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– PREP FOOTBALL –

Cullman's Hughey signs with Hutchinson



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Cullman football standout Jaylen Hughey signs with Hutchinson Community College at Cullman High School Wednesday afternoon. Bottom row L-R: Meagan Greenlee, Jaylen Hughey, Sandy Hughey. Top row L-R: Craig Hughey, Ronald Dunn, Mallory Shaddix. » PAGE 6

ARTS

High notes

Students across Cullman County make All-State, All-District bands



KIRIN TISDALE

Cullman High School student musicians who made All-District III Honor Band are (front row, left to right) Jordan Nash, Sara Reeves, Yukiino Shichinohe and Sam Adkins and (back row, left to right) Logan Walker and Elijah Putman. » PAGE 6

Victoria's Hope expands, opens in new location



APRIL BOWEN GERMAN

Victoria's Hope Thrift and Treasures opens today in its new location at 1415 Second Ave. NW in Cullman.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Victoria's Hope Thrift and Treasures, a local thrift shop known for letting families in need shop for free and for donations to other local charities from its profits, reopens Thursday morning in a new and larger facility at 1415 Second Ave. NW (U.S. Highway 31) in Cullman, to accommodate more customers and a growing inventory.

Late Tuesday evening after a day of teaching followed by work at the new shop, Victoria's Hope Founder April Bowen German told The Tribune, "We had not been necessarily looking for another building, but we definitely had outgrown where we were. We loved the location because it was close for a good bit of our clients and customers, so we wanted to stay close, and this just fell into our lap.

"A precious volunteer we have saw a building on Highway 31 that looked to be absolutely perfect. I loved it, but quickly assumed there would be no way we could afford the rent- 2020 was hard, and there was no extra money for a larger rent payment. Yet to our surprise, it was well in our budget. We made a few phone calls, visited the place and immediately fell in love with it. It's still just five minutes away in a vehicle from our old location, it has a garage door for » PAGE 6

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Apply now for Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 3

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. - Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 3, 2021. 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

Feb. 2

• fourth-degree theft of property; person; 2nd Ave. NW; phone; $300

• third-degree criminal trespassing; person; 4th St. SW

ARRESTS

Feb. 2

Steele, James T., 29

• receiving stolen property

Wren, Daniel R., 25

• fourth-degree theft of property

Reynolds, Kristopher A., 35

• FTA- switched tag

• FTA- insurance violation

• FTA- driving without a license (2 counts)

• FTA- failure to signal

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Program (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman County Commission on Aging is currently assisting area seniors with filling out applications for this year's Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP).

The SFMNP, a program of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), aims to provide low-income seniors with access to healthy and locally grown fruits, vegetables and other goods such as honey and herbs. Vouchers can be used at local farmers' markets.

Cullman County Commission on Aging Director Dusty Baker said of the program, "It's a great opportunity for our seniors that qualify to take advantage of. Not only do you get farm fresh vegetables for free, but also the opportunity to get out and safely enjoy one of the wonderful amenities our community has to offer!"

An application must be completed for each person in the household who qualifies for SFMNP benefits. Applicants must reapply every year. You can apply for next year's program any time after Jan. 1.

To qualify, individuals must meet the following criteria:

1. Age - person must be 60 years of age or older the day of application, AND

2. Income level - recipients' gross household income (income before taxes) must not exceed the following limits:

• $1,756.00 monthly for a household of 1

• $2,371.00 monthly for a household of 2

• $2,987.00 monthly for a household of 3

• $3,604.00 monthly for a household of 4

• $4,219.00 monthly for a household of 5

• $4,835.00 monthly for a household of 6

• $5,452.00 monthly for a household of 7

• $6,067.00 monthly for a household of 8

(Household: a group of related or non-related individuals living together as one economic unit. These amounts are at 165% of 2020-2021 Federal Poverty Guidelines.)

To find out more, visit http://fma.alabama.gov/seniornutrition/.

Those who qualify and need help filling out an application can call or email the Commission on Aging at 256-734-1241 or jjames@co.cullman.al.us. Vouchers are normally mailed in June or July. There is no set deadline for applications. The vouchers will be issued until they run out.

CORRECTION

In the article that appeared in the Feb. 3, 2021 edition of The Cullman Tribune titled "'Baileyton Bargain Days' begin this Saturday," a member of the Baileyton Town Council said that the donations at the events will be tax-deductible. These donations, $20 for a bag or $40 for a box, will not be tax-deductible.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Feb. 3, 2021 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub

Case details

• Total confirmed cases in AL: 365,818 (+1,420 since yesterday)

• Probable cases in AL: 99,238 (+698 since yesterday)

• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 6,529 (+215 since yesterday)

• Probable deaths in AL: 1,674

• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 5,874 (+14 since yesterday)

• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 2,748 (+16 since yesterday)

• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 101 (+7 since yesterday)

• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 59

• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 35,031

• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 3,389

• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 493

• Total tested in Alabama: 2,139,919

• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 36,378

• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 225,313

• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 1,777

• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 42,727

• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 242,143

Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)

• Total doses delivered to Alabama: 808,925

• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 725,075

• Doses administered: 392,624

• Doses delivered to federal Long-Term Care Program: 83,850

• Doses administered by the federal Long-Term Care Program: 47,955

Beginning Feb. 8, vaccine eligibility will expand to include phase 1b and people 65 years and older. The Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan outlines the various phases, and is available at www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

Currently eligible for vaccine

326,000 healthcare providers, nursing home residents, law enforcement officers, firefighters, and 350,000 persons age 75+

• Average 1st Doses of Vaccine Shipped to Alabama Per Week—60,000 to 70,000

• Anticipated vaccine allotment for week of Feb. 8: Moderna – 1st dose 44,100 / 2nd dose 30,600 – Pfizer 1st dose 30,225 / 2nd dose 30,225

Federal pharmacy program to begin soon

The federal government has partnered with 21 national pharmacy chains and independent networks to help administer COVID-19 vaccine in communities across the United States as part of the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program for COVID-19 Vaccination. The program will be implemented incrementally, based on the available supply of COVID-19 vaccines. As part of this initial phase, select Wal-Mart locations throughout Alabama will receive a limited supply of COVID-19 vaccine directly from the federal government to vaccinate eligible individuals in their communities. The locations are being finalized and we anticipate having more information to announce soon.

Vaccination Eligibility Check and Scheduling Portal

The COVID-19 Vaccination Eligibility Check and Scheduling Portal is available at www.alcovidvaccine.gov. The portal allows people to schedule available vaccine appointments, access a map of drive-through and walk-in locations, and sign up to be notified as new priority groups are available to receive vaccine. Appointments may not be available immediately at this time, as ADPH continues to be limited by the amount of vaccine provided by the federal government. Access to appointments will grow as supply from the federal government increases.

See more details at https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Alabama Beta Delta Teachers' Sorority Annual Chocolate Tasting Extravaganza Canceled
With regret, due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Alabama Beta Delta Teachers' Sorority Annual Chocolate Tasting Extravaganza, has been canceled for this year. Thanks to the community's support for the past 13 years. Through your support, we have been able to award college scholarships to students majoring in education. We hope to see everyone back next year!

Baileyton Bargain Days

• First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park

• The Town of Baileyton has partnered with Wal-Mart to receive pallets of merchandise which is unable to be placed on the store's shelves due to barcode errors.

• Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items

• A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted.

• Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Scholarship Opportunity
The Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for a $500 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. Applicant must be a U. S. citizen, high school senior and living in the state of Alabama. Applications may be picked up at the District office located 501-B Fourth St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055. Deadline to receive completed applications in the District office is March 12, 2021. For more information, contact Kathy Holmes at 256-734-1431or kholmes@cullmanswcd.com.

Alcoholics Anonymous
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. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.

• Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.

• Classes- Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult class "You are Qualified" by Zach Beard-Youth Pastor

• Sundays at 9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Small group classes for adults, children and youth at 10 a.m. Praise and worship and message at 11 a.m.

• Sunday, Feb. 7 message "Out of the GRAVE!" by Pastor Bobby Dodd

• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children and elderly 3:30-5 p.m. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW Please call Aimee at 256-841-2060 for more information. Eat in or take out. Kids' activities are available. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry, and Spirit Life Church.

• Sunday, Feb. 14 at 5 p.m. Valentine's Banquet $10 per person. Dinner, entertainment and fun! To reserve your tickets, call Amy at 256-736-4657 Venmo @ AMYNCANTER

Free Community Dinner at Center Hill Baptist Church

• 5-6 p.m.- The first Wednesday of every month we will be offering a Free Community Dinner. Church members, community members, neighbors and friends are welcome. This will be takeout only. Please message or comment with how many plates you will need to help us prepare enough food for everyone. RSVP at http://bit.ly/centerhill.

• 13108 County Road 747, Hanceville, AL 35077

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• Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

Cullman County Community Development Commission Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 4 at 6 p.m. at the Cullman County Economic Development office

St. Bernard Athletic Boosters Carry-Out Swamp John's Dinner

• Saturday, Feb. 6 from 4-7 p.m. Plates will cost $12 each and will include a choice of shrimp, chicken, fish or a combination of two. Dessert will be included.

• For tickets, contact the school at 256-739-6682. Tickets may also be purchased at the door.

Alabama Cooperative Extension Virtual Caregiver's College- "Love Yourself" Webinar

• Wednesday, Feb. 10 from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. There will be presenters on the following topics: Senior Rx, Medicare Part D, Estate Planning/Wills/Taxes, Identify Theft and Nutrition.

• This is the first virtual Caregiver's College. This program will be presented by ZOOM. This is a great opportunity for seniors and senior caregivers to gain resources and education and not have to leave the house if they have internet access.

• This event is free, but registration is required. Register by emailing jns0030@aces.edu or by calling the Dekalb County Extension office at 256-845-8595.

• Virtual attendees can ask to receive a goody bag for their attendance at this event. When you call or email, ask for the free goody bag.

• The speakers for this event are very knowledgeable experts and specialists in their fields. Please share half a day with us to learn more about how important caregivers are and how to "Love Yourself."

Cullman Education Retirees Association Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 11, 2021 at 11 a.m. at Stone Bridge Farms. Our program this month will be a COVID Impact Panel with Dr. Shane Barnette, Dr. John Waggoner and Tim Compton, explaining the impact this pandemic has had on our area. Following the program, we will have a short business meeting and then enjoy lunch together. All education retirees are invited to attend. We will practice CDC guidelines, including wearing masks and social distancing.

North Alabama Agriplex Living Landscapes Presents Raised Bed Gardening
Thursday, Feb. 11 from 6-8 p.m. on Zoom. This virtual class will cover everything you need to start your own raised beds, from bed types, to soil mixes, pest control and more. You can access this class through our events tab on Facebook or at http://bit.ly/3oEUgef.

North Alabama Agriplex Pruning Fruits Lunch & Learn
Wednesday, Feb. 17 from noon-1 p.m. on Zoom. Join local expert Tony Glover as he walks us through how to properly prune our fruit trees for best overall plant health and production. Access the class at http://bit.ly/3jaLqUt or through our events tab on Facebook.

Wallace State scholarship applications deadline nears for 2021-2022 academic year

Scholarships available to current and incoming Wallace State students

Gail Crutchfield
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Wallace State Community College is currently accepting applications for institutional scholarships, with a deadline to apply of Feb. 16. There are a number of scholarships available to current Wallace State students as well as incoming freshmen. Scholarships will be awarded for up to two academic years beginning in Fall 2021.

Scholarships available include:

- Presidential Scholarships
- Academic Excellence Scholarships
- Leadership Scholarships
- Performing Arts Scholarships
- Allied Health and Nursing Scholarships
- Career Technical Scholarships

Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis and are not guaranteed based on meeting minimum requirements in any category. Minimum requirements vary by scholarship.

The Fine and Performing Arts scholarships require an audition, with auditions planned for Feb. 12 and March 5. Registration will begin at 8 a.m., with auditions held from 8:30 a.m.-noon. Visit www.wallacestate.edu/fpa for more information or contact Heather Gillikin at 256-352-8277 or heather.gillikin@wallacestate.edu.

Computer Science major Noah Dia received the Leadership Scholarship, helping ease the financial burden of attending college. "A college education is well worth it, but it can be expensive and out of reach for many," Dia said. "Being a full-time student while struggling to find a way to pay for tuition and books is a stressful situation. The Leadership Scholarship relieved that stress for me so that I can focus on my classes."

Dia is currently serving as the first president of the newly-formed Society of Leadership and Success organization on campus and is the host of live Wallace State News segments aired on the Wallace State Facebook page.

Haley Self-Tumlin, who recently completed the Building Construction program and previously completed the Engineering Technology program received the Career Technical Scholarship from Wallace State, agreed with Dia.

"I wasn't stressed about working more hours," she said. "I had time to focus on classes, homework and extracurricular activities, like Phi Beta Kappa, Campus Ministries and the Student Government Association."

That extra time also allowed her to apply for and receive other scholarships through the Future Foundation and spend more time networking within her programs and creating connections that helped lead to full-time employment in her field. She advises students to fill out their FAFSA early, apply for as many scholarships as possible, have letters of recommendation ready, and speak with the heads of their programs to get information on what scholarships may be available to them.

Students may apply for multiple WSCC Scholarships; however, they can be awarded only one as the institutional scholarships are not stackable. Once awarded, a recipient must maintain a minimum GPA each semester; other requirements vary by scholarship.

Scholarship applications must be completed online by Feb. 16. Find the link to the application at www.wallacestate.edu/financial-aid/wscc-scholarships. Students applying for scholarships are required to apply for Federal Aid at www.fafsa.gov. A WSCC application for admission, official transcripts, and a scholarship application must be on file at the college before a scholarship can be awarded.

For additional information or questions, contact Stacey Sivley at 256-352-8241 or stacey.sivley@wallacestate.edu.

Additional scholarship opportunities are being offered through the Wallace State Future Foundation, with applications open through March 5. The Future Foundation lists more than 150 scholarships, some open to students in any program and others for specific programs or students. These scholarships are geared toward filing the gap between students who may not qualify for financial aid or other scholarships and to assist students who may need a little help in completing their education. Future Foundation scholarships are stackable and can also be combined with WSCC Scholarships. Qualifications for the scholarships vary. Visit www.wsccfuturefoundation.org for more information.

Troy University, City of Troy offering free, virtual leadership event Friday, Feb. 5

Andy Ellis
Contributor

TROY, Ala. – Troy University and the City of Troy will host a free, virtual leadership event Feb. 5, featuring keynote remarks from Dr. Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson, the 29th International President of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

The live-streamed event, "Celebrating Leadership and Legacy: A Transition to the Congressman John R. Lewis Leadership Conference," will replace the in-person Leadership Conference Celebrating African American History Month this year due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, setting the stage for the relaunching of the conference in 2022 under its new name. The event is scheduled for 7 p.m. Central Time and will be available for viewing at www.troy.edu/live, as well as on the Troy University and City of Troy Facebook pages.

Dr. Wilson is President of Dorothy Buckhanan Wilson, LLC, a leadership training and consulting business. A renowned speaker and trainer with extensive experience in operations and business expansion, Buckhanan Wilson is the author of the popular book, "You Can Lead." She has held senior level positions at Fortune 500 businesses, including the Xerox Corporation and SC Johnson Wax, as well as at not-for-profits such as The Private Industry Council and Goodwill Industries.

As International President of Alpha Kappa Alpha from 2014-2018, she elevated the sorority to new levels of growth, leading the $6 million renovation of the Corporate Headquarters in Chicago, increasing membership by 25 percent, raising $12 million for Historically Black Colleges and Universities, collected 1.1 million backpacks and restored 2,200 playgrounds.

A dynamic public speaker, Buckhanan Wilson has received keys and proclamations to more than 200 cities and has been featured in national publications, including Essence Magazine, Ebony Magazine, Dollars and Cents, The Milwaukee Business Journal, Rolling Out Magazine and the HBCU Times. She is the recipient of more than 500 awards and citations for professional achievement and community service.

Buckhanan Wilson holds an MBA from Clark Atlanta University and a bachelor's degree in business administration from Benedict College. She also holds an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Benedict College.

A current resident of Columbia, South Carolina, she is a lifetime member of the NAACP and the National Council of Negro Women and the mother of two adult children.

In addition to Buckhanan Wilson's address, the event will feature remarks from TROY Chancellor Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Troy Mayor Jason Reeves, TROY Phenix City Vice Chancellor Dr. Dionne Rosser-Mims and City of Troy Director of Public Relations Shelia Jackson.

The event is free and open to the public, and additional information about the event is available at www.troy.edu/leadershipconference.



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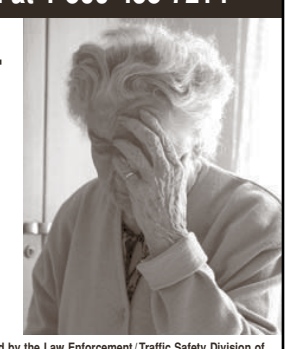


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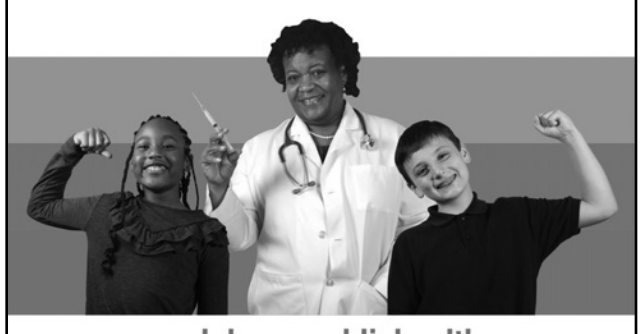
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PREP BASKETBALL

Bearcats, Lady Bearcats rout Hayden at home

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman hosted Hayden in Tuesday night hoops action, looking to build some momentum going into area tournaments next week. The Lady Bearcats rolled past the Lady Wildcats 68-26 while the Bearcats eased past the Hayden 96-56.

Cullman 68 - Hayden 26 (varsity girls)

Cullman jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead early behind fast-break baskets by Ava McSwain and Maci Brown and Jaden Winfrey added a basket down low as well. McSwain, Ella Collum, Winfrey and Stella Smith each scored during the Lady Bearcats' 8-0 run to make it a 16-2 game, but Hayden finished the quarter on a 7-2 run to cut the deficit to 18-9.

The Lady Wildcats added a basket down low to make it a seven-point game early in the second period, but it would be all Cullman after that as a three-point play by Winfrey pushed its lead to 25-11 and five straight points by Emma Ray, along with four in a row by McSwain made it a 34-11 contest. Collum added a three and Reagan Quattlebaum added a basket down low as the Lady Bearcats went into the half with a commanding 41-16 lead.

Cullman continued to pour it on in the third period, as a pair of McSwain free throws gave the Lady Bearcats a 52-19 lead and a pair of and-ones, one each by Quattlebaum and Ally Sharpe, increased their lead to 60-25 after three. Cullman (14-10) went on to roll past Hayden, 68-26.

McSwain led the way for the Lady Bearcats with 18 points, five rebounds and a pair of steals.

Quattlebaum added 13 points, five rebounds, two steals, and a pair of blocks. Winfrey ended up with 11 points and four steals. Ray and Collum (five rebounds) each added seven points.

Cullman 96 - Hayden 56 (varsity boys)

The first quarter was back-and-forth between Hayden and Cullman. A basket down low by Kaleb Heatherly, followed by a pair of Tucker Gambrill free throws, gave the Bearcats an early 4-3 lead. The Wildcats scored five in a row to take an 8-4 lead, but Cullman went on an 8-0 run and a Garrison Sharpe basket gave them a 12-8 lead. Each team traded the lead for the remainder of the period before a Dylan Sessions layup just before the buzzer put Cullman up 20-19 after one.

A pair of Sharpe treys made it a 26-22 game early on in the second quarter, and a Heatherly three-point play increased the Cullman lead to 31-26. Brodie Malcom then scored seven in a row to push the Bearcat lead to double-digits at 38-28.

A Hayden basket made it a 40-33 contest, but Cullman started to create some separation from the Wildcats to end the first half as Tucker Apel hit a layup, Tucker Gambrill scored five in a row and Tucker Cagle added a pair from the line to push its lead back to double-digits at 49-33.

Malcom drilled a three and Tucker Gambrill added a basket down low to end the half as the Bearcats went into the locker room up 54-35.

Cullman continued to pull away from Hayden in the third period. A Hayden trey made it a 60-41 contest, but the Bearcats went on a 16-0 run, with Tucker Gambrill scoring seven of those points.

Sharpe added a three, Jamar Kay scored four points and Cagle added a basket down low as they made it a 76-41 contest and a Carter Gay trey pushed the Bearcat lead to 83-46 after three. The Bearcats would go on to rout Hayden, 96-56.

Tucker Gambrill led Cullman (12-8) with 25 points. Jamar Kay and Malcom each added 12 points. Sharpe posted 11 points. Cagle finished with eight points and Heatherly added seven points.

Cullman will host Hanceville in their final regular season games on Friday night.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Ava McSwain (2) led the Lady Bearcats with 18 points in their 68-26 win over Hayden Tuesday night.

Auburn falls to Georgia at home 91-86

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – Jaylin Williams led Auburn with 21 points, but Georgia led from start to finish Tuesday at Auburn Arena, winning 91-86 to split the season series.

"Disappointing loss," Auburn coach Bruce Pearl said. "We had an opportunity to sweep Georgia for only the fourth time in 37 years. Since I got here we've done it twice, had a chance to do it three out of the last four years. The reason why it's not been done very often is it's not easy to do. It's hard."

Sharife Cooper scored 19 points and had nine assists, and five Tigers reached double figures, but Georgia outscored Auburn 52-34 in the paint to hold off every challenge the home team mounted.

"They came out being more physical," said Chris Moore, who contributed five points and three rebounds in 14 minutes. "I feel like they wanted it more than we did."

The Tigers started hot in the second half, twice cutting a 10-point deficit to three on Williams' buckets, but a 9-0 Georgia run gave the Bulldogs a 69-54 lead before Jamal Johnson's 3-pointer pulled the Tigers within a dozen with 10 minutes to play.

Allen Flanigan's layup cut the deficit to 71-65 with six minutes remaining, but the Bulldogs got a putback dunk and a layup to take their lead back to 10.

Georgia outrebounded the Tigers 40-32, including 13 offensive boards.

"We got outplayed," Pearl said, "and we got outplayed in the paint."

Johnson scored 13 points and led Auburn with six rebounds. Flanigan and Devan Cambridge each added a dozen points for the Tigers.

Auburn pulled within six points three times in the final minutes, but Georgia answered each time before Flanigan's dunk in the closing seconds accounted for the final five-point margin.

Georgia (11-6, 4-6) led 39-30 at intermission after making 5 of 11 3-point attempts and outrebounding the Tigers 20-15 in the first half.

Williams scored seven first-half points to lead the Tigers. Auburn was 1-for-7 on 3-pointers, with Williams accounting for the Tigers' only first-half make. The sophomore was 9-for-14 from the field and added five rebounds in 32 minutes.

"We were not ready to play," Pearl said. "First time that's happened this year. That's on the coach. I've got to own that, and I will.

"Georgia's got really good guards who can beat you off the bounce. We played right into their hands. It was exactly how we knew Georgia could beat us.

"When you score 86 points and shoot 48 percent you should be able to win those games but not when you give 52 points to the opponent in the paint. We didn't give them to them, they earned it. Georgia earned the victory tonight."

The Tigers (10-9, 4-6) host Ole Miss Saturday at 3 p.m. CT.



SHANNA LOCKWOOD/AU ATHLETICS

Auburn Tigers guard Sharife Cooper (2) blocks the ball during the game between Auburn and Georgia at Auburn Arena.

Troy downs Spring Hill College for best home start in D-I History

Troy Athletics
troytrojans.com

TROY, Ala. – For the First time in Troy's 27-year Division-I history, the Troy men's basketball team has started 6-0 at home. The sixth and final victory of that stretch was Tuesday's 90-73 victory at Trojan Arena over Spring Hill College.

After starting the season with three victories over Central Baptist, Carver College and Samford, the Trojans have downed App State (twice) and Spring Hill in the last five days.

In the victory junior Zay Williams scored 17 points and grabbed a career-best 15 rebounds in just 26 minutes of action, while Nick Stampley also followed up with 17 points. Sophomore Desmond Williams added 15 points and a pair of assists, while Khalyl Waters added nine.

After Troy (9-9) allowed an opening two points from the visiting Badgers (0-1), the Trojans never trailed over the remaining 39 minutes of game action leading by as many as 23 points.

Following that Spring Hill basket, the Trojans responded with 11 of the next 13 to take an 11-4 lead with 15:14 to play.

A triple from Dez and a jumper from Zay Williams increased Troy's lead to 23-11 with 10:25 to play. Another fast break layup from Dez Williams combined with three free throws from Khalyl Waters increases Troy's lead to 30-15 with 6:36 to play.

After a 3-pointer from Christian Brandt cut the Troy lead to just 30-18, Troy scored the next six to take a first-half best 36-20 lead.

Spring Hill would respond over the next three minutes using a quick 9-0 run to cut the Trojan advantage to just 36-29 with just 3:48 to play in the period.

Needing a run, the Trojans clamped down on the defensive end, holding Spring Hill scoreless for the rest of the half. The defensive stretch powered an 8-0 run that gave the home team a 44-29 lead at the break.

Out of halftime, Troy continued to pull away from the Badgers, scoring 10 of the first 14 points to open a 54-33 lead with 17:15 to play.

A highlight ally-oop from Duke Miles to Zay Williams combined with a layup from Miles, gave the Trojans a game-high 23-point lead with 15:27.

Down the stretch, Troy lead would go no lower than 16, as the Trojans cruised to a 90-73 victory.

Troy returns to action Friday night when Georgia Southern visits Trojan Arena for the opening game of a weekend set. Tip-off from Trojan Arena is set for 6 p.m.

HEAD COACH SCOTT CROSS:

"This wasn't our best basketball game but they're a solid team. They played really hard and we had no game film on them. We knew very little about their players and didn't know anything they were running. They were able to study us for the last week-and-a-half and we weren't able to really scout them much due to when the game was played and the fact that it was their first game of the year. They had a great game plan and are very well coached. They switched everything defensively which got us a little out of rhythm. We got the win and were able to get some guys some extra minutes that don't normally play that much. The most important thing is that nobody got injured so it definitely served its purpose. You got another win at home and we want to protect our home court and continue to make this a tough place to play. Our administration does a great job of promoting the games and we felt really good about our crowd tonight. They make a difference for us, and hopefully we'll have a good crowd this weekend when we have the opportunity to gain even more ground on the Sun Belt East."

On the best start at home in D-I history:

"That is something to build on for our program. Any step that we can take in the right direction is an opportunity to achieve an important milestone. Tonight, we also got back to .500 on the year which is a step in the right direction. If we can win Friday then we will get above. 500 and surpass our 2019-20 win total, so we need to continue to take steps to protecting our home floor. Our goal is still in play, which is to win all of our home games and protect our home floor. I'd love to see it happen, and it's super important to win all of your home games."

INSIDE THE BOX SCORE:

• With tonight's victory the Trojans did improve to 6-0 at Trojan Arena this season. The 6-0 start is the best home start since Troy went a perfect 13-0 at home back in 1992-93.

• The victory was Troy's third consecutive victory, and Troy's third victory in just five days.

• The three-game winning streak is Troy's second three game winning streak this season.

• Dez Williams' 15 points ties his season-high. Williams scored 13 of his 15 in the opening period of play.

• Marquel Bryant made the first start of his Troy career. The freshman played 12 minutes.

• Jakevan Leftridge scored his first two points of the season Tuesday night. After failing to score in the opening two games of the season, Leftridge missed 14 straight games before returning last weekend against App.

• Freshman walk-on Nick O'Brien checked in in the final three minutes and nailed his second 3-pointer.

• With his 17 points, Stampley has now scored 59 points in his last three games and is averaging 11.3 points per game.

• His 192 points scored this season are more than he scored in 31 games last season (174).

BUSINESS

Cullman industries fill 2 seats on Alabama Germany Partnership board of directors

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Seven new members named to the Board of Directors of the Alabama Germany Partnership (AGP) include executives from two Cullman industries. The appointments of Dr. Venki Padmanabhan, plant manager of REHAU Automotive and Albert von Pelser, VP of operations (Americas) of Reliance Worldwide Corporation were announced earlier this week by the AGP.

In its February newsletter, the AGP noted, "We are delighted to welcome such a strong group of new board members who will bring diverse expertise and insight to our organization. We look forward to working with the new directors as we continue our mission 'to develop and support relationships between organizations and individuals in Alabama and Germany.'"

As a nation, Germany is the top foreign industrial investor in Alabama. According to the AGP, more than 80 German companies have facilities or do business in the state. Germany made $61 million in direct industrial investments in Alabama in 2019, and Alabama exports to Germany exceeded $3 billion. German business and industry have invested more than $10 billion and created more than 17,000 jobs in the state in just the last 20 years.

The AGP calls itself "a statewide, non-profit organization, dedicated to the development of the educational, business, cultural, and social relationships among individuals and organizations with ties to both Alabama and Germany."



ALABAMA GERMANY PARTNERSHIP

Left to right, Albert von Pelser and Dr. Venki Padmanabhan

OUTDOORS

Special Youth, Veteran and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Day Feb. 6

Ala. Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources

The Alabama Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) has designated Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021 as the second of the 2020-2021 hunting season's Special Youth, Veteran and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Days. The first of the two special waterfowl hunting days took place Nov. 21, 2020.

On Feb. 6, youth under age 16 who are accompanied by a licensed adult hunter, military personnel on active duty and veterans (as defined in section 101 of U.S. Code: Title 38) may hunt for waterfowl statewide. Regular waterfowl season shooting hours, bag limits, legal arms and ammunitions apply to the special days. Hunting area rules and regulations also apply.

To participate in the hunt, youth must be accompanied by a licensed adult supervisor. Only one firearm will be allowed per youth and only the youth hunters will be permitted to utilize the firearm for hunting unless the adult meets the requirements of a veteran or active duty military personnel.

The adult supervisor must remain within arm's length of the youth at all times and may accompany up to two youth participants during the hunt.

The adult is also expected to review the rules of firearm safety and hunter ethics with each youth and ensure they are followed.

Youth is defined as an individual age 15 years and younger. Adult is defined as an individual age 21 years and older, or as the parent of the youth. The adult must have a state hunting license, state and federal waterfowl stamps and a free Harvest Information Program registration. Veterans and active duty military personnel must be in possession of a valid proof of service such as a military ID, Veterans Administration ID, veteran ID, veteran validation on their driver's license or a copy of their DD Form 214. Possession of the mandatory hunting licenses and stamps is also required.

For more information about the Special Youth, Veteran and Active Military Personnel Waterfowl Hunting Days, contact WFF Migratory Gamebird Coordinator Seth Maddox at Seth.Maddox@dcnr.alabama.gov or 334-353-2057, or visit www.outdooralabama.com/waterfowl.

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources promotes wise stewardship, management and enjoyment of Alabama's natural resources through four divisions: Marine Resources, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. To learn more about ADCNR, visit www.outdooralabama.com.



ADCNR

Youth hunters Ethan Patterson and Cole McGinnis had a successful hunt at the Swan Creek Wildlife Management Area in Limestone County on one of two special waterfowl hunting days during the 2019-2020 season.

OPINION

Op-Ed: Fool me once: Prison plan is no 'Alabama solution'

Molly K. Cole
Contributor

Most Alabamians remember the "poop train" well. In 2018 it was revealed that 10 million pounds of human waste was being shipped from New York to a landfill in Adamsville, AL. When Alabama residents became aware of this exploitation, they fought back. Within weeks, New York's contract to send their waste here was canceled.

We are once again on the brink of being royally taken advantage of by out-of-state interests. As early as Monday, Governor Kay Ivey will sign the citizens of Alabama up for a $2.6 billion three-decade lease agreement for three mega-prisons.

These facilities will be constructed and owned by one team led by Nashville-based CoreCivic, and another co-led by French-owned Star America and Birmingham-based BL Harbert. (Editor's note: This op-ed was authored Jan. 30. Ivey did sign two leases Monday, Feb. 1.)

In April 2019, in response to the Department of Justice report on the unconstitutionality of the Alabama Department of Corrections, Ivey stated that "this is an Alabama problem that needs an Alabama solution."

Despite what her office will have you believe, Governor Kay Ivey did not devise this plan.

Rather, she was convinced by some clever private interests that all woes would go away by building three mega-prisons, notwithstanding the DOJ specifically saying that Alabama cannot build its way out of its problems.

Ivey was fooled by investors who saw an opportunity to take advantage of Alabama taxpayers.

ADOC Commissioner Jeff Dunn was fooled. And Attorney General Steve Marshall was fooled.

Only two of the nine companies involved in the prison project have Alabama ties. All the other companies are based in other states or countries.

So much for an "Alabama solution" to our "Alabama problem."

Worse still, we will never know the identities of the sly investors who saw an opportunity to make some easy money.

Regions Bank revealed last week that they will not be funding the construction project. Instead, the facilities will be financed through a "private placement."

A private placement is a special kind of fundraising that is exempt from Securities and Exchange Commission reporting requirements. Most public companies, like CoreCivic, have to disclose who gives them money—unless they use the rare and highly secretive private placement.

What does that mean for us, the Alabama taxpayers? We will NEVER know who the investors are in this multibillion dollar building plan. We will never know which New York and Hollywood fat cats are buying their Hamptons beach house with our hard-earned money.

We'll never know who will open their mailbox once a quarter to find a big check paid for courtesy of Alabama prison labor.

Our best guess about who these investors are (and again, we will never know for sure) is your typical Wall Street mogul.

New York and Beverly Hills hedge funds. Wealthy families with seven homes and four yachts.

International investors who have never been to or even thought about Alabama.

You know, just the kind of guy who likes to scoff at Alabama's backwards ways while simultaneously profiting off of us.

Alabama's state motto is "We dare defend our rights." My fellow citizens, that statement will be an empty promise unless we demand transparency and start insisting that Alabama projects benefit Alabama citizens.

Molly K. Cole is a member of Alabama Students Against Prisons, a coalition of nearly 300 students across 28 Alabama colleges, law schools and universities. Cole is a Master's student in Criminal Justice at the University of North Alabama. She writes about prison and punishment issues in the United States.

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Hughey (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Another local athlete celebrated the next step of their athletic and academic career Wednesday afternoon when Cullman football standout Jaylen Hughey inked his signature to play for the Blue Dragons of Hutchinson Community College. Hughey racked up over 1,200 yards and nine touchdowns on the ground in his junior season with the Bearcats, earning 6A Second-Team honors, and tacked on nearly 600 more yards with five more touchdowns during his senior campaign. Jaylen has been an impact player on the defensive side of the ball throughout his career as well.

Hughey is one of the latest additions to Head Coach Drew Dallas' 2021 signing class at Hutchinson and it'll be a unique experience for Jaylen to see his future team play in just a couple of months rather than in the fall.

The Blue Dragons will be one of several schools kicking off the football season this spring after COVID-19 postponed the season in the fall. Hutchinson's first game will be March 26 at home against Coffeyville.

In a year full of uncertainties, one thing we know for sure is that Hughey's impact and production on the field will be missed by the Bearcats next season.

Clark (from Front)

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

Clark is a 1-year-old Plott Hound mix. He's a lively-but-not-hyper, medium-energy pet who's skilled on his leash and enjoys his time around people.

He's a fun-loving dog who excels when challenged. Based on his personality, it appears that he would thrive in a one-pet environment.

Clark has the makings of a good therapy, companion or hiking dog.

Clark's adoption fee is $100 which includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, neutering, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior. Several of the shelter's canine friends have even been "hired" to work as therapy and special needs service dogs.

Please consider adopting, to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com. Visit the shelter at 935 Convent Road NE.

Victoria's Hope (from Front)

unloading larger donations, more room and plenty of wall space to display various things.

"Oh, and a water fountain. I just thought that was the coolest thing, so I told everyone about it; my teenage sons like to make fun of me about that! And of course, it can't even be used right now, but I still love it."

Victoria's Hope began in a small space in Dodge City, using separate storage, then moved to Cullman as the charity's leaders saw a need to expand. Continued growth in both need and opportunity led to yet another move.

Said German, "We quickly outgrew our old space as we have all of our other spaces in the past, but we just had to make do the best we could. Yet it was so hard to get things organized.

"At the new shop, we are able to space things out and have room for various things like jewelry, scarves, etc. I can't wait for everyone to see it!

"I'm beyond excited to reveal the new place to everyone. It's been a long hard road, and a lot of hard work, and I just can't wait to see it all come together. Thank you so much to our family and friends who have devoted so much time helping us with the move. This community never ceases to amaze me. Thank you to the community for all the recent donations; I am so excited about some of the brand new items that we will have available that we didn't before.

"And of course, we will still continue our 3,2,1 sale at the new store. We promise our prices will not change. As long as you as a community keep donating it to us, we will continue to get it right out the door to someone else with a great bargain. That's what it's all about, helping each other."

Victoria's Hope recently lost one of its most popular attractions, store clerk and hat authority Robert Dale Squires, after a battle with COVID-19. Visitors to the new store will have an opportunity to remember their favorite customer service rep with a collection of meaningful artifacts that will not be priced to sell.

German shared, "A new fixture you will be seeing in the store is Robert's bike. He loved that bike; he rode it everywhere. After he started helping us full-time, Craig told him he didn't have to ride his bike anymore, that he could just swing by and pick him up, but there were days he was adamant about riding it. He loved it. His beautiful sister Sally has been kind enough to donate his bike to us, so it will be a permanent fixture at Victoria's Hope, along with his silly hats.

"It was very bittersweet moving the same week we lost Robert, but I know he would be so proud of the new building."

German concluded, "I want to give a huge thanks to Chad and Melanie Burks for giving this girl a chance. Chad told me when I first rented from him that he believed I could do it and has been so supportive this past 18 months. It's not an easy job renting to us (laughing), but he handled it like a champ.

"These past few years have been hard for everyone, so getting this new building is like a new beginning for me. It's still hard to believe how far we have come in such a short period of time, and I can't wait to see all the things God has planned for the future."

The store is open Thursday-Saturday from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Find out more at www.facebook.com/victoriashope1952.

Notes (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Area band students were recently selected for the 2021 Alabama Bandmasters Association (ABA) All-State and All-District Honor Bands. Cullman County is located in ABA District III, and students typically travel to a location within the district to audition for a panel of judges. This year those auditions were done virtually.

Cullman High School Director of Bands Christopher Smith explained, "Due to COVID, this year's All-State auditions were different than in the past.

"Students submitted videos of the tryouts to the District through an audition app.

"The judges evaluated all of the auditions throughout Alabama and selected the highest scoring students for all the All-State and District Honor Bands."

Smith said the audition process consisted of scales and very challenging music selections.

Landing a coveted spot in one of the three All-State High School Bands (Red, White or Blue) or the one All-State Middle School Band is incredibly difficult as students are competing against hundreds of other students across the eight ABA districts.

Those chosen for the All-State bands automatically qualify for All-District Honor Band.

"Being selected for All-State is one of the highest honors a high school band student can receive from the Alabama Bandmasters Association," said Smith.

This year's All-State Band Festival is tentatively scheduled to take place in Mobile in April.

Below are the student musicians from across Cullman County who were selected for the 2021 All-State and All-District Honor Bands:

ALL-STATE

Cullman
- Sara Reeves- Red Band, Flute
- Jordan Nash - Red Band, Clarinet
- Yukiino Shichinohe- Red Band, Alto Saxophone
- Elijah Putman- Alternate, Baritone Saxophone
- Sam Adkin- Blue Band, Baritone

Hanceville
- Ivan Conway- Alternate, Tenor Saxophone
- Jonathan Rodriguez- Trumpet (Middle School)

Meek
- Victoria Frith - Blue Band, Flute
- Madeline Murrah- White Band, Clarinet
- Sabrina Gaines- Unassigned, Bass Clarinet
- Suzie Feist- Alternate, Trumpet
- Ally Parris- White Band, Trombone

Seed-Harvest Music Academy
- Mathew Burgett- Blue Band, Trumpet

West Point
- Kellen Drinkard- Unassigned, Bassoon
- Kira Kuznyetsova- Clarinet (Middle School)

ALL-DISTRICT

Cullman
- Sara Reeves- Flute
- Jordan Nash- Clarinet
- Logan Walker- Clarinet
- Yukiino Shichinohe- Alto Saxophone
- Elijah Putman- Baritone Saxophone
- Sam Adkins- Baritone

Good Hope
- Kai Schofield- Alto Saxophone (Middle School)
- Samuel Cregan- Tuba
- Elijah Goodridge- Percussion

Hanceville
- Ivan Conway- Tenor Saxophone
- Jonathan Rodriguez- Trumpet (Middle School)

Meek
- Victoria Frith- Flute
- Madeline Murrah- Clarinet
- Sabrina Gaines- Bass Clarinet (Middle School)
- Vallyn Frith- Trumpet
- Suzie Feist- Trumpet
- Ally Parris- Trombone
- Heather Berglund- Tuba
- Ryan Griffis- Percussion

Seed-Harvest Music Academy
- Mathew Burgett- Trumpet

West Point
- Kellen Drinkard- Bassoon
- Kira Kuznyetsova- Clarinet (Middle School)

Other musicians honored in the All-State Jazz Band on drum set, while Sara Reeves made All-State Orchestra on flute/piccolo.

All-State Jazz Band auditions and All-State Orchestra auditions (operated by the Alabama Orchestra Association) happened back in the fall.

Those festivals were canceled due to COVID-19, but not before two Cullman High School students auditioned and earned spots.

Jacob Dye earned a spot



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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 *
EDWARD ALLEN CORDLE, JR. * **CASE NO.: PC 2021-032**
Deceased. *

NOTICE
PETITION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Edward Cordle, Sr. and Doris Cordle, petitioners, on the 22nd day January, 2021, 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.

Edward Cordle, Sr. and
Doris Cordle
Petitioner

Matthew K. Carter
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413 1st Avenue, SW
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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 3rd day of February, 2021.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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IN RE: THE MARRIAGE OF)
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Plaintiff,)
) Case No. DR-2020-900435.00
V.)
)
TIMOTHY WADE RICKARD,)
Defendant.)

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

TIMOTHY WADE RICKARD, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer GABRIELLE JONES' Complaint for Divorce by March 8, 2021, or thereafter, a judgment of default may be rendered against him in Case No. DR-2020-900435.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this the 1st day of January, 2021.

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TO: The Cullman Tribune, Publisher

Beginning January 14, 2021, please publish once a week for four (4) successive weeks in the Cullman Tribune.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on September 25, 2013 by William E. Phillips and wife Caroline Kelley Phillips, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1724, Page 198 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 February 12, 2021:

Parcel I:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Cullman County, Alabama, at the point of beginning of the property herein described; thence West 815 feet along the North line of said forty to a point; thence South 210 feet to a point; thence West 505 feet to a point on the West line of said forty; thence South 21 feet to a point to the West line of said forty; thence East 1320 feet to the East line of said forty; thence North 231 feet to the point of beginning containing 4 2/3 acres, more or less.

Subject to a right of ingress and egress for common driveway over and across the 21 foot strip of land herein conveyed, as reserved in that certain deed dated March 6, 1974 and recorded at Book 303, page 143 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama.

Parcel II:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, thence West 926 feet along the North line of said forty to the point of beginning for the property herein described; thence continue West along the North line of said forty 70 feet to a corner; thence South 210 feet to a corner; thence East 70 feet to a corner of the Gilreath property; thence North 210 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel III:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Cullman County, Alabama; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 00 seconds East 435 feet to the corner of that certain property described in Deed Book 425, page 597 of the Probate Records of Cullman County, Alabama and the beginning point for the property herein described; thence continue South 89 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds East 9.61 feet to a corner; thence South 0 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds West 210 feet to a corner; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 45 seconds West 9.23 feet to the corner of that property described in the above referenced deed book and page; thence North 0 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds East 210 feet and along the East boundary line of the property described in there hereinabove referenced deed book and page to the point of beginning.

Parcel IV:
Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Southeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Cullman County, Alabama; thence South 89 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds East 435 feet to the corner of the certain property described in Deed Book 425, page 597 of the Probate Records of Cullman County, Alabama and the beginning point for the property herein described; thence continue South 89 degrees 28 minutes 00 seconds East 17.2 feet to a corner; thence South 0 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds West 210 feet to a corner; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 45 seconds West 17.2 feet to the corner of that property described in the above referenced deed book and page; thence North 0 degrees 32 minutes 00 seconds East 210 feet and along the East boundary line of that property described in the above referenced deed book and page to the point of beginning.

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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 part of the foreclosure process.

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Obituary Announcements: Feb. 4



Carol Pender Oden, 78

A graveside funeral service and interment for Carol Pender Oden, 78, will be Friday, Feb. 5, 2021 at 2 p.m. in the Eva Cemetery with Rev. Glenn Pender, Rev. Doug Pender, and Rev. Jeremy Oden officiating and Peck Funeral Home directing. Visitation will be Friday from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Peck Funeral Home. Mrs. Oden died on Feb. 1, 2021 at Huntsville Hospital. She was born May 22, 1942 in Cullman County to Howard Pender and Venata Williams Pender. Mrs. Oden was the owner of Precious Collection Florist from 1983 to the present. Mrs. Oden was heavily involved in her beloved Eva and Hamby's Chapel Community and very dedicated to her Eva UMC church and family, serving in multiple leadership roles. She was a member of the Eva Art Guild, Republican Women, Alabama Silver Haired Legislative body, NARCOG representative and delegate for NALC for over 30 years. She taught multiple classes in crafts, cake decorating and flower arrangements. Mrs. Oden also was a community leader and always was willing to serve and help in any situation, especially for Eva Frontier Days. She will be extremely missed by all of her family, friends, and community. She was a dedicated mom, grandma, and great-grandma. She was survived by three sons Jeremy Oden (Samantha), Jeffery Oden, and Jonathan Oden (Sandra); one daughter Juanita Oden Hill; two brothers Glenn Pender (Frances) and Doug Pender (Leneta); grandchildren Zach Oden, Gennia Wilhite (Bobby), Belinda McCurrey (Kevin), Jeffery Oden, Nicholas Oden, Ariel Welton (Toby), Amber Hill, Brandon Lowe (Mike), Savannah Hill, Gabriel Hill, and Anika Oden; and several great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Neville Arrites Oden; her parents; son Jerome Oden; son-in-law Rickie Hill; infant sister Mary Ann Pender; and Aunt Elizabeth "Diddie" Williams. Pallbearers will be Jeff Oden, Nicholas Oden, Toby Welton, Gabriel Hill, Joseph Nelson, and Kevin McCurrey. Honorary pallbearers will be Bobby Wilhite, Mike Lowe, Clayton Oden, and Caden Welton.

Anatoly Andreevich Gouchtchine, 78, of Cullman

A Celebration of Life service for Anatoly Andreevich Gouchtchine, 78, of Cullman, Alabama will be held Saturday, Feb. 6, 2021 from 4-6 p.m. at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. He was born March 3, 1942 to Andrei and Proskovya Leskova Gouchtchine. He passed from this life Feb. 2, 2021. Friends and family will gather together this Saturday in celebration of his life. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Gouchtchine family. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullman-funeralhome.com.

Charlotte Annette Federer Chandler, 77, of Cullman

Charlotte Annette Federer Chandler, 77, of Cullman passed away on Feb. 2, 2021. She was born April 1, 1943 in Cullman County to Oscar George and Dorothy Wynell Prichard Federer. Ms. Chandler is preceded in death by her parents Oscar and Dorothy Federer; sister Carolyn Federer Bolzle; and a daughter Sherry Chandler. Survivors include her son Barry Chandler and wife Tammi; sisters Linda Shedd (of Wyoming), Angie Glasscock and husband Steve, and Beverly Simpson and husband Mike; two grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and a host of nephews, nieces, and cousins. A Celebration of Life for Charlotte is to be held at a later time. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Chandler family.

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2021 integrated pest management guides available

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AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. – Whether an amateur gardener or seasoned agriculturalist, there is no denying that pests can sometimes sneak in and ruin a crop. These pests may appear in the form of insects, weeds or plant diseases—and all can be detrimental. Current and former Alabama Cooperative Extension System entomologists, weed scientists, plant pathologists and a pesticide education specialist have compiled an updated list of 2021 integrated pest management guides to keep these pests out of your crop.

What are IPM Guides?

IPM guides, or integrated pest management guides, are updated annually with information usually pertaining to herbicides, insecticides and fungicides that can be used to manage pests on plants.

"They may also include other pest management techniques such as cultural practices and disease resistant varieties that may be appropriate for certain insect pests and plant diseases," said Alabama Extension plant pathologist and alumni professor Ed Sikora.

The 2021 IPM guides are available for access and download on the Alabama Extension website.

The guides include recommendations for commercial horticultural crops; commercial turfgrass; homeowners' lawns and ornamental and garden crops; houses, buildings and grounds; major row crops; noncropland and commercial trees and ornamental crops; pastures and forage crops and small and stored grains.

Why are they important?

The availability of pesticides, as well as application recommendations, are constantly changing, ensuring the need for these annual IPM guides and their up-to-date information. Each guide contains information about the selection, rates, application and proper use.

The 2021 IPM guides allow for the best management decisions to be made for crops or gardens.

"They are there to help avoid what Sikora warned are "unnecessary and sometimes expensive mistakes."

"These guides are an excellent resource, and anybody that uses pesticides should have a copy in their truck or have the website easily accessible on their phone or computer," Sikora said.

Anyone applying these pesticides should make sure to read the manufacturer's label for directions on proper use and product restrictions.

Reading labels ensures the safest application of the product in combination with recommendations included in the IPM guides.



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More information

For more information and access to the integrated pest management guides, visit the IPM page on the Alabama Extension website.

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Auburn-developed disinfectant technology finds new potential during COVID-19 pandemic

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AUBURN, Ala. – An Auburn University-developed disinfectant technology—related to one that had early commercial success as a water purification and filtration product during the 1990s and early 2000s—has advanced to achieve new patent-protected licensing potential in the battle against the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

Medesol LLC, a medical technology firm in Bellevue, Washington, has entered into a technology licensing agreement with Auburn to commercialize an N-halamine-based technology developed by S.D. "Dave" Worley, a professor emeritus in Auburn's Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, Roy Broughton, a professor emeritus in the Department of Mechanical Engineering, Tung-Shi Huang, a professor of microbiology in the Department of Poultry Science, and others.

Following the success of their initial N-halamine-based technology, Worley's research team has since reformulated it to have effective antimicrobial applications in textile products.

The technology is based on chlorine as an N-halamine. N-halamines have been used in various applications for years with no bacterial resistance mechanism yet identified. But the chlorine base that enables its disinfecting properties is slowly lost once the formula comes into contact with water.

By combining the chlorine base with various polymers, the Auburn research team developed a solid that proved effective as a water treatment and filtration product.

"This worked very well," said Worley, "but we found by further work that we could make a similar N-halamine into an antimicrobial formulation that is effective when incorporated into non-woven textiles."

By exposing the chlorine N-halamine to an alcohol solution instead of water, Worley explained, the formulation forms a solid bond with the fabric.

"The alcohol evaporates, leaving the N-halamine bonded solidly to the fabric," Worley said. "Thus, it has great potential for being applied as an antimicrobial to such things as wound bandages, surgical materials and other garments—particularly, medical protection masks. The idea is that these products are one-time use and disposable."

"We have worked with Dr. Worley and Auburn for more than 20 years," said Simon Johnston, chief executive officer for Medesol.

"When we learned about this new potential for the technology, we jumped to enter a licensing agreement with Auburn."

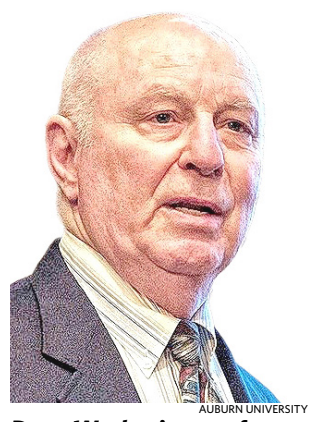
"We are very excited to be working with Medesol to commercially develop and market this technology," said Jan Dowdle Thornton, executive director of Auburn's Office of Innovation Advancement and Commercialization.

"Auburn's N-halamine-based system is very inexpensive as compared to existing current alternatives, such as silver or biguanide-based systems. Moreover, it has been proven effective against bacteria and viruses and is biodegradable. This should be a significant improvement for disposable non-woven products to help prevent the spread of infection."

Medesol presently is pursuing FDA approval to market the Auburn development in the United States as a more effective medical face mask and other forms of protective medical clothing, according to Johnston.

The firm hopes to gain FDA approval within the next six to nine months. Meanwhile, Johnston believes they will find quicker marketing success internationally.

"We firmly believe that this technology can be a significant factor in providing better protection against infections and the spread of diseases," Johnston said. "We know from its earlier applications that it is a very effective antimicrobial medium. We believe that we are very close to proving its worth in the efforts to battle COVID-19 and future disease outbreaks."



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