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BUSINESS

SharkBite to the rescue

Reliance Worldwide goes overtime in response to rash of frozen pipes in Texas

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CULLMAN, Ala. – As temperatures dropped and stayed down for extended periods in Texas recently, damage to plumbing reached alarming rates across the state. Among those responding to the emergency situation was Cullman-based Reliance Worldwide Corporation (RWC), with its innovative "SharkBite" repair system that allows rapid installation of pipes and fittings without special tools, complex methods or training.

Crews at RWC began working overtime shortly after the crisis began in Texas, to produce components and ship them to the winter-stricken state.

RWC released this statement on Wednesday:

SharkBite Offers Pipe Repair Resources for Sudden Freezing Temperatures

As freezing temperatures swept through Texas this past month, many residents discovered that their plumbing systems were not prepared for the harsh weather. Thousands of homes soon had frozen and bursting pipes, resulting in water damage and a lack of access to running water.

Keeping Essential Systems Running

Plumbing systems are essential to people's health and wellbeing, and the consequences for these systems failing can cause emotional and physical turmoil. Because of this, Reliance Worldwide Corporation (RWC) has been working overtime » PAGE 6

– ARTS –

ALL THAT JAZZ

CHS Jazz Band hosts free concert



CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Members of the Cullman High School Jazz Band smile for the camera Tuesday night, Feb. 23, 2021.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – "With all that all of us have been through over the past few months- emotionally, physically, at work, at home, at school, schools not being in session, everything that everybody has dealt with and all the adjustments, changes and cancellations, masks and social distancing- we felt it was really, really important to play some music!" said Cullman High School Director of Bands Christopher Smith. That's exactly what the Cullman High School Jazz Band did at a free concert Tuesday night.

Traditionally, the CHS Jazz Band entertains the community at its annual Big Band Dance, but this year, pulling off the popular dance was not possible.

But as they say, "The show must go on." The impressive ensemble of musicians, determined to play in front of an audience this year, opted for a live, socially distanced concert.

The group opened the night with Glenn Miller's "In the Mood" and after several other World War II favorites, it wowed the crowd with an hour of swing, traditional and modern jazz greats including "Misty," "Take the A Train" and "I Watched Her Walk Away."

Jazz band students faced multiple obstacles this year due to hybrid school schedules that limited opportunities to rehearse.

"We would normally rehearse four or five days a week," said Smith. "During all this and all the things we have dealt with, the jazz band has only rehearsed two days a week since September. So, what's happening on stage, these students have done with half the rehearsal time."

To have enough room to rehearse while maintaining safe social distancing, the band found itself rehearsing in the school's lunchroom.

CULLMAN HIGH SCHOOL JAZZ BAND MEMBERS ARE:

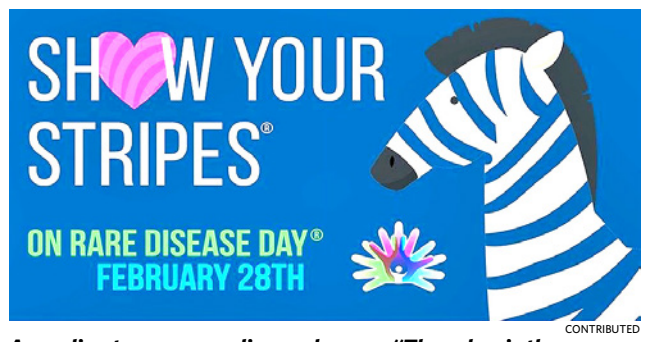
Alto saxophone
- Yukino Shichinohe
- Allen Jiang

Baritone saxophone
- Elijah Put- » PAGE 6

HEALTH

Show your stripes!

Feb. 28 is Rare Disease Day



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According to www.rarediseaseday.org, "The zebra is the official symbol of rare diseases in the United States and is noted for its black and white stripes, which are central to its uniqueness. Everyone has his/her own stripes, those characteristics that make each individual distinct."

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Show your stripes! This Sunday, Feb. 28 is Rare Disease Day, a day dedicated to raising awareness of the many rare diseases that affect people we know. Imagine being diagnosed with a rare disease for which it is often difficult to find specialized care and that many people may not have even heard about. Rare Disease Day is an effort to encourage others to learn about and recognize these difficulties. The zebra is the official symbol of rare diseases in the United States.

Barbara Lawrence, who now calls Cullman County home, has a rare disease known as Hereditary Spastic Paraplegia (HSP) that affects her muscles and is a cousin to Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS).

"There are only 30,000 people in the U.S. with HSP and Primary Lateral Sclerosis (PLS) and 20,000 with ALS. HSP and PLS are chronic, degenerative neuromuscular diseases like ALS. The disorders are progressive and may lead to patients being unable to walk, and more," Lawrence said.

Symptoms of HSP are very similar to those of Multiple Sclerosis (MS), she said. "A lot of people don't know of this and my cousin was misdiagnosed with MS, but she had HSP. The only way I knew I had it was my father passed it on to me and my sister. This disease is passed on through family."

For Lawrence, HSP is a disease that she was born with, but the disease did not present itself until she was 41 years old. She explained the disease's progression, "It starts in your head to your spine and then to your legs. Usually, the disease happens on one side of your body. Mine affects my right side more. What it does is from your hip to your leg, it feels like when I walk, it feels like I am a Frankenstein. I can move my legs, but I can't bend them."

The cold weather can make things worse for Lawrence.

She continued, "The way I walk can feel like I could be drunk. My legs are not loose like a normal person could walk. When I walk, I feel like I am able to, but I can't because my muscles are too tight to loosen up to bend my knees. It's very stiff." » PAGE 6

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EDUCATION

Spicer, Erklenz named 2021 REHAU safety poster winners

Cullman Tribune Staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – REHAU Cullman once again partnered with Cullman County Schools to increase awareness of health and safety in the workplace. Every year, REHAU organizes a poster contest that not only recognizes students, but also serves as a way to promote safety in the workplace.

"The different posters help show company employees how to prevent accidents, illness and injuries while reducing environmental toxins and spillage," said Grace Ard, human resources coordinator for REHAU Cullman. "Thank you to all the students for their hard work."

The winners this year are Good Hope Elementary School third grader Alexandria Spicer, who won first place and Hanceville Elementary School third grader Zayne Erklenz, who won second place. Each winner received an individual cash prize along with funds to support their teacher's classroom, plus a pizza party.

Cullman County Schools would like to thank Mike Mullaney, Grace Ard and the REHAU team for partnering on this project.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Left to right are REHAU Human Resources Coordinator Grace Ard, third grader Zayne Erklenz and teacher Jocelyn Logan.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Left to right are teacher Janet Sweatmon, third grader Alexandria Spicer and REHAU Human Resources Coordinator Grace Ard.

AGRICULTURE

Alabama hemp industry still growing strong

Katie Nichols
Contributor

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. – Hemp production is still at the forefront of many Alabama producers' minds as early reports indicate an increase in the number of registered growers in 2021.

The Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries (ADAI) is still in the process of approving applications for the 2021 growing season. Alabama Extension Entomologist and leader of the hemp action team, Katelyn Kesheimer, said a decrease in total acreage despite the increase in grower numbers is likely.

"After a couple of years of experience under our belt here in Alabama we are learning just how much time and labor it takes to produce a quality hemp crop," she said. "Many growers with large-scale operations have decided to grow less in favor of higher quality pants."

Extension involvement

Alabama Extension has an extension and research permit through ADAI. Agents and specialists are able to visit fields, make recommendations and transport samples back to the laboratory if necessary. The Plant Diagnostic Laboratory on the Auburn University (AU) campus can diagnose disease issues and run leaf tissue analysis.

The research license allows cultivation on a research farm, as well as in a greenhouse. Kesheimer said she looks forward to investigating issues growers have faced indoors and outdoors during the last couple of years.

Growing regulations

Kesheimer said each state is still individually regulating pesticide use for the 2021 season.

"Here in Alabama, we have a list of approved pesticides (insecticides, miticides, herbicides and fungicides) that can be legally applied to hemp," she said. "While these products are legal, we lack efficacy data on many of them. Growers should still utilize other integrated pest management strategies and avoid relying solely on chemical control."

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) issued a Final Rule on Jan. 15, 2021. The document contains details surrounding tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) concentrations and testing procedures and disposal of 'hot' hemp, as well as harvest procedures. Plans are for the final rule to take effect March 22. However, the transition to a new administration could delay things.

The final rule did not increase THC limits beyond 0.3%; however, growers will have a longer harvest window. The rule also proposes an increase to the negligent threshold level, so growers avoid criminal sanctions if the crop has high THC levels.

Alabama hemp

"The main thing we have learned is that we still have so much to learn," Kesheimer said. "Hemp has not been grown legally in the U.S. prior to the most recent Farm Bills, so we are lacking a thorough history of research on this crop."

Researchers are working hard to begin research programs that will allow them to develop local recommendations for producers.

"Hemp grows differently in Alabama than it does in other parts of the U.S., so we need to really focus our efforts on studies that can help growers in this region," she said. "Alabama has a long growing season with high temperatures, humidity, and moisture. Lots of insects and diseases also find their way to hemp, especially outdoors."

Kesheimer said it is important to understand that hemp and marijuana are extremely different. While both are Cannabis sativa, the plants contain major difference in plant chemical composition and have varied end usage.

"Hemp only contains a delta-9 THC concentration of 0.3% or less," she said. "Marijuana has much higher THC levels and is the chemical that produces psychoactive effects when consumed. While the majority of hemp in Alabama is grown for cannabinoids (CBD), it can also be grown for grain and fiber."

Hemp uses

The essential oils from CBD hemp get a lot of the attention. However, Kesheimer said people can regularly use the grain and fiber products.

"Hemp seeds are technically a nut and are known for their nutritional value," she said. "They have a mild nutty flavor and are often referred to as hemp hearts. Hemp hearts are the soft inner part of the seed after the outer shell has been removed."

Seeds can be pressed to make oil. People can separate the stalk of fiber hemp into an outer layer and soft, woody inner layer. Kesheimer said each layer has unique properties that can be made into building material, clothing, rope, paper or carpet materials.

Alabama has hemp fiber processing materials, giving growers the option to grow different types of hemp with different post-harvest possibilities.

Hemp webinar

Tune in to the team's bi-monthly webinar on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. Covering a wide variety of topics pertaining to Alabama's growing hemp industry, the HEMP (hemp education and management program) webinar series will have something for experienced and novice growers.

Visit www.aces.edu/blog/topics/crop-production/hemp-webinar-series for more information.

More information

The team has a variety of resources available for growers and interested individuals on the Alabama Extension website. Extension personnel are also available to answer questions and assist in the field. Contact your local Extension office for more information.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 24

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 24, 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. 22
• fourth-degree theft of property; Father & Son Carpet Cleaning; cash

Feb. 23
• duty upon striking fixtures on highway; Alabama Farm Credit; Eva Road NE; damaged mailbox; $154

ARRESTS
Feb. 23
Whatley, Charles J., 60
• third-degree domestic violence- harassment

Champion, Jennifer L., 37
• fourth-degree theft of property, third-degree criminal trespassing

Monroe, Ashley C., 35
• FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing
• FTA- public intoxication
• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Berlin Residents
The Town of Berlin will be handing out Midland WR-120 Weather Radios Saturday, Feb. 27 and Saturday, March 6 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Berlin Community Center. Citizens are asked to bring their current electric bills that show they are paying fire dues to the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department, along with a photo ID.

Cullman Electric Cooperative Scholarship Opportunity
Do you know a high school senior attending a college, university or technical school in the fall? The scholarship deadline is one week away! Applications are due Friday, Feb. 26, at 4 p.m. Scholarship applications can be found on our website at https://bit.ly/3arxOSk.

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
• 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.

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District 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 256-734-1431 or 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, "The Phases of Armageddon" by Pastor Bobby Dodd
• 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.
• Mondays-Fridays- Our 5 Points Ministry provide free hot meals for children and elderly 3:30-5 p.m. at the Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW Please call Aimee at 256-841-2060 to register or for more information. Eat in or take out. Kids' activities are available. Kids do not have to come to the center to get a free meal. Adults can list the names of the children and do takeout meals. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.
• Feb. 25-26 at 7 p.m. Revivial

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

Miércoles de Despensas
• 6-7 p.m. ler. miercoles del mes, En Su Tierra Cullman FUMC
• Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

Hanceville City Council Meeting
Thursday, Feb. 25 at 5:30 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall

Cullman Tree Commission Meeting
Friday, Feb. 26 at 9:30 a.m. at Cullman City Hall

Tree-City USA Dedication Ceremony
Friday, Feb. 26 at 10 a.m. at Cullman City Hall

Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday
• From 12:01 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26 to midnight Sunday, Feb. 28, Alabama will observe the annual Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday. Certain emergency preparedness items will be exempt from the state's 4% state sales tax, and the cities of Cullman, Good Hope and Hanceville and Cullman County are all participating, along with the towns of Addison, Dodge City, Eva, Fairview, Garden City and Arley, waiving local tax on certain items.

Tax-exempt items include the following priced at $60 or less:
• Flashlights, lanterns
• Battery-powered or hand-crank radio
• Batteries
• First-aid kits
• Cell phone charger
• Two-way radios
• Manual can openers
• Tarps and plastic sheeting
• Duct tape
• Fire extinguishers
• Tie-down kits, bungee cords or rope

Other tax-free items include coolers, ice packs, plywood, window film and smoke/fire/carbon monoxide detectors. Portable generators and power cords costing $1,000 or less are also tax-free. To see a full list of tax-free items, go to https://bit.ly/3qFabeI.

Fairview Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
• Saturday, Feb. 27 from 7-10 a.m. at Fairview Town Hall
• Plates are $6 and consist of pancakes, sausage and bacon. Eat in or carry out.
• All proceeds will go to the Fairview Lions Club project fund.

Colony Black History Museum
• Saturday, Feb. 27 from 3-5 p.m.
• Colony Educational Complex, 151 Byars Road in Colony

Chili Cook-Off
• Sunday, Feb. 28 directly after 11 a.m. service at Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• Free entry- win prizes- $7 per meal- Children 5 and younger free

Cullman City Planning Commission Meeting
Monday, March 1 at 5:30 p.m. at Cullman City Hall

Holly Pond Town Council Meeting
Monday, March 1 at 6 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Museum

Fairview Town Council Meeting
Monday, March 1 at 6 p.m. at Fairview Town Hall

Baileyton Town Council Meeting
Monday, March 1 at 6 p.m. at Baileyton Town Hall

Living Landscapes "Backyard Chickens"
Tuesday, March 2 from 6-8 p.m. Join Rachel Dawsey, backyard chicken veteran and Alabama Co-op Extension Agent Landon Marks as they cover everything you need to know about having your own flock. This class will cover nutrition, housing, breed selection and more. Class cost $5. Program will be held under the pavilion (outdoors) so please dress appropriately. The Agriplex will be following all state mandated guidelines. Register at Agriplex.org.

Farm Kids "Goats"
Saturday, March 6 from 9-10:30 a.m. Come & meet our playful goat friends! We will learn all about goats and their many uses on the farm. $5 per child, $10 family max. This event will be held outside under the pavilion so please dress appropriately, the Agriplex will be following all state mandated guidelines. Register at Agriplex.org.

Heritage Skills "Natural Beauty Care"
Thursday, March 11 from 6-8 p.m. Join us & local herbalist DeAnn Duke, along with daughter Mary Beth as they cover natural beauty care. In this Heritage Skills class, we will cover toxic ingredients to avoid and learn how to replace them by making our own simple alternatives. Not only we will learn about lowering our toxic intake, but how to beautifully benefit our skin & hair naturally. This class will be held under the pavilion (outdoors), so please dress appropriately. The Agriplex will be following all state mandated guidelines. Register at Agriplex.org.

Little Farmers "Birds of a Feather"
Friday, March 12, from 10-11 a.m. Explore the world of birds with hands-on crafts, snacks and feathers, of course! Ages 3-5, $5 per child/ $10 family max. Program will be held outdoors under the pavilion so please make sure your little farmer is dressed appropriately! The Agriplex will be following all state mandated COVID-19 guidelines. Register now at Agriplex.org.

St. Paul's Spring Flea Market
• St. Paul's Lutheran School will host a Spring Flea Market fundraiser Saturday, March 20 from 8 a.m.-noon. Vendors will be located inside the gym and in the front parking lot of the school. Spaces are limited. Interested vendors should contact Emily Trahan at emilytrahan@stpaulscullman.com. Find out more at www.stpaulscullman.com.
• St. Paul's is located at 510 3rd Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055.

le petit Fashion Show
• Saturday, March 29 at 2 p.m. in the garden at Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE, Cullman
• A BD Ballet Academy scholarship & performance fund evet
• Tickets are $10. For reservations, call 256-338-6401 or email brooke.desnoes@gmail.com.

Annual Spring Clean-up for City of Cullman Sanitation Customers
• March 29 – April 2, 2021
• Place your old unwanted appliances, furniture, mattresses, and other large items curbside on MONDAY, MARCH 29, 2021. Crews will be picking up these items throughout that week (separately from your regular garbage and recycling). This is a service provided to our customers at NO EXTRA CHARGE!
• There are some things we can't pick up, though. We CANNOT pick up rocks, dirt, bricks, concrete, construction materials, hazardous materials or tires. And due to the large volume of items to be picked up, we will not be picking up brush, tree limbs and other yard waste during the week of March 29-April 2, 2021.
• If you have any questions, please contact the City of Cullman Sanitation Department at 256-737-7560 or cityhall@cullmanal.gov.

The American Hero Music Festival
• Saturday, April 24 at Camp Liberty, 15719 Alabama Highway 157 in the Battleground community west of West Point- Gates open at 9 a.m., with the show going from 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
• The event will feature headliner Black Oak Arkansas along with Blackbird Anthem, Billy Don Burrs, Rowdy Johnson, Michelle Leigh, Mercy Shine, Dawn Rix, Dee Rock and Kris Rowdy, as well as speakers Billy Howell, Jr. (veteran of the Special Forces unit that was the subject of the 2018 film "12 Strong"), Navy Rear Admiral Kent David and Dan Robinson.
• Activities consist of an Airsoft shoot house, zip lines, food, vendors and giveaways, with the grand price being a Smith & Wesson M&P AR15 style rifle.
• Lodging available through Camp Liberty (cabins, camping/RV, and bunk rooms)
• Get tickets at http://bit.ly/2NLka3a.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

Case details

- Total confirmed cases in AL: 383,882 (+976 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 106,338 (+271 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 7,643 (+68 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 2,101
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,029 (+12 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 2,835 (-4 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 114 (+1 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 63
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 36,749
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,734
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 116
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,269,033
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 14,772
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 161,345
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 773
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama (reported M-F): 45,250
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 275,245

Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 1,087,285
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 963,875
- Doses administered: 815,013
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 573,478
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 240,341
- Doses delivered to federal Long-Term Care Program: 123,410
- Doses administered by the federal Long-Term Care Program: 71,695

Alabamians in Phases 1a and 1b, as well as people older than 65, are eligible to receive a vaccine.

View the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan at: www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

Daily update from ADPH

FDA says Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine meets requirements for EUA

The Food and Drug Administration released an analysis today that says it has reviewed data for the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine and has determined that it is consistent with the recommendations set forth in the FDA's Emergency Use Authorization guidance for vaccines to prevent COVID-19. The FDA has scheduled an advisory committee meeting for Feb. 26 to consider the documents and make a recommendation on whether the vaccine should be authorized. We anticipate the Johnson & Johnson vaccine being approved soon after the meeting, joining the Moderna and Pfizer vaccine options. ADPH encourages the public not to vaccine shop, as all approved COVID-19 vaccines are excellent options.

Federal Retail Pharmacy Program expands to offer new Alabama COVID-19 vaccine locations

The Federal Retail Pharmacy Program has expanded to begin administering the COVID-19 vaccine at nine select CVS locations throughout the state Thursday, Feb. 25. The vaccine will be available at CVS locations in Bayou La Batre, Camden, Evergreen, Greensboro, Jackson, Lanett, Moulton, Tuskegee and Union Springs. Available appointments can be scheduled at www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine. Walmart and Sam's Club are also expanding locations in Alabama to offer COVID-19 vaccine sites at additional stores throughout the state. Eligible customers can schedule vaccine appointments at www.walmart.com/COVIDvaccineand www.samsclub.com/covidas new appointments are available. Discussions continue to bring additional partners on board, and information will be announced as new sites are added.

How to safely put on and take off face masks

You have heard these specific recommendations about handling masks before, but they bear repeating. Wash your hands before putting on your mask. Then, try not to touch it. If you must adjust your mask, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer before and after to prevent the transfer of germs between your hands and the mask. When removing your mask, take it off without touching the fabric itself. Untie the strings or slip off the ear loops. Fold the mask, discard the mask if it is disposable, or place a cloth mask in the laundry. Do not wear a dirty mask, and make sure masks are completely dry before putting them on.

Obituary Announcements: Feb. 25

Deborah "Debbie" Anita Doss, 71, of Sardis

Deborah "Debbie" Anita Doss, 71, of the Sardis community entered into rest Tuesday, Feb. 23, 2021 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Debbie was born Jan. 31, 1950 in Cullman, Alabama. She was a graduate of the Class of 1967 at Addison High School and went on to Wallace State Community College, where she received her associate degree in nursing. She began her career as a registered nurse in nursing homes before going to work at Cullman Regional Medical Center, where she worked for 30 years. Debbie was director of surgery for many years before becoming director of Cullman Regional Hospice. She received many awards during her career, including an award for "Most Compassionate." She was lovingly known by many co-workers as "Boss Doss," many of whom said she was the best boss they had ever had. Debbie had a servant's heart, always supporting families in their time of loss, whether it was playing piano for funeral services or organizing food for the families. Debbie was very active in Vacation Bible School, including serving as Director of Vacation Bible School for the Winston Baptist Association for over six years. Debbie was a loving, compassionate person, who loved her family and friends dearly. The family will receive friends Saturday, March 6, 2020 from noon-2 p.m. at Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church in the Sardis community, where a Celebration of Life will be at 2 p.m. Brother Delbert Freeman and Brother William McClellan will officiate. Debbie is survived by her husband Preston Lee Doss; mother Lila O'Neal Allgood; sons Phillip Smithson and his wife Tracy, Joey Smithson and his wife Rachael, Lee Doss and his wife Julie, Shawn Doss and his wife Patty, and Scott Doss and his wife Jamie; grandchildren Coby Smithson, Laura (Jon) Howard, Leighann (Isaac) Gandy, Jacob Smithson, Lelton Smithson, Eli Doss, and Will Smithson; and great-grandchildren Coda Smithson and Slade Howard. She was preceded in death by her father Lelton Dwight Allgood, sister Beverly Denise Kullman, and grandson Chaz Smithson. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church, Vacation Bible School Fund, 3789 Sardis Airport Road, Addison, Alabama 35540.

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EDUCATION/ARTS

Arts Infusion: CHS receives $20K Alabama Arts Initiative grant

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"You got to purse your lips like this" – Sebastian (Justin Weygand) coaches Ariel (Marie Bean) on how to win over Prince Eric

CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman High School theater department found a way through the pandemic with socially distanced performances and rehearsals, but director Wayne Cook is looking to a more traditional — and even more ambitious — plan as things hopefully return to normal for the 2021-2022 school year.

One thing that should help tremendously? A $20,000 Alabama Arts Initiative grant that will be used to fund some additional arts education at Cullman High.

The grant will allow the school to purchase some new equipment that will benefit programs like theater and choir, as well as provide seed money for an ambitious new theater production being designed to reach and include younger students from within the school system.

The grant is also helping kick start a year of Arts Infusion for all Cullman City Schools, which will feature a varied line-up of artists sharing their talents with students across the system.

"Essentially, it's a plan to infuse our students with a true love of the arts," Cullman High School Principal Kim Hall said.

"We're extremely excited about it."

Cook went on to explain the additional funding will provide opportunities to expose more Cullman students to the arts, across several age groups.

They plan to have a group working collaboratively to flesh out that effort in the coming months.

The new theater production looks to be the most ambitious project to be funded by the grant, and Cook said he's excited to see how they can reach younger students and share that love of the arts with the next generation of students.

"This will be such a great way to reach down and use our middle schoolers and elementary students and introduce them to what it's like to be in, and just see, a great show," Cook said.

"We are looking forward to a better year next year. This grant will help us make it extra special in the arts."

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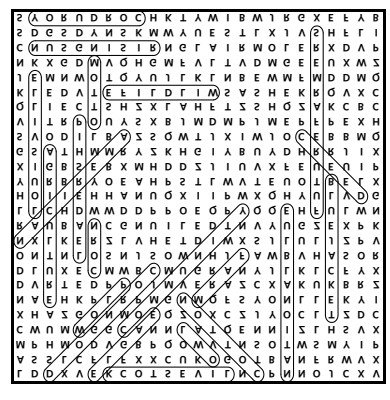
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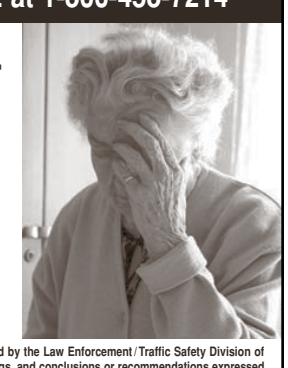


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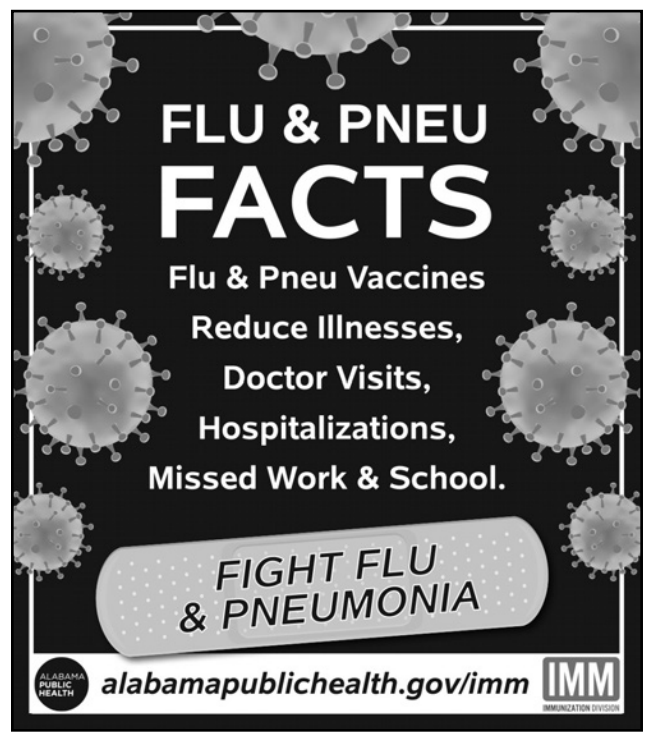
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Jazz (from Front)

man

Trumpet
- BriAnn Payne
- Makayla Phenicie
- Bailey Grace Smith
- Caden Hornsby
- James Kelsey

Piano
- Cannon Trimble

Bass guitar
- Kyle Christensen

Tenor saxophone
- Sara Reeves
- Domenico Brunetti

Trombone
- Lakelan Jenkins
- Sam Adkins
- Emily Gable
- Zach Holmes

Guitar
- Xander Canada
- Isaiah Barnett

Percussion
- Jacob Dye
- Gabe Sosa

Vocalist
- Madison Smith

After the concert, Smith said future performances are still a bit up in the air. "We are probably only going to be able to perform locally- outdoor events- if they decide to happen, and of course we will play at the spring concert, too. If there is a crowd, we'll play for them."

Stripes (from Front)

The disease affects each individual differently, and this leads to many being misdiagnosed.

There is no treatment for HSP. Lawrence knows of three others in Cullman County and 44 people statewide who have been diagnosed with the disease. Awareness is crucial for fundraising, and through awareness comes an increased possibility of research and clinical trials focused on her rare disease. "With a rare disease, it's harder to get trials done or even getting a medication that can help us," she said.

The lack of awareness of HSP and other rare diseases can lead to other problems as well, Lawrence said. "People know about cancer, so they raise money, and they help. If you don't know anything about a disease the hospital is not going to go out and do trials."

She added, "The other problem with this is people get depressed. I would love to help other people know about this disease. A lot of doctors don't even know about it, so I had to search a special website to find a doctor in order to be taken care of." There are currently no support groups for many rare diseases, which Lawrence says can create loneliness. "I try to send out notes to everyone in the state to check on them or to hopefully one day have a luncheon to meet everyone so we can all meet each other and not feel alone."

COVID-19 has made coordinating public events nearly impossible, Lawrence said. "I just started being a state ambassador, so I am just getting to know people of my group of people who have it in this state and trying to think of what to do because of everything that is going on. So, nothing yet."

Lawrence said she has hosted Pampered Chef parties and raised money in other ways.

How can people help? Lawrence said, "Read up on the disease. One of the things that has really hurt my family, my dad had it all his life, and nobody knew until he passed away 20 years later of this disease. If people are able to donate, please do so because we are just trying to get money to start basic trials."

According to www.rarediseases.org, more than 25 million Americans are impacted by rare diseases although a rare disease is one that affects fewer than 200,000 individuals. There are currently over 7,000 identified rare diseases.

Said Lawrence, "You don't realize how it changes a person's life to have a rare disease."

To learn more about HSP or other rare diseases, visit www.sp-foundation.org or www.rarediseases.org.

SharkBite (from Front)

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

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
HMTS, * **CASE NO.: JU 20-144.03**
a minor, DOB: 03-22-2009. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Amy Nicole Lovell on March 22, 2009, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 18th day of March, 2021, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 4 day of February 2021.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
N.H.) CASE NO. JU 2019-654.03
A Minor Child, 03/23/2005)

NOTICE

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

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of N.H., born on or about 03/23/2005 to Sandra Hayes, respond to the Petition by the 18th day of March, 2021, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

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

DONE this the 24 day of Jan, 2021

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

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF * CASE NO PC-2020-355
GLENDA B. MCANNALLY *
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Tammy Netherton, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Glenda B. McAnnally, Deceased, on the 9th day of February, 2021, by Tammy Brown, Probate Judge. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Tammy Netherton
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for the Estate
200 1st Avenue SE
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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
KDH, JR., * **CASE NO.: JU 20-146.03**
a minor, DOB: 05-09-2013. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Amy Nicole Lovell on May 9, 2013, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 18th day of March, 2021, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 4 day of February, 2021.

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Circuit Clerk

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
MLDH, * **CASE NO.: JU 20-145.03**
a minor, DOB: 03-06-2012. *

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Done this the 4 day of February 2021.

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a minor, DOB: 02-15-2018. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Kelly Amber Valdez on February 15, 2018, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 18th day of March, 2021, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 4 day of February 2021.

Lisa McSwain
District Clerk

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
R.H.) CASE NO. JU 2019-655.03
A Minor Child, 09/13/2007)

NOTICE

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

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of R.H., born on or about 09/13/2007 to Sandra Hayes, respond to the Petition by the 18th day of March, 2021, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

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

DONE this the 29th day of Jany, 2021.

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

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
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A Minor Child, 04/29/2003)

NOTICE

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No. 17 Auburn run rules Alabama A&M, 18-2

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – No. 17 Auburn scored 10 runs in the first inning and never looked back as the Tigers run ruled Alabama A&M, 18-2, in seven innings Tuesday at Plainsman Park.

Fifteen players saw action in the field and at the plate, and different player recorded a hit and drove in a run in the game.

After making his debut on the mound and earning the win in extra innings Sunday, Cam Hill made his first start as the designated hitter and went 3-for-3 with a walk and three RBI. Josh Hall matched Hill with three hits and three RBI to go along with scoring three runs. The Homewood, Alabama, native finished a home run shy of the cycle.

"Coach Gross really just talked about staying within yourself and staying true to your identity," Hall said. "That's something we really worked on in the fall. I was feeling good about the game before we came in. I just tried not to get too big and pop balls up and stay within myself and drive balls the other way and do the best I can to help our team win."

Alabama A&M scored two in the first as two of the first three Bulldogs reached, but starting pitcher Trace Bright (1-0, 1.80) settled down to retire the last 10 batters he faced.

"After that he really laid good tracks," Thompson said of Bright. "He got his fastball going and really started pitching. He's pitched enough in our program now, we're expecting him to help us and put us in a good spot and be able to command that fastball to the glove."

Bright earned the win in four innings, allowing two runs (one earned) on two hits with no walks and seven strikeouts.

"They jumped on me quick and it put me in a spot where I got to shut them down pretty quick, but we have an offense that can score runs and they came in and gave me a good enough cushion to come back out and compete," Bright added.

Auburn's 10 runs in the first inning tied last year's fourth-inning output against Wright State as the most runs in an inning since scoring 11 in the decisive game three of the 2019 Chapel Hill Super Regional.

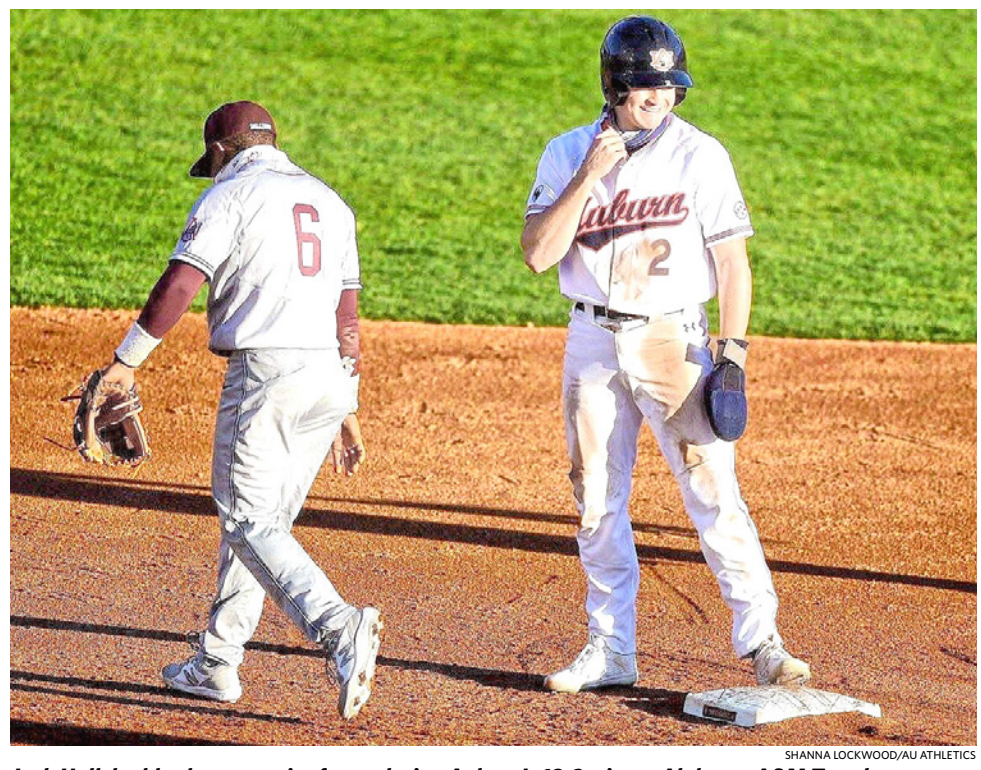
Judd Ward led off the frame with a solo home run to left field - his second of the season - and Bryson Ware matched Ward with his second homer, a two-run shot, two batters later.

Sixteen Tigers came to the plate in the frame and six recorded hits, including a pair in the inning from Brody Moore.

"We just didn't get ourselves out, and we wind up having a couple of balls fall," Thompson said.

"Nobody was getting big. Everyone took balls and swung at strikes. It was really nice to pass it around a little bit.

"Judd got us going, which is a proper response after someone scores on us," Thompson added. "Josh Hall continues to play good. I think you at least get a glimpse of watching the last inning that Cam Hill threw the other day and just watching his at bats, how he stays on balance and his swings to begin his career you can see our excitement about Cam Hill."



SHANNA LOCKWOOD/AU ATHLETICS

Josh Hall doubles home a pair of runs during Auburn's 18-2 win vs. Alabama A&M Tuesday.

Auburn extended the lead with three runs in the second as Hall hit a two-RBI double and Steven Williams drove in another. Hill singled home two and Tyler Miller added a sacrifice fly in a three-run fourth, and the Tigers capped it off with a run in the fifth and sixth on a solo home run from Brayton Brown and Cole Foster's first career hit and RBI.

The Tigers' bullpen continued to hold its opponents in check as Peyton Glavine and Carson Swilling combined to throw 3.0 scoreless.

Glavine relieved Bright to start the fifth, making his first appearance since 2019, and faced the minimum with a strikeout in 2.0 innings. Swilling made his second appearance of the season and struck out a pair to end the game in the seventh. Auburn's pitchers faced just one batter over the minimum after the first inning.

Trojans overcome slow start to down UAB 10-3

Andy Stubblefield
Troy Athletics

TROY, Ala. – Troy overcame an error-filled start to defeat in-state foe UAB in an exciting matchup Tuesday night at Riddle-Pace Field. The Trojans, despite four errors, downed the Blazers by a score of 10-3.

William Sullivan recorded his second multi-RBI game of the season with an impressive 3-for-3 night at the plate. All of the first baseman's hits – two doubles and a home run – went for extra bases.

Sun Belt Player of the Week Logan Cerny continued his impressive start to the year, recording a pair of sac-flies in his 1-for-2, two-RBI night at the plate.

Troy (4-1, 0-0 SBC) committed three errors before UAB's third batter came up to bat in the first inning, but the Trojans were able to limit the damage to one run in the opening frame.

Starting Blazer pitcher Austin Bohannon gave the Troy batters trouble early, but a solo shot to left from Sullivan tied the game at 1-1 in the second inning.

UAB (2-2, 0-0 C-USA) regained a one-run lead in the fourth inning, before an RBI single by Nic Nolan scored Cerny and tied the game.

Kyle Mock, who entered the game as a pinch hitter with the bases loaded, swung the game in Troy's favor with a bases-clearing triple deep into left-center field.

The next at-bat, Cerny then drove his first sac-fly of the evening to left field to score Mock and extend Troy's lead to 6-3.

Three straight walks loaded the bases for the Trojans to open the seventh frame before Sullivan smoked a two-RBI double off the center field wall.

A passed ball then scored Caleb Bartolero before Cerny's second sac-fly of the night brought Sullivan home.

Kyle Gamble, in his first career start on the mound, gave up only one earned run and struck out six, but it was Marquez Oates who tallied the win for the Trojans. Oates (1-0) pitched three innings in relief, gave up no runs, walked none and struck out three to improve to 4-0 in his career.

Jonah Smith (0-1) was tagged with the loss for the Blazers after allowing four runs on four hits in two innings pitched.

Quotable – Head Coach Mark Smartt

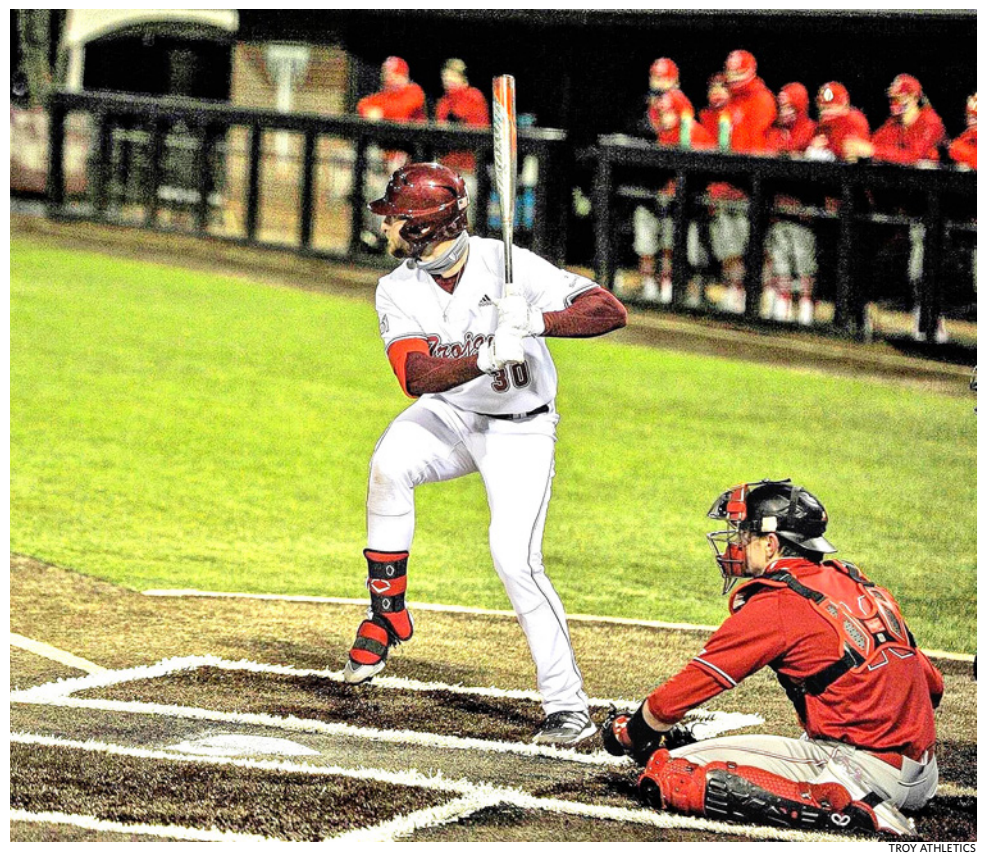
"It was a great start to the midweek season, I'm really proud of our team. It was a solid 10-3 win over a solid UAB team. We didn't start how I'd like to, we made some errors early, but we didn't panic. Gamble did a great job; he was very poised throughout his outing. Things were caving in around him and he kept throwing quality pitches. After the early mistakes, I thought we played a very good baseball game."

Sound Smartt With Your Friends

Marquez Oates has a career record of 4-0 despite only pitching a combined 13.1 innings in his seven appearances. Oates has a career K/BB of 19/3.

Notable

- William Sullivan recorded his second multi-RBI game of the year, and fifth of his career. It is just his first three-RBI game. Sullivan now has 12 career extra-base hits.
- Troy's 11 home runs are tied for the most in the nation this season.
- With a 2-for-3 night at the plate, Nic Nolan extended his hit streak to five games to begin his career. The second baseman has registered a multi-hit game in three of his five starts.
- Nine of Kyle Mock's 20 career hits have gone for extra bases (6 2B / 2 3B / 1 HR).
- Leadoff batter Rigsby Mosley has reached base in his first at-bat in all five games this season.
- The Trojans improve to 28-30 all time and 17-10 at home against the Blazers.



TROY ATHLETICS

Troy's William Sullivan recorded his second multi-RBI game of the season during the Trojans' 10-3 win over UAB Tuesday night.

Up Next

Troy closes its eight-game home stand to open the season with a three-game series against Jacksonville. First pitch in the Friday night contest is set for 6 p.m. at Riddle-Pace Field.

Pair of home runs, 2-RBI single power Alabama to 5-2 win at Jacksonville State

UA Athletics
rolltide.com

JACKSONVILLE, Ala. – Alabama leaned on the long ball early and used a seventh-inning two-RBI single from William Hamiter to put the game out of reach as the Crimson Tide downed Jacksonville State, 5-2, at Rudy Abbott Field on Tuesday afternoon. The win moved the Tide to 4-0 on the young season.

Peyton Wilson got UA on the board first, leading off the game with a home run. The Gamecocks answered in the second with things staying even at one until the fifth when Sam Praytor sent a two-run home run over the wall in left, giving UA the lead once again.

Jacksonville State came within one, scoring a run in the bottom of the fifth but would come no closer as Hamiter's two-RBI single in the seventh put things out of reach.

Alabama's arms were solid on Tuesday, first with William Freeman. The Tide starter tossed 4.0 innings, allowing a run on four hits while striking out five. He was followed by Landon Green (1-0) who worked 2.2 frames and struck out three for the win. Chase Lee came in to close it out, tossing the final 2.1 with four punchouts to pick up the save.

From Head Coach Brad Bohannon

"I'm really glad to get the win. Obviously, it wasn't pretty, and there are plenty of things that we still need to get better at, but I'm really excited to grind out a win."

How It Happened

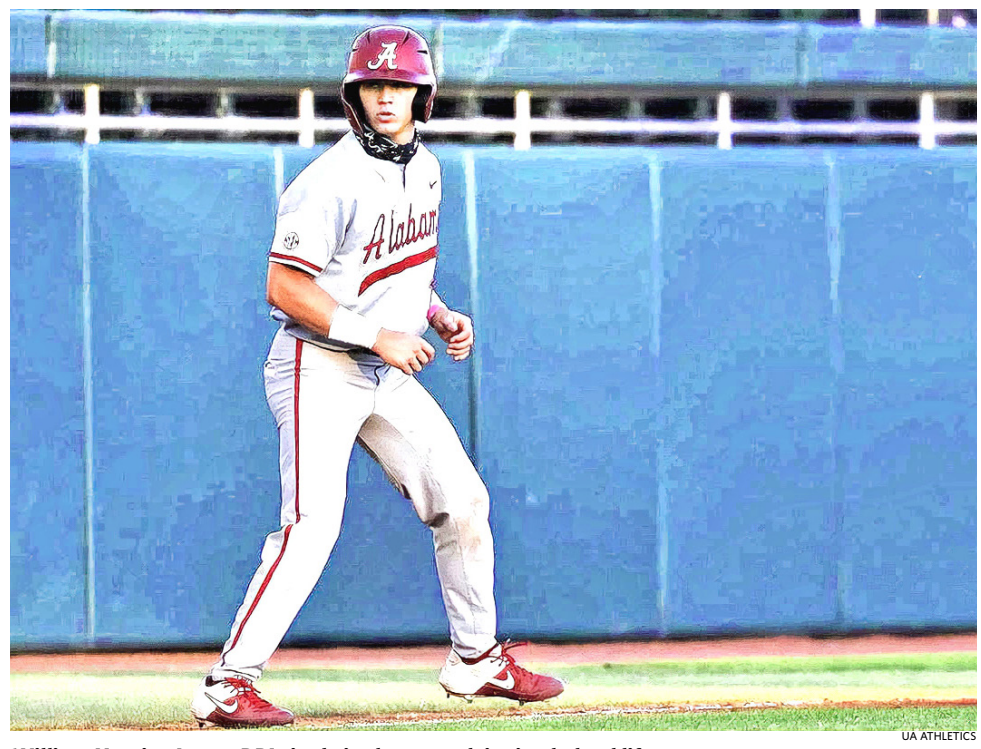
- T1 | Peyton Wilson led things off with a solo home run to start the game. It was the sophomore's second homer of the season. (1-0, Alabama)
- B2 | A one-out single followed by a double to right-center got the Gamecocks on the board and evened things up at one apiece. (1-1)
- T5 | Owen Diodati drew a one-out walk and advanced to second on a wild pitch. One out later, Diodati came home on a Sam Praytor home run. Praytor sent the ball deep over the wall and trees in left to give UA the advantage once again. (3-1, Alabama)
- B5 | Jacksonville State narrowed the gap to one with a two-out solo home run. (3-2, Alabama)
- T7 | Diodati singled to center to give UA a one-out baserunner, and Drew Williamson followed with a walk to put two on. After an out and a JSU pitching change, Zane Denton drew a walk to load them up for William Hamiter. The Tide outfielder delivered, singling through the right side to bring in a pair and move the Tide lead to three. (5-2, Alabama)

Postgame Notes

- The Crimson Tide has won 18 straight in February and owns a 31-2 mark in the month under head coach Brad Bohannon.
- William Freeman tossed a career-high 85 pitches in this afternoon's game. His previous high was 64 which he had in his start against Northern Kentucky on March 10, 2019.
- Peyton Wilson's leadoff home run was the first by a member of the Crimson Tide since Keith Holcombe began UA's matchup with LSU on April 27, 2019 with a solo shot.
- Alabama has recorded two-or-more home runs in each of its first four games. The Tide had two home runs apiece in the first two games of the season and tonight's contest while registering three on Sunday afternoon against McNeese. Alabama recorded two-or-more home runs in five games last season and tallied at least one homer in 13 of 17 games during the 2020 campaign.
- Zane Denton finished his night 1-for-3 to extend his hitting streak to six games. Over that stretch, the sophomore is batting .526 (10-19) with a double, one triple, two home runs, five RBI, five runs scored and a walk.
- Owen Diodati went 1-for-3 to move his hitting streak to six games. Diodati is batting .333 (7-21) with a double, three home runs, 11 RBI, eight runs scored, four walks, two hit-by-pitch and a stolen base across that time.

The Crimson Tide returns home to Sewell-Thomas Stadium tomorrow for a midweek pairing with UT-Martin. First pitch of the Wednesday matchup is set for 3 p.m. CT with the game airing on SEC Network+.

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



UA ATHLETICS

William Hamiter's two-RBI single in the seventh inning helped lift Alabama to a 5-2 win at Jacksonville State Tuesday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

Bobby Meyer stepping down as CHS basketball coach

Cullman Tribune Staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman High School varsity boys basketball coach Bobby Meyer will be stepping down as coach of the Bearcat basketball team.

Meyer has coached the Bearcats for 11 seasons and led the varsity boys to a 14-9 overall record during the 2020-2021 season.

"Coach Meyer has been a great leader and example for young men during his time as coach at CHS, and we are very thankful for the positive example he's set for young men here for more than a decade," Cullman High School Principal Kim Hall said.

"We are extremely grateful for the contributions he has made to CHS athletics and the Cullman community."

Meyer thanked his staff and the administration for the opportunity to serve as coach, as well as his family for their support.

"I'm a ball coach. I enjoy teaching in the classroom. At all levels of the organization the vision of coaching a program has to be unified. At this point, I have decided to step down as basketball coach at Cullman High School," he said. "I want to thank my loyal staff, Joseph McPhillips, Cory Meyer and Jason Johnsey. I also want to thank the many other coaches on staff for their friendship through the years- Josh Hembree, Jonathan Hayes and many others. I'd also like to say thank you to Scott Lochridge. Thank you, Dr. (Susan) Patterson, the administration and board members for the opportunity. Also, a special thank you to my wife Janice, and Dean, for their support of a coach's life."

Meyer accumulated a 186-140 record at Cullman High School.



2016 CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Bobby Meyer



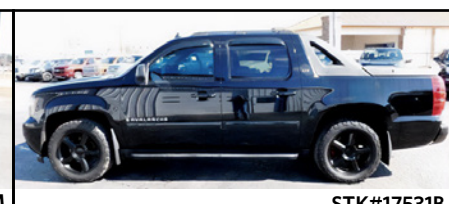




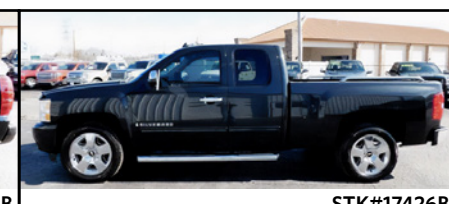
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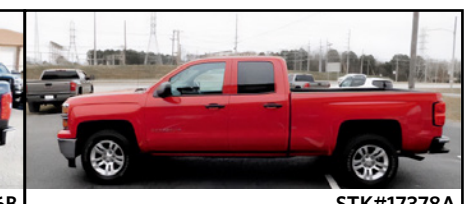
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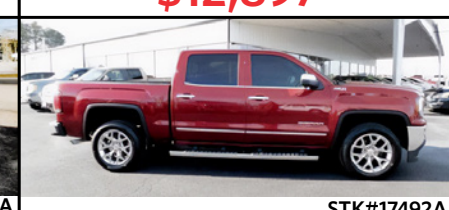
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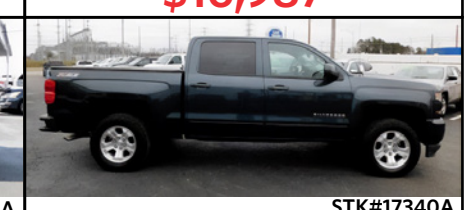
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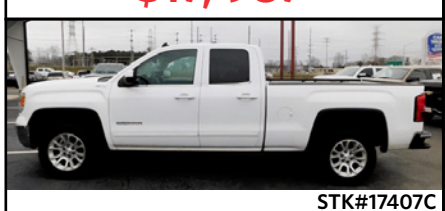
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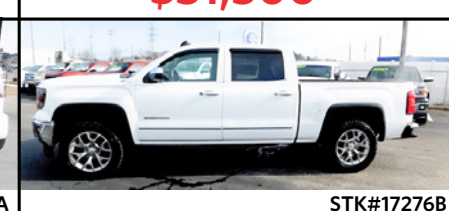
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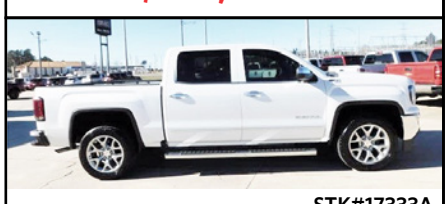
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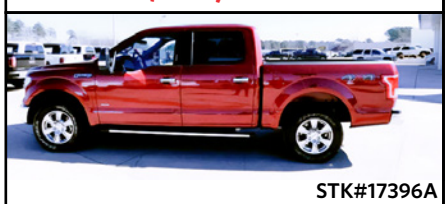
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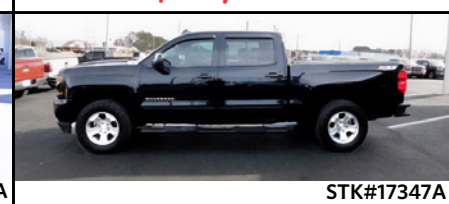
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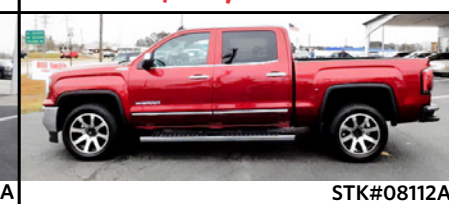
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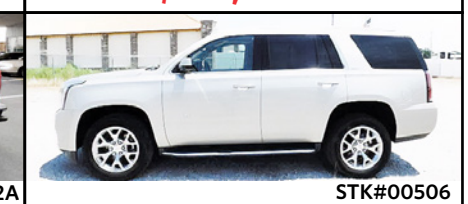
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