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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

## Fairview council votes to replace park lights, discusses community planning

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**FAIRVIEW, Ala.** – The Fairview Town Council held its regularly scheduled meeting Monday night, and after approving last month's minutes welcomed Clint Haynes who was there to talk about his idea for a potential strip mall in the town. No detailed plans were put in place, but Haynes and the council discussed potential locations and businesses that could be located within the proposed development.

Fairview Senior Center Director Angie Carter is organizing an outdoor event at Randall Shedd Community Park for the local seniors, and the council approved a motion to co-sponsor the event and contribute $200 toward the festivities.

Staying within the park, Mayor Keith Henry shifted the conversation to park lights. Henry brought a solar LED light he researched to replace the current lights in the park.

The council approved a motion to purchase the new lights. Henry estimated the 71 new lights will cost approximately $7,500.

To wrap up Monday night's meeting, Councilwoman Julie Grimes presented some ideas for organizing future planning within the community to the rest of the council.

"I talked with the mayor about setting up a formal planning process so that we can set some priorities and match those. That way we can be thinking ahead more so than responding to requests that come in," Grimes said. "So, I suggested that we kind of start this planning process, and I think the first thing we need to do is assess our situation and get some input from the different stakeholders that are involved. My suggestion is that we create some groups that each of us can represent and then go out and talk to people in the community."

Once Grimes presented her ideas to the council, each member volunteered to cover a specific group within the community and make efforts to get input from them.

**The groups are as follows:**

- Charles Bannister – citizens/community members/general public
- Robert John-

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– ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT –

## Cullman ranked no. 3 micropolitan in U.S. for industry in 2020



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*Gov. Kay Ivey (center), accompanied by (left to right) Cullman Economic Development Agency Director Dale Greer, Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs, former CEDA Director and current Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce Interim President and CEO Peggy Smith and Reliance Worldwide Corporation Americas CEO Sean McClenaghan, broke ground at the site of Reliance Worldwide's new Cullman distribution facility in October 2020.*

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**CULLMAN, Ala.** – The city of Cullman has been recognized by Site Selection magazine as the no. 3 micropolitan in the nation in the magazine's Top 100 Micropolitans for industrial growth in 2020. Cullman boasted 12 qualifying industrial projects during the year. Site Selection studies industrial development and expansion in cities across the country and ranks municipalities according to the number of qualifying industrial projects that meet one of three standards: capital investment of at least $2 million; creation of a minimum of 20 new jobs; or construction or expansion of a building of 20,000 square feet.

Findlay, Ohio ranked no. 1 in with 22 projects.

According to Site Selection, the U.S. has 543 micropolitan areas, cities with a population of between 10,000 and 50,000. Cullman was the highest ranking Alabama micropolitan. The second highest, Jasper, tied with five other cities across the country for 11th place.

Cullman tied for sixth place in 2019 based on seven qualifying projects.

Cullman Economic Development Agency Director Dale Greer commented, "A no. 3 (national) micropolitan ranking for Cullman is a truly great honor and it is even more remarkable that Cullman has been ranked in the Top 10 for seven consecutive years. The ranking is based on the number of industrial projects: manufacturing, distribution, headquarters or research and development, and must meet specified criteria to quality.

"While it obviously gives economic development agencies some bragging rights, it is truly a community achievement. Ranking high year after year is a positive reflection on

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CRIME

## Man charged with murder in shooting death of wife in Cullman County

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## LONGTIME FAN

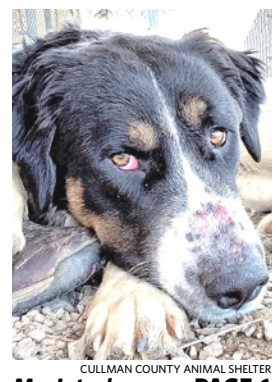


GARY MCGRIFF

*Holly Pond's Feltus McGriff has attended every state basketball tournament since 1957 and was in Birmingham to watch the tournament once again Monday.*

– PET OF THE WEEK –

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CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

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CRIME

# Arrests and incidents reported March 1

**Cullman Tribune staff**
Contributor

**CULLMAN, Ala.** – Below are the arrests and incidents reported March 1, 2021. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

**CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**INCIDENTS**

**Feb. 25**

- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; CR 1435
- trespassing; CR 112
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 1233
- harassment; CR 1141
- harassment; CR 781
- possession of drug paraphernalia; 2nd Ave. SW
- theft of property; CR 1454
- theft of property; CR 1141
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 31

**Feb. 26**

- unlawful possession of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65 NB/MM 291
- shooting into an occupied dwelling; CR 1223
- trespassing, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1030
- harassment; CR 109
- reckless endangerment; Hwy. 69 N
- theft of property; CR 1641

Feb. 27

- domestic violence; CR 222
- domestic violence; CR 361
- violation of a protection order; Auston Drive
- domestic violence; CR 1114
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1114

**Feb. 28**

- domestic violence, menacing; Hwy. 278 E
- obstructing government operations; CR 1545
- domestic violence; CR 109
- theft of property; Hwy. 278 W
- burglary; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 272
- theft of property; CR 813
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; CR 109
- harassment; CR 613

**ARRESTS**

**Feb. 25**

**Arroyo, Consuelo, 47**
- FTA- contributing to the delinquency of a minor

**Carroll, Shawna Kristina, 32**
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

**Chambers, Rayford O'Neal, 56**
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- public intoxication

**Foster, Alexandria Nicole, 29**
- FTA- driving while suspended

**Fuller III, Evan Jon Craig, 25**
- motion to revoke bond- unlawful possession of marijuana
- motion to revoke bond- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- motion to revoke bond- possession of drug paraphernalia
- motion to revoke bond- illegal distribution of a controlled substance
- motion to revoke bond- theft (2 counts)
- motion to revoke bond- robbery
- motion to revoke bond- improper lane usage

**Hasting, Kent Michael, 34**
- FTA- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while suspended (3 counts)

**Jones, Mary Marie, 30**
- public intoxication

**Lane, Ross Douglas, 40**
- FTA- negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument (2 counts)
- FTA- obstructing government operations

**Marion, Chasey Rae, 36**
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Martin, Trisha Ann, 23**
- FTA- receiving stolen property

**Ochoa, Ruby Jane, 46**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Perez-Torres, Jesus, 19**
- minor- consumption of alcohol

**Phelps, Crystal Michelle, 35**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Powers, Michelle, 45**
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- promoting prison contraband
- probation violation- theft

**Proctor, Jill Tiffany, 44**
- possession of tax-pad alcoholic beverages for private use (2 counts)
- public intoxication

**Pugh, Ashley Cheyenne, 21**
- FTA- burglary
- FTA- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle (without theft) (10 counts)
- FTA- theft
- FTA- criminal trespassing
- FTA- illegal possession or use of a credit or debit card (2 counts)

**Riendeau, Michel David, 38**
- sexual abuse of a child less than 12 years old

**Williams, Shayla Cheyenne, 26**
- public intoxication

**Winstead, Gordon Lance, 50**
- motion to revoke bond- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance
- motion to revoke bond- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Feb. 26-28**

**Bartee, Katherine Loveda, 38**
- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Bridges, Bradley Scott, 46**
- harassment

**Brown, Alexandria Rae, 29**
- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

**Brown, Michael William, 49**
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- driving while suspended

**Chumley, Eric Reese, 21**
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- assault
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of a forged instrument

**Copeland, Jerry Wayne, 35**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Currington, Domonique K. 30**
- FTA- driving while suspended

**Douglas, Charlotte L., 54**
- public intoxication

**Fallin, Ronald Ray, 52**
- obstructing government operations

**Ford, David Lee, 42**
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Haslam, Nazaree, 39**
- domestic violence- menacing
- obstructing government operations

**Hawkins, Miles Jamal, 25**
- FTA- attempting to elude
- FTA- reckless driving

**Hitt, James Ray, 28**
- FTA- driving while suspended

**Hooper, Steven Dewayne, 39**
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Kelso, Dustin Anthony, 30**
- FTA- improper tag light
- FTA- speeding

**Maddox, Courtney Marie, 29**
- harassment

**Massey, David Michael, 38**
- FTA- DUI

**McClellan, Thomas Leon, 57**
- murder

**McDonald, Ricky Lee, 36**
- probation violation- reckless endangerment
- probation violation- unlawful possession of marijuana

**McWhorter, Amanda Nicole, 31**
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- harassment

**Moreno, Mawavea Nicole, 28**
- FTA- auto theft

**Oden, Billy Edward, 27**
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- criminal trespassing

**Peak, Robert Alan, 30**
- robbery (2 counts)

**Pigg, Zackary Scott, 34**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana

**Ponder, Trevor Lindley, 29**
- harassment

**Pugh, Robert Keith, 41**
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Purifoy, Antonyio Donell M., 30**
- FTA- harassment (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (5 counts)
- FTA- promoting prison contraband
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance (5 counts)
- FTA- criminal trespassing
- FTA- lane change without proper signal

**Reece, Christopher Allen, 48**
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- driving while suspended (2 counts)

**Roach II, Roy Wesley, 45**
- FTA- harassment
- FTA- permitting dogs to run at large
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- FTA- disorderly conduct
- driving while suspended
- speeding

**Sivley, Joseph Bradley, 37**
- FTA- reckless endangerment

**Smith, Richard Curtis, 59**
- FTA- unlawful distribution of a controlled substance
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Sparks, Sabrina Montgomery, 36**
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- unlawful possession of a controlled substance

**Steele, Ronald Dale, 56**
- FTA- open container in vehicle

**Tanner Sr. James Isaac, 57**
- FTA- child abuse (2 counts)

**CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**INCIDENTS**

**Feb. 26**
- first-degree theft of property; person; cash
- leaving the scene of an accident; Taco Bell; 2nd Ave. SW; damaged sign; $500
- third-degree criminal trespassing; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW
- unauthorized use of a motor vehicle; person; Mark St. SW
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Schneider Road SE

**Feb. 27**
- second-degree theft of property; person; McNabb Road SW; rifle, drills; $670

**Feb. 28**
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; Dripping Springs Road NW; bicycle; $100

**ARRESTS**

**Feb. 26**

**Collier, Christopher D., 38**
- third-degree criminal trespassing

**Pigg, Zackary S., 34**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree unlawful possession of marijuana
- FTA- failure to signal
- FTA- insurance violation

**Quick Sr., Dustin G., 41**
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- insurance violation

**Weldon, Freddie D., 49**
- fourth-degree theft of property

**Wise, Dustin R., 28**
- fourth-degree theft of property
- third-degree criminal trespassing
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

**Jones, Johnathon A., 27**
- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

**Feb. 27**

**Gee, Joshua F., 31**
- public intoxication

**Roach II, Roy W., 45**
- FTA- third-degree theft of property
- FTA- resisting arrest
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespassing

**Reece, Christopher A., 48**
- FTA- driving while suspended (2 counts)
- FTA- insurance violation (5 counts)
- FTA- failure to register vehicle (2 counts)
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- reckless driving
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- failure to signal
- FTA- leaving the scene of an accident

**Hooper, Steven D., 39**
- fourth-degree theft of property

**Veal, Brandon L., 37**
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance

**Feb. 28**

**Bell, Christopher S., 31**
- FTA- driving while suspended

**Moreno, Mawavea N., 28**
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- speeding

**Rush, Danah L., 22**
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- fourth-degree theft by deception

**Brown, Michael W., 49**
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- failure to register vehicle
- FTA- DUI
- FTA- driving while revoked

**Ponder, Trevor L., 29**
- FTA- driving while revoked

**Henderson, Colton C., 27**
- FTA- public intoxication

**Oden, Cary J., 25**
- unlawful possession or receipt of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

**HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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## COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, March 1, 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: 386,933 (+408 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in AL: 106,836 (+109 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in AL: 7,789 (+2 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in AL: 2,142
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,072 (+6 since yesterday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 2,825 (+0 since yesterday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 118 (+0 since yesterday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 63
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 37,045
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,546
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 106
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,292,074
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 12,594
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 158,146
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 651
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama (reported M-F): 45,428
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 285,130

**Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)**
- Doses delivered to Alabama: 1,348,245
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 1,191,425
- Doses administered: 920,566
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 617,768
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 301,256
- Doses delivered to federal Long-Term Care Program: 156,820
- Doses administered by the federal Long-Term Care Program: 80,047

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**

**Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has issued Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the Johnson & Johnson single-dose COVID-19 vaccine for individuals 18 years of age and older. Alabama will receive 40,100 doses of the vaccine this week. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine will not be used to target a specific population but will go through our normal allocation process of identifying providers that are next in line to receive vaccine. The average weekly allocation of first doses received in Alabama will increase this week due to the Johnson & Johnson shipment. At this time, it will be a one-time allotment, and we do not know when the state will receive additional Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

**COVID-19 vaccine appointments available at select CVS Pharmacy locations**

The Federal Retail Pharmacy Program expanded to begin administering COVID-19 vaccine at nine select CVS locations throughout the state Thursday, Feb. 25. As of Monday, March 1, vaccine appointments are currently available at CVS locations in Camden, Evergreen, Jackson, and Union Springs. Available appointments can be scheduled at www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine, or by calling 1-800-746-7287.

**Second dose large-scale mass vaccination clinics to be held this week**

Eight large-scale mass vaccination clinics took place throughout the state Feb. 8-12. Attendees that received a Pfizer vaccine for their first dose will return to the same location this week to receive their second dose.

**Volunteers supporting ADPH for vaccine distribution**

As of today, ADPH has 488 medical volunteers, including physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, dentists, and LPNs, verified to support COVID-19 clinical activities. Please email requests to volunteer to Thresa.Dix@adph.state.al.us, and include your discipline, license number and county in which you would like to volunteer.



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Thursday, March 4 – 8:00 - 4:00
Friday, March 5 – 8:00 – 4:00
Saturday, March 6 – 9:00 – 2:00 *(everything is 25% off)*
Some items include: antique organ & stool, blue canning jars with zinc lids, sewing & quilting items, few vintage handmade quilts, glassware, small kitchen appliances, wicker furniture, many canning jars, pots & pans, 2 old trunks, vintage Tupperware…lots & lots more.
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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, 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.

**"Come to the Well" Community Women's Bible Study**
• Tuesday mornings at 10 at the Hebrews Cafe at East Side Baptist Church, 1111 Third St. SE in Cullman
• Please wear a mask/ face covering.

**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 take-out meals. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.

**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.

**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.

**Cullman Education Retirees Association Meeting**
• Thursday, March 11 at 11 a.m. Stone Bridge Farms
• The program will be our Memorial Service in which we honor members and other education retirees who passed in 2020. We will also have a business meeting before enjoying lunch. All education retirees are invited to attend. We continue to practice CDC guidelines such as wearing face masks and social distancing.

**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.

**Jay's Legacy Shoe Drive BBQ**
• Saturday, March 13 at noon at J&S Karaoke, 10303 Hwy. 31 S, Hanceville
• Jay's Legacy is hosting a BBQ/ party and all we ask is that you bring two pairs of shoes to attend. We will have music, food, games and more. We will be selling food plates as well. We are inviting everyone in the community to come out and be part of the cause. Suzette Kendall will also be giving a speech on distracted driving, and how it impacted her life.

**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 Cleanup 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.

PREP BASEBALL

# Bearcats handle Buckhorn at home 9-3

**Nick Griffin**
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**CULLMAN, Ala.** – The Cullman Bearcats returned home Friday night to take on the Buckhorn Bucks and after falling behind in the opening frame, the 'Cats plated four runs in the third inning and three more in the fourth to take a big lead and eventually pulled away to win it 9-3. Jeb Bartle got the start on the mound for Cullman and picked up the win as well. The senior right hander tossed five innings, allowing just one run on three hits and striking out eight batters.

A leadoff double gave the Bucks a runner in scoring position to start the game and after a strikeout from Bartle and a groundout to Brennen Norton at shortstop, An RBI single gave Buckhorn a 1-0 lead going into the bottom of the first.

Neither team was able to do much at the plate in the next couple innings. The Bearcats were able to get a pair of runners on base in the second inning, but a groundout stranded them and ended the inning. Bartle put together another quick inning in the third to get back in the dugout and Cullman started putting runs on the board in the bottom half of the inning.

After two strikeouts to start the inning, Norton singled into center field and Kaleb Heatherly was hit by a pitch to put a pair of runners on base. Hayden Stancil then drew a walk to load the bases for Max Dueland and after a 9-pitch at bat, Dueland reached first on an infield single to bring home Norton and tie the game.

The play wasn't over though and both Heatherly and Stancil were able to cross the plate on an error by the Bucks to make it 3-1. Jake Dueland kept the inning going and singled up the middle to bring Max home and give the 'Cats a 4-1 lead going into the fourth.

A single and two walks loaded the bags for Buckhorn in the top of the fourth, but Bartle got out of the jam by getting the next batter to fly out to center field and picked up the third out of the inning with his sixth strikeout of the night.

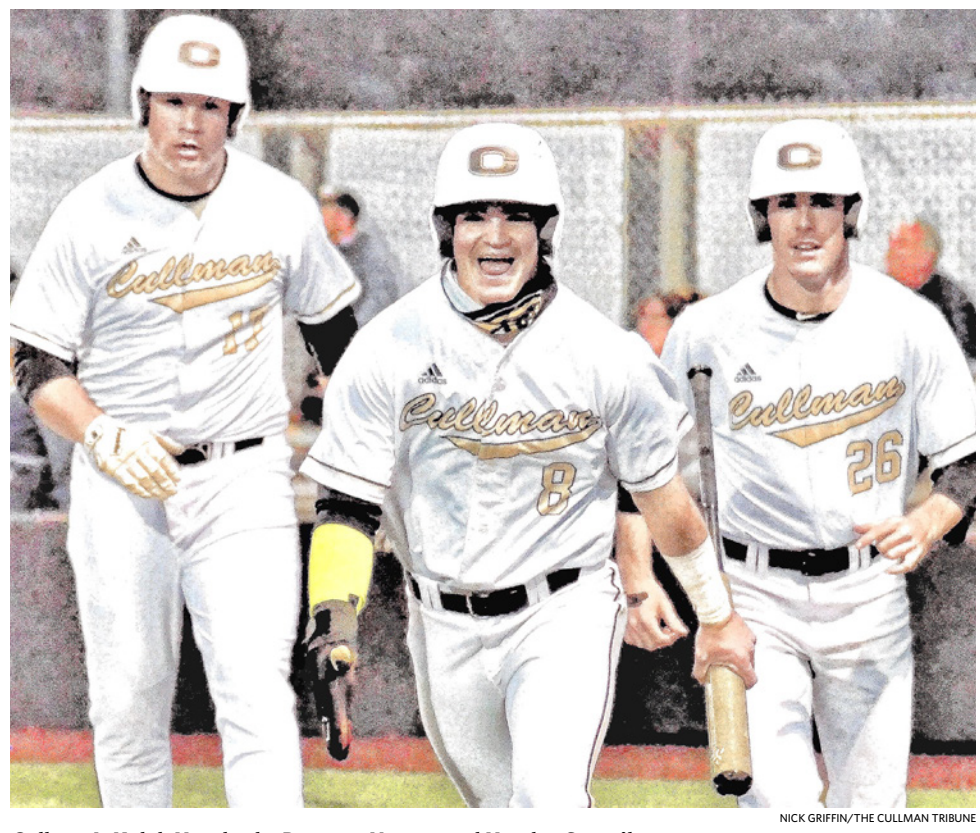
Cullman led off the bottom of the fourth with a pair of strikeouts but managed to do more damage with two outs.

Norton put a rope off the center field wall to reach second base and after Heatherly drew a walk to reach first, Stancil singled into left field to bring Norton home and make it a 5-1 game. Max Dueland drew a walk to keep the inning going for the Bearcats and Cole Robertson doubled down the right field line to score two more and give Cullman a 7-1 advantage going into the fifth.

Bartle put the Bucks away on just 12 pitches in the top of the fifth and quickly put the 'Cats back on offense. Will Bradberry and Paxton Ponder each walked to put a pair of runners on base and Norton singled up the middle to bring Bradberry around and make it 8-1.

Ponder managed to steal home during the next at bat to put nine runs on the board for Cullman and the Bearcats went into the sixth with a commanding, 9-1 lead.

Stancil relieved Bartle on the mound in the sixth inning and after a double, a hit batter and a walk loaded the bases for Buckhorn, Stancil picked up a strikeout and Ponder turned a ground ball into a double play to get the 'Cats out of the sixth unscathed.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

*Cullman's Kaleb Heatherly, Brennen Norton and Hayden Stancil head back to the dugout after scoring in the third inning.*

The Bearcats went down in order in the bottom of the sixth and the Bucks were able to put a couple runs on the board in the top of the seventh, but they couldn't overcome the early lead and Cullman held on to win it 9-3.

Norton was 3 for 4 at the plate and drove in an RBI in the win. Robertson added two hits and two RBIs for the Bearcats and Stancil and Max and Jake Dueland each finished with a hit and an RBI as well.

Cullman improved to 5-2 on the season with the Friday win and defeated Arab 11-5 Saturday to move to 6-2. The Bearcats will be back in action at the Perfect Game High School Showdown starting in Hoover Thursday.

# WSCC Athletics: No. 19 Volleyball remains perfect after sweep; Basketball, Baseball, No. 11 Softball & Men's Golf updates

**Russell Moore**
WSCC

**HANCEVILLE, Ala.** – Wallace State's 19th-ranked volleyball team continues to roll.

The Lions swept Snead State at Traditions Bank Arena at Tom Drake Coliseum on Sunday, moving to 13-0 overall and 6-0 in Alabama Community College Conference action.

In a 25-13, 25-13, 25-18 victory, sophomore Anna Renshaw finished with 12 kills and 10 digs for the Lions, while Mattrice Harris contributed 10 kills and a pair of blocks.

Temperance Chatman racked up 29 digs and Savannah Rutledge finished with a game-high 26 assists, five kills and three assists.

Freshman MacKenzie Davis had 13 assists and eight digs for Wallace State, Harlee Kate Reid had six kills, Haven Hall finished with six kills and five digs and Laci Reese contributed four kills.

The Lions won the second match, 25-17, 25-13, 25-17.

Harris had a team-high 10 kills, Rutledge had 30 assists and seven digs and Chatman collected 18 digs.

Reese finished with nine kills, Hall had eight kills and five digs, Reid had six kills and four digs, Renshaw added five kills and five digs and Davis finished with eight assists and three digs.

Tobi Trotter had nine digs and Tori Walker added five digs and three kills.

As the volleyball season enters March for the first time, Harris leads the conference in kills (134), kills per set (3.53) and hitting percentage (.484).

Chatman is tops in the conference in digs with 207 and Rutledge has a conference-best 374 assists.

Reid is second in the league in kills (120) and Renshaw is tied for fourth (105).

"Mattrice Harris plays well in the middle and it creates opportunities for her teammates.

|Our setting has been good all season and our defense has been consistent.

"We're trying to have the right players in spots to make smart and impactful decisions," said Wallace State coach Randy Daniel, who is 12 wins away from 500 at Wallace State.

"Our women have played hard all season, and they've done what we've needed to do to win. I'm happy about that."

Wallace State continues conference play at Gadsden State on Wednesday.

**Wallace State basketball**

Wallace State's men's basketball team registered a 69-63 home triumph over Marion Military Institute on Friday night behind four scorers finishing with double figures.

Miguel Miranda posted 20 points and seven rebounds. He's scored 20+ points in consecutive league games.

Good Hope's Cole Maddox scored 15 points, Kuran Garner finished with 14 points, four rebounds and four assists and sophomore Chris Gregory tallied his first collegiate double-double, finishing with 13 rebounds and 10 points.

The Lions (4-8, 2-6 ACCC) sustained a 32-22 lead at the half.

Wallace State's women's basketball team fell on the road Sunday at Southern Union, losing 91-62.

Payton Golden, a Fairview grad, poured in a career-high 22 points for the Lady Lions (5-5, 1-5 ACCC).

Gloria Pounders and Kallie Allen each scored eight points for Wallace State, Tatyanna Davis had seven and Olivia Howard and Emrey McGill had six apiece.

Both Wallace State teams travel to Snead State on Tuesday.

**Wallace State baseball**

The Lions begin conference action later this week after winning two of three games on the road over the weekend.

Wallace State earned wins of 4-2 over Coastal Alabama-North and 13-1 over Enterprise State before falling to Bishop State in a rain-shortened 5-4 loss.

In the win against Coastal Alabama-North, sophomore lefty Jacob Smith continued his strong start to the season, striking out six batters in six innings, allowing only two earned runs.

Colson Lawrence pitched a scoreless seventh to record the save.

Wallace State (8-6) rallied for all four runs in the sixth inning.

Preston Moore tied the game at 2-all with a two-run single and Ben Arnett later followed with a two-run double.

Lawrence, Mason Walker and Cooper Prince each had multiple hits for Wallace State.

Jayce Guyette had a double and Hector Laguer was 1-for-2 with a run scored.

In the 13-1 win over Enterprise State, Wallace State cranked out 13 hits.

Moore finished 2-for-4 with a double, three-run homer and five RBIs, while Lawrence went 2-for-3 with an RBI single and scored a run.

Guyette had two hits, including a solo homer – his third of the season, and Prince was 2-for-3 with an RBI single and a run scored. Jarren Wright singled and had two RBIs, and Cooper Beck and Arnett each singled, had an RBI and scored a run. Nicho Jordan singled and scored off the bench.

Luke Daniel was the winning pitcher in relief, striking out seven over five innings. He allowed one run on five hits.

In the rain-shortened loss to Bishop State, Guyette finished with a double and three RBIs, and Lawrence had a pair of hits, including a double and run scored. Walker, Beck and Garrett Warden each had a single.

The Lions open ACCC play at Lawson State on Thursday and return home on Saturday against the Cougars.

**Wallace State softball and men's golf**

Wallace State's softball team has creeped up to No. 11 in the latest NJCAA Division I national poll. The Lions travel to Cuthbert and Columbus, Ga., this week, playing in seven games.

Wallace State's men's golf team recently finished fourth at the Coastal Alabama Invitational held at Fairhope's Lakewood Golf Club.

Sophomore Carter Goodwin finished tied for fifth with a 2-over par 146. Goodwin was a NJCAA Division I Honorable Mention All-American last season.

George Law carded a 9-over 153 for Wallace State, and Joshua Darracott finished with an 11-over 155. Allen Michael Burnett (155) and Blayne Armstrong (166) rounded out the Wallace State field.

The Lions compete next week in the John A. Logan Invitational in Illinois.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.wallacestate.edu/athleticsfb.

View pictures from Sunday's volleyball matches. | https://www.flickr.com/photos/wallacestate/albums/72157718488777767




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*Wallace State setter Savannah Rutledge (24) prepares to set up her teammates, including Haven Hall (10) and Anna Renshaw, far left.*

WSCC volleyball coach Randy Daniel discusses the team's success. | https://www.facebook.com/wsccathletics/videos/768200647468887






PREP CROSS COUNTRY

# St. Bernard's Eli Loyd signs with Jacksonville State

**Joyce Nix**
St. Bernard

**CULLMAN, Ala.** – Eli Loyd, a Senior, at St. Bernard Prep School recently accepted an academic scholarship to Jacksonville State University as well as an invitation to walk on to the Gamecock's Cross-Country team.

Athletic Director, William Calvert commented "Eli has accomplished a lot in his abbreviated 2-year career at SBP. He certainly has the potential to compete at the college level. JSU Cross Country is currently in a rebuilding stage with a young new coaching staff. I think Eli will contribute greatly to that rebuild. "

Eli transferred to St. Bernard his sophomore year from Fairview High School in Cullman County. Due to AHSAA transfer rules, he could not compete for his first year. However, Eli used that year to train with the team and made every practice possible during cross country and track seasons. His junior year of cross country was a breakout experience for Loyd. He quickly became one of the top runners in the area and consistently finished high for Saint Bernard Prep at meets. He helped the Saints win their 7th straight sectional championship and a 3rd place finish at the 3A State Meet. He earned a place on the All-Section 3 Team. Eli and the Saints were off to a great start in outdoor track in the spring of 2020 achieving a number 1 state ranking after the first two weeks. Then came the corona virus pandemic and the successful season had to be canceled.

Eli took advantage of his off time and trained all spring and summer for cross country. It paid off with an outstanding cross-country season for Loyd and the Saints. SBP won the 3A Section 3 Championship on the way to the 2020 3A State Championship. Eli was named again to the All-Section 3 Team and missed earning All State by 1 second placing 16th in state meet.

"Loyd's running career has been short, but it's certainly been successful." Calvert said, "His best running is definitely ahead of him on the collegiate level and we are excited to watch him compete!"




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*Front seated (l-r): Eli Loyd front and center is surrounded by his sister, Gracie (PS '19); Mom, Brandi Outzen, and his dad, Brandon Loyd. Standing (l-r): Grandparents, Larry and Sandra Snow; Step-father, Hugh Outzen; Assistant Coach, Deacon Tim Vaughn; Athletic Director/Coach, William Calvert; St. Bernard President, Fr. Joel Martin, OSB; Assistant Coach, Katie Clemmons; and Grandparents, Joey and Belinda Loyd.*

# Auburn takes down No. 25 Tennessee, earns 77-72 win

**Greg Ostendorf**
AU Athletics

**AUBURN, Ala.** – Without Sharife Cooper, Bruce Pearl knew there was a chance his Auburn team might not score 80 points Saturday. They didn't need to. The Tigers stepped it up on the defensive end, played with more effort and energy, and earned a hard-fought 77-72 victory over No. 25 Tennessee.

It was Auburn's sixth-straight win over the Volunteers in the series, and with it being the AUTLIVE game, the Tigers now 6-0 in AUTLIVE games dating back to 2016.

"Our guys just beat a team that's got a 15 NET, a team that was picked to win our league, and did it with tremendous effort and energy," Pearl said.

"I was so proud of our guys in their preparation. It's been tough this season because we haven't had as much success as we would've liked, and we knew how young we were. But you could see the kids just haven't quit. And somehow, we were the more excited team to play, which is really hard to do."

Cooper missed the game with an ankle injury, but his teammates picked him up – not only defensively but also offensively with all five Auburn starters scoring in double figures.

Sophomore Allen Flanigan scored a team-high 23 points and made two clutch free throws in the final seconds to put the game away. It was the fifth time this season Flanigan has gone over 20 points, and he's now scored in double figures in 21 of Auburn's 25 games. He finished 7 of 14 from the field and was tied for the team lead with seven rebounds and three assists.

"We had guys stepping up, making shots, taking on bigger roles without Sharife," Flanigan said. "You know Sharife is great with the ball, he makes plays for others as well as himself. So with him out, we knew we were going to have to step up and fill in the gaps."

Flanigan was able to thrive in part because he moved back to his natural position on the wing as opposed to having to play point guard like he did Tuesday night against Florida.

The point guard duties fell on Jamal Johnson instead, and the junior, playing the position for the first time this season, stepped up with 14 points, three assists and most importantly, only one turnover. He scored 10 of Auburn's final 23 points over the last eight minutes.

"That was the key to the game," Pearl said. 'He gets the game ball because of it. Putting him in that position let him set us up and it let Al Flanigan be Al Flanigan and be a dominant player off the ball as a scorer.

"When Jamal Johnson looks back at his career, I want him to remember this AUTLIVE game. The fact that he was able to take the ball over, in an SEC game, and play point guard, a position he hadn't played all year long virtually, and only have one turnover? Pretty impressive."

As a team, the Tigers only turned it over 12 times, matching their season low in SEC play.

Sophomore Devan Cambridge was second on the team with 15 points and also pulled down six rebounds. Jaylin Williams, who had a big dunk down the stretch to put Auburn ahead 68-60, finished with 13 points. The sophomore was 8 of 10 from the free throw line, and the Tigers were plus-12 with him on the floor.

Freshman JT Thor made it five in double figures with 10 points. He also led the team with three blocks and added five rebounds. It was Thor's 14th game this season with 10 or more points.

All five starters connected from deep in the game's first 13 minutes to give Auburn the early advantage. The defense was also better in the first half as the Tigers forced eight turnovers and held Tennessee to 9 of 24 shooting (38 percent). They led, 34-30, at the break.

Auburn's effort was evident on the glass as well with a 41-34 edge in rebounding. The Tigers grabbed 16 offensive rebounds and finished with 19 second-chance points. Sophomore Babatunde Akingbola matched Flanigan with a team-high seven rebounds in just eight minutes of action.

"Stretch gave us great effort and energy coming off the bench," Pearl said. "Dylan Cardwell played well when he was out there also. Even though their numbers don't say it, those guys gave us effective minutes in there."

Auburn (12-13, 6-10) will play the first of two remaining games Tuesday night at Alabama. The game is scheduled to tip off at 6 p.m. CT from Tuscaloosa.

# Alabama clinches regular-season SEC Title with 64-59 win at Mississippi State

**UA Athletics**
rolltide.com

**STARKVILLE, Miss.** – The No. 6/7 Alabama men's basketball team beat Mississippi State, 64-59, Saturday night to clinch the 2021 Southeastern Conference regular-season championship. It is the program's first conference title in 19 years dating back to the 2001-02 season.

Guard Jahvon Quinerly led the Crimson Tide with a game-high 19 points off the bench, while guard Jaden Shackelford added 15 points and six rebounds. Forward Herbert Jones pulled down a season-best 14 rebounds, including six on the offensive glass.

Alabama improved to 19-6 overall and 14-2 in SEC play with the win. The 14 wins in league play is tied for the fifth-most in program history.

**Coach Oats Postgame Comments**
"I'm really proud of our guys. It's not easy to win SEC Championships. I thought our kids played really hard, that's the hardest we've played in a long time.

"They did what we asked them to do. The offense didn't come easy. Give Mississippi State a lot of credit they made it hard to score and they hung in there and made it a tight game, but our kids rebounded the ball and played hard, diving on the floor for loose ball and taking charges.

"I thought our defensive effort was the best we've had in a long time.

"We'll get the offense fixed hopefully next week. I'm just really proud of the guys, because SEC Championships don't come easy."

**Team Stats**
- Alabama clinched its eighth regular-season SEC title with the 64-59 victory
- The Tide improved to 15-0 this season when holding the lead at halftime
- Mississippi State shot 41 percent (24-of-59) to the Tide's 32 percent (21-of-65), but Alabama went 7-of-28 from the three-point line and limited the Bulldogs to 1-of-12 shooting beyond the arc
- After shooting only eight free throws in its last contest, Alabama knocked down 15-of-17 from the charity stripe while Mississippi State hit 10-of-17
- Alabama won the rebounding battle 45-40 leading to 19 fast-break points and 11 steals
- The Crimson Tide bench was outstanding with 36 points while the Bulldogs' reserves scored just five
- Quinerly finished the contest with 19 points on 8-of-16 shooting from the field and 3-of-6 from three-point land

**First Half**
- The game got off to a slow start with both teams combining to score just 11 points (Alabama 6, Mississippi State) through the first 7-plus minutes
- Things stayed close before a 15-1 Crimson Tide run over a span of 5:14 extended the UA lead to 20-9 with 7:11 left to go in the opening stanza
- Alabama and Mississippi State swapped baskets over the next few minutes with the Tide up 24-14 at the under-4-minute media time out
- The Bulldogs cut the lead to 27-19, but Alabama outscored State 7-2 in the final two minutes to take its largest lead of the half into the locker room, 34-21
- Jahvon Quinerly led Alabama with 15 points on 6-of-9 shooting from the field and 3-of-4 from beyond the arc

**Second Half**
- The Bulldogs started the second half with an 8-2 run to cut the Tide lead to seven at the 17:45 mark
- The Tide and Mississippi State went back-and-forth the next few minutes with Alabama leading 49-41 with 11:51 left in the final stanza
- Mississippi State used a 10-2 run to shrink the Tide's lead to 56-53 with 4:17 remaining
- The game went scoreless until the final :43 seconds of the game with both teams trading baskets down the stretch and Alabama coming away with the 64-59 victory to clinch the SEC regular season title
- Alabama held the Bulldogs scoreless from 4:17 to :38 and knocked down 5-of-6 free throws in the final minute to get the win

**Up Next**
The Tide will host its final home game of the season on Tuesday, March 2, when it takes on in-state rival Auburn.
The game is set for a 6 p.m. CT tipoff inside Coleman Coliseum and will be broadcast on ESPN2.

For all the latest information on the team, follow AlabamaMBB on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. General athletic news can be found @UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and Alabama Athletics on Facebook.



OPINION

# How to listen to a sermon, part 8

**Tom Fillinger**
Tribune Columnist

***Note to readers:*** *Sadly, Pastor Tom Fillinger passed away Wednesday, Feb. 10, 2021. Pastor Fillinger had submitted articles to be printed through March 16, 2021, and The Tribune will continue to print his articles through that date.*

Today in our series on **How to Listen to a Sermon** we address the summary.

The speaker **MUST** sumamrize the message so that the listener departs with clarity regarding what they have just heard.

What is a summary and why is this an important element of a good sermon?

Most credible sermons are 30-40 minutes in length. They include an introduction, a statement of purpose, the reading of the text to be preached and a proposition. Most people do not take notes.

Most people do not have photographic memories. Most people need help in capturing the focus of the message for application to life. A good summary, 2-3 minutes at the close of a sermon, provides this information in a useable and beneficial format.

The purpose of a summary is transformation. When the listener is provided with a concise and clear statement of what the sermon was about and how to apply it to a walk of obedience, he or she is well served. The gathered body that makes up a worship service is not there merely to punch an attendance card. There are no "points given" for merely attending. When listeners depart with an applicable grasp of what they heard they are equipped to grow in grace and the LORD is honored.

Let's briefly examine a summary statement for a message on the third commandment – do not take the name of the LORD in vain. Most people associate this command with a prohibition to avoid cursing. That is certainly true. However, there is so much more required to honor this command.

Here is a sample summary statement for a message on the third commandment.

**1.** The scripture we just examined is found in Exodus 20:7.

**2.** A believer is in covenant with the LORD. Every thought word and deed is governed by this command.

**3.** More than the words we speak, our every action as a Christ follower is an expression of His name.

**4.** As a Christ follower we literally bear His name. Therefore, we must honor His name in all that we are, say and do. The world is watching!

A good summary is evidence of careful and thoughtful preparation by the speaker. He knew what he wanted to communicate. He was precise in what he declared. He provides a concise summary of what you just heard and why it matters. The listener is able to apply and live the truth he or she just heard.

Is this a reality where you worship?



CONTRIBUTED
***Tom Fillinger***

# Micropolitan (from Front)

the success of the companies here, the qualified labor force in Cullman County and the business climate in the state of Alabama.

"Combine that with competitive utilities rates, supportive city and county industrial development boards, pro-growth county and city elected officials, excellent education programs and facilities, state and regional economic development partners and you have a recipe for success in Cullman County. The Alabama Department of Commerce and TVA (Tennessee Valley Authority) make us more competitive in recruiting new companies and growing our existing ones."

Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs shared, "A history of success speaks volumes about our community.

"I am proud of our economic development agency and the industrial base for earning a no. 3 ranking for 2020 out of 543 micropolitans in America. Having a dozen qualifying projects in a COVID marred year is great work."

# MacIntosh (from Front)

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

MacIntosh is a 1.75-2-year-old Bernese Mountain Dog mix. He's a laid-back, low-energy pet described as "a quiet fellow who likes to stay close."

He loves to be around people, is great on his leash and has good spatial awareness. He likes treats and will take them gently from your hand.

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

MacIntosh'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.

**Good news!**
Ruttkay reported that recent POTW's Cooper and Ranger have both been adopted. Ranger's family wrote to the shelter to say that "Ranger is the best dog ever!"

# Obituary Announcements: March 2

**Vondaleen Peyton, 82, of Cullman**
Graveside services for Vondaleen Peyton, 82, of Cullman, who passed away Friday, Feb. 26, 2021, were at Mt. Vernon Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021 at 11 a.m. Moss Service Funeral Home directed. She was born in Cullman County Nov. 11, 1938 to Samuel Adolphus "Doc" and Naomi Nunnelley Latham. She graduated from Fairview High School in 1957. Vondaleen moved to Birmingham and started her passion and career as a dental assistant. She graduated from Bessemer Technical School as a dental assistant and received her license in June of 1960. She married William "Bill" Peyton July 12, 1980. She retired after 55 years and became the full-time caregiver of her loving husband. Vondaleen loved traveling, going to the casino, square dancing, and people. Yard work was her favorite pastime. She loved animals and always had room for anther cat or dog. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; brothers Luther H. (Anniebell) Stidham and Buster Latham; and sister Cole Latham Smith. Survived by Harold "Bootie" and Betty Hyatt of Baileyton; caregiver-niece Linda O'Neil; stepdaughters Paula (Glenn) Hardin, Pam (Josh) Piatt and Sandy (Bobbie) Sorrel, all of Indiana; stepson Scott (Debbie) Peyton, also of Indiana; and a multitude of nieces and nephews. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

**Robert "Bob" Page, Sr., 61, of Cullman (updated)**
Robert "Bob" Page, Sr. of Cullman passed away Feb. 13, 2021 at the age of 61. He was born April 13, 1959 in Toledo, Ohio to Royal and Cathrine Smith Page. He is preceded in death by his parents and two brothers. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 13, 2021 at noon at Refuge Church with Bro. James and Bro. James Speegle officiating. The family will receive friends at the church. Survivors are wife Melinda Page; sons Clint Jones and Robert Page; daughter Alicia Page Chesser; brother Chuck Page; sister Janet Adkins; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

**Karen Denise Fitzek, 59, of Bremen**
A funeral service for Karen Denise Fitzek, 59, of Bremen, AL will be at noon Thursday, March 4 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, March 3 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. A Celebration of Life will be held after funeral services at 3 p.m. March 13, 2021 at Beat 8 Community Center located at 63 County Road 15, Bremen, AL 35033. Mrs. Fitzek is survived by her husband David Mauldin; children Nathan Hestla and Stacy (Stoney) Vincent; grandchildren Chandler Graves, Kyler Pugh, Grayson Anderson, and Carter Weeks; sister Sharon Quick; brother Tony (Shasta) Quick; nieces and nephews Amber Lang, Adam Lang, Seth Quick, Chelsea Quick, Brody Quick, and Cade Quick; great-nieces Autumn Creek and family, Peyton Strawbridge and family, Zoe Strawbridge, Tess Strawbridge, Ella Kate Lang, and Ayla Mathis; and great-nephews Brody Lang and Braxton Mathis. Mrs. Fitzek was preceded in death by her parents Asa and Ruby (Shelton) Quick.

**Harold Boyd Flynt, Sr., 77, of Vinemont**
A memorial service for Harold Boyd Flynt, Sr., 77, of Vinemont, Alabama will be Friday, March 5, 2021 at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ Catholic Church in Cullman, Alabama. Reverend Patrick Egan, O.S.B. will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Flynt family. Mr. Flynt was born Jan. 9, 1944 to J. W. and Marie Kelley Flynt. He passed from this life Feb. 25, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Barbara, Peggy, and Martha; and brother George Flynt. Mr. Flynt is survived by his wife Mapsita Flynt; sons Harold Boyd Flynt, Jr., Brett Flynt, Michael Eric Flynt, Scott Anthony Flynt, Jeffrey Elliott Flynt, Jared Timothy Flynt, and Blake Gregory Flynt; daughters Amber Celeste Flynt, Melanie Yvette Hancock, and Jacqueline Danielle Keller; brother Jerry Wesley Flynt; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family, and friends. The family request in lieu of flowers that donations be made to the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

**Franklin D. Hinkle, 87, of Good Hope**
Franklin D. Hinkle, 87, of Good Hope, Alabama passed away Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Frank was born Sept. 1, 1933 to Denson and Edith Hinkle. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and later worked for NASA and as a salesperson. He was a lifelong member of the Southern Baptist faith, and for the last 18 years, was a member of Good Hope Baptist Church. Frank was a faithful servant of Jesus, serving for many years as a deacon and Sunday school teacher. If you ever met Frank, you knew he loved the Lord. Frank was a loving husband, father, father-in-law, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Service will be held Thursday, March 4, 2021 at Good Hope Baptist Church. Visitation will be at the church from noon-2 p.m. and the service will be at 2 p.m. with the Rev. Johnny Tucker and Rev. Ralph Andrews officiating. Burial will be at Good Hope Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. Pallbearers will be grandsons. Frank was survived by his wife of 17 years, Sandra Lindsey Hinkle; children Rex and Susan Hinkle Hensley, Danny and Sonya Hinkle James, Frankie Hinkle (Sylaina), Brian and Pam Lindsey, Craig Lindsey, Brian and Beth Lindsey Williams; grandchildren Dustin and Haley Hensley Terry, Joshua and Caroline Hensley, Luke and Morgan Hinkle, Jordan Hinkle, Noah and Sydney Hinkle Hogan, Journey Hinkle, Bobby and Claire Lindsey Hillman, Laura Lindsey, Madalyn Williams, Alyson Williams, Lilyan Williams, and Asa Williams; great-grandchildren Deacon Terry, Nolan Terry, and Cooper Hensley; sisters Olene Deplachett, Bill and Kathleen Hershberger, and Nelda Hutchison; sisters-in-law Doris Hinkle and Carolyn Hinkle; brother-in-law Bob and Gloria Lovett; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Denson and Edith Hinkle; first wife of 40 years Flora Coleman Hinkle; brothers Ozell Hinkle, Joel Hinkle, Alvin Hinkle, Maurice Hinkle, and Odell Hinkle; and sisters Ann Hinkle Lovett and Avaline Gregory. Condolences and special memories may be shared with the family at www.mossservicefh.com.

**Lanice C. Keller, 82, of Addison**
Lanice C. Keller, 82, of Addison entered into rest Sunday, Feb. 28, 2021 at The Folsom Center in Cullman. Lanice was born Feb. 6, 1939 in Hackleburg, Alabama. She loved her children and grandchildren very much. She also loved shopping at thrift stores and had a contagious laugh. Shooting dice and playing cards were some of her favorite pastimes. Visitation will be held Thursday, March 4, 2021 from 1-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, where services will be held at 2 p.m. Pastor Rodney Ridgeway will officiate. Burial will be in Pisgah Cemetery. Lanice is survived by her sons Gary Keller, Michael (Amanda) Keller, Huie (Allison) Keller, Larry (LaDonna) Keller and Terry (Valerie) Keller; daughters Dottie (John) Scott, Penny George, Johnnie (Doug) Scott, Cindy Keller and Sheila (Will-Dale) Simmons; grandchildren Daniel Keller, Sarah Smith, Bridget Turner, Crystal Adcock, Blake Keller, Makenzie Keller, Kinley Hale, Felicia Baldwin, Dustin Rickmon, Bethany Jones, Brittney Keller, Isabella Keller, Anthony Keller, Johnathan Scott, Tina Scott, Joanie Gilchrist, Brittini Hester and Logan Keller; a host of great grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; and a brother, Leborn Cox. She was preceded in death by her husband Franklin Keller, Jr.; parents Birt and Eloise Cox; brothers Toad Cox, Billy Cox, and Bus Cox; and sisters Josephine Watson, Polly Marcus, Jewel Ballard, Kathlene McDonald, and Sue Wooten.

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EDUCATION

# St. Bernard students inducted into National Honor Society

**Joyce Nix**
St. Bernard



JOYCE NIX

*New Honor Society inductees include (front row, left to right) Natalie Garcia, Allison Stidham, Briana Garcia, Kiara Garcia, Ava Buckingham, Elizabeth Hazard, Ashley Morris and Mary Ella Cockerham; and (back row, left to right) Luis Garcia, Adrian Cortes-Vellegas, Jiovany Ariaga, Cole Bissot, Ethan Powell, Charles Gil and Xavier Pautler.*

**CULLMAN, Ala.** – New inductees and a host of parents gathered in the Abbey Byre Thursday, Feb. 25, 2021 to honor and induct 14 St. Bernard Prep high school students into the National Honor Society.

The National Honor Society is the nation's most prestigious organization recognizing outstanding high school students distinguished by scholarship (at least 90 average), leadership, service and character.

Addressing those in attendance, St. Bernard Headmaster Fr. Joel Martin, O.S.B. said, "You are here for two reasons: your use of intellect and will. Your intellect and other considerable gifts are not your doing; they come from God.

"But what you do with those gifts is your choice, and you've chosen to use them well, in academic pursuit, leadership, service of others and shaping good character in yourself. Congratulations and thank you. The world needs you?"

Anna Guthery, president of the National Honor Society, presided over the ceremony. Each of the other officers presented one of the four qualities for NHS membership: Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Character.

Faculty sponsor Joseph Bond said the NHS officers were faced with the daunting task of making a brief formal speech before a large audience.

"They did an excellent job! We wish to congratulate and welcome each of our new members."

Immediately following the ceremony, students and parents enjoyed a nice reception.

NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

# Understanding true portion sizes

**Helen H. Jones**
Contributor

A key part of healthy eating means choosing appropriate amounts of different foods. When it comes to deciding how much to eat, the terms serving size and portion size are often interchangeable. Serving size is a standardized amount of food. It may be used to quantify recommended amounts, as is the case with the MyPlate food groups. It may also represent quantities that people typically consume on a nutrition facts label. Portion size is the amount of a food a person chooses to eat, which may be more than or less than a serving. The two terms may also have different meanings, depending on the situation. For example, the nutrition facts label may indicate 1/2 cup of cereal per serving. However, if a person eats 3/4 cup, that is the portion size.

**Estimating portion sizes**

Measuring cups and spoons are great tools for making sure a portion is the same as the serving size. However, these tools aren't always available when getting ready to eat.

Another way for a person to estimate portion size is by comparing the food to their hand or object.

**A baseball or an average-sized fist = 1 cup**

- 1 cup of cold cereal, 1 cup of rice or pasta
- 8 oz. of milk or yogurt
- 8 oz. of servings of natural fruit juices

**A tennis ball or small, scooped handful = ½ cup or 1 ounce**

- 1 oz. of nuts
- 1 oz. of dried fruits
- 1/2 cup of fruit or vegetables

**A deck of cards or the palm of the hand = 3 ounces**

- 3 oz. of fish, chicken, beef and other meats

**The size of the thumb = 1 tablespoon**

- 1 tbsp. of peanut butter or other nut spreads such as almond butter
- 1 oz. of low-fat cheese

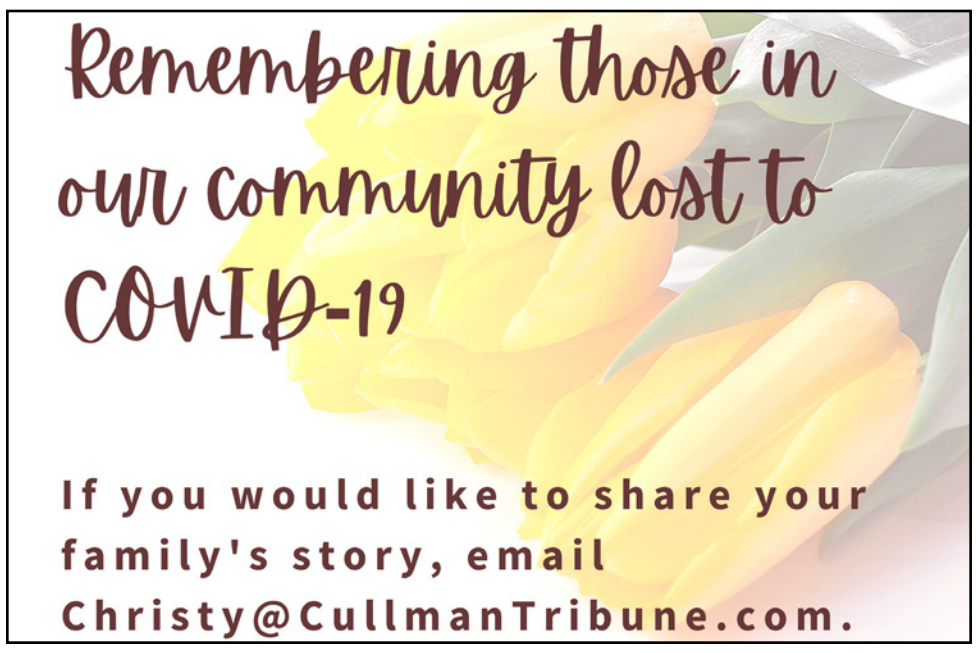
**A postage stamp or the distance from the tip of your pointer finger to the first joint = 1 teaspoon**

- 1 tsp. of oils or other fats

**Plan before eating**

Before eating, think about what and how much food goes on the plate and in the cup or bowl. It is easy to mistake a larger portion as a better value. To overcome portion distortion and downsize portions, try the following:

- **Read the Label** – The nutrition facts label can help identify the appropriate serving size.
- **Eat from a plate, not a package** – It is easy to eat more than one serving when eating straight from the box or bag.
- **Use the right measuring tools** – Try portioning out foods with measuring cups and spoons to give an idea of what the serving size should look like.
- **Skip the upgrade** – When dining out, it may seem like a better value to pay 50 cents extra for a larger size. However, people are actually paying for extra, unwanted calories, fats, sugar, salt, etc.







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# Holly Pond moves forward with sewer repairs, improvements; Community Easter egg hunt given OK

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**HOLLY POND, Ala.** – The Holly Pond Town Council on Monday evening approved a proposal to make the first of three major repairs to the town's sewer system by installing new gearbox seals, shafts, bearings and rotors in two pumps. Council members approved an $18,784 request based on an estimate from Tyler McKeller of Living Waters Services. The total for all recommended repairs, including those approved Monday, is estimated to be $43,122.

**Easter celebration is on**

Councilwoman Julie Ray requested, and the council approved, a community Easter egg hunt at Governor's Park at 2 p.m. Saturday, Apr. 3, 2021, the day before Easter Sunday. The council approved up to $200 to fund the event. Ray told the council that children will be encouraged to bring their own baskets, but that she will have some baskets available for kids who do not have one of their own.

**Road repairs coming**

The council approved a $750 request from Mayor Carla Hart to make repairs to Cemetery Road at the site where a culvert was installed last year. The estimate came from the Cullman County Road Department, which will make the repair with DuraPatch material.

The council also heard a request from a local resident to tend to issues on Turkey Hop Road. Mayor Hart responded that the Town is still waiting to hear about a grant applied for under the Rebuild Alabama Act to make the needed repairs to that road.

The Holly Pond Town Council meets at 6 p.m. on the first Monday of each month at the Guy Hunt Library. The public is invited to attend.

# Fairview (from Front)

son – town businesses
• Steve Eddleman – charitable/religious/nonprofit organizations
• Joseph Black – community services/utilities/government agencies
• Keith Henry – educational entities
• Julie Grimes – legislative delegation/town representatives

The Fairview Town Council will hold its next regularly scheduled meeting Monday, April 5 at 6 p.m. at Fairview Town Hall.

# Murder (from Front)

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**ARKADELPHIA, Ala.** – A Bremen man has been charged with murder in the death of his wife. The charge stems from a shooting that occurred Wednesday night, Jan. 27, 2021 at a residence along the 3200 block of County Road 5 south of Arkadelphia.

Cullman County Coroner Jeremy L. Kilpatrick that night identified the deceased as Tammy McClellan, 50, of Bremen.

The victim's husband, Thomas Leon McClellan, 57, was arrested Saturday, Feb. 27.

Members of the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO), Cullman EMS, the Arkadelphia Volunteer Fire Department, Cold Springs Volunteer Fire Department and Regional Air-Medical Services all responded to the scene of the crime that night.

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry said the next day, "It has been determined that this was a domestic incident which led to an altercation.

"The altercation escalated and both individuals sustained gunshot wounds. Unfortunately, this resulted in the death of one of the individuals, while the other is being treated in an area hospital."

Court records show Thomas McClellan's bond was set at $150,000 cash.



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