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– BRINGING OUT THE BEST –

'Shop with a Cop' continues bringing Christmas cheer

Cullman Police Department officers with just a few of the 45 gift bundles to be delivered around town

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SGT. ADAM CLARK

– BUSINESS –

STOREFRONT CHARM



BRYAN MESSERSMITH

An exquisite, flocked tree adorned with golden angel wings stops everyone as they enter Margo's Antiques and Gifts in downtown Cullman.

Christy Perry
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman's charms, especially at Christmastime, have made the city a shopping destination for many local and out of town holiday shoppers. Part of the charm comes from the beautiful and festive storefronts throughout Cullman's Warehouse District and Historic Downtown. In the heart of it all is Margo's Antiques and Gifts where the windows are a gorgeous preview of the countless treasures within.

Margo Messersmith began her business nearly 50 years ago in a small room in her late husband's business. As her inventory and business grew, the need for a bigger location did, too. Messersmith has been at her current location at 206 First Ave. SE for 35

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HEALTH

ADPH: Moderna COVID-19 vaccine arrives in Alabama

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FAITH

'Open wide your hand to your brother'

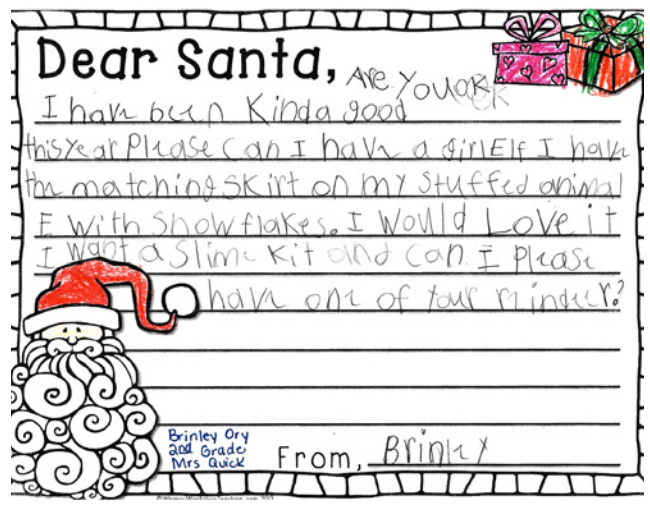
Redemption Church opens warming center for people in need

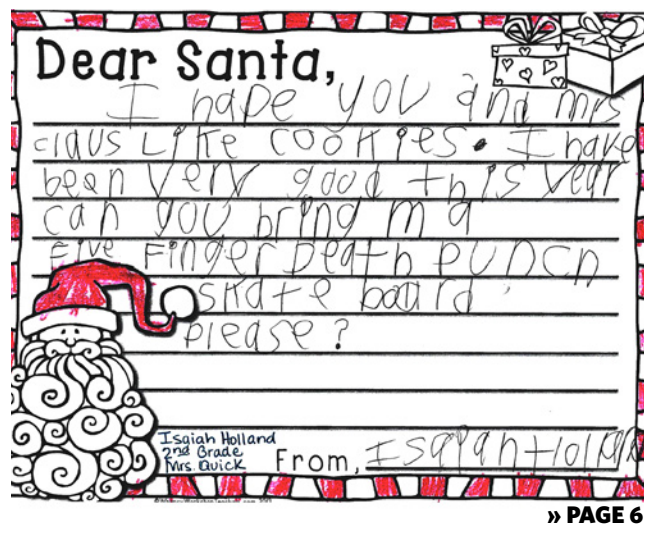


REDEMPTION CHURCH

The Warming Center at Redemption Church is located at 516 Schaeffel Road, Cullman, AL 35055. It is open every night from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. with sign-in taking place from 5-9 p.m. » PAGE 8

Letters to Santa





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Woman killed in Saturday morning wreck on Hwy. 157

Wendy Sack
wendy@cullmantribune.com

WEST POINT, Ala. – One person was killed in a two-vehicle crash along the 12000 block of Alabama Highway 157 North, near J&D Tire and the intersection with County Road 1224, Saturday morning at approximately 11 a.m.

Cullman County Coroner Jeremy L. Kilpatrick identified the victim as Christine Willingham, 82, of Falkville.

Alabama State Troopers said Willingham was fatally injured when the 2014 Ford Taurus she was operating was struck by a 1998 Jeep Cherokee.

Willingham failed to yield the right of way at a stop sign and was struck by the Jeep Cherokee on her driver's side door.

Willingham was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Jeep Cherokee's driver and two juvenile occupants, who were not using their seat belts, were transported to a nearby hospital for treatment.

Nothing further is available as the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division continue to investigate.

CRIME

I-65 pursuit ends in Morgan County

Trooper Brandon Bailey
Contributor

DECATUR, Ala. – At approximately 5:19 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, a pursuit began when an ALEA Trooper attempted to stop a 2004 Toyota Avalon for speeding on Interstate 65 northbound, near the 277 mile marker in Jefferson County.

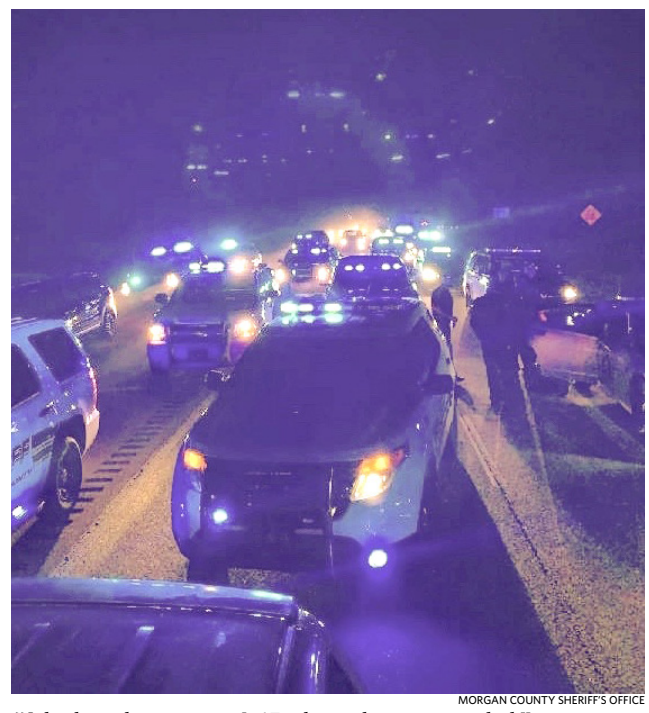
The Avalon attempted to elude the ALEA Trooper with speeds reaching up to 115 mph and entered into Blount County. The vehicle continued into Cullman County where Cullman County deputies spiked the Avalon's tires at the 310 mile marker. The vehicle continued into Morgan County where the driver was apprehended near the 329 mile marker.

The Cullman County Sheriff's Office, Morgan County Sheriff's Office, Falkville Police Department, Hartselle Police Department and Priceville Police Department all assisted in the pursuit and capture.

The driver, Donald Jay Vinet, Jr., 24, of Ward, was charged with speeding, attempting to elude law enforcement and reckless driving.

Vinet was transported to the Jefferson County Jail where he is incarcerated. A female occupant was taken into custody and later released.

Nothing further is available as the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division continues to investigate.



MORGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

"A look at the scene on I-65 where chase was ended."

LEGALS

City of Cullman
Building Inspection Department

201 SECOND AVENUE, NORTHEAST
P. O. BOX 278
CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35056-0278
(256) 775-7203

City of Cullman
Planning Commission

On Monday, January 4, 2021, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Short form Subdivision – Veigl Ave. SW – remove lot line
2. Short form Subdivision – County Road 715 & County Road 722 – create five lots
3. Short form Subdivision – County Road 1162 & County Road 1169 (Wynn Haven) – adjust property lines
4. Proposed changes to Zoning Ordinance
5. Short form Subdivision – County Road 715 (Phelan Road) & Highway 31 South – create two lots
6. Short form Subdivision – County Road 1169 (Wynn Haven) – create three lots
7. Rezoning request at 210 Beech Ave. SE – M-2 to B-2

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

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to wendy@cullmantribune.com

St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank Closed until Jan. 4
The St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church will be closed until Jan. 4, 2021. It will reopen with regular hours Monday, Jan. 4, from 9-11:45 a.m. on regular days: Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

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
• 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.
• Wednesdays at 7 p.m.
• Sundays at 10 a.m. adult, youth and children's classes; 11 a.m. children's classes; praise and worship, and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd
• Dec. 23, 7 p.m. Candle Lighting & Communion Service by Pastor Bobby Dodd. Everyone welcome! We will social distance and celebrate JESUS.

Hanceville Tinsel Trail
Now through Christmas at Veterans Park in Hanceville. Free admission. Enjoy the lights and displays as you walk along the Tinsel Trail.

Church Services- St. Paul's Lutheran Church
• Advent Season will be highlighted at St. Paul's Lutheran Church during weekly evening prayer services held every Wednesday night at 6 p.m. The focus of the readings will be chapters 47, 48 and 49 from the prophecy of Isaiah.
• St. Paul's Christmas Eve services are scheduled for 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. The service of lessons and carols will begin at 6 p.m. and feature talents and voices from Sunday school students, members of the Senior Choir, the Hand Bell Choir and a chamber ensemble from St. Paul's and the community featuring woodwinds, brass and percussion. The 11 p.m. service will feature carols and candlelight in the Divine Service. Divine Service will begin at 9 a.m. Christmas morning.
• All are welcome to join in these celebrations at 513 Fourth Ave. SE in Cullman.

18th Annual Winter Wonderland Christmas Light Display at Sportsman Lake Park
• Guests can enjoy driving through the park, train rides, carriage rides, hot chocolate and pictures with Santa.
• This year a few things had to be tweaked due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The train has Plexiglass to separate riders. Santa will also be positioned with Plexiglass separating himself from the kids.
• Admission to the Winter Wonderland is $10 per vehicle. A photo with Santa is $5. Only cash will be accepted. The display will be open (weather-permitting) from 5-10 p.m.
• Dec. 22-23 and 26-27 (drive thru-only the 26-27). Dec. 23 will be the last day for the train.
• Sportsman Lake Park is located at 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman.

2nd Annual Christmas at the Grotto
• Christmas lights return to the Grotto! Come and experience the beauty of Br. Joseph's work at night surrounded by lights and music! We have expanded this unique holiday experience throughout the grounds and have added several dates!
• Coffee and cookies will be available each night. Make your plans to visit now!
• Ave Maria Grotto, 1600 St. Bernard Drive SE, Cullman

• Dates
Dec. 26 - 4-9 p.m.
Dec. 30,31 - 4-9 p.m.

• Admission
Adults - $6
Students - $3
Children 3 and younger - free

City, County Holiday Hours, Sanitation Schedules
• Cullman County offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25 in observance of the Christmas holiday. The offices will also be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 31-Jan. 1 in observance of the New Year's holiday.
• Cullman County sanitation routes will run normally on these days.
• City of Cullman offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, Dec. 24-25 in observance of the Christmas holiday.
• Residential and commercial sanitation trucks will run their regular routes Christmas Eve, but there will be no sanitation service on Christmas Day.
• City of Cullman offices will be closed Friday, Jan. 1 on New Year's Day.
• There are no residential sanitation/recycling services on Fridays, but commercial sanitation will run as normal on New Year's Day.

Cullman County Cattlemen and CattleWomen Annual Meeting Canceled
Our annual meeting was planned for Jan. 9, 2021 at Stonebridge Farms in Cullman. Due to the record number of COVID-19 cases and our annual meeting being 15 days after Christmas, we feel it is in the best interest of our members to postpone our annual meeting until a later date. We will reschedule and as soon as we have a date. You still need to renew your memberships so that you do not see an interruption in your Alabama Cattlemen's magazine and your other member benefits. We can do this for you. Please reach out to us on Facebook or get in touch with any of our directors and they can help you.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, Dec. 21, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

• Total confirmed cases in AL: 264,791 (+2,193 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in AL: 60,041 (+187 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 3,849 (+0 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in AL: 540
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 4,521 (+24 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 1,773 (+1 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 54 (+0 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 15
• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 29,725
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,662
• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,239
• Total tested in Alabama: 1,790,301
• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 53,568
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 142,385
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,526
• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 30,224 (not updated as of press time)
• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 183,625

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

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 21

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 21, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
Dec. 17
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1136
- burglary; Red Hill Road
- resisting arrest; CR 437
- harassment; CR 747
- burglary; CR 703
- theft of property; Hwy. 278 W

Dec. 18
- theft of property; CR 222
- theft of property; CR 437
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle, criminal mischief; 1st Ave. N Hanceville
- theft of property; CR 1749
- harassment; CR 1526
- theft of property; CR 801
- domestic violence; CR 222
- burglary, theft of property; Tillery Road
- burglary; CR 601

Dec. 19
- harassment; Hwy. 278 E
- domestic violence; Freeman Road
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; I-65 S/MM 300
- theft of property; Fairview Road
- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; CR 431
- criminal mischief; CR 219

Dec. 20
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia; 2nd Ave. NW
- domestic violence; CR 1435
- attempting to elude; I-65 N/MM 291
- trespassing; CR 9
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 1515

ARRESTS
Dec. 17
Curvin, Meshach John, 25
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- menacing
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- probation revoked- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- probation revoked- first-degree receiving stolen property
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- probation revoked- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (2 counts)

Henn, Jace Lane, 24
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Key, Seth Patrick, 38
- FTA- driving while suspended

McDaniel, Montel Kenard, 24
- FTA- first-degree criminal mischief
- FTA- first-degree theft of property (2 counts)

Stanford, Daleigha Hope, 30
- public intoxication
- resisting arrest

Dec. 18-20
Barnett, Loyd Jarrad, 44
- FTA- driving while revoked

Coates, Michael Miller, 46
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Davis, Angela Dianne, 39
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Davis, Charles Micheala, 34
- FTA- first-degree criminal possession of a forged instrument
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Graves, Patricia West, 51
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- liability insurance required

McDaniel, Douglas Lee, 59
- FTA- driving while revoked

Moore, William Andrew, 44
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing
- FTA- failure to signal
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- windshield obstruction

Shultz, Michael David, 34
- FTA- proof of liability insurance required

Underwood, Gregory Dale, 49
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Watson, Sally Mae, 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

Young, Megan Nichole, 31
- third-degree domestic violence- harassment

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
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Room 303
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Gena Ibrahim
(PLAINTIFF)
VS
Stacey Yarbrough
Carrie Yarbrough
(DEFENDANTS)

CASE NO: SM-2018-901050

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

DEFENDANT(S), Stacey Yarbrough & Carrie Yarbrough, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the PLAINTIFF, Gena Ibrahim, for $3,497.76 plus court cost, cause of action being: Unpaid rent and damage to dwelling and mess to be cleaned up.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 26th day of January, 2021, or a default may be rendered against him/her in the above styled cause.

DATED THIS THE 18th DAY OF December, 2020.

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
H.L.)
A Minor Child, 11/05/2007)

CASE NO. JU 2017-003.04

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Ashley Loggins, the Mother of H.L., born on or about 11/05/2007, respond to the Petition by the 26 day of January, 2021, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 15 day of December, 2020

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 16th day of December, 2020.
Lisa McSwain
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Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

HAMMONS VERNA,)
Plaintiff,)
V.) Case No.: CV-2020-900254.00
WHATLEY JACQULYN,)
Defendant.)

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

The Plaintiffs having made a Motion for Service by Publication stating that the whereabouts and locations of Defendant: Jacqulyn Whatley and the following described real property;

A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINNG 0.46 ACRES IN CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS;
A PART OF THE NW ¼ OF THE SE ¼ OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, MORE PARTICULARY DESCRIBED AS FROM THE NE CORNER OF SAID NW ¼ OF THE SE ¼; THENCE SOUTH 89°29'15"W, 490 FEET; THENCE S 0°30' EAST 490 FEET; THENCE S 89°29'15"WEST 210 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89°29'15"W, 110 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0°30' WEST 200 FEET; THENCE N 89°29'15" EAST 110 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 0°30' EAST 200 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING .46 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

are unknown to the Plaintiff and it appearing that the Plaintiff has filed a Bill to Quiet Title seeking the entire and undivided fee simple interest in and to the subject lands with no restrictions thereon,

IT IS ORDERED that the above-named Defendants answer the Complaint by the Plaintiffs by the 1st day of February, 2021 or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against the said Defendants.

IT IS FURTHERED ORDERED that this ORDER and NOTICE be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Cullman Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County.

DONE this 25th day of November, 2020.

/s/ GREGORY A NICHOLAS
CIRCUIT JUDGE

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2nd Ave NW
Room 303
Cullman, AL 35055

Walker Brothers, LTD
(Plaintiff)
v
Adam Couey
(Defendant)

Case No. SM-2017-900938

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

Defendant, Adam Couey, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him her by the Plaintiff, Walker Brothers, LTD for $537.75 plus court cost, cause of action being: Open Account.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DELENDANT on or before the 26th day of January, 2021, or a default may be rendered against him her in the above styled cause.

Dated this the 17 day of December, 2020

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
A.L.)
A Minor Child, 02/16/2004)

CASE NO. JU 2010-165.05

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of A.L., born on or about 02/16/2004 to Ashley Loggins, respond to the Petition by the 26 day of January, 2021, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
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STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
COUNTY OF CULLMAN)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

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

Date & Time of Sale: Monday, Jan 11 2021 at 11:00 a.m./p.m.
Sale Location: Cullman County Courthouse East Entrance
500 Second Avenue, S.W.
Cullman, Alabama 35055

Writ of Execution Parties: BRC Dolly Creek Station LLC v. Cindy Burrow Holland a/k/a Cindy B. Holland
C/O Attorney Brian Bugge'
P.O. Box 43856
Birmingham, AL 35243

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

A tract or parcel of land containing 12.92 acres and being a part of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a found railroad spike marking the northwest corner of said northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 28, having an Alabama State plane, West Zone, NAD 83 coordinate value of N.1509632.95', E.2160384.60' and run south 00 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds west (bearing based on AL State plane, west zone, NAD 83, grid) and run along the west line, a distance of 658.95 feet; thence run south 89 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds east, a distance of 24.12 feet to a set rebar on the east right-of-way line of Leonard Road, same being the point of beginning; Thence north 00 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds east, a distance of 617.62 feet to a set rebar marking the intersection of said right-of-way line and the south right-of-way line of Cullman County Road No. 436; thence south 89 degrees 18 minutes 13 seconds east, and run along said south line, a distance of 136.59 feet to a set rebar; thence south 00 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds west, a distance of 200.00 feet to a set rebar; thence south 89 degrees 18 minutes 13 seconds east, a distance of 655.01 feet to a set rebar; thence north 00 degrees 22 minutes 08 seconds east, a distance of 200.00 feet to a set rebar on the south right-of-way line of Cullman County Road No. 436; thence south 89 degrees 18 minutes 13 seconds east, and run along said right-of-way line, a distance of 278.49 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar; thence south 11 degrees 11 minutes 31 seconds east, a distance of 259.68 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar; thence south 07 degrees 12 minutes 31 seconds east, a distance of 164.03 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar; thence south 02 degrees 53 minutes 33 seconds east, a distance of 202.05 feet to a set rebar; thence north 89 degrees 16 minutes 23 seconds west, a distance of 1,155.26 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any rights-of-way and/or easements of record.

Source of Title: Deed Book 655, Page 725, Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

The physical address of the property is 12.92 acres on County Road 436, Cullman, AL 35055.

THEREFORE, according to said command, I shall expose for sale at public auction, all the right, title, and interest of the above-named Cindy Burrow Holland a/k/a Cindy B. Holland, in and to the above-described property on the date listed above, subject to all prior encumbrances of record.

Dated this the 3rd day of December, 2020.

BY: Matt Gentry Sheriff
Sheriff Matt Gentry

PREP BASKETBALL

West Point, Good Hope claim County Middle School Tournament titles

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. – It was championship Saturday at Joe Shults Gymnasium as both the girls and boys Cullman County Middle School Basketball Tournaments came to a close. The West Point Lady Warriors took the first title game of the day over Fairview 37-28 and in the boys' game, Good Hope outpaced Fairview 53-45 to claim the county championship.

West Point 37 – Fairview 28 (Girls Championship Game)

The Lady Warriors jumped out to a big lead early thanks to a three-pointer from Caitlee Simmons and a basket inside by Macie Brown. Defensive pressure from West Point made it difficult for Fairview to get the ball up the floor in the opening quarter and a three from Patton Fell stretched the lead to 10-1 midway through the first. Another Simmons three made it a 13-2 game with just over two minutes to play in the period and Camryn Faulkner turned a steal into an easy basket to keep the Lady Warriors in front 16-4. However, Stephanie Acklin hit a jumper in the final seconds of the first quarter to cut the lead to 16-6 going into the second.

Darby Nichols knocked down a jumper at the start of the second to trim the lead to 16-8 and Acklin buried another one from mid-range to make it a 6-point game. Fell knocked down a three to put West Point ahead 19-10 with just over a minute to play in the second but the Lady Aggies got the last points of the half on a pair of Ava Thomas free throws to make it a 19-12 game at the break.

Back to back buckets by Brown extended the Lady Warriors lead to 23-12 early in the third quarter and Fell drilled another three-pointer to make it 26-12. A pair of free throws by Camara Marks gave West Point a 29-12 advantage midway through the third and Faulkner laid one in to stretch the lead to 31-12. Peyton Defoor knocked down a jumper to stop the run and Alexis Golden converted an and-one play at the free throw line to cut the lead down to 31-18 going into the final frame.

Ayda Payne netted a pair of free throws to pull Fairview to within 10 at the start of the fourth but Faulkner responded with a basket on the other end to make it a 34-22 game with four minutes to play. An Acklin three cut the lead to 35-25 with under three minutes to play and the Lady Aggies managed to trim the lead down to seven at one point, but they ran out of time and the Lady Warriors pulled away to win this year's county title 37-28.

Simmons led West Point with 13 points in the win, followed by Brown and Fell with six, Camryn and Jaelyn Faulkner with five and Marks with two. Nichols finished with nine points for the Lady Aggies. Acklin added eight, Payne posted five, Golden scored four and Thomas finished with two.

2020 Cullman All-County Middle School Girls Basketball Team

- Adriana Young, Cold Springs
- Paisley Whitlow, Cold Springs
- Darby Nichols, Fairview
- Ayda Payne, Fairview
- Mackenzie Twilley, Hanceville
- Baylee Perdue, Harmony
- Maggie Nail, Holly Pond
- Emma Gurganus, Holly Pond
- Mattie Wix, Good Hope
- Cameron Graves, Good Hope
- Peyton Salazar, Parkside
- Caroline Miller, Vinemont
- Morgan Flanagan, Vinemont
- Jaelyn Faulkner, West Point
- Patton Fell, West Point
- Caitlee Simmons, West Point

Good Hope 53 – Fairview 45 (Boys Championship Game)

Good Hope built a big lead early in the first quarter, starting with a three-point play by Isaiah Turner and back to back buckets from Jacob Haynes. A great pass from Hank Hudson led to another inside basket for Turner and the Raiders led the way 10-0 midway through the first. The Aggies began to rally late in the period, cutting into the lead with a three-pointer from Zayden Cruce and a Gavin Pace bucket and Fairview was able to trim the lead to 13-8 by the start of the second.

Pace drilled a three at the start of the second to make it a 2-point game, but the Raiders responded and moved back in front 17-11. Another Pace three-pointer cut the lead to 17-14 with four minutes remaining in the half and a basket from Nicholas Gregory held the lead to four as the quarter went on. Back to back Rhett Boyd baskets tied the game at 21 with two minutes to play in the second and after an Owen Armstrong bucket on the other end, Pace buried his third trey of the quarter to give the Aggies their first lead of the game at 24-23. However, Haynes drove to the basket and scored through a foul to give the Raiders a 1-point lead with 13 seconds remaining. He knocked down the free throw after the score and Good Hope went into the locker room with a 26-24 lead at the break.

Haynes scored on back to back possessions to extend the Raider lead to 31-24 with just under five minutes to play in the third. Alex England scored for Fairview to trim the lead to five and England and Haynes exchanges baskets on the next two possessions to make it a 34-28 game. Haynes turned a steal into an easy layup to stretch the lead eight midway through the third but a three-pointer by Cruce on the other end made it 36-31. The Aggies continued to chip away until Boyd laid one in just before the buzzer to trim the Good Hope lead to 38-35 going into the fourth quarter.

Armstrong scored inside to give the Raiders a 5-point lead at the start of the fourth and back to back buckets by Haynes extended the lead to 44-35. England laid one in to stop the run but on the next Aggie possession, Turner came up with a big block and Haynes turned it into an easy two points on the other end, making it a 47-38 game with two minutes to play. Boyd laid one in to cut the lead to 49-42 and Cruce nailed another three-pointer to make it a 6-point game late but it was too little, too late and Good Hope held on to win this year's county championship 53-45.



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West Point's Patton Fell (15) drives to the basket during the Lady Warriors' win over Fairview Saturday afternoon.

Haynes led all scorers with 32 points in the win. Turner and Armstrong each posted seven points for the Raiders. Ace Stricklin posted four, Callahan Lindsey finished with two and Hudson added a point. Pace led Fairview with 13 points in the loss, followed by Boyd with 12, Cruce with nine, England with six, A.J. Wood with three and Carson Jones with two.

2020 Cullman All-County Middle School Boys Basketball Team

- Matt Williams, Cold Springs
- Rhett Boyd, Fairview
- Nicholas Gregory, Fairview
- Carson Jones, Fairview
- Gavin Pace, Fairview
- Jacob Haynes, Good Hope
- Callahan Lindsey, Good Hope
- Peyton Twilley, Hanceville
- Marquies Leeth, Hanceville
- Zeth McCain, Harmony
- Blake Richard, Holly Pond
- Sawyer Olinger, Holly Pond
- Landon Smith, Parkside
- Kayden Henderson, Vinemont
- Jay Lamar, West Point
- Hunter Hensley, West Point
- Cade Welborn, West Point

PREP BASKETBALL

Raiders, Lady Raiders down Fairview at home

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – Good Hope looked to bounce back after a pair of losses to Cold Springs when Fairview Friday night and both varsity squads were able to do just that. The Lady Raiders pulled away late to defeat the Lady Aggies 62-50 while the Raiders rolled to an impressive, 79-55 win over the Aggies.

Good Hope 62 - Fairview 50 (varsity girls)

It was an evenly matched first half as the score was tied at 13 after one and Good Hope held a slim 29-25 lead at the half. Fairview's Jacy Gorham hit a pair of layups to tie the game up at 29 to start out the third period. Good Hope's Rudi Derrick started her red-hot shooting from deep, nailing a pair and adding a free throw, to give them a 36-31 lead with 4:41 remaining in the third period.

The Lady Raiders later stretched its lead to 43-33 after another three by Derrick and a floater by Ivey Maddox. The Lady Aggies answered right back as Emma Garcia converted a three-point play and Sadie Smith hit a shot to cut the deficit to 43-38 going into the final period. Maddox and Derrick each hit a shot from three-point range to push Good Hope's lead to 49-38. Fairview cut it to 52-45 after back-to-back baskets by Garcia and Smith, but the Lady Raiders increased its lead back to double-digits at 58-45 after a free throw by Kyndall Seal, a three-point play by Derrick and a pair of free throws by Bailey Tetro.

Fairview went on one last run to try and get back in the game as Daisy Manasco scored five in a row to make it a 58-50 game, but they wouldn't get any closer after that as Bailey Tetro and Maddox each hit a pair from the line to help seal the 62-50 win for Good Hope (9-4).

Derrick led the way for the Lady Raiders with a game-high 25 points. Maddox added 13 points and Bailey Tetro ended up with 11. For Fairview (7-5), Smith finished with 12 points. Manasco added 11 points and Garcia ended up with 10 points.

Good Hope 79 - Fairview 55 (varsity boys)

Good Hope got off to a quick start on both sides as two straight steals saw them jump out to a quick 4-0 lead and Colton Lindsey added a pair from the line to make it 6-0. Preston Ryan got Fairview on the board with a layup, but Lawton Farr drilled a pair of shots from deep to push the Raider lead to 11-2.

The Aggies cut the deficit to 13-7 after another Ryan basket and both teams traded baskets and points for a pair of possessions until a Michael Owens basket gave Good Hope a 21-11 lead, but the Aggies got a huge offensive rebound and put back by J.T. White to cut the deficit to 21-13 after one.

A Clayton Strane three made it a 23-16 game early on in the second quarter, but K'mal Bell hit a pair of shots from three-point range to push the lead to 30-18 and layups by Tanner Malin and Farr made it 32-18. The Raiders later scored seven in a row to increase its lead to 42-24, but for the second straight period, Fairview finished out strong as Owen Yarbrough and White scored the final six points of the first half to cut the Raider lead to 42-30 at the half.

Fairview made it a 44-34 game after made baskets by Ryan and Yarbrough, but Good Hope countered by going on a 12-2 run and four different players found the scoring column during the run as they pushed its lead to 56-36 and they wound up taking a 60-42 lead into the final period.



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Good Hope's Lawton Farr finished with 20 points in the Raiders' 79-55 win over Fairview.

A Charlie O'Neill three increased the Raider advantage to 64-42. Fairview cut it to 66-49 after layups by Ryan and Yarbrough, but Good Hope put an end to any hopes of an Aggie comeback as they scored 11 in a row to help them take the game in the end, 79-55.

Farr finished with 20 points for Good Hope (7-2). Malin added 19 points. Noah Barnette finished with 11 points and Owens and Bell each ended up with 10 points. Yarbrough led the way for Fairview (2-8) with 17 points. Ryan added 13 points. White ended up with 10 points.

Fairview will host Phil Campbell Monday afternoon, while Good Hope will travel to take on Holly Pond Monday night.



Cheer (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Police Department (CPD) could not hold its annual "Shop with a Cop" event the way it usually has, but that did not stop officers from doing what they could to make the season bright for children of families in need and clients of the Cullman County Center for the Developmentally Disabled (CCCDD)/Margaret Jean Jones Center.

Pushed late in the season by COVID-related absences in its own ranks, and unable to meet kids face to face, the CPD on Monday sent officers to Wal-Mart to shop on behalf of 45 children and CCCDD clients.

While the logistics of the program may have been upset, the level of charity has not. CPD Investigator and program coordinator Sgt. Adam Clark reported that donations to this year's program were consistent with previous years, allowing officers a budget of more than $200 per participant.

Said Clark, "We had a good turnout for donations again this year.

"We just appreciate all our donors. We have a great town here that really supports our community policing programs, and, without them, you know, none of this is possible.

"We appreciate that, and, hopefully, we can get back to normal next year."

The officers also bought turkeys and other food for Christmas dinners for participants.

Charm (from Front)

years. Margo's is located in what was once part of the Stiefelmeyer department store. The large glass front windows were made for wonderful displays and Margo's does not disappoint.

An exquisite, flocked tree adorned with golden angel wings stops everyone as they enter the store.

Messersmith said of the gorgeous golden angel wings, "People really like that, and I have had those wings for many, many years and I can't remember how long it has been. I had walked into this showroom and there was this angel tree and I said, 'I have to have that.'"

Messersmith said she does regret only buying one set of wings, but she decided that this year, the world could really use an angel tree.

She smiled, "Everybody's wanted to buy those wings, but I'm not going to sell them just yet. We may need another angel tree."

Another window that is wildly popular this year is the Grinch window.

"We sold all the Grinches early and so we ended up putting some snowmen in there," she said.

Messersmith and her staff have one section of the store that is Christmas year-round. She said decorating the windows and the rest of the store takes three weeks.

Messersmith said of this year's Christmas season, "It's been pretty good. I've been pleased, but if we could just get rid of this pandemic."

Hot this year have been nativities and Jim Shore pieces.

"The majority of my trade is from out-of-town, she said. "We are drawing a lot of people from Huntsville, Jasper, Birmingham, Athens and Florence. There's also people who have shopped here for years and years. I have been pleased this Christmas."

There are a few popular items Margo's sold out of this year, including almost all the 28" and 30" Santas.

Messersmith explained, "I was beginning to think, 'Oh no, maybe I didn't buy enough.' You know, I didn't know if we would be closed. I didn't know what was going to happen and so I was a little unsure about what to do."

She recalled past Christmases and the open house events, saying, "In the past, we would have Christmas Open House and there were just so many people. We had an open house this year and it was fair, but it was nothing like it had been in the past."

In years past, Messersmith made brownies and other goodies for the open house events, but she laughed, "I got smart and now I don't do that."

Messersmith said she is already getting ready for the spring.

"Santa Clauses, deer, rabbits and nativities- that's things that I like, and I tend to order that."

Whether you still have shopping to do or you are out with the family looking for great Christmas decorations, stop by and enjoy the joy and beauty Margo's Gifts and Antiques has to offer.

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Vaccine (from Front)

Karen Landers, M.D.
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) said Monday it expected doses of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to arrive at some Alabama facilities later Monday and more are expected over the next couple of days now that Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the vaccine has been received from the Food and Drug Administration. Alabama's initial allocation is 84,300 doses, and shipment is in progress.

The first allocation will be shipped to a number of preidentified locations with capacity to store the Moderna product. Moderna requires storage at -20 degrees Celsius, which allows more hospitals to manage this product.

As was done with the Pfizer vaccine, the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine was allocated using a federal microplanning tool.

The current allocation for administration is 50% for hospital health care workers, 15% for EMS providers, 15% for physician offices and 20% for other hospital staff/health care workers not associated with the point of distribution.

Residents of long-term care will be vaccinated through the Federal Pharmacy Program in cooperation with large chain pharmacies.

The Moderna COVID-19 vaccine requires two doses separated by 28 days, and a recall system for second doses has been established.

Additional vaccine doses of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine are expected at weekly intervals, and the second doses of the vaccine will be included in follow-up allocations.

ADPH follows the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) guidance regarding administration to persons in Phase 1a, currently identified as health care providers and residents of long-term care. Vaccine administration to persons in Phase 1a is expected to be administered within a day or days of receipt of shipment.

Information regarding the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine's side effect profile indicated that some recipients had pain at the site of injection, headaches, fever, muscle aches and chills.

These were seen more with the second dose than the first dose and were reported to resolve over one to two days.

Mechanisms are in place to monitor for vaccine side effects.

ADPH continues to urge the public to practice caution by postponing travel and avoiding gatherings during the holidays.

Other simple measures everyone should continue taking to reduce transmission of COVID-19 are as follows:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds
- Social distance by staying 6 feet away from others
- Avoid people who are sick
- Stay home if you can; work remotely if possible
- Cover your mouth and nose with a face covering when around others
- Cover coughs and sneezes
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces
- Monitor your health

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Letter to Santa

heading

Dear Santa
greeting

I Want a herf gyns a Pack of legos and I want a Fone and a bell From your Fay

Body

Rayn Sullins
3rd Grade
Mrs Jones

love Rayn
closing

signature Rayn

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Letter to Santa

Zoey

12/17/20
heading

Dear Santa
greeting

I have bin a good and bad and if you Wont to give me a gift. it is ok | LOL and American doll. That is it.

Body

Zoey Burney
3rd Grade
Mrs Jones

thank you
closing

signature Zoey

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Letter to Santa

heading

Deaf sdnt I'v bem good
greeting

I wont a vr hed set and a 9dme cdlde for Pldn and a xbox 360 and a PS5 and the new 9dme that just cdme out its a 9dme dbdut spidermdn namd mils muralis and hers som 9oces furst grdb a e99 and call it and You mdd a e99 call Wot a Boom dos a 9ost not going in a livin

Body

Sylas Thompson
3rd grade
Mrs. Jones

PS sylds
closing

signature

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Letter to Santa

11-17-2020
heading

Dear Santa
greeting

I have been a good gril and I hop you and the elfs are doing good. I wont to tell you wat I wont for crismis all I wont for crismis is love pes and harming.

Body

to Santa
from Kesley

Kesley Knighten
3rd Grade/Mrs. Jones

Thank you Love Kesley
closing

signature

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Letter to Santa Joe

heading

dear santa
greeting

can I have a motr sikle and a scatbord and a roket and a new frand shipe with my sanda xbox360 and a xbox1 and all of the xbox os.

Body

Joe Childers
3rd Grade
Mrs. Jones

closing

signature

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Letter to Santa

Dec. 17 - 2020

heading

Dear Santa
greeting

Dear Santa I would like a bell. It might be Something big but try your best please. And I also would like a Tiger Stuffed-animal I love animals so I really want one. Next, I would like a X-box it Does not matter which one, and santa, I would like if ya would write me back.

Body

Brooklyn Hamilton
3rd Grade
Mrs. Jones

Kram: Brooklyn
closing

signature

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Letter to Santa

heading

Dear Santa
greeting

I Want a herf gyns a Pack of legos and I want a Fone and a bell From your Fay

Body

Rayn Sullins
3rd Grade
Mrs Jones

love Rayn
closing

signature Rayn

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Letter to Santa

heading

Dear Santa
greeting

Can I have a state bord and a new phone and a bike and a new dirt bike and a new baseball cleat foot ball and a base ball and a new sister and a new Xbox 360.

Body

Mason Reynolds
Mrs Jones
3rd Grade

from Mason
closing

signature Mason

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Letter to Santa

Dec\17\20
heading

Dear santa
greeting

I want a baby alive doll that eats, and I want my mom to keep bella's puppies. Thank you caidence.

Body

Caidence Maddox
3rd Grade
Mrs. Jones

thank you caidence
closing

signature caidence

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Dear Santa,

you are the nicest person I've ever known. I have been very good this year. can you bring me a PS5 and a 100 dollar PS5 gift card thankYou

Gatlin Baker
2nd Grade
Mrs. Quick

From, Gatlin ace Baker

OPINION

Rejoice – Jesus Christ is born!

Tom Fillinger
Tribune Columnist

The significance of the incarnation is highlighted by the Trinitarian involvement of God in so great an act.

The *incarnation is glorious*. In the unity of Christ's human and divine natures, the greatest distance remains.

The creator is identified with a creature. In Christ, one sees eternity and temporality, eternal blessedness and temporal sorrow, omnipotence and weakness, omniscience and ignorance, unchangeableness and mutability, infinity and finitude. All of these contrasting attributes come together in the person of Jesus Christ.

As the Puritan Stephen Charnock so eloquently testified: "What a wonder that two natures infinitely distant should be more intimately united than anything in the world.

"That the same person should have both a glory and a grief; an infinite joy in the Deity, and an inexpressible sorrow in the humanity!

"That a God upon a throne should be an infant in a cradle; the thundering Creator be a weeping babe and a suffering man; the incarnation astonishes men upon earth, and angels in heaven."

The incarnation opens up the possibility of communion between God and man. - The Son, to use Warfield's words, "descended an infinite distance to reach man's highest conceivable exaltation" (Phil. 2:6-11). God cannot commune with man except by some form of voluntary condescension.

Such a divine stooping in the incarnation is not only voluntary but also the most glorious possibility, because through Christ we are brought to God.

After all, if Jesus were in all things only a man, he would be at an infinite distance from God just as we are.

In the same way, if Jesus were in all things only God, he would be at an infinite distance from us.

As the Mediator, however, he bridges the gap between the infinite God and finite man.

All that belongs to God, Jesus possesses. All that makes someone truly human, Jesus possesses.

We would be hard-pressed to improve upon this testimony by Charnock:

"He had both the nature which had offended, and that nature which was offended: a nature to please God, and a nature to pleasure us: a nature, whereby he experimentally knew the excellency of God, which was injured, and understood the glory due to him, and consequently the greatness of the offence, which was to be measured by the dignity of his person: and a nature whereby he might be sensible of the miseries contracted by, and endure the calamities due to the offender, that he might both have compassion on him, and make due satisfaction for him.

"He had two distinct natures capable of the affections and sentiments of the two persons he was to accord; he was a just judge of the rights of the one, and the demerit of the other."

Jesus learned and Jesus knew all things; Jesus died, and Jesus gives life to all living creatures; Jesus drank from his mother's breasts and Jesus provided his mother the milk to feed him.

Only the incarnation of the Son of God can explain such statements.

Thus, we say, with Martin Luther:
The incarnation of the Son of God means that Jesus is forever God and man. - "All praise to Thee, eternal God, Who, clothed in garb of flesh and blood, Did take a manger for Thy throne, While worlds on worlds are Thine alone. Hallelujah!"

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: Dec. 22



Wendell Wilbur Guthrie, 78, of Baileyton passed away peacefully at his residence Friday, Dec. 18, 2020 with his family at his side. He was preceded in death by his parents Sanford and Madge Waldrop Guthrie and his grandparents Sanford and Ella Guthrie and William and Neelie Waldrop. Wendell is survived by his wife of 60 years, Martha Stapler Guthrie; his sons Randy Guthrie (Margaret) and Benny Guthrie (Becky); sister Iris Phillips (Wayne); six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and a host of nephews, nieces and many friends. A graveside celebration of life will be Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. at Baileyton Cemetery. Due to the risk of COVID, the service may be viewed on Moss Service Funeral Home's Facebook Live. Please visit www.mossservicefh.com to leave condolences for the family. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. In lieu of flowers, the family asks you to make a donation to your favorite charity or church.

Funeral services for Sarah Jeanette Sims, 83, of Hanceville, Alabama were at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, 2020 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Jimmy Sawyer and Randy Jackson officiated. Burial followed at Bethlehem East Cemetery in Hanceville. Visitation for guests was 6-8 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Sims is survived by her son David Wesley Sims; grandchildren Megan (Adam) Seckfort, Emily (Jake) Lambert, and Bailey Sims; great-grandchildren Raelyn Seckfort, Knox Seckfort, Truett Lambert, and Mabri Lambert; a brother Billy (Carolyn) Barnett; and a host of nieces and nephews. Mrs. Sims is preceded in death by her husband, Frank Sims; great grandchildren, Maverick and Kinlee Seckfort; parents, Earl Horace and Lois (Chambers) Barnett; and a brother, Wendell Barnett.

Ronnie James Boyd, 71, of Addison entered into rest Friday, Dec. 18, 2020 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Mr. Boyd was born April 9, 1949 in Detroit, Michigan. Ronnie loved to play cards and watch The Price Is Right. He enjoyed reading his Bible and western novels. He also enjoyed fishing when he was younger. His favorite meal was a hamburger, onion rings, salad and a Diet Pepsi. Visitation will be held Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 from 10-11 a.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, where the service will begin at 11 a.m. Brother Mike Tidwell will officiate. Burial will follow in Nesmith Community Cemetery. Ronnie is survived by his siblings Patricia (Bob) Pickle, Roy (Hope) Boyd, Jeff (Debby) Boyd, Roger (Janis) Boyd, Gloria (Eric) Eason and Chris Boyd; and eight nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father James Boyd; mother Julia Boyd Ward; and two nephews Ryan Pickle and Derek Boyd.

A graveside service for Cathy Jones, 69, of Hanceville was held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 21, 2020 at New Prospect Cemetery with Randy Moon officiating. No visitation was planned. Cathy died Saturday the 19th at CRMC. She leaves behind and will be missed by her husband Sam; daughters Jennifer (David) Rice and Sara Ashley) Doty; grandchildren Ashley (Scotty) Swindle, D.J. Rice and Carter Doty; great-grandchildren Annabelle, Elijah and Amelia Swindle. Also surviving are siblings Earl Brown, Jimmy Brown and Rebecca Brown.

Herbert "Herb" Johnson passed away at the age of 95 Saturday, Dec. 19. Herb was born March 15, 1925 in Cullman County, Alabama to Louis Emmitt and Bama Johnson. He was preceded in death by his wife Dorothy and son Stan Johnson (Betty). Herb is survived by his remaining children, Jim Johnson (Rosemary Seig), Steve Johnson, Carol Horstman (Robert), and Marti Johnson; grandchildren Stacey Channell (Chris), Will Johnson, Jamie Johnson, Ross Horstman (Emily), Kelley Johnson, and Seth Horstman (Esther); great-grandchild Max Channell; brothers Sidney Johnson (Jean) and Bill Johnson; and many cousins, nieces, nephews, and longtime friends. Herb proudly served in the Navy during WWII and took part in the Normandy Invasion (D-Day) at Omaha Beach. An avid runner and active member of the Birmingham Track Club, Herb continued competing in 5K runs well into his 80s. He will be remembered for his great sense of humor, strong work ethic, and willingness to go above and beyond for those in need. Due to COVID-19 concerns, the immediate family will gather privately to celebrate Herb's life. In lieu of flowers, a donation can be made to the Cullman Senior Center, where Herb enjoyed many happy hours with staff and friends. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

Funeral services for Nella Butler, 93, of Cullman will be at noon Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Simcoe Methodist Cemetery; Rev. Steven Sutter officiating. Visitation for Mrs. Butler will be from 11 a.m.-noon at the funeral home. Masks are required at all times. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Butler passed away Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020 at her residence. She was born Jan. 13, 1927 to Powell and Arlie Ferguson. She was preceded in death by her husband William Cranston Butler; grandson Charles Schultz; granddaughter Sherry Anderson; and brothers and sisters. Survivors include her son James (Cindy) Butler; daughters Joyce Schultz and Nena Anderson; granddaughter Michelle (Randy) Lowery; and a host of other grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Virginia Carolyn Shelton,79, of Hanceville, Alabama passed at Cullman Regional Medical Center Dec. 19, 2020. Carolyn was born Oct. 19, 1941 in Cullman, Alabama to Bernice and Samuel Hughes. She married the love of her life, Zelmar Shelton, Feb. 27, 1960. She worked as an office secretary for James R. Smith Trucking Company for many years where she retired and then took on the job as the local librarian at Hanceville Public Library. Carolyn was an angel on earth. She cared for so many throughout her life and enjoyed spending time with her family. She was a magnificent cook and loved to read. Carolyn was a strong woman of faith and a member of First United Methodist in Hanceville. Carolyn is survived by her four sons Zelmar Joey Shelton (Carl Shelton), Samuel David Shelton (Becky Shelton), Jimmy Leander Shelton (Julia Shelton), and Daniel Keith Shelton (Tammy Shelton); her six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and siblings Mary Frances Brock, Elliot Hughes, and Van Hughes. She is preceded in death by her husband Zelmar Shelton; her parents Bernice and Samuel Hughes; and sister Ruth Boatright. The service was Monday, Dec. 21,2020 11 a.m. at Shelton Grove Baptist Church. There was no visitation due to the pandemic, and the family asked that at the graveside, social distancing guidelines be followed.

Funeral services for Clara Christine Willingham, 82, of Falkville will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Friendship Methodist Cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday at the funeral home from noon-2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Willingham passed away Saturday, Dec. 19, 2020. She was born Feb. 13, 1938 to Ernest and Ruth Estelle McDonald Price. She was a member of Friendship Methodist Church. She loved camping, traveling and was a winter Texan. She was preceded in death by her parents; her step-dad Tom Walker; her husband Maurice Willingham; her son Kenneth Willingham; her brothers Quintus Price and Travis Price. Survivors include her daughter Brenda (Roger) Bogard; brothers Charles (Wanda) Price and Gary (Tonya) Price; grandchildren Kenny Willingham, Kerry Willingham, Kurt Willingham, Tyler (Holly) Bogard, and Charity (Scott) Lane; great-grandchildren Charli and Aubrey Bogard, and Owen Lane; and family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Funeral services for Vernon Ray Henderson, 73, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Center Grove Cemetery with military honors. Rev. Keith Whitley will be officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday at the funeral home from 9-11 a.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Henderson passed away Dec. 20, 2020 at his residence. He was born Dec.26, 1946 to Gurley and Pearl Cole Henderson. He served his country in the military in the United States Army in the Vietnam War. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers Emmett Henderson and Jessie Henderson. Survivors include his special friend Billie Ward; son Jason Henderson; brother Euel (Marie) Henderson; sister Marie (Mayes) Derrick; granddaughter Raigan Litteral; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Paul Evan Jones passed away from cancer Dec. 16, 2020, at home with his wife by his side. Paul proudly served in the United States Marine Corps for 22 years, earning a multitude of the highest accolades, and retiring at the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 4. He was a veteran of the Vietnam and Gulf Wars. Paul was a Radar Approach Controller, as well as an Air Traffic Controller. As a civilian in his 40s, Paul made the important decision to attend college and major in Computer Science, obtaining both an Associate of Science Degree and a Bachelor of Science Degree, turning him into an IT Guru. His latest retirement was from Regions Riverchase Operations Center, where he was a Database Administrator for the Mortgage Department. Born in Michigan to a military family, Paul's fondest memories were of Japan, where he resided for several years of his childhood. During his teenage years, his family lived in England. Paul was an avid history buff, whose hobbies comprised of playing computer games, cooking, working out, and debating. Paul's caring and immense generosity will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his father William E. Jones; brother Stephen Jones; and best friend Leo Bauer. He is survived by his wife Pamela Dawn Jones; mother Pauline Jones; sisters Julia (John) Watkins, Linda (Adam) Kiraly, and Anita Carol (Rodger) Boyd; daughter Courtney (Manny) Mendoza; grandchildren Owen Bennett Fuller, Landon Mendoza, Baylin Armstrong, and soon to arrive, Whitley Mendoza; and several nieces and nephews. Paul requested to be cremated and have his ashes spread at sea.

A graveside service for Wilford Cleveland Butts, 89, of Cullman, who died Monday, Dec. 21, will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 at Garden City Cemetery Reverend Matthew Smith officiating. Hanceville Funeral Home directing. The son of the late Cleveland and Ethel Smith, Butts was a member of Eastside Baptist church and a U.S. Army veteran. He is survived by his wife Lou Nell Butts; children Sharon (Greg Rusk) Shaver and Tim (Selina) Butts; and grandchildren Chastin (David) Gibbs, Benjamin (Deanna) Shaver, Shea (Lisa) Butts, Julianna (Tyler) McSwain, Ashton (Josh) Swindall, William L. (Erinn) Shaver and Shantin Finch. Also surviving are 22 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by two sisters, five brothers and one great-grandchild.

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Cullman Police, CCSO recover Chevrolet Colorado from Duck River

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CULLMAN, Ala. – A white Chevrolet Colorado was pulled from Duck River in Cullman County Monday. Divers with the Cullman Police Department (CPD) and Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), along with Eric Parker of the North Alabama Diver Center, located and recovered the vehicle.

"Officer Matt Dean with the Lake Patrol, they were notified that there was a vehicle out in the water, in Duck River," said CPD Officer Roy Bates. "Today, Matt Dean, Capt. Gene Bates and I got on a boat and went out there and we located something."

Bates said the divers, using a magnet they attached to the vehicle, went down the line and confirmed it was a Chevrolet Colorado.

Bates said Deputy Ryan Hogeland with the CCSO Dive Team was part of the recovery effort.

"We geared up and hooked a cable to it and they pulled it out," said Bates, who said a wrecker service assisted.

"We're still not sure how it got there or who put it out there," he said. "It's still under investigation."

Anyone with any information should contact the CPD at 256-734-1434.

Center (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – With colder weather causing issues for individuals and families without consistent housing or shelter, Redemption Church opened a nightly warming center last week to combat the chill. Located at the church (516 Schaeffel Road, Cullman, AL 35055), the center is open every night from 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. with sign-in taking place from 5-9 p.m.

Not just simply a warm place to stay for the night, the center also has snack foods and canned soups, as well as hot beverages (hot chocolate, coffee and tea), available for visitors. Cots, blankets and pillows are also available for overnight stays. In order to comply with COVID-19 restrictions and guidelines, the center performs temperature checks and asks health screening questions of all visitors and keeps all cots spaced 6 feet apart. Cots, blankets and sheets are washed and sanitized daily, and the center is using disposable pillows.

Cheri Seymore, department head of Outreach Ministries for Redemption Church, said the warming center was a ministry that God gave her the vision for long ago.

"Many times, we see people on the street in passing and yet we don't truly see them," she commented.

"There are so many that live in their vehicles, tents, houses that are barely houses with no means of heat, cooking food or even taking a shower.

"We want to share the love of Christ through this ministry no matter people's situation or circumstances."

Seymore continued, "I'm so thankful for Pastor Rodney Thompson, his wife Pastor Rachel and Redemption Church for sharing my vision and allowing me to serve in this capacity.

"Our mission statement really says it all. We are committed to being the hands and feet of Jesus Christ while providing temporary shelter and basic needs, as Deuteronomy 15:11 says, 'For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore, I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.''

Although this is a temporary shelter, together with God's blessings and many nonprofit organizations we hope to help those who are less fortunate to find permanent shelter and employment."

Pastor Rodney Thompson said this project was a vision greatly needed by the community.

"I recently realized that after the sale of some properties, Cullman no longer offered these services," he said. "I reached out to United Way, who began to help us get things in action.

"With the help of the Red Cross, we've been blessed with cots. We opened Dec. 17, and we have been blessed to be able to help families over the weekend."

Anyone wishing to help the warming center ministry can donate bedding items like sheets and blankets, snacks and canned foods, or personal hygiene items.

Girl Scout Troop 20676 is also holding a blanket and toiletry drive through Jan. 31, 2021. The drop-off location is at the church, or people can contact Seymore for pickup. People in need of the warming center's services are also encouraged to call or text Seymore or Thompson.

- Cheri Seymore: 256-620-0296
- Pastor Rodney Thompson: 256-620-0550





