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CCCDC awards over $80,000 in grants to local fire departments and other recipients

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Recipients of the most recent grants from the Cullman County Community Development Commission gathered Monday morning to receive the funds for their upcoming projects.

The seven recipients were given $12,000 each, for a total amount of $84,000 awarded.

The organizations who received the grants, as well as the people who accepted the checks on behalf of the organizations and the projects the grants were awarded for, are as follows:

• Beverly Jenkins for Good Hope Elementary School – purchasing tables and chairs for social distancing,

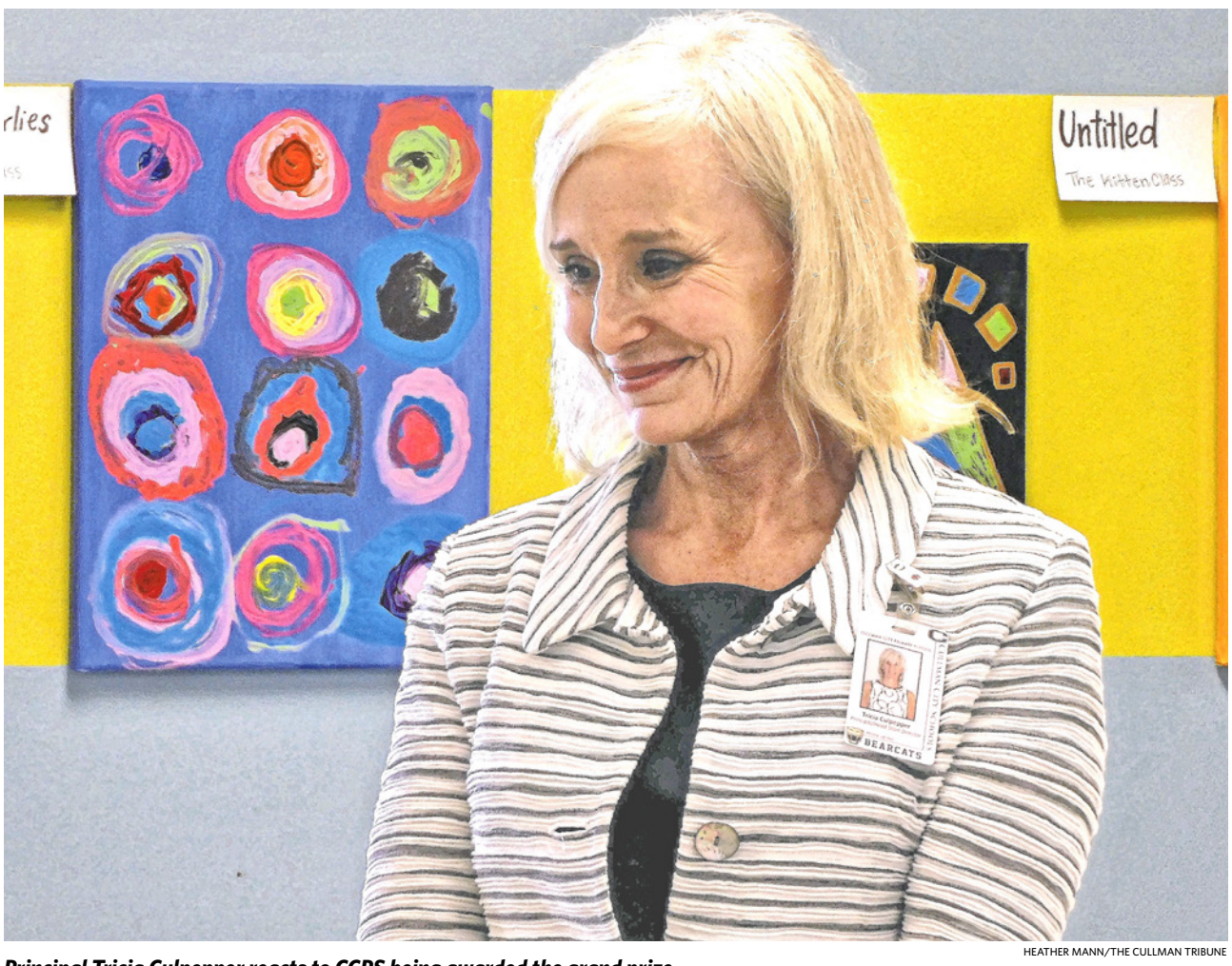
• Lori McGrath for the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation – assisting cancer patients in need,

• John Teems for Crane Hill Communities Fire and EMS – purchase of a LUCAS CPR device,

• Jerry Ferrell for Walter Volunteer Fire Department – purchasing turnout gear, rechargeable flashlights, medical equipment, batteries and chargers, » PAGE 2

– EDUCATION –

Cullman City Primary School wins national grand prize for excellence in LETRS reading program



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Principal Tricia Culpepper reacts to CCPS being awarded the grand prize

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Monday afternoon, representatives from 27 schools and school districts across the country tuned in to a virtual ceremony as a panel of judges in the state of Washington announced the winners of the first-ever Dr. Louisa Moats Award for Excellence in Implementing the Science of Reading. With Cullman City Primary School (CCPS) one of six finalists, parents, students, teachers and administrators at the school gathered and watched the ceremony together and celebrate making it to the final selection.

The LETRS (Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling) program was created by literacy experts Dr. Carol Tolman and Dr. Louisa Moats and developed to create more flexible and effective ways to teach reading and spelling to students from pre-K to fifth grade. To advance Dr. Moats's legacy, the Louisa Moats Award was created in 2020 for the purpose of recognizing schools that have made innovative and transformative improvement in student reading skills. The award ceremony recognized six finalists, then chose two runner ups and a grand prize winner based on the award applications. Applicants were given the option of writing an essay for their school or submitting a five-minute video, and CCPS chose the second option.

The video highlighted the classroom of Shannon Dutton, the first grade teacher who found the award competition and suggested that the school apply. » PAGE 6

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Baileyton Town Council holds first meeting in new Town Hall



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Past council members stand as they are recognized for their service to the Town of Baileyton » PAGE 8

HEALTH

Governor Ivey announces COVID-19 Public Health Order and State of Emergency to end » PAGE 2

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

St. Bernard Prep Drama presents 'The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery' May 6 - 8



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The cast rehearsing over the weekend. L-R: Maddie McBride, Willa smith, Kathleen George, Toni Schuper, John-David Gray. » PAGE 7

EDUCATION

Scholars' Bowl Scoreboard county wrap-up: West Point high school and middle school teams dominate » PAGE 8

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported April 29 - May 2

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported April 29 through May 2, 2021. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

April 29

- unlawful possession of marijuana; CR 1422
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E
- harassment; Hwy. 69 S
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 437
- criminal mischief; CR 842
- domestic violence; CR 1595
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; illegal possession of prescription drugs; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 N
- domestic violence; menacing; Hwy. 69

April 30

- domestic violence; menacing; CR 947
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 1728
- menacing; CR 803
- harassment; CR 1223
- domestic violence; Hwy. 31
- harassment; CR 813

May 1

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 1141
- domestic violence; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 101
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Ryan Rd.
- trespassing; Beech Ave.
- theft of property; CR 734
- domestic violence; CR 590
- violation of protection order; CR 1514
- harassment; Hwy. 31

May 2

- theft of property; unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 109
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana; Hwy. 91
- trespassing; CR 1772
- theft of property; Hwy. 31
- burglary; CR 5
- trespassing; CR 1502
- theft of property; Hwy. 69 S

ARRESTS

April 29

Elms, Randy Levon; 25
- larceny/theft vehicle parts (2 counts)

Engle, Amanda Westmoreland; 42
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Gillian, Gabriel Ray; 33
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Hand, Michael Heath; 44
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Harris, Ellen Jill; 46
- possession of synthetic narcotic
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Johnson, Roman Caleb; 22
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Jordan, Jade Moore; 26
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs

King, William Glenn; 28
- unauthorized use of truck-no force

McClendon, Zachary August; 31
- fraud- identity theft (2 counts)

McKee, Shannon Reed; 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- open container- alcohol in vehicle

Ochoa, Ruby Jane; 46
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Quick, Kevin James; 56
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Stephenson, Wanda Faye; 57
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Turner, Kurt David; 51
- possession of synthetic narcotic
- larceny/theft- miscellaneous

April 30

Baraglia, Lacy Brook; 31
- Judges Orders- burglary-residence-force (2 counts)

Brandy, Brianna Densie; 26
- public intoxication

Crawford, Emily Rose; 25
- plea agreement-third-degree burglary
- domestic violence

Dial, Chad Wayne; 38
- Judges Order- sex offense-incest with a minor
- Judges Order- sex offense-rape-strong arm

Evans, Nathan Ryan; 33
- Judges Order- possession of methamphetamine
- Judges Order- sex offense-rape-strong arm

Grinder, Angel Lashea; 26
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hayes, Duane Sean; 48
- Judges Order- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Hollenack, Lyndsey Nicole; 27
- Plea Agreement- burglary-residence-force
- Plea Agreement- drug trafficking
- Plea Agreement- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)

Kent, Chloe Marie; 22
- Plea Agreement- assault-aggravated assault police officer

McCurdy, James Eugene; 35
- larceny/theft-theft of article from auto

Ortiz, Francisco Aviles; 29
- plea agreement- assault
- plea agreement- burglary-residence-force
- plea agreement- forgery-counterfeiting (2 counts)

Riggs, Destiny Veronica; 21
- motion to revoke bond-burglary-residence-force

Schulze, Robert John; 21
- drug trafficking

Sparks, Sabrina Montgomery; 36
- FTA- driving while license suspended

May 1

Bates, Owain Dale; 20
- theft by fraudulent leasing

Gilland, Chad Michael; 39
- probation revoked- possession of cocaine

Green, Brittney Lashea; 26
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- larceny- second-degree theft of property $1,500 - $2,000

Myrick, Cynthia Wynelle; 39
- FTA- larceny/theft-shoplifting less than $500

Owens, Chad Michael; 36
- FTA- third-degree domestic violence- assault (2 counts)
- FTA- third-degree criminal mischief (2 counts)
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)

Pate, Cody Wade; 35
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- negotiating worthless instrument (3 counts)

Richardson, James Wayne; 64
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Tuck, Nicole Hope; 21
- FTA- assault-domestic violence-harassment-family
- FTA- driving while license suspended

May 2

Aderhold, William Zachary; 41
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Bates, Owain Dale; 20
- theft by fraudulent leasing

Colburn, Dakota Chance; 25
- FTA- possession of concealed weapon without a permit

Creel, Patrick Scott; 45
- promote prison contraband
- FTA- public intoxication

Dobbs, Christopher Wilburn; 37
- possession of heroin
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- promote prison contraband

Hulsey, Nathaniel Logan; 21
- DUI (alcohol)

Johnson, Jenifer Marie; 34
- assault-harassment

Lambert, Michael Lee; 39
- possession of methamphetamine

Needham, Robie Wayne; 51
- FTA- criminal mischief

Overton, Dustin Dakota; 24
- criminal trespass

Phillips, Dalena Lucille; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Strong, James Edward; 57
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

Thornton, Zakariah Dewayne; 29
- FTA- illegal possession/use of credit/debit card

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

April 30

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; 3rd Ave. SW
- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; merchandise; $92

May 1

- third-degree domestic violence-harassment; person; Austin Ave. SW
- third-degree burglary; person; 4th St. SW; miscellaneous; $560

May 2

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; 4th St. SW; iPad; $800
- second-degree assault; first-degree criminal mischief; third-degree criminal mischief; person; Donauer Dr. SW; damaged property; $3,500
- second-degree theft of property; person; Field of Miracles Dr. SW; medication/cash
- third-degree domestic violence-harassment; person; Edgewood St. NW
- harassment; person

ARRESTS

April 30

Miller, Bradley L.; 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Story, Gregory B.; 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Laningham, Kevin L.; 43
- violation of protection order

Robinson, Justin P.; 24
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- tag insurance

Cowart, Scott B.; 52
- public intoxication

May 1

Lindsey, Kristy L.; 44
- unlawful possession of controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Owens, Chad M.; 36
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- driving without license (2 counts)
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- insurance violation

Frederick, Tasha C.; 32
- DUI

Turner, Howard M.; 32
- third-degree domestic violence-harassment

May 2

Kirby, Donald W.; 32
- third-degree burglary

Brown, Dalton M.; 23
- first-degree criminal mischief
- third-degree criminal mischief
- second-degree assault
- reckless endangerment (5 counts)
- public intoxication
- attempt to elude

Coots, Steven D.; 31
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- insurance violation (4 counts)
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- fail to yield
- FTA- improper lights
- FTA- driving without license (5 counts)
- FTA- fail to signal
- FTA- driving while suspended (2 counts)
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- improper tires

Thornton, Zakariah D.; 29
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Leipert, Jeffery L.; 51
- harassment

Perales, Salomon A.; 28
- unlawful possession of controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Grants (from Front)

- Jeremy Simmons for Good Hope Fire Rescue – purchasing extrication equipment,
- Corey Freeman for Logan Fire and Rescue – purchase of new turnout gear and
- Charese Morris for the Cullman County Center for the Developmentally Disabled – payment of fees associated with shipments of Walmart returns.

Presenting the checks to the recipients were Cherrie Haney, chairman of the CCCDC, and Josh Speakman, CCCDC member.

To request a grant, visit the CCCDC website (http://www.co.cullman.al.us/cccdc/cccdc.html) to read the grant request policies and fill out the online grant request form.

COVID-19 (from Front)

Office of Gov. Kay Ivey
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Governor Kay Ivey on Monday announced that Alabama's COVID-19 public health order will end Monday, May 31, and the state of emergency will end Tuesday, July 6.

"For over a year now, Alabamians, like people around the globe, have made sacrifices and adjusted to a temporary 'new normal.' We have learned much since last year, and this is absolutely now a managed pandemic. Our infection rates and hospitalizations are in better shape, and over 1.5 million Alabamians have had at least one shot of the COVID-19 vaccine," Governor Ivey said.

"Alabamians have consistently stepped up to the plate over the course of this pandemic, and I know they will continue to do so. I am pleased that we have shown the rest of the country that we are gritty and determined. We are signaling loud and clear that Alabama is open, and we are moving forward."

The current Safer Apart order consists primarily of recommendations aligned with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance.

However, specific guidance applies to two groups. Senior citizen centers must continue to follow guidelines issued by the Alabama Department of Senior Services.

Hospitals and nursing homes must follow current guidance from the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services with respect to visitation.

Barring a great spike in COVID-19 cases, these last remaining requirements should be lifted with the expiration of this order May 31.

State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris said, "As we approach the 14th month of this pandemic, we are pleased that two-thirds of Alabama residents ages 65 and older have been vaccinated. While some barriers such as transportation remain, more than 1,300 providers in the state are administering safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine in communities throughout the state."

"We are very appreciative of Governor Ivey and our excellent working relationship with the Alabama National Guard. The state is really fortunate to have these men and women to support us.

"Guard members have concluded six weeks of vaccination clinics in 24 rural and underserved counties, and now are planning smaller mobile sites in each public health district to offer vaccine to hard-to-reach populations. I am excited about the progress that has been made," Dr. Harris added.

As of April 5, all Alabamians ages 16 and older have been eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccination. Governor Ivey continues to encourage Alabamians to get the safe and effective vaccine.

"Look, I have been vaccinated. I believe in the science, believe that it works and have confidence in it.

"So, like I said, I have been fully vaccinated, and I will live like I have been fully vaccinated. Similar to when we ended the mask requirement, this final extension gives all Alabama health care providers, businesses and individuals adequate time to make preparations," Governor Ivey concluded.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

"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.

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.
• Sundays-9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Small group classes for children, youth and adults at 10 a.m. Praise and Worship and message at 11 a.m.
• Sunday, May 9 - 11 a.m. Praise and Worship. Special Mother's Day message by Pam Dodd. Italian meal for women and mothers immediately after morning service prepared by our men. Come join us for our morning service and meal.

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
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Festhalle Farmers Market
• 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. – Open every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from April – October
• Stop by to shop the freshest produce from Cullman-based farms
• For more information, call 256-590-5009 or send an email to mgraveman@cullmanrecreation.org

2nd Annual Ridin' for Residents
• May 8 - The 2nd Annual Ridin' for Residents is coming up Saturday, May 8. This is a joint benefit between Cullman County Wranglers and USA Healthcare to bring joy and smiles to the faces of the residents of some of Cullman and surrounding areas' assisted living centers and nursing homes.
• Our inaugural event had 127 Jeeps! Let's make our 2nd event even more fun for our residents!
• If you would like to bring a donation, we are seeking stamps, stationery, blank greeting cards, pens, lotions, shower gel or card games. Donations are completely optional.
• Registration is free. We ask that you register, so we have an accurate count to give city officials, so they can offer assistance with traffic the day of the event. To register or purchase a T-shirt, visit https://cullmancountywranglers.com/ridinforresidents/.

To purchase a T-shirt, click "register," and you will see the option to purchase. To receive your shirt by the day of the event, you must order by 10 a.m. on April 22. Shirts are $20 and available in youth and adult sizes. XXL and XXXL shirts are $22 and $23 respectively.

Cullman City Cemetery Decoration
Sunday, May 9

Cullman Shred Day
Saturday, May 22 – Presented by the Better Business Bureau of North Alabama, Cullman Shred Day will offer free contactless drive-up services, such as document shredding and drug take back (no needles) from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the King Edward Plaza Shopping Center – 1731 2nd Ave. SW, Cullman, AL 35055. For more information, call 256-734-8209.

Cullman County Bosom Buddies Craft Fair and Vendor Expo
• Saturday, June 12th from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at Cullman Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2214
• 112 Veterans Dr. SW, Cullman, AL 35055
• For more information, call Judy Grissom at 256-347-5993

Christ Lutheran Church Anniversary
• June 20 - 100th Anniversary Kickoff Event
• Free Community Ice Cream Social, 2 - 4 p.m.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, May 3, 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: 409,028 (+590 since Friday)
• Probable cases in AL: 119,756 (+272 since Friday)
• Total confirmed deaths in AL: 8,602 (+12 since Friday)
• Probable deaths in AL: 2,311
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,504 (+12 since Friday)
• Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,113 (+5 since Friday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 129 (+0 since Friday)
• Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 64
• Total tested in Cullman Co.: 40,801
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,087
• Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 72
• Total tested in Alabama: 2,510,134
• Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 3,771
• Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 118,822
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 356
• Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama (reported M-F): 48,868
• Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 335,669

Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 3,905,075
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 2,905,075
• Doses administered: 2,562,136
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 1,511,830
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 1,126,796
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 981,970

Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 16 and older) are now 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

More than 1 million Alabama residents are fully vaccinated for COVID-19
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has updated its guidance for fully vaccinated people. Now that more than 1 million Alabamians have achieved full vaccination for COVID-19, new guidance removes some restrictions. People are considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19 two weeks or more after they have received the second dose in a two-dose series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or two weeks or more after they have received a single-dose vaccine (Johnson & Johnson/Janssen).

Interim Public Health recommendations for fully vaccinated people

The CDC recommends the following for fully vaccinated people:
• Guiding principles for fully vaccinated people are now provided. This includes continuing to follow all applicable federal, state, tribal and local regulations.
• Immunocompromised people need to consult their health care provider about these recommendations, even if they are fully vaccinated.
• Fully vaccinated people no longer need to wear a mask outdoors, except in certain crowded settings and venues. A graphical representation of ways to choose safer activities is available at this site: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/pdfs/324153_choosing-SaferActivities11.pdf
• Fully vaccinated workers no longer need to be restricted from work following an exposure, so long as they are asymptomatic.
• Fully vaccinated residents of non-health care congregate settings no longer need to quarantine following a known exposure.
• Fully vaccinated asymptomatic people without an exposure may be exempted from routine screening testing, if feasible.

In addition to these key points, guidance is described in detail at: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html

Johnson & Johnson vaccine update
After a temporary pause, the single-dose Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine has been authorized for use in adults. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine can be used in a variety of settings and is highly effective, making it an important tool in the fight against COVID-19. Due to reports of a rare but serious adverse event – blood clots with low platelets (thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome) – women younger than 50 should be aware that there are other COVID-19 vaccine options available in addition to the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

National Guard COVID-19 vaccination clinic update
The Alabama National Guard continues to hold second-dose Pfizer vaccine clinics in under-served and rural counties throughout the state. The second-dose clinics are being held in the same counties that were originally visited to offer first doses. Second-dose vaccination information can be found at www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/ng-clinics.html.

Johnson & Johnson one-dose vaccine available at National Guard second-dose clinics
The Alabama National Guard second-dose COVID-19 vaccine clinics also have 200 doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine available for anyone who has not received any vaccine. Johnson & Johnson is a single-dose vaccine, so no second dose clinics will be required for those who receive it.

FEMA community vaccination center now offering COVID-19 vaccinations
No appointment, ID or insurance required. The drive-thru FEMA Community Vaccination Center located at Watermark Place (4500 Katies Way) in Bessemer is now providing vaccinations to citizens. The site is open seven days a week and appointments are available, but not required. Appointments can be made on the web scheduler located at https://myturn.timetap.com. The website also includes links to documents that will need to be reviewed before being vaccinated. These materials will also be available on-site.

At least 40% of 10 Alabama counties' residents vaccinated
Forty percent or more of the residents ages 16 and older of 10 Alabama counties have received one or more doses of COVID-19 vaccine to date. Successful public health efforts to achieve vaccine equity have resulted in higher vaccine uptake among African American residents of Black Belt counties. Counties where 40% or more of their residents have been vaccinated are as follows: Lowndes, Bullock, Perry, Hale, Marengo, Shelby, Wilcox, Jefferson, Madison and Greene. Vaccines are one key to protecting the most vulnerable and helping stop the pandemic in Alabama.

ADPH still encourages use of facial coverings
Masks or other facial coverings are no longer a mandate under the Safer Apart order. ADPH still encourages the use of facial coverings and reminds everyone that masks remain one of the most successful tools to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. Many businesses and health care facilities continue to require facial coverings in their facilities.

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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Cullman's Thompson makes MLB debut against Reds

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CINCINNATI, Ohio – After joining the Cubs' taxi squad earlier this week, former Cullman High School and Auburn great Keegan Thompson was officially activated by Chicago yesterday and made his major league debut in Cincinnati Sunday afternoon. Thompson relieved Dillon Maples in the bottom of the fifth and tossed a scoreless inning against the heart of the Reds' lineup, allowing two hits and walking one batter. Thompson was relieved by Alec Mills in the sixth.

Thompson was selected by the Cubs with the 105th pick in the third round of the 2017 MLB Draft after turning in a 19-10 career record with a 2.46 ERA at Auburn, which ranks tied for sixth in program history.

Thompson has made 35 minor league appearances, including 29 starts, and is 10-10 with a 3.47 ERA. He has struck out 151 batters and issued 39 walks in 158.2 professional innings.

Chicago will return home to Wrigley Field to host the Los Angeles Dodgers Monday night at 6:40.



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Former Cullman High School and Auburn Tigers' standout made his MLB debut with the Chicago Cubs Sunday afternoon.

PREP SOCCER PLAYOFFS

Cullman falls to Southside 2-0 in round 3

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Lady Bearcats were back home at Oliver Woodard Stadium Saturday night to host their first ever appearance in the third round of the AHSAA state playoffs and squared off against the Lady Panthers of Southside. Unfortunately for the home crowd, Southside scored a pair of early goals to take a 2-0 lead and was able to hold that lead throughout the second half to leave Cullman with a 2-0 win and a spot in the final four next week.

The Lady Panthers scored in the opening five minutes to take a quick, 1-0 lead and were able to put another goal in the back of the net with just under 22 minutes to play in the first half to make it a 2-0 game. Elley Atchison very nearly scored for the Lady Bearcats in the final seconds of the opening half but couldn't quite get the ball past the Southside keeper and Cullman went into the half trailing 2-0.

The Lady Bearcats kept their momentum going from the end of the first half and got several good shots on goal early in the second half, but they couldn't quite find the back of the net and the Lady Panthers held on to win it 2-0.

The loss brings an end to a stellar season for Cullman that included an area championship and its first trip to the third round of the state playoffs in school history. Cullman Head Coach Luke Hackbarth is proud of the way his team competed has competed all season long and has been happy to see their hard work pay off on the field.

"These girls deserve all the credit. When we took this program over two years ago our goal was to build on the foundation the Brown's built.

"We as a staff looked at the team and where they were mentally and physically, and we knew that for them to reach their potential that there had to be some breakthroughs. When I was coaching at Oak Mountain in 2012, I was fortunate to be part of a team that was selfless and played together, Scheme was simplistic and sound, and the girls just played their roles really well. We obviously had talent but had zero egos and went 28-2 and won state.

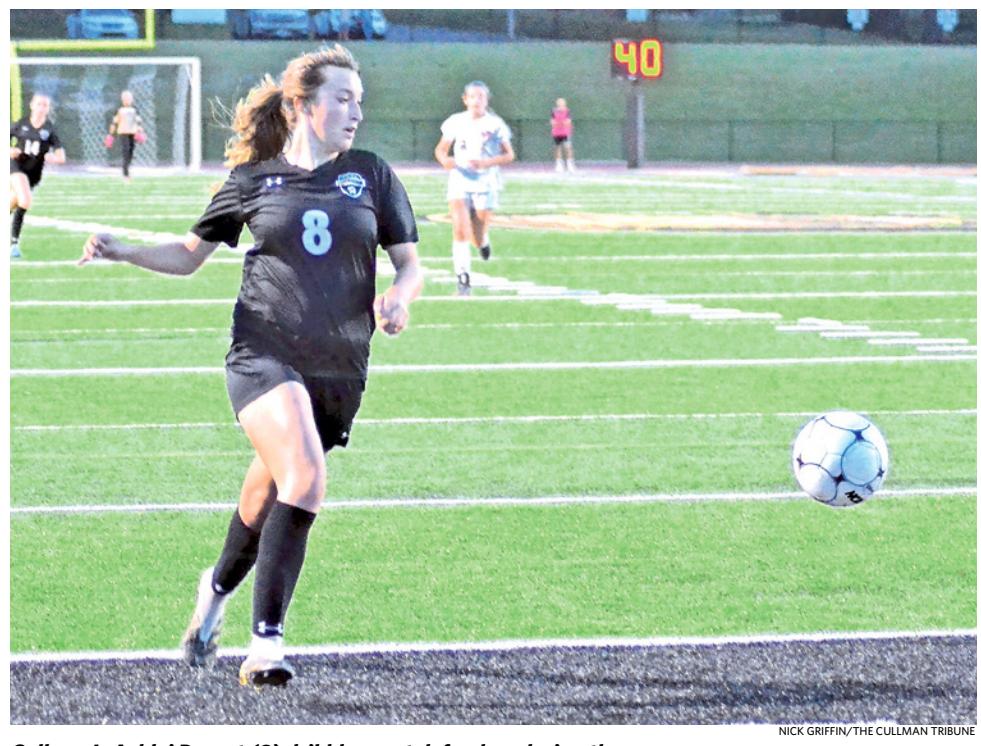
"That being said, when we discussed our approach two years ago, we knew how important it was for them to see that they'd have to put in a lot of work to get where they wanted to be, but we also knew how important it was for them to truly see their potential," Hackbarth said.

"So, our main goal was to empower these girls and make them believe in themselves and see their worth. Not to make them question every touch or run. It's not a magic formula.

"Just play your scheme well, give great effort day in and day out and then work to make the most of the opportunities you get. Results will take care of themselves as will winning. It's taken a lot to get through to some and we are still building on these principles, but the girls have responded so well and have taken it and run with it.

"I've been able to take a more administrative, GM approach over the program because Megan (Hackbarth) and Jonathan (Knappenberger) do such a phenomenal job coaching, empowering these girls and pushing them to give their best daily."

With no seniors on this year's roster, Cullman is set to return everyone next season, so the future is certainly looking bright for the Lady Bearcats.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Ashlei Bryant (8) dribbles past defenders during the Lady Bearcats' 2-0 loss to Southside Saturday night.

PREP BASEBALL PLAYOFFS

'Cats drop game 3 at Chelsea 7-2

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CHELSEA, Ala. – After falling to the Hornets in game one 5-4, the Bearcats bounced back to win game two 7-1 and force a rubber match in Chelsea Saturday with a spot in the 6A quarterfinals on the line. Unfortunately for the black and gold crowd, The Hornets were able to take a big lead early and limited Cullman to just two runs on four hits to defeat the 'Cats 7-2 and advance to the next round.

A throwing error and a 2-run triple into deep right field gave the Hornets an early 3-0 lead in the bottom of the first and after a scoreless second inning, Chelsea added to its lead in the third. A leadoff walk followed by a double into right field put runners on the corners and a fielder's choice brought the fourth run home for the Hornets. An RBI single up the middle plated two more runs and Chelsea led the way 6-0 going into the fourth.

A two-out single gave the Hornets another run in the bottom of the fourth and the 'Cats trailed 7-0 going into the fifth but that's when Cullman was finally able to put some hits together and cut into the lead.

Jake Dueland was hit by a pitch to give the Bearcats a base runner and after a balk allowed him to advance to third, Paxton Ponder drilled a ground ball to third and reached first on an error, allowing Dueland to score and make it 7-1. A few pitches later, Matt Brock drove a double into right field to bring in Ponder and trim the lead to 7-2 going into the bottom half of the fifth.

Tucker Apel took the mound for Cullman and retired the first three batters he faced on just seven pitches to get the 'Cats back in the dugout and back at the plate trailing by five. Max Dueland laced a two-out single into left field to give the Bearcats a runner in the top of the sixth, but a fielder's choice got the Hornets out of the inning with their lead intact.

Apel made quick work of Chelsea in the bottom half of the sixth with just nine more pitches but Cullman was headed to the top of the seventh trailing 7-2 and down to its final three outs.

Zac Edwards roped a single up the middle to put a runner on first with one out but after Ponder drove a fly ball just short of the fence in right field to make it two outs, a strikeout ended the season for the Bearcats in round two with a 7-2 loss to the Hornets.

Brock finished with a hit and an RBI for Cullman in the loss and Edwards, Max Dueland and Kaleb Heatherly each added a hit as well.

The Bearcats finished another strong season with a 28-13 record, another area championship and will no doubt be back next spring to make another postseason run.

Chelsea 5 – Cullman 4 (Game one) (Friday)
After a leadoff walk from Matt Brock, Brennen Norton singled up the middle and an error by the center fielder allowed Brock to score and gave the Bearcats an early 1-0 lead in the top of the first. The Hornets were aided by three Cullman errors in the bottom half of the first and put four runs on the board to pull ahead 4-1 going into the second inning.

Jake Dueland led off the top of the second with a single up the middle and Zac Edwards drove a ball into right that got past the right fielder and allowed Dueland to score, cutting the lead to 4-2. After another single from Jack Stanford, Paxton Ponder laid a bunt down the third base line to bring Edwards home and make it a 4-3 game going into the bottom of the second.

Kaleb Heatherly drew a walk and Hayden Stancil singled down the right field line to give the 'Cats a pair of baserunners with one out in the top of the third and Dueland drove in Heatherly with an RBI single to tie the game at 4.

Both pitchers and defenses settled in for the next three innings until they arrived at the final frame. Chelsea led off the bottom of the seventh with an infield single and after the next batter laid down a bunt, another error allowed the runner to score the winning run from first and give the Hornets a 5-4 win in game one.

Dueland finished with a pair of hits and an RBI in the loss and Stancil added a pair of hits as well. Norton, Edwards and Stanford also posted hits for the Bearcats. Cullman committed six errors in the loss.

Cullman 7 – Chelsea 1 (Game two) (Friday)
The Bearcats took another early lead in game two thanks to back to back singles from Matt Brock and Brennen Norton to lead things off and an RBI groundout from Hayden Stancil that made it 1-0 in the bottom of the first. An RBI single from Max Dueland brought in another run one pitch later and Cullman led the way 2-0 going into the second.

The 'Cats led off the bottom of the second with a double off the bat of Hunter Brooks and after a single by Austin Hurt put runners on the corners, Paxton Ponder drove in Brooks with a sacrifice fly to stretch the lead to 3-0. Cullman continued adding to its lead in the bottom of the third. Stancil and Max Dueland each drew a walk and Jake Dueland laid down a sacrifice bunt to move them to second and third. Both runners were able to score on wild pitches to extend the lead and make it a 5-0 game going into the fourth.

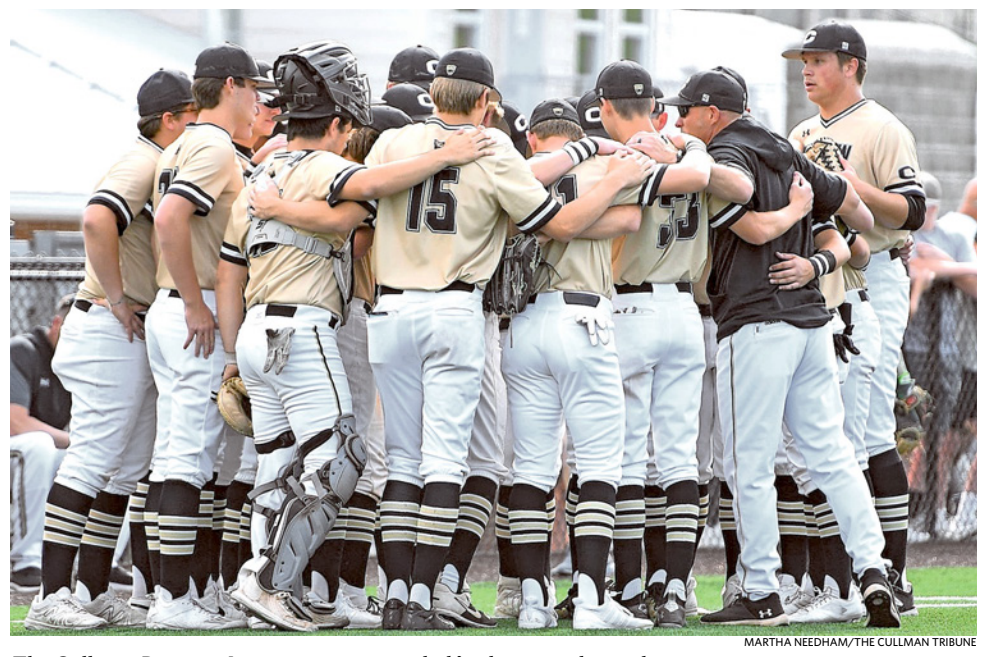
A single, a pair of walks and a wild pitch allowed the Hornets to push a run across and trim the lead to 5-1 in the fourth but a strikeout from Stancil got Cullman out of the inning without any further damage on the scoreboard. The Bearcats were able to get that run back in the bottom half of the inning. Ponder drew a leadoff walk and after moving over to second on a dirt ball, Brock laced an RBI single up the middle to make it a 6-1 game going into the fifth.

A pair of walks gave the Hornets a couple of base runners in the top of the fifth, but Stancil forced the next two batters to fly out and got out of the jam unscathed. Max Dueland was hit by a pitch to lead off the bottom of the fifth and Jake Dueland singled to put a pair of 'Cats on base. After a strikeout and an infield fly, Ponder drove an RBI single into left field to score Max Dueland and give Cullman a 7-1 advantage heading into the sixth inning.

The Hornets went three up, three down in the top half of the sixth and the Bearcats went to the top of the top seventh with a 6-run lead and three outs away from a win in game two. Austin Hurt was on the mound for the top of the seventh and retired the Hornets in order once again to wrap up a 7-1 win for the 'Cats in game two.

Stancil earned the win on the mound for Cullman after tossing 4.1 innings, allowing just one run on one hit and striking out six batters. Hurt pitched the final 2.2 innings, allowing no hits and striking out two.

Norton finished 3-for-4 at the plate in the game two and Brock (one RBI) posted a pair of hits as well. Ponder (one hit) finished with two RBIs and Max Dueland collected a hit and an RBI of his own.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Cullman Bearcats' postseason run ended in the second round Saturday after falling in game three at Chelsea 7-2.



STATE TRACK MEETS

Edgeworth, Lemons post new state records in 3200-meter

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Day two of this year's 1A-3A AHSAA State Track Meet got underway at Oliver Woodard Stadium Saturday morning and after collecting a pair of gold medals yesterday, two local runners picked up two more Saturday morning along with two new state records. Both Vinemont's Ethan Lemons and Cold Springs' Ethan Edgeworth set new 3A and 2A state records on their way to wins in the 3200-meter run. Lemons posted a time of 9:29.11 to outpace the previous 3A state record of 9:43.93 and Edgeworth set a new 2A state record with a time of 9:42.27, besting the previous record time of 9:52.01.

Lemons and Edgeworth each earned gold medals in the 1600-meter Friday as well and there were a few other medals won by locals in Cullman. Addison's Sunny Snoddy placed first in the 2A Javelin with a throw of 114-04 and Gracie Manley collected a silver medal in the discus throw with a 97-07. Cold Springs' Cameron Nunn and Hunter Calvert each earned silver medals in the 2A High Jump and Pole Vault and Ragan Canter collected a bronze medal in the 2A Discus as well. The Lady Eagles' 4x800 meter relay team also earned bronze after posting a time of 11:02.31.

St. Bernard's Madilyn Kerber picked up a bronze medal in the 2A 3200-meter with a time of 12:26.94 and both the Saints' boys and girls 4x800-meter relay teams collected a bronze medal as well.

Holly Pond's Camilla Chambers earned a silver medal as well after posting a time of 11:51.87 in the 3A 3200-meter and Vinemont's Emily Cheatwood got a silver medal of her own in the 3A Triple Jump.

Several local athletes earned medals in Gulf Shores over the weekend as well. Cullman's Brodie Malcom brought home a bronze medal in the 6A Triple Jump after jumping 44-08.50 and a pair of Fairview standouts earned medals of their own. Kabri Redding earned gold in the 5A Discus after throwing 102-07 and Peyton Bailey finished with a bronze in both the 5A 1600 and 3200-meter.

AHSAA 4A-7A STATE TRACK MEET LOCAL RESULTS

CULLMAN HIGH SCHOOL

6A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 13th – Adam Mangum: 2:00.83
- 24th – Harold Sheffield: 2:09.07

6A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 12th – Adam Mangum: 4:31.85
- 15th – Troy Adkison: 4:33.21
- 16th – Nicholas Wood: 4:33.42

6A Boys 3200-Meter Run
- 11th – Nicholas Wood: 9:52.51
- 12th – Troy Adkison: 9:52.56

6A Girls Discus
- 6th – Tatum Nixon: 105-04
- 10th – Sarah Kate Dockery: 94-08

6A Boys High Jump
- 6th – Brodie Malcom: 6-02.00
- 18th – Brodie Malcom: 20-00.00

6A Boys Triple Jump
- 3rd – Brodie Malcom: 44-08.50
- 11th – Isaiah Jones: 42-02.00
- 16th – Jaden Kay: 40-01.75

FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

5A Girls 300-Meter Hurdles
- 18th – Allison Hill: 54.20

5A Boys 400-Meter Dash
- 18th – Eli Frost: 52.87

5A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 8th – Alex England: 2:08.85
- 10th – Peyton Bailey: 2:10.16

5A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 3rd – Peyton Bailey: 4:41.96
- 9th – Alex England: 10:53.85

5A Girls Discus
- 1st – Kabri Redding: 102-07

5A Girls High Jump
- 11th – Kabri Redding: 4-06.00

5A Boys Javelin
- 9th – Tyler Simmons: 139-06

5A Girls Long Jump
- 17th – Allison Hill: 13-11.75

WEST POINT HIGH SCHOOL

5A Boys Discus
- 7th – Patrick Adcock: 119-00

GOOD HOPE HIGH SCHOOL

4A Girls 1600-Meter Run
- 15th – Bijou Phillips: 6:00.34

4A Girls High Jump
- 8th – Peyton Caudle: 4-04.00

4A Boys High Jump
- 11th – Lawton Farr: 5-04.00

4A Girls Javelin
- 5th – Addie Stripling: 109-10

4A Girls Long Jump
- 7th – Bailey Keef: 15-05.00

4A Girls Triple Jump
- 16th – Peyton Caudle: 27-07.25

HANCEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

4A Boys 400-Meter Dash
- 17th – Ben Johnson: 53.49
- 20th – Ion Patrum: 54.03

4A Boys High Jump
15th – Evan Malcom: 5-02.00

AHSAA 1A-3A STATE TRACK MEET LOCAL RESULTS

ADDISON HIGH SCHOOL

2A Girls 300-Meter Hurdles
- 12th – Jasmine Daniel: 55.41

2A Boys 400-Meter Dash
- 12th – Tommy Lee Daniel: 54.92

2A Girls Discus
- 2nd – Gracie Manley: 97-07

2A Girls High Jump
- 4th – Jasmine Daniel: 4-10.00
- 9th – Sunny Snoddy: 4-06.00

2A Girls Javelin
- 1st – Sunny Snoddy: 114-04

2A Boys Javelin
- 8th – Mark Williams: 126-04

2A Girls Shot Put
- 8th – Sunny Snoddy: 28-02.75

2A Girls Triple Jump
- 18th – Brilyn Dover: 27-09.75

COLD SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

2A Girls 100-Meter Hurdles
- 7th – Ella Dickerson: 19.26
- 2A Girls 300-Meter Hurdles
- 6th – Ella Dickerson: 53.36
- 8th – Reagan Parris: 53.56

2A Girls 800-Meter Dash
- 12th – Macie Huffstutler: 2:41.99
- 15th – Paizley Whitlow: 2:43.47

2A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 12th – Ethan Edgeworth: 2:09.02
- 19th – Brody Belcher: 2:20.13

2A Girls 1600-Meter Run
- 6th – Reagan Parris: 5:49.63
- 15th – Macie Huffstutler: 6:07.57

2A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 1st – Ethan Edgeworth: 4:31.18
- 9th – Jayden Allred: 4:55.12

2A Boys 3200-Meter Run
- 1st – Ethan Edgeworth: 9:42.27
- 4th – Jayden Allred: 10:30.44
- 9th – Josiah Walker: 11:16.88

2A Girls 3200-Meter Run
- 5th – Reagan Parris: 12:42.88
- 8th – Macie Huffstutler: 13:22.66
- 16th – Claire Huffstutler: 14:04.43

2A Girls Discus
- 3rd – Ragan Canter: 95-04
- 17th – Madison Bruer: 69-06

2A Boys Discus
- 7th – Zeke White: 112-07
- 22nd – Tristen Jewell: 90-00

2A Boys High Jump
- 2nd – Cameron Nunn: 6-00.00

2A Girls Javelin
- 8th – Toni West: 92-10
- 11th – Madison Bruer: 84-03

2A Boys Javelin
- 18th – Ryan Davis: 113-09

2A Girls Long Jump
- 14th – Ella Dickerson: 13-11.00



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Cold Springs' Ethan Edgeworth (left) and Vinemont's Ethan Lemons (right) each broke the 2A and 3A state records for the 3200-meter run Saturday morning.

2A Boys Pole Vault
- 2nd – Hunter Calvert: 10-09.00
- 4th – Slade Johnson: 8-06.00

2A Girls Shot Put
- 5th – Ragan Canter: 29-02.75
- 6th – Shay Sellers: 28-10.50
- 15th – Ellenora Slussler: 26-01.25

2A Boys Shot Put
- 20th – Zeke White: 36-01.00

SAINT BERNARD PREP

2A Girls 300-Meter Hurdles
- 7th – Abbi McBride: 53.44
- 17th – Kathleen George: 57.25
- 19th – Charlie Roberson: 58.77

2A Boys 300-Meter Hurdles
- 5th – Nikolas Borths: 43.71

2A Girls 800-Meter Dash
- 9th – Madilyn Kerber: 2:38.17
- 20th – Mary Ella Cockerham: 2:51.08
- 23rd – Kathleen George: 2:56.02

2A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 4th – Joseph Arriaga: 2:06.69
- 14th – Eli Loyd: 2:12.22

2A Girls 1600-Meter Run
- 5th – Madilyn Kerber: 5:42.01
- 22nd – Mary Ella Cockerham: 6:22.51

2A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 8th – Joseph Arriaga: 4:54.72
- 11th – Eli Loyd: 5:02.10

2A Girls 3200-Meter Run
- 3rd – Madilyn Kerber: 12:26.94
- 15th – Mary Ella Cockerham: 14:00.79

2A Boys 3200-Meter Run
- 17th – Parker Guthery: 11:45.00

2A Girls Discus
- 4th – Toni Shuper: 86-02
- 7th – Claudia Fallin: 82-02

2A Boys Long Jump
- 8th – Nikolas Borths: 19-02.00

2A Boys Triple Jump
- 5th – Nikolas Borths: 39-11.00
- 13th – Nic Fallin: 37-05.50

HOLLY POND HIGH SCHOOL

3A Boys 300-Meter Hurdles
- 17th – Levi Boatright: 46.42

3A Girls 800-Meter Dash
- 16th – Camilla Chambers: 2:46.95
- 18th – Blakely Baggett: 2:49.65

3A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 19th – Travis Barnett: 2:14.03

3A Girls 1600-Meter Run
- 5th – Camilla Chambers: 5:30.11
- 14th – Blakely Baggett: 6:07.22

3A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 17th – Christopher Putman: 4:57.76

3A Girls 3200-Meter Run
- 2nd – Camilla Chambers: 11:51.87
- 12th – Blakely Baggett: 13:21.15

3A Boys 3200-Meter Run
- 8th – Christopher Putman: 10:18.27
- 21st – Andrick Lindsey: 11:03.53

3A Boys Javelin
- 20th – Isaac Chambers: 117-05

VINEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

3A Girls 100-Meter Hurdles
- 5th – Emily Cheatwood: 17.21

3A Girls 800-Meter Dash
- 8th – Kendall Harbison: 2:39.58

3A Boys 800-Meter Dash
- 10th – Ethan Lemons: 2:06.65

3A Girls 1600-Meter Run
- 13th – Kendall Harbison: 5:58.96

3A Boys 1600-Meter Run
- 1st – Ethan Lemons: 4:25.96

3A Girls 3200-Meter Run
- 11th – Kendall Harbison: 13:15.13

3A Boys 3200-Meter Run
- 1st – Ethan Lemons: 9:29.11

3A Girls Discus
- 13th – Maria Whatley: 79-00

3A Boys Discus
- 7th – Isaiah Young: 105-06

3A Boys Javelin
- 12th – Isaiah Young: 126-08

3A Girls Long Jump
- 7th – Emily Cheatwood: 15-08.00

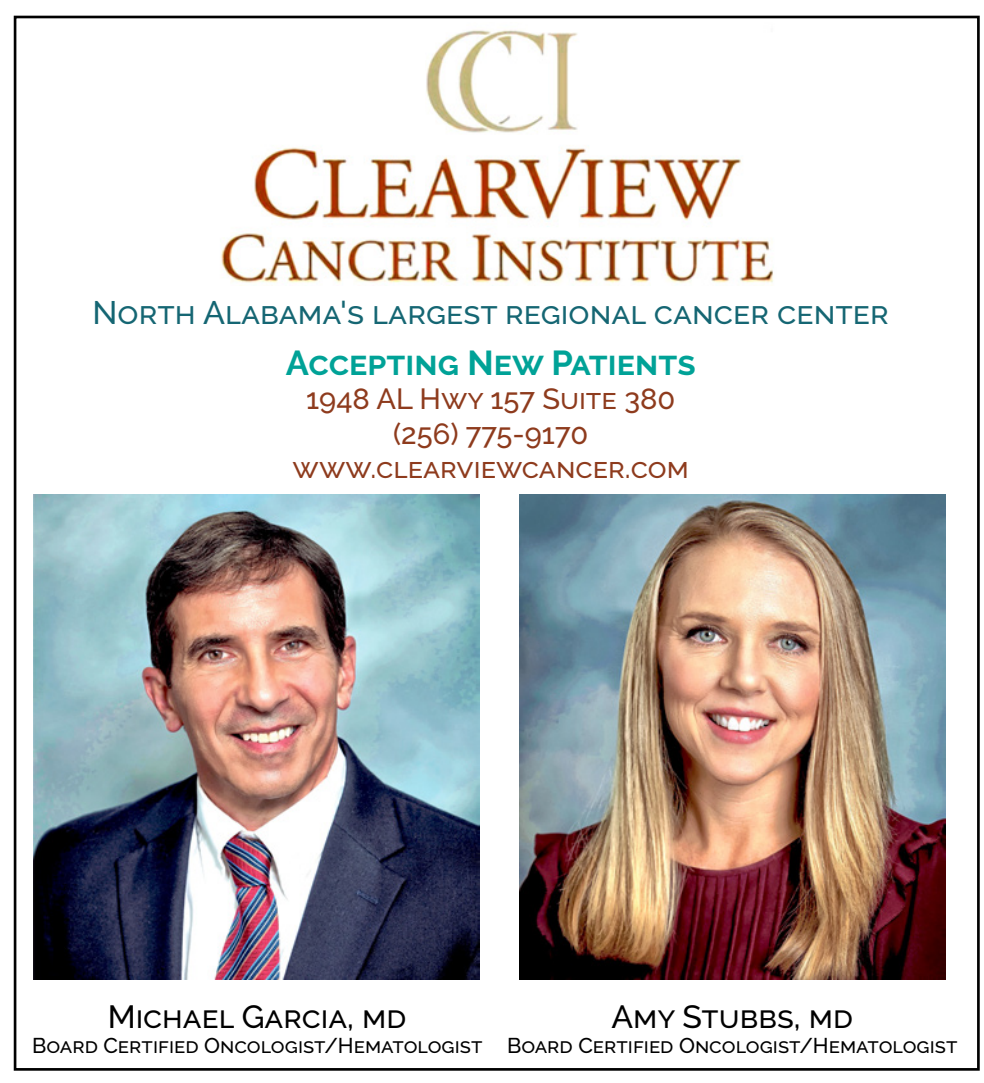
3A Girls Shot Put
- 16th – Maria Whatley: 27-11.25

3A Boys Shot Put
- 7th – Isaiah Young: 42-10.25

3A Girls Triple Jump
- 2nd – Emily Cheatwood: 33-04.75

3A Boys Triple Jump
- 14th – Brody Speer: 35-05.00
- 16th – Logan Ford: 34-04.00





Prize (from Front)

In the video, Principal Tricia Culpepper and Dutton explained how the LETRS program has been implemented throughout the school, how the theories regarding the science of reading have been put into practice and the results that the school has seen in all students, including those who are learning English as a second language and those whose families could not afford early childhood reading resources. This video was awarded the grand prize because it was the most "concise, specific representation of the results envisioned when LETRS has taken hold in a school," and both Culpepper and Dutton were overjoyed at the recognition of the faculty's hard work. As part of the grand prize, CCPS will receive an engraved trophy and certificate of award, 30 LETRS Champion t-shirts and journals and a cash prize of $5000.

After announcing the results, Dr. Moats explained that she and the other judges chose CCPS as the grand prize winner because of the evidence of "rock-solid leadership" within the school and the work that is able to be done by a Title 1 school (meaning at least 40% of the students come from low-income families). "This is not a privileged community where students all come to you having solid foundations in reading," Moats stated.

"You are building that, and you know the value of getting in early and doing the right thing. One of the things that I really loved hearing about was your equal emphasis on the foundations of reading and oral language comprehension, as well as your statement that teacher efficacy is at an all-time high." She finished her speech saying that what CCPS had demonstrated was what LETRS trainers and experts have hoped to achieve for nearly two decades of the program.

After the announcement, Culpepper and Dutton both delivered speeches of gratitude for the award. In an emotional speech, Culpepper stated that the LETRS program had been "transformational for the staff and for the kids" in the past two years that it has been used at the school. She also stated that the new knowledge the faculty and staff gained from the LETRS training had been very affirming for the good practices that the school had in place previously, while also pushing them to change other approaches to "align more closely with the science of reading."

Following Culpepper, Dutton gave a short speech as well, saying, "It's been remarkable to watch our reading instruction and student progress flourish over the past few years using the LETRS instructions. We couldn't be more excited for our future as we continue to develop bold and confident readers."

In an interview after the ceremony, Culpepper stated that this award meant a lot to her and her staff. "It's very affirming to our teachers to have this award. They've worked really hard to implement the science of reading over the last year, and it aligns with the Alabama Literacy Act to make sure students are prepared for their required literacy assessment at the end of third grade. What we want to do is lay a solid foundation for our kindergarten and first grade students so they're ready to take that type of assessment and so they'll be confident and productive readers." In the video submitted for the competition, she and Dutton highlighted aspects of reading and spelling instruction, such as the phonics and phonemics activities and the immersive English reading program for ESL students. She also said that the school will proudly display the award when they receive it, though they have not yet decided what to do with the cash prize other than putting it into a fund for the school.

Dutton gave a few statements after the ceremony as well, and described the process of entering the competition. "Erica Rutherford is our reading coach here, and she brought LETRS to our school about two years ago. One teacher from each "pod" was chosen to be part of the first cohort for LETRS here, including myself, and it's been really awesome," she said. "LETRS has completely transformed our literacy instruction here at CCPS. Personally, after graduating college, I had very little knowledge on how to truly teach reading, especially with specific issues that may arise with students. However, after receiving LETRS training, my confidence surged for my instruction." Dutton stated that using a variety of methods to implement LETRS in her classroom has resulted in a 68% student growth and improvement between the beginning of the school year and the current date. When asked what this award meant to her as an educator, she answered, "It's a lot. This is actually my third year at CCPS. I began this journey right after my first year teaching, and I've become a lot more confident in what I'm doing. I'm seeing the data, I'm seeing the student growth and that's what it's really all about. It's not about the title, not about the cash prize or T-shirt, but truly seeing my students succeed."

LEGALS

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

In Re the Estate of)
)
Curtis Ozell Chapman,) Case No. PC 2021- 126
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Tony Curtis Chapman as Personal Representative of the Estate of Curtis Ozell Chapman, deceased, on the 16th day of April, 2021, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate,

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Personal Representative
Tony Curtis Chapman

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Judge of Probate, Tammy Brown
Cullman County, Alabama

G. Edward Coey
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P.O. Box 834
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CHARLES F. WYNN * CASE NO.: PC2021-116
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Patience Tidwell and Margie Powell, as Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles F. Wynn, deceased, on the 16th day of April, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same be barred.

Margie Powell
Patience Tidwell
Co-Personal Representatives

Pamela E. Nail
Attorney for the Petitioners
200 Second Avenue, Southwest
Cullman, Al. 35055

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: *
JAMES VIRGIL WISE, SR., * **CASE NUMBER:** PC 2020-361
DECEASED. *

Letters Testamentary of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 16th day of April, 2020 by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

JAMES VIRGIL WISE, JR.

ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
Attorney for Personal Representative
PARKER AND PARKER, P.C.
Attorneys at Law
215 Main Avenue, Southwest
Cullman, Alabama 35055
256-775-4444

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Honorable Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JUDY KAYE HUDDLESTON * CASE NO PC 2021-148
Deceased *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED
BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Administration of said deceased having been granted to **Danny Jay Huddleston,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of Judy Kaye Huddleston, deceased, on the 30th day of April, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Danny Jay Huddleston
Personal Representative

Annette Irons-Parker
Attorney for Personal Representative
215 Main Avenue Southwest
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
DONALD JOE REYNOLDS * CASE NO.: PC2021-106
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to JEMMA HINAUTAN REYNOLDS, as Personal Representative of the Estate of DONALD JOE REYNOLDS, deceased, on the 16th day of April, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same be barred.

JEMMA HINAUTAN REYNOLDS
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Petitioner
200 First Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, will hold a public hearing on May 24, 2021 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium at City Hall, 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. At this time anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2021-31 (set forth in full below) will be given an opportunity to be heard:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 31
AMENDING THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Minuteman Construction, the following describe the tract or parcel of land, to-wit:

Legal Description: *A tract or parcel of land containing 10.6 acres of land, more or less and being a part of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 13 and part of the Northwest quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 24, all in Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County Alabama and being mare particularly described as follows: Begin at the Southeast corner of the Southwest quarter of the Southeast quarter of said Section 13 and run thence North 00 degrees 09 minutes 27 seconds East, a distance of 15.90 feet; thence North 34 degrees 14 minutes 54 seconds West, a distance of 387.50 feet; thence South 67 degree 22 minutes 28 seconds West, a distance of 114.96 feet; thence South 29 degrees 02 minutes 31 seconds West, a distance of 177.89 feet; thence North 37 degrees 21 minutes 49 seconds West, a distance of 177.72 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left, having a central angle of 136 degrees 34 minutes 34 seconds, a radius of 50.00 feet, a chord bearing of South 74 degrees 20 minutes 54 seconds west and a chord length of 92.91 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve an arc distance of 119.19 feet; thence North 83 degrees 56 minutes 22 seconds West, a distance of 26.27 feet to a point on an old fence line; thence South 06 degrees 03 minutes 38 seconds West, a distance of 35.67 feet; thence South 05 degrees 14 minutes 52 seconds West, a distance of 178.06 feet; thence South 04 degrees 59 minutes 14 seconds West, a distance of 168.47 feet; thence South 05 degrees 13 minutes 12 seconds West, a distance of 181.94 feet; thence South 00 degrees 02 minutes 52 seconds east, a distance of 196.56 feet to a point on the North right-of-way line of Cullman County Road No. 703; thence North 84 degrees 26 minutes 17 seconds east and run along said North right-of-way line, a distance of 684.30eet; thence North 00 degrees 31 minutes 03 seconds East, a distance of 436.64 feet to the point of beginning* within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as R-1 Residential District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from R-1 Residential District to R-2 Residential District.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.

SECTION 3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 24th day of May, 2021 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.

SECTION 4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.

SECTION 5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.

SECTION 6. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

Wesley Moore – Cullman City Clerk

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: MATTER OF * CASE No. JU-2020-221.01
L.C. *
(a minor) DOB: 04/13/2018 *

NOTICE

To the publisher of the Cullman Tribune:

Petitioner having made a Motion for service by Publication in the above styled action, and after consideration of the same, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Jack Richard Seifert father of L.C., a minor child born 04/13/2018, respond to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights by the 8 of June, 2021, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Petitioner's Attorney, Melvin Hasting, 407 2nd Ave. SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055, (256) 736-2230 or Clerk of Court Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Avenue Southwest, Room 303, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Done this the 22nd day of April, 2021

JUVENILE COURT JUDGE

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

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.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 29th day of April, 2021.

Clerk of Circuit Court

St. Bernard (from Front)

W.C. Mann
craig@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. – The Saint Bernard Prep Drama Department returns to the stage after the 2020 shutdown with the one-act play "The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery" this Thursday , May 6 through Saturday, May 8, under the direction of Ashleigh Russell. Showtimes are Thursday and Friday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m.

Pioneer Drama Service, which licenses the show, offers this description:

"The players at The Murder Mystery Playhouse are rehearsing a new show, 'putting a Little English on it.' It's a not-so-good attempt at a British murder mystery, complete with cheesy dramatic music and British accents. As expected at the final dress rehearsal, the lights go out and a character dies onstage — only this murder wasn't in the script!

"The authorities are quickly called and soon, the company finds themselves replaying the death scene.

"When yet another person dies at the end of the same scene, the cast finds themselves replaying the same scene over and over for other investigators, a theater critic and even the playwright himself! But every time they get to the end of the scene, someone else ends up with a fire poker in the chest.

"The actors are left scratching their heads at the strange circumstances and also worry that they could be next. It all culminates in a wild surprise ending in which the actors must work together to defeat the murderer before he murders them all."

Cast members talked about cranking the drama program back up and putting on this show. Marianee Pichardo said, "A big obstacle we had to face was, of course, the problem posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, with members of the cast being quarantined at various times.

"And, being at a small school, most of our cast was involved in other extracurriculars, so finding a time that worked for everyone was a challenge.

"However, because of the dedication of Mrs. Russell and the cast members, we adapted and worked together to put on an awesome production."

Maddie McBride shared, "Last year we were able to have choir and drama every day during school. This year, the main struggle was definitely not being able to practice daily for the show.

"However, I think that only practicing a few days a week gave us the opportunity to work harder and grow closer as a cast."

Russell encouraged the community to "Come support these students who have been working very hard to prepare and put a fantastic show together. You are in for a real treat!"

At a glance

- "The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery" by the St. Bernard Prep Drama Department
- Thursday-Saturday, May 6-8, 2021 at the Byre Theater on the campus of St. Bernard Abbey
- Tickets are $10 and are available by calling the school at 256-739-6682 and will also be available the day of the show at the door.

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Obituary Announcements: May 3

Claudia Ann Green, 51, of West Point

Funeral Service for Mrs. Claudia Ann Green, 51, of West Point, will be 6 p.m. Thursday, May 6, 2021 at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Family will receive friends from 5 - 6 p.m. before the service. Brother Don Frolich will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Green Family. Mrs. Green was born Sept. 5, 1969 to Claude Dexter and Patsy Ann Helms Tate. She passed from this life at her residence May 1, 2021. She is preceded in death by her parents. Mrs. Green is survived by her stepfather: John Shipp; sons: Claude Dexter Tate, Ryan (Candace) Johnson; daughter: Theresea Tate (Arley Bolin); brother: Andy (Amie) Shipp; sisters: Clydie (Frank) Johnson, Renaye (Jason) Shipp and grandchildren: MaKenzy Bolin, Cyrus Lambert, Xander Lambert, Hunter Bolin, Poncho Perez, Lindsey Arona, Martina Tate, Claude Dexter Tate, Jr., Grace Ann Tate, Easton Johnson, Elijah Johnson and Ellis Johnson. Friends may sign the online guest book at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Andrew Jack Tucker, 91, of Cullman

Andrew Jack Tucker, age 91, of Cullman, Alabama died Monday, May 3, 2021. Andrew was born May 5, 1929 to Tom and Nola Tucker. Andrew is survived by sons: Mack Tucker (Sandra), Randy Tucker (Sandra) and Tommy Tucker (Robyn); 11 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Andrew was preceded in death by his wife: Athelene Tucker; son: Steve Tucker; parents: Tom and Nola Tucker; sisters: Helen Andrews, Edith Burgess, Mae Hyatt and Evelene Millican; brother: J. T. Tucker; and grandson: T. J. Tucker. A visitation for Andrew will be held Tuesday, May 4, 2021 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. A celebration of life funeral service will occur Wednesday at 2 p.m. with Bro. Samuel Tucker, Bro. Tim Aris and Bro. Ken Dees officiating. Interment will follow services at Springhill Baptist Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Southern Care New Beacon Hospice. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Tucker family. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Terry Ruben Lee, 71, of Hanceville

Terry Ruben Lee of Hanceville died May 1, 2021 at the age of 71. He was born in Cullman, May 1, 1950 to Thurman D. and Ruby Stephens Lee. He is preceded in death by his parents. Services will be announced at a later date by the family. Survivors are, wife: Glenda M. Lee; sons: Chris Lee, Jefferey Allen Lee and his fiance Tina Welch; brothers: James Lee, Tony Lee, Marshall D. Lee, Craig R. Lee; sisters: Delilah Griffith, Theresa Gail Bone and grandchildren: Austin Blake Lee and Winter Noel Lee. Moss Service Funeral Home Directing.

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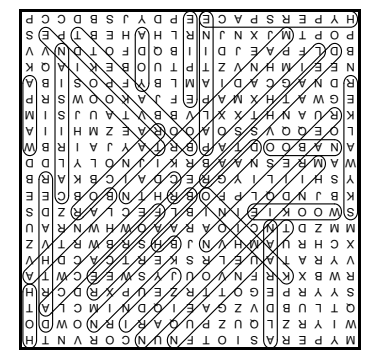
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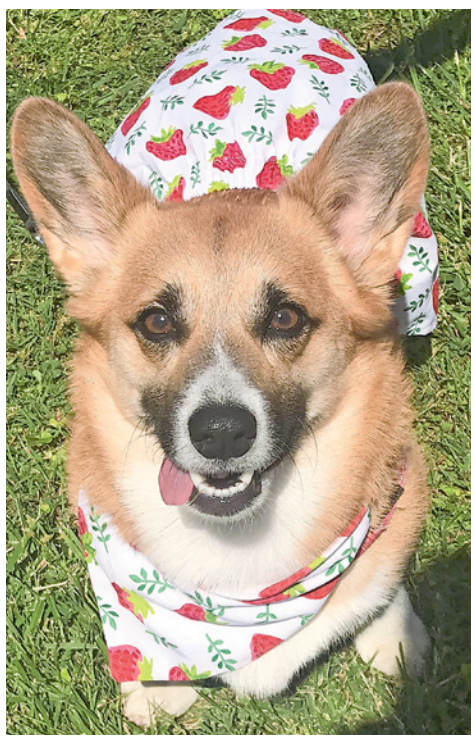


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Sights from the 2021 Strawberry Festival Dog Show



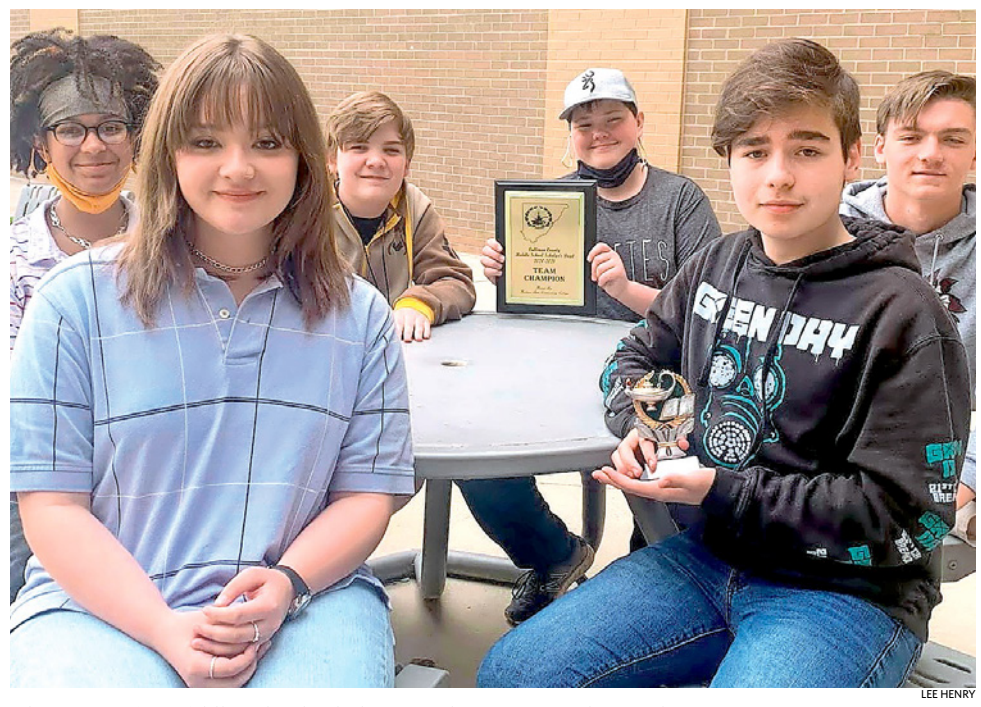












LEE HENRY

The West Point Middle School Scholars' Bowl team swept the regular season and won its fourth consecutive county tournament in 2021. L-R: Nora Dotson, Autumn Haney, Aaiden Jones, John Davis Yovino, Brodie Henry, Eli Taylor.

Scoreboard (from Front)

W.C. Mann
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CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. – West Point's high school and middle school teams in 2021 continued the dominant performance in Scholars' Bowl that they have enjoyed over the last several years with undefeated regular seasons and sweeps in their respective county tournaments. To top it off, a single West Point Middle School eighth grader, Brodie Henry, was given permission to play at the varsity level, s and was the high scorer and MVP of both leagues.

HIGH SCHOOL SEASON RESULTS

- West Point - 8 wins, 0 losses
- Cullman - 6 wins, 2 losses
- Good Hope - 6 wins, 2 losses
- Hanceville - 5 wins, 3 losses
- St. Bernard - 5 wins, 3 losses
- Vinemont - 3 wins, 5 losses
- Cold Springs - 2 wins, 6 losses
- Fairview - 1 win, 7 losses
- Holly Pond - 0 wins, 8 losses

MIDDLE SCHOOL SEASON RESULTS

- West Point - 10 wins, 0 losses
- Cullman - 8 wins, 2 losses
- Hanceville - 8 wins, 2 losses
- Vinemont - 7 wins, 3 losses
- Cold Springs - 6 wins, 4 losses
- Good hope - 5 wins, 5 losses
- Harmony - 4 wins, 6 losses
- St. Bernard - 3 wins, 7 losses
- Fairview - 2 wins, 8 losses
- Parkside - 2 wins, 8 losses
- Holly Pond - 0 wins, 10 losses

HIGH SCHOOL COUNTY TOURNAMENT

- First place - West Point
- Second place - Good Hope
- Third place - Hanceville

High scorers

- Brodie Henry from West Point with 510 points
- Carter Duke from West Point with 280 points
- Alyson Williams from Good Hope with 260 points
- Brady Absher from Hanceville with 210 points
- Adam McClusky from Good Hope with 160 points

MIDDLE SCHOOL COUNTY TOURNAMENT

- First place - West Point
- Second place - Cold Springs
- Third place - Hanceville

High scorers

- Brodie Henry from West Point with 850 points
- Tyler Campbell of Vinemont with 510 points
- Brady Laughlin of Harmony with 400 points
- Josiah Johnson and Rebecca Baggett, both of Cold Springs, with 340 points each

Baileyton (from Front)

Christy Perry
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BAILEYTON, Ala. – On what would be Rolfe Burks' 117th birthday, the Baileyton Town Council were able to conduct their first council meeting in the new Baileyton Town Hall. Former elected officials were invited and recognized during the meeting. Cullman County Commissioner Kerry Watson was also in attendance.

The town hall is built on the land where Rolfe Burks', the first mayor of Baileyton, house once stood. Burks' granddaughter, Rhonda Van Zandt, was a guest speaker and spoke about her grandparents journey to Baileyton.

Van Zandt said of her grandfather, "He had a vision with the people in our community back in the Seventies. They stayed with it. They started it and got a lot of things going. It's improved over the years and he would be proud of that, and he would be proud of the work you are doing. I just want, on the behalf of my family, to thank you for doing what you have done."

Baileyton Town Council meets the first Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in Baileyton Town Hall. The public is invited to attend.

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