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THE WHEELS OF JUSTICE

Active homicide cases in Cullman County, part 1



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Top row, left to right: Andrew Maresh, Tyler Hudson, Susan Smith, Jeffrey Hugh Brown and Crystial Ballenger; bottom row, left to right: Jerome Flanigan, Kayla Thursby, Robert Gene Espy, Jr., Kenneth Malone and Jason Crawford

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Editor's note: *All persons are considered innocent until proven guilty.*

CULLMAN, Ala. – It has been said that the wheels of justice turn slowly, and Cullman County is no exception, with active homicide cases dating back to 2013, based on incidents back to 2012. The Tribune is reviewing those cases and reporting on their current statuses and actions taken this year.

Andrew Maresh, Tyler Hudson, Susan Smith - murder of Daniel Osborn in Feb. 2018
Maresh and Hudson were indicted for murder May 24, 2018. Smith was indicted a week earlier, on May 17, on the charge of hindering prosecution and murder as an accessory.

• Maresh, represented by Florence-based attorney Tony Hughes before Circuit Judge Martha Williams, has been awaiting a mental evaluation since last year, after pleading not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect and requesting the examination. When Hughes filed a motion asking the state to reveal any deals offered to co-defendants, the Cullman County District Attorney's Office revealed that no offers had been made. Pending the mental evaluation, the case has been continued (trial or hearings postponed) indefinitely. Maresh is in jail.

• Hudson, represented before Williams by Johnny Berry and Brandon Little, changed his plea in March from not guilty to not guilty by reason of mental disease or defect. A request for a mental evaluation claimed that he has long suffered from anxiety and depression which have become worse since he has been in jail. The request was granted in May, and no action on the case has been reported since. Hudson is in jail.

• Smith, represented before Williams by Champ Crocker, has received two continuances this year. She is out on $25,000 cash bail, and a request to convert the bond to property and return the cash was denied. Most recently, her case was scheduled to come before the court in August.

Jeffrey/Jeffery Hugh Brown, Crystial Ballenger - murder of Hoss Benham in March 2013
Brown, whose first name appears under two spellings in court records, and Ballenger were indicted on Oct. 20, 2015 on charges of capital murder, capital murder involving sexual torture, aggravated child abuse and sexual torture in the death of toddler Hoss Benham, Ballenger's son. Benham died on his first birthday; examination of his body indicated blunt force trauma and multiple signs that he was tortured in a sexual manner.

• Brown, represented before Williams by Sara Baker, has received five continuances this year, including two due to conflicts in his attorney's schedule. The most recent motion, made by the defense earlier this month, said that "review of certain evidence by experts is incomplete," and noted a "new statement by Co-Defendant which has not been acquired by Defendant." Brown was on the Aug. 12, 2019 trial docket, but recent developments could push his trial to early 2020. He is in jail.

• Ballenger, represented before Williams by Melvin Hasting and Michael Haynes, has received two continuances this year, and likely a third. Earlier this month, she submitted a handwritten request for the removal and replacement of court-appointed attorney Melvin Hasting. The request was denied. She is on the Aug. 12, 2019 trial docket, but her trial may be postponed until after Brown's. She is in jail.

Jerome Flanigan, Kayla Thursby - murder of Leslie Anne Clements in Sept. 2016
Flanigan and Thursby were indicted May 17, 2018: Flanigan on charges of murder, arson (setting fire to his own home in Colony after the murder), and theft of property; Thursby on charges of murder and theft of property. Prosecutors allege the pair strangled Clements and stole her car.

• Flanigan, represented before Circuit Judge Gregory Nicholas by Thomas Drake, received four continuances this year, two due to scheduling conflicts on the part of his attorney. In June, Drake filed a request for the court to reconsider Flanigan's bail; two weeks later, the District Attorney's Office objected, labeling the defendant a "danger to himself and the community." He currently remains in jail, and is on the Aug. 12, 2019 trial docket.

• Thursby, represented before Nicholas by Sara Baker, has received three continuances this year, two because the defendant had to appear in court for another case. She is scheduled for trial on the Aug. 12, 2019 docket, but is also scheduled for another trial in Cullman at the same time, on a separate drug charge and with a separate attorney. Thursby is out on bond.

Robert Gene Espy, Jr. (co-defendant of John Edward Cole) - murder of Frederick William Galin in Dec. 2013
Espy, represented before Williams by Michael Burleson, was indicted Apr. 2, 2014 for murder, first-degree hindering prosecution, first-degree theft of property and two counts of first-degree burglary. His co-defendant Cole was considered to be the person who actually killed Galin when the pair invaded the victim's home. Cole agreed last year to plead guilty to the most serious offense and was sentenced to 30 years in prison.

Espy has received four continuances this year with reasons not listed, but appears on the Aug. 12, 2019 trial docket. He is out on bond.

Kenneth Malone - murder of Joshua Adam

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Hanceville students set up lemonade stand to help classmates



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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Hanceville Elementary School students Colton Hunter (left) and Kason Hitt (right) set up a lemonade stand in front of Hanceville City Hall Friday to raise money to pay lunch bills for students in need at their school.

Kason's dad Kevin Hitt told The Tribune, "It was the boys' idea to raise something before school starts back, to help the kids with past due lunches, and we're supporting them with everything we got, to make it happen."

Colton's dad Cody Hunter added, "Just trying to get out in the community and kind of bring awareness to what's going on with the lunches being past due and stuff. These boys just wanted to help out. We're super proud of them."

ENTERTAINMENT

Down home with Lamont Landers

'America's Got Talent' contestant performs at 412 Public House



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Lamont Landers performing at 412 Public House in Cullman this week » PAGE 8



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Hanceville talks Kids' Night Out, new water line for Boyd Road

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The City of Hanceville is gearing up for its annual back-to-school bash, Kids' Night Out. It will take place Friday, Aug. 2 from 6-8 p.m. at CW Day Park. Hanceville Police Chief Bob Long said first responders, helicopters, motorcycles and firetrucks will be there. There will also be free pizza and chicken sandwiches, bouncy houses and other activities.

The council continues to update the City's employee handbook.

Councilwoman Kim Brown raised several concerns regarding the current handbook, saying, "We need to clarify and add some policies. We've talked about vehicle policies and we've talked about cell phone policies. I think we need to discuss it and I don't think it's something we can do in a set council meeting. There are too many things. We need to clarify a lot of things. It needs to be black and white."

The council agreed to schedule a special meeting to focus on the handbook. The special meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 30 at 6 p.m.

The council voted to install of a new fire hydrant and 600 feet of water line at the end of Boyd Road. There are two homes on the street that right now are not within 1,000 feet of a hydrant and there will soon be more homes with the same issue as Shadow Brook subdivision is developed.

Councilman Charles Wilson explained, "We have done water lines in the past to get houses within 1,000 feet. You have to have a 6-inch line from the fire hydrant."

The cost of the waterline project is not known, but the council agreed that the new fire hydrant was necessary. The new hydrant will have a cutoff valve to avoid water outages in the event the hydrant requires maintenance.

The council also approved the purchase of a $100 ad from the Hanceville Quarterback Club for the 2019 Hanceville Bulldog Football program. The City of Hanceville has purchased an ad for many years. Wilson abstained from voting because he is a member of the Quarterback Club.

Mayor Kenneth Nail was not present due to travel.

Open house and back-to-school dates for Cullman area schools

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below is the list of open house dates and times, as well as opening days for the Cullman City and County school systems and Cullman area private schools:

COUNTY SCHOOLS

Open houses - Monday, Aug. 5 from 4-7 p.m. (exceptions listed below)

- Welti Elementary School- Monday, Aug. 5, 5-7 p.m.
- Hanceville Elementary School- kindergarten: Sunday, Aug. 4, 3-5 p.m.
- Vinemont Elementary School- kindergarten: Sunday, Aug. 4, 2-4 p.m.
- Vinemont Elementary School - 1st and 2nd grades: Monday, Aug. 5, 4-6 p.m. - 3rd, 4th and 5th grades: Monday, Aug. 5, 5-7 p.m.
- Good Hope Middle School - Monday, Aug. 5, 4-6 p.m.
- Holly Pond Middle School, 6th grade: Sunday, Aug. 4, 2-4 p.m. - 7th and 8th grades: Monday, Aug. 5, 4-6 p.m.
- Vinemont Middle School - 6th grade: Sunday, Aug. 4, 2-4 p.m.
- West Point Middle School - 6th grade: Sunday, Aug. 4, 2-4 p.m.
- Cold Springs High School - Monday, Aug. 5, 4-6 p.m.
- Hanceville High School- 12th grade: Thursday, Aug. 1, 6 p.m.
- Classes begin - Wednesday, Aug. 7

CITY SCHOOLS

Open houses - Monday, Aug. 5

- Cullman City Primary School: 3:30-5:30 p.m.
- East & West Elementary Schools: 4-6 p.m.
- Cullman Middle School: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- Cullman High School: 6-8 p.m.
- Classes begin - Wednesday, Aug. 7

ST. BERNARD PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Open house - Sunday, Nov. 10

- Orientation - Sunday, Aug. 11
- Classes begin - Monday, Aug. 12

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

Open house - Sunday, Aug. 11

- PK3, PK4 and kindergarten: 1:30 p.m.
- Informational presentation (all ages): 2 p.m.
- 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades: 2:35-2:50 p.m.
- 1st and 2nd grades: 2:55-3:10 p.m.
- 6th grade: 3:15-3:35 p.m.
- Classes begin - Wednesday, Aug. 14

CULLMAN CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Open house - Thursday, Aug. 8, 6-7 p.m.

- Classes begin - Tuesday, Aug. 13

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Open house - Monday, Aug. 5, 6 p.m.

- New parent orientation - Monday, Aug. 5, 5:15 p.m.
- Classes begin - Wednesday, Aug. 7

LEGALS

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

July 27 - 29

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/.

3rd Annual Buckets of Fun!

A fundraising event full of family-friendly excitement- Saturday, July 27, 2019- OPEN TO THE PUBLIC! Rules are simple: Entry is $5, which includes 25 tickets. Multiple gifts/prizes are located on tables. Each item has a bucket next to it. Bid on the gift(s) you like, by putting as many tickets in corresponding bucket you wish. Items will include toys, gift cards, electronics, etc. Food, drinks and snacks will be available in our concession stand. Doors open at noon. You may purchase more tickets at the cost of $3 for 25 to improve your odds or to bid on more items. Location: V.F.W. Post 10774, 784 Culver Rd., Falkville, AL 35622, 256-784-5747

Cruise-In for Curt's Closet

Choice Rentals is putting on its inaugural charity car, truck and bike show, the "Cruise-In for Curt's Closet," this Saturday, and has named Curt's Closet as the first beneficiary of its new tradition. The event will take place Saturday, July 27 from noon until 5 p.m. at Choice Rentals, 1634 Second Ave. SW, Cullman. To register, contact Choice Rentals at choicerentalsal@yahoo.com, 256-739-7171 or www.facebook.com/choicerentalscullman. Registration is $30. Find out more at www.facebook.com/events/444638479706051.

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.

Bingo at the American Legion

Everyone is invited to Bingo every Saturday night at 6 at American Legion Post 4. 181 Reid Road, Good Hope, AL 35057

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

SUNDAY, JULY 28

Cullman Historical Society Meeting

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

Special Needs Free Swim at the Aquatic Center

Free Swim Hosted by Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism- 3-5 p.m. 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 29

Holly Pond Bronco Band Chick-fil-A Spirit Night

The Holly Pond majorettes and color guard will have a Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A July 29! We will be getting 15% of all orders placed with the Chick-Fil-A app or by scanning the app at the counter inside from 6 a.m.-9 p.m.! Please come out and support our auxiliaries! Remember, you MUST download the app and use it for your purchase to go toward the Spirit Night!

UPCOMING....

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.

Meek High School Locker Rental and Registration

8:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 2 at the high school gym. Locker rental will be $15. All outstanding fees from the prior school year must be cleared before a locker will be rented. Students may pick up schedules and register for additional classes. Contact the school at 205-384-5825 for more information.

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.

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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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

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
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NATHANIEL PHILLIPS, 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 him 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

TO PUBLISHER: PLEASE PUBLISH ONCE A WEEK FOR FOUR (4) SUCESSIVE WEEKS IN THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE, BEGINNING: 7/25/19

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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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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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

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 NATHANIEL PHILLIPS, father 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 him.

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE

PETITION OF JAMES HILL AND TRACY HILL FOR THE ADOPTION OF
CASE NO: AD2019-051

N.F.G.C. A MINOR.
D.O.B 12-04-2017

NOTICE
PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: KNOWN OR UNKNOWN FATHER OF N.F.G.C. A MINOR CHILD BORN TO HALEY NICOLE COPELAND

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by James Hill and Tracey Hill. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address is shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama.

DONE this 24 day of July, 2019.

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

Andria D. Sims
Attorney for Petitioners
300 First Avenue SW
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

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
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

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

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids, subject to the conditions contained herein, will be received by the City of Cullman, Alabama until Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., and then publicly opened and read at City Hall located at 204 2nd Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055 for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work for construction of: CULLMAN PARKS PEDESTRIAN AND TRAIL LIGHTING.

The project consists generally of: Removal, repair, and/or replacement of lighting damaged by the March 2018 hailstorm.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND PLANS may be examined at the City of Cullman Parks and Recreation Department at 510 5th Street, SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055. Copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND PLANS may be obtained by contacting Kyle Clark at 205-462-2039.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract to the lowest and most responsible bidder. All bidders must comply with requirements of the Contractor's Licensing Law of the State of Alabama and be certified for the type of work on which the proposal is submitted. Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

All Contractors preparing Bids for the referenced project shall complete a Statement of Qualifications listing similar projects having the same scope of work with a project cost similar to or greater than this project. All nonresident contractors preparing bids shall submit with the bid documents evidence of a current Alabama General Contractor's License, evidence (with original seal of the State of Alabama) of proper registration with the Alabama Secretary of State as a foreign corporation, and a Certificate of Good Standing as a Foreign Corporation from the State of Alabama Department of Revenue. Bids submitted by a nonresident contractor without these documents included will be rejected.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the opening thereof. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of the bidders prior to awarding the contract. This project is being funded in part by FEMA and must be completed by October 26th, 2019.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name of the Bidder, Bidder's license number, address and name of the project. Envelopes containing bids must be addressed as follows, and delivered to the City of Cullman, ATTN: City Clerk Wesley Moore, 204 2nd Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055, **BID FOR CULLMAN PARKS PEDESTRIAN AND TRAIL LIGHTING, FEMA PROJECT.**

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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

Pamela E. Nail
Attorney for the Petitioner
St. John & St. John, LLC
200 Second Avenue, Southwest
Cullman, AL 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
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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PB WIL BK 91 PG 648 - 07/25/2019 11:41 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
BILLIE JO MOTES, * CASE NO.: PC-2019-236
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to PATSY HOLLIS YOUNG as Personal Representative of the Estate of BILLIE JO MOTES, deceased, on the 24th day of July, 2019, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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 be barred.

Patsy Hollis Young
Personal Representative

G. Edward Coey
Attorney for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 834
Hanceville, AL 35077

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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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

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY **CASE NO: AD-2019-006**

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 17th DAY OF July, 2019.

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

J.Bradley Wilson
Attorney for Petitioners
206 Ninth Street SW
Suite 102
Cullman, AL 35055

Arrests and incidents reported July 25-26

Maggie Darnell
maggie@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 25-26, 2019. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

REPORTED JULY 25
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
July 22
• obstructing government operations, giving false name to a law enforcement officer; Hwy. 69 S
• theft of property; CR 550
• assault; CR 1289
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 515
• unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; Hwy. 91

July 23
• domestic violence; CR 747
• theft of property; CR 551
• criminal mischief; CR 143
• criminal mischief; CR 1107
• criminal mischief; CR 688
• theft of property; CR 1043
• criminal mischief; CR 146
• theft of property; CR 1518
• possession of drug paraphernalia; Smith Lake Park
• theft of property; Hwy. 69 S
• violation of a protection order; CR 664
• harassment; Hwy. 278 E

July 24
• domestic violence; CR 1270
• illegal possession of prescription drugs; unlawful possession of a controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 31
• burglary; CR 1030
• domestic violence; Hwy. 69 S
• violation of a protection order; CR 515
• unlawful possession of marijuana; CR 565, CR 569

ARRESTS
July 22
Deaton, Sean Michael, 20
• DUI - .08 BAC or greater

Gibbs, Tyler Landon, 30
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Hollenack, Lyndsey Nicole, 25
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
• writ of arrest – child support

Key, Brandon Stuart, 32
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- no passing zone

Lindenmayer, Barney Wayne, 49
• first-degree receiving stolen property

Shelby, Sherri Renae Bates, 55
• negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Thomas, Jerry Lee, 60
• sex offender failure to register termination-SORNA

Thornton, Tasha Niccole, 30
• harassment

July 23
Bailey, Jon Austin Hilton, 36
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- illegal possession of prescription medicine
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Black, Robert Lee, 35
• violation of a domestic violence protection order

Buettner, Karen Renae, 63
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Cockrum, Jordan Blake, 29
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Daugherty, Chad Steven, 28
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Garrard, Melody Lynn, 45
• second-degree criminal mischief

Garrison, William Lloyd, 39
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Harris, Brad Eric, 45
• terrorist threats

Linn, Rachel Anne, 35
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

McKenzie, Cameron Blake, 24
• probation violation – third-degree burglary
• probation violation – illegal possession/use of a credit/debit card
• probation violation – third-degree theft of property

Moore, Amanda Fay, 39
• giving false name to law enforcement

Nunnery, Trevor Alan, 30
• bond revoked – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Pigg, Katrina Nicole, 30
• probation violation – first-degree criminal mischief

Scott, Randy Allen, 37
• writ of arrest – child support

Simmons, James H., 34
• writ of arrest – child support

Steele, Mark, 51
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Wasp, Jacob Martin, 26
• obstructing government operations

Weathersby, Lee Jameson, 35
• drug court sanction – unlawful possession of a controlled substance

White, Stephen Harold, 54
• drug court sanction – unlawful distribution of a controlled substance

July 24
Bonds, Brenda Sue Jones, 59
• second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument

Brown, Jarret Carl Lee, 45
• contributing to truancy

Burns, Kie Jeffery, 20
• second-degree criminal mischief

Conn, Jake Alexander, 21
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Gomer, Michael Shane, 32
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Holcomb, Shanda Marie, 41
• FTA- driving while revoked

James, Gregory Merle, 41
• second-degree criminal mischief

Lorino, Jennifer Lyn, 44
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• illegal possession of prescription medicine
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)
• second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Lovelace, Robert Gene, 51
• FTA- public intoxication

McClure, Tina Marie, 37
• second-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument

Nail, Rickey Bennie, 67
• third-degree criminal mischief
• menacing

Odom, Jennie Marie, 41
• FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument

Parson, Jordan Noah, 18
• second-degree bail jumping – third-degree receiving stolen property

Robinson, Joel E., 47
• nonsupport (3 counts)

Sanders, David Eric, 30
• FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Simmons, Patricia Ann, 45
• FTA- speeding

Tidwell, Frank James, 33
• FTA- third-degree burglary

Williams, Timothy Justin, 32
• nonsupport

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 23
• fraudulent use of credit/debit card; person; misc. charges; unknown amount of property value

July 24
• third-degree assault; person; 4th St. SW
• first-degree theft of property; Lowe's; Cherokee Ave. SW; trailers and mower; $7,697

ARRESTS
July 24
Sanders, David E., 30
• first-degree criminal trespassing

Dauksza, Hope O., 27
• fourth-degree theft of property

Parker, William J., 46
• DUI

Gurganus, Tritten A., 19
• third-degree criminal mischief

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

REPORTED JULY 26
CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
July 24
• first-degree criminal trespassing; Gold Mark Apartments; Gold Mark Ct. SW
• counterfeit $100; State of Alabama; Main Ave. NW

July 25
• third-degree domestic violence; person; Katherine St. NW
• fourth-degree theft of property; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; clothing; $409
• harassment; person; Hwy. 157

ARRESTS
July 25
Pate, Stacey L., 36
• third-degree domestic violence – harassment

Johnson, Clydie M., 44
• FTA- giving false information to law enforcement

Dasilva, Rachel M., 30
• third-degree theft of property

Eddy, Monika L., 29
• third-degree theft of property

Knight, Missy L., 28
• possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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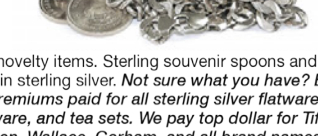
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and novelty items. Sterling souvenir spoons and any item in sterling silver. *Not sure what you have? Bring it in. Premiums paid for all sterling silver flatware, hollowware, and tea sets. We pay top dollar for Tiffany, Jensen, Wallace, Gorham, and all brand names.*

WANTED: Gold/Silver Coins & Currency
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Worship without worry: CCSO hosts Church Safety Class

Maggie Darnell
maggie@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. – Churchgoers settled in at Temple Baptist Church Thursday night to participate in the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Church Safety Class. It was the second event of its kind put on by the CCSO following the November 2017 church shooting in Texas in which 26 people were killed at First Baptist Church in rural Sutherland Springs.

Instructors at this year's class were Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry, Investigator Trevor Clemmons and Deputy Chad Whaley, all giving advice and answering questions about how churches should deal with emergencies.

Some of the questions posed to the crowd were: Why create a safety team? Are you willing to have weapons in the church? What are ways to establish building security?

Instructors said having a safety team in a church helps to provide a safe and secure environment for all who worship, visit and work there.

"Weapons" that can be used in the church include: batons (canes, etc.), chemical spray (mace), tasers, knives and firearms. They advised that deciding what weapons should be used in the church would be a discussion appropriate for the safety team established at the place of worship with head officials.

For establishing building security, instructors advised plenty of exterior lighting, key control/access (don't duplicate keys used for locking up), the use of some sort of ID or access cards for official members, a surveillance or alarm system, locking windows or doors and setting up exit signs or emergency lighting.

Instructors advised churches to consider the following:

- Are side rooms or hallways locked to prevent the auditorium or sanctuary from being entered without being observed?
- Are doors marked with signs to let visitors know what door to enter once services start?
- Is there a way to contact staff quickly in an emergency?
- Are there any hazards in hallways or evacuation routes that need to be cleared?
- Are there any areas for concealment or furniture that could provide short-term barricades?



MAGGIE DARNELL/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Deputy Chad Whaley uses a prop gun in a scenario during his portion of the CCSO's Church Safety Class Thursday evening.

- Who would confront a threat and who would direct others to safety?
- Are nurseries, youth areas or Sunday school classes monitored? Are the doors to those rooms locked? Are the teachers aware of the safety team's plan? How would the teachers notify the safety team in an emergency?

Whaley encouraged the crowd to practice situational awareness, saying, "If you see something, say something."

He told attendees to watch for unusual emotions, behaviors or clothing/characteristics that might be linked to problematic behavior.

Said Whaley, "Trust your gut; trust your instincts. My goal is to put more good people out there than bad."

View the entire safety class at www.facebook.com/CullmanTribune/videos/867306756961046.

No injuries in I-65 crane fire



NOAH GALILEE/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Firefighters work to extinguish a crane fire along Interstate 65 in Cullman County Thursday morning.

Wendy Sack
wendy@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. – A fire ignited on the base unit of a giant crane being transported on Interstate 65 North in Cullman County Thursday morning, causing all four lanes of the roadway to be closed north of Exit 305. Cullman Fire Rescue Division Chief of Operations Darren Peeples said there were no injuries in the incident.

Said Peeples, "The driver said he saw smoke in his rearview mirror and he pulled over and it was on fire. There was significant damage. He was transporting the base unit of a giant crane."

Peeples said the equipment belonged to Southway Crane and Rigging.

"The top of the fuel cell burned off," said Peeples. "Once it burned down, and we were able to get a foam layer put down on top, we got it out."

He said there were several explosions, which were the tires and hydraulic lines blowing. Fuel and hydraulic fluid fed the fire.

Fire departments from Cullman, Good Hope, Logan and Bethsadia worked to put out the blaze.

The Cullman Emergency Management Agency, Alabama State Troopers and the Cullman County Sheriff's Office were also at the scene.

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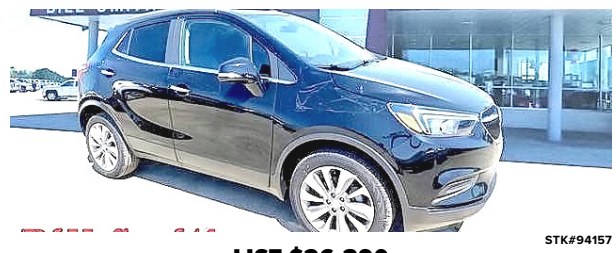
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"THE 67-COUNTY, ALABAMA GARDEN PARTY"

COVINGTON COUNTY

Ben Johnson South
Tribune Correspondent

Spinning yarn is something storytellers in Covington County have been known for since it was established by the brand new State of Alabama in 1821. Years later this beautiful county of pine trees and wiregrass on the Alabama-Florida line would be known for real yarn and textile mills.

Here's a classic yarn from Covington County: An 80-year-old couple over in Florala is having trouble remembering things, so they drive into the county seat of Andalusia to get a doctor to check them out. They describe for the doctor the problems they are each having with their memory. The husband remembers it one way and the wife, of course, remembers it a totally different way. After they'd worn the doctor out with their bickering and nit-picking details, the doctor told them they were fine, just start writing things down to help them remember. The couple thanks the doctor and leaves.

Later that night while watching Fox News, the old man gets up from his chair. His wife asks, "Now, just pray tell where are you off to, if you remember?"

The husband replies, "I can't remember why it's any of your concern, but I'm headed to the kitchen."

She shoos him on and asks him to bring her back a bowl of the ice cream they cranked that afternoon.

She then asks him, "Don't you think you might want to jot that down so you can remember from here to the icebox what I wanted?"

He says, "Hush, I can remember that."

"Well," she then says, "I'd also like some of those strawberries we got at the Crossover market in Opp. You'd better write that down because I know sure as shootin' that you'll forget about 'em."

He says, "Dear, I believe I can remember from here to the kitchen that you want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries."

"Well," she adds, "I also would like some whipped cream on top. I know you'll forget that, so you'd best scribble it on your pad."

With irritation in his voice, he says, "Hellfire, I don't need to write that down, I can remember."

He stomps off into the kitchen. When he returns 30 minutes later, he hands her a plate of bacon and eggs.

She stares at the plate for a moment and says, "Just like I figured, you forgot my biscuit."

I'm not spinning a yarn when I say there are many ways to enjoy how PLANTS + PEOPLE come together positively and pleasurably here in Covington County, including our original recipe for "A Plate of Yarn" Veggie Noodle Primavera:

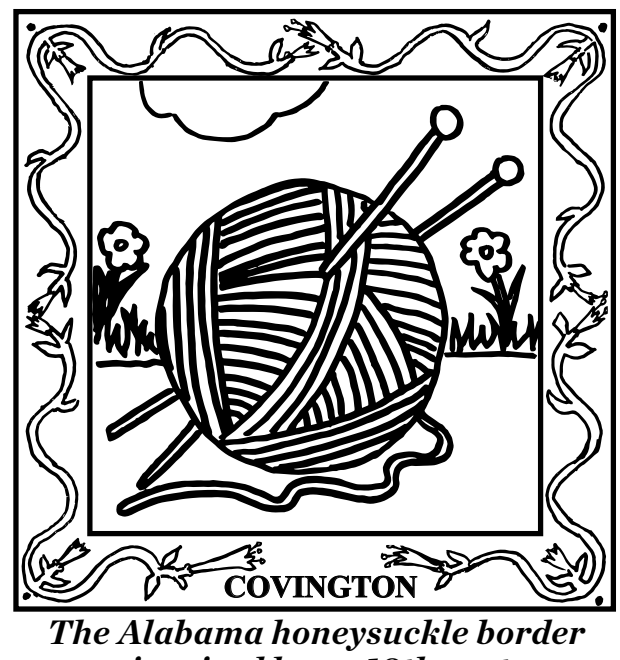
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- **PLANTING AN IDEA**- Public sculpture might seem a tad highfalutin' for this unpretentious part of Alabama, but I'm imagining a field of wiregrass with ginormous, maybe 60-feet tall, knitting needles made of steel and a "to scale" ball of yarn, either of metal or possible woven, native willow. This could be a fun way to celebrate the history of yarn-making in Covington County and a wonderful gathering place for an annual yarn-spinners convention.

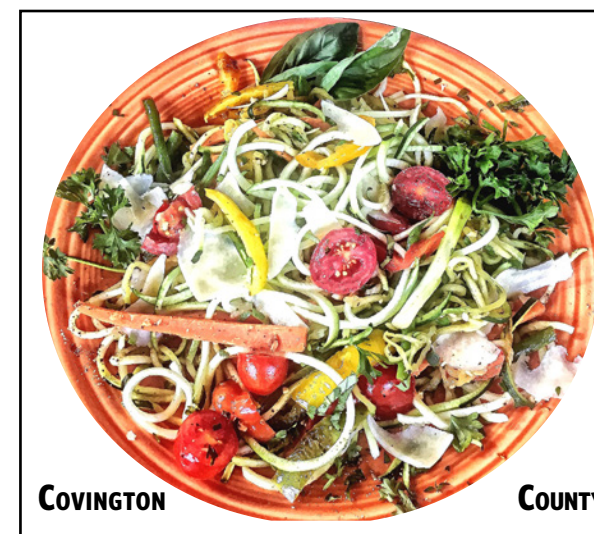
Y'ALL COME to Covington County on your 67-County Alabama Garden Party tour!

Thank you to terrific cook and yarn-spinner, Laurie Johnson, for her original, plant-centric recipe for "A Plate of Yarn" Veggie Noodle Primavera.



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

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.



A "PLATE OF YARN" VEGGIE NOODLE PRIMAVERA

As we become more conscious of the carbohydrates, gluten and calories in our beloved pasta dishes, we are finding ways to lighten up these favorites. One popular innovation is to replace (either all or part) traditional pasta with vegetables that are shaved or spiraled. This recipe uses spiraled zucchini noodles (zoodles) as the base in the popular pasta primavera dish. In addition to zucchini noodles, use all your favorite, colorful vegetables to create this fresh and light dish. Other veggies that work for spiraling are yellow squash (ye' squoodles), butternut squash (b'nut squoodles), potatoes (poodles), sweet potatoes (sweetpoodles), large carrots (carrotoodles) and beets (boodles).

INGREDIENTS

- 3 cups (chopped) colorful, assorted fresh vegetables- carrot sticks, multi-colored bell peppers (green, red, yellow and orange), red and green onions, green beans and cherry tomatoes
- 2 large zucchinis
- Olive oil
- Salt, black pepper and red pepper flakes (to taste)
- About 3 tbsp. chicken broth (use a bouillon cube to make this small amount) or dry white wine
- 3 tbsp. shaved parmesan cheese
- 3 tbsp. minced fresh herbs such as parsley, chives, thyme, basil, oregano, etc.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Prep vegetables - Slice carrots, peppers and onions into thin strips. Cut green beans and cherry tomatoes in half.
2. Turn your zucchini into "zoodles" – zucchini noodles. Use a spiralizing tool if you have one, buy them spiralized at your grocery or slice them into thin ribbons using a knife or vegetable peeler. Press the excess moisture out of them with paper towels.
3. Heat a couple of swirls of olive oil in a heavy non-stick skillet and lightly sauté the carrots, peppers, onions and green beans for about 3 minutes until just softened. Season with salt, black pepper and red pepper flakes (to taste) while cooking.
4. Add about half of the zoodles and the chicken broth or wine. Simmer for another 2 minutes or until the liquid mostly cooks off. Add the halved cherry tomatoes and stir to combine well.
5. Remove from heat and add the remaining zoodles and about half of the minced fresh herbs and stir well. As it blends, the hot cooked mixture will blend with the raw zoodles for a fresh take on al dente pasta!
6. Place on plates, top with the shaved parmesan cheese and extra minced herbs.
7. Enjoy your lightened up pasta primavera!

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Justice (from Front)

White in July 2018
Malone, represented before Nicholas by Wayne Fuller and Michael Fuller, was indicted Feb. 13 of this year for both murder and reckless manslaughter, which would allow a jury options in considering the severity of his actions. He is accused of striking White in the head with a loaded firearm, which discharged on impact, killing the victim.

Claiming self-defense, Malone's attorneys made a request in April for a "Stand Your Ground" hearing to determine if the murder/manslaughter case should even move forward. That hearing has been twice postponed due to schedule conflicts, and the trial has been continued until after that hearing takes place. Malone is out on bond.

Jason Crawford - murder of Tiffiney Crawford in May 2017
Crawford, represented before Williams by Huntsville-based attorney Robert Tuten, was indicted May 22, 2018 for murder. The case was scheduled for trial in April of this year, but an attorney's schedule conflict led to a continuance until June. A subsequent continuance, issued in May due to another schedule conflict, pushed the date into August. In June, another conflict was cited and the case was continued with no reassignment date given. Crawford is out on bond.

Why so many continuances?
One of the most visible factors in the court record of many cases is the presence of continuance after continuance, often with no reason given. The Tribune asked Nicholas to comment on common reasons why continuances can stack up.

Note: since some of the cases being examined by The Tribune are before Nicholas, he was not asked to address any specific case or continuance, but simply to speak about common reasons for case delays based on his experience on the bench.

Nicholas said, "Every case, of course, has its own unique situational problems. Usually there are reasons given at the bench when that motion is filed. And sometimes, it's a witness problem, because witnesses who are material to the defense, if it's filed by the defense attorney, are unavailable.

"Sometimes there are discovery issues where there's some documents or perhaps photographs, or some sort of forensic evidence that the defense has learned about, so they need additional time to review that and prepare adequately the defense.

"Sometimes, of course, the state files because, as you know, a lot of the problem in the first few years with a lot of these murder cases, (is) it takes so long to get forensic evidence back from the state lab now, because of the financial problems that the state has been having.

"There are just so many cases going up to that state lab, and they've just got to get in line, and that sometimes takes a while.

"At one time, it was taking, just on a drug case, it was taking a year and a half to two years to get those forensic lab results back, to establish that, in fact, the white substance that was obtained was cocaine or the green leafy substance was marijuana. And they've just got to put it through those tests and there's, unfortunately, not a lot of staffing there because of the financial problems the state's experienced."

Note: Part 2 of this series will be published next week.

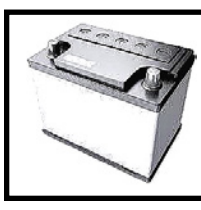
CORRECTION

In The Cullman Tribune's July 25, 2019 edition, in the article titled "Make someone smile!" Stephanie Cook and Carla Fussell were incorrectly referred to as owners of Cullman Florist. Cook and Fussell are florists. Terry and Annette McHan own Cullman Florist.

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FUNNY THINGS FROM YESTERDAY

Tilio, Tilio, Tylenol

Robert N. Tidwell, Sr.
Tribune Contributor



As I have said before, grandparents and great-grandparents should have bragging rights on grandchildren and great-grandchildren. I still brag on both.

The grandchild that I write about this week is our oldest granddaughter, Leanna Noelle Skipper. She got her middle name in honor of her great-granddaddy, whose name was Noel.

When Leanna was 19 months old, she was very intelligent and spoke very clearly. Her mother is a school teacher and had to have someone take care of Leanna while she worked.

Rudene and I would have liked to have taken care of her, but we were still employed at the time and just could not.

Leanna's mother found a lady named Judy who was able to take care of Leanna.

Judy's husband's name was Tilio. Now, Leanna being able to speak as plainly as she did, she could pronounce Tilio as good as I could.

Tilio didn't see Leanna often, but on his day off he enjoyed being with her. He liked to have small conversations with her just to hear her talk. Leanna loved Tilio.

When Leanna was cutting teeth or had a little fever, her mother gave her Tylenol.

Leanna is smart enough to know that Tylenol is good medicine.

One day when Leanna went to Judy's house, Judy told her that Tilio was sick and he had to stay at home in bed. Leanna ran into his bedroom and said, "Tilio, Tilio, Tylenol."

Tilio soon recovered and returned to work. At that time, we thought Leanna might become a doctor, but she didn't.

One thing that Leanna and her husband Heath have done is to bring little twin boys, Rhett and Vaughn, into the world, and Rudene and I have the time and opportunity to take care of them.

Thank you, Heath and Leanna.

Poet's Corner

Within The Rings Of Time

By: Randy C. Hale

Today, on nature's trail,
at the trunk of a fallen tree,
I see inside rings spreading out,
lines of past record.

You and I lie within
these expanding boundaries,
circles fleeting away
like a kite caught in spacious
skies, blending with tones
of amber light.

Sharing our spirits together,
laughter, tears, unaware of
veering to different destinations,
shadows softly falling,
daylight turning night.

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

This really was no week at the beach

Bill King
Tribune Contributor



This really has been no week at the beach, but we were close...about ten miles, to be exact. That's about as close to seeing the white sands and blue water of the Gulf of Mexico as I have come this week. I'm sitting in the fellowship hall of Temple Baptist Church, in Lynn Haven, Florida. It is two-thirty in the morning. Other than the purr of a refrigerator, all is quiet as I sit here alone writing what you are now reading. It is not quiet in the sanctuary. No, they aren't having a worship service at this time of night. There are nine men sleeping in there. Well, there are only eight now. I was the ninth, and like they used to say of Elvis, I have left the building.

For the past half- hour I have "listened" to the others sleep! Old men sleep loudly. I must confess that I too am one who sleeps loudly, but not for the last hour. All that snoring, along with two who couldn't stop coughing, one who had an unbelievably loud squeaking air-mattress, one C-pap machine, and various other noises, is why I'm sitting in the fellowship hall at this hour of the night, writing to you. Warning: I may be grouchy today.

This is the beginning of my sixth and last day here - no, not in the fellowship hall but in Lynn Haven. I have spent this week, as I have many others, with Master Builders Mission Team. Twenty-four men, women, and youth made this trip. The youngest is ten and the oldest is eighty-three. This is my first visit to the panhandle since Hurricane Michael blew through. We came here to help rebuild the education building of the church. Like a giant can-opener, Michael opened up and removed their roof. We came to hang and finish sheetrock in the four- thousand square foot building. This is our team's specialty. Once we arrived, we realized they were not ready for what we came to do because the air-conditioning duct work and the electrical wiring had not been completed. The first word in almost any mission trip is "flexibility." Mission work is "give-and-take." You take what they give and you do the best work you can. Fortunately, one member of our team knows how to do wiring and electrical work. We did as much sheetrock work as possible, while he and a few helpers did wiring.

On our last day, one of the teenagers was laying insulation in the attic when he slipped off a rafter and fell through the ceiling. He hit one of the men below. By God's grace, neither of them was seriously injured. Right after another great dinner prepared by our cooking team, I discovered my truck had a dead battery. Do you realize that car batteries

these days cost almost $200 – at least on the Gulf Coast!

You may be saying, "Boy, y'all had a bad week." Hey, we hadn't been hit by a hurricane. Actually, we had a great week. We have worked, laughed, sang, prayed, played, had devotionals, and eaten way too much wonderful food. We've made new friends, spent time with old friends, and helped a church who badly needed a hand. We haven't even had a bad day, because there is no such thing. Bad things, difficult things, and trying things, sometimes happen in the course of a day, or even a week, but there are no bad days. How we respond to those things is up to each of us. The Bible says, "This is the day that the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it." When we're given lemons, make lemonade!

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Tribune Files from Yesteryear

From The Files Of 1953

Pascal Gaddis has bought a new car.

Mr. and Mrs. John Henry Noles, of Texas, were visiting relatives here last week.

Ralph Benefield has swapped his car for a new truck and has bought a new refrigerator.

Edgar Plunkett has bought a new television set.

Carmon Maze had a fine heifer to get run over and killed last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W.M. Rhodes visited relatives in Birmingham last Saturday.

Mrs. Jessie Lee Kelsoe has returned from a visit with her brother in Florida.

Lee Corsey, of Jasper, was visiting here last week and looking for a job.

Mr. and Mrs. Frances Harden, of Arab, spent last Sunday afternoon here with relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Bud Blakely.

Mrs. White Dies

Funeral services were held at Fellowship on October 26th, for Mrs. Pearl White, age 73, who died at Blount Memorial Hospital, on Sunday. Reverend W.O. Hunt conducted the services and Brown Service, of Oneonta was in charge of interment.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Ettie Bell Blackwood and Mrs. Minnie Edison, both of Cullman and Mrs. Lizzie McCord, of Lawrenceburg, Tennessee; six sons, D.M., of Cullman, J.D., of Vinemont, H.W., of Gadsden, T.A., of Dayton, Ohio, H.L., of Oneonta and A.L. White, of Akron, Ohio; five sisters and one brother.

Six Hundred New Parking Meters Installed

Six hundred new parking meters have been installed in the city. The units are manually operated and use pennies, nickels or dimes.

"After each coin is deposited, turn the handle as far as possible and when the handle is released, both red flags should disappear.

Should the red flag not disappear, please call 290 and report the meter out of order.

Please do not pound on the meter," said Chief O.H. Hancock in explain the new meters.

Anyone who does not understand the operation of the meter should read the instructions on both front and back of the meter.

Duck River News

Voitie Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Horsley, Miss Virginia Bice and Miss Doris Burnham went to the singing at Holly Pond, on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Murphree and son, of Oneonta, visited Mr. and Mrs. Homer Bice and Faye on Sunday.

Miss Virginia Bice and Doris Burnham went to the singing at Shady Grove, on Sunday night.

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Obituary Announcements: July 24 - 27

Funeral Services for Phillip Dale "Buddie" Green, 65, of Hanceville will be 2 p.m. Saturday July 27, 2019 at the Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The burial will follow at Mountain Grove Cemetery, Blount County. Visitation will be Saturday July 27 at 10:30 a.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Green was a retired transportation professional. Mr. Green is survived by his wife, Betty (Baker) Green, children Christy Johnson (Scott Bartlett), Phillip (Paige) Green, Allen (Belinda) Green and Jessica (Jonathen) Harper. Stepchildren include Garry (Kristi) Baker, Tammy (Gery) Fuller and Tracy (Kelvin) Shoemaker. Mr. Green has seventeen grandchildren and twelve great grandchildren. Other survivors include his brother Roger Green, a sister Martha (Freddy) Gilliland and a host of nieces and nephews. Mr. Green is preceded by his parents Harvey and Robbie Lou (Johnson) Green and sister Annette Green.

Angelia "Angie" Gay Lovvorn of Birmingham Alabama passed away July 24, 2019 at the age of 58. She was born July 7, 1961 in Georgia to James and Helen Brewington Lovvorn. She was a veteran of The United States Army. Funeral services are Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 2 p.m. at Moss Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Tim Scott officiating. Interment will follow in Holly Pond Cemetery. Survivors are: 3 sons, Aarron Somerset, James Somerset, Lee Brook, mother Helen Lovvorn, 3 sisters Myra Thompson, Connie Ford, Julie Bates and a brother Jimmy Lovvorn. Visitation is Wednesday from 12 noon until service time at 2 p.m. Please visit our website @ www.mossservicefh.com to send condolences to the family.

Funeral services for Rex Allen Turner, 67, of Hanceville, will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, July 27, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Bro. Don Froelich officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Turner passed away Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at his residence. He was born Sept. 18, 1951 to Osco and Doris Turner. He was preceded in death by his parents and sisters, Wanda Stanley and Anita Praytor. Survivors include his wife, Sherry Turner; sons, James Alan Turner and Michael Adam (Melinda) Turner; grandchildren, Brittany Turner, Kaitlyn Turner, Raygen Turner, Pyper Turner, and Maycie Turner; great-grandchild, Millie Turner; and sister, Judy Helms. Visitation will be from 2-4p.m. Saturday, July 27, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Children's Hospital of Alabama.

Funeral services for Gregory Wayne Young, 57, of Hanceville will be at noon Saturday, July 27, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Pastor Steven Sutter and Pastor Derald Briscoe officiating; interment in Hopewell Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Young passed away Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at his residence. He was born March 7, 1962 to Victor Leo and Pat Young. Mr. Young was a deacon at Westside Baptist Church and a member of the Cullman Lions Club. He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents. Survivors include his mother, Pat Young; sister, Bethany Young; aunt, Molly Chesser-Black; and uncle, Charles Hollis. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Friday, July 26, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Cullman Lions Club or Westside Baptist Church.

Memorial services for Edward Arnold Woods, 78, of Vinemont, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 27, 2019 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Milan Dekich officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Woods passed away Thursday, July 25, 2019 at his residence. He was born Dec. 14, 1940 to Dennis Melvin and Birdie Lee Woods. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Gerald Woods, Alton Woods, and Elro "Buddy" Woods; and sisters, Avadell "Sis" McNab and Merita Collum. Survivors include his wife, Virginia Woods; daughters, Carol (Jerry) Wren, Sherry (Jim) Hutchens, and Teresa Woods; granddaughter, Christy Taylor; great-grandsons, Dustin McGraw and Dakota McGraw; great-granddaughter, Breanna White; brother, Don (Billyfaye) Woods; sister, Loletah "Bid" Bradford; and a host of nieces, nephews, and friends.

Nancy Faircella Isom Jones, 70, of Phil Campbell, Alabama entered into rest July 24, 2019 at home surrounded by her loving family. Mrs. Jones was born May 12, 1949 in Haleyville. She was a longtime employee of the Kellwood Company and Wrangler Distribution Center. Nancy was a member of Union Hill Freewill Baptist Church who enjoyed spreading God's word to those she met. She enjoyed spending time with her family and attending church services and activities. Visitation will be held on Saturday, July 27, 2019 from noon-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where services will be held at 2 p.m. Brother Kyle Copeland and Brother Jerry Hester will officiate. Burial will follow in Shady Grove Baptist Cemetery in Phil Campbell, Alabama. Nancy is survived by her husband of 20 years, J. D. Jones: her son Bobby Isom Jr. and his wife Wendy; her daughter Tina McQuary and her husband Mike; her sister-in-law Rachel Frederick; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was a special grandmother to three grandchildren, Whitney Isom; Brittney Dotson; and Chloe Isom. She was preceded in death by her first husband of 24 years, Bobby Isom, Sr.; granddaughter, Tiffany Dotson; her parents, Travis and Lora Frederick and brother, Delois Frederick.

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Landers (from Front)

Christy Perry
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CULLMAN, Ala. – "America's Got Talent" contestant Lamont Landers brought his talent to a busy 412 Public House this week. It wasn't the first time the talented Decatur native has performed at the restaurant, but it was first time since appearing on the popular television show.

The Tribune caught up with the soul and R&B singer to talk about his life, career and his experience on the program.

Landers was born in Decatur and graduated from Decatur High School before heading to college at the University of Alabama in Huntsville (UAH). Now 28, he and his wife, Amber, call Huntsville home.

Landers has a full band but said, "Sometimes when you have to make some money it's easier to pick up solo gigs around town."

The Lamont Landers Band appeared on "Showtime at the Apollo" several years ago, which Landers described as "really cool."

He explained, "They (America's Got Talent) wouldn't let me bring the band, so it was just me. It was rough."

Landers was scouted by AGT after the success of a few of his YouTube videos and caught the eye of the casting director. Landers received an email inviting him to appear on the show.

He said, "About 80% show up in hopes of making the show and 20% are contacted directly, at least that's what I've been told."

He said the experience was fun for the most part, but it had a downside, explaining, "It's a little disgusting. Like someone tricking you out. It's a little gross, but you trade that for the exposure."

It wasn't his first time performing in front of Simon Cowell, either.

He said, "I met him when I was 19. I did 'The X Factor.' but it never aired. He said that he loved my voice but 'I wish it was in a different body' when I was 19. This time I knew what to expect with him.

"He didn't remember me at all. I didn't want to give in and let him, because he does it to people all the time, he bullies them. He turns it up for the TV for sure."

Landers performed "Dancing on My Own" on AGT and received a standing ovation from the audience.

He was praised by the judges with Gabrielle Union telling him, "I'm the president of the Lamont Landers fan club."

He performed the song somewhat unexpectedly.

He explained, "I was about ready to leave and this producer lady said that Simon wanted to meet with me in private.

"I said I guess I'll go upstairs and speak to him in private, and he recommended the song. I was super unfamiliar with it so I had to go learn it in 30 minutes. I had a guitar string break while I was learning it. Somehow, I got through it."

Landers has been working in the music industry for close to a decade now and has no plans to stop anytime soon.

He said, "I only play the stuff I like. Like Marvin Gaye, Bill Withers, a bunch of old soul, Al Green and old blues. There's some contemporary R&B that I really like. D'Angelo is one of my favorite artists of all time. My dad listened to blues and my day was R&B so I got the guitar stuff from my dad and the soul stuff from my mom."

Landers plays gigs wherever and whenever he has a chance.

He laughed, "I've done every gig you can imagine. I've done grocery store grand openings. If there's a check involved, I'm there."

The Lamont Landers Band is working on getting more opportunities in Nashville.

"We put out an original EP back in December. It's on Spotify. It's on anywhere you can listen to music. I am working on our first full-length album right now."

Landers said he isn't sure when the new album will be completed. He takes the song writing process seriously.

He said, "I'm trying to expedite the process and up my output, but writing is kind of hard. It only feels right if it comes to you organically.

"For me, I feel like if it comes too easy then it's not good. If I have to pull teeth to get it to work, then it's gotta be a good idea."

He is hoping to have the album out before the end of 2020.

Landers said he doesn't want to rush the process, but at the same time, he feels some pressure at the age of 28.

"I feel the grains of sand moving a little bit faster, especially as a musician," he said. "There is a finite lifespan as a musician, so I'm trying to up my output and get out there on the road and do it the right way."

GoFundMe page set up for Smith Lake lightning strike victim

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CULLMAN, Ala. – A woman who was struck by lightning at Smith Lake Park Saturday, July 20 has been identified as Kelly Hodo, of Hayden, according to a GoFundMe page set up on her behalf.

Hodo was one of two people injured in the incident.

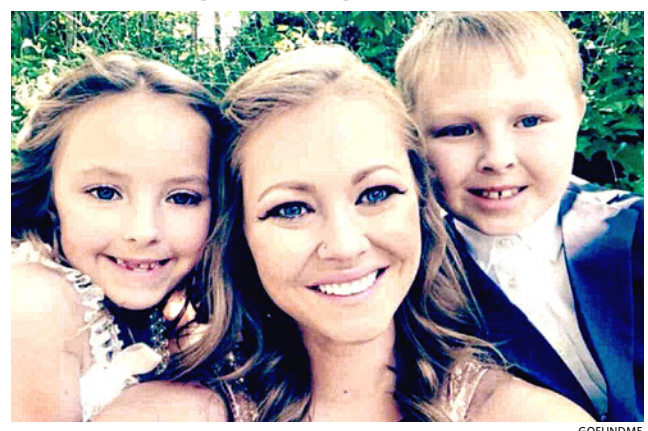
According to Cullman Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Director Phyllis Little that day, "It was a pop-up thunderstorm about 4:15 in area of Smith Lake Park. As people moved from the beach to their vehicles, two people were injured by an apparent lightning strike. Both were transported by Cullman Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to Cullman Regional."

The GoFundMe page says Hodo is a mother of two.

The page reads, in part: "She was severely injured and is still in the hospital. Kelly has recently started a new job and her medical insurance hasn't gone into effect yet.

"We are asking for any help you can give. Every dime adds up and we would like to take the worry and stress off of Kelly as she recovers.

"We are unsure of how long she will be in the hospital and unable to work. PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN AND CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR HER!"



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Kelly Hodo, center, was struck by lightning Saturday, July 20 at Smith Lake Park.

According to one of the page's organizers, Kristin Grissom, the other victim, who has not been identified, has been released from the hospital.

"He is doing well. He was released on Saturday and healing fine," she said.









