar module to install it permanently on the moon's surface, where it and modules installed on later missions are still being used today to make calculations about the rotation and relative positions of the earth and moon, among other things. Fans of the TV show "The Big Bang Theory" may remember an episode in which the characters shot a laser at one of these modules from the roof of their apartment building (Yes, the moon mirror is really a thing!).

Hovater said, "It's kind of neat; I can look up and say there's a little piece of my daddy up there! I think that's really cool."

After the Apollo program concluded, Speedring, which had relocated from Michigan to Cullman- allowing Hayden to return home- continued its work with NASA and the U.S. military. Hayden worked on the assembly that held the Hubble Space Telescope during launch and released it into orbit, built beryllium window frames for space shuttles, worked on the James Webb Space Telescope and built gyroscopic components for missile and aircraft guidance systems. He even went the other direction from outer space and manufactured bearings for submarines.

Among his prouder achievements was the lapping of four quartz spheres that were used as gyroscopes in the guidance system for NASA's 40-year long (a record for a single continuous NASA experiment) Gravity Probe B project. The experiment proved two predictions made by Albert Einstein's Theory of Relativity and garnered the spheres' makers first and second place spots in the "Guinness Book of World Records" for the most nearly spherical object ever made by humans, records that still stand today. He started the project at the Speedring plant, and completed the project by hand, in the garage attached to his west Cullman home.

Most precision machining is done today by Computer Numerical Control (CNC) machines, but Hayden has his opinions about that: "CNC machines can't get as close as we did by hand. Stuff they're building nowadays is not as close; it might accidentally get a part that close," he said with a smile, "but it's too time consuming to do it like we used to do it, by hand, and get everything perfect."

Watching 50 years of NASA history

The Tribune asked Hayden what he thought of watching the development of the space program.

He shared, "It's amazing. I can remember when people'd hear an airplane and everbody'd run out to look at it, or hear a car come down the road and everybody'd run out and look. They never seen one except maybe once a week. And I can remember when very few people had radios, and the old wall telephones.

"To see as much happen between now and then, I'm wondering what 90 years from now's going to be like. But some of that stuff is so interesting, that I would have done it without pay just to be able to do it, because I loved doing it and I loved to see what it was going in.

"I was lucky to have a job that I loved. A lot of people say that they hate to go into work every day. I worked 19 hours a day sometimes, trying to get some of this stuff out on time. I didn't have to, but I did it because I was interested in it and I wanted to see it done."

Hovater confirmed her dad's claims, telling The Tribune, "He had a little side thing, and he kept it after he retired from Speedring: Hayden Precision Finishing, just doing little odd things on the side. He'd work 12 hours a day, come home, and then the family sometimes would get together, and we'd go work lap things and do stuff for businesses around town."

Hayden agreed, "Yeah, I'd work 10 hours, and then come home and we'd work till midnight."

Said Hovater, "Love like that of what you do, first of all, is lucky, if you can ever have a job that you love that much. But that's the difference between okay at your job and absolutely fantastic at your job. I mean that's-what a great example to watch, growing up."

Hovater herself has worked with NASA for more than 26 years, where she is currently a technical manager. She gets to do everything from representing NASA at school programs to figuring out how to clean up the space debris that threatens satellites and spacecraft. She has checked rocket paints, performed radiation testing and spent many a happy day shooting stuff at materials to be used in space to test impact effects. She helped the shuttle program pick up the pieces after the Columbia tragedy, testing multiple components to make sure the next mission would be among the program's safest.

Hovater has even worked on systems of NASA's new heavy lifter, the Space Launch System (SLS), the most powerful rocket ever built by NASA, which will return humans to the moon. In future configurations, the SLS and its Orion crew vehicle may carry astronauts to Mars.

A more diverse workforce

One of the changes noted by Hovater is "more diversity, way more diversity, like we have our first center director at Marshall (Space Flight Center). You see a lot more women, even since I've been there."

As a NASA engineer and project manager, Hovater has spent her career in a traditionally male-dominated field.

She said, "At Wallace (State Community College), I was doing pre-engineering, pre-mechanical engineering, that kind of stuff; draftsman. I was a draftsman for a while, as a matter of fact, when I first started working at Marshall- which I loved. But in the classes, all the way through my master's (degree), there were two females in the class. There just wasn't, and I don't know why; I don't know why. I just never could figure that out.

"But I had supportive parents, and the things around me supported me to do what I wanted to. It's one reason when I talk to the kids, and I always have- and I've been to Wallace to do motivational speaking, too, about that: I don't care if you're a guy that wants to be a nurse. You know, non-traditional roles are awesome! Do it! If you love it, go do it."

Building the future on the past

Over her 26 years, Hovater noted, "There's more consistency than you would think, and even though, like, change as far as what the rocket's going to be, there's so much that's consistent over those programs, even since Apollo."

She noted that some things have to change and usually for the better, like tasks that once required computers that once filled large rooms at Marshall Space Flight Center, that can now be done on personal smart devices. Regardless of the advancing technology, though, NASA understands that remembering what came before is the key to making a smooth transition into the future.

"We build on what we learn, so thank goodness for that," said Hovater. "It doesn't get lost. You're not rebuilding the wheel every time even though, sometimes to the public, it seems like it's taking forever when it shouldn't."

For Hovater, NASA's increasing cooperation with private industries like SpaceX and United Launch Alliance might mark the biggest change she's seen, one she considers positive. She explained that, by allowing private industries to take over certain traditional NASA roles, the agency frees up its own resources to reach even farther, to places like Mars.

Hovater said companies like SpaceX are "not competitors, they're partners, really. We're working well with them. It doesn't make us lose our identity, because we're working SLS, which is a way bigger rocket that's going to go way further. And I'm not talking about just moon, because that, in and of itself, we're not just going there to make footprints and put flags up this time. We want to stay there. And the reason we want to go there is we want to go to Mars; that's our ultimate goal.

"We're going to go there; we're going to build. I think we're doing the Gateway, and that's going to help us; it's kind of like a space station outside of the moon. We go there, we're going to study; we're going to travel down to the moon and study. That's our work platform for getting ready for going and living on Mars, that kind of thing. It's a lot.

"There's change, but there's not, because everybody's always been looking out there."

From Cullman High School to Marshall Space Flight Center in five years

Cullman native Blake Parker developed a fascination with space in his pre-K days, and it never went away. A mere five years after his 2009 graduation from Cullman High School, he found himself at NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, working on the International Space Station (ISS) project.

In a note to The Tribune this week, he shared, "Looking back, things began around the 25th anniversary of the Apollo 11 landing, way back in 1994. The ensuing increase in enthusiasm over space exploration lit a fire in 4-year-old me that's been burning ever since. I devoured everything I could on the subject, from learning about the glories of the Cold War Right Stuff era of spaceflight to excitedly following the Space Shuttle and Mars Pathfinder programs as they unfolded. I knew that I wanted to be a part of it somehow. I loved to build, to draw, to design and make things fly, and it seemed like a natural fit.

"Paralleling my love of the technical, I was also developing a love of the scientific. I remember being absolutely blown away by the pictures taken of the outer planets by the Voyager missions, and of deeper space by the (then) recently-launched Hubble Space Telescope. Meanwhile, I surveyed the night sky with my own modest telescope and marveled at the mysterious Hale-Bopp comet as it swung by Earth in 1997.

"It wasn't until the airing of a documentary on the History Channel in 2003, called 'Failure is Not an Option' based on the book by Gene Kranz, that I knew for sure I wanted to be an engineer. Kranz was one of the founding fathers of NASA's Mission Control, and the program detailed evolution of the team of engineers that flew every mission alongside the astronauts of the Mercury, Gemini and Apollo programs without ever leaving the ground. Their quick thinking and expertise turned potential disaster into some of NASA's finest moments. Knowing my chances of becoming an astronaut were incredibly slim, this was my ticket to space. I knew it was by no means an easy or safe path, but one that was worthwhile.

"Throughout my later schooling, the desire to be part of humanity's efforts to venture beyond our tiny corner of the cosmos is where I drew my focus. I was definitely an oddball in the top of my graduating class of 2009 at Cullman High School as one of the few not going into the medical field.

"I graduated from the University of Alabama in Huntsville in 2013 with a bachelor's in Aerospace Engineering. Following a brief stint as a student researcher with the U.S. Army, I finally got my chance to work with NASA thanks to Teledyne Brown Engineering in late 2014, 20 years after the dream first began.

"Currently, I work as stowage flight controller with the Payload Operations and Integration Center (POIC) at the Marshall Spaceflight Center in Huntsville. The POIC operates 24/7/365 in concert with control centers in Houston, Texas; Munich, Germany; Tsukuba, Japan; and other researchers the world over. It is responsible for overseeing the various science experiments that are done in and on the U.S.-owned parts of the International Space Station and providing real-time assistance to the astronauts on board. These experiments include everything from improving weather forecasting to materials science, to pharmaceutical research, all the way to particle physics. The work we do will benefit people on Earth, lay the groundwork for journeys back to the moon and beyond and improve our understanding of the universe around us.

"It's been amazing to work with such a talented and diverse group of individuals. My team alone, which is responsible for keeping tabs on the location of NASA-owned science hardware on the station, has people with backgrounds in chemical engineering, civil engineering, aerospace engineering, biology and math, to name a few. Experience ranges from people who worked shuttle and Spacelab while I was still in primary school all up to recent college grads. Everyone has something unique to bring to the table.

"Every day I get to go into work and see an exciting new generation of spaceflight unfolding in the places that once held the giant machines and people of Apollo. It's an incredible feeling for sure."

Current NASA projects and the north Alabama connection

For Alabama, NASA's not all rocket science; it's also money and jobs.

A statement from NASA said, "Marshall directly employs nearly 2,500 civil service workers across the nation. Moreover, for every civil servant employed, approximately 14.2 additional jobs are supported throughout the economy. These jobs come in the form of contractors and also the dentists, retail workers, school teachers and others necessary to support the employment base. Additionally, those employees spend money in their communit(ies), thereby generating significant tax revenues for area economies. Throughout the United States, Marshall supports nearly 38,000 jobs and generates a total economic output of nearly $7 billion along with $830 million in federal, state and local tax revenues."

Large rocket components have to come from large manufacturing operations, but large components are made up of lots of small components. More than half of Marshall's contracts are sourced to Alabama suppliers, sometimes even small family-owned fabrication shops in places like Russellville and Guntersville. Most everyone around the Cullman area has a friend or neighbor who commutes to work at Redstone Arsenal or one of the many tech companies around Huntsville that support aerospace industries. Marshall has many ongoing projects that support the jobs of more than 17,000 north Alabama residents and contributes more than $70 million to the region through state and local taxes.

NASA's media office says about the current SLS program:

"The economic impacts of SLS are heavily concentrated in Alabama. The SLS program supports 13,000 jobs and approximately $55 million in state and local taxes annually. Additionally, a large segment of SLS contracts, nearly $950 million worth, are sourced in Alabama. The total economic impact of SLS in the state of Alabama is $2.1 billion."

Local impact: Cullman County students manufacture space station components

NASA's reach into Cullman County isn't limited to only Speedring/General Dynamics. At the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA), precision machining students are manufacturing aluminum components for the ISS. The school is participating in NASA's HUNCH program (High Schools United with NASA to Create Hardware), which works with tech schools like CATA across the country to produce components for the space program. CATA is one of approximately 150 schools in 29 states currently participating in the project.

CATA students have manufactured sets of three panels that cover access ports on the

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doors of stowage lockers that can be used to transport anything from scientific experiments to containers of ice cream up to the ISS. Multiple access ports allow part of the cargo in the container to be accessed without having to expose all the contents. CATA students machined and drilled holes in the aluminum panels to tolerances of within five one-thousandths of an inch, a margin of error about the thickness of a sheet of common printing paper.

According to HUNCH Project Manager and ISS Simulation Engineer Bob Zeek, the students will get to sign their names on components headed to the ISS.

CATA Principal Billy Troutman told The Tribune, "They're allowing students the opportunity to build precision machining skills, but they're building hardware parts for NASA. These are locker doors that'll be in the International Space Station. So that part of it, that's just cool, no matter what.

"Precision machining parts are cool, no matter what, anyway, because you're building something that's going to be used. The fact that they're building stuff for NASA's just really neat. And the beauty of it is, they provide- obviously- the material, and they also provide tooling- be it hardware, blades, bits, equipment like that, as well, so it's a win-win for us."

During a visit to the school earlier this year, Zeek talked to The Tribune about the quality of the components produced at CATA:

"I was telling the kids earlier: Boeing used to make these parts, and Boeing still does these parts, but if you put them side by side, you couldn't tell a bit of difference. The fact that the students learn the concepts of material traceability, quality assurance, spec'ing out the parts, not just running them on the machine, but the visual part of it, too, it's phenomenal. We get very few rejects, because the kids are eager and want to learn, and they want to put their brand on it and say, 'I did that.'"

Speedring's space program legacy continues

Speedring, as the Precision Structures and Optics (PS&O) group of General Dynamics, continues to contribute to the U.S. space program.

General Dynamics Project Manager Troy Wesson wrote: "Today, through various acquisitions (acquired by General Dynamics in 2009), we are still proud to be the largest machining operation of exotic metals in the United States and are still the largest producer of beryllium structures and optics critical to our aerospace and defense programs. Under Maritime & Strategic Systems, PS&O is headquartered in Cullman, Alabama with over 120,000 sq. ft. of manufacturing space.

"The Rochester Hills, Michigan facility houses an additional 29,000 sq. ft. Together, the 250+ employees design, manufacture and integrate precision structures, reflective optics/telescopes and fast steering mirrors in support of the latest national and international commercial, defense and space-based applications. When failure is not an option, customers come to PS&O for their capabilities, focus on quality and ability to deliver mission-critical products. To learn more about PS&O: https://gdmissionsystems.com/en/services/beryllium-machining

"Although we are celebrating GD-MS' heritage on Apollo 11, their NASA legacy pre-dates Apollo and has continued for generations. PS&O's products and heritage are in orbit and flying through the stars on various satellites, telescopes and spacecraft to include: Gemini, Voyager, Gravity Probe B, GLAS, CATS, ATLAS, JPSS (ATMS, VIIRS, CrIS, RBI), GoSat, Gladiator, ICESat, Iridium, Mars Rovers, GOES (ABI), Himawari (ABI), CoStar, MPOES, Hubble and the Space Shuttle (to name just a few).

"Today, for NASA, PS&O is building instruments and optics for Joint Polar Satellite System with the VIIRS and CrIS mirrors and telescopes. They also have a proud heritage of being the organization that machined the 18 primary mirrors (plus spares, secondary and tertiary mirrors) for the James Webb Space Telescope scheduled to launch in March 2021. Rest assured that when James Webb launches, the team members will be listening to regularly broadcasted reports, just like they did back in 1969."

Marshall Space Flight Center recently released this statement on Alabama's relationship to NASA and its programs:

From Alabama to the Moon

The path to the Moon has run through Alabama since the earliest days of our nation's space program. Today, work in the "Rocket City" Huntsville and across the state is advancing the largest rocket we've ever built and our Artemis Program to land humans on the Moon by 2024. At a recent visit with the Huntsville Chamber of Commerce, NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine demonstrated Alabama's deep technical and economic contributions to our nation's space program. A $1.6 billion amendment above the President's request of $21 billion for NASA's Fiscal Year 2020 budget will accelerate our progress to the Moon and solidifies that the state's importance to our exploration efforts.

NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville creates significant economic impact by supporting thousands of jobs and investing millions of dollars in research and development. It helps drive an innovation-based economy in Alabama and throughout the United States. The center generates contracts across nearly every category of manufacturing or service production. And NASA reaches all 67 Alabama counties through education, business, partnerships, and other innovative ways to engage the state with our ambitious national goals.

Much of the Marshall's work is tied to the Space Launch System (SLS) rocket that will power human exploration of the Moon and a new generation of missions. SLS is America's rocket, with men and women from almost every state working hard every day to move America forward to the Moon. And it's also a critical part of Alabama's legacy of mission-critical design, development and integration of the systems for space exploration and scientific missions.

Our plans to land humans on the lunar South Pole by 2024 build on Marshall's expertise. The rocket scientists at Marshall designed, built, tested, and helped launch the giant Saturn V rocket that carried Apollo astronauts to the Moon. They also developed new rocket engines and tanks for the space shuttles, built sections of the International Space Station, and now manage all the astronauts' science work aboard the station from a 24/7 Payload Operations and Integration Center.

SLS and the Orion spacecraft in which astronauts will travel to the Moon are the backbone of our sustainable deep space exploration systems. Among recent progress, the SLS team has recently:

- *Built and tested the SLS solid rocket boosters and the core stage rocket engines.*
- *Moved the 66-foot-tall forward part of the rocket's massive core stage. This helps prepare for its final assembly and integration to the liquid hydrogen tank.*
- *Delivered the Pathfinder, a full-scale simulator of the rocket's core stage. This is the same size, shape and weight of the massive real thing, and will help us learn to work with it.*
- *Loaded a test version of the enormous liquid hydrogen tank that fuels the rocket's RS-25 engines into a test stand at Marshall. There it will be exposed to simulated stresses of a space launch.*
- *Outfitted the SLS launch vehicle stage adapter, which connects the core stage of the rocket with its interim cryogenic propulsion stage.*

Astronauts will travel to the Gateway in lunar orbit for expeditions to the surface of the Moon. Marshall is supporting development of potential deep space habitation element for Phase 2 of the Gateway, which will help the agency establish sustainable missions on and around the Moon by 2028.

Marshall and Alabama have also played key roles in additive manufacturing or 3-D printing -- from rocket engine development advances to 3-D printing on the station. This technology has revolutionized what we are able to do in space, where mass and space are big considerations.

Demonstrating Alabama's importance to our space program, NASA has invested millions in local university programs and in contracts with businesses large and small. Marshall has more than 50 active Space Act Agreements with industry, academic, non-profit and other government agencies based in Alabama, including the University of Alabama System, Auburn University, Alabama A&M University in Huntsville, and the University of North Alabama in Florence.

Next generation STEM leaders from across the world also gain important experience through Marshall's Student Launch and Rover Challenges.

Our presence in Alabama is leading to a human presence on the Moon. Throttle up!



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Pushing the limits of space exploration for two generations: former NASA contractor Joe Hayden with daughter and current NASA engineer Mary Hayden Hovater

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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

PICKENS COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

Pickens County is "the berries." Back when Pickens was established by the new State of Alabama in 1820, when something was "the berries" it meant it was "sweet, it was great, had you soppin' the berry juice off the plate." A line from an old parlor song said, "Life is just a bowl of cherries. So, keep repeating 'it's the berries.'"

An abundance of berries is grown in this west Alabama county on the Mississippi line. Pickens County is far enough north to grow some varieties of raspberries and even gooseberries. There are bushel baskets of strawberries grown every spring and you can still enjoy the sound of ping-ping-ping as you fill tin pails of wild blackberries every summer.

Berries are small fruits without a stone. Berries are extremely healthy to eat, promising protection against cancer and heart disease and boosting the immune system. One study indicates women with a higher intake of berries delay cognitive aging by two-and-a-half years.

Berries are even good for helping us humans get along with each other. As America's greatest poet/farmer, Wendell Berry (his real and perfect name) has written, "Better than any argument is to rise at dawn and pick dew-wet red berries in a cup."

Considering this contentious period in our country's history, anybody with unfarmed parcels in Pickens County should start planting berries and shipping them throughout the nation. Thank y'all "berry" much.

Pickens County has a new coordinator, Dr. Jed Smart, at the local office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. His office is in the courthouse in Carrollton.

This is the place to go in this part of the state with all your gardening, farming, landscaping and plant questions. While you visit, ask Smart about how you might add more berries to your plant inventory. There are berry varieties you can grow in pots, some that make handsome hedges and some ideal as edible ground covers.

Here are just a few berries to consider growing in Alabama:

• **HEIRLOOM RASPBERRIES**- Most raspberries find Alabama sun too hot, but there are varieties that thrive here; raspberries want full sun and well-drained, humus-rich soil; well-rotted cow manure makes a good mulch.

• **BLUEBERRIES**- You'll get a summer bounty of big, beautiful blues in most parts of Alabama. Some high-bush varieties make an attractive, food-producing hedge. Get a soil test for the particular parts of land you are considering planting. For the greatest chance of success with blueberries, plan for acidic soil with plenty of organic matter. Blueberries want full sun for part of the day and light shade when the heat gets more intense. On a single plant, blueberries can vary from sweet to tart, which makes the most flavorful pies.

• **BLACKBERRIES**- You can enjoy fresh blackberries in Alabama from midsummer to frost, just be sure you choose plants that can take the heat. Blackberries grow nicely against a fence or "stand-alone" in a garden. Some blackberry bushes can yield up to 10 pounds of fruit.

Here are other PLANTS + PEOPLE things to enjoy in Pickens County on "THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY" tour, including an original recipe for Pickens County Blackberry and Chicken Panini by gifted Alabama cook, Wren Manners:

• **ALICEVILLE FARMERS' MARKET**- 419 Memorial Parkway East, Aliceville, AL 35442, Thursdays and Saturdays, 8 a.m.-noon, June 6-November 14

• **GORDO FARMERS' MARKET**- 201 South Main Street, Gordo, AL 35466; Thursdays, 6-10 a.m., beginning each April

• **WEST ALABAMA AG COMPANY**- 25661 Highway 17 N, Carrollton, AL 35447; Wednesdays and Fridays, 7-11 a.m., May 23-Sept. 29

• **THE LOVELIEST VIEW IN PICKENS COUNTY**- I asked this of Karli Bridges Snoddy, who works with the Pickens County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System and lives in Pickensville, and she said she would take a landscape photographer or painter to the beautiful, Antebellum home at the Tom Bevill Welcome Center at the lock and dam on the Tombigbee River. While there, everyone will be charmed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers snagboat Montgomery, circa 1926, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

• **MULE DAY and CHICKENFEST**- (Gordo) annually the first weekend in June

• **CREPE MYRTLE FESTIVAL**- (Reform) local foods, crafts making and shopping, fun and games each June

• **FACE IN THE WINDOW**- For decades, ghost tourists have traveled to Pickens County Courthouse to see the outlined face of condemned prisoner, Henry Wells, which was etched by lightning. https://alabama.travel/places-to-go/pickens-county-courthouse-face-in-the-window

• **FACE IN THE WINDOW FESTIVAL**- (Carrollton) every fall on the downtown square

• **SAM PLANT FARM**- Greenhouses with rows and rows of plants available for cash-and-carry; 2804 County Road 45, Reform, AL 35482 205-375-2718

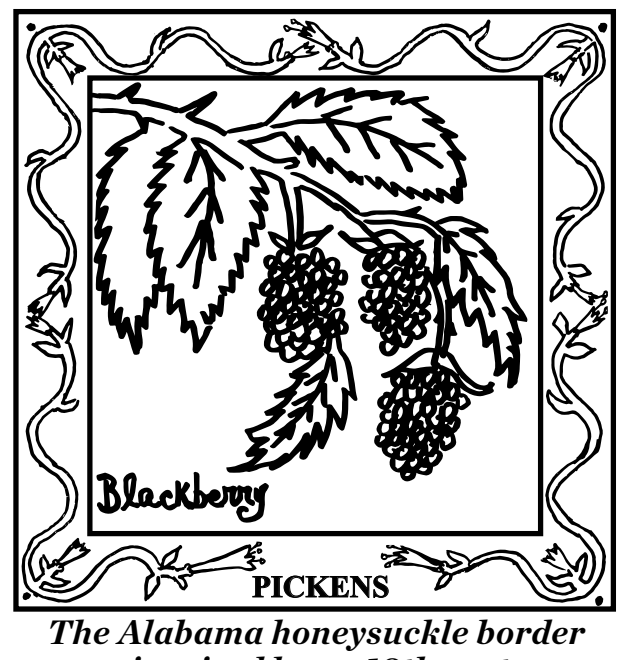
• **PLANTING AN IDEA**- With the great variety of berries grown in Pickens County and the variety of delicious food dishes the local cooks create with those berries, this would be a sweet place to launch A BERRY GOOD ALABAMA COOKBOOK. This could be a smart idea to explore with Dr. Smart and the friendly folks at the Alabama Cooperative Extension System office. I'm drooling as I imagine recipes and taste tests for Pickens County takes on: Blackberry and Chicken Panini, Blueberry Yogurt Popsicles, Vanilla Layer Cake with Strawberry Curd, Grilled Fontina and Blackberry Sandwiches, Mixed Berry Burrata Salad. This could be very berry tasty. (Stop your groaning, I promise this is my last berry pun.)

Y'all come to Pickens County on your 67-County Alabama Garden Party. You'll be berry glad you did.

Many thanks to Karli Bridges Snoddy of the Pickens County office of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System for her enthusiastic embrace of this plant-tourism salute and for her many ideas and suggestions.

Also, THANK YOU to superb cook Wren Manners for sharing her coveted Blackberry and Chicken Panini recipe.

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.



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



PICKENS COUNTY BLACKBERRY AND CHICKEN PANINI

This is a very simple yet light and tasty summer sandwich.

INGREDIENTS

- 2 slices of bread of your choice (I used a Naan flat bread.)
- 1 baked or grilled chicken breast
- 2 slices of cheese of your choice (I used provolone.)
- 1/3 cup of cleaned blackberries
- 1/4 thinly sliced red onion
- 2 fresh basil leaves
- Salt and pepper
- 2 tbsp. apricot or peach jam
- Mayo (I used mayo mixed with a fuji apple dressing.)
- Butter

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Spread the mayo and jam on both slices of bread.
2. Lay your chicken breast down first on bottom slice of bread.
3. Top the chicken with your cheese.
4. Top with the basil leaves and red onion slices.
5. Top with the fresh blackberries and salt and pepper.
6. Top with sliced bread, jam side down.
7. Lightly butter the top and bottom of the bread.
8. In either a skillet or panini maker, grill your sandwich for about two minutes per side in skillet or about three minutes on the panini maker until the cheese has melted.
9. Enjoy!



Boater (from Front)

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SMITH LAKE, Ala. –On Friday afternoon, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) suspended search efforts to locate Kelsey Starling, missing on Smith Lake since and accident on July 4. Sgt. Chad Pate reported:

"The search on Smith Lake has been suspended indefinitely.

"There are some search operations planned for the future, but we will no longer have personnel searching every day.

"ALEA Marine Patrol troopers will search the area regularly while on boat patrol. ALEA Aviation will still conduct aerial searches periodically.

"Winston County EMA has specialty sonars out of Dothan and Florida scheduled for next week as well.

"Thanks to all of you for your patience with us as we attempted to bring closure to the Starling family.

"Obviously this did not have the outcome that we had hoped for. Many organizations and agencies have worked hard over the last 15 days. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Starling family."

Tyson (from Front)

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JASPER, Ala. – On Friday, the Sipsey Heritage Commission and Chandler Holdings, along with 40 individual property owners along the Mulberry and Sipsey Forks of the Black Warrior River, filed suit against Tyson Farms, Inc., River Valley Ingredients LLC, RVI Hanceville plant manager Jason Spann, American Proteins, Inc. and Hydraservice, Inc.

The lawsuit stems from the Thursday, June 6, 2019 incident in which approximately 220,000 gallons of effluent (liquid waste or sewage) were spilled by the Tyson Foods, Inc./River Valley Ingredients plant (formerly American Proteins) in Hanceville into the Dave Young Creek, which flows to the Mulberry Fork.

The spill led to a "massive fish kill" and a warning against recreational use of the Mulberry Fork.

It was the plant's fourth environmental incident affecting the Mulberry Fork since 2011.

Hydraservice, Inc. is the contractor that installed the pump and equipment from which the June 6 spill occurred.

The complaint also left open the possibility of more defendants being named at a later date.

The complaint, filed in Walker County by attorneys Edward Jackson and Judson Allen, makes charges of:

• Negligence - The complaint alleged that the defendant had a duty to exercise reasonable care in the operation of the plant and all equipment there, and failed to do so.

• Nuisance - The complaint alleged that the June 6 and previous spills, along with the foul odor that regularly comes from the plant has interfered with the ability of river residents to use and enjoy their property, has lowered property values and caused the residents undue stress.

• Wanton Conduct - The complaint alleged that the defendants were aware of ongoing issues like the smell, and of the dangers of spills, and deliberately continued to run the plant in a manner likely to result in such problems.

The plaintiffs are seeking injunctive relief to restrain the plaintiffs from such actions in the future, for remediation of the river, and "such other relief as the Plaintiffs might be due."

This is a developing story.

FUNNY THINGS FROM YESTERDAY

Keep both feet on the floor when riding with a new driver

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
Tribune Contributor



Everyone who drives a car, at one time, had to go through a learning process. I, for one, am very glad that we have driver's ed taught in our schools. This has saved many a parent's sanity, and I know has spared the nervous system of many a teenager trying to learn to drive. I think teachers of driver's ed classes deserve a lot of respect and praise.

Our children, as they were growing up, took the driver's ed class at school. They both now seem to be good and safe drivers. I am sure their good foundation in this class is responsible for this.

Our children were like every other young and new driver; they wanted to be the family chauffeur until the new wore off. Then mother and daddy were back on their own.

After Robin, our daughter, got her driver's license she became the family chauffeur. Everywhere we went, she had to drive. It was still a little scary to ride with a new driver even though she had graduated from the driver's ed class. I have even ridden with old drivers who can scare me.

One afternoon we were coming home from town and Robin was driving. Her mother, Rudene, was riding in the front seat, and I had picked the safe spot, riding in the back seat.

Power brakes can sometimes make a car slow quickly if you apply them a little too hard. Rudene was sitting on one foot and wasn't braced very well with the other one. Robin came to the street where we needed to turn off and applied the brakes a little too hard. Rudene slid out of the seat, down into the floor board, and ended up under the car dashboard.

Being a young girl and a new driver, this scared the daylights out of Robin. She was trying to help her mother out from under the dash and drive, too.

This in turn scared the crap out of me, but it all worked out alright. We got Rudene out from under the dash and made it home at last.

Since then, Rudene keeps both feet on the floor and when she's back-seat driving, she uses both feet for the brakes.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Drew is a frog whisperer

Bill King
Tribune Contributor



Twenty years ago, I saw a movie called "The Horse Whisperer." Robert Redford played the lead role. The story was based on the real life of Dan "Buck" Brannaman. Brannaman was a cowboy who had a mystical ability to calm unruly horses by talking to them. He said he spoke the horse's language.

Once, when I was around eleven years old, I rode an unruly horse. He decided to take me for a ride that I did not want to take. I spoke all kinds of things to that horse, but I don't believe I ever found his language! My brother said the horse had been spooked by something. I said I didn't know about the horse being spooked, but I had no doubt that I had been! Brannaman did not break horses but used different techniques to turn a frightened horse into his friend.

A few years ago, I had the opportunity to see this technique demonstrated. Our association, in conjunction with the Alabama Baptist Evangelism Department and the Cowboy Church of Lee County, brought in Paul Daily for an event. Daily is a Christian evangelist who uses his horse taming ability to present the gospel.

In his demonstrations, he tames a wild horse, which has never been saddled and one he has never seen before. In ninety- minutes, he uses his gentle methods to break the horse and bring him into complete obedience. I don't know that I could ever tame a wild horse, or even a frog, for that matter. What? You've never heard of a frog whisperer?

Well, this may not be quite as impressive as someone breaking a horse that may weigh in excess of a thousand pounds, but I am impressed by my grandson's unusual ability to catch frogs. He gets frogs out of our pool but not with the usual methods. We have lots of frogs who love to use our pool to cool off after a long hard day of croaking and eating flies. I told you about Bully the giant bullfrog a few weeks ago. Well, Bully has moved on to greener waters or maybe Froggy went a courting.

Wherever he has gone, Bully has disappeared, so the other frogs have returned. After a long hard night of living it up (the frogs, not me) most of them end up in the skimmer, so I often dip them out before that happens. I scoop them out with a large dip-net on the end of a long pole.

I have never seen anything like what my grandson does. Drew, is the frog whisperer. Instead of using the dip-net, he uses a square stick that's about four feet long. He slowly and quietly eases one end of that stick under a frog and the frog climbs on. He gets his frog almost every time. He then lifts the frog out of the pool and sets him down in the grass. He has tried to teach me his technique, but I have not mastered the art. When I get that stick near the frog, he shoots off across the pool like he is racing in the Olympics. I guess I don't speak frog, so they don't trust me. I've heard there is more than one way to skin a cat. Well, there obviously is also more than one way to catch a frog too. To be a successful frog whisperer, or horse whisperer, takes patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, and self- control. If those sound familiar, that's because they are more than half of the fruit of the Spirit. (Galatians 5:22). Those characteristics will help tame people too. They work on the one who possesses them, as well as the people he is around.

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Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1963
Bethany News

Miss Linda Campbell, of Birmingham, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Astor Campbell and brother, Ronald.

From The Files Of 1953
Eva News

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Murphree, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Murphree, Miss Eulala Murphree and Bertis Cagle, of Cullman, were the Sunday afternoon visitors of Charles Nichols and family.

Miss Peggy and little Harvey Funderburk, of Birmingham, were the weekend visitors of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L.H. Merrell.

Miss Margaret Ann Ryan and her roommate, Jane Calvin, of Huntingdon College, in Montgomery spent the weekend with Margaret Ann's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Ryan.

Mr. and Mrs. Cephus Turner and Mrs. Willie Mooney were the Sunday visitors of Mr. Turner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Turner, of Gadsden.

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Poet's Corner

Fishing With Dad

By: Randy C. Hale



Hey Dad, take me fishing
and he did.
Throw the football with me
and he did.

Can I use your tools?
He said he could.
Help me build a fort?
He said he would.

Will you teach me to drive?
He said he'd try.
Shoot a real gun?
Yes son, that's fine.

And after many years of
times like that together,
when he is old, and seasons
with Dad are no longer so,

that smiles will come again
bright upon his face
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And many more days
in his mind he'll go,
down with his Dad,
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Obituary Announcements: July 12 - 20

Sharon Sizemore, age 67, of Vinemont, passed away at her home Friday, July 12. Sharon was born in Detroit, Michigan to George Kelly and Nell Dean Silvers Sizemore. She worked as a nurse's aid and cook. Sharon's was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors are two sons, Kelly Lamar Sizemore and Chris (Lisa) Brooks; brother, Rodney Wayne Sizemore; three sisters, Debbie Twilley, Kathleen Bohannon and Suzan Jackson; her uncle and aunt, Paul and Linda Silvers; two grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. A graveside memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019, at 1 p.m., New Hope #2 Cemetery. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sizemore family.

Ricardo Saucedo of Jacksonville, Florida, died on Sunday, July 14, 2019. He was born on April 3, 1991 to Cirilo Saucedo and Maria Sotelo in Estedo, Mexico. Mr. Saucedo lets his parents appreciate his memory; wife, Angela Martínez; daughters, Andrea Saucedo Martinez and Yetzi Saucedo Martinez; sisters, Maria Selena Saucedo and Carolina Saucedo; brothers, Ángel Saucedo, Daniel Saucedo, Carlos Saucedo and Cirilo Saucedo; paternal grandmother, Josefina Aguirre; and the maternal grandmother, Eligia Flores. Mr. Saucedo's services will be 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 20, at Moss Service Funeral Home. Mr. Saucedo returns to his home with his family in Mexico services and burial at a later date.

Robert Wilford Spradlin was born on October 11, 1935 and passed away on July 17, 2019. Graveside services will be Saturday, July 20 at 11 a.m. at Bowmans Chapel Cemetery in Crane Hill, Alabama.

Funeral Service for Wynell Miller Noble, age 75, of Eva, will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2019, at Cornerstone Revival Center. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Noble passed away on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at her residence. She was born September 12, 1943, to Rayburn and Tressie Miller. She was preceded in death by her husband, Samuel Noble; parents, Rayburn and Tressie Miller; brother, Donald Ray Miller; and sister, Dottie Hornsby. Survivors include her daughter, Kay (Jerry) Lemmond; son, Terry (Donna) Tankersley; daughter, Carol (Keith) Seguin; daughter, Michelle (Albert) Thompson; son, Justin (Amber) Fullerton; son, William (Monica) Fite; daughter, Krystal Cottingham; son, Hersheal Fite; son, James Fite; grandchildren, Kris Seguin, J.P. Patterson, Blake (Lauren) Seguin, Brennan Cottingham, Layla Fullerton, Ryance Fite, and two other grandchildren; great-grandchildren, Grant, Alex, and Myles Seguin, Joplin Patterson, and Grey and Samuel Seguin; sisters, Shirley Horton and Linda (Benny) Reid; and brothers, Ricky (Polly) Miller and Dicky (Gloria) Miller. Visitation will be from noon until 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 21, 2019, at Cornerstone Revival Center.

Graveside service for Paul Dewayne Hudson, 68, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2019 at New Hope #1 Cemetery, Minister Terry Michael officiating. Cullman Funeral Home, 461 US Hwy. 278 East, Cullman, AL 35055 is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Hudson passed away Friday, July 19th, 2019 at his residence. He was born February 8, 1951 to Bernard and Ruby Yearwood Hudson. Paul retired from the phone company and then continued as a farmer for many years. He was preceded in death by his parents; father-in-law, J.C. Wallace; Sisters, Mary Lou Rusk, Linda Hudson, sister-in-law, Connie Hudson; brothers, Frank Hudson, Kelly Hudson. Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Debra Wallace Hudson; Sons, Jonathon Hudson, Adam (Sabrina) Hudson; daughters, Kristi (Keith) Hudson, Katherine (Josh) Mann; brothers, Tommy (Gladys) Hudson, Gene (Laura) Hudson, Aubrey Hudson, Randy (Daphne) Hudson, Sherrill (Judy) Hudson; sisters, Sharon (Ronnie) Russell, Ida (Doug) Goode, Charlotte (Pat) Malone; mother-in-law, Helen Wallace; sister-in-law, Melba Hudson; brother-in-law, Rayburn Rusk; brothers-in-law, Scotty (Shirley) Wallace, Phillip (Lisa) Wallace; sister-in-law, Rhonda (Darrell) Taff; eight grandchildren, Jessica (Chris) Treece, Stephanie Hudson, Andrew Hudson, Sarah Grace Hudson, Emily Tucker, Etta Hudson, Hudson and Wyatt Mann; a host of family and friends. Visitation will be Saturday evening at the funeral home from 5:30 p.m. until 8 p.m.

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Newk's (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Newk's Eatery is coming to Cullman. The restaurant will be opening in the former Dairy Queen building at 410 Second Ave. (U.S. Highway 31 North)

Susan Eller, with the Cullman Economic Development Agency, said, "Renovations on the building began this week and plans are to be open fall 2019."

Britt and Larry Smallwood, owners of Zaxby's in Cullman, are opening the new Newk's Eatery.

Said Britt Smallwood, "I worked for Newk's for several years when I was in my 20s, and I just really fell in love.

"When the owners asked me if we would be interested in bringing Newk's to Cullman, I was excited. I love their food and am very passionate about it."

Larry Smallwood added, "We started demolition and remodel on the location yesterday (Wednesday) and we hope to be open by late fall.

"We will be open in 2019. I feel confident about that."

Newk's Eatery serves a wide variety of sandwiches, soups, salads, and pizza. Britt explained that the Cullman location will be different that other Newk's by having a drive-thru. They have pre-made grab and go meals that are made fresh daily. The eatery will also serve wine and beer.

Newk's menu includes salads, soups, sandwiches, pizza, macaroni and cheese and desserts.

Newk's has been in business since 2004, created by the founders of McAlister's Deli.

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