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Cullman first responders practice safe school drills



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Members of the Cullman Police Department's Tactical Unit and Cullman Fire Rescue took part in active shooter drills at East Elementary on Wednesday.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – With the new school year right around the corner, there are lots of things for students, teachers, parents and administrators to think about, including school safety. The Cullman Police Department (CPD) has been thinking about school safety as well and has spent time this summer preparing for emergency situations on local campuses. It stopped by East Elementary School (EES) Wednesday to run drills on active shooter situations, and CPD Lt. Jason Mickle said he was happy to get on campus and start working with different departments as well as the unit.

"With our tactical unit we train every month, about 16 hours a month, and today what we're working on is our response to an active shooter event and how we would support our patrol units because more than likely, if we had an active shooter event here in Cullman, our patrol would be the first people to respond," Mickle said. "Our response time to get our team together and get organized is 45 minutes to an hour before we can respond. So, a lot of what we would be doing would be in a support role coming up here after the fact. Something else we're doing today is integrating with our fire department and Cullman EMS to try and get all three disciplines working together so that if we had something like this happen in Cullman, we could work together better."

The first goal for law enforcement in these situations is pretty obvious, but it's what comes next after the danger has been removed that Mickle is excited to work on.

"Our primary focus as law enforcement is to stop the killing. If there is somebody on campus and they're committing an act like this, our first job is to stop them. Once that's done, we have to transition into working with the fire department and EMS to get people get treated as quickly as we can and getting that taken care of," Mickle said. "A lot of this today will also be going over some tactics and going over some 'what-if' scenarios and a lot of it is just working together and getting to know the faces. We've got a good relationship with EMS and our fire department, but we don't get to train together all the time, so this is a chance to kind of get two birds with one stone."

Perhaps the biggest advantages of the exercises local law enforcement has been running this summer is that the departments will become very familiar with the school campuses in town and more familiar with the people working on them.

"It's very important and we encourage our officers whenever they can to come up here and walk through the schools and that's what we try to do every summer with our tactical unit," Mickle said. "That way we know the layout and kind of know where everything is before we go in there, so we've got a better picture of what we're going to face if something like this were to happen."

EES Principal David Wiggins is very excited to have the drills on campus and while he prays that they never need this experience in the future, he knows it's important to be prepared.

"Sgt. (Chris) Thomason called yesterday wanting to know if they could hold an active shooter drill here at the school and I said, 'Absolutely.' We want to do anything we can to support local law enforcement. I confirmed with Dr. (Susan) Patterson of course and it was OK with her and she also wants to support the Cullman Police Department. But the bigger picture is, it allows law enforcement to have a better understanding of the layout of our building," Wiggins said. "Unfortunately, it's a new world and we have to prepare for such incidents and while we don't like that we have to, we're going to do what we have to do for our kids. My children go here. So, it's going to be safe enough for everyone's child and we want to make sure we're doing everything we can and we'll get some good feedback from them on some of our school procedures and policies regarding safety and we'll get to watch on our cameras how they go through and clear a building. It'll give them familiarity with our nooks and crannies and each doorway and hallway so we're going to tour the buildings when they're done."

CPD has also been doing work with student resource officers at local schools this summer and Wiggins was able to let law enforcement review the school's emergency procedures.

"This is the second day straight that we've had the pleasure of having Cullman Police Department here with our staff. Yesterday we had (Capt.) Becky Boyd, who is over the Student Resource Office (SRO) Program, along with Lt. Harbison, and they talked to us about our safety drills, what » PAGE 5

Walnut Street set to re-open next week



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Final repairs began Wednesday along Walnut Street Northwest near Rusken Packaging in Cullman. » PAGE 8

Make someone smile!



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Volunteer Christi Meadows (left) poses with Mary Jo Gerstman (right) at The Folsom Center Wednesday afternoon. » PAGE 5

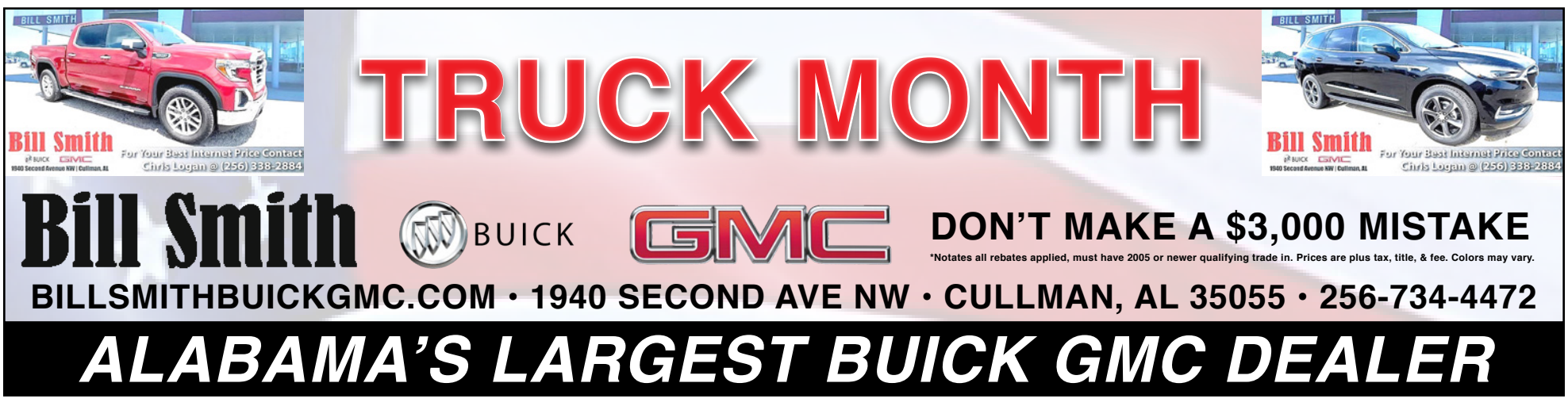
HEALTH

Opioid Institute holds seminar in Cullman



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Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy Professor Cherry Jackson leads an afternoon session at Cullman's Opioid Training Institute Wednesday. » PAGE 5



ATF: AL concealed-carry permits no longer acceptable in place of background checks

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The U.S. Department of Justice Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) on Monday issued an advisory to all Alabama federal firearms licensees (FFLs) saying, in part, "In the interest of public safety, and effective immediately, FFLs in Alabama may no longer accept CCP (concealed-carry) permits as an alternative to a (National Instant Criminal Background Check System) NICS check. Unless another exception applies, a NICS check must be conducted whenever you transfer a firearm to an unlicensed person even if the individual presents an unexpired CCP permit."

The ATF advisory said some Alabama sheriffs have been issuing concealed carry permits without completing a full NICS check.

"Because county sheriffs have issued CCP permits s without completing a full NICS check, firearms have been transferred to felons and other prohibited individuals in violation of federal law, thereby creating a substantial public safety concern," the advisory said.

The Office of Alabama Attorney Gen. Steve Marshall on Tuesday night said in a statement:

"The ATF has issued an advisory to all Alabama federal firearms licensees informing them that that they may no longer accept state-issued concealed-carry permits in lieu of performing a background check through the FBI's National Instant Criminal Background Check System, known as NICS. The reason for this decision, according to (the) ATF, is that some Alabama counties have issued concealed-carry permits without completing NICS checks, allowing for firearms to be transferred to felons and other prohibited individuals in violation of federal law. Please be advised that Attorney General Marshall is aware of this situation and is working closely with the Alabama Sheriffs Association and ATF to ensure that this matter can be resolved as quickly as possible."

Here is the full text of the advisory:

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY TO ALL ALABAMA FEDERAL FIREARMS LICENSEES

The purpose of this public safety advisory is to notify you of an important change to the procedure you may follow to comply with the Brady Handgun Violence Protection Act (Brady Act), codified at 18 U.S.C. § 922(t), when transferring a firearm to an unlicensed person.

The permanent provisions of the Brady Act took effect on November 30, 1998. The Brady Act generally requires Federal firearms licensees (FFLs) to initiate a National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS) check before transferring a firearm to an unlicensed person. However, the Brady Act contains exceptions to the NICS check requirement, including an exception for holders of certain state permits to possess, carry, or acquire firearms. The law and implementing regulations provide that permits issued within the past 5 years may qualify as alternatives to the NICS check if certain other requirements are satisfied. Most importantly, the authority issuing the permit must conduct a NICS background check and must deny a permit to anyone prohibited from possessing firearms under federal, state, or local law.

On February 24, 2016, ATF issued an Open Letter to All Alabama FFLs informing them that ATF had reviewed Ala. Code § 13A-11-75 and determined that Alabama's CCP permits issued on or after August 1, 2013, qualified as an alternative to a NICS check. ATF's determination was based on the understanding that a full NICS check would be conducted by an authorized government official pursuant to Ala. Code § 13A-11-75(b) and, if the check revealed that the individual was prohibited from possessing a firearm under federal or state law, the applicant would be denied pursuant to Ala. Code § 13A-11-75(a)(1).1 ATF also based this determination inherent in this decision was the understanding that an Immigration Alien Query (IAQ) would be conducted if a non-U.S. citizen applied for a CCP permit, and that all CCP permit application forms, regardless of the county of issuance, required the applicant's place/country of birth and an alien or admission number pursuant to Ala. Code §13A-11-75(e). Otherwise, the IAQ cannot be conducted.

Based on recent information received from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Criminal Justice Information Services Division Audit Unit, and upon results of inspections conducted by ATF field offices, ATF has determined that, notwithstanding the express requirements of Ala. Code

- *13A-11-75, Alabama CCP permits have been, and continue to be, issued to individuals without completion of a NICS check, or after a NICS denial. At least some of these permits were issued to felons and other federally prohibited persons who used them to purchase firearms from Alabama FFLs without a NICS check. In addition, ATF has determined that some Alabama counties have not been requiring non-U.S. citizen CCP permit applicants to submit the information necessary to run the IAQ, specifically, the place/country of birth and an alien registration or admission number.*

Because county sheriffs have issued CCP permits s without completing a full NICS check, firearms have been transferred to felons and other prohibited individuals in violation of federal law, thereby creating a substantial public safety concern. For this reason, the standards set forth in the Brady law require us to find that Alabama's CCP permits no longer qualify as a NICS check alternative. ***In the interest of public safety, and effective immediately, FFLs in Alabama may no longer accept CCP permits as an alternative to a NICS check. Unless another exception applies, a NICS check must be conducted whenever you transfer a firearm to an unlicensed person even if the individual presents an unexpired CCP permit.***

If you have any questions about Alabama's Permit to Carry Pistol in Vehicle or Concealed on Person qualifying as an alternative to the NICS check, please call ATF's Firearms Industry Programs Branch at (202) 648-7190.

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Arrests and incidents reported July 23-24

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 23-24, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

REPORTED JULY 23
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 22

- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $499
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $43
- fourth-degree theft of property, third-degree criminal trespassing; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $11
- third-degree theft of property; person; CR 469; phone; $1,300

July 23

- harassing communications; person

ARRESTS
July 22
King, Kenneth C., 39

- first-degree possession of a forged instrument
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Wright, Kimberly A., 24

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Garland, Brad D., 38

- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Slatton, Amanda L., 28

- third-degree forgery (3 counts)
- third-degree possession of a forged instrument (3 counts)

Eldridge, Julie A., 47

- third-degree forgery (3 counts)
- third-degree possession of a forged instrument (3 counts)

Germain, Jonathan G., 31

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hosmer, Kristine M., 32

- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Barnett, Gretchen S., 44

- fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

REPORTED JULY 24
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 22

- leaving the scene of an accident; person; 3rd St. SW, Main Ave. SW; damage to '17 Chev. Volt; $2,000

ARRESTS
July 23
Shikle, William C., 32

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Buchanan, Brad L., 50

- public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Good Hope moves forward with park plans, talks Back-to-School Bash

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – The City of Good Hope is taking the first steps since purchasing 33.68 acres adjacent to Municipal Park to begin developing the land for recreational purposes. The city council voted Monday night to allow Mayor Jerry Bartlett to enter into a contract with St. John & Associates for engineering services.

Bartlett said, "They're going to draw us up what they proposed by looking at the land and what would go good in there.

"We told them we wanted a centrally-located pavilion and we wanted at least 3.1 miles of trails.

"They are going to take the layout and draw us up a proposal of what it should look like and then we will give our input and go back and work up exactly what we want to do."

In addition to the engineering, St. John will work with the City of Good Hope on any grants it may obtain during the process.

The council also passed a resolution that will allow on-call engineering services to be done by St. John for projects less than $3,000.

In other business, Bartlett asked council members to be thinking about a nominee to represent Good Hope on the County Board of Equalization. Chance Pope was the previous appointee but has moved.

The four-year term for the next County Board of Equalization begins Oct. 1, 2019. The council will make its selection at the next council meeting.

The council also agreed to move $32,000 from a miscellaneous expense account to help cover the costs of some unplanned road work.

Recently completed projects include:

- Replacement and widening of the culvert at the end of Buettner Drive
- Replacement of two culverts at the 3-way on Montcrest
- Replacement of the large culvert at Hathcock Park
- Headwall at Day Gap-across from the community center
- Paving on Willow Springs
- Paving on Montcrest
- Paving on Super Saver Road
- Paving on Good Hope School Road

The Good Hope Back-to-School Bash is planned for Thursday, Aug. 1 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at city hall/Municipal Park The event will include an Air Evac Lifeteam helicopter and firetrucks, bouncy houses, free hamburgers, hot dogs and T-shirts. Councilman Taft

Dillashaw said he hopes to have the 2019 Good Hope Raider football team at the bash to help out.

The football team will also be hosting a camp with the youth football teams this week.

Dillashaw said, "They will probably be tired, but we will try to get them there next Thursday."

The next Good Hope City Council Meeting will be Monday, Aug. 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR
July 25 - 27

THURSDAY, JULY 25

Cullman Woodworkers Guild Meeting
Thursday, July 25 at 5:30 p.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex. The program includes: How to Sharpen your Tools.

Hanceville City Council Meeting
6 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall

Cullman County Sheriff's Office Church Safety Class
The Cullman County Sheriff's Office will host a Church Safety Class Thursday, July 25 at 6 p.m. at Temple Baptist Church (30 County Road 1184, Cullman, AL 35057). The class will focus on prevention and the steps a church and congregation can take to prevent imminent danger. Discussion items will include the creation of a church security team, increasing situational awareness and promoting building security. The CCSO encourages two to four members of each church to attend- members that could make up a security team. Carpooling is also encouraged. Registration is not required, but it is encouraged as it gives CCSO deputies a good idea how many participants will be attending the class. To register, email Deputy Bradley Williams at bwilliams@cullmansheriff.org with your name, the name of your church and the number of people from your group. For more information, call 256-734-0342.

FRIDAY, JULY 26

Free Drive-In Movie: "Mary Poppins Returns"
Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism's final drive-in movie of the season will be "Mary Poppins Returns." Join us Friday, July 26 at Nesmith Park for the film. It's FREE to attend, and movies can be viewed from your vehicle, or you may bring your own lawn chairs and blankets. The movie begins at dark (around 8:45 p.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 27

5th Annual Fairview High School Band All Wheel Show & Festival
Saturday, July 27 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. There will be live music, free inflatables, the National Guard rock climbing wall, various food trucks, local arts and crafts vendors and a wide variety of vehicles on display. Money raised from the event will go toward instruments for the band. Admission to the event is free. Randall Shedd Community Park (Fairview Town Park) is located at 605 Wesley Ave. N in Fairview. In case of bad weather, the event will be moved to Saturday, Aug. 3. Find out more at www.facebook.com/events/832059607130358/.

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.

The Office Trivia Night with The Ostrich
The Ostrich is bringing Office Trivia Night to Cullman's Goat Island Brewing! Prizes for first-, second- and third-place teams! Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 27! It's gonna be huge (that's what she said)! Starts at 7:30 p.m. All ages welcome. 1646-A John H Cooper Dr. SE, Cullman, Alabama 35055

UPCOMING....

Cullman Historical Society Meeting
Sunday, July 28 at 2 p.m., at the Cullman County Museum. The program includes: History of Cullman Medicine.

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 ¼mile, Cold Springs Community Center is on the RIGHT!
- Sandlin Chapel & Cemetery are off AL 69 S.

Sinyard Reunion
The Sinyard Reunion will be held Saturday, Aug. 10, 2019 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Hanceville Moody Center. There will be plenty of good food and fun.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Cullman council OKs 10-year tax abatement for REHAU expansion; $12.5M investment to create 70 new jobs

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman City Council on Monday night approved a 10-year abatement of "all state and local noneducational ad valorem taxes, all construction related transaction taxes, except those construction related transaction taxes levied for educational purposes or for capital improvements for education" for auto component manufacturer REHAU, to support an expansion of the company's Cullman production facility. The project is expected to represent a $12,485,375 capital investment by the company and create 70 new jobs.

The council also approved a resolution to submit an application to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) for $450,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to implement a Neighborhood Improvement Project on Katherine Street.

If Cullman receives the grant, the City will have to provide $337,845.01 in matching funds: $87,845.01 in cash and $250,000 in "in-kind services provided to install the water, sewer, drainage and street improvements" which comprise the project.

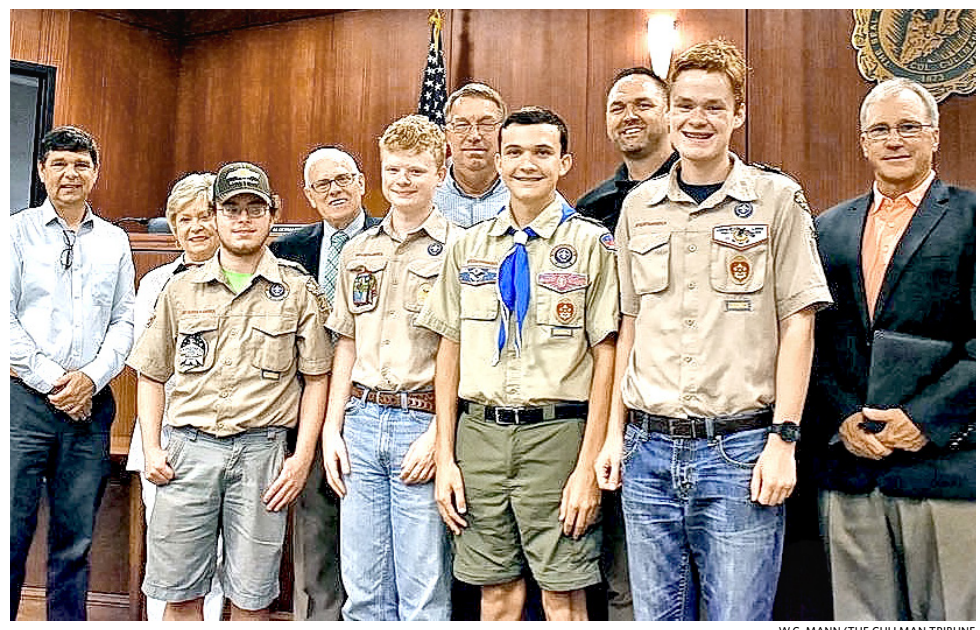
Other council business
The council approved special event requests from:

• Christy Turner of Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism to hold the annual EvaBank Midnight Run around the Civic Center on Aug. 2, 2019 from 10 p.m. until 2 a.m.

• Steve Cummings of the Cullman County Republican Party to hold "Possum Day" at the Festhalle Aug. 24, 2019 from 4:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

The council also approved:
• Ordinance No. 2019 - 21 to amend previous Ordinance No. 2018-34 requiring the installation of street lights in subdivisions. The amended ordinance will now require that: "The Owner/Developer will be responsible for the installation of all components of the street lighting system approved by the utility provider and required and approved by the Planning Commission. The City of Cullman shall be responsible for the maintenance and replacement of all components of the street lighting system upon its approval by the utility provider and completion by the Owner/Developer in accordance with the plans and specifications as approved by the Planning Commission and City of Cullman Engineering Department or said departments designated by the Mayor."

• Resolution No. 2019 - 70 to enter into a professional services contract with St. John & Associates for engineering on an Industrial Access Road in Industrial Park VI.



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The Cullman City Council enjoyed a visit from Boy Scouts (left to right) Brody Taylor, Reid Huddleston, Aidan Screws and Walker Huddleston, who are learning about local government as they work toward becoming Eagle Scouts.

• Resolution 2019 - 71, added at the last minute, for a change order on the US. Highway 278 streetscape project. No details were given.

The Cullman City Council meets on the second and fourth Monday nights each month at 7 p.m. in the Cullman City Hall Auditorium. The public is invited to attend.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Courthouse HVAC system to be replaced

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman County Commission hopes to soon replace the HVAC system at the Cullman County Courthouse.

"We are going to have to do something," said Chairman Kenneth Walker. "The week before the 4th (of July) we had a breakdown. If Dye Services hadn't been so good and worked overtime to get us back on, we would have had to close the courthouse."

The current HVAC system is at least 50 years old, according to the commission, which sent out letters to five recommended mechanical engineering firms. Cornerstone Engineering Group out of Decatur was the only one to respond, and the commission voted Tuesday to retain Cornerstone and have it conduct a survey to help determine the best HVAC system for the courthouse.

The commission also voted to allow Walker to enter into a contract with Cornerstone Detention Products, Inc. to replace the 32 cell door locks in Block B at the Cullman County Detention Center.

The cost of the project is $59,535.

Cullman County Sheriff's Office Major Matt Hogue explained, "It's replacing the locks. For years, inmates have worked on defeating locking systems.

"Of course, that's a danger to our people. We've had them (the new locks) in C Block and had no problem and they've done great so now we are putting them in B Block."

A public hearing has been set for Sept. 4, 2019 for the proposed vacation of a portion of Cullman County Road 319.

The portion under consideration is 0.05 acres of land in the cul-de-sac at the end of County Road 319.

The commission also approved the following agenda items:
• Surplus of AS 400 computer system from the water department
• One-year bond extension for Timber Ridge Subdivision located at District 2 on County Roads 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117 and 2118
• Bid extension for gas and diesel to B & B Petroleum for $0.05 over rack price
• Awarded bid for track mounted hydraulic excavator to Thompson Caterpillar- 5-year lease for $1,275 a month
• Accepted bid from Ecknerod Ford for a 2019 F350 heavy/super duty truck for $46,334.50 for the sanitation department
• Aggregate bid split between Blount Springs and Madison Materials

The next commission work session is Tuesday, Aug. 13 at 8:30 a.m., followed by the commission meeting at 10 in the commission meeting room at the Cullman County Courthouse.

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Obituary Announcements: July 20 - 24

Memorial services for Mr. Clarence Boyd Layton, 62 of Moulton are incomplete at this time. Boyd was born on November 8, 1956 and passed away at his residence on Saturday July 20, 2019.

Mrs. Shirley Ferguson age 83 of Holly Pond, passed away Wednesday July 24, 2019 at her home. She was born on March 18, 1936 in Georgia to the late Shelby H. English & Helen Jarrell English. No services are planned at this time.

Roger Allen Knight, age 68, of Jasper, Alabama, entered into rest on July 23, 2019. Mr. Knight was born January 15, 1951 in Haleyville, Alabama. As a young man he attended Winston County High School and served in the United States Army. He was a loving husband to his wife Glenda for 34 years, and was a doting father and grandfather who enjoyed spending his spare time with his family. Roger retired from truck driving, where his CB handle was "Hammerhead." Visitation will be held at Nichols Funeral Home Chapel in Haleyville on Friday, July 26, 2019 from 2-4 p.m. with funeral services at 4 p.m. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Double Springs, Alabama. Brother Steve Wakefield will officiate. Roger is survived by his wife, Glenda Knight; daughters, Angela Simon and husband Darvin and LaJade Knight; brothers; Edward M. Knight Sr. and wife Helen, and Dewey Knight and wife Brenda. Mr. Knight was "PawPaw" to six grandchildren, Mandi (Anthony) Henegar; Mariah (Medardo) Rosales; J.R. Hulsey; Jayden Hulsey; Byron Mims II; and John Riley Hill, and six great-grandchildren, Emili Rosales; Landyn Rosales; Brody Rosales; Paislee Hulsey; Kyser Hulsey; and Bryson Hulsey. He was preceded in death by his father; A. Z. Knight, his mother; Inez Knight, his brother; Floyd Knight, and his granddaughter Ma'kia Christmas.

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Bremen's Stan and Suzanne Wood named Southern Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year

Elizabeth Greener
Contributor

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The American Tree Farm System (ATFS) on Wednesday announced four Tree Farmer families from among more than 70,000 certified Tree Farmers as this year's Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year.

They are:

- South: Stan and Suzanne Wood of Bremen, Alabama
- Northeast: Bill and Tina Buckel of Bittinger, Maryland
- North Central: Mike Trail of Columbia, Missouri
- West: David and Dar New of Bellingham, Washington

Across the U.S., there are more than 21 million family forest owners. Collectively, these individuals care for the largest portion, more than one-third, of America's forests.

Their efforts provide essential resources, such as clean water and air, wildlife habitat, recreation spaces and a sustainable wood supply for the products Americans use every day.

ATFS is an internationally-recognized education and certification program designed specifically for family forest owners. The program provides enrolled landowners with tools, community and support to keep their forests healthy.

In return, Tree Farmers care for their land, meeting rigorous Standards of Sustainability, and take part in a third-party assessment to certify their land management practices.

Collectively, there are 19 million forested acres within the ATFS program nationwide.

"Owning forestland in today's age is not an easy task due to disasters such as hurricanes and catastrophic wildfires, as well as insects, invasive species, the rising costs of forest management and more. Yet, we're fortunate that families and individuals across the country care so much about doing right by the land that they take on these challenges and work incredibly hard every day as terrific stewards of their land," said Tom Martin, president and CEO of the American Forest Foundation, the nonprofit conservation organization that oversees ATFS. "Our Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year showcase this passion for stewardship. They not only have outstanding properties to show for it, but they also are passionate about spreading the word in their communities about the benefits of good forest management. We are proud to honor them and share their stories and accomplishments."

To be considered for the Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year award, individuals must exhibit exceptional forest stewardship to protect and improve our forest resources, and must promote forest stewardship within their communities.

About the 2019 Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year:

Southern Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year, Stan and Suzanne Wood of Alabama: Stan and Suzanne Wood showcase how hard work and sweat equity can produce incredible results, even in a short amount of time. Purchasing more than 2,000 acres of an old industrial fiber plantation in 2006, the Wood family set out to practice sustainable forestry for timber and wildlife habitat. In just 13 years, together they have planted more than 900 acres of loblolly and longleaf pine, developed an advanced road system throughout the property, built a bridge out of an old tractor trailer bed, improved the hardwood stands along their three mile stretch of the Black Warrior River, developed an annual prescribed burn program and controlled the ever-spreading invasive Chinese Privet. The Wood family places a great deal of effort on wildlife as well, improving habitat for both game and non-game species. They plant food plots annually, have several dozen bird boxes throughout the site, and are proud to say that seven native species of woodpeckers call their property home. In addition to their efforts, Stan and Suzanne have made spreading the good word of stewardship a priority for their Tree Farm. They host 12 to 15 tours a year for school groups, local non-profits, forestry professionals, policymakers and more. Using their forest as a demonstration site, they showcase the benefits of sustainable management, even leaving a small area unmanaged so that visitors can see the difference. Read more about Stan and Suzanne Wood.

Northeast Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year, Bill and Tina Buckel of Maryland: Bill and Tina Buckel are the true definition of a forest-owning family. Growing up on a farm, Bill developed a deep passion for forestry by working in the woods with his father and uncle. Over the years, Bill and Tina have inherited and purchased land, now collectively managing 134 woodland acres known as Rocky Resolve Tree Farm in Bittinger, Maryland. They share a love of stewardship, working their land themselves and instilling that love of the forest in their children and extended family. Along with their daughter Karla and son Derek, they have enjoyed hiking, snowmobiling and cross-country skiing through the road systems on each of their Tree Farms. They have faced many challenges brought on by Mother Nature – invasive pests such as the Emerald ash borer and the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid, and severe storms, including Hurricane Sandy in 2012, which caused widespread damage to their trees. Despite all of this, Bill and Tina, with help from their son, have improved their tree stands through thinning and planting, built and maintained roads, created wildlife and bird habitat with field mowing, bird boxes and more, operated a small portable sawmill to produce lumber for the farm, and set up a sugar maple system, capable of collecting sap from 450 trees. They impart their love of sustainable forestry to their community, offering tours to local forestry groups and schools, especially through the Cub Scouts program for Bill, and through the Adult Learnings program for Tina. The Buckels proudly display Tree Farm signs along public highways on all three of their Tree Farms. Read more about the Buckels.

North Central Regional Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year, Mike Trial of Missouri: Mike Trial has a deep passion and wide knowledge about tree farming that dates back to planting his first seedlings with his father in 1967. Just a year later, they joined the American Tree Farm System, and began planting more seedlings, specifically black walnut across their 55-acre Tree Farm. Over the years, he has battled invasive species, conducted thinnings to give room to the quality trees, and replanted to produce high quality lumber, always keeping meticulous records of his efforts. In more recent years, Mike, like many others has struggled with how to operate a sustainable tree farm operation on small acreage. To solve this, he purchased a small sawmill to mill his own logs. Like his dad, Mike is a lifetime member of the Missouri and National Walnut Council. He received his 50th anniversary American Tree Farm recognition in 2018. He enjoys spreading his knowledge of tree farming with others by working with the University of Missouri School of Forestry students, and by hosting pruning and tree planting workshops on his property. Read more about Mike Trial.

Western Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers of the Year, David and Dar New of Washington: David and Dar New are an incredible example of conservation for the greater ecosystem. Their 165-acre property, located in Snohomish County, Washington, was almost lost when an uncle passed away and the land was put up for sale. Now third-generation owners of the Nourse Tree Farm, David, Dar and Dar's mother, were fortunate to purchase the property, saving it from development. While they had no forestry background, they knew they wanted to care for this family legacy in a sustainable manner. They immediately had a forest management plan created and began a decade long journey to learn about forest management. Early in their ownership, while on a family outing to the property, they noticed a run of Coho salmon that had stranded due to a destroyed tributary channel off the Pilchuck Creek. Working with a wildlife biologist and their local conservation district, the New family worked to restore the flow of the river by building a channel through a pasture field, installing large woody debris and doing extensive planting along the riparian areas. Today, they are able to walk the river in the fall and watch the salmon navigate through the streams successfully. In addition, the New family has harvested 65 acres of the over-mature red alder and replanted with alder, Douglas fir, pine and hemlock for diversity, added an extensive fruit orchard, and set up an LLC for the Tree Farm so that their children do not experience the same difficulties with succession planning. Sharing their story with the community, David and Dar have hosted university extension forestry events, evening events, tours and schools and community groups to see their Tree Farm. Read more about the New family.

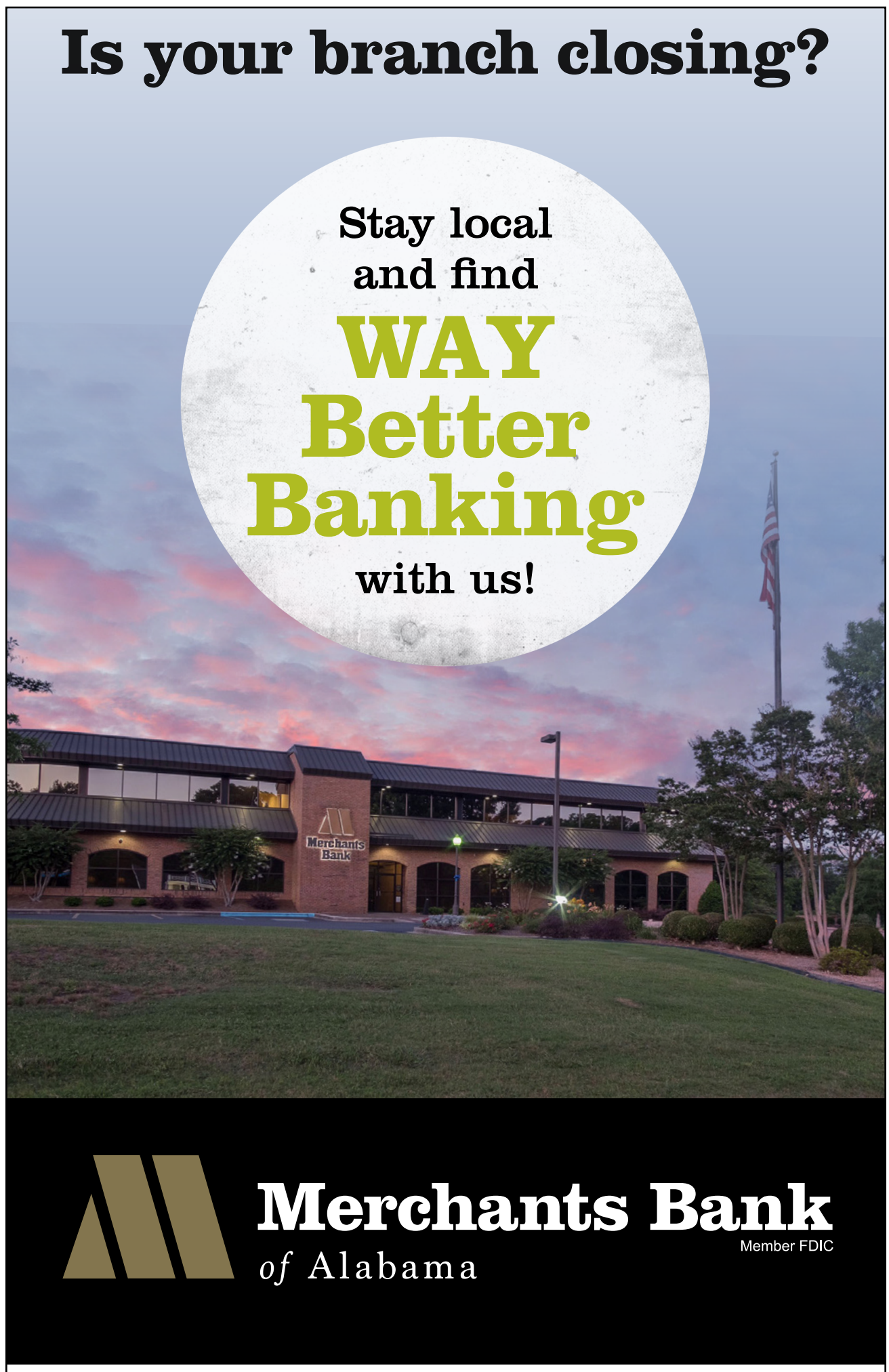
One of these Regional Outstanding Tree Farmers, based on judging from AFF's governance, will be selected as the American Tree Farm System National Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year, which will be announced later this year.

The American Forest Foundation (AFF), a forest conservation organization, works on the ground with families, partners and elected officials to promote stewardship and keep our forests healthy. America's family forests are vital for producing clean water and air, wildlife habitat and sustainable wood supplies. AFF's signature program, the American Tree Farm System® is the country's largest sustainable woodland program with a network of more than 70,000 family forest owners managing 19 million acres of forestland.



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Suzanne and Stan Wood



Smile (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The residents and staff of The Folsom Center were all smiles Wednesday after receiving surprise gifts from Cullman Florist. For the second year, Cullman Florist participated in Teleflora's Make Someone Smile Week. Owners Stephanie Cook and Carla Fussell, along with a group of young volunteers, personally delivered the arrangements to each resident.

Fussell explained how Cullman Florist got involved in the national event, saying, "Teleflora has an education unit for each state.

"We do programs to provide education for florists. Also, once a year they do this where they donate the mugs and we donate the time and product.

"Some of our wholesalers will donate things.

"We do Make Someone Smile Week and our program this year will be in Mobile."

The program in Mobile is an educational meeting for florists to learn new styles and techniques.

Fussell has served as the president of the Teleflora Alabama State Educational Unit for the past two years.

She said, "We've only been on the board for two years so we've only done this for that long.

"We did arrangements last year and we did some arrangements and some plants. We found that people wanted plants."

Cook said Cullman Florist gave out more than 300 arrangements Wednesday afternoon.

Besides The Folsom Center, staff members from Good Samaritan Health Clinic and Associated Medical Specialties each received a plant.

Plants were also delivered to The Cullman Tribune staff.

Added Cook, "We really enjoy doing this. These plants are very easy for folks to take care of. They just need a little bit of water."

This year's plants were dieffenbachia, presented in sunny yellow smiley face mugs. Each came with a balloon attached and a card.

Cook and Fussell had a lot of help from a group of teen volunteers from West Point.

Barbara Buettner was sitting with her friends in the hallway watching an old black and white movie when the teens rounded the corner with the arrangements.

She was thrilled to see the visitors and couldn't stop smiling.

"Oooh, how pretty! That is so pretty. Thank you so much. That's beautiful!" Mary Jo Gerstman said as she received her arrangement.

The visit left the rooms and hallways of The Folsom Center full of happy chatter, vivid color and countless smiles.

Florists across the country will be participating in Make Someone Smile Week 2019.

Cullman and Mobile are participating in Alabama, but Fussell said she hopes more will join in next year.

Drills (from Front)

kind we had and frequency. We gave them a copy of our schedule and they're going to be invited to come witness our safety drills. We talked about our lockdown procedures in the event of an intruder on campus and talked about how SROs can further support the schools.

"It was a wonderful meeting and I'm just excited that for two days straight we've had the opportunity to have these people on campus."

Wiggins continued, saying that maintaining a great relationship between schools and law enforcement is paramount.

"Chief (Kenny) Culpepper has been so involved in our school safety plan. He came by last summer and gave us some new resources to be used in case of an emergency and he's always quick to offer advice.

"We've even had the police and fire departments opening car doors for students, that's how involved they are," Wiggins smiled.

"It creates a great sense of community and our SRO, Officer (Rick) Thiot, in particular throws Frisbee with the kids, he has lunches with certain kids, just to form those relationships because SRO's absolutely matter in schools. So, that relationship is critical to us.

"As administrators Mr. (Nic) Gragg and I both go annually to the Save Schools Conference through TASRO, The Alabama Association of School Resource Officers, just to hone our skills and better secure our facilities."

With just a couple more weeks until students return to class, Wiggins is thrilled to have local law enforcement on campus helping prepare for the safest year possible.

"I love how supportive our superintendent is of having this kind of drill here," Wiggins said.

"I know they've done it at the high school in the past and I'm just delighted that little East Elementary gets to be a part of this because again, it's good training for their people but it's outstanding to have them on our site so they will know where things are unfortunately in case of an emergency. We're just happy to have them here."



Seminar (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Representatives of the Opioid Training Institute (OTI), a collaboration between the Auburn University Harrison School of Pharmacy and the Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH), came to Cullman Wednesday to lead a day-long public seminar to help local authorities and citizens learn how to help combat the opioid crisis.

During a break between sessions, Harrison School of Pharmacy Assistant Dean Karen Marlowe told The Tribune, "The Opioid Training Institutes (OTI) are funded by the Alabama Department of Mental Health.

"These are free to all the participants. We've got two different types of programs. The one we're doing here today is directed at community members."

Marlowe continued, "We've got a wide group of people here today: we've got some law enforcement, we've got some social workers, some educators, I think we've got some school nurses here today, clergy, some counselors.

"The goal is to bring as many different groups from different walks of life, have them here learning.

"We've got lots of different sessions today: we've already heard from a law enforcement member; we've had somebody here from a recovery center.

"We're going to address different types of treatment. We're going to educate everybody here today on how to use Naloxone, the antidote for opioid overdose.

"We're going to do that this afternoon. We're also going to have a social worker talk about the different resources that are available in the state."

The OPI also addressed local concerns.

"Within that, too, we've had a lot of discussion: we've had people talking about things that are going on here in this county and surrounding counties," said Marlowe. "Yesterday we were in Huntsville, and we had a great discussion.

"We had some parole officers there yesterday, and they were talking to us about what's going on and what they're seeing in their profession.

"The goal is that discussion. We are providing the education, but also the discussion.

"As we do these around the state, hopefully, some of the things that are coming out of those discussions, people are learning from each other."

She continued, "Some of our earlier sessions- we were actually able to forward some ideas to different colleges around the state. We had some ideas come out of the Birmingham session we sent to some college freshman orientation programs.

"So that's kind of the three-part goal: is education, sharing of ideas, formulating new ideas that we can forward on, whether it's to the ADMH or to others."

Not just for professionals

Wednesday's seminar, like many of OTI's programs, was not just for the counselors, police and medical professionals. The organization also seeks to educate the general public, especially those impacted by the opioid crisis.

Said Marlowe, "Definitely, we have some folks who are just interested community members here today, and participating and able to ask questions. They've had a family member impacted, and they just want more information. We post all the slides; all the information is on our website."

Attendees and others who are interested will be able to find follow-up information and webinars on the OTI website, with new offerings coming up regularly. OTI also offers a training series specifically geared toward medical professionals. For more information on OTI programs, visit http://alabamaoti.org.



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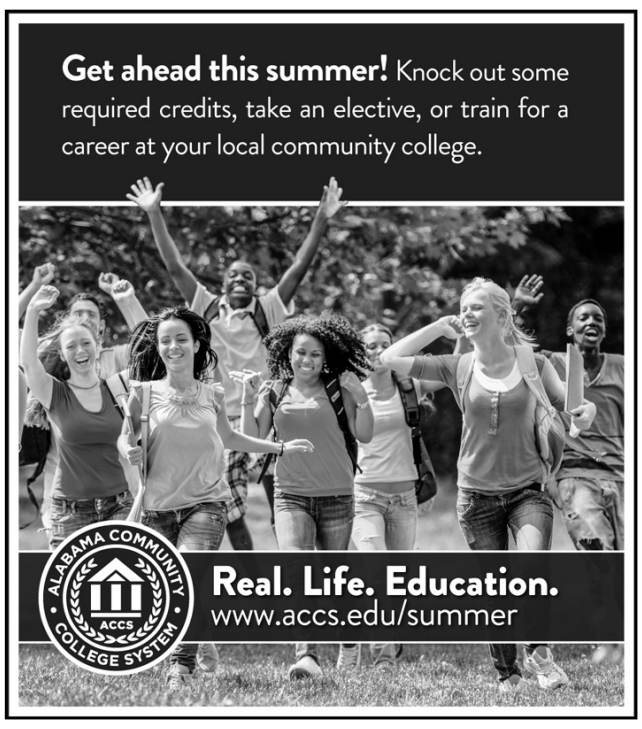
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Front L-R: Sonja Sewell, Launne Reid, Sue Miller.
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A new review published in *The Journal of the American Osteopathic Association* found Vitamin D cannot be metabolized without sufficient magnesium levels, meaning Vitamin D remains stored and inactive for as many as 50 percent of Americans. Patients with optimum magnesium levels require less Vitamin D supplementation to achieve sufficient Vitamin D levels. Magnesium also reduces osteoporosis, helping to mitigate the risk of bone fracture that can be attributed to low levels of Vitamin D. Deficiency in either of these nutrients is reported to be associated with various disorders, including skeletal deformities, cardiovascular diseases and metabolic syndrome. While the recommended daily allowance for magnesium is 420 mg for males and 320 mg for females, the standard diet in the United States contains only about 50 percent of that amount. As much as half of the total population is estimated to be consuming a magnesium-deficient diet.

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A new study presented at an American Heart Association meeting indicates that the diabetes medication empagliflozin has important effects that can improve cardiac structure in people with Type 2 diabetes who also have heart disease.

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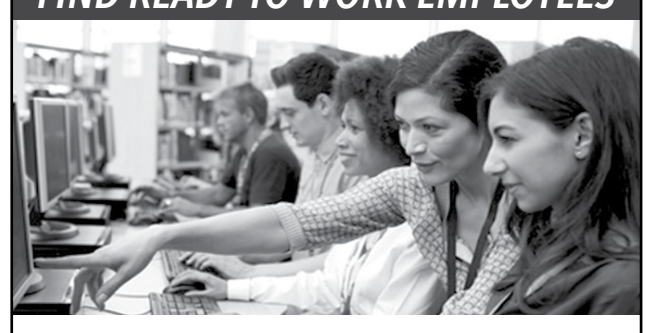
When it comes to preventing blood clots after a knee replacement, good old aspirin may be just as effective as newer, more expansive drugs. That swap could help reduce the cost of caring for the nearly one million Americans who have a knee fixed each year, researchers say. After knee surgery, there's a risk of blood clots in the legs or lungs. So, it's routine for patients to take clot-preventing drugs for some time afterward. Some doctors choose powerful anti-clotting drugs. But a recent study published in *JAMA Surgery* found few patients developed a blood clot after surgery and those who used aspirin did just as well as patients who took anticoagulants.

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Vs. Case Number: DR-2019-900190.00

DIANA LYNN KELLEY
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Diana Lynn Kelley, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Johny Henry Kelley's Complaint for Divorce by August 12th, 2019 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against her in Case Number 25-DR-2019-900190.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 25th day of June, 2019.

Lisa McSwain
Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Stephanie M. Hudson A Married Woman Jonathan Lowell Hudson to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Consumer First Mortgage, Inc., its successors and assigns dated October 22, 2013; said mortgage being recorded on October 28, 2013, in Book 1721, Page 890 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Rushmore Loan Management Services LLC by assignment recorded in Deed Book 344, Page 32 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.

The undersigned, Rushmore Loan Management Services LLC, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 19th day of September, 2019 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

Commence at the Southeast corner of the West Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 11 South, Range 3 West; thence West 241.32 feet to a point; thence North 13 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds West 198.11 feet to a point; thence North 52 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 59.49 feet to an existing capped iron and the point of beginning; thence North 3 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 169.94 feet to an existing capped iron; thence South 76 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds West 352.00 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set on the North right of way of a paved County Road; thence South 59 degrees 22 minutes 52 seconds East 26.66 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set on the North right of way of a paved County Road; thence South 78 degrees 17 minutes 29 seconds East 91.11 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set; thence South 45 degrees 20 minutes 41 seconds East 50.51 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set; thence South 63 degrees 34 minutes 11 seconds East 49.39 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set; thence South 40 degrees 27 minutes 11 seconds East 54.90 feet to an iron 1/2 inch capped rebar set; thence North 69 degrees 06 minutes 06 seconds East 131.14 feet back to the point of beginning. Said land lying in the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 25, Township 11 South, Range 3 West.

Source of Description: Survey of James W. Baldy, AL. Reg. No. 11845, dated October 24, 2006.

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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 DEBRA JUANITA LYNN, Deceased. * CASE NO PC-2018-062

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Christopher Ted Thompson, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Debra Juanita Lynn, Deceased, on the 23rd 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.

Christopher Ted Thompson
Personal Representative

Steven C. Smith
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Attorney for the Personal Representative
P.O. Box 398
Cullman, Alabama 35056-0398

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

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

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

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
LISA MCSWAIN, CLERK

IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF JACKIE WEAVER, PLAINTIFF, and SERGIO ARMONDO ACOSTA, DEFENDANT. * IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. * CASE NO. DR 2018-386

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

TO: SERGIO ARMONDO ACOSTA

SERGIO ARMONDO ACOSTA, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer the Complaint for Divorce filed by Jackie Weaver by the 2nd day of September, 2019, or, thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case Number DR 2018-386 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this the 1st day of July, 2019.

Lisa McSwain RT
LISA McSWAIN, Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Cullman County, Alabama

TO: PUBLISHER: Please publish once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks in THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE beginning on the 11th day of July, 2019.

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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Ashley M. Holman Wife Daniel H. Holman Husband to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Renasant Bank its successors and assigns dated May 15, 2017; said mortgage being recorded on May 18, 2017, in Book 1818, Page 324 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Renasant Bank by assignment recorded in Deed Book 341, Page 715 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, Renasant Bank, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 6th day of September, 2019 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
Commencing at the center of the North boundary of the Northeast quarter of Section 36, Township 8 South, Range 1 East, in Cullman County, Alabama; thence South 03 degrees 38 minutes East 1885.77 feet to an iron pin set and the point of beginning for the property herein described; thence South 03 degrees 38 minutes East 220 feet to an iron pin set; thence South 86 degrees 21 minutes 59 seconds West 235 feet to an iron pin found on the East margin of a public road; thence along the East margin of said public road North 03 degrees 38 minutes West 220 feet to an iron pin set on the East margin of said public road; thence leaving the East margin of said public road North 86 degrees 22 minutes 02 seconds East 235 feet to the point of beginning.

Said property is commonly known as 194 County Road 1858, Arab, AL 35016.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

RENASANT BANK

as holder of said mortgage
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Two North Twentieth
2 20th Street North, Suite 1000
Birmingham, AL 35203
(800) 275-7171
FT21@mccalla.com
File No. 9164619
www.foreclosurehotline.net

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: PAXTON PHILLIPS, a minor child) CASE NO. JU-2016-690.03

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

LYNDSEY HOLLENACK, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Verified Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by David and Neci Hollenack and/or relief by August 29, 2019, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against her in regard to case number JU-2016-690.03, Juvenile Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 6th day of June, 2019.

Lisa McSwain
CLERK OF THE JUVENILE COURT

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY
JOSH M. O'NEAL
200 2ND AVE SE
CULLMAN, AL 35055
256-620-0007

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: PAXTON PHILLIPS, a minor child) CASE NO. JU-2016-690.03

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication stating that the Mother and Father's whereabouts are unknown for service, and supporting allegations of being unable to locate the parents of the minor child; and it appearing that the Petitioner has filed a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights of said minor child, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that LYNDSEY HOLLENACK, mother of the minor child, Paxton Phillips, respond to the Petition by the 29 day of August, 2019 or thereafter a judgment may be rendered against her.

It is further ordered that notice of this Order shall be published once a week for four successive weeks in the CULLMAN TRIBUNE, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 6 day of June, 2019.

Juvenile Court Judge

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2nd Ave SW
Room 303
Cullman, Al 35055

Bill Floyd
(PLAINTIFF)
VS CASE NO: SM-2019-900680
Jerry Persall
(DEFENDANT)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

DEFENDANT(S), Jerry Persall, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the PLAINTIFF, Bill Floyd, for $3,800.00 plus court cost, cause of action being: Damage to sewage lines from moving porch

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 5th day of September, 2019, or a default may be rendered against him/her in the above styled cause.

DATED THIS THE 15th DAY OF JULY, 2019.

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Kip L Johnson Husband Dolores R Johnson Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Proficio Mortgage Ventures, its successors and assigns dated November 20, 2013; said mortgage being recorded on December 18, 2013, in Book 1725, Page 701 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to CMG Mortgage, Inc. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 344, Page 371 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, CMG Mortgage, Inc.
, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 2nd day of August, 2019 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
THE LAND REFERRED TO HEREIN BELOW IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTY OF CULLMAN, STATE OF Alabama, AND IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOT 26 ACCORDING TO THE MAP OF SURVEY OF RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 26 AND 25 LARKWOOD SUBDIVISION AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 6, PAGE 129, IN THE PROBATE RECORDS OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. DESCRIPTION ACCORDING TO SURVEY OF H. D. HARRIS, ALA REG. NO. 5742 DATED JUNE 28, 1993.

Parcel ID: 17-01-12-2-005-006.000

Commonly known as 1219 Larkwood Drive NE, Cullman, AL 35055

Said property is commonly known as 1219 Larkwood Dr NE, Cullman, AL 35055.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
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The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

CMG MORTGAGE, INC.

as holder of said mortgage
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Auction Notice

Contents of storage unit **D-9,** rented to **Joseph Childers,** on **April 24, 2015,** will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019,** at **10:00 a.m**. Consisting of: couch, baby toys, clothing and tools.

Contents of storage unit **D-13**, rented to **Carolyn Flanagan** on **April 23, 2019,** will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019,** at **10:00 a.m**. Consisting of: stereo, computer equipment, wooden desk, lamps and mirror.

Contents of storage unit **D-25**, rented to **Barbara Dover,** on **June 1, 2007,** will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019,** at **10:00 a.m.** Consisting of: oven wooden table, clothing, tools and kids toys.

Contents of storage unit **C-9**, rented to **David Mayhall**, on **October 15, 2018**, will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019**, at **10:00 a.m.** Consisting of: wooden table and chairs, clothing, mirror and assorted household goods.

Contents of storage unit **C-13**, rented to **Josh Griffin**, on **October 27, 2017**, will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019**, at **10:00 a.m**. Consisting of: golf clubs, fishing pole, luggage, kid's toys and wooden bed and frame.

Contents of storage unit **A-11**, rented to **Ashley Castleberry**, on **February 15, 2019**, will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019**, at **10:00 a.m.** Consisting of: wooden bookcase, clothing, wooden table and bed and frame.

Contents of storage unit **B-26**, rented to **Coty Butler**, on **January 19, 2015**, will be sold for auction for past due rent on **August 3, 2019**, at **10:00 a.m.** Consisting of: kid's bike, kid's toys, bed and frame, wooden chairs and living room chairs.

Your Extra Attic
c/o Werner's Trading Company
1115 4th Street, Southwest
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 MICHAEL WAYNE SPEER, Deceased.) **CASE NO.: PC-2019-046**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS BY PUBLICATION

Letters of Testamentary having been granted to **Mistie Smith Speer,** Personal Representative of the Estate of **Michael Wayne Speer**, deceased, on the 9th day of July, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge 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.

Mistie Smith Speer
Personal Representative

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

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
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

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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 MELBA L. EADY, DECEASED.) CASE NO.: PC-2019-076

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Susan Finch as Personal Representative of the Estate of MELBA L. EADY, deceased, on the 9th day of July, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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.

Susan Finch
Personal Representative of the Estate of
Melba L. Eady, deceased

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

Beverly Paschal Poston (PAS001)
Attorney for the Estate of
Melba L. Eady, deceased.
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama, 35055
bposton@beverlypaschalposton.com
(256)739-3970 Fax (256)739-3968

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STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
COUNTY OF CULLMAN)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

Date & Time of Sale: Monday, July 29, 2019 at 11:00 a.m.
Sale Location: Cullman County Courthouse East Entrance
500 Second Avenue, S.W.
Cullman, Alabama 35055

Writ of Execution Parties: Charles Richard Jones
vs.
Diane Speegle Freeman
5665 County Road 310
Crane Hill, Alabama 35053

By virtue of an Execution issued to me by Circuit Clerk Lisa McSwain, pursuant to the Code of Alabama, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Execution issued on a judgment, with interest and cost. Upon the expiration of proper notice and advertisement, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder at the date, time, and location listed above, all right, title, and interest of Diane Speegle Freeman, in the real property, described as follows:

Begin at the NE corner of the NE ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 3 West then West 210 feet, then South 210 feet, then East 210 feet, then North 210 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1 acres, more or less.

Also conveyed hereby is easement for road, said road to be for the mutual use and benefit of Grantors and Grantees, their heirs and assigns; said easement to be fifteen feet in width lying 7 ½ feet on either side of center line which is described as: From the NE corner of NE ¼ of SE ¼ of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 3 West, go South along ¼ - ¼ Section 210 feet then go North 7 ½ feet to the beginning point of said center line; said beginning point is further described as being in the center of an existing travelway; then go in a generally westerly direction along the center line of said existing travelway some 300-400 feet to point of intersection with the West right of way of unpaved Public Road the end of center line.

Property address: 1053 County Road 468, Hanceville, AL 35077
Tax parcel # 22-01-11-0-000-020.001

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For source of title, see Deed Book 424, Page 121, in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

THEREFORE, according to said command, I shall expose for sale at public auction, all the right, title, and interest of the above-named Diane Speegle Freeman, in and to the above-described property on the date listed above, subject to all prior encumbrances of record.

Dated this the 26th day of June, 2019.

BY: Matt Gentry, Sheriff
Sheriff Matt Gentry

Street (from Front)

Maggie Darnell
maggie@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. – A slope failure, heavy rain and construction work at an adjacent property along Walnut Street Northwest and Burgundy Lane Northwest caused a part of the road to start sliding downhill about six weeks ago, prompting a road closure near Rusken Packaging. Final repairs are now underway.

Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs said Wednesday, "They've (Rusken) got the retaining wall built to the point now we can fix the road and it won't slide, so they're finishing up the wall and we're digging out where the road fell and we'll bring that back up, pack all that dirt in and we'll bring in our milling machine and mill all the asphalt down and we'll repave it."

Jacobs said the roadway was closed approximately six weeks ago, with emergency repairs started immediately to make sure the slope didn't continue to slide down into the construction of the retaining wall.

"That was an emergency repair," shared Jacobs.

"We can start construction on the road (and) that started today, this morning."

Jacobs is hopeful the project will be completed next week.

"Hopefully next week we'll be able to pave it back. I may be a little ambitious, but we'll say towards the end of next week," Jacobs smiled.

As to who all is involved, Jacobs said, "Rusken's involved, Cliff Harris Construction, with a sub-contractor I don't know who that is, and the City of Cullman's involved, our street department, St. John & Associates and Terracon Geotechnical engineering were involved in the project."

Jacobs said he knows the road closure has been an inconvenience.

"We hate that it's taking this long, but each piece had to, you know, it's kind of like building a puzzle, that piece had to go in before you could put that piece in, so once they got the retaining wall up to that point, then we could do what we need to do, cause people are used to going that way and it's an inconvenience, but it's unfortunate that it happened."

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352-2737

