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'BERNARD BLUES AND BBQ' DEEMED A SUCCESS



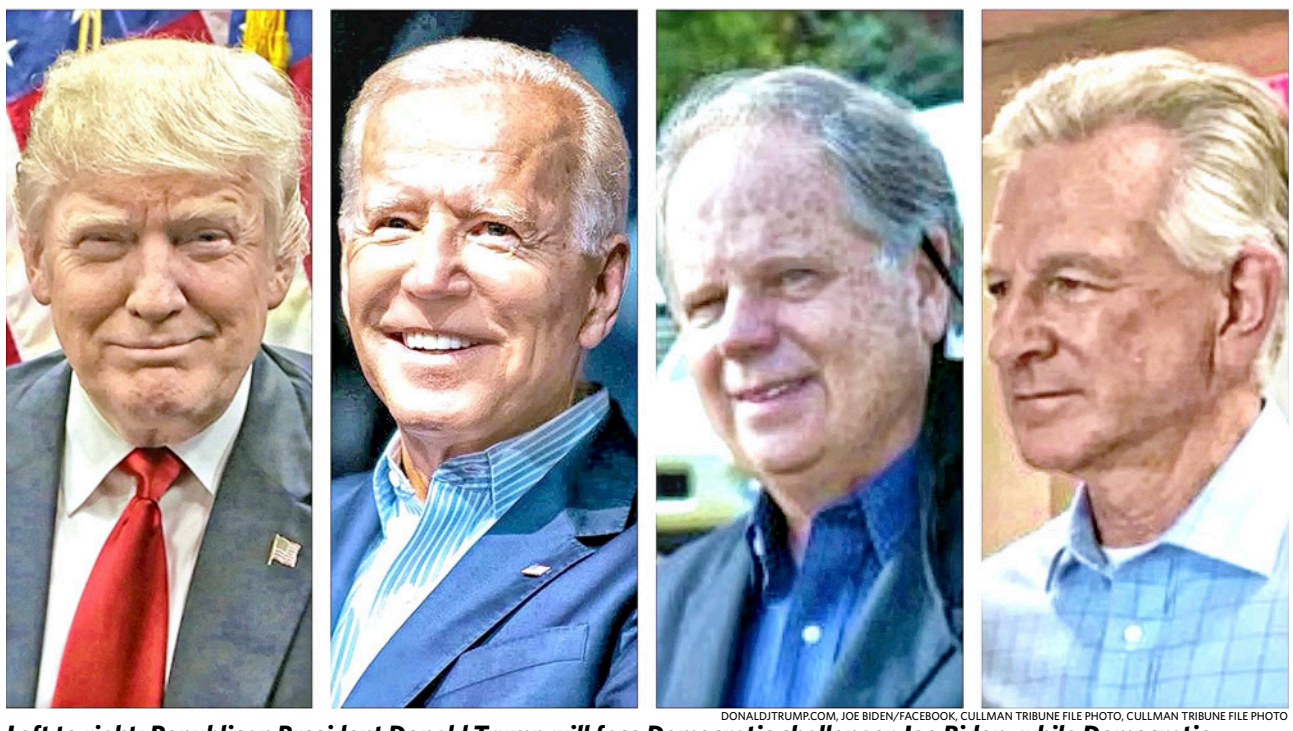
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According to planners, attendance numbers for the festival were good, despite COVID challenges. » PAGE 8

– POLITICS –

IT'S ELECTION DAY

What Cullman County voters need to know



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Left to right: Republican President Donald Trump will face Democratic challenger Joe Biden, while Democratic Sen. Doug Jones will face Republican challenger Tommy Tuberville in the Tuesday, Nov. 3 General Election.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Voters across the nation will head to the polls today, Tuesday, Nov. 3 to cast their ballots in the 2020 General Election. Polls are open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. in Alabama.

Find your polling location at www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes.

All Alabama voters are required to show photo identification before voting. Types of IDs accepted are a valid driver's license, valid nondriver ID, valid Alabama photo voter ID, valid state-issued ID, valid federal-issued ID, valid US passport, valid employee ID from federal government, State of Alabama, county, municipality, board or other entity of this state, valid student or employee ID from a public or private college or university in the State of Alabama (including postgraduate technical or professional schools), valid military ID or valid tribal ID.

The Tribune will be posting election results as they come in at www.Facebook.com/CullmanTribune.

See a sample ballot on page 6.

Here's what Cullman County voters will see on their ballots in the Nov. 3, 2020 General Election:

Straight Party Voting
- Alabama Democratic Party
- Alabama Republican Party

For President and Vice-President of the United States
- Joseph R. Biden and Kamala D. Harris- Democrat
- Donald J. Trump and Michael R. Pence- Republican
- Jo Jorgensen and Jeremy "Spike" Cohen- Independent
- Write-in

For United States Senator
- Doug Jones- Democrat
- Tommy Tuberville- Republican
- Write-in

For United States Representative 4th Congressional District
- Rick Neighbors- Democrat
- Robert Aderholt- Republican
- Write-in

For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Place No. 1
- Greg Shaw- Republican
- Write-in

For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Place No. 2
- Brad Mendheim- Republican
- Write-in

For Court of Civil Appeals Judge, Place No 1
- William C. "Bill" Thompson- Republican
- Write-in

For Court of Civil Appeals Judge, Place No. 2
- Matt Fridy- Republican
- Write-in

For Court of Criminal Appeals Judge, Place No. 1
- Mary Windom- Republican
- Write-in

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Curt's Closet makes 1st step toward new, larger facility; McAlister's Deli site plan approved



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Ashley Wilson addresses the Cullman City Planning Commission about plans for the relocation and expansion of Curt's Closet at Monday evening's meeting. » PAGE 8

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Colony Town Council holds organizational meeting in absence of new mayor



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Council members (left to right) Ethel Alexander, Jasmine Cole, Samuel Ashford and Eric Carwell, along with Town Clerk Patricia Ponder, go on with Colony's organizational meeting Monday morning. » PAGE 8

PET OF THE WEEK

PUPPY TIME: Jingles all the way!



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Jingles » PAGE 8

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Election (from Front)

For Court of Criminal Appeals Judge, Place No. 2
- Beth Kellum- Republican
- Write-in

For President, Public Service Commission
- Laura Casey- Democrat
- Twinkle Andress Cavanaugh- Republican
- Write-in

For Cullman County Commission Chairman
- Jeff "Clem" Clemons- Republican
- Write-in

For Cullman County Revenue Commissioner
- Barry Willingham- Republican
- Write-in

For Member, Cullman County Board of Education, District No. 1
- Gene Sullins- Republican
- Write-in

For Member, Cullman County Board of Education, District No. 3
- Heath Allbright- Republican
- Write-in

For Member, Cullman County Board of Education, District No. 5
- Wayne Myrex- Republican
- Write-in

There will be six statewide amendments on the ballot. Explanations of those amendments are included here.

Statewide Amendment 1
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to amend Article VIII of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 177 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to provide that only a citizen of the United States has the right to vote. (Proposed by Act 2019-330)

The state constitution grants the right to vote to U.S. citizens who meet certain requirements. This amendment does not change those requirements.

If a majority of voters vote "yes" for Amendment 1, the state constitution will grant the right to vote to "only" those U.S. citizens who meet the requirements.

If a majority of voters vote "no" for Amendment 1, the state constitution will continue to grant the right to vote to "every" U.S. citizen who meets the requirements.
- Yes
- No

Statewide Amendment 2
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to increase the membership of the Judicial Inquiry Commission and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the membership of the Court of the Judiciary and further provide for the appointment of the additional members; further provide for the process of disqualifying an active judge; repeal provisions providing for the impeachment of Supreme Court Justices and appellate judges and the removal for cause of the judges of the district and circuit courts, judges of the probate courts, and judges of certain other courts by the Supreme Court; delete the authority of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to appoint an Administrative Director Courts; provide the Supreme Court of Alabama with authority to appoint an Administrative Director of Courts; require the Legislature to establish procedures for the appointment of the Administrative Director of Courts; delete the requirement that a district court hold court in each incorporated municipality with a population of 1,000 or more where there is no municipal court; provide that the procedure for the filling of vacancies in the office of a judge may be changed by local constitutional amendment; delete certain language relating to the position of constable holding more than one state office; delete a provision providing for the temporary maintenance of the prior judicial system; repeal the office of circuit solicitor; and make certain nonsubstantive stylistic changes. (Proposed by Act 2019-187)

If a majority of voters approve Amendment 2, a separate bill passed by the Legislature (Act 2019-497) will become law. This act creates a process to fill vacancies in the position of Administrative Director of Courts.

This amendment proposes six changes to the state's judicial system. In summary, this amendment:

1. Provides that county district courts do not have to hold city court in a city with a population of less than 1,000;

2. Allows the Alabama Supreme Court, rather than the Chief Justice, to appoint the Administrative Director of Courts;

3. Increases from 9 to 11 the total membership of the Judicial Inquiry Commission and determines who appoints each member (the Judicial Inquiry Commission evaluates ethics complaints filed against judges);

4. Allows the Governor, rather than the Lieutenant Governor, to appoint a member of the Court of the Judiciary (the Court of the Judiciary hears complaints filed by the Judicial Inquiry Commission);

5. Prevents a judge from being automatically disqualified from holding office simply because a complaint was filed with the Judiciary Inquiry Commission; and

6. Provides that a judge can be removed from office only by the Court of the Judiciary.

If a majority of voters vote "yes" on Amendment 2, these provisions become law.

If a majority of voters vote "no" on Amendment 2, there will be no change to current law.
- Yes
- No

Statewide Amendment 3
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a judge, other than a judge of probate, appointed to fill a vacancy would serve an initial term until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election after the judge has completed two years in office. (Proposed by Act 2019-346)

This amendment changes the initial term of a judge that is appointed to fill a vacancy due to death, resignation, retirement, or removal. The current law and this proposed amendment do not apply to probate judges.

Under current law, the initial term of office for a person appointed to fill a vacancy in a judgeship shall last until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after the person has completed one year in office or the remainder of the original term of the judge elected to the office which is vacant, whichever is longer.

The term of the appointment could vary widely due to the years left in the original term. At the election, the judicial office shall be filled for a full term.

Under this amendment, a judge appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve an initial term lasting until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after the person has completed two years in office. At the election, the judicial office shall be filled for a full term.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 3, the initial appointment to fill a judicial vacancy will last until the first Monday after the second Tuesday in January following the next general election held after the person has completed one year in office or the remainder of the original term of the judge elected to the office which is vacant, whichever is longer.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 3, then the length of appointment to fill a judicial vacancy will not change.
- Yes
- No

Statewide Amendment 4
Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Legislature to recompile the Alabama Constitution and submit it during the 2022 Regular Session, and provide a process for its ratification by the voters of this state. (Proposed by Act 2019-271)

Alabama's constitution can be changed only during a constitutional convention or when a majority of voters approve a constitutional amendment.

If a majority of voters vote "yes" on Amendment 4, the Alabama Legislature, when it meets in 2022, would be allowed to draft a rearranged version of the state constitution. This draft could only (1) remove racist language, (2) remove language that is repeated or no longer applies, (3) combine language related to economic development, and (4) combine language that relates to the same county. No other changes could be made.

Even if passed by the Alabama Legislature, this rearranged version would not become law until it was approved by a majority of voters.

If a majority of voters vote "no" on Amendment 4, the Alabama Legislature could not draft a rearranged version of the state constitution.
- Yes
- No

Statewide Amendment 5
Relating to Franklin County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2019-194)

Alabama's "Stand Your Ground" law allows a person to legally use physical force against another person under certain conditions. The law does not require the person to retreat before using physical force.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote "yes" on Amendment 5, and if, in addition, a majority of voters in Franklin County vote "yes" on Amendment 5, the state constitution would contain a special "Stand Your Ground" law that applies to churches in Franklin County only.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote "no" on Amendment 5, or, if a majority of voters in Franklin County vote "no" on Amendment 5, the state constitution would not contain a special "Stand Your Ground" law that applies to churches in Franklin County.
- Yes
- No

Statewide Amendment 6
Relating to Lauderdale County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that a person is not liable for using deadly physical force in self-defense or in the defense of another person on the premises of a church under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2019-193)

Alabama's "Stand Your Ground" law allows a person to legally use physical force against another person under certain conditions. The law does not require the person to retreat before using physical force.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote "yes" on Amendment 6, and if, in addition, a majority of voters in Lauderdale County vote "yes" on Amendment 6, the state constitution would contain a special "Stand Your Ground" law that applies to churches in Lauderdale County only.

If a majority of voters in Alabama vote "no" on Amendment 6, or, if a majority of voters in Lauderdale County vote "no" on Amendment 6, the state constitution would not contain a special "Stand Your Ground" law that applies to churches in Lauderdale County.
- Yes
- No

Read more about the amendments at www.sos.alabama.gov/alabama-votes/voter/ballot-measures/statewide.

COVID-19 and voting
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Alabama Department of Public Health ADPH recommend the following practices for voters:

- Wash your hands before entering and after leaving the polling location.
- While at the polls, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer containing at least 60% alcohol frequently, especially after touching surfaces frequently touched by multiple people, such as door handles.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or the inside of your elbow. Throw used tissues away in lined trash cans
- Wear a facial covering unless you have trouble breathing, are incapacitated or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance. Children younger than 2 should not wear masks.
- Maintain at least 6 feet (about two arms' length) of distance from others. Continue social distancing even when wearing masks.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Notice from the City of Cullman Municipal Government:
• LINCOLN AVENUE (between U.S. Highway 278 and The Tool Shed) will be CLOSED by the Street Department beginning MONDAY, NOV. 2, 2020, at 7 A.M. The street will be closed until work is completed.
• Please avoid this area, if possible, and share with anyone who may be affected by this project.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Monday and Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Church Services
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• Prayer meetings- Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Please join us to pray or come for prayer.
• "Events of the End Times" Bible study with Pastor Bobby Dodd- Wednesdays at 6 p.m.
• Sunday mornings- 10 a.m. adult, youth and children's classes; 11 a.m. children's classes; praise and worship, and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd

Smoked Turkey & Ham Fundraiser
• Proceeds support the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation.
• Let Freddie Day Catering cook your Thanksgiving ham or turkey! Order your delicious, slow-smoked 11-13 lb. turkey or 8-9 lb. ham and support the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation.
• When: Pre-orders accepted until Nov. 13 (must be paid in full when order is placed)
• Cost: Turkey $25 Ham $35
• Curbside pickup: Nov. 21 from 10-11 a.m. and Nov. 25 from 4-5 p.m.
• Location: Freddie Day Catering 1628 2nd Ave. NW
• For ordering information, contact Louise Cole at 256-503-5301 or Judy Grissom at 256-347-5993.
• Email us at ccbbfinc@gmail.com or visit www.CullmanBosomBuddies.com.

Emergency Blood Drive
• Wednesday, Nov. 4 from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Cullman County Courthouse
• Donors will receive a T-shirt, coupons for LawLers Barbecue and Papa Murphy's Pizza, and all donors will be tested for COVID-19 antibodies.
• Donors must be 17 or older (16 with written parental consent) and weigh 110 lbs. or more and show photo ID.

North Alabama Hemp Roundtable
• Thursday, Nov. 5 from 9-11 a.m. at Camp Meadowbrook, 2344 County Road 747, Cullman, AL 35058
• Max attendees: 30
• Register at www.aces.edu/event/north-alabama-hemp-roundtable

Church Food Bazaar
• Friday, Nov. 6, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mt. Zion Methodist Church (U.S. Highway 31 North, next to the Cullman Area Technology Academy (Career Center) in Vinemont
• Baked goods for sale. Lunch will be served from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Carry-out available.
• Proceeds go to the Mt. Zion UMW women's group.

Mt. Olive Church Ladies Christmas Bazaar
• Saturday, Nov. 7, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Simcoe Community Center, 4225 Alabama Highway 69, Cullman
• Everything will be outside in tents.
• Famous homemade desserts – cookies, cakes, pies and more – original arts and crafts and yard sale items
• No soup this year due to COVID-19
• Benefits Christmas Love program and Samaritan's Purse shoebox ministry

St. Paul's Lutheran School Fall Flea Market
• Saturday, Nov. 7, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. in the back parking lot of the church and inside the gym. Santa Claus will be making a stop between 9 a.m.-noon for those who would want to get their lists to him early!
• Forty vendor spots are available: $15 for space outside or $30 for a space inside the gym with an option to set up the night before. Spaces are going quickly. If you or your business is interested in renting a booth for the Fall Flea Market, contact Emily Trahan at emilytrahan@stpaulscullman.com.

Farm Kids Club Harvest Cooking Class
• Saturday, Nov. 7, from 9-10:30 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex, www.agriplex.org
• Perfect class for your chef in training! We will use nature's fall bounty to prepare a healthy & delicious individual feast all taught by a real chef! Each child will take home an apron, chef's hat, cooking tools & recipes. Classes will be under the pavilion so dress appropriately. $5 per child, adults are free, max cost is $10 per family.

Cullman County Veterans Day Celebration
• Saturday, Nov. 7, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Cullman Regional Airport, 231 County Road 1360, Vinemont, AL 35179
• This year's event will include original WWII aircraft that have not been to Cullman before, as well as opportunities to get face-to-face with a few of the last remaining representatives of that body of military veterans called "America's Greatest Generation," and a chance to honor the young troops who have served this generation in the Middle East.
• Free admission and free parking
• Organizers say the event will be in full compliance with state health directives, including masks and social distancing.
• www.cullmanveteransday.com

Bryant Brothers Automotive Track Day / Car Show 2020
• Sunday, Nov. 8, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Baileyton Drag Strip, 1582 Summit Road, Baileyton, AL 35019
• WAKE UP AND SMELL THE RACE FUEL! Bryant Brothers Automotive is hosting another exciting day at the track. We will be running test and tune, grudge racing and a car show. Track will be fully prepped. Get those vehicles out of storage and come have some fun with us! We will be giving out trophies out for the car show. We look forward to seeing our friends and family!

Holly Pond Bronco Band Swamp John's Dinner
• Sunday, Nov. 8 from 11 a.m-2 p.m. in the Holly Pond lunchroom
• $11 per plate, carry out or walk in (drive-thru not available)
• See www.facebook.com/HP-BroncoBand for more information.

Cullman Education Retirees Association Meeting
• Thursday, Nov. 12 at 11 a.m. at Stone Bridge Farms in the meeting room (right of main dining room)
• All education retirees are invited to attend. Our program will be presented by Southern Eats. Following the program, we will have a brief business session and then enjoy lunch together.

Little Farmers Up in the Garden, Down in the Dirt
• Friday, Nov. 13, from 10-11 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex, www.agriplex.org
• Meet worm friends and try a little 'dirt' pudding! We will feature Kate Messner's adorable children's book 'Up in the Garden, Down in the Dirt' for this fun preschool program. This program is for ages 3-5 with their adult. Classes are $5 per child.

Thanksgiving Revival with Dr. David Smith and Dr. David Beck
Sunday, Nov. 15 at 5 p.m. and Monday-Wednesday, Nov. 16-18 at 6:30 p.m. at Cross Baptist Church, 23654 U.S. Highway 31, Falkville, AL 35622

Heritage Skills Favorite Ferments
• Tuesday, Nov. 17, from 6-8 p.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex, www.agriplex.org
• We are featuring local farmer Mae Jefferson from Wild Rows Farm. A brief history of fermenting, a beginners guide to the process of fermentation, and an explanation of the health benefits will all be covered! Mae will do a sauerkraut demonstration and each participant will take home some kraut and a SCOBY (kombucha culture). Cost is $10 per person. Registration required.

Heritage Homeschool Woodworking
• Thursday, Nov. 19, from 9-11 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex, www.agriplex.org
• Students will use basic hand tools to make a woodworking project to take home. Due to the hands on nature of this program, no unregistered siblings allowed. Students may require assistance from their adults. Local members of the Woodworkers Guild will be on hand to help! Cost is $8 per child, max is $16 per family. Program is for kindergarten and up.

Vinemont Band Booster Craft Show
• Friday, Nov. 20 from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 21 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at Cullman Church of Christ, 4345 AL Hwy. 157, Cullman, AL 35058
• Free admission. Door prizes and concessions. $500 cash raffle at noon Nov. 21.

Kids Loving Kids
• Dec. 12 at Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• A community outreach that provides clothes and toys for children and teens. Help us provide for those in need by donating gently used clothes or toys, new toys or cash! Bring donations to the church Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Call Joanne at 256-339-4138 to arrange a different time to drop items off. Call Alisha at 205-717-7478 to arrange for pick-up. To register to receive these items, sign up on Kids Loving Kid's Facebook page or go to https://form.jotform.com/202483601332041.

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 2

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 2, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Oct. 29

- domestic violence; CR 1583
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; I-65 SB/MM 308
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 1339
- harassment; New Hope Road
- harassment; CR 1447
- domestic violence; CR 1651
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 N
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 617
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 8

Oct. 30

- trespassing; CR 1071
- menacing; Hwy. 69 S
- possession of drug paraphernalia, violation of a protection order; I-65 NB/MM 307
- criminal mischief; CR 1742
- violation of a protection order; Colony Road
- theft of property, trespassing; Leonard Road

Oct. 31

- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, illegal possession of prescription drugs, unlawful possession of marijuana; CR 940
- unlawful possession of marijuana, illegal possession of prescription drugs, carrying a pistol without a permit; I-65 NB/MM 308
- violation of a protection order; Day Gap Road
- domestic violence; CR 1763
- theft of property; CR 1206
- resisting arrest, domestic violence; CR 1508

Nov. 1

- domestic violence; Hwy. 69 S
- domestic violence; CR 542
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 N
- burglary; CR 1573
- harassment; CR 437
- domestic violence; CR 398
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 463/CR 459

ARRESTS

Oct. 29

Amerson, Mary Louise, 47

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Bell, Leslie Harris, 44

- second-degree theft of property

Fields, Terry Wayne, 61

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance
- FTA- trafficking in methamphetamine

Gilham, Stacie Rene, 43

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Haynes, Jeremy Ashton, 32

- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hazelrig, Jason Ray, 43

- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

James, Jennifer Dianne, 48

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Kilpatrick, Justin Todd, 57

- plea agreement- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Monroe, Ashley Christian Todd, 35

- third-degree theft of property

Scott, Kenneth Roger, 48

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Smith, Morgan Kane, 35

- FTA- DUI- influence of alcohol

Smith, Timothy Maynard, 34

- FTA- harassment
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- third-degree promoting prison contraband
- FTA- public intoxication

Oct. 30- Nov. 1

Bagwell, Susan Banks, 56

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance

Baker, Robin Lee, 48

- third-degree burglary

Banks, Christina Deshon, 41

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Barton, Brian Randy, 39

- FTA- driving while revoked

Crumbley, Amanda Black, 38

- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument
- truancy

Culver, Dion Darnell, 31

- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Freeman, Abigail Brianna, 24

- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Gohn, Tonya Day, 44

- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassing communication

Hale, Johnathan Blake, 29

- FTA- speeding-reasonable & prudent

Harris, Nathan Dewayne, 32

- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Herring, Jonathan Micheal, 28

- carrying a pistol without a license
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

Kilpatrick, Justin Kenneth, 32

- FTA- DUI- influence of alcohol

Maddox, Courtney Marie, 29

- judge's order- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Malcom, Rodney, 53

- violation of a protection order

Martin, Billy Joe, 46

- FTA- driving while revoked

Martin, Matthew Kenneth, 30

- custodial sexual misconduct

Miller, Deja Bryana, 18

- illegal possession or use of a credit or debit card

Moore, David Joseph, 39

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- first-degree unlawful possession of marijuana-personal use
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Nickelson, Loyd Berton, 35

- third-degree criminal trespassing

Peak, Brian Derrick, 50

- carrying a pistol without a license
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- illegal possession of prescription medicine
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Pickett Jr., Charles Wayne, 39

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- violation of a domestic violence protection order

Reece, Christopher Allen, 48

- FTA- DUI- alcohol and controlled substance
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Sears, Bridget Nichole, 35

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment
- resisting arrest

Smith, Roger Dale, 38

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Stanfield, Dustin Harry, 40

- FTA- third-degree burglary

Whittle, Amber Rae, 33

- FTA- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle

Woods, Arron Blake, 20

- probation violation- second-degree theft of property (2 counts)
- probation violation- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle (without theft) (4 counts)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 27

- identity theft; person

Oct. 28

- third-degree criminal trespassing; person; Hickory Ave. SW

Oct. 29

- harassment; person; CR 222

Oct. 30

- third-degree criminal mischief; person; Tanner Dr. NW; damaged tire; $10
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; Legion Dr. NW

Oct. 31

- third-degree criminal trespassing; person; 5th St. SW
- second-degree theft of lost property; person; Hwy. 157; wallet and contents
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment; person; 3rd Ave. SE
- second-degree theft of lost property; person; Cullman Shopping Center; wallet and contents
- third-degree domestic violence- menacing; person; Fox Meadow Trail SE

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- fourth-degree theft of property; Verizon Wireless; Hwy. 157; miscellaneous; $250
- third-degree criminal mischief; person; Broad St. NE; damaged door; $300
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; 7th St. SW; bicycle; $88

ARRESTS

Oct. 30

Monroe, Ashley C., 35

- FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- public intoxication

Speegle, Jesse A., 32

- public intoxication

Fields, Terry J., 41

- public intoxication

Husted, Lacy H., 36

- first-degree receiving stolen property
- fraudulent use of a credit or debit card
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Logan, Angela D., 36

- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Moore, David J., 39

- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- FTA- switched tag (3 counts)
- FTA- no seatbelt
- FTA- improper lights
- FTA- running a stop sign
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- improper lane usage (2 counts)
- FTA- failure to register vehicle
- FTA- failure to signal
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree receiving stolen property

Oct. 31

Graves, Kevin D., 34

- third-degree criminal trespassing

Oden, Hannah G., 24

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- public intoxication

Bentley, Amanda D., 43

- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Ayala, Jessica M., 32

- fugitive from justice

Donaldson, Richard S., 48

- third-degree domestic violence- menacing

Miller, Deja B., 18

- possession of drug paraphernalia

Nov. 1

Peak, Brian D., 50

- FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing

Eslava, Gloria P., 36

- FTA- driving without a license
- FTA- running a stop sign
- FTA- insurance violation

Reece, Christopher A., 48

- FTA- DUI
- FTA- failure to signal
- FTA- leaving the scene of an accident
- FTA- insurance violation (4 counts)
- FTA- failure to register vehicle (2 counts)
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- reckless driving
- FTA- driving while suspended

Deaton, Sean M., 22

- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Elms, Randy L., 25

- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Harris, Charles S., 26

- FTA- DUI

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, Nov. 2, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 165,984 (+745 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 28,908 (+162 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 2,767 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 206
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 2,250 (+25 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 616 (+10 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 19 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 6
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 20,775
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,857
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 617
- Total tested in Alabama: 1,356,420
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 21,744
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 98,343
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 967
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 20,450

Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 81,005

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

LEGALS

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Building Inspection Department

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City of Cullman
Zoning Board of Adjustments

On Monday, November 16, 2020, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Zoning Board of Adjustments, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Variance request for Meadowbrook Subdivision – Lot 309 & Lot 205

For further information contact Brian Landreth or Amber Duke at the City of Cullman Building Department at 256-775-7203.

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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 *
JESSIE SUE SMITH * CASE NO PC 2020-291
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Testamentary having been granted to Susan Elise Smith Kraft as Personal Representative of the Estate of Jessie Sue Smith, deceased, on the 30th day of October, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, 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.

Susan Elise Smith Kraft
Personal Representative

Pro Se

To : The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

Please publish the foregoing notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of:)
)
MARK LYN GOURLEY,) Case No. PC-2020-224
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Timothy Gourley, as Administrator of the Estate of Mark Lyn Gourley, deceased, on the 16th day of October, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

Timothy Gourley
Administrator of the Estate of
Mark Lyn Gourley, deceased.

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, Judge of Probate

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YOUTH FOOTBALL

Cyclones take Pee-Wee, Fireplug championships, Vinemont wins Wee-Wee title



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The Vinemont Eagles defeated the Cullman Cyclones Saturday to win this year's county Wee-Wee championship



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Cullman Cyclones defeated the Cullman Bearcats Saturday to win this year's county Fireplug championship



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Cullman Cyclones defeated West Point Saturday to win this year's county Pee-Wee championship

Sammy Confer
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CULLMAN, Ala. - Saturday marked the end of the 2020 Cullman County Youth Football season and what a way to end it. Six games were on slate for today, including a trio of championship games that had everyone on the edge of their seats. In the end, three teams were crowned champions and three teams finished in third place. The Pee-Wee games saw Cold Springs edge out the Raiders for third place while the Cyclones shut out West Point to win back-to-back titles. The Fireplug games featured a Raiders shut out over Vinemont to clinch third place while the Cyclones also made it back-to-back Fireplug championships with a win over the Bearcats. In Saturday's Wee-Wee games, the Raiders rolled past the Outlaws for third place and Vinemont edged out the Cyclones in a thrilling contest to claim the county championship.

Pee-Wee Matchups:

- Third place game: Cold Springs 8 - Bearcats 6
- Championship Game: Cyclones 16 - Warriors 0

Fireplug Matchups:

- Third place game: Raiders 14 - Vinemont 0
- Championship Game: Cyclones 34 - Bearcats 24

Wee-Wee Matchups:

- Third place game: Raiders 34 - Outlaws 8
- Championship Game: Vinemont 20 - Cyclones 12

Wallace State cross country teams win 3rd consecutive ACCC titles

Russell Moore
WSCC Athletics

HANCEVILLE, ALA. – Wallace State's cross-country teams are Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) champions for the third consecutive season, both cruising to the titles at Huntsville's John Hunt Park over the weekend.

Wallace State's men's team, ranked seventh nationally, accounted for seven of the top eight finishers in the 8K, including the 2020 individual ACCC champion Jonathan Jenkins.

For the sixth-ranked women, the Lady Lions secured spots 2-6 in the 5K, paced by individual runner-up Jennifer Aviles, Jaycee Biffle and Juliana Ballew.

"This has been a tough year and all of our runners have been on board. We've tried to go the extra mile to stay safe, remain in our bubble and not let outside influences distract us. Our team has handled those challenges well," said Wallace State coach Stan Narewski. "Each runner has improved throughout the course of the year. Both teams deserve this championship."

Wallace State's men's program has now won eight conference titles, while the women have won five.

Wallace State's men won the championship in dominating fashion. Jenkins, a sophomore from Beauregard, finished with a 26:48.03, continuing his strong sophomore season. He was named the 2020 ACCC Runner of the Year.

Jenkins has registered Wallace State's top finish in four meets this season.

"It's a huge accomplishment for us to win. We push each other to be the best we can be. It has been challenging and stressful at times this season, but we're a strong team," Jenkins said. "We believe we have unfinished business. We have two weeks to prepare to make noise at nationals."

Added Narewski: "Jonathan Jenkins has been tremendous for us and has developed into a true leader over the past month."

Jenkins and fellow sophomore Taylor Nails finished among the top eight at the conference meet for second straight season.

Nails finished runner-up, clocking in at 27:42.75 for the Lions, while freshman Raleigh Stamps was third with a 27:57.38. Trentan Williams secured the fourth spot with a 28:02.29.

Rounding out the top eight were Marion Military Institute's Orrin Miller and Wallace State's Dakota Sheppard (28:39.31), Jikori James (28:45.71) and Jonathan Collett (28:46.08).

Blake Terry finished 10th overall for the Lions, clocking in at 28:59.56. Sophomore Dave Hubert was 14th (30:19.18), Cole Akridge (31:01.55) placed 17th and Jason Manstream recorded a 32:05.18.

"We'll try to show out again in two weeks. We're grateful to be able to run. We're the only Wallace State team competing for a championship this fall," Nails said. "We've worked hard and balanced staying in the bubble, training and online school."

For the Wallace State women, Aviles, Biffle and Cassidy Winter have proved to be a strong combination in 2020 with each finishing at the top of the pack for the Lady Lions all season. Sophomore Juliana Ballew threw her name into the mix at the conference meet.

Aviles placed as the individual runner-up with a 21:11.12, followed by Biffle (3rd) with a 21:18.27, Ballew (4th) with a 21:39.06 and Winter (5th) with a 21:42.65.

"Jennifer, Jaycee and Cassidy are all freshmen and will continue to improve. All three have a chance to run in the low 19s next season, and if they do that, someone big will scoop them up," Narewski said. "I'm also proud of Juliana's finish."

Wallace State also secured the sixth and seventh spots respectively with Breanna Smith clocking in at 21:45.07 and Ally Amerson at 21:48.90.

Rounding out the field for the women were Maggie Graham (22:47.86), Katie O'Malley (23:53.41) and Logan Ayers (25:39.07).

Aviles, a Cullman grad, was impressive in her first ACCC championship meet.

"I've felt stronger the past few weeks after battling some injuries. I went out and tried to maintain a steady pace," Aviles said. "I'm proud of how hard our team has worked."



WSCC ATHLETICS



WSCC ATHLETICS

Both Wallace State cross country teams won their third consecutive ACCC championships.

Narewski was named the 2020 ACCC Men's and Women's Coach of the Year.

"Our runners have stayed positive and trained hard. I credit (assistant coach) Tony Crider for maintaining that atmosphere and appreciate trainer Katy Chauvin for keeping us healthy. They're two of the best at what they do," Narewski said.

Wallace State competes next at the NJCAA Division II National Championship in Fort Dodge, Iowa, on Nov. 14.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.wallacestate.edu/athleticsfb.



W.C. MANN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Trowbridge family and friends celebrate Halloween in style at their Fourth Avenue Southeast home.

LIFESTYLE

Cullman Historic District home becomes Jurassic Park for a night

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman's Historic District got a little more historic Saturday night as a home at the intersection of Fourth Avenue Southeast and Eighth Street Southeast was transformed into Jurassic Park for the neighborhood Halloween celebration. Tiffany and Adam Trowbridge and their family, along with Tiffany's best friend Lisa Summerford and others, installed a volcano in their front yard, then filled the yard with T-Rexes, paleontologists and even a few park staffers riding velociraptors!

Summerford told The Tribune, "Last year, our daughters wanted to be a herd of dinosaurs for the following year, and we said, 'Okay, we're dressing everybody up as dinosaurs.

"We should do Jurassic Park because it's scary. And we did it; we created it!"

Tiffany Trowbridge pointed out, "It took an army to do this. We all have dinosaur costumes, and we said, 'There's a guy who drives around in the Jurassic Park Jeep that we need to know."

As it turns out, there was someone in the family circle who knew Cameron Dingler, owner of the vehicle painted and marked in the pattern of the original "Jurassic Park" movie that is occasionally seen running around town, and he was perfectly willing to bring the Jeep over and park it right in the front yard.

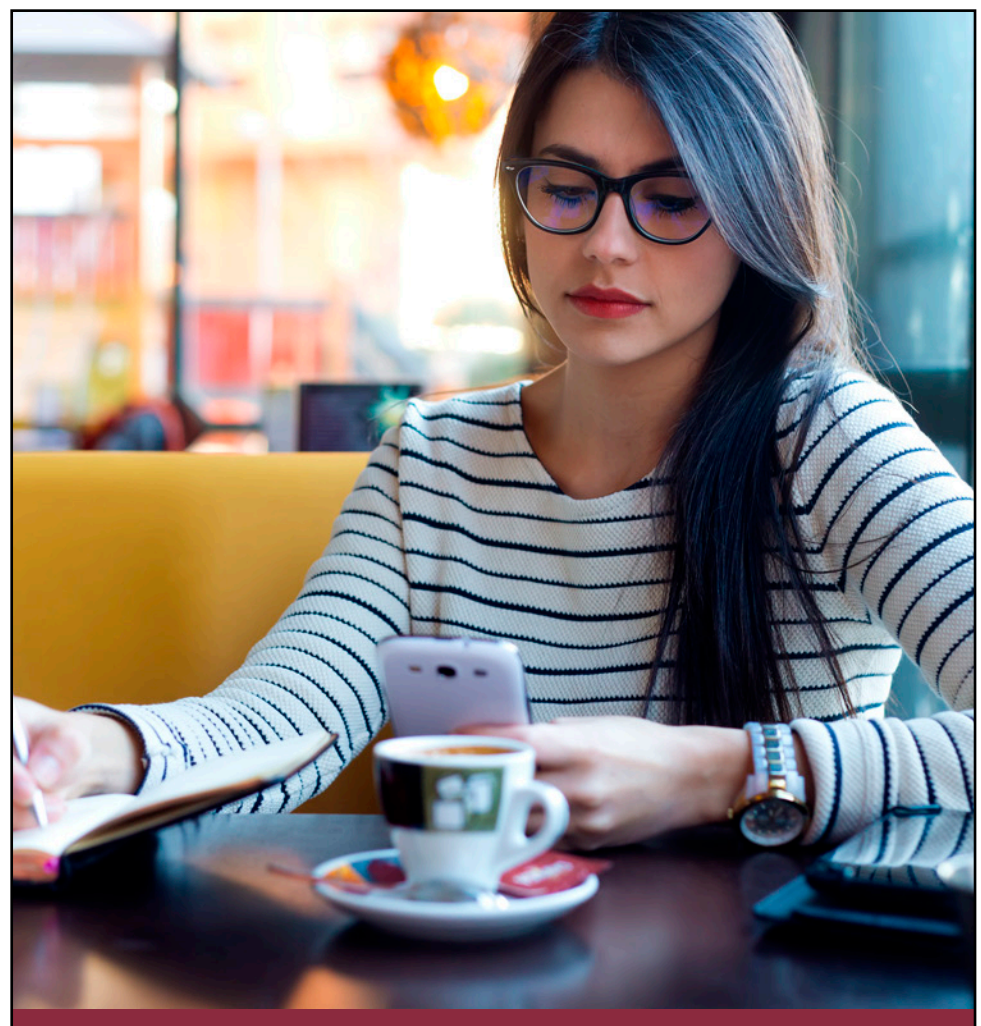
Summerford said, "We decided we had to do it big this year," but hinted, "Next year, it's going to be bigger! We have an idea already."

So what's it going to be? Only they know, and they're not saying. The rest of us will have to find out later. But, based on evidence uncovered at this season's dig, it should be worth the wait.











OPINION: Sin, part 4

Tom Fillinger
Tribune Columnist

We continue in our study of sin. Jesus said that the approaching end of the age will be marked by the increase of lawlessness- "iniquity shall abound" (Matthew 24:12).

How easily we deceive ourselves and our friends! While we impress others with our righteousness, we are lawless in God's eyes. Our Lord said, "Even so you also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and iniquity" (Matthew 23:28). Our age will come to an end with the appearing of "that man of sin" (lawlessness) (II Thessalonians 2:3). Man by nature has a lawless heart, but we Christians can rejoice in Jesus Christ "Who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity. . . ." (Titus 2:14).

In concluding this brief explanation of sin, let's look for a moment at the statement which brings to a close Romans Chapter 14, namely, ". . . for whatever is not of faith is sin" (Romans 14:23). Both the philosophy and morality of this statement are alike sound and rational. The man who does not decide his actions on the basis of what he knows is right is deserving of condemnation, because he did not act according to his conviction. The word "damned" in this verse ***is not final judgment as to the loss of salvation***, but the judgment which results in the believer's loss of reward at the Judgment Seat of Christ.

Romans 14:23 is an excellent guideline for young Christians and all Christians who are faced with a decision when confronted with questionable amusements, dress or other practices.

The decision of a growing or mature Christian is based upon his or her love for and obedience to the Lord Jesus Christ. The actions and attitudes which do not proceed from faith in Christ are accounted as sin. If one has doubts about a certain matter, he or she must abstain from it, but if he or she goes on to do it anyhow, he or she acts out of faith, and such an action is sin. We commenced the Christian life by faith, and so we should proceed by faith. "As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord (by faith), so walk in Him" (Colossians 2:6). All our motives and actions should be prompted by our faith-union with Christ, "For we walk by faith, not by sight" (II Corinthians 5:7).

What does your "movie" look like at this point in our study?

I invite response to these articles. You may contact me by phone at 803-413-3509. Leave a voice mail or send me an email at info@igniteUS.net. I am available to serve as an interim pastor or for pulpit supply. I look forward to your inquiries.

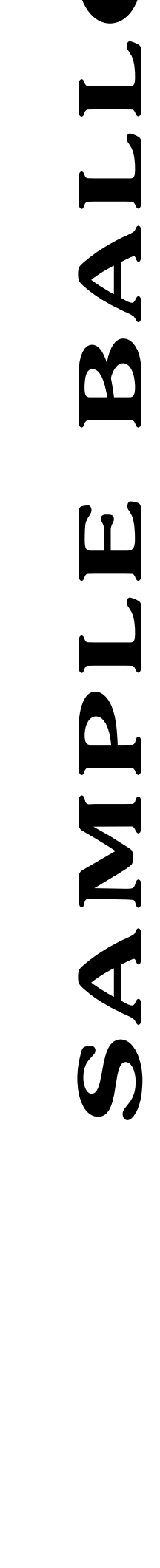
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Obituary Announcements: Nov. 3



A Celebration of Life Service for Mr. Delton McElroy, 81, of Cullman will be Sunday, Nov. 8, 2020 at 2 p.m. at Northbrook Baptist Church. Mr. McElroy passed away Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at his residence. He served in the United States Army. He was a deacon and member of Northbrook Baptist Church. Mr. McElroy was preceded in death by his parents Clifford and Ophelia McElroy; infant child Delton McElroy, Jr.; brothers James and Leon McElroy; and son-in-law Bill Phillips. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Agnes McElroy; son Del (Hayley) McElroy; daughter Sheila Phillips; brother Bill (Vickie) McElroy; grandchildren Lucas (Maggie) McElroy, Madison McElroy, and Matthew, Jonathan and Nathan Phillips; and great-grandchildren Raegan and Altley-Res McElroy. Family will receive friends following the service. Cullman Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Graveside services for Lorene Evers Apel, 93, of Cullman were at 11 a.m. Monday, Nov. 2, 2020 at Cullman City Cemetery with Rev. John Bussman officiating. Moss Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Lorene passed away Thursday, Oct. 29, 2020 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born in Cullman July 14, 1927 to Otto T. Evers and Magdalena Blette Evers. Lorene was a housewife, mother and grandmother who loved her family. Lorene was involved in many civic and church organizations. She was a longtime member of the Cullman Civitans and was involved in their activities on a local, state and national level. Lorene was active supporter of Cullman Community Concert Association and served on the board. She was also active with the local Girl Scouts. Lorene was a member of the St. Paul's Sunshine Club for many years and a very faithful member of their Bible study classes. Lorene loved to play card and board games with her family and friends. Lorene was preceded in death by her loving husband of 64 years, Ervin Apel; her parents; brother Alex Evers; and sister Margaret Seymore. Survivors include daughter Janice Morgan; son Greg Apel; daughter-in-law Amy Nelson; two brothers John Evers and Otto Evers; two grandchildren Jonathan (Mandi) Easterwood and Jennifer (Wes) Harding; three great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and many friends. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cullman. Pallbearers were Jonathan Easterwood, John Kress, Rod Cousar, Wes Harding, Jim Abt, and Chad Apel.

Funeral services for George Thomas Segars, 80, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Antioch Baptist Cemetery; Rev. Wade Maynard and Rev. Tim McCormick officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Segars passed away Friday, Oct. 30, 2020 at Huntsville Hospital. He was born March 27, 1940 to Herman Randolph and Ida Elizabeth Strickland Segars. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Venera 'Sis' Shaddix, Margaret 'Tootsie' Fitzgerald, and Doris Segars; and brother Willard Segars. Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Joyce Maynard Segars; son Eric (Gwen) Segars; grandchildren Levi (Lora) Segars, Hattie Segars, and Katherine Segars; great-grandson Carter; and a host of family and friends. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Funeral services for Joseph Wayne Bobo, 75, of Hanceville will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020 at Mt. Joy Baptist Church. Officiating will be Rev. Charles Johnson, Rev. Steve Rodgers, and Rev. Junior Wolfe, along with the current and former pastors sharing memories. The body will lie in state at the church Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. Visitation was Monday evening at the church from 5:30-9 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Wayne passed away Friday, Oct.30, 2020. He was born April 17, 1945 to Jasper Samuel and Della Madison Bobo. He was preceded in death by his parents; his granddaughter Kinley Grace Bobo; and brother Wesley Bobo. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Launa Rice Bobo; son Shaun (Stacey) Bobo; daughter Shannon (Jonathan) Ary; brothers Ronnie (Evelene) Bobo and Donald Bobo; grandchildren Braxton (Gara) Clifton, Katelyn Ary, and Hanna Bobo; and a host of family and friends. He was a devoted, loving husband, father, and grandfather and the patriarch of our family for 53 years. He always had a smile on his face, always positive, optimistic and easy going. You could always find him reading the Bible, or other biblical literature. He worked hard for his family and retired from Maxwell House Coffee company after 26 years. He loved music- Southern gospel, congregational red book hymnal singing and bluegrass gospel. He loved playing the guitar and banjo and passed on his love of music to all of his children and grandchildren, and each one of them plays a musical instrument today. He passed on his love of people, music, and ability to never meet a stranger to his daughter. He loved woodworking and passed that hobby on to his son and grandson. He loved to cut up and have fun and pick at his granddaughter and step-granddaughter, but mostly he taught us and others what it means to love and serve the Lord. He was a member of Mt. Joy Missionary Baptist church for 48 years where he was a Deacon and a Sunday school teacher for 47 years, and the Music Director for 40 years. He proudly served his country in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. The family would like to express its gratitude to the VA Medical Center, the MICU staff, the oncology staff, and especially the GI team who went above and beyond the call of duty time and time again to provide exemplary care. We would also like to thank the Mt. Joy Missionary Baptist Church community, friends, and family for their support, love, and prayers throughout all the good years as well as the difficult ones during his illness. Words cannot express how deeply thankful we are for each and every one of you and we can never thank you enough. Pallbearers will be Braxton Clifton, Kyle Rice, David Rice, Scott Windsor, Jeremy Rice, and Michael Rice. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Funeral services for Doris Jean Newman, 82, of Hanceville, Alabama were at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 2, 2020 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed at Hopewell Cemetery. Reverend Jimmy Sawyer officiated. Visitation was Sunday, Nov. 1 at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Newman is survived by her daughter Kim (Jeff) Brown; grandchildren Tyler (Britany) Brown and Justin Brown; great-grandchildren Katelyn Brown, Makayla Brown, and Aaliyah Brown; and brother Alvin (Vonda) Patrick. Mrs. Newman is preceded in death by her husband Edgar Newman; grandson Grant Brown; and parents Ransom and Etta Patrick.

Private family funeral services for Phillip Andrew Carden, 61, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Bethsadia Baptist Cemetery, Bro. Scott Sessions officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Carden passed away Friday, Oct. 30, 2020 at North Alabama Medical Center. He was born Aug. 31, 1959 to Lester Lonell and Vivian Onzell Strickland Carden. He was a member of Cullman First Church of the Nazarene. He was a member of the Cullman County 2019 Sports Hall of Fame. Phillip was a devoted son, brother, husband, father, and pop. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister Delwin Burdette. Survivors include his wife of 27 years, Vicky Harbison Carden; daughters Courtney (David) Lambert, Hanna Carden, and Haley Carden; brothers Harry (Judie) Carden and Bruce (Deena) Carden; grandchildren Hamilton Lambert and Charlee Lambert; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends. Visitation will be Thursday at Cullman Funeral Home from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Everyone is requested to wear a mask and practice social distancing. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Memorial service details are incomplete at this time for Herbert Daleno Kilpatrick, 77, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Kilpatrick passed away Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020 at Woodland Village Health Care. He was born Aug. 31, 1943 to Herbert and Ada Cummings Kilpatrick. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his two sons Tony Kilpatrick and David Kilpatrick; grandchildren Laettner Kilpatrick, Erika Kilpatrick, and Walker Kilpatrick; and family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Hattie "Ann" Graveman, 82, of Lacey's Spring, Alabama passed away Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020. Ann was born March 26, 1938 in Geiger, Alabama. Ann is survived by sons Michael (Judi) Graveman and David Graveman; daughters Patricia Roark and Sheri (Richard) Duffey; grandchildren Jessica (Mitchell) Dempsey, Daniel (Hannah) Graveman, Nathan Roark, Sarah Roark, Kristin Collier, Kimberly (Troy) Greer, and Karol (Brent) McConnell; nine great-grandchildren; and sister Ora Tolbert. Ann was preceded in death by her husband of 62 years, Anthony H. Graveman; parents William and Alice Boone Phelps; son Ronald Wayne Graveman; great-grandchild Ashley Trantham; brothers William Phelps, Walter Phelps, Pete Phelps, Jimmy Phelps, and R.B. Glover; and sisters Ida Sutton, Alice Scott, Peggy Phillips, and Sue Hickman. A celebration of life visitation for Ann will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020 from 5-7 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. A rosary will be at 7:30 in the chapel. A celebration of life Christian mass will occur Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with a committal service to follow at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Graveman family.

Jonathon Lamar Harden, of Cullman, passed away Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020 at the age of 83. He was born Jan. 2, 1937 to John William and Inez Runge Harden. Jonathan was a local dairy farmer for many years. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 at Etha Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife Marlene V. Harden. Survivors include his daughters Cathi (Michael) Parker and Debbie Harden; sons Dale Harden and Wayne Harden; brothers Jimmy (Linda) Harden and Theron Harden; seven grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

James Loyd Rooker was born Aug. 12, 1938 and passed away Nov. 1, 2020 and is under the care of Moss Service Funeral Home.

Margaret Ann Simmons was born Nov. 24, 1939 and passed away Nov. 1, 2020 and is under the care of Moss Service Funeral Home.

June 2, 1943-Nov. 1, 2020- Billy Kenneth Goodwin of Good Hope, Alabama is survived by his devoted wife, Marilyn Brown Goodwin; children Chris (Penny) Goodwin, JD Goodwin, Delia (Stan) Miller, and Cheryl Blalock (Wade Taylor); 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and many cousins and other family. Billy was predeceased by his parents Spencer and Lydia Wilson Goodwin of Bremen, Alabama; son-in-law Teddy Blalock, Jr; and brother-in-law Danny Calvert. Billy served our country after graduation from Cold Springs High School. A disabled veteran of the United States Air Force, he continued serving others as a medical technician for the State of Alabama until retirement. Pastimes included selling and collecting knives, motorcycles, picnics with grandchildren, westerns, Alabama football, and Cullman County basketball. A Memorial celebration is planned on November 14, 2020, from 12:00-3:00 p.m. at Dodge City Town Hall basement for family and friends. Condolences and cards may be mailed to Calvert, P.O. Box 192, Crane Hill, Alabama 35053. Please share your memories on the Cullman Heritage Funeral Home website.

Memorial services for Richard Maurice Hudson, Jr., 47, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020 at Richard's residence, 3330 County Road 940, Cullman, AL 35057. There will be a gathering for friends and family at 12:45 p.m. at the Community Chapel, 101 County Road 1082, Cullman, AL 35057 (The old Jones Chapel United Methodist Church). Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. He passed away Sunday, Nov. 1, 2020 at his residence. He was born Dec. 17, 1972 to Richard Hudson, Sr. and Carolyn Davis Hudson. Richard served his county in the United States Air Force. We thank God for the years we were able to spend with Richard and are thankful he was a Christian. He was a great help to the community and neighbors and was his mother's caregiver for many years. He was preceded in death by his father. Survivors include his mother Carolyn Hudson; brothers Joe Hudson, Dillard (Renee) Hudson, and Willard Hudson; sisters Abby (Jimmy) Campbell and Laura Marion; five nieces and nephews; five great-nieces and great-nephews; and his beloved dog; Facebook friend Maggie; and a host of family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Christina Lynn Hicks, 46, of Jasper entered into rest Friday, Oct. 30, 2020 at Walker Baptist Medical Center. Christina was born March 25, 1974 in Haleyville, Alabama. Visitation will be held Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2020 from noon-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will begin at 2 p.m. Brother Steve Miles will officiate. Burial will follow in Millstone Mountain Cemetery in Lynn, Alabama. Christina is survived by her parents Jerry and Nadine Hicks; sisters Cheryl Jones and Sharon (Scott) Boutwell; nieces Abigail and Katelyn Jackson; honorary sisters Wanda Garis and Charlotte Randolph; and caregivers of the ARC of Walker County. She was preceded in death by her grandparents George Rolland Hicks and Elsie Ruth May Hicks and Amos and Ruby Estill.

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EDUCATION

CCPS gets creative to host annual fall festival

Cullman City Schools
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – It's become tradition for Cullman City Primary School (CCPS) to host a fall festival for students, and not even the circumstances of 2020 could stop the Halloween spirit. It just required a few creative changes to ensure social distancing and safety requirements this time around.

On Oct. 30, CCPS and Cullman City Head Start hosted the annual fall festival, with students dressed up in costumes as their favorite characters, from superheroes to sports stars.

The "Toy Story"-themed festival featured a dress-up parade for students, so they could show off their costumes while still maintaining social distance.

Organizers set up 10 stations with games and activities for classes to rotate through, with each station sanitized between class groups. Sanitizing stations were also set up for each activity. Each student received an individual bag filled with candy.

"This year, with the help of the PTO, we were able to have a fall festival that met COVID safety guidelines," CCPS Principal Tricia Culpepper explained.

"We are determined to keep as many of our activities as possible this year. Our PTO and community support helped us provide this event safely, and students and staff enjoyed the day."



CULLMAN CITY SCHOOLS

Cullman City Primary School hosted its annual fall festival, with stations for activities and pre-packed candy for students. The staff creatively incorporated COVID safety guidelines into the event, with social distancing and sanitizing between groups.

Success (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – St. Bernard Prep School on Sunday declared the 2020 "Bernard Blues and BBQ" festival to be a success. While attendance will not challenge any records, planners said that the numbers were satisfactory, given the challenges coming from COVID-19.

Event Coordinator Joyce Nix told The Tribune, "We had a good, steady crowd both days. It seemed to be a buying crowd. Everyone really observed the mask (policy) and kept their distance, so, you know, we had a good weekend.

"All out, a little windy on Sunday, a little cool, but it was perfect, a great way to finish out the fall and get ready for the holidays!"

Sweepstakes raffle winners

The festival concluded with a drawing for monetary prizes ranging from $100 to $5,000. Amelia Neece, daughter of St. Bernard alumnus Richard Neece, did the honors, drawing tickets for Fr. Joel Martin and Nix to announce.

Winners were:

- $5,000 - Woodrow J. Soderlind of Pensacola
- $1,000 - Mary Sue B. Pruett of Alabaster
- $500 - Mark Little of Madison
- $250 - Kelly Maher of Cleveland, Tennessee
- $100 - Norman Thrash of Morris

The fundraising totals were not immediately available. For more on St. Bernard Prep School, visit https://stbernardprep.com.

Jingles (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman County Animal Shelter's Donna Ruttkay shares The Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week:

Jingles is a puppy, a 4.5-month-old Shepherd mix. She likes to walk and is skilled on her leash. She likes getting out and enjoying the day. Ruttkay said that Jingles is playful, likes her toys and "loves life, has confidence and joy; she's so fun!"

Jingles is a vocal pup. Ruttkay said that she "will make herself known to the world by sitting on the hill voicing her concerns."

Jingles has the makings of a good therapy or companion dog. Jingles' 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.

Colony (from Front)

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COLONY, Ala. – Colony's new administration has gotten off to a rocky start, even before its officials were sworn in for the new term, and Monday's organizational meeting, required on the first Monday of November after the municipal election, and the meeting itself continued the trend.

On Friday, Oct. 30, Mayor-Elect and Councilman Curtis Johnson delivered to Town Clerk Patricia Ponder a letter thanking her for her service to the Town but adding, "Effective, November 1, 2020 at 11:59 pm your services as Town Clerk for the Town of Colony will no longer be needed."

According to the Alabama Municipal Clerk's Manual, "A clerk serves until a successor is elected and qualified."

In light of that instruction and the lack of selection of a new clerk so far, Ponder remained at her post Monday morning as council members and Johnson arrived at Colony Town Hall.

Johnson went to the Cullman County Courthouse early Monday morning to be sworn in, and reportedly contacted other council members Sunday evening, telling them to do the same.

Council members Ethel Alexander, Jasmine Cole, Samuel Ashford and Eric Carwell came to Colony Town Hall instead, to be sworn in by the still-acting town clerk. New Councilwoman Mary Louise Parker, Johnson's sister, was absent; it is not currently known if she was sworn in at the courthouse.

According to multiple witnesses, when Johnson and his wife arrived, he told Ponder that she should not be there and that he would have Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies remove her.

After he was presented the statement from the clerk's manual, and was informed that council members had reached out to the Alabama League of Municipalities for legal advice, Johnson said that the organizational meeting was postponed, saying, "We're going to have to work this out," then he and his wife left.

Remaining at town hall were Ponder, along with returning council members Alexander and Ashford, and new members Carwell and Cole.

With the four council members in attendance being sufficient to establish a quorum, according to those present, the required meeting went on as planned, minus the new mayor and Parker.

The council voted:

- 3-1 to name Alexander Mayor Pro Tem; Cole voted against the motion
- unanimously to maintain its current meeting schedule on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month
- unanimously to adopt its regular rules of procedure, based on Robert's Rules of Order
- unanimously to keep both Town employees- Ponder as Clerk and maintenance worker Ronnie Barfield- in their positions temporarily
- unanimously to keep council seat committee assignments the same
- 3-1 to retain the present depositories for municipal funds, and retain Alexander and Carwell as authorized check signers in addition to Johnson; Cole voted against the motion

The check-writing issue has been a sticking point for several recent council meetings under former Mayor Donnis Leeth.

The mayor and one other authorized person must co-sign each check from any Town account, and due to reported difficulties in getting Johnson to come to town hall and sign checks, the council voted several weeks ago to authorize Alexander and Carwell. Johnson voted against the motion, though it passed anyway.

Johnson, as incoming mayor and already an authorized check signer, had to go to the bank and sign paperwork there to add the two other council members, but to date has failed to do so, according to Ponder.

Johnson's reported failure to file the necessary bank paperwork to add the extra check signers leaves the Town with only one authorized signer. Since the Town's accounts require co-signing of checks, Colony currently cannot issue checks to pay employees or pay its bills. According to Mayor Pro Tem Alexander, the council has reached out to the League of Municipalities and, on that organization's advice, is considering asking a court to issue a Writ of Mandamus against Johnson.

A Writ of Mandamus is defined by the Cornell Law School's Legal Information Institute as "an order from a court to an inferior government official ordering the government official to properly fulfill their official duties or correct an abuse of discretion."

Johnson left the meeting before The Tribune arrived and was unavailable for comment. His response will be published when available.

Commission (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Curt's Closet, a popular Cullman-based charity that provides free clothing and accessories to children and teens of families in need, came a step closer to finding a new home Monday evening when the Cullman City Planning Commission approved the organization's conditional use request for the former Link of Cullman office at 1103 Third Ave. SE. Curt's Closet has operated in a small church building on St. Joseph Street since March 2018, but founder Ashley Wilson talked to The Tribune earlier this year about hopes to relocate to a larger space.

Said Wilson at the time, "We have definitely outgrown where we're at. We're all in agreement that we love the location. I love that it used to be a church. It's in a great location, but we've outgrown it, because it's so amazing.

"So we do have some plans in the works, hopefully, for a bigger building. We hope to announce our vision in that by the end of the year; there's a lot of planning that goes into that step. I personally, you know, I would love to see it grow maybe in different locations, different counties. Now, that's a five- or 10-year plan. We've got to work out all the kinks here in Cullman first, but, so far, God has seen everything fall into place.

"I would love to start, if we do get a bigger place, I would love to be able to do sporting equipment, because that was a passion of Curt's, and I know the expense of putting your child into a sport, and the expense of the equipment and even the clothing, the treats. So I would love to be able to extend from just the clothing and shoes into sporting equipment."

Curt's Closet board chair Helen Lewis told The Tribune this week, "Due to the overwhelming support from the community, we have outgrown our little white church. When Curt's Closet began, we clothed 662 children in 2018. In 2019 we clothed 1,650 children!

"Although 2020 has been a very different year for us, we have still served over 1,200 children and every appointment is filled through the end of the year.

"We are thrilled to announce that we have found our forever home at 1101 Third Ave. SE! This new facility will eliminate our need for storage and allow us to give more children in our community the love and confidence they need to accomplish anything in life."

The change of facilities will double the organization's building and storage space, allow long-term storage onsite and increase parking for the boutique. Wilson hopes to open in the new location in the spring of 2021.

After Monday's vote, Wilson- who attended the commission meeting- told The Tribune, "I'm thrilled that we were approved, and on to getting it all finished and closed, and start the moving process, which will take a few months. But we're so excited!

"I have been praying for this for quite some time, and I knew that God would provide a place when the timing was right. And it's now! And we're so excited that we'll be able to provide for more families, and eliminate all of the labor of moving stuff to storage units, so we can all do everything in one location. It's exciting!"

Other commission business

The planning commission also approved a site plan for a proposed new McAlister's Deli to be located on Alabama Highway 157 adjacent to the north Wal-Mart, along with multiple subdivision requests.

The Cullman City Planning Commission meets on the first Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. in the Cullman City Hall auditorium. The public is invited to attend, subject to COVID occupancy restrictions.

