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Editorial: Hopes for 2021 from the perspective of a young college student



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'I SAW SO MUCH GIVING THIS YEAR'

Victoria's Hope takes on challenges of 2020



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The Victoria's Hope thrift store, Victoria's Hope Thrift and Treasures, is located at 1430 Fourth St. SW in Cullman.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – April Bowen German, with the help of family and friends, created Victoria's Hope in her mother's memory as a ministry to single parents in need. Over a short time, the charity turned into a business, with a Cullman-based thrift store that allows families in need to shop for free and that donates substantial portions of its sales revenues to other charitable causes.

As with many such organizations, Victoria's Hope was hit hard in 2020, but looked for and found opportunities to continue its ministry.

German told The Tribune, "2020 has definitely been an interesting year, and reflecting back on it, there was so much fear and uncertainty, but I've also seen so much good come out of this year as well. This year has proven to me even more how this community comes together to help one another in a time of need.

"A couple of weeks before COVID hit, we were getting close to reaching our goal of paying off numerous school lunchroom debts by the end of the school year. We were able to pay off one school's debt before the shutdown. We were closed » PAGE 3

City, County holiday hours, sanitation schedules

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New Year's Eve festivities

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CULLMAN, Ala. – As a tumultuous year comes to a close, New Year's celebrations look quite different from what most people are used to. Here are some local festivities. Keep in mind that these celebrations may have limits on the numbers of guests, so check in with the hosts to see if there are still open spaces for new guests and be aware of any and all COVID-preventing measures the organizers may ask of attendees.

New Year's Eve Bowling Party
- Cullman Bowling Center - 1710 Tally Ho St., Cullman
- 7 p.m.-1 a.m.
- "We will be having three shifts for bowling New Year's Eve night! 7-9 p.m., 9-11 p.m. and 11 p.m.-1 a.m. We are currently taking reservations for lanes that night on all three shifts. The first two shifts are $18 per person, and the last shift from 11 p.m.-1 a.m. will be $20 per person. Reserve by calling 256-734-2600."
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/397934221650672

Tavern New Year's Eve Party
- Valley Tavern and Grille ("the official restaurant/tavern of the Cullman Bowling Center") - 1710 Tally Ho St., Cullman
- 8 p.m.-midnight
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/228940968469370

New Year's Eve Worship Night
- Church at the Well - 708 Ninth St. SW, Cullman
- 10:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m.
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/224781242433657

A Tribute to Van Halen NYE
- Brick Haven Venue - 1889 U.S. Highway 278, Cullman 35055
- 8 p.m.-midnight
- Tickets $25
- Event page: https://allevents.in/cullman/84-a-tribute-to-van-halen-nye/10000131537290577?ref=event-list-dynamic-data&aff=u1g-jbz

New Year's Eve Karaoke
- Goat Island Brewing – 1646-A John H Cooper Dr. SE, Cullman
- 6 p.m.-midnight
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/156441639218779

Redeemed Ministries 2020 New Year's Eve Fellowship
- 1415 Fairview Church Road, Cleveland, AL 35049 (Blount County)
- 6 p.m.-12:30 a.m.
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/718190079130751

Alabama Ball Drop
- Quail Creek Resort - 233 Quail Creek Dr., Hartselle, AL 35640 (Morgan County)
- 10 p.m.-midnight
- Event page: www.facebook.com/events/805036550076417/

Tips from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

If you are celebrating the New Year with people outside your household, make sure you follow steps to prevent the spread » PAGE 2

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 30

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 30, 2020. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Dec. 28

• unlawful possession of marijuana; Hwy. 69 S
• unlawful possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of stolen property; 2nd Ave. NW
• possession of drug paraphernalia; Childhaven Road NE
• possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1268
• permitting dogs to run at large; CR 1141
• unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; CR 598
• reckless endangerment; CR 1275

Dec. 29

• burglary; Hwy. 278 W
• domestic violence; CR 1107
• menacing; I-65 S/MM 306
• burglary; Schwaiger Road
• unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; Willowbend
• burglary; CR 1570
• domestic violence; CR 1775
• unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 222

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Dec. 28

• leaving the scene of an accident; person; Ave. G SE; damage to '14 Ford Fusion; $300
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment; person; Main Ave. SW

Dec. 29

• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; futon; $159
• first-degree robbery; person; Olive St. SW
• fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; miscellaneous

ARRESTS

Dec. 29

Robinson, Justin P., 24

• unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• possession of a short barrel shotgun

Ochoa, Ruby J., 46

• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of services

Edge, Clinton A., 52

• third-degree criminal trespassing
• resisting arrest

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Festivities (from Front)

of COVID-19.

Wear a mask

• Wear a mask with two or more layers to stop the spread of COVID-19 to protect others and yourself.
• Wear your mask over your nose and mouth, secure it under your chin, and make sure it fits snugly against the sides of your face.
• Wear a mask indoors and outdoors.
• In cold weather, wear your mask under your scarf, ski mask, or balaclava.
• Keep a spare mask in case your mask becomes wet from moisture in your breath or from snow or rain.

Stay at least 6 feet apart

• Stay 6 feet away from others who do not live with you.
• Indoors or outdoors, you are more likely to get or spread COVID-19 when you are in close contact with others for a total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period.
• It is especially important for people who are at higher risk of getting very sick to stay 6 feet (about 2 arm lengths) from other people.

Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces

• The more people you are in contact with, the more likely you are to be exposed to COVID-19.
• Avoid gatherings and celebrations with a lot of people that make staying 6 feet apart from those who don't live with you difficult.
• Avoid indoor spaces as much as possible, especially ones that aren't well ventilated.
• If indoors, open windows and doors. Use a window fan to blow air out, which will pull fresh air in through the open windows.

Wash your hands

• Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you have been in a public place, after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing and before eating.
• Make sure to dry your hands completely using a clean towel or by air drying.
• If soap and water aren't available, use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
• Avoid touching your mask, eyes, nose, and mouth.

Stay home if you are sick

• Stay home if you are sick, except to get medical care.
• Isolate yourself from other members of your family and wear a mask.
• Even if you don't feel sick, you can still spread COVID-19 to others.

Get a flu shot as soon as possible

• The flu shot can help protect you and your family, friends, and community from getting and spreading flu.
• By getting a flu shot, you can also help lower hospital visits and serious health problems from flu.

COVID-19 vaccines

• While it is possible that some people may receive COVID-19 vaccines before New Year's Eve, continue taking steps to protect yourself and others for some time to come.



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

2nd Annual Christmas at the Grotto

• Dec. 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. Make your plans to visit now!

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

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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.

City of Cullman Planning Commission Meeting

Monday, Jan. 4 at 5:30 p.m. at Cullman City Hall

Holly Pond Town Council Meeting

Monday, Jan. 4 at 6 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Library

Fairview Town Council Meeting

Monday, Jan. 4 at 6 p.m. at Fairview Town Hall

Town of Berlin January 2021 Special Meeting

• Monday, Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Berlin Community Center
• Discussion will include Farmers' Market building and weather alerts.

Baileyton Town Council Meeting

Monday, Jan. 4 at 7 p.m. at Baileyton Town Hall

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Victoria's Hope (from Front)

for close to three months but still had rent and utilities to be paid on our building, so unfortunately, we weren't able to pay off all that we wanted to but felt blessed that we were able to at least cover one school. The shutdown was rough; we use the money we make off of the thrift store to pay our rent and utilities for the building we are in.

"Without the store being open, it was hard, but we have managed to be able to stay open and continue to serve our community, so for that I am so thankful.

"During the shutdown, I felt useless. We couldn't open the doors to even our clients because of the risk of COVID. I wanted so bad to do something to help the community during those months but didn't know how. We offered a book box outside our store for children to get books that they could read during the shutdown. That seemed to be a big hit. We had to refill it several times, but I still have a regret that that wasn't enough."

Reopening to bigger needs

"After the shutdown, our client numbers dramatically increased," said German. "We went from serving around 20 families a month to close to 40 average. There were people without work who never had been before. There was a greater need for warm clothing this year because there were more people that could not afford to get their kids new clothing for the colder months than usual because of layoffs and sickness. We also had a bigger number of families sponsored for our Christmas Hope program.

"But what amazed me is, as our client numbers began to rise, so did the people offering to help. I saw so much giving this year, and I think it has made us all realize it could be us at any time being the ones needing the help. I've seen a lot of people struggle with asking for help this year, because they had never needed it before. But most of us are all just one missed paycheck from being in that same situation, and that's what I try and remind my clients. It's OK to ask for help. I think growing up like I did, watching my mother struggle, has made me feel more of a connection to these people."

Community support and partnerships are keys to success

German said, "The amount of support from the community never ceases to amaze me. I know I sound like a broken record, but this community will never understand how much of an impact it has made on my family's life. We have made so many lifelong friends and people that we consider family through this. This little idea I had that I started out of my home two and a half years ago has turned into so much more. My husband now runs the store for me full-time with our 18-year-old son, and I'm so glad we are able to experience this together.

"I have even seen my three boys change through all of this. It warmed my heart to have my 18 year old come home the day before Christmas Eve with a list and say, 'Mom, we need to help this family. She isn't able to get Christmas for her kids this year.' As a mom, that was a proud moment. My kids get to experience God's work through other people, and for that I will always be grateful. And none of it could have been possible without this community's support. We couldn't do this without the community constantly bringing in donation after donation.

"Because of this community, we have been able to serve roughly 400 families this year, whether through monetary donations, to clothing and household necessities, or helping families get back on their feet after a house fire. Our Christmas Hope served 92 children this year.

"One thing I love about this community is how all the agencies work together for the wellbeing of the entire community. We currently are working with the Cullman County (Public) Library providing children's books for their Free Little Library. We also are in the works with Wallace State to find applicants for a scholarship made for single parents to go back and get their education. We have also worked aside Curt's Closet this year, Flourish, the Link, DHR, Restoring Women Outreach, CCCDD, Saving Forgotten Warriors, local schools and many more. It really does take a village."

The "Wow" factor

Said German, "It's amazing the 'wow' stories you see every time you are in that shop. I'm also a teacher, so I don't get to experience it as much as my husband and son do, but I love hearing their stories when they get home. And when I do get the opportunity to be up there, the wow stories are endless. I can be checking someone out or helping a client when next thing you know, I'm crying like a baby. The interactions of people, the people's stories, you just see such an amazing side of people. And you just connect with them. And then a relationship is built, then a friendship. People that have just been in there as a regular customer becomes friends with other regular customers.

"Former clients becoming customers, feeling so proud that they are able to provide for their family again, then even turn into sponsors helping others. This is the second Christmas in a row that a former client of mine has sponsored a family for Christmas. And they both said the same thing: 'I've been there, I know what it's like, now it's my turn to pay it forward.' It's simply amazing.

"And I'm so glad my children get to experience that. I've seen so many people bring in a donation of a couch, or say they are about to donate a couch, and then someone will come in an hour later needing one. It's just so amazing and it has definitely strengthened my faith as (well) as my family's. We took a big leap of faith when Craig left his sales career to run the shop for me. He was a heavy machine salesman for over 20 years.

"But we couldn't afford to pay anyone. So we discussed it, prayed about it, and said, 'OK, either we are all in or we aren't at all.' And we went with going all in. And it was scary, and still is. Craig can probably always go back to selling heavy equipment again, and there's been times this past year we have almost had to make that decision, but the Lord has shown out every time and has said, 'I'm not finished yet!' So as long as the Lord provides, we will continue to do this. I'm just so thankful we were able to keep this going even through a pandemic. That tells me right there we have something going, maybe."

Plans for 2021

German shared, "When thinking of my plans for 2021, I kind of want to laugh, because if 2020 has taught me anything, it's that things can change in the blink of an eye. If you had asked me two and a half years ago (if) my family would be doing what we are doing now, I would have thought you were crazy. Even if you had told me right when I began this where we would be now, I wouldn't believe you. So I've learned we can have goals, but we never know how they are going to pan out. But I do have big goals for Victoria's Hope; my mind is always spinning.

"I would like to begin by focusing this coming year on seniors in high school. My son is a senior this year, and I never knew how much it was going to cost. It's not cheap. And what not be a whole lot to you, could be a paycheck to someone else. And every child deserves it, the diploma plaque, the cap and gown, the tassel, even the senior shirt. They've worked hard and have faced a lot at the end of their high school career, especially those seniors this year. So they deserve it, and their parents shouldn't have to worry about how they are going to get it for their child. So I would love to begin working with the local guidance counselors and schools to see if there were any seniors that might benefit from that extra help."

About the thrift store, German said, "The thrift store has been a tremendous help to get through 2020; we definitely couldn't do all we do without it. There is some planning right now about a change with our thrift store, so stay tuned. I can't get over the lines that form there sometimes waiting on us to open. I would have never thought it. But it's the community wanting to support us, and that's such a blessing. I think our '3/2/1' catch helps, because it allows people that may have never owned a designer bag before to be able to purchase one for only $3 or less.

"When I see people loading up on designer bags and name brand clothing, it warms my heart to see. I was the kid who wanted those things, begged my mom for them, knowing she couldn't afford it. Now maybe these parents can get their child something nice and not have to pay a crazy amount for it. It pays our rent and power, and that's all we need. There have been months where we have even made enough that we could give back financially in some way.

"We would love to be able to get to a point where that is something we could do every month, have enough allocated that we could give what's left over to various nonprofits or other areas in our community that might need help. But it's going to take a lot of hard work, and that's why we couldn't do it with our community and definitely our wonderful volunteers.

"We have countless volunteers that we could not do without. They put in countless hours making sure we have everything done that we need done for the week. I feel bad sometimes it seems like they are there more than us. <laughter> But I think it's because of the same reason me and my family love it. You see the good in people in there; you see things happen that couldn't be anything less than God's work. And you become a family. I'm so thankful for this community and the support they have given us. We also have been blessed with many individual financial donors as well, and it seems like it's always been right when we needed it, but all of them have always chosen to stay anonymous. We like to call them our 'angels in disguise.'"

Prayers for Robert

For Victoria's Hope customers, encountering the always smiling, always friendly, always helpful Robert Squires has become a high point of visits to the shop. The 2020 scourge caught him, though, and left him hospitalized with serious health challenges.

Said German, "Robert came to us through Flourish (of Cullman) and immediately became a member of our family. If you have been at the shop, you have met Robert, and that means you love him. And he loves this community. And he has been in the hospital for over a month on a ventilator with complications from pneumonia. He is slowly improving but still needs lots of prayers. Victoria's Hope just isn't the same without him."

The final word

"I have a pretty good feeling for Victoria's Hope and this community for 2021," said German. "I lost my stepfather in February of this year, a man I thought hung the moon. I like to repeat to myself over and over the words he used to tell me, 'Everything's going to be alright!'"

Victoria's Hope's thrift store, Victoria's Hope Thrift and Treasures, is located at 1430 Fourth St. SW in Cullman. Find out more at www.facebook.com/victoriashope1952.

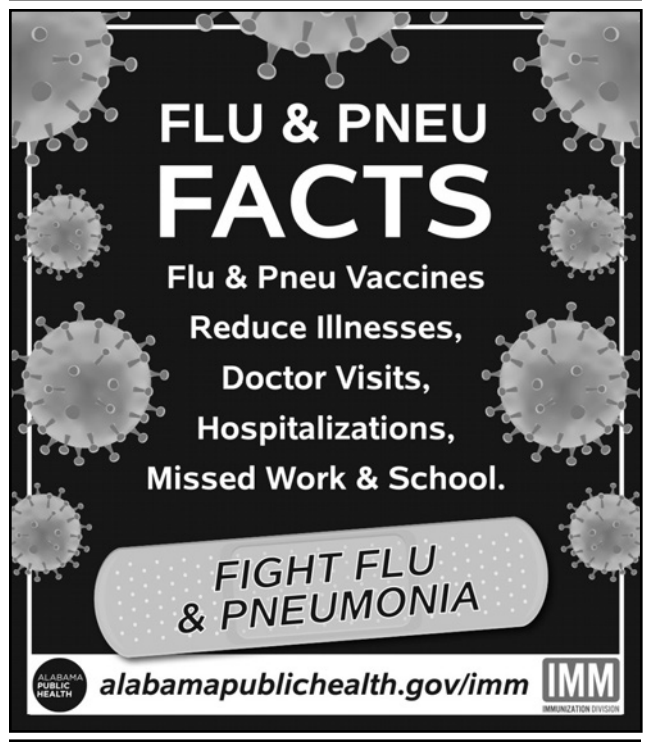
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Para información en español, visite el sitio web.

What is this lawsuit about? The lawsuit alleges that customers who used a credit or debit card at Bargain Hunt stores were provided with electronically-printed customer receipts which had more than the last five digits of their card number printed on the receipt. Bargain Hunt denies any wrongdoing but is settling the claims in this lawsuit.

Who is included in the Settlement? You are included in the Settlement if you used your personal credit or debit card at any Bargain Hunt store and you were provided with an electronically-printed customer receipt between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 that shows more than the last 5 digits of your card number.

What are my rights? Submit A Claim - You can get **up to $100** from the Settlement. To be eligible for any money, you must submit a Claim Form by **March 22, 2021** along with: (1) An original or copy of a receipt from any Bargain Hunt store between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017 showing more than the last 5 digits of your credit/debit card number; or (2) An original or copy of your credit/debit card statement showing your first and last name, and a purchase from any Bargain Hunt store between August 1, 2016 and June 30, 2017.

Visit **FactaReceiptSettlement.com** for more details on benefits available and how to submit a claim.

Do Nothing – If you do nothing, you will remain in the Settlement, but you will not receive any money from the Settlement, and you will be bound by the orders and judgment of the Court and give up your rights to sue for the claims resolved by this Settlement. **Object** – You can stay in the Settlement and object to the Settlement. Your objection must be mailed to the Settlement Administrator **on or before February 5, 2021**. **Exclude Yourself** – If you do not want to be legally bound by the Settlement and you want to preserve your right to sue about the claims released by this Settlement, you must request to be excluded **on or before February 5, 2021**. If you exclude yourself, you will not receive any money from this Settlement.

The parties will request a Fairness Hearing before the Honorable Judge Andy Prather, Division 2, on **April 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.** to decide whether to approve the settlement and to award attorneys' fees and expenses to the Settlement Class Counsel appointed by the Court, plus Settlement Class Representative incentive awards. If the hearing date/location changes, the updated information will be posted on the settlement website. Applicable pleadings will be posted on the website below after they are filed. You may attend this hearing, but you do not have to. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense, but you do not have to.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Fairview rallies to top Brindlee Mtn. 64-58

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. – The Fairview Aggies hosted the Lions of Brindlee Mountain for an afternoon contest at Joe Shults Gymnasium and after a rocky third quarter, the Aggies rallied and thanks in large part to a huge fourth quarter from Owen Yarbrough, pulled away to win it 64-58 in the final frame.

The Lions built a 9-1 lead to start the game and put Fairview in an early hole, but the Aggies began to battle back and chip away at the lead.

A three-pointer from Yarbrough made it an 11-5 game with just over two minutes to play in the opening period and a pair of Peyton Bailey free throws and a J.T. White basket pulled the Aggies to within two.

ack Brown knocked down a three to give Fairview a 14-12 lead in the final seconds of the first quarter, but the Lions were able to lay one in at the buzzer to tie things up at 14 going into the second.

White netted a mid-range jumper to give the Aggies a 16-14 lead at the start of the second quarter, but a 10-1 run put Brindlee Mountain back in front 24-17 midway through the period. Preston Ryan scored at the rim to cut the lead to five, but a 6-0 run made it a 30-19 game with just over two minutes to play in the half.

Parker Martin scored inside to cut the lead to eight with a minute remaining in the second and after a Lions bucket on the other end, Bailey scored in the final seconds of the half to cut the Brindlee Mountain lead to 32-24 at the break.

Bailey drilled a three-pointer to start the second half and trim the lead to 32-27 but the Lions were able to pull extend their lead to 38-29 by the midway point of the third quarter. That's when Fairview began to turn it on, starting with a three-pointer by Ryan and another basket from White that helped cut the lead to 42-36 with just over a minute to play in the third. Yarbrough knocked down another three to make it a 3-point game and Ryan scored in the final seconds of the period to make it a 1-point game going into the fourth at 42-41.

The Lions scored a pair of baskets early in the fourth but a pair of Yarbrough free throws and another basket by Ryan trimmed the lead to 48-46. Brown then knocked down another three-pointer and Martin laid one in to tie the game at 51 with five minutes remaining.

That's when Yarbrough began to take over, scoring the next eight points for Fairview and giving the Aggies a 59-53 lead with just over two minutes to play. A three-pointer from the Lions cut the lead to five late in the game but Bailey converted an and-one play at the free throw line to put the game out of reach for Brindlee Mountain and secure a 64-58, comeback win for Fairview.

Yarbrough led the Aggies with 21 points in the win, 11 of which came in the final frame. Ryan finished behind him with 12, Bailey posted 10, Brown scored eight, White added seven and Martin finished with six.

Fairview will be back in action next Tuesday when it travels to take on Decatur Heritage.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Fairview's Owen Yarbrough (1) led the Aggies with 21 points in their 64-58 win over Brindlee Mountain Tuesday afternoon.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Fairview's Jack Brown (2) posted eight points in the Aggies' 64-58 win over Brindlee Mountain Tuesday.

Alabama opens SEC slate with 82-64 win over Ole Miss

UA Athletics
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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – The Alabama men's basketball team opened its Southeastern Conference schedule with a decisive 82-64 win over Ole Miss Tuesday night in Coleman Coliseum. The Crimson Tide (6-3, 1-0 SEC) led from start to finish on the way to its 800th SEC win, making Alabama and Kentucky the only two SEC programs with 800 victories in conference play.

Guard Jahvon Quinerly led all scorers with a career-best 24 points, while also pulling down five rebounds. John Petty Jr. (13) and Alex Reese (10) came off the bench and finished in double figures points, while Jaden Shackelford led the Tide in rebounds with seven.

The Tide led the Rebels (5-2, 0-1) from start-to-finish and improved to 6-0 this season when scoring 80 or more points in a contest.

"I thought it was a good win. Ole Miss was top-10 in the nation in defensive efficiency. We made some free throws, we put some points up and I thought our guys played hard.

"We moved the ball around well, we had a few too many turnovers, they turn people over. I like the energy, I thought the bench was great," Head Coach Nate Oats said after the game.

"JP really gave us a boost and Shack, even though he did not shoot it well, he won the blue-collar hard hat deal. He led us in plus/minus, so he is really getting the hang of guarding tough hard-nose players. I thought we got great minutes from everybody throughout the game. We got outrebounded, which is disappointing, but our defense was good enough to hold them. We still won the second chance points."

Team Stats

- Alabama converted 43.1 percent (28-of-65) from the field while holding the Rebels to just 33.8 percent shooting from the floor
- The Crimson Tide knocked down 12-of-37 threes while Ole Miss only had 1-of-13 find the net from beyond the arc
- Alabama's bench was the difference with 54 points compared to the Rebels' 19
- Quinerly's 24 points came on 8-of-14 shooting in 32 minutes of action

First Half

- Alabama jumped out to an early 12-5 lead after the first five minutes of action
- With 7:49 remaining in the first half, Ole Miss closed the gap, trailing 23-20
- The Crimson Tide used a quick 8-2 spurt to pull ahead of the Rebels 34-23 with 5:00 minutes left to go in the opening stanza
- Ole Miss closed the half by outscoring UA 11-9 over the last five minutes of the half, sending Alabama into the locker room with a 43-34 lead
- The Tide shot an efficient 46.9 percent from the field including knocking down 7-of-17 in three-point shots
- Quinerly paced UA with 10 points on 3-of-6 shooting from the field

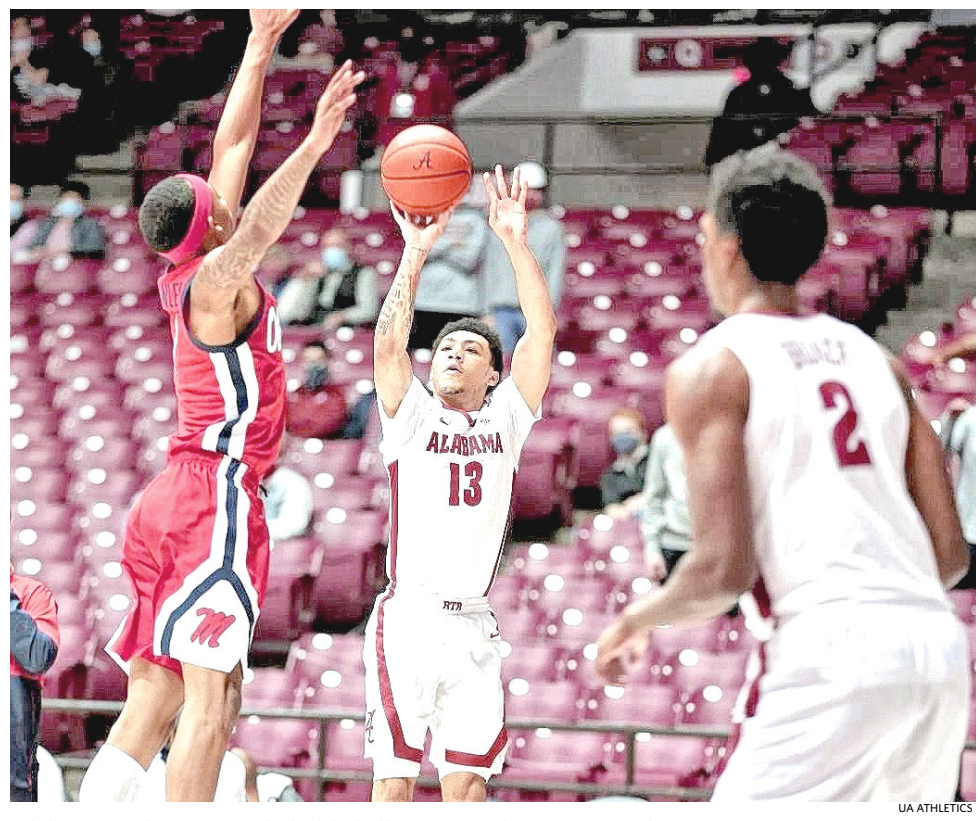
Second Half

- Ole Miss started the half by narrowing Alabama's lead to just seven at 47-40 with 16:20 left to play
- The Tide went on a 12-5 run from 13:45 to 9:34 left in the game to take a commanding 61-48 lead
- The Rebels cut it to eight, but Alabama went on a 14-7 run over the next five minutes of the game, knocking down 4-of-7 from the field during that span
- The Crimson Tide allowed just four points the last three minutes of the game, giving it the 82-64 victory
- Alabama knocked down 39.4 percent of its shots in the second half while holding the Rebels to just 32.4 percent

Up Next

- The Crimson Tide opens the New Year in Knoxville at No. 7/6 Tennessee on Saturday, Jan. 2 at 5 p.m. CT on ESPN2
- The game will be the Crimson Tide's first SEC road matchup of the 2020-21 season, and its first away contest after four-consecutive games in Coleman Coliseum

The Alabama-Tennessee game will also be the Tide's first true road game after four neutral site match-ups earlier in the season.



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama's Jahvon Quinerly (13) led all scorers with 24 points in the Crimson Tide's 82-64 win over Ole Miss Tuesday night.



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama's Jaden Schackelford led the Crimson Tide with seven rebounds in their win over Ole Miss Tuesday.

OPINION

Letter the Editor: The dangers of benzodiazepine abuse

Caleb Hughes
Contributor

Prescription benzodiazepines can treat several conditions, including epilepsy, panic disorder, and generalized anxiety disorder. However, professionals continue to debate as to whether long-term use of these drugs are medically acceptable.

As more information has surfaced regarding these drugs' addictive potential, medical professionals have shied away from prescribing them. Psychiatrists have argued that benzodiazepines have a low potential for abuse when taken as prescribed, but studies show that over 10 million people are not using them as their doctor advised.

Benzodiazepines are involved in over 10,000 overdose deaths per year, usually combined with other drugs, like opiates.

There is also a pronounced effect associated with the use of benzodiazepines, like Xanax, best described as a reduction in the ability to make rational decisions.

This effect manifests itself in various ways, and there have been instances of users doing things that are remarkably out of character for them.

These can range from harmless to potentially deadly.

There are reports of users getting up in the middle of the night and doing things like laundry, or dishes, only to have entirely forgotten the next morning what took place the night before.

More sinister manifestations include stealing for thrills, getting into fights, and spending sprees far outside of one's budget.

People make unwise decisions under the influence of Xanax, and sometimes the consequences are grave.

Poor decisions aside, there are several unavoidable consequences of Xanax abuse. Some of the more common ones are:

- Sedation
- Lightheadedness
- Decreased heart rate
- Decreased respiration
- Decreased blood pressure
- Slowed reflexes
- Irritability or depression

Daily use of benzodiazepines, even as prescribed, causes the body to develop a tolerance.

This tolerance eventually turns into a dependency. This can be life-threatening if withdrawals begin unexpectedly.

When someone is dependent on benzodiazepines, it means they need it to function normally.

When someone becomes physically dependent on benzos, they will experience withdrawal symptoms like vomiting, sweats, convulsions, and seizures. These symptoms are potentially deadly.

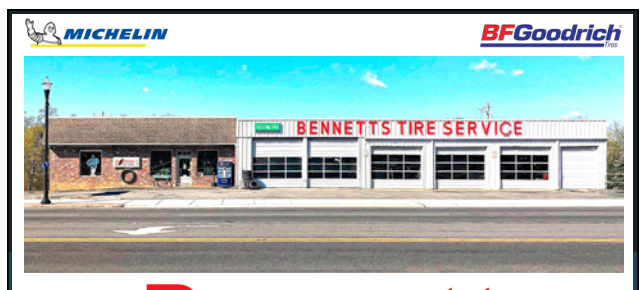
For more information on benzodiazepine abuse, visit: www.narcononnewlifere-treat.org/blog/five-shocking-facts-about-xanax.html.

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(256) 775-7203

City of Cullman
Planning Commission

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

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

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

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
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
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

TO: Publisher
The Cullman Tribune

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

Attorney for Administrator:
J. Bradley Wilson
Baggett & Wilson, LLC
206 Ninth Street Southwest, Suite 102
Cullman, AL 35055
256-737-0740

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on July 20, 2017 by Barbara Bentley, a married woman and David Bentley, an unmarried man, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1823, Page 955 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on January 25, 2021:

A parcel of land lying in the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 4 West, more fully described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼; thence east along quarter line to center of Little Rock Creek; thence along said creek in a southerly direction 160 feet to an iron pin; thence due west 195 feet to iron pin and the wet quarter-quarter line to Willie B. Stallings Road; thence north along quarter-quarter line and Willie B. Stallings Road 160 feet to the point of beginning. "mortgagors are pledging the real estate herein described as security for the debt whether or not all mortgagors signed the note or received any funds."

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
1991 Buccaner Challenger, Vin No. ALBUS15064.

This is a purchase Money Mortgage.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
The Cullman Tribune-December 31, 2020, January 7, 14, 2021

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2ND Ave SW
Room 303
Cullman, AL 35055

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 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

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:
Alex J. Chaney
P O Box 1052
Cullman, AL 35056

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2nd Ave SW
Room 303
Cullman, Al 35055

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
1701 Main Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055
256-734-0026

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

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

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

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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
Huntsville, AL 35801

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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.
The undersigned, NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 28th day of January, 2021 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
LOT 6 BLOCK 2 OF SWAFFORD RESUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOTS 18 & 19 MUSGROVES 2ND ADDITION AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 6, PAGE 27 IN THE PROBATE RECORDS OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

SUBJECT TO ALL RESTRICTIONS, RESERVATIONS, RIGHTS, EASEMENTS, RIGHT OF WAY, PROVISIONS, COVENANTS, TERMS, CONDITIONS AND BUILDING SET BACK LINES OF RECORD.

Said property is commonly known as 1521 Lindsey Dr, Cullman, AL 35055.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

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as holder of said mortgage
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2021 (from Front)

Heather Mann
heather@cullmantribune.com

At midnight on Jan. 1, 2020, I was at Goat Island listening to the band perform with my dad and thinking about the year ahead. Even in my wildest dreams, I don't think I could've predicted how things actually turned out.

My spring break stay at home turned into an early move-out from my residence at Auburn (no point in living at school when you don't have to go to class in person and all your friends are stuck at home, too). Zoom became my new school, club meeting place and gaming hangout. My peers and I watched as the country underwent a civil rights crisis that continued for months - some of us even participating in or organizing demonstrations of our own - and we did what we could to hold our university accountable for making sure that all students are given an equitable opportunity for education. Half of my peers struggled during this past semester due to any combination of factors - isolation in quarantine, health issues, being stuck with unsupportive family, technology issues, professors who were unsympathetic toward students with technology issues (a surprising number of professors seem to think that all college students have enough money to just "buy a better computer" or "move somewhere with a better signal"), trouble adapting to online learning and so many other factors that made this semester a lot harder on most folks than other semesters.

Of course, I can't forget the elephant in the room: while all this was happening, a pandemic raged across the world.

While many other countries managed to contain their cases and return to "normal" after a few months, my friends here had to spend most of the year isolated away from other people - and their own families in many cases - because too many people either were unable to take safe measures (no compensation for time off work to quarantine and no measures in place to help them pay rent meant too many people had to choose between keeping their house at the risk of constant exposure or quarantining at the risk of being evicted for not paying rent) or refusing to take safe measures altogether (we all saw too many pictures and videos of bars and Greek Life parties in downtown Auburn where unmasked people were packed in like sardines). Even with the release of the Pfizer vaccine, health experts will be studying the aftermath of COVID-19 and how it affects the body long-term for decades to come.

Fortunately, there are some silver linings among these dark clouds. Online gaming hangouts make it easier to add sound effects and show battle maps for games.

Some professors were understanding and sympathetic toward students and adjusted their courses to lessen the stress of the workload. I found time to work on a lot of different recipes that I hadn't tried before, I finally got caught the chance to catch up on all the shows I said I'd watch, and for the most part my friends and family are still in good health. Given the year we're all leaving behind, my hopes for the upcoming year are setting the bar so low it's on the ground.

1. Compassion and equitable working conditions
The widespread use of online working and learning has shown that there are a lot of assignments that can be completed without having to leave the house. For years, people with disabilities and chronic conditions as well as people with long commutes have had issues with companies not being able to let them work from home, saying it was not possible for them to be as productive as necessary without them being physically present at the office or classroom. Here's hoping that this year will show people that these accommodations, if properly implemented, can be viable working options and that employers and instructors will continue allowing at-home work in the coming year.

In a similar vein, here's hoping that next year will have employers and instructors be more understanding toward people when it comes to taking time off to recover from illness. Hopefully, this with is self-explanatory.

2. Respect for facts and honesty in representing those facts
The only phrase I've heard more than "unprecedented times" this year was "fake news," and the widespread misinformation and disinformation about all the issues we've faced this year has only made that phrase that much more common.

While the best case scenario for 2021 would be that people actually believe the words of experts who spend years studying specific topics, I'll settle for journalistic honesty in representing the sides of an issue.

Many people think that honest journalism means representing all sides of an argument or issue as equal, but that's a false sense of equivalence. True honesty is representing the facts as they are – 1,000 experts who say one thing and 10 experts who say another do not hold the same weight, and claiming that they are equally true is a gross misrepresentation. Here's hoping that 2021 will give facts and information a better standing.

3. Accountability
A lot of good work was accomplished in 2020 in terms of holding people in power accountable for their words and actions, but we still have a long way to go. People at all levels need to be held accountable for the promises they make - your city council should be held to its promise to serve the city, your employer who promises safe working conditions should be held to that promise, your school administrators (both primary schooling and higher education) who say they support equal opportunity to a safe and equitable education should be held to that standard.

Here's hoping that people will take steps to get involved - attending council meetings, contacting their legislators, reporting unsafe business practices, working with their student governments - and keep people accountable for their words and actions in the coming year.

4. Safety and comfort
I know things like this can't be solved overnight, but it never hurts to hope. I hope that next year, my Asian friends can walk around campus without having people confront them about how they're responsible for COVID and how China is trying to take over the country (regardless of whether or not the person is actually of Chinese descent). I hope that next year, my Black friends can walk around Toomer's Corner after dark without people shouting racial slurs at them from passing cars.

I hope that next year, my Jewish and Muslim friends will be able to go the whole year without seeing their places of worship vandalized, or hearing "kind and compassionate Christians" on campus shouting at them about the eternal torture that awaits them unless they convert, or worrying about what kind of hate crimes they might experience on their holy days.

Next year, I hope I can feel safe in going out to eat with my all friends and talking about our favorite new TV shows while we wait for our food to arrive. I hope I can attend SGA meetings again and meet my college's representatives in the Student Senate because I never got the chance to introduce myself this past semester. I hope my Senior Design project goes well and I end up with a good recommendation for whichever company I end up designing for, and I hope that all my friends can help me celebrate my graduation in December.

I hope 2021 brings comfort, happiness and positive change to everyone. God bless, and Happy New Year.

Heather Mann

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 287,173 (+3,234 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 69,647 (+1,782 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 4,174 (+36 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 600
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 4,942 (+41 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 2,047 (+86 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 59 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 17
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 31,028
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,133
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 1,065
- Total tested in Alabama: 1,862,248
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 52,036
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 123,829
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,813
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 33,452 (not updated as of press time)
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 202,137
- See more details at https://bit.ly/2VjCQbP.

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Wendell Milford Wisener passed away Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2020 at his residence. He was born Dec. 19, 1933, in Alabama to Theodore and Lilly Mae Wisener. Survivors include his wife Carolyn Wisener; son Randy (Penny) Wisener; daughter Angie Emigh; son Barry (Yindee) Bates; daughter Kerri (Chris) Ledbetter; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. There are no services planned at this time.

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