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Colony Mayor Donnis Leeth: 'I've come out of resignment'



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Councilman Curtis Johnson (left) and Mayor Donnis Leeth (right) in the first of a series of exchanges Tuesday evening. » PAGE 5

– FEATURE –

BRIDGING THE GAP

Holly Pond to offer free public WiFi in parks as school resumes



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From left to right: Riley Gillilan, Holly Pond Mayor Bill Oliver, Ashley Holmes, Jordan McDonald, Jason Mercer, and Hayden Rawdon

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HOLLY POND, Ala. – Students who need to do classwork online and don't have reliable internet at home will have a place to do so, thanks to the Town of Holly Pond. At the last meeting of the Holly Pond Town Council, Mayor Bill Oliver was given permission to pursue a project that would provide free public WiFi in both of the town's parks (the Lions Club ball park and the Dane Estes Memorial Park) As of Wednesday, Aug. 12, the project was less than a month from completion; however, if the supply chain ships the necessary parts quickly enough, students could make use of the service by the start of the school year.

When completed, the system will be able to support 200 connected devices in each park while still maintaining high-speed service. Additionally, service provider JTM Broadband will be able to analyze information about how many devices are connected and how long they stay connected in a given time frame to better estimate how the service may need to be adjusted.

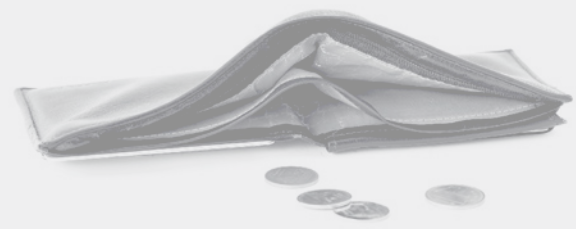
"We're putting in a top-of-the-line system," said Jordan McDonald, co-CEO of JTM Broadband, LLC. "If you're having to download a large file, you don't have to sit there for an hour. It'll be really quick. If you've got a bunch of devices or a lot of kids who need to get online, you're not gonna slow this system down."

Oliver said the project was something he had hoped the town wouldn't need, but it would be available if necessary.

"I want the kids to be able to go to school. I want them to play football," he said, "but I know that Wednesdays are all online (for Cullman County Schools students) and there's a chance that the schools might have to shut down and make everything online (due to the COVID-19 pandemic)."

He continued, "There are people here who don't have reliable internet - I was talking to a lady the other day who still uses dial-up, which I didn't even know still existed - and they've gotta have a way for their kids » PAGE 4

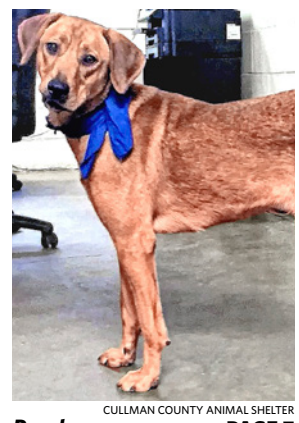
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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 100,801 (+875 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 3,985
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 1,814 (+33 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 68
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 1,238 (+8 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 93
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 12 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 0
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 11,862
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,409
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 197
- Total tested in Alabama: 791,786
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 17,749
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 169,788
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 1,372
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 12,292
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 41,523

See more details at https://bit.ly/2VjCQbP.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Vinemont council votes to dedicate pavilion in memory of Tyler Walker

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Brooklyn Walker, left; Tyler Walker, right

SOUTH VINEMONT, Ala. – The South Vinemont Town Council on Tuesday night voted to dedicate the pavilion at the town's sports complex to the late Tyler Walker, who also funded the pavilion. Walker, who perished in a plane crash along with his 10-year-old daughter Brooklyn in January, invested much of his time, energy and money in developing new businesses and jobs in South Vinemont.

Councilwoman Shirley Arnett presented the idea at Tuesday night's council work session, and prior to the council approving it, Mayor Radginal Dodson said, "The gentleman helped us out a lot. I can't, there's no way I can repay him for all he's done and what he tried to do for the town. I know that for a fact."

Walker invested in the town by constructing many of the buildings where new businesses are located today including the Strike Zone, 10-41 LLC, Jack's Radiator and Rad Works.

Walker's sister, Wendy Smithson, expressed her appreciation to the council for honoring her late brother. She and Walker's close friend, Jeremy Harbison, were in attendance at Tuesday's meeting.

Harbison said of his friend, "He was a great guy. He was my best friend and we grew up together. He came up here with me the night I gave them my pitch to tell them I wanted to start my weld shop. So many memories."

Harbison owns Vinemont Welding and Fabrication. He bought the property from Walker.

In other business

The council approved its 2020-2021 Transportation Plan under the Rebuild Alabama Act. The plan will include the completion of Park Drive with any leftover funds going toward the planned repaving of Tillery Road.

South Vinemont Public Works Director Mike Graves explained, "The reason we haven't completed it yet, we want to wait until the construction is complete on the building (for The Shaddix Company) and all that construction traffic is done before we build that road up. I project it will be later in September or October before we are able to build that road."

Funding for these projects will come from the Rebuild Alabama Act fuel tax.

The Rebuild Alabama Act requires that each municipality adopt an annual transportation plan no later than Aug. 31, and provide a detailed list of projects for which expenditures are intended to be made in the next fiscal year, based upon an estimate of the revenues anticipated from the fund. These funds can only be used only for maintenance, improvement, replacement and construction of roads and bridges maintained by South Vinemont.

The council also passed resolutions recognizing Sonya Mabry Adams (Place 2), JD Marcum (Place 3) and Bonnie Goodwin (Place 4) as being elected without opposition. Places 1 and 5, along with the mayoral seat, will be on the Aug. 25 Municipal Election ballot.

The council approved the hiring of a part-time person to assist residents in the completion of the 2020 Census.

Before adjourning, Mayor Dodson took the opportunity to address the council prior to the upcoming election, saying, "I appreciate you, each and every one. Whether I end up being the mayor or not, you have been pleasant to work with."

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 12

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 12, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Aug. 10

• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $54

Aug. 11

• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $16

ARRESTS

Aug. 11

Shine, Tara M., 28

• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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ATTENTION SENIORS

• The Cullman County Commission on Aging is distributing food as part of the USDA's Farm to Families program every Wednesday.

• There are no restrictions and no eligibility requirements. This is first come, first served until gone. Please see the schedule below for pick-up in your area. Each location will have a pallet (56 boxes) to give away- one box per household. Trucks arrive approximately between 9-10 a.m.

• Each box will contain 8 pieces of fresh fruit bagged, weighing approximately 4 pounds (such as apples or oranges); 5 pounds of precooked meat, packaged separately (chicken or pork); assorted fresh vegetables, bagged, weighing approximately 4 pounds (such as two potatoes, stalk of celery, two onions and two pounds of carrots); 12 ounces of cheese (such as American cheese); 1 pound of butter; and the equivalent of one half gallon of milk (such as 2 quarts or 8 half pints). All will be packed in a cardboard box measuring approximately 17" x 13-1/2" x 8".

• Some locations have been updated.

• Baileyton Senior Center

• Cold Springs Community Center

• Colony Educational Complex

• Dodge City Senior Center

• Fairview Senior Center

• Hanceville Civic Center

• Holly Pond- Guy Hunt Museum

• Jones Chapel Fire Department

• Vinemont Town Hall

• West Point Town Hall

NOTICE: Video Inspection of Cullman City Sewer System

• Aug. 3, 2020, the City of Cullman's contractor, Video Industrial Services, began cleaning and providing video inspection of the sanitary sewer collection system in the southeast area of Cullman. This work should not disrupt sewer service; however, it will involve access to utility easements crossing private property. The contractor's representatives will attempt to notify property owners prior to easement access.

• During cleaning operations, excess air pressure or vacuum will dissipate through service connection plumbing. If plumbing vents are inadequate, customers may notice splashing of water from fixtures. In the event of vacuum pressure, water in fixture traps may be drawn out, resulting in unpleasant odors. To guard against these issues, ensure toilet lids are closed. Run water into each drain to refill fixture traps if odors are noticed.

• See a map of the project area at https://bit.ly/39AWBkP.

Power of Produce (POP) at Festhalle Cullman

• Saturdays through October at the Festhalle from 8 a.m.-noon

• Children ages 14 and younger can pick up a recipe and receive POP market money of $4 per person to spend on fresh produce, until we run out!

Prayer Meetings at Spirt Life Church of GOD

• Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. at 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman

• Come pray with us for our nation, healing, etc. or come to receive prayer.

Drive-Thru Food Bank

• Saturday, Aug. 15, 9-11 a.m. at Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman

• Bring a form of ID.

3rd Annual Wayne Mills Memorial Ride

• Saturday, Aug. 15, 2 p.m. at Hawg Engineering, 230 U.S. Hwy. 278 W, Cullman, AL 35057

• Live music performances by Billy Don Burns, Bobby Keel Music, Rowdy Johnson, Kara Clark, Joey Allcorn and Jesse Priest Music.

• Don't miss this amazing show! All proceeds go to Wayne's son, Jack.

• Come celebrate the life, music and legacy of our brother Wayne Mills. We will ride approximately 100 miles with a stop at Wayne's gravesite in Arab, Alabama, where we will visit and pay tribute to Wayne.

• Registration starts at 9 a.m.

• Kickstands up at 10:30 a.m.

• $20 per rider and includes:

• Live music from 2 p.m. till midnight at Hawg Engineering with proceeds going to Wayne's son. Jack.

• If you don't attend the ride, there will be a $10 cover at the door. Food & drinks available as well as 50/50 drawing and raffle items.

LDCC Youth Pond Tournament

• Saturday, Aug. 15 at 3:30 p.m. at LoneSome Dove Cowboy Church, 200 County Road 1699, Cullman, AL 35058

• 16 & younger - Register at 3:30-4 p.m. (Free entry) - Weigh in at 8 p.m. - Devotion at weigh in. Y'all come out and fellowship. - Prizes given to first and second place.

Smoked Meat Plates at the Cullman Elks Lodge

• Sunday, Aug. 16 from noon-6 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 1525 Brantley Ave. NW, Cullman, AL 35055

• Smoke meat plates $9: Smoked sausage with pineapple and pepper jack cheese, pulled pork with BBQ sauce, seasoned bologna, mac n cheese, oriental coleslaw, homemade banana pudding

• Enjoy for lunch or supper or both. Take-out or dine-in.

Free Outreach Lunch

Saturday, Aug. 22 from 11 a.m.-noon in the Five Points area, sponsored by Spirit Life Church of GOD

BE the Man Conference

• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman

• Friday, Aug. 28 at 7 p.m. Justin Driver

• Saturday, Aug. 29 at 5 p.m. Free dinner; 6 p.m. Steton Hayes

• Sunday, Aug. 30 at 11 a.m. Billy Driver

Obituary Announcements: Aug. 13

Charles "Sonny" West passed away Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2020 at the age of 82. A Celebration of Life Funeral Service will be held at Moss Service Funeral Home Friday, Aug. 14, 2020 at 2 p.m. Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. until service time. Burial will follow at New Hope #2 Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. He was preceded in death by his parents Buford and Emma Bolzle West and his wife Mary Sims. Survivors include his step-daughters Shelia Bogard and Cathy Watts; sisters Mary Nell West Todd, Elizabeth West (Van) Johnson and Linda West Sullivan; nephews Christopher Johnson and Craig Johnson; great-nieces Catlin Johnson and Raven Johnson; great-nephew; Erin Johnson great-great-nephew Rayland Chandler; and a host of extended family and friends. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

Jamie Deason was born April 2, 1930 and passed away Aug. 10, 2020 and is under the care of Moss Service Funeral Home.

Graveside services for William John Gibson, 66, of Hanceville will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 16, 2020 at Fairview West Missionary Baptist Church with Donnie Smith officiating. Mr. Gibson passed away Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2020 at Cullman Regional. He was born Aug. 29, 1953 to Jim and Virginia Mae Grantham Gibson. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his children William James Gibson, Jonathon Evan Blake (Erika) Gibson, and Jennifer Nichole Gibson; brothers Tim Gibson and Kinney Gibson; sister Nora Gibson; granddaughter Colette Elizabeth Wheaton; step-grandchildren Jason Eli Caldwell and Emilee Grace Caldwell; and significant other Geraldine Gibson.

Memorial service details for Willa May Hazel Donahue, 84, of Vinemont are incomplete at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Donahue passed away Wednesday, Aug. 12, 2020 at her residence. She was born May 13, 1936 to Willard and Mary Jane Rosier Arant. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Daniel Sweatmon, 89, of Cullman passed away Aug. 11, 2020. He was born March 5, 1931, in Blount County to Daniel and Emma Yancey Sweatmon. Mr. Sweatmon loved to garden. He was an assembly worker, working for Americold for many years until his retirement, and also served our country honorable in the United States Army. Daniel is preceded in death by his parents Daniel and Emma Yancey Sweatmon and his son Danny Ray Sweatmon. He is survived by his wife Geraldine R. Sweatmon; daughter Peggy Bates (Perry); stepson Micky Cornelius (Darlene); five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. There will be a graveside service Saturday, Aug. 15, 2020 at 10 a.m. at New Hope #2 Cemetery. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sweatmon family.

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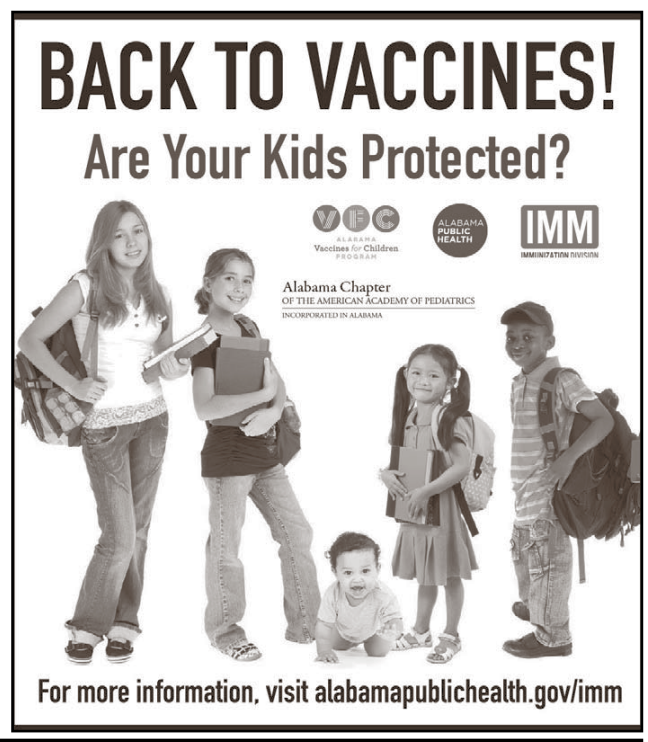
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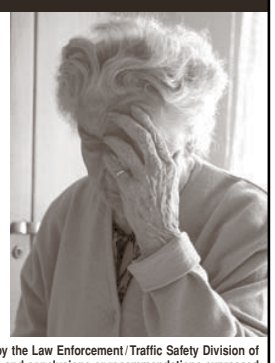
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UNA hopes to play 4-game fall football schedule

UNA Athletics
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FLORENCE, Ala. -- The University of North Alabama will have the opportunity to play four games on its 2020 fall football schedule, despite the announcement today that the Big South Conference is delaying its fall seasons with the intent of playing in the spring.

The Big South Football Members voted to allow up to four non-conference games in the fall at institutional discretion. UNA's current fall schedule would include games against Western Illinois, Jacksonville State, Chattanooga and Brigham Young.

While the Big South moved all of its fall sports to the spring, UNA's other 13 sports compete as members of the ASUN Conference and that league has not yet made a determination on its fall seasons. All ASUN schedules were previously pushed back to a Sept. 18 start date.

"Our plan is to look at all of our options and hopefully have the chance to play a full slate of games, combining the fall and spring," said UNA Athletic Director Mark Linder. "One of the biggest concerns of our players is not having the opportunity to play a full schedule. This plan provides the ultimate flexibility, to play four non-conference games in the fall and the Big South schedule in the spring."

Big South Statement

With the health and well-being of its student-athletes as its top priority, the Big South Conference announced today it is delaying its fall sports seasons with the intent of playing in the spring.

This includes the sports of men's and women's cross country, football, men's and women's soccer, and volleyball. Additionally, fall competitions in the sports of men's and women's golf and men's and women's tennis, and out of season competitions in spring sports have been suspended as well. The Big South Football Members voted to allow up to four non-conference games in the fall at institutional discretion.

"We are all broken-hearted that we will not be able to provide competitive opportunities for Big South student-athletes this fall," commented Commissioner Kyle Kallander.

"However, the path forward must protect the health and safety of our student-athletes, and some of the current trends and unknowns with COVID-19 have made that a huge challenge. Our intention is to shift these fall seasons to the spring as we would like nothing more than to crown Big South champions in all 19 of our sports this year."



UNA ATHLETICS

UNA Head Football Coach Chris Willis.

Big South member institutions may continue with permissible athletics activities, as defined by NCAA regulations and with the exception of fall sport competition, at their own discretion and in accordance with applicable local and state regulations and procedures.

Pac-12 Conference postpones all sport competitions through end of calendar year

Pac-12 Conference
pac12.com

SAN FRANCISCO, CA. - The Pac-12 CEO Group voted unanimously to postpone all sport competitions through the end of the 2020 calendar year.

The decision was made after consultation with athletics directors and with the Pac-12 COVID-19 Medical Advisory Committee who expressed concern with moving forward with contact practice. The report and updated guidelines of the Committee can be found here: Pac-12 COVID-19 Return to Play Considerations – Aug. 10, 2020 and a full list of Committee members can be found here: Pac-12 Medical Advisory Committee. The Conference also announced that when conditions improve, it would consider a return to competition for impacted sports after January 1, 2021.

Student-athletes impacted by the postponement will continue to have their scholarships guaranteed. Additionally, the Pac-12 Conference strongly encourages that the NCAA grant students who opt out of competition this academic year an additional year of eligibility. As part of their guaranteed scholarships, they will continue to have university support, including academic advising and tutoring, among other support services.

"All of the Pac-12 presidents and chancellors understand the importance of this decision, and the disappointment it will create for our student-athletes, the coaches, support staff and all of our fans," said Michael H. Schill, president of the University of Oregon. "Ultimately, our decision was guided by science and a deep commitment to the health and welfare of student-athletes. We certainly hope that the Pac-12 will be able to return to competition in the New Year."

"The health, safety and well-being of our student-athletes and all those connected to Pac-12 sports has been our number one priority since the start of this current crisis," said Pac-12 Commissioner Larry Scott. "Our student-athletes, fans, staff and all those who love college sports would like to have seen the season played this calendar year as originally planned, and we know how disappointing this is."

Scott noted that while the Conference's detailed plan to keep student-athletes safe was working in accordance with the Pac-12 COVID-19 Medical Advisory Committee guidelines and state and local government orders, the situation was becoming more challenging: "Unlike professional sports, college sports cannot operate in a bubble," he said. "Our athletic programs are a part of broader campuses in communities where in many cases the prevalence of COVID-19 is significant. We will continue to monitor the situation and when conditions change we will be ready to explore all options to play the impacted sports in the new calendar year."



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"We know that this is a difficult day for our student-athletes, and our hearts go out to them and their families," added Scott. "We have made clear that all of their scholarships wi
ll be guaranteed, and that as a Conference we are strongly encouraging the NCAA to grant them an additional year of eligibility."



TROY FOOTBALL

Troy football wrapped up fall camp Tuesday.

Troy Football wraps fall camp

Adam Prendergast
Troy Athletics

TROY, Ala. – Troy football wrapped its abbreviated fall camp Tuesday with its first full padded practice of the year on the grass fields behind Trojan Arena. The Trojans had just five traditional days of camp due to the later start to the season and classes starting on campus Wednesday.

"It is what it is with school starting, we just had to make sure that we maximized the five days we had, and I think we did that," head coach Chip Lindsey said. "Thursday we'll get back on our normal weekly schedule where we practice in the afternoons. We got the most we could get out of the five days of camp with all the meetings, walk thrus and practices. Now it's time to get the school year started and get on a normal routine.

"(Today was the) first day in pads and the energy was outstanding," Lindsey said. "We challenged our guys to see what we're made of; this was day five of camp so we've gone five straight days and then to end it in full gear. We got a lot of good work today; anytime you can get 11-on-11, good-on-good I think that is going to help you be a better football team."

Troy's defense stole the show Tuesday with a rebuilt secondary going toe-for-toe with one of the top receiving corps in the country and a deep front seven showing off its game-changing ability.

"The game is about players," Lindsey said. "Coaches are important and we put a plan together, but at the end of the day it is about players. Our staff did a fabulous job recruiting and got some players in here that love football and love coming out here and competing, which is half the battle. I like what I've seen so far (from the defense) and the best thing is that they are communicating really well."

A lot of jobs were up for grabs heading into fall camp including at quarterback, offensive line, defensive line and in the secondary.

"We need to get to a scrimmage first and I think we'll get a lot of answers," Lindsey said about making depth chart decisions. "We're still quite a ways away, but at the end of the day they are being evaluated every day at every position and that's what we'll continue to do."

Troy will take Wednesday off for the first day of class before returning to the practice fields on Thursday and Friday ahead of Saturday's first scrimmage of camp.

Gap (from Front)

to do their schoolwork. The (Cullman) County (School Board) says they're gonna put WiFi on the buses and units on the campuses, but I haven't heard much about it so I don't know how long that will take."

Once fully operational, the service in Holly Pond's parks will be available from 8 a.m.-10 p.m. every day through the end of the semester.

The time restrictions will allow students learning online to access their courses as soon as the school day begins and allow plenty of time later in the day for working parents to bring their students to work on their homework, while preventing anyone roaming the parks late at night from using the excuse that they are working on homework.

The end-of-semester deadline was set for two reasons: to let the incoming council members decide what to do and whether to continue the service, and to look at what the spring semester may be like before making any decisions.

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Leeth (from Front)

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COLONY, Ala. – Colony Mayor Donnis Leeth, after an explosive end to Tuesday evening's town council meeting in which he announced his resignation, contacted The Tribune Wednesday to say with a laugh, "I'm back on my job. I've come out of resignment and I'm back on my job as mayor of the Colony."

Leeth's abrupt resignation followed a series of heated exchanges before, during and after the town council meeting Tuesday evening, culminating in his announcing, "I resign."

According to the mayor and other sources in Colony, support for Leeth has been strong through Wednesday morning.

Leeth said he returned to Town Hall Wednesday morning to help with food distribution, and "I walked around to every car. They said, 'You can't go nowhere, man, we need you down there. Ain't nobody gonna do what you do.'"

Leeth added, "I couldn't leave the people like that down there and the surrounding areas. I'm supposed to have been for four years and I know what I'm going to do, and I hope I get (re-) elected. I'm going to do more and more, all I can do for people in the surrounding areas in the Colony and out of the Colony."

What happened?

Tuesday evening's first confrontation, mild in comparison to the others, came during the work session after council members Ethel Alexander and Samuel Ashford both said that they wanted to hear both mayoral candidates share their respective visions for Colony's future. Leeth's challenger, Councilman Curtis Johnson, for the third time in as many meetings, refused to discuss any platform items, saying instead that he would take out a paid advertisement in a local paper to present his plan.

Leeth, who has on several occasions talked about his platform, laid out five items for the council:

- Secure a Jack's fast food restaurant for the Colony area

- Seek a $250,000 grant from the Alabama Department of Transportation to repair and upgrade roads in the town, including Colony Road and others

- Include access to hot lunches in next year's summer children's feeding program

- Arrange another out-of-town trip as part of next year's children's summer enrichment program

- Plan ways to check on community seniors more, and plan more senior activities including a trip

Meeting schedule challenged

Following Leeth's platform statement and the conclusion of discussion, the mayor called for the regular meeting to start, approximately five minutes before the official 6 p.m. start time. Johnson objected, stating that the council had adopted a 6 p.m. start time in November 2016 and must stick to the policy.

Colony did establish the official meeting time after the council was seated in 2016, but has since the fall of 2019 operated on a less strict schedule with the work session at 5 p.m. and the regular meeting following immediately afterward. The change has been noted in Tribune coverage of council meetings since November 2019. Tuesday evening was the first time that any council member has challenged the modified schedule.

Leeth invited Johnson to call state government officials in Montgomery to ask about the rules of procedure and, raising his voice for the first time, told the councilman, "Don't come to the table, telling me what to do about no early meeting."

Leeth went ahead and began the meeting a few minutes early, with already more people in the audience than usual. As 6 p.m. arrived, so did more people, some of whom would later level complaints against the mayor during the public comment portion of the meeting.

Who will sign checks?

After the council took care of its only agenda items, approval of council members to be seated without a vote (no council seats are contested in the upcoming election) and approval of election officials named at the last meeting, Leeth recommended that the council appoint Alexander as an approved check signer for the Town in the absence of Councilman Melvin Hammond, who heads the finance committee but is battling ongoing health issues, as Colony's checks require two signatures. Johnson objected, saying that he and Leeth were both authorized signers and the Town should wait until after the election to take up the matter.

Leeth countered that Johnson does not show up when needed to sign checks. When Johnson pointed out that he had just signed some checks at the beginning of the work session, Leeth told him that those checks had "been here all week, all last week," and that the Town's ability to pay its bills on time was being hindered.

After Johnson agreed that he would come to town hall more often to see about checks, he made a motion to table the matter until a later meeting. He and Ashford voted to table; Leeth and Alexander voted against.

In the public comment portion of the meeting, three of the visitors, town election officials Gwendolyn Purifoy, Margaret Dimbo and Earline Johnson, began their own exchange with Leeth.

Purifoy complained that the election officials, who have regularly worked elections in the past, had not been notified of their appointment until they heard that their names were listed in the newspaper, and that the mayor and council should have written letters asking them to serve. Leeth said that he was unaware of the need for a letter, and that he would send out letters Wednesday.

Purifoy replied, "I'm just saying, you know, common courtesy: somebody should have asked us, you know, about doing this."

Road rage

Purifoy continued, complaining next about Leeth's campaign promise to seek funds for work on Colony Road, saying that the Town should not pay for repairs to Colony Road, since it is a county road. Leeth countered that the road falls within the town limits and is the Town's responsibility.

Said Purifoy, "I don't know who changed it, but the 20 years I served as clerk, the County took care of it," adding later, "The town never paid one penny for it."

Colony Road falls partly within and partly outside the town limits of Colony. The Tribune reached out to the Cullman County Road Department Wednesday, and a representative there said that the County does maintain the portions that are outside the town limits.

Leeth admitted that the County had performed minor repairs and even some repaving many years ago, but argued that the County had never done the amount of resurfacing he wants to see done through the federal grant. He said that he would get a letter from the County about the status of the road, and that he would invite Cullman County Commissioner Garry Marchman to come and address the matter personally.

"I might get all three of them to come down here," added Leeth.

Earline Johnson, a former Colony mayor, picked up the debate, arguing that the County maintained the road while she was in office. After Leeth referred to Johnson's claims about large-scale maintenance as "crap," Dimbo joined in, asking for everyone to treat each other with respect. After further discussion, Johnson specified that County maintenance involved repairs to spots on the road that became washed out.

Things did not settle down, and a claim by Purifoy that a second road inside the town limits is also a county road, and that the Town is having to pay for work on those roads because Leeth chose to take them over, did not sit well with the mayor.

With the argument becoming more heated, Leeth abruptly swung his gavel and announced, "Meeting adjourned."

The confrontation did not cease, though, and just became louder. After a visitor identified only as Gerald remarked, "Mr. Mayor, you're way too defensive to be a leader right now," Leeth responded, "I'll tell you what I'm going to do: I'm going to resign right now."

After repeating his intention to resign, Leeth stormed out of town hall.

What now? Is he gone? Can he just come right back?

The Tribune reached out Tuesday night to officials with expertise in municipal government, to determine the legal aspects of Leeth's announced resignation. According to what they shared:

- Leeth's resignation, being declared after the meeting was adjourned, has no legal validity. The typical method of resignation involves the submission of a letter of resignation during a council meeting.

- Leeth's resignation is not valid until and unless the council votes to accept it at a regular or special-called meeting. With the council already short one seat and Hammond out for health issues, Leeth's absence means that the council might not be able to establish a quorum to hold such a vote.

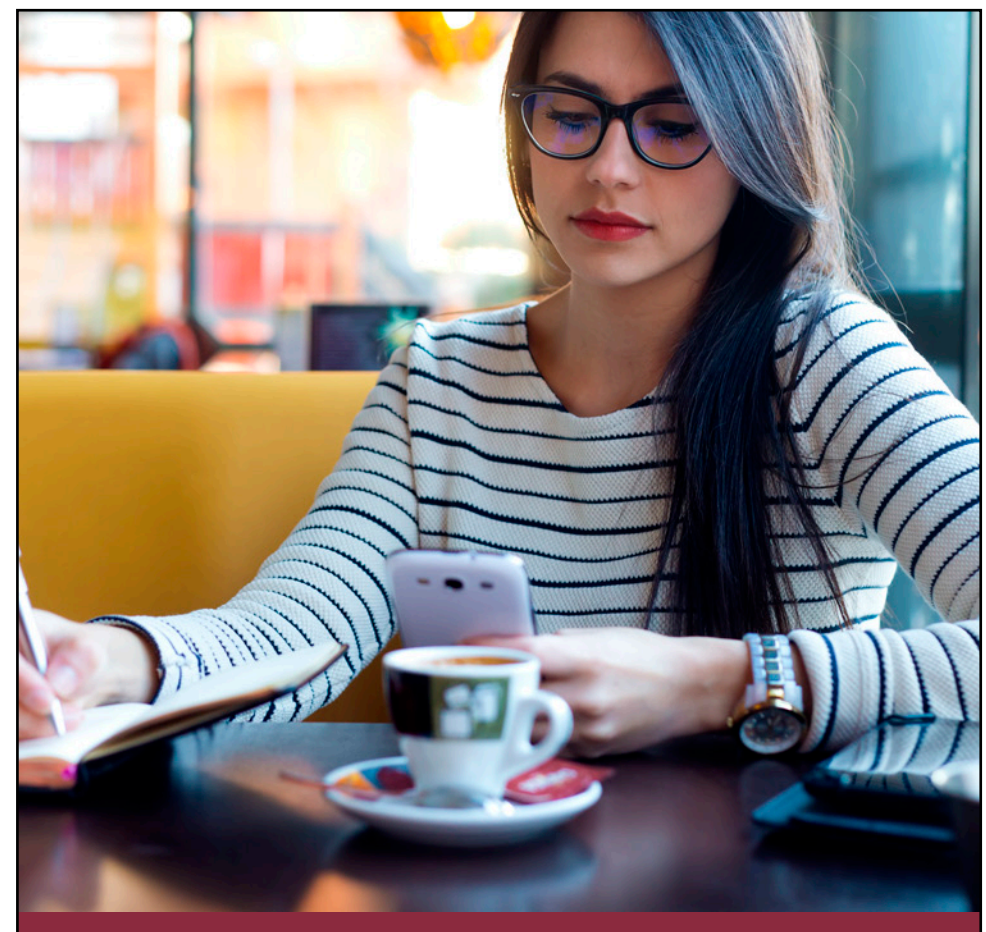
- Even if his resignation were to be voted on and accepted, Leeth's name will remain on the Aug. 25 Municipal Election ballot, and he could conceivably be re-elected anyway.

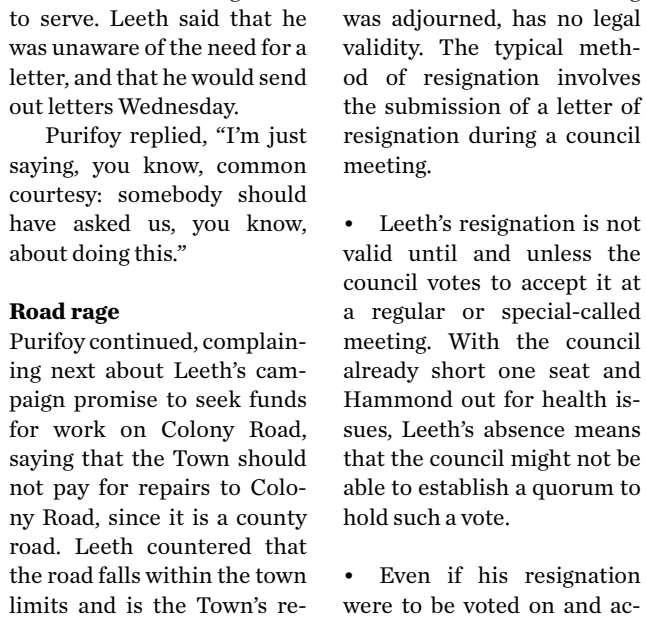
All of that means that Leeth is still mayor of Colony, that he can pick up where he left off in his duties Tuesday night, and that his status as a 2020 candidate is unaffected.

Colony's next scheduled town council meeting starts with a work session at 5 p.m. Aug. 25, Election Day, at Town Hall.









Sports

6:00 a.m. GOLF LPGA Tour Golf Aberdeen Standard Investments Scottish Open, First Round. (Live)
8:00 a.m. FSEE Women's College Gymnastics West Virginia/TCU at Oklahoma.
10:00 a.m. FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at New York Yankees.
GOLF 2020 Bridgestone Senior Players Championship First Round. (Live)
1:00 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Wyndham Championship, First Round. (Live)
2:00 p.m. FSEE MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at New York Yankees.
3:00 p.m. ESPN MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Philadelphia Phillies. (Live)
TNT NBA Basketball (Live)
5:30 p.m. TNT NBA Basketball (Live)
6:00 p.m. WBRC MLB Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs. (Live)
ESPN WNBA Basketball Los Angeles Sparks vs Washington Mystics. (Live)
FS1 Formula E Racing Berlin: E-Prix.
FSEE Women's College Volleyball Texas at Oklahoma.
GOLF Golf U.S. Amateur Championship, Round of 16. (Live)
8:00 p.m. ESPN WNBA Basketball Minnesota Lynx vs Las Vegas Aces. (Live)
FS1 NHRA Drag Racing Lucas Oil Summernationals.
FSEE Women's College Basketball Oklahoma City at Oklahoma.
GOLF PGA Korn Ferry Tour Golf Albertsons Boise Open, First Round. (Same-day Tape)
TNT NBA Basketball (Live)
10:00 p.m. GOLF PGA Tour Golf Wyndham Championship, First Round.

Movies

9:01 a.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" ★★★ (2005) Daniel Radcliffe. Signs of Voldemort's return emerge as Harry's friends help him prepare for a tournament with Europe's best student wizards.
9:05 a.m. HBO "The Others" ★★★ (2001) Nicole Kidman A devout woman with two sunlight-sensitive children believes ghosts inhabit her darkened island mansion.
10:00 a.m. AMC "First Blood" ★★★ (1982) Sylvester Stallone. Green Beret veteran Rambo takes on a Pacific Northwest sheriff and the National Guard.
10:15 a.m. TCM "State's Attorney" ★★★ (1932) John Barrymore. A criminal lawyer becomes an assistant district attorney and targets his former client.
10:30 a.m. FREE "Keeping Up With the Joneses" ★★ (2016) Zach Galifianakis.
FX "Spectre" ★★★ (2015) Daniel Craig. As James Bond ventures toward the heart of the sinister organization SPECTRE, he discovers a chilling connection between himself and the enemy he seeks.
SHOW "Nighthawks" ★★★ (1981) Sylvester Stallone Two undercover detectives are assigned to a special task force tracking an international terrorist.
10:55 a.m. HBO "Alita: Battle Angel" ★★½ (2019) Rosa Salazar
10:58 a.m. MAX "Greta" ★★ (2018) Isabelle Huppert
11:45 a.m. TCM "Rasputin and the Empress" ★★★ (1932) John Barrymore. A prince plots to kill mad monk Rasputin for the good of the czar, the czarina and Russia.
12:00 p.m. AMC "Rambo: First Blood Part II" ★★½ (1985) Sylvester Stallone.
12:29 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" ★★★ (2007) Daniel Radcliffe. When a new professor's bureaucratic methods leave Hogwarts unprepared to fight the rising tide of evil, Harry teaches a dedicated group of students how to defend against the dark arts.
12:30 p.m. E! "Sydney White" ★★ (2007) Amanda Bynes.
12:45 p.m. TMC "The Upside" ★★ (2017) Kevin Hart
1:00 p.m. FREE "There's Something About Mary" ★★★ (1998) Cameron Diaz. A geek hires a sleazy private eye to report on a woman he has adored since high school.
1:30 p.m. FX "Baby Driver" ★★★½ (2017) Ansel Elgort. Coerced into working for a crime boss, a talented getaway driver must face the music when a doomed heist threatens his life, love and freedom.
2:00 p.m. AMC "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" ★★½ (1997) Jeff Goldblum.
TCM "Night Flight" ★★ (1933) John Barrymore.
HBO "Die Hard 2" ★★★ (1990) Bruce Willis The sequel's police hero spots military terrorists while waiting for his wife at a Washington, D.C., airport.
SHOW "The Grey" ★★★ (2012) Liam Neeson A pack of hungry wolves pursues survivors of a plane crash, who are trekking through the Alaskan wilderness to find civilization.
2:45 p.m. MAX "The Shack" ★★ (2017) Sam Worthington
3:00 p.m. BET "Hustle & Flow" ★★★ (2005) Terrence Howard. A pimp in Memphis, Tenn., sees rap music as the way to escape his dead-end existence and achieve something meaningful.
E! "She's All That" ★★ (1999) Freddie Prinze Jr..
TMC "Casino" ★★★½ (1995) Robert De Niro A New York bookie and his pal turn a Las Vegas casino into an empire, then one's money-hungry wife helps bring it down.
3:30 p.m. FREE "The Wedding Singer" ★★★ (1998) Adam Sandler. A spirited entertainer and a waitress with a boorish fiance work at the same weddings.
TCM "Bulldog Drummond Comes Back" ★★ (1937) John Barrymore.
3:32 p.m. USA "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" ★★★ (2009) Daniel Radcliffe. Dumbledore tries to prepare Harry for the final battle with Voldemort, while Death Eaters wreak havoc in both Muggle and Wizard worlds, and tragedy looms on the horizon.
4:00 p.m. FX "xXx: Return of Xander Cage" ★★ (2017) Vin Diesel.
4:10 p.m. HBO "Jojo Rabbit" ★★★½ (2019) Roman Griffin Davis Jojo is a lonely German boy who discovers that his single mother is hiding a Jewish girl in their attic. Aided only by his imaginary friend — Adolf Hitler — Jojo must confront his blind nationalism as World War II continues to rage on.
4:45 p.m. TCM "Maytime" ★★★ (1937) Jeanette MacDonald. An operatic soprano recalls how she married her teacher and tragically lost the baritone she loved.
5:00 p.m. AMC "Jurassic Park III" ★★½ (2001) Sam Neill.
E! "Never Been Kissed" ★★ (1999) Drew Barrymore.
MAX "Harsh Times" ★★ (2005) Christian Bale
6:00 p.m. FX "The Martian" ★★★½ (2015) Matt Damon. Left behind by his crew, a stranded astronaut must find a way to survive on Mars, while NASA and a team of international scientists work tirelessly to bring him home.
TMC "The Firm" ★★★ (1993) Tom Cruise A law-school grad uncovers a sinister secret about the Tennessee firm that made him an offer he couldn't refuse.
7:00 p.m. AMC "Ghostbusters" ★★★½ (1984) Bill Murray. Armed with proton packs, four paranormal investigators battle mischievous ghouls in New York.
CMTV "Beverly Hills Cop" ★★★ (1984) Eddie Murphy. A hip Detroit detective drives out to Los Angeles and shows local police how to catch a killer.
PARMT "Big" ★★★½ (1988) Tom Hanks. Premiere. A wishing machine turns a boy into a 35-year-old man with a fun job and a girlfriend.
TCM "Grand Hotel" ★★★★ (1932) Greta Garbo. A ballerina, baron, stenographer, bookkeeper and tycoon check into Berlin's Grand Hotel.
MAX "Sanctum" ★★ (2011) Richard Roxburgh
7:30 p.m. E! "What to Expect When You're Expecting" ★★ (2012) Cameron Diaz.
FREE "Jumanji" ★★½ (1995) Robin Williams.
8:05 p.m. HBO "Aquaman" ★★½ (2018) Jason Momoa
8:35 p.m. TMC "The Pelican Brief" ★★★ (1993) Julia Roberts (Premiere) A Washington reporter helps an on-the-run law student who knows too much about a government cover-up.
8:50 p.m. MAX "Happy Death Day 2U" ★★½ (2019) Jessica Rothe
9:00 p.m. FX "The Martian" ★★★½ (2015) Matt Damon. Left behind by his crew, a stranded astronaut must find a way to survive on Mars, while NASA and a team of international scientists work tirelessly to bring him home.
TCM "Dinner at Eight" ★★★★ (1933) Marie Dressler. At least one of the guests misbehaves at a New York society party held for nobility.
9:30 p.m. AMC "Ghostbusters II" ★★½ (1989) Bill Murray.
BRAVO "A League of Their Own" ★★★ (1992) Tom Hanks. Premiere. The All-American Girls Professional Baseball League begins in 1943 with a major-league has-been as a manager.
CMTV "Beverly Hills Cop II" ★★½ (1987) Eddie Murphy.
PARMT "Big" ★★★½ (1988) Tom Hanks. A wishing machine turns a boy into a 35-year-old man with a fun job and a girlfriend.
10:30 p.m. MAX "Long Shot" ★★★ (2019) Seth Rogen Journalist Fred Flarsky unexpectedly reconnects with Charlotte Field — his former baby sitter and childhood crush. When Charlotte makes a run for the presidency, she impulsively hires Fred as her speechwriter — much to the dismay of her advisers.

THURSDAY EVENING

MOVIES

AUGUST 13, 2020

		5 PM	5:30	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30
WABM-MyTV	2	25 Words or Less	America Says	Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline Prisoner escapes with the warden's wife.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent A killer forces couples to choose.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Love Sick"		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing
WBIQ-PBS	4	Splash and Bubbles (El)	Peg & Cat (El)	PBS NewsHour (N)		This Old House	Ask This Old House	Doc Martin Ruth's mystery admirer unnerves her.		Spotlight on Agriculture "Food Safety"		Muscle Shoals to Music Row	
WVTM-NBC	5	WVTM 13 News at 5p (N)	NBC Nightly News - Holt	WVTM 13 News at 6p (N)	WVTM 13 News at 6:3	Coronavirus & the Classroom (N)		Ellen's Game of Games		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		WVTM 13 News at 10p	Tonight Show-J. Fallon
WBRC-FOX	7	WBRC FOX6 News at 5pm	MLB on FOX Pregame (N)	MLB Baseball Milwaukee Brewers at Chicago Cubs. From Wrigley Field in Chicago. (N) (Live)						WBRC FOX6 News at 9pm	WBRC FOX6 News	WBRC FOX6 News at 10pm	(:35) TMZ (N)
WIAT-CBS	8	CBS42 News 5pm (N)	CBS Evening News	CBS42 News 6pm (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Big Brother A houseguest is evicted. (N) (Live)		Young Sheldon	(:31) The Unicorn	Bull Pizzeria owners are sued by a teenager.		CBS42 News 10pm (N)	Late Show-Colbert
WTTO-CW	9	The Goldbergs	2 Broke Girls	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Killer Camp The campmates vote one last time.		Penn & Teller: Fool Us Caleb Wiles; D.K.; Wes Iseli; Alana.		Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	The Andy Griffith Show	The Andy Griffith Show
WPXH-ION	11	Chicago P.D. The team helps Burgess find her sister.		Chicago P.D. A murder is tied to a 17-year-old case.		Chicago P.D. "Fagin" Robberies lead to surprising suspects.		Chicago P.D. "Army of One" A vigilante murders pedophiles.		Chicago P.D. Lindsay's mom becomes a murder suspect.		Chicago P.D. An operation leaves a bystander shot.	
WABM2-ABC	12	ABC 33/40 News at 5PM	ABC World News	ABC 33/40 News at 6PM	Wheel of Fortune	Holey Moley A competitor tries Putter Ducky. (N)		Don't Don't Embarrass Yourself; Don't Drink.		To Tell the Truth Mike Tyson; Deon Cole; Rumer Willis. (N)		ABC 33/40 News at 10PM	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live!
A&E	42	The First 48 An Oklahoma cyclist is gunned down.		The First 48 A man is murdered just before Christmas.		The First 48 Woman killed with knife; patriarch shot.		The First 48 A gruesome discovery inside a car. (N)		(:01) Court Cam (N)	(:32) Court Cam	(:04) Court Cam	(:34) Court Cam
AMC	53	★★ "Jurassic Park III" (2001) Sam Neill, William H. Macy. A search party encounters new breeds of prehistoric terror.				★★★ "Ghostbusters" (1984, Comedy) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Harold Ramis. Four paranormal investigators battle mischievous ghouls.					★★ "Ghostbusters II" (1989, Comedy) Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd, Sigourney Weaver.		
ANPL	47	Deadliest Catch Searching for a missing crab vessel.		Deadliest Catch A storm bears down on Edgar and Bill.		Deadliest Catch "Battle Lines" Sig and Jake have a massive falling out.				Deadliest Catch "First Blood" A daring Coast Guard rescue.		Deadliest Catch Sean and Casey forge an alliance.	
BET	55	(3:00) ★★★ "Hustle & Flow" (2005) Terrence Howard.		No Limit: Chronicles Percy Miller survives poverty.		No Limit: Chronicles Master P builds No Limit.		No Limit: Chronicles Master P takes over the game.		No Limit: Chronicles Infighting threatens to derail No Limit.		No Limit: Chronicles Master P rebrands No Limit.	
BRAVO	58	Southern Charm Old tensions reemerge at JD's party.		The Real Housewives of New York City		The Real Housewives of New York City (N)		The Real Housewives of New York City (N)		Watch What Happens Live	★★★ "A League of Their Own" (1992) Tom Hanks, Geena Davis, Madonna. Premiere.		
CMTV	61	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	★★★ "Beverly Hills Cop" (1984, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold, John Ashton. A Detroit cop goes west to avenge his friend's death.					★★ "Beverly Hills Cop II" (1987, Comedy) Eddie Murphy, Judge Reinhold, Brigitte Nielsen.		
CNBC	35	Mad Money (N)		Shark Tank A socially interactive party game.		Shark Tank A flexible device that eases pain.		Shark Tank An entrepreneur refuses an offer.		Shark Tank A socially interactive party game.		Shark Tank A flexible device that eases pain.	
CNN	37	The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer (N) (Live)		Erin Burnett OutFront (N) (Live)		Coronavirus: Facts and Fears: A CNN Global Town Hall (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (N) (Live)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N) (Live)		CNN Tonight with Don Lemon (N) (Live)	
COM	56	The Office "Weight Loss"	The Office "Weight Loss"	The Office	The Office	The Office "Crime Aid"	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office "Frame Toby"	The Office "The Surplus"	The Daily Show	(:45) The Office "The Duel"
DISN	49	Raven About Bunk'd		"Zombies" (2018) Milo Manheim. Suburban high schoolers learn to coexist with zombies.			(:45) "Zombies 2" (2020) Meg Donnelly. A budding romance is threatened by werewolves.			(:10) Bunk'd	(:35) Bunk'd	Bunk'd "Take the Cake"	(:25) Raven's Home
DSC	43	Great White Double Trouble		Extinct or Alive: Land of the Lost Sharks: Sharkmania (N)		Air Jaws 2020 Shark Week celebrates 20 years. (N)		(:01) Sharkadelic Summer (N)		(:02) Mako Nation The mysteries of the mako shark. (N)		(:03) Expedition Unknown (N)	
E!	21	★★ "Never Been Kissed" (1999, Romance-Comedy) Drew Barrymore, David Arquette, Michael Vartan. A reporter poses as a high-school student.					★★ "What to Expect When You're Expecting" (2012, Comedy) Cameron Diaz, Jennifer Lopez. Impending parenthood turns five couples' lives upside down.					10 Things You Don't Know	Nightly Pop (N)
ESPN	29	(3:00) MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Philadelphia Phillies.		WNBA Basketball Los Angeles Sparks vs Washington Mystics. From IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. (N) (Live)				WNBA Basketball Minnesota Lynx vs Las Vegas Aces. From IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla. (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N) (Live)	
ESPN2	30	SportsCenter (N) (Live)		To Be Announced								NFL Live	
FOOD	45	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Restaurant: Impossible "Reuniting Family in Missouri" McLanks Family Restaurant. (N)			Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay
FREE	48	"The Wedding Singer" (1998)	★ "The Waterboy" (1998, Comedy) Adam Sandler, Kathy Bates. A simpleton's angry outbursts lead to gridiron glory.				★★ "Jumanji" (1995, Children's) Robin Williams, Bonnie Hunt, Kirsten Dunst. A sinister board game puts its players in mortal jeopardy.					The 700 Club Martha MacCallum (book Unknown Valor). (N)	
FS1	20	NASCAR Race Hub (N) (Live)		Formula E Racing Berlin: E-Prix.		MotoAmerica Rewind		NHRA Drag Racing Lucas Oil Summernationals. From Lucas Oil Raceway at Indianapolis.					
FSEE	32	Let's Fish Southeast (N)	Epic Trails "Revelstoke"	Women's College Volleyball Texas at Oklahoma.				Women's College Basketball Oklahoma City at Oklahoma. Exhibition.				Fight Sports: Boxing	
FX	28	(4:00) ★★ "xXx: Return of Xander Cage" (2017, Action)		★★★ "The Martian" (2015, Science Fiction) Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain, Kristen Wiig. A stranded astronaut tries to survive on Mars.						★★★ "The Martian" (2015, Science Fiction) Matt Damon, Jessica Chastain. A stranded astronaut tries to survive on Mars.			
GOLF	82	Golf Central (N) (Live)		Golf U.S. Amateur Championship, Round of 16. From Bandon Dunes Golf Resort in Bandon, Ore. (N) (Live)				PGA Korn Ferry Tour Golf Albertsons Boise Open, First Round. From the Hillcrest Country Club. (N Same-day Tape)				PGA Tour Golf Wyndham Championship, First Round.	
HALL	72	"Sun, Sand & Romance" (2017, Drama) Tricia Helfer, Paul Campbell. Kate meets an old friend during a trip to Cancun.				"The Perfect Bride" (2017, Romance) Pascale Hutton, Kavan Smith. A fitness instructor starts to fall for a client's fiance.				The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls
HGTV	46	Home Town A couple of doctors seek a new home.		Home Town "A Second Chance"		Christina on the Coast (N)	Christina on the Coast (N)	Christina on the Coast "Wellness Remodel" (N)		(:01) House Hunters (N)	House Hunters International	(:01) House Hunters	House Hunters International
HIST	40	Mountain Men Kidd transforms a large wooden boat.		Mountain Men Nancy gives Tom a big surprise.		Mountain Men "Strike it Rich" Josh goes panning for gold.		Mountain Men "The Big Reckoning" Josh hits the jackpot.		(:03) Alone "Pins and Needles" (N)			(:34) Mountain Men
LIFE	23	Wife Swap A mother who performs as a clown.		Married at First Sight Greg and Deonna get creative.		Married at First Sight Kristine and Keith take a trip to Maine.		Married at First Sight It's time for the dinner party. (N)		(:03) Married at First Sight One of the relationships ends. (N)		(:03) Married at First Sight "The Honeymoon Begins"	
MSNBC	36	The Beat With Ari Melber (N) (Live)		The ReidOut (N) (Live)		All In With Chris Hayes (N) (Live)		The Rachel Maddow Show (N) (Live)		The Last Word With Lawrence O'Donnell (N) (Live)		The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N) (Live)	
NGC	22	Life and Death Row Guy Heinze Jr. on trial for his life.		Life and Death Row "Execution" (Part 1 of 3)		Life and Death Row Kelly Hickman attempts to save killers.		Life and Death Row A man is given the death penalty.		(:03) Life and Death Row "Punishment" (Part 2 of 3)		(:03) Life and Death Row The brutal murder of Justin Back.	
PARMT	57	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	★★★ "Big" (1988, Children's) Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins, Robert Loggia. Premiere. A wishing machine turns boy into a man with a job and girlfriend.					★★★ "Big" (1988, Children's) Tom Hanks, Elizabeth Perkins, Robert Loggia.		
TBS	25	Family Guy	Family Guy	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	The Big Bang Theory	Lost Resort Pastor Becca struggles to cope. (N)		Conan "Lauren Lapkus"	Lost Resort
TCM	79	(4:45) ★★★ "Maytime" (1937, Musical) Jeanette MacDonald. A singer forsakes love to wed the man who aided her career.				★★★★ "Grand Hotel" (1932) Greta Garbo, Joan Crawford. Five lives are changed forever at a luxurious Berlin hotel.				★★★★ "Dinner at Eight" (1933) Marie Dressler, Jean Harlow. Society guests act up at New York party for nobility.			
TLC	24	Dr. Pimple Popper Body covered in tumors; unicorn bump.		Dr. Pimple Popper Amber has hundreds of face tumors.		Dr. Pimple Popper Jen has growths on her ears.		Dr. Pimple Popper Gerald is back to see Dr. Lee. (N)		Dr. Pimple Popper "Where Are They Now: Barb" (N)		My Feet Are Killing Me Life-threatening scar on a foot.	
TNT	26	(3:00) NBA Basketball (N)	NBA Basketball (N) (Live)					NBA Basketball (N) (Live)					Inside the NBA (N) (Live)
USA	27	(3:32) ★★★ "Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince" (2009, Children's) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson.				Cannonball "Swimming With Socks" (N)		(:01) Chrisley Knows Best	(:32) Chrisley Knows Best	(:02) Cannonball "Viva el Mustache!" (N)		(:03) Chrisley Knows Best	(:33) Chrisley Knows Best
WE	71	(4:51) Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Love Sick"		(5:51) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars		(6:51) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars		Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars (N)		(:01) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars		(:01) Marriage Boot Camp: Reality Stars	
HBO	518	(4:10) ★★★ "Jojo Rabbit" (2019) 'PG-13'		Perry Mason Mason puts Herman Baggerly on the stand.		Perry Mason Della wants to put Emily on the stand.		(:05) ★★ "Aquaman" (2018, Action) Jason Momoa, Amber Heard, Willem Dafoe. Aquaman must save Atlantis from his power-hungry brother. 'PG-13'					I May Destroy You
MAX	549	★★ "Harsh Times" (2005, Crime Drama) Christian Bale. A Gulf War veteran incites violence in Los Angeles. 'R'				★★ "Sanctum" (2011, Action) Richard Roxburgh, Ioan Gruffudd. Divers become trapped in a South Pacific labyrinth. 'R'				(8:50) ★★ "Happy Death Day 2U" (2019, Horror) Jessica Rothe, Phi Vu. 'PG-13'			★★★ "Long Shot" (2019)
SHOW	578	(4:00) ★ "Countdown"	★ "Jexi" (2019, Comedy) Adam Devine. A man's new cellphone tries to control his life. 'R'			Shameless Fiona lies about her background.		On Becoming a God in Central Florida "Birthday Party"		We Hunt Together Baba rescues Freddy from assault.	Desus & Mero (N)		★ "Countdown" (2019)
TMC	598	(3:00) ★★★ "Casino" (1995) Robert De Niro. 'R'		★★★ "The Firm" (1993, Drama) Tom Cruise, Jeanne Tripplehorn, Gene Hackman. A law-school grad signs on with a sinister Tennessee firm. 'R'				(:35) ★★★ "The Pelican Brief" (1993, Suspense) Julia Roberts, Sam Shepard. Premiere. An inquisitive law student becomes the target of assassins. 'PG-13'					

Best Bets



Acqua Xena Heart stars in "Lost Resort" on TBS.

10 a.m. on GOLF
2020 Bridgestone Senior Players Championship

Postponed from July, the Bridgestone Senior Players Championship tees off today at Firestone Country Club in Akron, Ohio, where the Champions Tour's top players will tee it up on the 7,400-yard Bert Way design. Retief Goosen won this tournament a year ago, birdying his last two holes to defeat Jay Haas and Tim Petrovic by two strokes.

7 p.m. on WTTO
Killer Camp

In "A Killer Finale" for Season 1, the surviving campmates cast their final votes for who they think the killer is, but two campers get into a conflict over clues they've received and mount a final desperate effort to persuade their fellow campers that they're innocent. Before the hour is up, the killer is revealed, although the ultimate fight to prevail could go either way. Bobby Mair is the host.

8 p.m. on HIST
Mountain Men

On his determined quest to find gold, Josh finally hits the jackpot in the season finale, "The Big Reckoning." Elsewhere, Jake braces himself to make a last desperate stand against a massive predator, while Tom puts his homemade dugout canoe to the test. Meanwhile, Kidd and Harry fulfill a lifelong ambition to secure a future for themselves in the mountains, but a heartbroken Eustace watches as his dream of keeping his new land goes up in flames.

9 p.m. on TBS
Lost Resort

Robin finds herself up against pretty much everyone else as the mother-daughter drama continues to play out in this new episode. Maco winds up in a very uncomfortable and unconventional therapy session with Acqua and Vairrun. Meanwhile, a grieving Pastor Becca struggles to process the death of her stillborn son.



Retief Goosen defends his title in the Bridgestone Senior Players Championship, beginning on Golf Channel.

Pearl (from Front)

W.C. Mann
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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman County Animal Shelter's Donna Ruttkay let us know that our latest canine friend Champ was adopted! There's plenty of love to spare at the shelter, though, so here's a bonus Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week:

Pearl is a 1-year-old Vizsla/Setter/Lab mix who's a lively-but-not-hyper, medium-energy pet. She has good spatial awareness, and has become a pro on her leash. She enjoys human company and will gladly take on new challenges with a little encouragement from her people.

Pearl has the makings of a good hiking or companion dog.

Ruttkay said, "She is one of the sweetest dogs. She came in without boundaries and lots of fear. However, with plenty of patience, love and consistency, Pearl is willing to do way more for you!"

Pearl's adoption fee is $100 which includes: DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, spaying, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

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

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

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com. Visit the shelter at 935 Convent Road NE.

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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 J. DANIEL, JR., * CASE NO PC 2020-134
Deceased *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **Randall Daniel**, as Personal Representatives of the Estate of William J. Daniel, Jr., deceased, on the 12th day of August, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Randall Daniel
Personal Representative

Alex Chaney
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Cullman, Al 35056

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

CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA
NOTICE OF TESTING
ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES

Notice is hereby given that testing of the electronic voting machines will take place at the Cullman County Court Referral Building, 2051 Second Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055, on Monday, August 17th, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Wesley M. Moore, City Clerk
City of Cullman, 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: **AD2020-018**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF

A.R.J.D.

A MINOR CHILD. DOB: **08/22/2017**

NOTICE OF PETITION OF ADOPTION TO BE PUBLISHED

TO: NICHOLETTE AMBER DICKEY, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER ANY KNOWN/UNKNOWN PERSON WHO MAY BE THE BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILD BORN TO NICHOLETTE AMBER DICKEY

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

DONE this the 11th day of August, 2020.

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

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

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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: **AD2020-017**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION OF

A.M.A.D.

A MINOR CHILD. DOB: **06/05/2012**

NOTICE OF PETITION OF ADOPTION TO BE PUBLISHED

TO: NICHOLETTE AMBER DICKEY, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER DUSTIN SHANE WILEMON OR ANY KNOWN/UNKNOWN PERSON WHO MAY BE THE BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILD BORN TO NICHOLETTE AMBER DICKEY

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DONE this the 11th day of August, 2020.

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

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

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune
Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2020-126

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CHARLES RICHARD WILLIAMS, SR., DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Charles Richard Williams, Jr. on the 12th day of August, 2020, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Charles Richard Williams, Jr.
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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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 Linda Carrol Gilley Reid to American General Financial Services of Alabama, Inc. dated January 8, 2008; said mortgage being recorded on January 11, 2008, in Book 1550, Page 392, as having been modified by an agreement recorded on January 1, 1900 and recorded in Book 1706, Page 767 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Title Trustee for Truman 2016 SC6 Title Trust by assignment recorded in Deed Book 355, Page 115 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, U.S. Bank, National Association as Legal Title Trustee for Truman 2016 SC6 Title Trust, 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 9th day of September, 2020 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
All that certain property situated in the County of Cullman, and State of Alabama, being described as follows: Commencing 50 feet North of the Southeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 10, Range 1 West, thence North 731 1/2 feet, thence West 696 feet, thence South 731 1/2 feet, thence East 696 feet to the point of beginning, containing 11 2/3 acres, more or less, in Cullman County, Alabama.

Less and Except:

Commencing at the SE corner of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Section 10, Township 10, Range 1 West, thence North 50 feet, thence West 696 feet to the point of commencement of the property hereby conveyed; thence North 295.5 feet, thence East 150 feet, thence South 295.5 feet, thence West 150 feet to the point of commencement, embracing one acre, more or less, in the SW corner of an 11 2/3 acre tract, more or less, and being 150 feet East and West 295.5 feet North and South, on which is located recently constructed home and all improvements and appurtenances thereunto appertaining, and being a part of SW 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 10, Township 10, Range 1 West.

Said property is commonly known as 9841 Hwy 278 East, Holly Pond, AL 35083.
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.

U.S. BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS LEGAL TITLE TRUSTEE FOR TRUMAN 2016 SC6 TITLE TRUST
as holder of said mortgage
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Two North Twentieth
2 20th Street North, Suite 1000
Birmingham, AL 35203
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2020-151

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BENNIE L. COLLUM, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to CATHY S. SMITH and KATHLEEN COLLUM on the 12th day of August, 2020, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

CATHY S. SMITH and KATHLEEN COLLUM
Joint Personal Representatives

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2020-200

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARK ANTHONY MORGAN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Charles Rickey Downs and Anita Jane Downs on the 5th day of August, 2020, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Charles Rickey Downs and Anita Jane Downs
Personal Representatives

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2020-199

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF PAULINE ELIZABETH SMITH, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Michael Lee Smith on the 11th day of August, 2020, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Michael Lee Smith
Personal Representative

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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PB MIN BK 190 PG 200 - 07/28/2020 04:19 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF * CASE NO.: PC2020-185
OMA JEAN CALVERT, *
*
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Michael Calvert, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Oma Jean Calvert, deceased, on the 28th day of July, 2020, 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.

Michael Calvert
Personal Representative

G. Edward Coey
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

EDUCATION

2020 North Alabama BEST Robotics competition postponed

Russell Moore
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The 2020 North Alabama BEST (Boosting Engineering, Science and Technology) Robotics competition scheduled for this fall has been postponed because of the restrictions and precautions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. The North Alabama BEST competition is hosted each October at Wallace State's Tom Drake Coliseum.

Incision Decision was the original game day theme for 2020, and it has been pushed back to next October.

"We look forward to a strong return in 2021," said Todd Hardman, Wallace State's Engineering Technology Department Chair and the North Alabama BEST Director.

"The good news is the folks at BEST national are working hard to develop online game plans to keep students engaged in BEST this fall.

"You can register for those activities through their national registry."

Teams can register here: https://registry.bestrobotics.org/

Athens Bible School won its first North Alabama BEST competition last October. Marshall Technical Academy also advanced from Wallace State to the BEST regional event.

For more information about Wallace State, visit www.wallacestate.edu.





