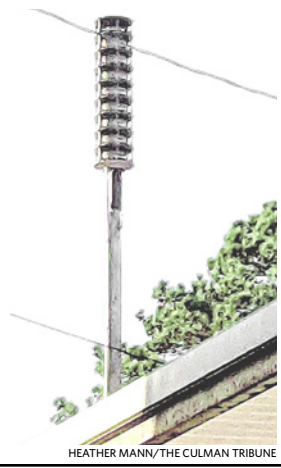
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'That siren was just a lightning magnet'

Town of Berlin, fire department exploring alternatives to disabled tornado siren



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This damaged tornado siren in Berlin is freestanding on the property of Berlin Volunteer Fire Department Station No. 1 along U.S. Highway 278 E. The siren is inoperable due to lightning strikes, and the Berlin Town Council at its last meeting decided not to repair or replace it.

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– EDUCATION –

Sacred Heart, St. Paul's able to maintain in-person classes



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Sacred Heart School is one of the Cullman area's private schools.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – School schedules have been a bit topsy-turvy this year due to COVID-19, but Sacred Heart School and St. Paul's Lutheran School have been able to maintain in-person learning despite the challenges. Both schools are scheduled to begin the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year during the first full week of January. Smaller class sizes help tremendously, but both schools still had to make many adjustments.

Sacred Heart has classes for students from 3 years old through sixth grade and Principal Shawna Norman explained that the smaller number of students allows for one classroom per grade level. Temperatures are also checked for each student before they enter the building each day.

"That's to prevent anything from coming into our building," said Norman. "Not just COVID, but flu or strep or whatever would cause a fever. We are trying to keep everything out."

Students wear their masks every day and almost everywhere, Norman said. "The only time they don't wear their masks is at break. They don't wear them at P.E. and, of course,

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HEALTH

Alabama nursing homes begin COVID-19 vaccinations



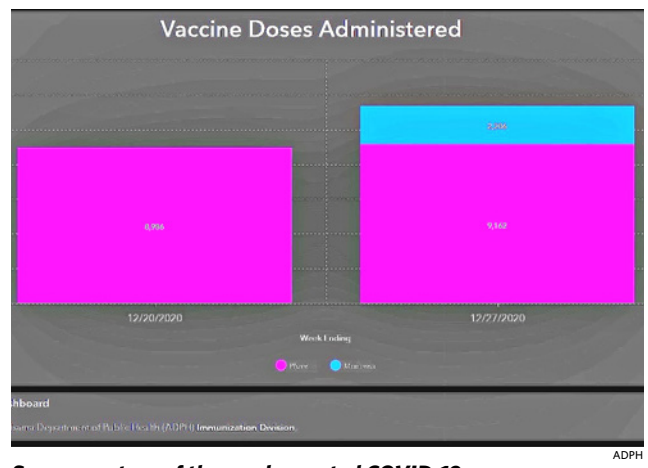
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According to data reported to the National Healthcare Safety Network, as of Dec. 13, 2020, The Folsom Center in Cullman had reported 64 confirmed COVID-19 cases, 39 suspected cases and 11 deaths.

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HEALTH

ADPH launches new COVID-19 vaccine dashboard; Moderna vaccine arrives



ADPH

Screen capture of the newly created COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Dashboard

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HEALTH

County's volunteer EMS providers began receiving Moderna vaccine Tuesday

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Licensed emergency medical services (EMS) providers within Cullman County's volunteer fire departments began receiving the COVID-19 vaccine from Moderna Tuesday. EMS providers are part of Phase 1a of the Alabama Department of Public Health's (ADPH) Vaccine Allocation Plan.

Jeff Byars, who serves with the Bethsadia Volunteer Fire Department and is coordinating the effort, said he thinks having the option is a good thing for volunteers.

"Having the ability to have that vaccine I think is going to help our volunteers be more willing to keep serving in a volunteer capacity," he said. "Because as you hear more of this and there's more stories of it and you have more friends that are sick and die of this, you start thinking, 'Is it really worth me going to this call for free? You know, we're not getting paid a dime on this. Is it really worth us putting our life on the line just by setting foot into these people's house?'

He continued, "You know, we do everything we can to try to minimize exposure. We try not to go into people's houses if we can, if they're able to come outside to deal with us. Of course, that's changing a little bit when you get these temperatures like we've had earlier that were in the 20-degree mark. We're doing what we can to minimize our exposure, but still, that plays in the volunteers' mind, 'Is it really worth it for me to sign up to do this when I might get infected with something out of no fault of my own and could have this catastrophic event happen?' Even if it wasn't fatal- it may put you out of work for a period of weeks or months. Then it's, 'How do I provide for my family? I got sick from this volunteer thing.' So this I think will help to have this vaccine out there to keep our volunteers going and being able to respond and assist."

Byars was not sure exactly how many volunteer EMS providers were going to sign up to get the vaccine, but said, "Hopefully this will help some of our volunteer EMS folks to get protected against this.

"We do provide a good service for the community and assist with Cullman EMS and the other transport services providing that initial care for these patients, especially in some of the remote areas that may be a while for an ambulance."

For right now, in Phase 1a of the ADPH's Vaccine Allocation Plan, only the licensed EMS providers can sign up from the volunteer fire departments. Phase 1b will expand that to include firefighters within the VFDs' ranks.

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 29

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 29, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

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

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
Dec. 27
• duty upon striking fixtures on highway; person; 13th St. NE; damaged wall; $400

Dec. 28
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; Asplundh Tree Experts; Hwy. 157; chainsaws; $1,580
• third-degree domestic violence; person; 2nd St. SW

ARRESTS
Dec. 28
Brock, Tania L., 44
• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

Haws, Christopher C., 20
• FTA- driving while suspended
• FTA- insurance violation

Lindsey, Kristy L., 43
• first-degree theft of property

Weeks, Christopher J., 42
• third-degree theft of property
• fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

• Total confirmed cases in AL: 283,939 (+2,020 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in AL: 67,865 (+1,887 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 4,138 (+18 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in AL: 599
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 4,901 (+45 since yesterday)
• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 1,961 (+43 since yesterday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 59 (+0 since yesterday)
• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 17
• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 30,877
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,183
• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,035
• Total tested in Alabama: 1,855,192
• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 50,954
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 126,044
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,804
• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 33,452
• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 193,149

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

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020 update from Cullman Regional

• 75 positive patients, with 21 currently on ventilators

"We have put all the additional patients in our 4th floor unit. It requires extra staff to man those beds since it's not in an ICU facility – which is a challenge, but our team is amazing, and they are doing an exceptional job caring for these patients."

Vaccinations (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Alabama nursing homes began vaccine clinics Monday as part of the federal government's Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program. Nursing home residents and employees (as well as those from assisted living facilities) are part of Phase 1a of the Alabama Department of Public Health's (ADPH) Vaccine Allocation Plan.

John Matson, director of communications for the Alabama Nursing Home Association (ANHA), said the three pharmacies administering the vaccine, which will be the Pfizer product, at Alabama's nursing homes are CVS, Walgreen's and Senior Care Pharmacy.

"This all started when the federal government announced the partnership, and then the nursing homes chose to sign up with one of the three pharmacies. The reason they did that, and we encouraged our members to do it, is because this way you're guaranteed to get the vaccine. If you didn't choose to go with one of these three pharmacies, then you would be on your own to try to secure the vaccine, administer it and then file all of the paperwork," said Matson.

He said all 231 nursing homes in the state signed up for the program.

"The nursing homes all signed up with one of those three pharmacies, and then those pharmacies got in touch with those nursing homes that signed up with them to start getting the necessary information. From that standpoint, the pharmacies were supposed to begin receiving the vaccine Dec. 21, and then start administering it Dec. 28," Matson stated. "That pharmacy will schedule a time with that nursing home to come to the nursing home, administer the vaccine to any employee and resident who wants it and then complete all the necessary government paperwork. Then they'll come back 21 days later and everyone that got the first dose gets the second dose of it, and anyone who didn't receive the vaccine the first go-around that would like to is administered the vaccine and then they come back a second time to administer the second dose."

Matson said the ANHA is not tracking positive cases statewide but did say nursing homes are required to report positive COVID-19 tests to six different entities: their local health department, the ADPH, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the positive resident, the nursing home employees and the positive resident's representative (usually a child or spouse).

According to nursing home-submitted public data compiled by the Center for Medicaid and Medicare services, as of Dec. 13, 2020, 10,295 Alabama nursing home residents have tested positive for COVID-19. Of those, 1,475 have died.

A note on the data states, "The data posted by CMS is what nursing homes submitted through the Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) system. CMS and CDC perform quality assurance checks on the data and may suppress data that appear to be erroneous. The data is not altered from what nursing homes report to the NHSN system. Data regarding numbers of new cases, suspected cases, or deaths are aggregated. Nursing homes have the ability to correct their data so future postings include corrected data."

Data submitted by Cullman County nursing homes to the CDC NHSN system, as of Dec. 13, 2020:

• Hanceville Nursing Home has reported 32 confirmed cases, 25 suspected cases and four deaths.

• Woodland Village has reported 44 confirmed cases, 13 suspected cases and 10 deaths.

• The Folsom Center has reported 64 confirmed cases, 39 suspected cases and 11 deaths.

• Cullman Health Care Center has reported 1 confirmed case, 1 suspected cases and 0 deaths.

• The Sanctuary at the Woodlands had no numbers available.

A note from the ADPH on vaccine availability

Tuesday, the ADPH released the following statement: "The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) knows that many Alabamians are interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine as soon as it is available to their risk group.

"As the supply of COVID-19 vaccine is limited at the moment, ADPH is following the guidance of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for prioritization of risk groups. Alabama has had COVID-19 vaccine in our state for two weeks.

"We are still in Phase 1a, consisting of health care workers, of which Alabama has over 300,000.

"This week, residents of Long-Term Care began vaccination through the federal Pharmacy Partnership. Once persons in Phase 1a have been administered or offered the vaccine, Alabama will move into Phase 1b. ADPH does not have a timeline on this as ability to move to the next Phase is dependent on vaccine supply.

"When Alabama moves to Phase 1b, ADPH will send notices to doctors, pharmacies, urgent cares, rural health clinics, and other providers so they can advise their patients. ADPH will also provide information through various outlets including social media, news releases, and other coverage. This notification will happen with subsequent phases as well."

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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. (No service Dec. 30)
• 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

2nd Annual Christmas at the Grotto
• Dec. 30,31 - 4-9 p.m., Ave Maria Grotto, 1600 St. Bernard Drive SE, Cullman
• Christmas lights return to the Grotto! Come and experience the beauty of Br. Joseph's work at night surrounded by lights and music! Coffee and cookies will be available each night. Make your plans to visit now!

• 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. 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 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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Obituary Announcements: Dec. 30

Mr. Gary Melvin Cannady of Cullman passed away Dec. 28, 2020 at the age of 74. He was born June 21, 1946 in Falkville to Roy Melvin and Lavern Collun Cannady. Mr. Cannady worked and retired from AT&T as a general manager in network provisioning. Graveside services are Wednesday Dec. 30, 2020 at 11 a.m. at Cullman City Cemetery with Pastor Gary Waddell officiating. The family will receive friends at the graveside. Survivors are wife Polly Cannady; daughter Gina Cannady; son Scott Cannady; brothers Darrell Cannady and Mickey Cannady; grandchildren Mariah, Bridgett, Stormie, and Owen; and great-grandchildren Blaze, Cane, and Greyson. Please send memories and condolences to the family at www.mossservicefh.com. The service will be on a live stream on Facebook @Moss Service Funeral Home. Due to COVID-19, it is asked that everyone follow guidelines and wear face coverings.

Funeral services for Laura Ethylene Stallings, 86, of Sardis will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020 at Sardis Baptist Church #2; Rev. William McClellan officiating. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery. Visitation will be Wednesday at the church from noon-2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Stallings passed away Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 at her residence. She was born March 13, 1934 to Jack and Lillian Sterling. She was a member of Sardis Baptist Church #2 and she enjoyed traveling on senior citizen trips. She loved her family. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers Jimmie Sterling and Benny Joe Sterling; and infant sister Betty Sterling. Survivors include her sons Lydell Stallings and Brent Stallings; sisters Latrelle Powell and Connie (Tim) Powell; and a host of extended family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Funeral services for Ola Jean Wright, 89, of Cullman will be at noon Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021 at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Chuck Kennedy officiating; interment in Emeus Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-noon prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Wright passed away Monday, Dec. 28, 2020 at Hanceville Nursing Home. She was born May 31, 1931 to Robert Lee and Banie Glenn. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband John Horace Wright; sisters Omie Harris, Obera McKinney, Willowdean Young, Ruthie Burrow, and Vernie Lee Segers; and brothers Roy Glenn and Rayford Glenn. Survivors include her sisters Eva Phillips, Tressie Wright, and Patricia Abercrombie and a host of nieces and nephews.

Barbara Holley was born in Birmingham, Alabama Dec. 30, 1938 to Velma and Clyde Holley. She was 4 years old when her mother accepted the truth written in God's Holy Word and became one of Jehovah's Witnesses. Barbara was baptized in 1951. In 1956, she moved to Cullman County. She has lived in Montana, Washington state, Idaho, New Mexico, Texas, and Arizona. She has been a member of the Cullman Jehovah's Witness Congregation since 1994. She has had three great joys in her life: being a worshiper of Jehovah God, having had five children, and her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mrs. Ellsworth is preceded in death by her parents Clyde and Velma Simmons Holley; husbands J.W. Hooper and Joel Ellsworth; son Raymond Jason Hooper; and sister Patricia Braxton. She is survived by her children Raymond Scott Hooper (Karen), Jean Starlene Hooper Hughey (Craig), Stacey Georgette Hooper Bruner (Frank), and George Daniel Hooper (Susan); grandchildren Eric Stallings, Seth Hooper, Lauren Waple, Matt Hooper, Lonna Hooper Yearwood, Holly Letson, and Josh Hooper; great-grandchildren Zane Holmes, Zaden Yearwood, Zara Yearwood, Zaxton Yearwood, Harlee Beth Hooper, Lucas Hooper, Wil Stallings, Olivia Stallings, Rowan Brunner, Blakelyn Waple, Cooper Letson, and Tylon Hooper; sisters Charlotte Mapley (Bruce) and Kathy Hall; and a host of family and friends. Funeral services for Barbara will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020 in the Holly Pond Funeral Home chapel, with Brother Prince officiating. Friends may visit with the family Wednesday from 1 p.m. until services begin. Mrs. Ellsworth will be buried in Union Grove Cemetery in a private family service. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Mrs. Ellsworth. Obituary provided by the family.

Sandra Eileen Coker Sims, 65, of Eva passed away Dec. 27, 2020. She was born Feb. 7, 1955 in Cullman County. Mrs. Sims graduated Holly Pond High School in 1973, and went on to become a CNA, most recently employed with Summerford Nursing Home. Sandra retired Nov. 24 of this year and was looking forward to spending time with her family. Sandra enjoyed spending time with her boyfriend and always looked forward to a night out. She also enjoyed the outdoors and loved to explore a nature trail. Mrs. Sims was an adoring mother and grandmother, and she was blessed with two children and several grandchildren. Sandra is preceded in death by her mother Virginia Louise Kretzschmar Absher and stepfather Ray Absher. She is survived by her boyfriend Joseph Collins; son Quinton Sims (Chonsea); daughters Virgilia Woodard and Veronica Sims; sisters Luann Beene and Diane Freeman; her grandchildren; and a host of family and friends. Funeral services for Sandra are at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021 in the Holly Pond Funeral Home chapel; Joey Coots and David Carroll officiating. Burial will follow services in Garden City Cemetery where Quinton Sims, Tim Shedd, Anthony Freeman, Tyler Hamby, Trevor Hamby, and Marcus Hyatt will serve as pallbearers. Friends are invited to visit with the family an hour prior to services, from noon until services begin, at the funeral home. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sims family.

Jeanette McCormick Monroe Sandlin of Bremen passed away Dec. 23, 2020 at the age of 83. She was born in Cullman March 30, 1937 to Charlie McCormick and Bertha Morgan McCormick. She is preceded in death by her husband J.B. Sandlin; parents; son Kenneth Michael Monroe; sisters Roberta Hisaw, Lillian Stricklin, Betty Kilgore, Stella Clingerman, Flora Wise, and Helen Self; and brother Jack McCormick. Graveside services are Saturday, Jan. 2, 2021 at 1 p.m. at Addington Chapel Cemetery. Rev. Dan Anderson will be officiating. The family will receive friends at the cemetery. Survivors are daughter Debra (Tommy) Underwood; son James Terry Monroe; grandchildren Megan, Jason, Eric, Christy, Angie, Tracy, and Chris; 18 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews. Please send condolences to the family at www.mossservicefh.com. The family requested anyone attending the graveside service to follow the COVID-19 guidelines and please wear a mask. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Carmen Oden Underberg, June 4, 1958 – Dec. 28, 2020 - Carmen was loved by all who knew her, and in turn she dearly loved her family and friends. The most special people in her life were her husband Jeff, her daughter Natalie, and her two special grandchildren. She was known as Mimo to her grandchildren. She and her mother, Ollie Oden, owned and operated a day care center, Romper Room, for 50 years. She always remembered each and every child who walked through the doors of Romper Room and always said she "helped raise" the child. Many children who attended Romper Room eventually sent their own children to the day care because of the special relationship they had with Ollie and Carmen.Carmen was most known for her beautiful soprano voice. She sang in many wedding and funerals, and the most requested song she sang was The Lord's Prayer. To hear her sing was like listening to an angel. Even more special was that her husband, Jeff, is an organist, and to hear them perform together was special for all who heard them. She will be missed by her family and those who knew who her. The family appreciates all the special prayers, memories, and condolences they have received during her illness and death. Carmen is survived by her husband Jeffrey Underberg; mother Ollie Carden Oden; daughter Natalie Oden Hope (Kyle); step-daughter Cacey Thomason; grandchildren Ollie Kate and Walton Hope; step-grandchildren Jamie, Sylena, and Steven Thomason; step-great grandson Wyatt Thomason; sister Sabrina Oden Buettner (Jeff); and brother William "Bill" Harold Oden II. She was preceded in death by her father William Harold Oden. There will be a graveside service at Cullman City Cemetery Friday, Jan. 1, 2021 at 2 p.m. with Rev. David Palmer officiating. The service will be recorded live stream on Moss Service Funeral Home's Facebook page. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to First Presbyterian Church of Cullman.

Graveside services for Judith Brock, 77, of Hanceville will be at noon Wednesday, Dec.30, 2020 at Center Hill Cemetery in Hanceville. Mrs. Brock is survived by her husband Douglas Franklin 'Joe' Brock; daughters Suzanne (Jim) Turner, Leasa Brock, Angela (Pete) Brock, and Dana Loyd; grandchildren Wesley, Wil, Hillary, Noah and Andrea; and great-grandchild Ella.

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Alabama Offensive Coordinator Steve Sarkisian wins Broyles Award

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama offensive coordinator Steve Sarkisian has been named the winner of 2020 Broyles Award, during the 25th Anniversary Broyles Award Virtual Ceremony on Monday.

In his second season as Alabama's offensive coordinator, Sarkisian is overseeing a Crimson Tide attack that is averaging 49.7 points and 543.9 yards per game in 2020, both marks that are tops in Division I. The Crimson Tide's offense has scored 35-or more points for the 24 straight games, which is the longest streak in major-college football history. Since Sarkisian took over as offensive coordinator in 2018, the Crimson Tide has also had an FBS-leading six different players catch a touchdown pass of 75 yards or more.

Sarkisian is in his second season on the Crimson Tide on-field coaching staff. He served as Alabama's offensive coordinator for the 2017 College Football Playoff National Championship Game after spending the 2016 season with UA as an analyst prior to being promoted.

The Broyles Award has been presented annually since 1996 to the outstanding assistant coach in college football. Sarkisian joins former Alabama offensive coordinator Michael Locksley (2018) and defensive coordinator Kirby Smart (2009) as the third UA coach to receive the honor.

During his Rose Bowl press conference Monday, Crimson Tide Head Coach Nick Saban named the Broyles Award winner as the assistant coach of the year is great and he's done a phenomenal job for us as well. I think Sark has done an outstanding job first of all in terms of system and scheme, secondly in terms of how he teaches the players and he's a very good quarterback coach so he's really helped the development of the quarterbacks and I think Mac (Jones) would probably be the first one to tell you that," Saban said. "He's contributed as much as anyone we've ever had here in terms of his knowledge, experience and how he manages to offensive side of the ball."

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram. General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama Offensive Coordinator Steve Sarkisian was named this year's Frank Broyles Award Winner Monday.

How Bo Jackson inspired new Auburn coach Bryan Harsin

Greg Ostendorf
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – Between the 2019 and 2020 season, the whiteboards in the Boise State meeting room saw plenty of use. Coaches would draw up various plays or formations, erase them, and then draw up new ones the next meeting as they prepared for each opponent.

But on one of the whiteboards there was an area that was off limits. There was even a note next to it which read, "Do not erase." What was so special in that area? A simple message.

"Do something better today than you did yesterday."

It was written on there in April 2019 by Bo Jackson. Yes, that Bo Jackson.

"That was a 12-1 season for the Broncos, and every team meeting I set in there, I usually finished it with looking at that quote," head coach Bryan Harsin said. "I'd point at it and say, 'How about that? Why don't we go out there and do that today? And then figure out how we're going to be better tomorrow.'

"It was very simple. It was very clear. It was concise. It was to the point. And (Jackson) made it very clear that if you're not the ultimate competitor and this is not what you want to be, it's probably not the place you need to be."

Last week, nearly two years after Jackson visited Boise State, Harsin was introduced as the 28th head football coach in Auburn history. Jackson, an Auburn legend who won the 1985 Heisman Trophy, was part of the eight-member advisory group who assisted with the coaching search that ultimately landed on Harsin.

Bryan Harsin, Auburn introductory press conference

In his introductory press conference Thursday, Harsin told the story of his chance encounter with one of the greatest running backs in college football history. It started when Harsin was approached by his running backs' coach Lee Marks.

"Hey, if Bo Jackson could come in here and talk to our team, you think we should do that," Marks asked.

"Hold on, stop," Harsin responded. "What are you talking about? You're talking about Bo Jackson? The same Bo Jackson I'm talking about?"

Indeed, it was. Jackson happened to be in Boise on business at the time, and when Harsin walked into his office the Monday after the spring game, he was greeted by Jackson.

"I remember coming into my office," Harsin said. "Kes was there. My daughters were there. I had the picture of him in the Raiders uniform on my screen. I walk in the office, and there he is. There's Bo Jackson sitting in my office. In our football facility in Boise, Idaho, of all places."

The two chatted for 15 minutes before walking down to the football facility to meet with the team. The players didn't know Jackson was going to be there initially.

They watched a video of Jackson running out of the tunnel, climbing the outfield wall and making the catch. After the video, Jackson walked out and surprised the team.

Jackson opened with a little small talk and then took out his wallet.

"Who's the fastest guy in this room," he asked.

John Hightower, a wide receiver who now plays for the Philadelphia Eagles, raised his hand.

"I could beat you," Jackson said.

"You could've heard a pin drop in there," Harsin said. "Because I believed him. And John's up there like, 'He might beat me.' (Jackson) put his wallet away and said, 'I'm just kidding. There's no chance of that right now.' He went on. He stayed there for about an hour and 20 minutes. It was one of the most incredible experiences our players have had with a guest speaker coming in there and somebody of his magnitude.

"But he talked about so many of the same things I'm talking about right now. He shared the message that I know now from Auburn University. And he also talked to our guys about being the ultimate competitor. If you don't believe that you're going to outwork everybody that you go against, then you shouldn't be in this room."

When Jackson finished talking to the Boise State team, that's when he went to one of the white boards and wrote eight simple words: "Do something better today than you did yesterday."

It's a message that stayed on that whiteboard throughout the 2019 season and carried over into the 2020 season. It's a message Harsin will now take with him from Boise State to Auburn where he hopes to make Jackson and the rest of the Auburn Family proud.

"Auburn is about people," Harsin said. "This is what I wanted to be a part of. This is what I wanted my family to be a part of. I'm proud to be here and more importantly, when people and our fans watch this team play, I want them to be proud of the team that's on that field. And I want them to be proud that I'm the head coach at Auburn University."



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Head Coach Bryan Harsin arrives in Auburn for his introductory press conference on Christmas Eve.

6 Alabama players earn AP All-America honors Monday

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Six Alabama football student-athletes earned first team All-America honors from the Associated Press on Monday.

Center Landon Dickerson, running back Najee Harris, quarterback Mac Jones, offensive lineman Alex Leatherwood and wide receiver DeVonta Smith were named on offense, while defensive back Patrick Surtain II was tabbed on defense.

Defensive lineman Christian Barmore and linebacker Dylan Moses were second-team choices on defense.

Landon Dickerson
- The top-rated run-blocking center according to Pro Football Focus (92.8)
- Earned the No. 2 overall grade at center by PFF (91.5)
- Sports an overall blocking grade of 91.0 by the UA coaching staff while grading out at 99.6 on all assignments
- Played 725 total snaps with just two missed assignments and has allowed zero sacks

Najee Harris
- Leads the nation in total touchdowns (27) and rushing touchdowns (24) along with scoring (162)
- Ranks second in scoring per game (14.7) while sitting at third nationally in rushing yards (1,262)
- Forced 78 missed tackles on the season to rank second in the country in that category
- Totaled at least one touchdown in 10 of the Crimson Tide's 11 games and two-or-more scores in eight of those contests
- Holds the Alabama career records for total touchdowns (54), rushing touchdowns (44) and rushing yards (3,639)

Mac Jones
- One of college football's top passers who leads the nation in seven separate categories including total QBR, PFF offensive grade for a quarterback, adjusted completion percentage, completion percentage, NFL passer rating, collegiate pass efficiency rating and yards per pass attempt
- Thrown for the second-most passing yards in the nation (3,739)
- Holds the highest completion percentage (76.5) by an Alabama quarterback through the first 11 games of a season
- Owns four of Alabama's 10 all-time 400-plus yard passing performances, the most by any one quarterback at UA and a number that ties the SEC record for a single season
- Totaled 18 touchdowns and 1,572 yards with a 219.10 passer rating against ranked opponents (Texas A&M, Georgia, Auburn, Florida)

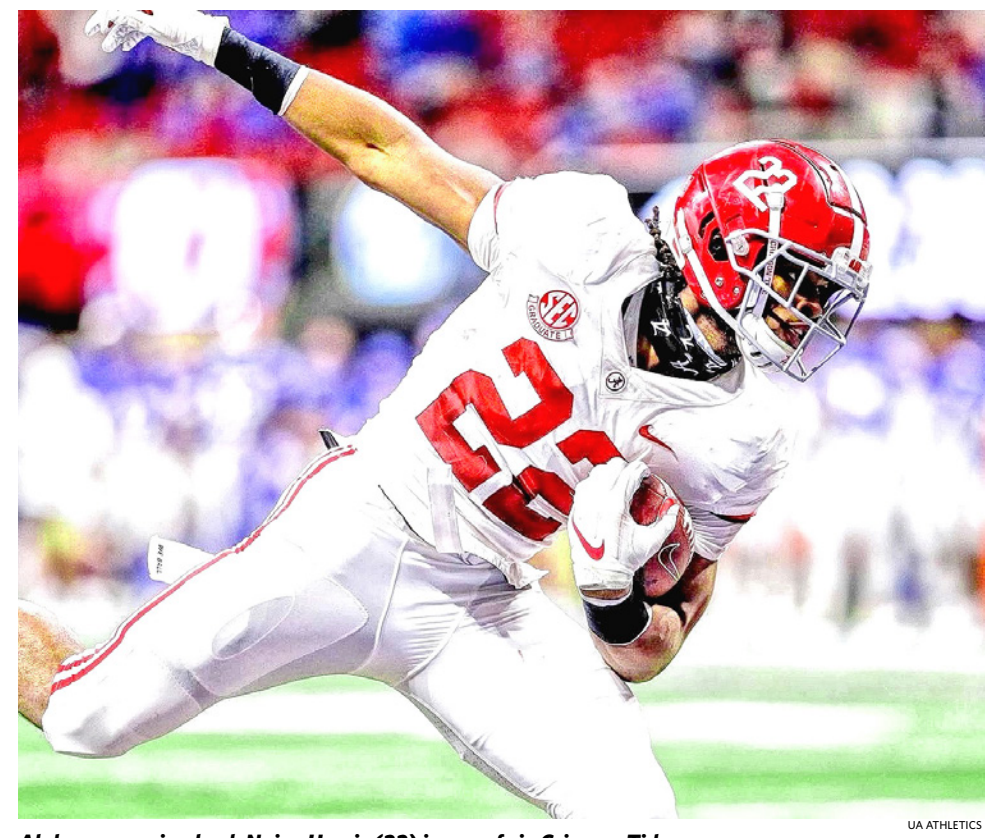
Alex Leatherwood
- Made 39 consecutive starts along the Alabama offensive line
- Played 683 snaps and missed only two assignments
- Averaging an overall blocking grade of 91.1 by the Alabama coaching staff and has graded out at a team-high tying 99.6 on all assignments

DeVonta Smith
- The national leader in receptions (98), receiving yards (1,511) and yards after the catch (768) while ranking second in receiving touchdowns (17) and receiving yards per game (137.4)
- Pro Football Focus' top-rated wide receiver this season and in the history of the site at 93.7
- Holds program record in both career receiving yards (3,620) and single-season receiving scores while sitting at second in the Tide record book for receptions (98) in a season
- Totaled four 200-plus yard receiving games for his career, including two this season, to set the Alabama career mark

Patrick Surtain II
- The nation's top corner and No. 10 overall defender by Pro Football Focus
- Maintains a coverage grade of 86.3 according to PFF, the sixth-best grade in the country
- Allowed 25 yards receiving or fewer in eight of the Tide's 11 games this season
- Targeted just 43 times all season and allowed only 18 completions (1.64 cpg) and 250 yards (22.7 ypg)

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram.

General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.



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Alabama running back Najee Harris (22) is one of six Crimson Tide players to earn AP first team All-American honors this week.

Classes (from Front)

when they are eating lunch."

At St. Paul's, the situation is very similar with the same age range of students and smaller class sizes.

Emily Trahan, director of creative services at St. Paul's, said, "There has been a virtual plan in place the whole time just in case there is another shutdown." But the school has remained open, and Trahan says that is a blessing. "Being able to stay open for in-person learning, we have been blessed with having the space."

Trahan added, "There's never a time when two classes are in the hallway at the same time. All bathroom breaks for the classrooms are scheduled to where they are the only class in the hall. They have their masks on and once they are done, they go back to their classroom."

Lunches are in the classroom rather than the lunchroom this year to maintain class separation, she said, and the only time the students are not in the classroom at St. Paul's is for P.E. and chapel.

"Even going to chapel, that's done in shifts where everybody is not in the hall at the same time and they wear their masks to chapel," said Trahan.

"When they are seated, they can take their masks off. Due to the size of our sanctuary- it can hold over 700 people, so the classes are very easily spread out- they are not right next to each other."

Sacred Heart had to make a tough decision in an effort to keep the students safe by eliminating its basketball program for this school year.

"We usually participate in the pee-wee basketball program, but we cut that out," Norman said.

Other programs, such as the school's Christmas program, were done virtually.

COVID-19 has also had an effect on fundraising, with St. Paul's annual New Year's fundraiser canceled this year. Trahan said she is hopeful that by spring the auction will be achievable.

St. Paul's has turned to technology to virtually allow the pastor to conduct morning assembly. Trahan explained that they had to find a way to keep things as normal as possible while utilizing existing technology.

"You've got to have some normalcy throughout all this madness, especially for the kids," said Trahan. "Rather than doing away with morning assembly, which was not an option, they have basically made it where it is a huge conference call. They can see pastor coming in on a screen in each classroom, and each classroom is connected. Pastor calls into each classroom to talk about any celebration that the classroom has or any news.

"It keeps that much needed connectivity between the kids, the administrators and pastors."

Parents and visitors are not allowed inside the schools this year. They are met at the door if they need to check their child out or in.

Norman gives much of the credit to the teachers and support staff for keeping Sacred Heart going, saying, "I think it's been diligent with my teachers keeping the rooms clean. The kids Germ-X in and out of every room they go in. We can't social distance 6 feet apart; it's impossible with our school, so I think in that aspect we have been lucky."

Trahan also praised teachers and support staff.

She smiled, "Our support staff goes above and beyond. They disinfect the school every day. I joke that they look like Ghostbusters. It looks like an old canister vacuum kind of thing over their shoulder with a nozzle and once the kids are gone, they are in every room every day.

"All common areas, everything is disinfected multiple times a day to keep it clean for the kids so they can enjoy the most normal education experience that you can get during this time of COVID.

"Having smaller class sizes is definitely a help, but also having the support of the support staff and the teachers that go the extra mile to keep their classrooms clean. It's a group effort. It's not one person. It's a perfect combination of smaller sizes and continuous disinfecting."

Norman said Sacred Heart has had four COVID cases but was able to keep those cases isolated.

"I think it's diligence," she said. "A big part is our parents and our parents keeping kids home when they think they might be sick and being diligent about if they have been in contact with somebody and not sending them back to school."

Keeping the kids in the classroom is a top priority for both schools.

"I feel it's so very important for students to be face-to-face," Norman said.

"We saw the terrible backwards slide last spring when we had to close schools down. I think it is good for everybody.

"For our students, especially at our young age, they need that face-to-face interaction and the teacher's want that face-to-face interaction. They can teach better. A 5-year-old sitting in front of a computer all day is just not good for the child, either. To try to learn that way is just really hard."

Trahan said of the kids at St. Paul's, "The kids don't get enough credit for taking care of their masks. Those kids do a great job with their masks. I am super proud of them all."

Norman is cautiously optimistic coming back from the Christmas break, saying, "We are going to keep trudging along, and I'm not going to tell you that when we get back from Christmas that something's not going to happen.

"We have been very fortunate so far to keep our kids in school and that is a good thing."

Sacred Heart students will return to the classroom Jan. 4, while St. Paul's students go back Jan 5.

To read about how another private school in Cullman, St. Bernard Prep, finished the first semester, visit www.cullmantribune.com/2020/12/23/blessing-st-bernard-finishes-first-semester-in-session.

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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE No.: PC2020-305

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARY S. HUGHES, an alleged incapacitated person.

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: DORIS BRISCOE AND ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Notice is hereby given that a Petition to Appoint a Guardian and Conservator of Mary S. Hughes has been filed in Probate Court of Cullman County. A hearing shall be held at 10:00a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2021, to consider said petition.

Doris Briscoe and all interested parties are hereby given notice of said hearing.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

TO: PUBLISHER OF *The Cullman Tribune*:

Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JAMES TRENT ALLRED, * **CASE NO.: PC2020-321**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Petition for Summary Distribution of Small Estate has been filed by ROY ALLRED, Petitioner, on the 22nd day October, 2020, and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Roy Allred
Petitioner

Kimberly H. Drake
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To: PUBLISHER OF ***The Cullman Tribune***

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

DONE this the 28th day of December, 2020.

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
BENNIE DALE STRONG * CASE NO PC 2020-282
An alleged incapacitated person. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR CONSERVATORSHIP AND PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP

TO: MARK ANTHONY STRONG AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a Hearing on the Petition for Letters of Conservatorship and Petition for Guardianship of Bennie Dale Strong has been set for the **21st day of January, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.,** before the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055

DONE this the 14th day of December, 2020.

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

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ORDINANCE NO: 020-2020

Amend Zoning Ordinance No: 009-2019 in Regards
To Manufactured Home Parks/ Mobile Homes/Manufactured Homes
This ordinance shall supersede any conflicting sections and references of the Good Hope Zoning Ordinance 009-2019 regarding Manufactured and Mobile Homes and/or Housing.

Section 4.07 Manufactured Home Parks

A. **Purpose.** The purpose of these requirements is to prevent visual blight and assure compatibility of uses, optimum service by community facilities and adequate vehicular access and circulation.
B. **License Required.** It shall be unlawful for any person to establish, operate, maintain, or permit to be established, operated, or maintained upon any property owned, leased, or controlled by him, a manufactured home park without having first secured a license for each such manufactured home park from the City pursuant to this section.
C. **Procedure.** No manufactured home park may be developed, redeveloped, altered or expanded without Conditional Use approval by the Planning Commission. The application must be accompanied by a site plan showing the following:
   1. The name of the project and the names of the owner, engineer, architect, designer, or landscape architect
   2. The north arrow point, scale, and date
   3. A vicinity map showing the location of the project in relation to the surrounding community
   4. Zoning classifications of the proposed manufactured home park and surrounding properties
   5. The boundaries of the property involved, the general location of all existing easements, section lines property lines, existing streets, buildings, and any other physical features in or adjoining the project
   6. The names and current addresses of all adjacent landowners
   7. The approximate location and size of all sanitary and storm sewers, water mains, gas lines, culverts, and any other underground facilities in or near the project
   8. Total size of manufactured home project in acres
   9. Location of manufactured homes on stands, dimensions of manufactured homes and dimensions of each stand
   10. Location and number of sanitary conveniences including toilets, washrooms, laundries, and utility rooms to be used by the occupants of the manufactured home park
   11. Internal streets and driveways including the width and surface treatment, curbs, and other physical characteristics
   12. A typical stand detail showing all features such as, but not limited to, size and material of stand, parking, storage, and other structures, and utility connections.
   13. Location and type of required landscaping screening and buffers.
   14. Location and type of recreation area.
   15. Any area within or adjacent to the proposed manufactured home park subject to periodic inundation by storm drainage, overflow, or ponding.
   16. Location and type of school bus shelter for children waiting for school bus.
   17. Any and all other physical improvements as required by this Section.
D. **Minimum requirements**. Any development, redevelopment, alteration, or expansion of a manufactured home park must comply with the following requirements:
   1. Standards. To protect the health and safety of the public and ensure quality construction, all manufactured homes must conform to standards approved by and bear the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) certification and be anchored and installed by a certified installer as required by the state manufactured housing commission.
   2. A manufactured home park shall be located only in the Agricultural District and only after securing a Conditional Use approval by the Planning Commission and Site Plan approval from the Planning Commission (See Article V, Site Plan Review, Good Hope Zoning Ordinance 009-2019)
   3. Any manufactured home park must be at least five acres in area.
   4. There shall be constructed and maintained a permanent buffer as specified in Section 4.01, Buffering and Screening, of the Good Hope Zoning Ordinance 009-2019.
   5. The minimum front yard setback shall be fifteen feet from the nearest corner of the manufactured home to the front line of the stand.
   6. The minimum distance between manufactured homes shall be twenty feet on the sides and fifteen feet in the rear.
   7. The maximum height for any manufactured home shall not exceed eighteen feet and the maximum height of the manufactured home frame, above the ground, shall not exceed three feet.
   8. All parking, stand, and walkway areas shall be paved while all yard areas shall be grass.
   9. The ground surface in all parts of the park shall be graded and equipped to drain all surface water in a safe efficient manner. A professional engineer licensed in the State of Alabama shall verify the adequacy of drainage facilities.
   10. Storage facilities with a minimum capacity of two hundred cubic feet per stand shall be provided on the stand or in compounds located within one hundred feet of each stand. Storage facilities shall be designed in a manner that will satisfy the Standard Building Code and local ordinances.
   11. Every manufactured home stand must have two off-street parking spaces.
   12. There shall be constructed and maintained a shelter for children awaiting a school bus to transport them to school.
   13. There shall be an office on site at the manufactured home park with a manager with regular business hours to handle the daily business of running and maintaining the manufactured home park.
   14. Said manufactured home park shall not accept manufactured homes unless and until items shown on the approved site plan are in place and approved by the building inspector.
E. **Rentals Prohibited**. Rental of manufactured homes in the manufactured home park is prohibited except where the manufactured home is owned by the owner of the manufactured home park and rented through and managed by the manufactured home park's general business office.
F. **Access and Traffic Circulation**
   1. Internal streets shall be privately owned, built, and maintained and shall be designed for safe and convenient access to all stands parking spaces, and all common use areas of the manufactured home park.
   2. All internal streets shall be a minimum of thirty feet in width. The internal streets shall be continuous or shall be provided with a cul-de-sac having a minimum radius of sixty feet. No internal street ending in a cul-de-sac shall exceed four hundred feet in length.
   3. All streets shall be constructed to meet the minimum specification for streets within the City except the curbing. A concrete lay-down curb shall be used in place of the standard street curb.
   4. Every manufactured home stand shall have two off-street parking spaces, paved to comply with the requirements of the city.
   5. Internal streets shall be maintained free of cracks, holes, and other hazards at the expense of the licensee.
   6. All streets within the manufactured home park shall be numbered or named in a manner approved by the Building Inspector.
   7. Internal streets shall intersect adjoining public streets at ninety degrees and at locations, subject to Planning Commission approval, which will eliminate or minimize interference with the traffic on those public streets.
   8. At each entrance to the manufactured home park, an eighteen by twenty-four (18" X 24") inch sign shall be posted stating "Private Drive, No Thru Traffic". The licensee shall also post speed limit at appropriate places throughout the manufactured home park.
G. **Recreation Area.** All manufactured home parks shall have at least one recreation area located in an area free of traffic hazards, easily accessible to all park residents and centrally located where topography permits. Not less than ten percent of the gross park area shall be devoted to recreational facilities. The licensee shall maintain such space in a usable and sanitary condition.
H. **Utility Requirements**. Each manufactured home shall be connected to the municipal water system and the municipal sewage disposal system if available. The design and specifications of the interior utility systems shall comply with the requirements of the City. If the municipal sewage disposal system is not available, then an on-site central disposal system shall be required, until such time as a municipal sewage system is available. The on-site sewage disposal system shall be designed to comply with the Health Department Regulations and installed to their specifications.

Section 4.08 Mobile and Manufactured Home Regulations

A. **Purpose**. The purpose of these regulations are to provide standards and procedures specifically relevant to the location and development of manufactured housing.
B. **Occupancy in other than manufactured home park- Prohibited generally.** The use, occupancy or lease of a manufactured or mobile home, whether the same be equipped with wheels, or on a foundation, within the city, is hereby prohibited, unless such manufactured or mobile home is located within the confines of a manufactured home

park, legally approved, established and existing in the city in conformity with the ordinances of the city.
C. **Mobile Homes Prohibited**. The installation of mobile homes, as defined in Section 11.03 of Zoning Ordinance No: 009-2019, is strictly prohibited.
D. **Trailers and Buses Prohibited.** Trailers, buses, or any other structure so built to be mobile in character of its construction shall not be permitted in any District other than for the purpose of transportation.
E. **Parking Time Limit.** No person shall knowingly and willingly permit any mobile home or manufactured home to be parked or left upon any property which he owns, or over which he has control, within the city, except in a duly licensed manufactured home park or camp; provided however, this section shall not apply to any manufactured home or mobile home which is not being used for living quarters or sleeping quarters, and which is being kept solely for sale in the usual course of, and the regular permanent place of business of any person, duly licensed by the city to engage in the business of selling manufactured homes.
F. **Existing Mobile Homes and Manufactured Homes.** If an existing manufactured home or mobile home is located in a residential or agriculture zone, said home may be removed and replaced with another manufactured home if the following conditions are met:
   1. The existing mobile home or manufactured home is replaced within 180 days of its removal;
   2. A completed application to install was submitted to the City of Good Hope;
   3. The replacement manufactured home must not have been constructed more than 15 years prior to the date of the application to install; and
   4. A permit is purchased prior to placement of the manufactured home.
G. **Standards for All Manufactured Homes**. All manufactured homes shall comply with the following standards:
   1. Non-conforming Mobile Homes. All mobile homes or manufactured home that are non-conforming prior to the effective date of the ordinance shall be treated as non-conforming uses, as defined in Section 4.09 of the Good Hope Zoning Ordinance 009-2019.
   2. Effect of Ordinance Adoption. All manufactured homes placed after the effective date must comply with the requirements of this Ordinance.
   3. HUD Seal Required. Prior to installation, each manufactured home shall bear a seal certifying compliance with the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Any existing mobile home or manufactured home not bearing such a seal shall be deemed a non-conforming structure and shall be treated as a non-conforming structure and use in accordance with the regulations established in Section 4.09 Non-conformities of the Good Hope Zoning Ordinance 009-2019.
   4. Permit Required. It shall be unlawful for any person to initially place, replace or relocate a manufactured home within the City without first being granted a permit issued by the city and approved by the building inspector
   5. Age. The manufactured home must not have been constructed more than 15 years prior to the date of application to install the manufactured home.

   6. Installation requirements. All manufactured homes shall be set up, installed, and anchored in full compliance with the requirements of the Alabama Manufactured Housing Commission.
   7. Skirting required. All manufactured homes shall be skirted with a weather-resistant material, which resembles a single-family dwelling and shall be adequately maintained and repaired as needed. Skirting shall be adequately vented.
   8. Access to exterior entrances. Immediately after installation and prior to occupation, a landing/porch/deck shall be installed on all front and back entrances. Each landing/porch/deck must be a minimum of four feet wide and have steps with handrails. The steps must be securely anchored to the ground. At least one of said landings shall be no narrower than five feet in depth (as length) and containing a railing along all exterior edges of the landing. Stairways leading to decks shall be no less than three feet in width with exterior railing. All required stairways and landings/porches/decks shall be constructed of wood or brick materials or some combination of both. Required railing may be constructed of wood or metal material.
   9. Compatibility. Additions to manufactured housing must be compatible with the home and surrounding area.

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Siren (from Front)

Heather Mann
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BERLIN, Ala. – Heated controversy was sparked after the Berlin Town Council at its last meeting decided not to repair or replace an outdoor tornado siren that sustained lightning damage. With many people expressing concern about the possible lack of forewarning in the event of a tornado, The Tribune spoke with Berlin Mayor Patrick Bates, Berlin Volunteer Fire Department Chief Ralph Laney and Cullman County Emergency Management Agency (CCEMA) Director Phyllis Little to get more insight into the situation.

Little said the siren has been in place for more than 20 years, which is double the estimated life span of the equipment at the time it was purchased.

She said the 2011 tornadoes and the 2018 hailstorm in Cullman County caused damage to the siren, though she said that the siren was still maintained by the Cullman County Commission at the time and that "repairs were done following each incident, but they were not extensive." Other general maintenance and repairs have been done over the years leading up to the complete malfunction of the siren.

"That siren was just a lightning magnet," said Laney. "I think it's the oldest siren up in the county, and it's been struck a couple times."

The strike that took the siren out of commission happened approximately three to four months ago, when Little said the CCEMA was receiving reports that the siren was not functioning on the days her department performed tests.

Bates and the council received estimates that replacing just the speaker would cost roughly $9,000, which did not cover repairs or replacements for other issues; on the other hand, Little was able to provide an estimate of the full repairs, saying, "A lightning strike requires essentially complete replacement. The cost would be approximately $30,000 plus the pole and installation fees."

When asked about the concerns Tribune readers expressed about not receiving adequate warning in the event of a tornado due to the lack of a siren, Little said that the CCEMA has repeatedly advised residents over the years to always have more than one way to receive weather alerts.

"Outdoor warning systems like tornado sirens were not designed to alert residents inside their homes or wake them up," she explained. "They were designed to alert people engaged in outdoor activities of an issue that required them to check other sources (e.g., radio, TV, weather radio, etc.) for more specific information, and sirens should NEVER be the primary source for receiving weather alerts."

The CCEMA recommends NOAA weather radios as the preferred source for weather information, as they are relatively inexpensive (approximately $30-$40 plus the cost of AA batteries), the newer models can be programmed to receive the types of alerts the user would prefer to receive and they don't lose their programming when the power is out. Little also stated that there are several apps residents can download to keep track of weather wherever they go.

"Most, if not all, TV stations offer their own weather apps for free," she said. "Bob Baron's SAF-T-Net is available for free and can be set up to provide the weather alerts that you desire."

Bates said the council is exploring options to obtain NOAA weather radios for town residents.

"We are currently researching options, including possibly partnering with the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department, for providing weather radios to residents within the siren's coverage area," he said.

Chief Laney confirmed the possibility of a partnership between the VFD and the Town of Berlin, saying that the groups were currently exploring ways to receive grants to help purchase the radios for town residents.

Dashboard (from Front)

Karen Landers, M.D.
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) has launched a new COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Dashboard to make it easier for the public to navigate vaccine information. The dashboard, which details the number of vaccines shipped to Alabama and dispensed, can be viewed at https://arcg.is/OrCey.

The COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Dashboard can also be accessed on the newly created COVID-19 Dashboard Hub. This will provide easy access to the Vaccine Distribution, Data and Surveillance, School and Risk Indicator Dashboards through tabs at the top. The COVID-19 Dashboard Hub can be accessed at https://arcg.is/0brSGj.

Both the Pfizer BioNTech and Moderna vaccines have been sent to the state. Allocations of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine have been received and are being distributed to 90 sites in Alabama. Additional allocations of the two-dose vaccines are expected on a weekly basis. As of Dec. 28, 20,354 doses of Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines had been administered in the state.

ADPH follows the newly revised Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) guidance regarding placing priorities based on risk exposure in providing COVID-19 vaccine. View the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan which defines populations and the order in which they will receive vaccine in four phases at www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf.

More than 300,000 Alabamians fall into the Vaccination Allocation Plan's Phase 1a population. Immunizations are being administered to eligible persons at very high risk of exposure to the virus. These include professionals who perform aerosol-generating procedures and frontline health workers, including clinical and non-clinical workers in hospitals, nursing homes or those providing in-home or mental health care directly. Others in the very high-risk category include health care workers or laboratory personnel collecting or handling potential SARS-CoV-2 specimens, residents and staff of nursing homes and long-term care facilities, and pathologists performing autopsies on persons known or suspected to have had SARS-CoV-2 at the time of death.

If providers who receive vaccine allotments have already immunized the very high-risk population and have adequately reached or attempted to reach those in the very high-risk category, additional group members in Phase 1a can also be immunized.

Once additional providers have their processes in place for COVID-19 vaccine administration, information will be posted on the ADPH website so that persons may contact providers and make appointments if they meet the criteria.

State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris said, "We want to manage people's expectations appropriately and remind the public that not everyone can access vaccine at this time. For the New Year's holiday and beyond, I encourage people to please stay home and keep their events short in duration, outside when possible, and only with everyone wearing masks."

ADPH has no specific timetable about when members of the general public can be vaccinated. As the supply of vaccine remains limited, ADPH continues to urge the public to practice the measures needed to help reduce the transmission of COVID-19. Alabama residents should continue to exercise caution by minimizing travel and avoiding gatherings of people beyond their immediate household. Below are prevention measures all Alabamians should take, regardless of whether they have been vaccinated.

- 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

It should be noted that the vaccine is free to all Americans and the allocation plan document will be updated as additional guidance from the ACIP is available. ADPH will provide information as additional COVID-19 vaccine products are received.

For information, go to www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19/prevention.html.



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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF **CASE NO: AD-2020-079**

THE ADOPTION PETITION
OF REGINA HARVELL
FOR THE ADOPTION OF
C.A.C. A MINOR
D.O.B. 07-19-2012

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MEGAN LESHAE DAWSON, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER
JOSHUA ADAM CAMPBELL, BIOLOGICAL FATHER

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

DONE THIS 28th DAY OF December, 2020.

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

Kimberly H. Drake
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419 2nd Avenue SW, Suite A
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TO THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an affidavit of publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

IN THE JUVENILE COURT FOR MONROE COUNTY, TENNESSEE

STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Petitioner,

v. **Docket No: J20-0303**

JACKIE KENNEDY, and
ROCK KENNEDY,

Respondents.

IN THE MATTER OF:
TOBY KENNEDY DOB: 03/06/2006
A CHILD UNDER EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OF AGE

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

It appearing to the Court from the allegations of the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights, Motion for Service by Publication and Affidavit of Diligent Search that the whereabouts of the Respondent Rock Kennedy is unknown and cannot be ascertained by diligent search, therefore, the ordinary process of law cannot be served upon Rock Kennedy. It is therefore, ORDERED that said Respondent be served by publication of the following Notice for four (4) consecutive weeks in the Cullman Tribune, a newspaper published in Cullman County, Alabama.

It is further ORDERED that if the Respondent Rock Kennedy does not enter an appearance or otherwise Answer the Petition, further personal service or service by further publication shall be dispensed with and service of any future notices, motions, orders or other legal documents in this matter may be made upon the Respondent by filing same with the Monroe County Juvenile Court Clerk, 4500 New Hwy 68, Suite 4, Madisonville, TN 37354.

NOTICE

TO THE RESPONDENT: ROCK ALLEN KENNEDY

The State of Tennessee, Department of Children's Services, has filed a Petition against you seeking to terminate forever your parental rights to Toby Kennedy. It appearing that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon you because your whereabouts are unknown. You are hereby **ORDERED** to serve upon Ian McCabe, Attorney for the Tennessee Department of Children's Services, 182 Frank L. Diggs, Suite 100, Clinton, Tennessee 37716, Phone No: 865-425-4400, an Answer to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Tennessee Department of Children's Service, within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication of this notice, which will be 30th day of December 2020, or appear personally in the Juvenile Court of Monroe County, Tennessee, at 4500 New Hwy 68, Suite 4, Madisonville, TN 37354, on the 12th day of March, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., to personally answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights. Failing to appear for the hearing of this date and time, without good cause, will result in the loss of your right to contest the petition to terminate your parental rights to the child(ren) listed above. You may view and obtain a copy of the Petition and any other subsequently filed legal documents at the Juvenile Court Clerk's Office, 4500 New Hwy 68, Suite 4, Madisonville, Tennessee 37354.

ENTERED this 23 day of November, 2020.

DWAINE THOMAS
Juvenile Court Judge

NOTICE

Any appeal of the trial court's final disposition of the complaint or petition for termination of parental rights will be governed by the provisions of Rule 8A, Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure, which imposes special time limitations for the filing of a transcript or statement of the evidence, the completion and transmission of the record on appeal, and the filing of briefs in the appellate court, as well as other special provisions for expediting the appeal. All parties must review Rule 8A, Tennessee Rules of Appellate Procedure, for information concerning the special provisions that apply to any appeal of this case.

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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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Alabama Farmers Federation, Simply Southern TV seek 'Bama's Best Pizza'

Mary Johns Wilson
Contributor

It's arguably America's favorite food, and the Alabama Farmers Federation wants to find out which Alabama eatery serves up a pizza pie worth falling in "amore" with.

Whether it's a full-blown pizzeria or a food truck with pizza pizazz, nominate a favorite local joint for the Bama's Best Pizza Contest by commenting on the announcement post at Facebook.com/AlfaFarmers. Comments must include the establishment's name and city.

Nominations close Jan. 11. Local eateries with the most votes will vie against each other in the Edible Eight bracket. Matchups will be announced daily Jan. 18-21 at Facebook.com/SimplySouthernTV. Competitors with the most votes will make it into the Flavorful Four.

Judges will visit each Flavorful Four finalist — and the winner will be announced in early February. Along with bragging rights, the winning restaurant will receive a plaque and cash prize and will be featured in Neighbors magazine and on "Simply Southern TV."

Bama's Best Pizza Contest is sponsored by the Alabama Dairy Producers and Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Association — whose members grow and produce products needed to make the perfect pizza.

Contest Schedule:

- Dec. 28: Nomination period opened at Facebook.com/AlfaFarmers
- Jan. 11: Nominations close
- Jan. 18-21: Daily head-to-head matchups for the Edible Eight at Facebook.com/SimplySouthernTV
- Late January: Judges visit Flavorful Four to determine a winner
- Early February: Winner announced

Bama's Best Pizza seeks to promote Alabama-based restaurants. National chains will not be eligible. However, a specific location of an Alabama-based chain will be eligible to compete.



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