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'We could have this thing ended by the spring'

Dr. Scott Warner talks COVID-19 vaccines, precautions



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CHRISTMAS WISHES

Community leaders share Christmas messages



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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman County's mayors and commissioners share their Christmas wishes for their communities.

Baileyton Mayor Windell Calloway

"We would like to thank everyone who has helped our new council get off to a great start. We also want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and please be safe."

Colony Mayor Curtis Johnson

"I want to wish the town of Colony and everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!"

Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs » PAGE 3

– LIFESTYLE –

Join 'Mama Duke' tonight on Facebook!

Ruth Duke, 103, will read 'The Christmas Story



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Ruth Duke, 103, practices reading "The Christmas Story."

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Q & A with Mrs. Claus!



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Mrs. Claus (who bears a striking resemblance to Cullman's Tonja Grace) poses for a photo.

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HEALTH

ADPH reports 1 severe allergic reaction following COVID-19 immunization

Patient had a previous history of anaphylaxis to biologic agents

Karen Landers, M.D.
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) has been made aware that a person who received the Pfizer BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine Tuesday experienced anaphylaxis (a severe allergic reaction) several minutes after taking the vaccine and while in required post-vaccine observation. The patient was immediately treated with anaphylaxis protocol at Decatur Morgan Hospital where the vaccine was administered.

At this time, the patient is stable and appears to be recovering.

Information received is that the patient had a previous history of anaphylaxis to biologic agents and, following risk assessment, wished to proceed with vaccine. Previous anaphylaxis to biologics is a precaution, not a contraindication, to COVID-19 vaccine.

As required by the emergency use authorization (EUA) the adverse reaction has been documented and reported to the manufacturer.

As of Wednesday at 7 a.m., Alabama providers reported 15,286 doses of COVID-10 vaccine had been administered in the state. Nationwide, six persons have been reported to have had anaphylaxis after COVID-19 vaccine.

This is the only notice that ADPH has received of any allergic reactions in Alabama. ADPH extends its wishes for a quick recovery to the patient, family and all involved.

Mama Duke (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – On Christmas Eve, we hope everyone will join The Cullman Tribune as an incredibly special guest reads "The Christmas Story" about the birth of Jesus. Mrs. Ruth Duke will be telling the story of Mary and Joseph as they traveled to Bethlehem and the Savior was born. Duke, known to many as "Mama Duke," recently celebrated her 103rd birthday and is excited to have the opportunity to share the story of Jesus' birth.

Duke is a native of Welti and has lived in the Welti area all her life.

Church has always been a central part of her life; she has attended Mt. Zion Baptist Church since its founding. Mama Duke is the matriarch of five generations of Dukes.

She said this Christmas will be quite different due to the pandemic, but she hopes her telling of "The Christmas Story" will be something everyone can enjoy.

The version of "The Christmas Story" Duke will read is an adaptation by Christian author and Christmas "expert" James Cooper from the United Kingdom.

Upon learning that Mama Duke would be reading his work, Cooper said, he instantly read about her 103rd birthday celebration, sharing in an email, "It will be an honour for my site to be involved with the event.

"My grandfather died a few years ago, but he also got to 103- his funeral was on what would have been his 104th birthday!!"

For more information on Cooper, visit www.whychristmas.com.

Tune in to The Cullman Tribune's Facebook page (www.Facebook.com/CullmanTribune) at approximately 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24 to watch Mama Duke read this special story.

Q & A (from Front)

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Despite a very hectic week of helping her husband prepare for Christmas Eve, Mrs. Claus has taken time to schedule some visits to Cullman over the last few days. She has been handing out goodies and talking to folks around town, including a stop by several businesses and organizations. Mrs. Claus even sat down with The Tribune for a rare and exclusive interview to help us learn more about her family and life at the North Pole.

So Mrs. Claus, are you ready for the big day?
Christmastime is a busy season at the North Pole. We work all year to prepare for the big day!

What does Santa do the morning of Christmas Eve to get ready for the big night?
I let Santa sleep a little late on Christmas Eve morning. When he wakes up, I feed him warm oatmeal and make sure he takes his vitamins. He has many houses to visit with lots of cookies and milk to eat so he doesn't eat a big breakfast.

Do you call him Santa, Kris, Babe...?
Well, most of the time I call him Santa Baby! We both have nicknames for each other. Santa calls me Sugar because of all the sweets I make every year.

What do you do once he leaves to deliver all the toys and goodies?
I go into our Santa Radar Room and watch Santa closely. I can see everywhere he goes all across the world. I can even see how the reindeer are holding up.

What plans do you have once he returns?
Well, he has a busy night, so I have his pajamas warm by the fireplace and his slippers by his chair. We usually talk about how his night went and about all the awesome cookies and treats all the sweet children left for him.

What did children ask for this year?
Most of the boys wanted the newest PlayStation or Xbox. The little ones asked for Co-Comelon and the girls asked for the classics- baby dolls, bicycles and Barbies. LOL Dolls are still a big item, as well as Paw Patrol.

Is anyone in Cullman on the naughty list?
We do have a few from Cullman on Santa's Naughty List. Santa tries to give everyone a second chance, so they STILL have time to be placed on the Nice List. Our Naughty List changes every day.

What time is your husband scheduled to be in the Cullman area on Christmas Eve?
The times can vary depending on the weather, so we are watching north Alabama closely right now. If it's raining, foggy or snowing, it could be any time between 8 p.m. to 3 a.m.; it's hard to know. Of course, Rudolph will help guide Santa regardless of the weather and Santa loves and is always talking about the beautiful Christmas lights in Cullman County.

Do you enjoy Hallmark or Lifetime Christmas movies?
We have several movies we love to watch. I really like to watch "Christmas at Dollywood." That place is beautiful at Christmastime. Santa likes to watch all of the Santa Claus movies. He also likes to watch "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer."

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?
I always like to bake goodies year-round. This year, I made a lot of these new treats, maybe you've heard about them, hot cocoa bombs! I also like to volunteer at local food banks like Cullman Caring for Kids to help make sure no one goes to bed hungry. I love to play dress up with the elves and I love my hats.

Do you have any other family or siblings at the North Pole?
I have two sisters and they work in the bakery with me.

Mrs. Claus, do you have a first name?
I try not to share all my secrets, but I will share this one with you. My name is Holly, but I love being Mrs. Claus. Santa and I met in 1793 on Christmas Day.

What is your favorite part of Christmas?
I enjoy spreading the Christmas spirit every chance I get. I want everyone to remember this- always know the real reason behind Christmas. It's Jesus' birthday: For unto us a child is born, to us a son is given... Isaiah 9:6-7.

Before heading back to help Santa finish the preparations for the biggest night of the year, Mrs. Claus let this message, "Merry Christmas to everyone, and kids, remember to go to bed early and leave out some cookies and milk. Due to the pandemic, hand sanitizer might not be a bad idea this year!"

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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 271,500 (+3,161 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 63,069 (+1,597 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 4,023 (+113 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 564
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 4,712 (+71 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 1,879 (+65 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 55 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 15
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 30,236
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,483
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,220
- Total tested in Alabama: 1,813,351
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 55,248
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 143,400
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,535
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 31,651
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 193,149

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

Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 update from Cullman Regional

- 75 positive patients, with 18 currently on ventilators
- Cullman Regional has reported 94 COVID deaths to ADPH. Of these patients, 70 were from Cullman County.

"Our numbers continue to increase. Everyone needs to remain vigilant in preventing the spread. Although vaccinations have begun, it will take several months to see a significant impact."

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

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
- 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
- Admission to the Winter Wonderland is $10 per vehicle.
- Dec. 26-27, drive thru-only
- 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 Cattle-Women 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.

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Warner (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Dr. Scott Warner, a pulmonologist who practices at Chest Medicine of Cullman and who has advised community leaders on the COVID-19 pandemic offered a stark warning ahead of Christmas: the local health care system does not have the capacity to handle the predicted rise in cases if people gather in large groups for the holiday.

Warner said the after-Thanksgiving surge is already straining the system.

"We suffered the predicted bump in cases after that. Unfortunately, we're predicting the same thing to follow Christmas if people are careless," he said. "Every person's decision affects dozens of people around them. It's amazing how many lives we each touch. So, we are unfortunately predicting a bump up, again, at the end of the year following Christmas and into the New Year that we really don't have the capacity to handle. It's really urgent for people to reevaluate their Christmas plans on get-togethers and gatherings so that we can put some kind of damper on this and give the vaccine time to work. We're only hitting the tip of the iceberg right now, giving the vaccine to those people who keep other people alive; that's basically who's getting it right now."

Vaccinations have begun in Cullman, with limited doses of the Pfizer product available. A second vaccine, this one from Moderna, is expected to be available locally soon.

"It's moving nicely," said Warner. "The good news is the second vaccine has been approved."

He addressed vaccine hesitancy head-on, saying there was no shortcut in the science or safety part of the development.

"Some people are a little hesitant because it came out so quickly, well, that's because the government invested millions and probably billions of dollars in allowing these companies to go ahead and manufacture and stock it, even before it was approved, because the science was so trustworthy, and the need was so great. They went ahead and invested in the process ahead of time, where a company could not have taken that financial risk. That's where the 'shortcuts' occurred," he said. "People misunderstand the quickness and maybe think it was sloppy and pushing things through, but that's not the case at all. With vaccines, if you're going to see any side effects, those typically occur within the first two months or so, and we followed it for that long, the safety record was good, the effectiveness was good, and the science is good."

Warner said mRNA vaccine technology, which is used in both the Pfizer and Moderna products, is something that has been studied for quite some time.

"It's a little snippet of the virus' mRNA, the messenger RNA which makes the protein on the outside of it. It gets into the cell in your arm and creates that protein that's on the outside of the virus," he explained. "Within days, that protein is gone, or the mRNA is gone, so it doesn't get into the nucleus of the cell. It's the perfect methodology for this kind of rapid production of a vaccine for a new, emerging infection. It's not brand new science, it just hasn't been needed for a publicly-available vaccine yet."

Precautions to slow the spread

"The precautions that we need to take are really key here. I know it's not fun and people have fatigue from this, but it's amazing the stories that I'm hearing in the hospital of people outside the hospital who are skeptical or unconvinced because they didn't know anyone who had it or they got news from unreliable sources and now it hits them or a family member or someone they identify with, and now they're suddenly a believer," said Warner.

The only way the pandemic is going to end, he said, is if more than 50% of the population is vaccinated.

"We can let this thing rock on as long as people want it to, or we can end it as quickly as people want it to. If you really want the economy to recover and life to get back to normal, you should be posting, 'Get your vaccine!' It's the opposite of what people are doing. They're putting a break on the recovery by causing some people to doubt good science with misinformation and rumor and causing people not to get the vaccine or use the proper social precautions to prevent this," he said. "We could have this thing ended by the spring. If people are slow, reluctant, then we'll see this go into next fall probably."

Wishes (from Front)

"Perhaps at no other time in our history are we further from any sense of the comfort and convenience that has become associated with Christmas along with the many traditional social norms. Yet, maybe we have a chance to be closer to the true meaning of Christmas like no time before.

"The Advent season is a time of waiting and longing. It is a time that is representative of finding the light in the darkness. The Christmas Star that everyone looked at last night (Dec. 21)- it made me think just how much that Star of Bethlehem must have been such a defining light of hope for an unwed virgin and lowly carpenter as their world around them seemed chaotic and out of control. For many of us, 2020 seems like a year that has been placed outside of our control; it has been like Merle Haggard's song 'If We Make it through December.' But I have to remind myself that what was so significant about the first Christmas is really true today- a new life was given in a tough world, and that life would be built on a foundation of sacrifice for fellow man- friend or foe, ultimately to pay the ultimate sacrifice for us all.

"I hope this year that we can pluck the moments of light out from the darkness, realize the true meaning of this day and energize our hearts with hope and selflessness as we trudge on into 2021, tired but resilient. Now is the time we anchor our souls in hope and put our focus on working toward better days by knowing the power that sacrifice has over selfishness."

Dodge City Mayor Tawana Canada

"First of all, I hope that everyone goes into the Christmas holidays healthy. I hope that no one is lonely and that everyone is filled with happiness, family and God's love. If there is anyway the Town of Dodge City can help, please let us know."

Fairview Mayor Keith Henry

"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!! Hope everybody is staying healthy and safe."

Garden City Mayor Tim Eskew

"I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I want to thank all the essential workers: the doctors, the nurses, the store workers, the truck drivers, all the teachers and the custodians and everyone for the extra patience they've had during this pandemic time. They've tried to help us all through, and with us all working together, we should be able to make it through it. May God bless everyone and have a Happy New Year!"

Good Hope Mayor Jerry Bartlett

"As we look forward to Christmas and New Year, we carry the effects of COVID with us. We have found renewed value for loved ones, friends and neighbors who have helped us through these trying times. We have found a greater appreciation for health care and frontline workers. We will continue to pray for anyone dealing with this sickness, loneliness, anxiety and sadness. We ask that you continue to support our local businesses during their time of recovery as well. From the City of Good Hope mayor and town council, we wish everyone a safe and joyful Merry Christmas!"

Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail

"Giving thanks for our Lord and savior during this Christmas season."

Holly Pond Mayor Carla Hart

"We know this has been a trying year for everyone, not just here in Holly Pond but worldwide. Everybody just remember to still try to keep the happy spirit, as we hope things will improve in the new year. Have a safe and happy holiday season and the Town of Holly Pond wishes everyone a Very Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year."

West Point Mayor Gerald Schafer

"The Town of West Point would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. This plague we are in might have been a surprise to us, but it was not a surprise to God. I would encourage everyone to look to him for guidance in their lives. Merry Christmas and God Bless America!"

South Vinemont Mayor Radginal Dodson

"I want to thank the people in the town for their continued support of me and the council. I plan on taking care of them and they are no. 1 priority and I want to provide them with as much as possible. I really appreciate the council, and it has been a tough Christmas as we have lost one of our council members, J.D. Marcum. He was a fine man and I really did like him really well. He was a fine gentleman and longtime member of the community. He is greatly missed.

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Please maintain masks and maintain social distancing and hand washing. Come out and enjoy our new pavilion, and our walking trail is wide open, and we have a new addition to the walking trail. Come out and see if you can figure out what it is!!"

Cullman County Commissioner, Place 1 Kerry Watson

"My family and I would like to wish everyone many blessings of peace, love and happiness during this magical time of year. Merry Christmas to you all. Luke 2:11-14."

Cullman County Commissioner, Place 2 Garry Marchman

"As I take a breath and look at the past year, I can see that it has been a very different and trying year. I see how we have had to make adjustments in the way we live and even come up with creative things to substitute as toilet paper, LOL. We see how fast life can change. I am blessed to live in this little corner of the world called Cullman. I hope everyone will remember that we have a savior in Christ Jesus. The holiday season being upon us, I would ask everyone to be safe in however you have chosen to celebrate this season and from the Cullman County Commission- Have a Very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Cullman County Commission Chairman Jeff Clemons

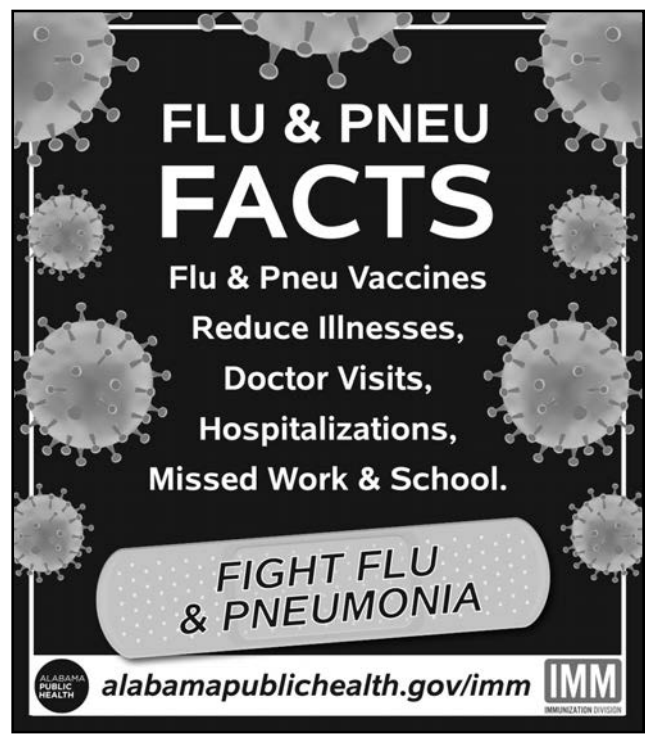
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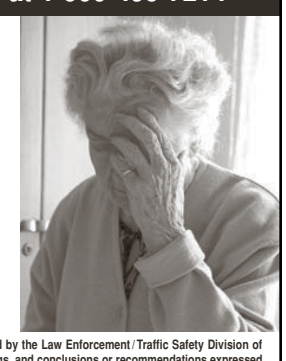
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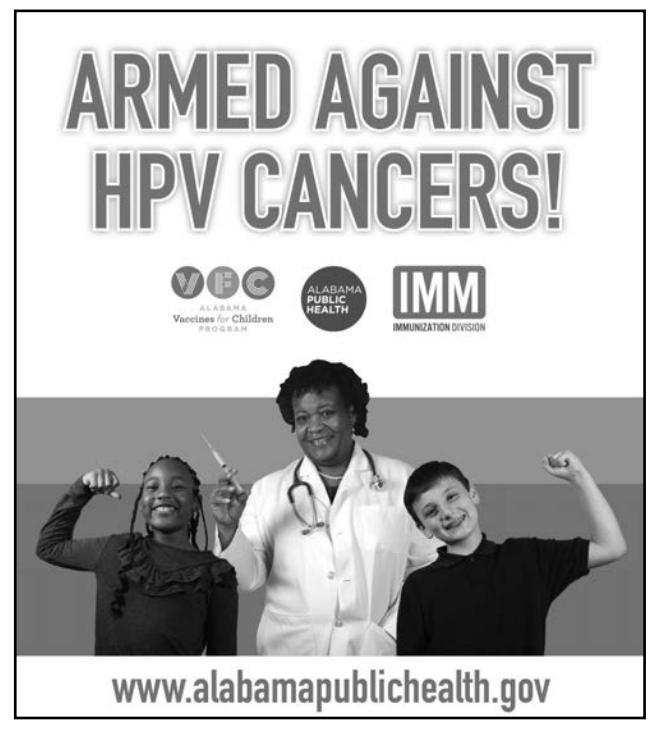
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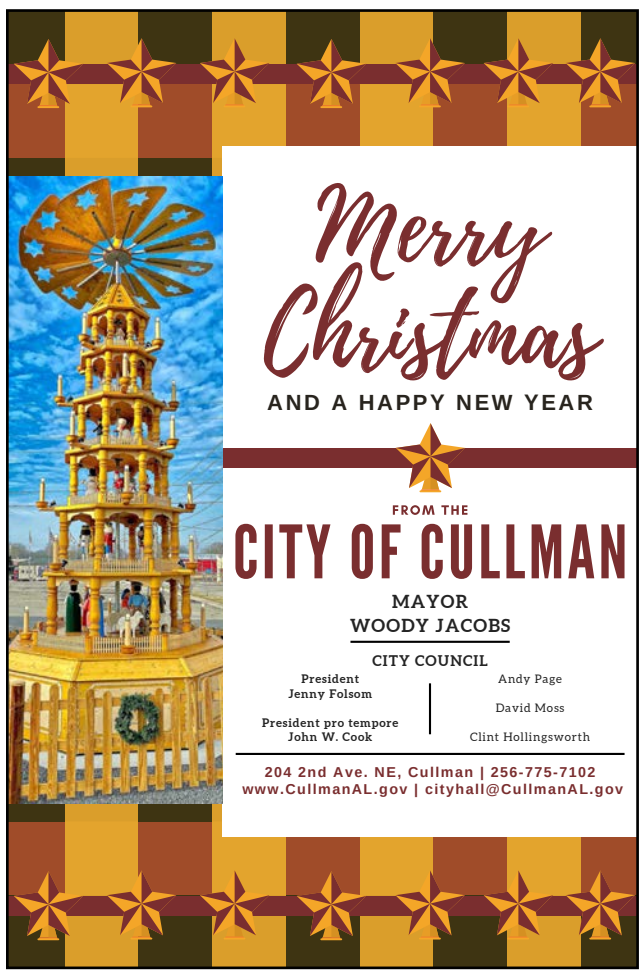
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

HAROLD L. SIMS,
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2020-900416.00**

LYNNETTE K. SIMS-SIKOR,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Lynnette K. Sims-Sikor, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Harold L. Sims' Complaint for Divorce by February 15, 2021 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against her in Case Number 25-DR-2020-900416.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 14th day of December, 2020.

Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:
Andria D. Sims
300 1st Av SE
Cullman, AL 35055

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
*
WILLIE AUBREY CARNES, * CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
*
deceased. * CASE NO. PC2020-347

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Karen Carnes, as Administratrix of the Estate of Willie Aubrey Carnes, deceased, on the 15th day of December, 2020, by the Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

TO: Publisher
The Cullman Tribune

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Attorney for Administrator:
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Baggett & Wilson, LLC
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Cullman, AL 35055
256-737-0740

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

CHARLES EARL SMITH, deceased. CASE NO. PC2020-320

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF CHARLES EARL SMITH, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Charles Earl Smith on the 8th day of December, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Darlene A. Smith, Personal Representative

TO: Publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*:

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Steven C. Smith
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Attorneys for Darlene A. Smith
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Phone: (256) 734-4721

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
)
FRANCES EARLINE CORLEY,) **CASE NO.: PC-2020-266**
)
DECEASED.)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Milda Laney as Personal Representative of the Estate of FRANCES EARLINE CORLEY, deceased, on the 8th day of December, 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.

Milda Laney
Personal Representative of the Estate of
Frances Earline Corley, deceased

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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TAMMY BROWN, Judge of Probate

Beverly Paschal Poston (PAS001)
Attorney for the Estate of
Frances Earline Corley, deceased.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

LISA MICHELE GLISPIE,
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2020-900447.00**

BRIAN PATRICK BARNES,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Brian Patrick Barnes, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Lisa Michele Glispie's Complaint for Divorce by February 8, 2021 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in Case Number 25-DR-2020-900447.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 9th day of December, 2020.

Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2ND Ave SW
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Walker Brothers, LTD

(Plaintiff)

v. Case No: SM-2015-900290

One Call Property Maintenance

(Defendant)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

Defendant One Call Property Maintenance, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him her by the Plaintiff, Walker Brothers, LTD, for $2,117.84 plus court cost, cause of action being Open Account.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 28th day of January, 2021, or a default may be rendered against him her in the above styled cause

Dated this the 15th day of December, 2020

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
MARY ELIZABETH CANTRELL, deceased. CASE NO. PC2020-338

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF MARY ELIZABETH CANTRELL, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Sharon H. Barrett on the 8th day of December, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

SHARON H. BARRETT, Personal Representative

TO: Publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*:

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
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Bobby Noles

(PLAINTIFF)

VS CASE NO: SM-2016-900068

Amanda Drake

(DEFENDANT)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

DEFENDANT(S), Amanda Drake, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the PLAINTIFF, Bobby Noles, for $3,860.59 plus court cost, cause of action being: Failure to pay promissory notes.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 21st day of January, 2021, or a default may be rendered against him/her in the above styled cause.

DATED THIS THE 9th DAY OF December, 2020.

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF * CASE NO.: PC2020-341
EVA BUKAC, *
*
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Alex Bukac, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Eva Bukac, deceased, on the 15th day of December, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

Alex Bukac
Personal Representative

C. Blake West
Attorney for Personal Representative
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256-734-0026

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

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RANDY KEVIN WREN, deceased. CASE NO. PC2020-339

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF RANDY KEVIN WREN, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Sharon H. Barrett on the 8th day of December, 2020, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

SHARON H. BARRETT, Personal Representative

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
T.P. GADDIS a/k/a * **CASE NO.: PC2020-356**
TOMMY PASCAL GADDIS, *
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to GERALD GADDIS and OUNITA WILKS as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of T.P GADDIS a/k/a TOMMY PASCAL GADDIS, deceased, on the 15th day of December, 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.

Gerald Gaddis
Ounita Wilks
Co-Personal Representatives

Andrea Gullion
Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives
Harrison & Gammons, P.C.
2430 L & N Drive
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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Jonathon Heaton Jennifer R. Heaton Husband And Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Americapital Funding Corp., its successors and assigns dated August 11, 2008; said mortgage being recorded on August 28, 2008, in Book 1575, Page 50 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing by assignment recorded in Deed Book 352, Page 61 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
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PREP BASKETBALL

West Point sweeps Good Hope at home

Sammy Confer
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WEST POINT, Ala. – West Point returned home to face Good Hope Tuesday night after splitting a pair of Monday nights by Fyffe. Good Hope was fresh off a sweep of Fairview on Friday, but the Warriors and Lady Warriors wound up taking both games at home. The Lady Warriors held off a late rally from the Lady Raiders to win the game 72-61 while the Warriors edged out the Raiders in the end 63-58.

West Point 72 - Good Hope 61 (varsity girls)

Rudi Derrick got the scoring started for Good Hope with a three-pointer. The Lady Raiders held West Point without a field goal for the first 3 1/2 minutes of the first quarter until Braelee Quinn tied the game up at three with a basket down low. Consecutive threes by Ivey Maddox and a layup gave Good Hope an 11-5 lead. The Lady Warriors made it 13-11 on a basket down low by Lexi Shadix, but another Maddox trey pushed the Lady Raider lead to 16-11. West Point finished the quarter on an 8-0 run to take a 19-16 lead into the second period.

Threes by Braelee Quinn and Ryleigh Jones helped the Lady Warriors stretch its lead to 25-17, but Good Hope answered right back with consecutive threes by Bailey Tetro and Derrick as they made it a 27-26 contest. Baskets by Bethany Minck and Jones increased the lead to five and they would go into the half up 31-28.

A Shadix three made it a 34-28 advantage in what would be the start of a huge second half for her. A Derrick trey cut the deficit to 36-32, but the rest of the quarter was all West Point as Shadix wound up scoring 13 third-quarter points and the Lady Warrior defense held Good Hope to just four points the rest of the quarter as West Point went into the final period up by 14 at 50-36.

Good Hope looked to get back in the game to start out the final quarter and they did just that as Derrick and Bailey Tetro scored the first eight points to make it a 50-44 contest. They later made it 54-49 on a Bailey Tetro trey and a pair of Maddox free throws with 4:39 remaining in the game. The Lady Warriors looked to shrug off the slow start to the quarter as they pushed the lead to nine at 60-51 after another Shadix made layup. Another Derrick trey made it a six-point game, but Good Hope wouldn't get any closer after that as Shadix and Jones proved to be too much at the end as they scored the final 12 points for West Point as they pulled away at the end, 72-61.

Shadix finished with a game-high 31 points, 15 rebounds, and three blocks for West Point (9-4), with 25 of those points coming in the second half. Jones added 17 points and Braelee Quinn ended up with 16 points. Good Hope (9-5) was led by Derrick, who finished with 24 points. Bailey Tetro wasn't far behind as she ended up with 21 points and Maddox finished with 13 on the night.

West Point 63 - Good Hope 58 (varsity boys)

West Point got quick baskets from Will Cochran and Kobe Bowers to take a quick 4-0 lead. Good Hope made it 4-3 on a Colton Lindsey three, but the Warriors made it an 8-3 game on a pair of Samuel Wheeler free throws. The Raider defense tightened up after that, allowing just a Cochran basket the rest of the quarter and Noah Barnette finished with seven points in the period as Good Hope took a 15-10 lead into the second period.

Cochran quickly scored five in a row to tie the game up at 15. Later on, Good Hope took a 20-16 lead after another three by Lindsey and a layup by Tanner Malin. Another Cochran made basket made it 22-20 and Malin added a free throw to make it a 23-20 game at the half. Cochran finished with 16 of West Point's 20 first-half points.

A Carter Thornton three gave the Warriors a 27-25 lead early in the third quarter. Back-to-back made baskets by Lindsey and Barnette gave the Raiders the lead right back at 29-27 and both teams would either swap the lead or tie for a few possessions before baskets by Cochran and Kobe Bowers gave West Point a 37-32 advantage. A Lawton Farr three cut the deficit to 39-38 after three quarters.



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West Point's Will Cochran finished with a game-high 30 points in the Warriors' 63-58 win over Good Hope.

Another Farr trey tied it up at 41 with 7:33 remaining in the game, but West Point answered right back as Logan Selby drilled one from deep and Bowers scored the next five points, including a huge three-point play, to help push the Warrior lead to 49-44 with 5:21 remaining in the contest. Farr continued his red-hot shooting in the second half as he drilled yet another shot from deep to make it a 50-49 game and Malin gave the Raiders a 52-50 lead with a shot from long range. Cochran and Bowers helped give the Warriors a 55-52 lead as they scored five in a row, but Lindsey tied it up at 55 on a three-point play.

Back-to-back baskets down low by Thornton and Bowers gave West Point a 59-55 lead. A Barnette short jumper, later followed by a Farr free throw, cut the Raider deficit to 61-58, but it was only fitting that Cochran would make the clutch basket at the end as his layup helped seal the 63-58 win for West Point (10-5).

Cochran had a monster game for West Point, finishing with a game-high 30 points and 13 rebounds. Bowers added 18 points and Wheeler ended up with seven points. For Good Hope (9-3), Farr led the way with 18 points and seven rebounds, with 16 of those points coming in the second half. Lindsey added 14 points and nine rebounds. Barnette ended up with 13 points and seven rebounds and Malin added eight points and a pair of steals.

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On Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020, at the age of 95, Earnie Sullins of Hanceville went home to be with the Lord. He died at CRMC, with his daughter Bonnie by his side. Earnie was born Aug. 23, 1925 to Homer Joshua and Katie Bauer Sullins. After serving as a Marine in World War II, Earnie was married to Bertha Odell Sullins for almost 70 years, until her passing in 2013. He said he missed her and thought of her every day afterward. While waiting to be reunited with his beloved wife, Earnie enjoyed tending to his garden, eating lunches at the Hanceville Senior Center, playing bingo at the Moose Lodge, and visits with his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. He was well liked, dearly loved, and will be greatly missed. He was preceded in death by his wife; three brothers Joe Sullins, David Sullins, and Junior Sullins; and three sisters Lillie Whaley, Annie Shugart, and Emma Ruth Johnson. Earnie is survived by his children Bill (Nancy) Sullins of Peoria, Illinois, Betty (George) Nash of Livonia, Michigan, and Bonnie(Gene) Nash of Hanceville; four grandchildren Stacey Fiddes, Matthew (Ashley Rubin) Sullins, Lisa Marie (Benny) Wong , and Ben Nash; 13 great-grandchildren Matt(Maggie) Fiddes, Jack Fiddes, Jakob Sullins, Molly Sullins, Alex Sullins, Cooper Rubin, Ashton Rubin, Kaitlin Wong, Earnie Wong, Mikayla Wong, Ariel Wong, Emaline Wong, and Bronte Nash; one brother Franklin Sullins; three sisters Ethelene Powell, Imogene Pennington, and Louise Evans; and many nieces and nephews. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 27 at Duck River Cemetery. There will be no visitation due to the pandemic.

Graveside services for Audry Lee Goode, 87, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 24, 2020 at Baldwin Presbyterian Cemetery; Rev. Herman Lambert officiating. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Goode passed away Tuesday, Dec. 22, 2020 at her residence. She was born April 21, 1933 to Phillip Hershel and Sudie Bell Gibbs Moore. She loved her dogs. They were her babies. Mrs. Goode was a free hearted person who was good to everyone. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Allen Moore; and sister Athlene Spradling. Survivors include her brothers John (Pat) Moore, Jimmie (Pat) Moore, Alton (Shirley) Moore, and Steve (Nell) Moore; sister Linda Graham; sister-in-law Elsie Moore; brother-in-law Maxie Spradling; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Funeral services for Sandra Kaye Humphrey, 72, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Shane Wheeler and Jerry Lake officiating; interment in Emeus Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon-2 p.m. prior to the service. Please wear a mask if you attend. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Humphrey passed away Wednesday, Dec. 23, 2020 at her residence. She was born Jan. 25, 1948 to William Oris and Della Mae Thomas. She was preceded in death by her husband Glenn Humphrey; son David Glenn Humphrey; parents; brothers W. O. Thomas, Jr. and Jimmy Thomas; and sisters Gwen Mattox, Eloise Adams, Bettye Dover, Lila Allinder, and Lori Payne. Survivors include her daughter Stephanie (Perry) Tucker; grandchildren Ethan Humphrey, Emily Tucker, Rhett Tucker, Riley Kate Tucker, and Ryder Tucker; sister-in-law Dinah Thomas; a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends; and beloved pet Sparky.

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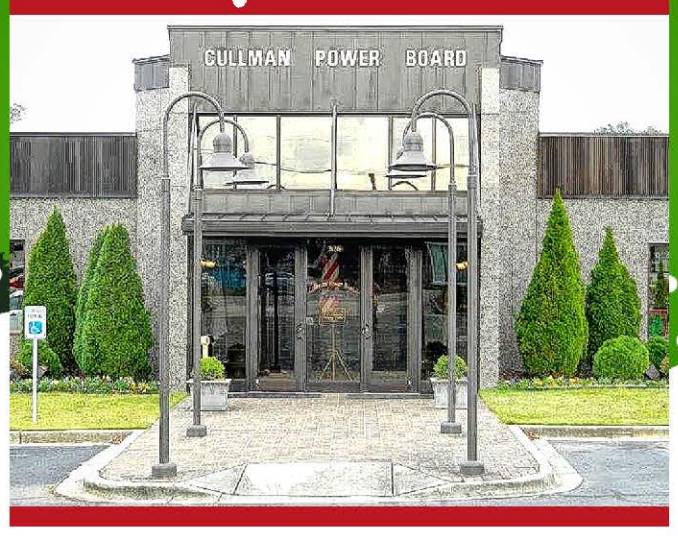
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