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Victim Services seeks to bring Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner to Cullman

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CULLMAN, Ala. – For victims of sexual violence in Cullman County, access to rapid response by forensic personnel trained to deal with the particular issues of those crimes is limited. Children and teens can turn to Brooks' Place Child Advocacy Center and its Forensic Nurse, but adult victims often have to travel to Birmingham or Huntsville for treatment and care.

According to Carol Horstman, director of Victim Services of Cullman, Inc., "Many choose not to seek medical care due to lack of transportation or the possibility of having to wait hours for an exam."

Horstman shared, "Victim Services is working to change that by creating a SANE (Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner) room and hiring a SANE nurse to come on board as well. SANE nurses undergo specialized training to perform sexual assault forensic exams, while also providing survivors with the gentleness, compassion and warmth they need as they seek to move forward from a traumatic situation. Forensic exams for victims of strangulation will also be performed at the facility."

VSC hopes to open its SANE Room in the fall of 2021. "We want local victims of sexual assault to have a safe place where they can receive the most up-to-date, confidential and trauma-informed medical care," said Horstman. "Not only will they have that once we get our SANE » PAGE 10

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– FAITH –

East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church celebrates 100 years of service



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A vareity of information about the church's history were on display.

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Bright and early Sunday morning, the congregation of East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church gathered for a twofold celebration: the annual recognition of Decoration for the church graveyard, and the 100th anniversary of the church's founding. Inside the church were displays of the church and congregation's history and informational table about the Women's Ministry, lists of founding members and previous pastors, written accounts of history from the older members, photographs of moments of church life and even resolutions of commendation from the Alabama Senate and House of Representatives (courtesy of Rep. Randall Shedd and Sen. Garlan Gudger).

During the service, members got the chance to stand and speak about their memories with the church. One woman shared that she had attended from as young as two weeks old while another recounted fond memories of Halloween parties and "ghost" encounters, and certificates » PAGE 3

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Good Hope City Council votes to allow Sunday alcohol sales Monday evening » PAGE 12

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New principal named at Hanceville High School

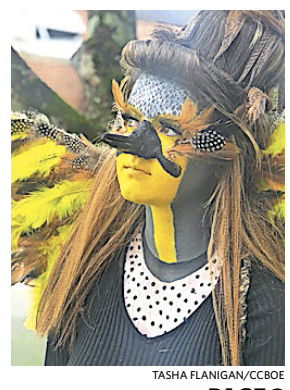


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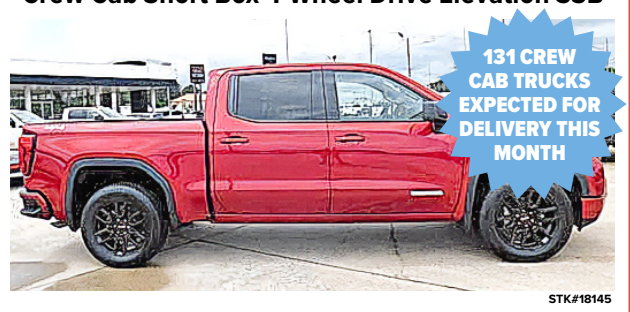
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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported May 24

Cullman Tribune Staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported May 24, 2021. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

May 20

- assault; trespassing; CR 1564
- theft of property; Hwy. 157
- domestic violence; CR 933
- harassment; Good Hope School Rd.
- domestic violence; CR 437
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 1566
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E

May 21

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 1651
- harassment; CR 109
- illegal possession of prescription drugs; Hwy. 157
- theft of property; CR 1249
- trespassing; CR 773
- shooting into occupied dwelling; Colony Rd.
- domestic violence; CR 264
- theft of property; CR 1289

May 22

- unlawful possession of marijuana; CR 1371
- obstructing government operations; CR 463
- assault; trespassing; criminal mischief; CR 1087
- theft of property; CR 222
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 223
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 1854
- permitting dogs to run at large; School House Rd.
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1518
- trespassing; CR 656
- theft of property; CR 1162
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S
- trafficking drugs; CR 386
- harassment; CR 222

May 23

- possession of concealed weapon without permit; CR 1222
- domestic violence; CR 609
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; 1st Ave. SE
- harassment; CR 617
- assault; Super Saver Rd.
- burglary; CR 1203
- burglary; theft of property; Hwy. 31
- domestic violence; CR 617

ARRESTS

May 20

Beasley, Steven Wayne; 32
- public intoxication

Behan, Adeline Marie; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Behan, David Joseph; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs
- negotiating worthless instrument

Brown, Carl Gaven; 18
- FTA- reckless driving

Johnson, Heath Kerry; 34
- possession of heroin
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Lopez III, Ernesto Yslas; 41
- FTA- driving while suspended

McBee, Rip Caleb; 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Meyer, Damon Paul; 25
- third-degree domestic violence-assault
- second-degree criminal mischief
- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- interference with a domestic violence emergency call

Richter Jr., Charles William; 33
- Grand Jury- obscenity-dissemination/display of child pornography
- Grand Jury- sex offense-possession with intent to disseminate child pornography

Richter, Jaleana; 29
- Grand Jury- obscenity-dissemination/display of child pornography
- Grand Jury- sex offense-possession with intent to disseminate child pornography

Riggs, Britany Hope; 29
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance

Trussell, Donald Oscar; 60
- sex offense-adult sex offender- violation of contact with former victims
- sex offense-adult sex offender in prohibited residence location

Westmoreland, Carey Wayne; 63
- permitting dogs to run at large

Yarbrough, Heater Marie; 33
- forgery-counterfeiting

May 21

Bircheat, Robert Earl; 39
- probation violation- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- forgery-forged instrument

Denney, Jeffery Allen; 32
- unlawful breaking entering a vehicle
- public intoxication

Hammack, James Tyler; 25
- assault-aggravated assault-menacing-other weapon

Long, Lyndsay Marie; 35
- illegal possession of prescription drugs

Simmons, Michelle Denise; 48
- FTA- third-degree stolen property

Smith, Jonathan Kerry; 47
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- improper lights
- FTA- no/improper tag light

Smith, Shara Leigh; 48
- FTA- speeding

Tunnell, Shannon Diane; 47
- insanitary sewage facilities menacing public health

May 22

Adams, Jacob Anthony; 41
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Baker, Kenneth Bryan; 44
- public intoxication

Cook, Sara Marie; 44
- obstruction of governmental operation

Hernandez-Diaz, Miguel Angel; 39
- possession of alcohol

Ponder, Steven Wayne; 52
- possession of methamphetamine

Scott, Kenneth Roger; 49
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- driving while license suspended
- no plainly visible tag

Swader, Adam Cecil; 26
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

May 23

Chambers, Tiffany Carol; 30
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- run red light

Dettling, Alyssa Christine; 25
- drug trafficking
- allowing minors to consume alcohol

Dushuanack, Corey Wayne; 25
- public intoxication

Holt, Tammy Witcher; 53
- receiving stolen property $500 less than $1,500

Shirley, Zachary Christopher; 28
- possession of a concealed weapon without a permit

Swindall, Emma Rena; 22
- receiving stolen vehicle

Wise, Justin, Dale; 36
- receiving stolen vehicle

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

May 18

- third-degree domestic violence; person; Austin Ave. SW

May 19

- harassment; person

May 21

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Elm Dr.; miscellaneous
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; miscellaneous; $99
- third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW
- harassment; person; 1st St. SW

May 22

- second-degree theft of property; person; Elm Dr.; miscellaneous
- third-degree criminal mischief; Cullman Park & Rec.; Lee Ave. SW; damaged property; $500

May 23

- third-degree domestic violence; person; Main Ave. SW
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Warnke Rd. NW
- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; food; $5
- harassment; harassing communications; person; Deer Run Dr. SW

ARRESTS

May 21

Smith, Shara L.; 48
- third-degree criminal trespass

Bartee, Katherine L.; 38
- FTA- driving while suspended (2 counts)
- FTA- expired tag (2 counts)
- FTA- insurance violation

Bircheat, Robert E.; 39
- fourth-degree theft of property

Yager, Sierra B.; 21
- third-degree criminal trespass

Fondren, Drayton C.; 21
- third-degree criminal trespass

Dye, Charity L.; 27
- chemical endangerment of child (2 counts)

Long, Lyndsay M.; 35
- FTA- running red light
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Harris, Steven P.; 42
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- improper lane usage
- FTA- driving while license suspended

May 22

Tankersly, Jeffery D.; 37
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Henderson, Colton C.; 28
- FTA- public intoxication

Hall, Jamall C.; 30
- chemical endangerment of a child (2 counts)

Hernandez; Mario G.; 19
- minor in possession/consumption of alcoholic beverage

Villa, Joseph S.; 49
- FTA- driving without license
- FTA- fail to register vehicle
- FTA- driving while revoked (3 counts)

May 23

Christian, Austin B.; 25
- third-degree domestic violence

Yager, Sierra B.; 21
- fourth-degree theft of property
- third-degree criminal trespass

McDaniel, Douglas L.; 60
- FTA- driving without license
- FTA- fail to signal

Hodge, Michael K.; 31
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property (7 counts)
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass (3 counts)
- FTA- insurance violation (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while suspended
- FTA- improper lights

Sullins, Chase E.; 30
- trafficking
- unauthorized use of vehicle

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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



COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

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

Case details*

- Total confirmed cases in Alabama: 416,808 (+433 since Friday)
- Probable cases in Alabama: 125,448 (+150 since Friday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama: 8,732 (+24 since Friday)
- Probable deaths in Alabama: 2,356
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,626 (+12 since Friday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,177 (+4 since Friday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 134 (+2 since Friday)
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 63
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 42,129
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 2,658
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 76
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,596,913
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 3,095
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 155,854
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 287
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama (reported M-F): 49,778
- Presumed recoveries in Alabama (reported weekly): 509,800

Vaccine details (updated Monday-Friday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: no update available
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: no update available
- Doses administered: no update available
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: no update available
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: no update available
- Doses delivered to federal programs: no update available

Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 12 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

COVID-19 vaccine is recommended for everyone 12 years and older

Children 12 years and older are now eligible to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Since May 10, 4,543 patients ages 12-15 in Alabama have received vaccinations with the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. Pfizer is currently the only vaccine available to children and adolescents up to age 18. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, studies show that COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective in preventing children from getting COVID-19. Like adults, children may have some side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. While these side effects may affect their ability to do daily activities, they should only last a few days. COVID-19 vaccines have been used under the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history, including studies in children 12 years and older. Children cannot get COVID-19 from any COVID-19 vaccine. Although fewer children have been sick with COVID-19 compared to adults, children can be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, can get sick from COVID-19, and can spread the virus that causes COVID-19 to others. Getting your child vaccinated helps to protect your child and your family.

Updated Johnson & Johnson vaccine factsheet

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration released an updated factsheet for the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine. The factsheet helps readers understand the risks and benefits of receiving the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. It is available in multiple languages and can be found online here: http://www.janssencovid19vaccine.com/

Digital Day of Action – Friday, May 21

ADPH is encouraging everyone to share Facebook messages that increase vaccine confidence and reinforce basic prevention measures Friday, May 21. A social media toolkit is available with resources that can be shared online to help reach people who haven't received the COVID-19 vaccine or who may be waiting to get vaccinated. Finding a vaccine is easy and accessible, and that is an important message to share. The social media toolkit is available here: https://whitehouse.us10.list-manage.com/track/click?u=f620288bb41dd81f9c715ef-4d&id=cf09456f17&e=aae4f18e6e

PSA featuring Coach Nick Saban promotes COVID-19 vaccinations

A public service announcement featuring University of Alabama head football coach Nick Saban encouraging vaccinations for COVID-19 begins airing in the state this week. ADPH appreciates the support of Coach Saban in promoting COVID-19 vaccines. A link to the 30-second PSA is available here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DyoPDfSmKDI

FEMA community vaccination center 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 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 are also available on-site.

CATA (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Elyse Koloski from the Cullman Area Technology Academy Cosmetology Department recently won the "Feel Your Fantasy" competition hosted by Beauty Cast Network, with a hair/makeup design inspired by Alabama's state bird, the Yellowhammer. Her prize package was valued at over $1,000.

CATA Cosmetology teacher Tasha Flanigan said, "Elyse is very talented. She exhibits all soft skills to be very successful in the workplace. This is her second win hosted by Beauty Cast Network while being in the Cosmetology Program at CATA. Elyse just received a CRI in customer service and retail sales while taking the program. I expect to see her working with theatrical and film makeup in the near future."

Tasha Flanigan contributed to this story.

Church (from Front)

of recognition were handed out to honor church Elders, previous pastors and everyone who had taught Sunday School. Jean Bright Forrester, who was recognized as the oldest attending member of the congregation (95 years old), then took the mic to list her memories of the church's foundation and the part she played in it at age 13.

"Before we had the rock church, the congregation met in a little wooden school house. My uncle Thomas Bright established the church and served as the first pastor," she stated. "When it came time to build the rock church, there I was--13 years old and 75 pounds soaking wet--riding in the wagon to gather rocks from the rock quarry over there. We watched the stonemason take those rocks we gathered, chisel and chip them to shape, and put them in place to build a beautiful church building." She then went on to recount how a representative from the board the church received a construction loan from came to the church and fell in love with her sister "at first sight" and the two became the first couple married in the completed building. After her speech concluded, other descendants of the Bright family shared their memories of growing up in the church. A typed recollection of Forrester's memories was also posted in the historical displays within the church.

Pastor Phillip Nickles spoke with The Tribune after the service to talk about his experiences at the church since becoming pastor five years ago, saying, "It's a great group of people! They love serving and helping people in our community, and that's what really impressed me about this church. They're very loving and very open to people, even people who come in off the streets; they're very welcoming to those people, as I think they should be." He continued by describing how the congregation came together to help with preparations for Decoration and the anniversary service, helping pressure wash the church exterior and collecting pictures depicting the history of the church and congregation. He finished by repeating a point he made at the start of the service, saying, "The people are the church. It doesn't matter how beautiful the building is--if the people are beautiful, the church is beautiful."

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.

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.

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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

Memorial Day Ceremony

May 29 - The American Legion will be in charge of the Memorial Day Ceremony Saturday, May 29, at 10 a.m. at Veterans Park at Sportsman Lake Park.

First Annual Car & Bike Show

• June 5 - Hosted by The American Legion, this event will feature all makes and years, Saturday, June 5th from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The entrance fee is $10 per vehicle and registration will end at 11 a.m. Categories are: People's Choice (Auto), People's Choice (Bike) and Commander's Choice. There will also be bouncy houses and snow cones for the kids, as well as a raffle drawing ($1 for one ticket or $5 for six)

• Contact Ruth Bealer at 256-620-1334 or Brian Butler at 256-531-3032 for more information.

Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting

• June 8 - The Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting will be held on June 8 at 6 p.m. at the VFW building located at 112 Veterans Dr SW Cullman AL 35055. The guest speaker will be Greg Cook, General Counsel to ALGOP, who is running for the Alabama Supreme Court. A light meal will be provided.

• The public is encouraged to attend.

Swamp John's dinner to benefit Pilot Light Home

• June 8 – Hosted by A United Way of Cullman County Agency. Plates are $12, with the choice of fish, shrimp, chicken or combination, as well as homemade desserts by Renee Wright. Both dine in and carry out are available. This event will be Tuesday, June 8, from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Sheriff's training building: 1910 Beech Avenue SE, Cullman.

• For tickets or more information: 256-531-2525

Cullman County Bosom Buddies Craft Fair and Vendor Expo

• Saturday, June 12 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

Bates Reunion

June 19 - The Bates reunion will be held Saturday, June 19, at 10 a.m. at the Trimble Community Center.

Christ Lutheran Church Anniversary

• June 20 - 100th Anniversary Kick-off Event

• Free Community Ice Cream Social

• 2 - 4 p.m.

Country Legends Rediscovered Exhibition

• Evelyn Burrow Museum at Wallace State Community College.

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CLASS OF 2021

Graduation is Friday, May 28, at 7 p.m. at Wallace State Community College

"You have proven to be dedicated, committed, strong and resilient. This past year has been a most challenging year, yet you have proven your immense commitment to your education. I could not be more proud of the way you have responded to adversity. Take with you the lessons you have learned this year: Cherish each day-- never give up, work hard, live more, love more and laugh more. Best of luck to the Class of 2021! Go Bearcats!"

Kim Hall, Ed.S. Principal of Cullman High School

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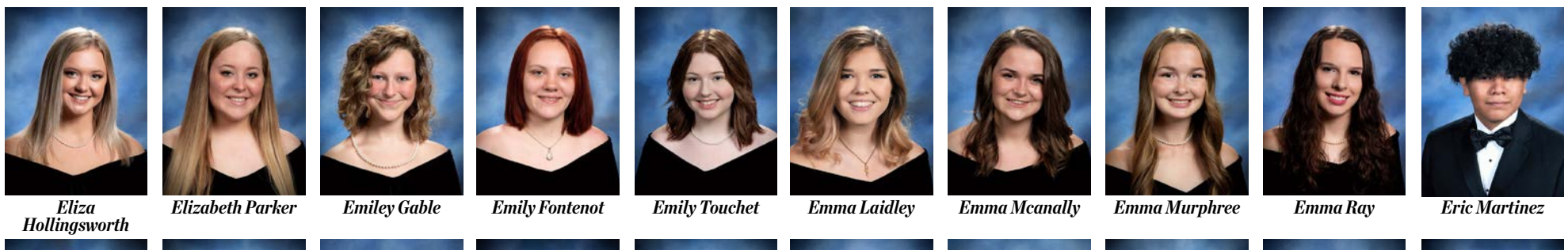
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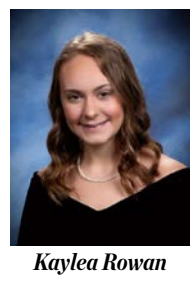
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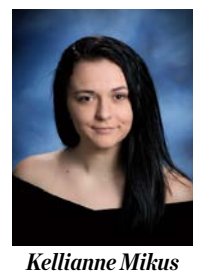

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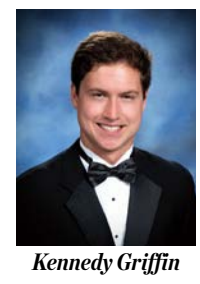

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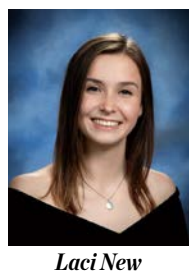

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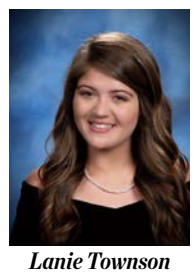

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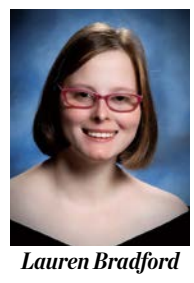

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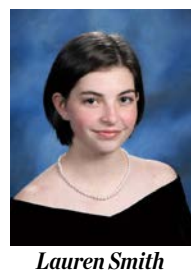

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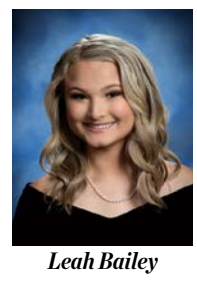

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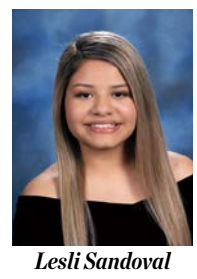

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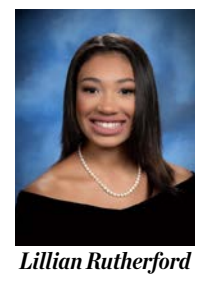

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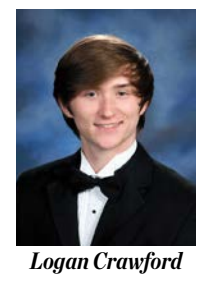

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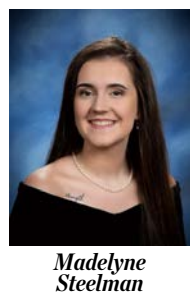

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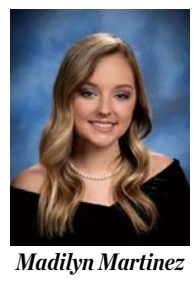

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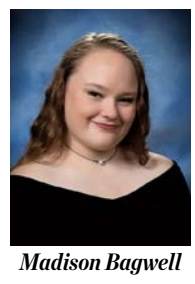

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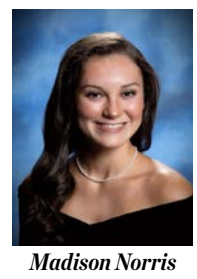

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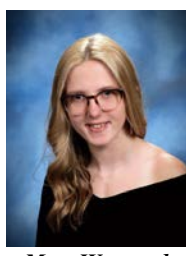

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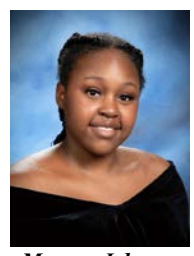

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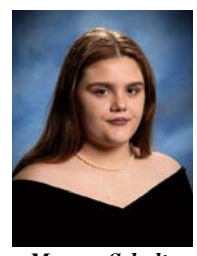

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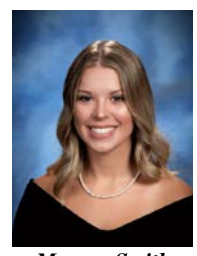

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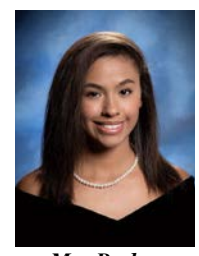

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Fitts turns in gem as Tigers clinch series at Missouri

George Nunnelley
AU Athletics

COLUMBIA, Mo. – Auburn starter Richard Fitts turned in a career-best 8.0 shutout innings as Auburn clinched the series at Missouri with a 3-0 win Friday night at Taylor Stadium.

The win marks Auburn's first shutout of SEC play, and Fitts' 8.0 innings were the most by an Auburn starter since Jack Owen's complete-game shutout against UTSA on Mar. 9, 2019.

"Two of his last three starts have been great," head coach Butch Thompson said of Fitts. "The LSU start, we got more of a look at that, but we got another level of stuff especially when we needed it."

The victory was also Auburn's fifth in its last six SEC games dating back to May 8.

"Tonight is all about Richard Fitts outdueling a guy that we knew was probably their best," Thomspon added. "Fitts said this is my game."

Fitts (1-3, 5.88) retired the first 14 batters he faced before allowing a two-out single in the fifth. He then set down the next 10 to ultimately face just one over the minimum in his outing. His seven strikeouts matched a season high.

"I felt really good," Fitts said. "My game plan coming in was just to pound the strike zone and make them hit it. I thought I did a good job of that, and I know the guys behind me have my back. I thought I executed well and gave my team a chance to win."

Carson Skipper entered to start the ninth and allowed the first three Missouri batters to reach on a pair of singles and a walk.

However, Skipper buckled down to get a strikeout and ground ball double play to end the game and earn his second save.

Auburn (25-25, 10-19 SEC) started the scoring in the top of the first as Tyler Miller won a nine-pitch at-bat with a double to right and came in to score on a Missouri fielding miscue.

With the early lead, Fitts struck out five of the first 10 batters he faced and needed just 63 pitched to get through 4.2 hitless innings.

Missouri (14-36, 7-22 SEC) put its first baserunner aboard on the aforementioned two-out single, but Fitts got the next batter to fly out to deep right center to end the inning.

After working around the first baserunner, Ryan Bliss followed Bryson Ware's one-out single with a two-out, two-run homer to left field to extend the lead to 3-0. The home run was Bliss' 14th of the season, including his 10th of SEC play. He has driven in seven runs in the first two games of the series.

"He had some really good stuff," Bliss said of Missouri starter Seth Halvorsen. "Later on in the game, after the first couple at-bats, he went to his soft stuff, so I went up there kind of sitting on it. I got one that was kind of hanging and put a good swing on it."

Leading 3-0 heading into the bottom of the sixth, Fitts retired nine straight in his last three innings before giving way to Skipper. The junior lefty ultimately closed the door as he induced a 4-6-3 double play – the team's 53rd of the season – to end the game. It marked Skipper's fourth straight outing either earning the win or save.



ZACH BLAND/UM ATHLETICS

Auburn's Richard Fitts tossed eight scoreless innings in the Tigers' 3-0 win at Missouri Friday night.

Late rally not enough in Alabama's 7-3 loss to No. 6 Mississippi State

Alex Thompson
UA Athletics

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama baseball rallied late but was unable to battle back in a 7-3 loss to sixth-ranked Mississippi State. Following the regular-season finale, the Crimson Tide is 29-22 overall and 12-17 in Southeastern Conference play headed into the SEC Tournament.

Alabama was able to strike early with two in the first and one in the second to build a 3-0 lead. The Tide pitching staff held State off the board until the fifth when MSU scored four to take the lead. The Bulldogs then added three more in the top of the sixth to make it a 7-3 ballgame. Alabama did not go away quietly, battling late to bring the tying run to the plate in the eighth and reaching a pair of runners in the ninth, but was unable to pull any closer.

Mississippi State reliever Houston Harding (6-2) earned the win while Tide reliever Landon Green (3-1) suffered the loss on Saturday. Alabama received a strong start from Jacob McNairy in his first appearance since mid-April. The junior tossed 2.0 scoreless innings with a pair of strikeouts before handing it over to his bullpen. The Tide relievers combined to post a solid effort across the final 7.0 frames, but defensive miscues plagued UA in the middle innings leading to seven runs, only four of which were earned.

From Head Coach Brad Bohannon

"The five guys that pitched for us today really battled, really competed, and pitched well enough for us to get a good win over a really good Mississippi State club. We just didn't do a good enough job – our position players – of defending the field and swinging the bats today."

How it Happened

- **B1** | Peyton Wilson led off the game with a walk and motored to third in the next at-bat on a single from William Hamiter. After a wild pitch moved Hamiter into scoring position, Zane Denton capitalized on the opportunity with a single through the right side to get the Tide on the board. (2-0, Alabama)

- **B2** | Bryce Eblin began the inning with a walk and was pushed to second on another free pass. Eblin moved to third on a sacrifice bunt from Caden Rose before coming home on a groundout to first from Wilson to add to UA's advantage. (3-0, Alabama)

- **T5** | The Bulldogs rallied for four runs, thanks in part to three hits. (4-3, Mississippi State)

- **T6** | State added to the lead with three in the sixth. (7-3, Mississippi State)

Postgame notes

- Jacob McNairy made his first career start. The junior had appeared in 25 games prior to today, all in a relief role.
- The start was McNairy's first appearance on the mound since April 17.
- Chase Lee recorded a season-high 50 pitches in today's game. His previous season-high total was 46 against Stetson on March 13.
- Jim Jarvis walked to start his afternoon and has now reached base safely in his last 12 contests dating back to April 27.
- ATTENDANCE: 2,630 (SELLOUT)

Alabama will head to Hoover for the 2021 SEC Tournament. The Crimson Tide will play on Tuesday, May 25 with UA's opponent and time of game still to be determined.

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



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Alabama's Jacob McNairy pitches during the Crimson Tide's 7-3 loss to Mississippi State.

'Teammates and brothers': Auburn baseball's 2021 senior class

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – When they enrolled at Auburn in the summer of 2017, 20 years had passed since the Tigers had competed in the College World Series.

Within two years, the Auburn baseball Class of 2021 helped take the Tigers back to Omaha.

When they committed to play for Auburn, they bought into coach Butch Thompson's three pillars: embracing his vision to build a competitive program in the unforgiving SEC West, attacking it with hard work, and leaving a legacy for those who would follow.

"We're a group of hard-nosed guys who come in day in and day out and go to work," pitcher Cody Greenhill said. "I want that legacy of hard work to stay here when we leave, and I think it will."

"We're a bunch of grinders," said outfielder Steven Williams.

"We've been through a lot of ups and downs and we always struck together pretty well. Hopefully that sets an example for the younger guys coming in."

"We've shown what hard work can do for a program," outfielder Judd Ward said. "How staying together, working with each other. I think that shows a lot that the younger guys will pick up on and continue to build on."

"No one is too cool for anyone else," third baseman Rankin Woley said.

"That's something we definitely left. We can have fun at the field and play baseball well, but also we hang out a lot off the field, and that's just as important."

Were it not for a pandemic that ended their junior seasons before SEC play and shortened the 2020 Major League Baseball Draft to five rounds, many of Auburn's six seniors would not have returned for 2021.

Having played their final game at Plainsman Park, the seniors reflected on their four seasons, and the bonds they created as Auburn baseball teammates.

"The connections we've all made as teammates and brothers," pitcher Peyton Glavine said.

"Our ability to make the most out of every situation and still have fun with each other has been pretty awesome."

"Baseball is a competitive sport and it's fun, but we have such a good time when we're together," pitcher Jack Owen said.

"When we came in four years ago, we didn't know each other very well. Now, I don't plan on ever not being friends with these guys.

"I've spent so much time with them, and it's been an awesome experience. I love what I got do to here and these guys mean the world to me."



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Class of 2021: Butch Thompson, Jack Owen, Steven Williams, Peyton Glavine, Cody Greenhill, Rankin Woley and Judd Ward

As they begin a win-or-go-home series at Missouri, the Super Six shared their shining moments as Auburn baseball players:

Peyton Glavine: "Stepping out on the field in Omaha for the opening ceremony and then for game one. It was so surreal for me because you always dream about that growing up. To be there in the moment and look around and think, we made it, we're here and we deserve to be here. That's probably the shining moment for me."

Cody Greenhill: "The pitch and the inning to get us to Omaha. And the whole outing at LSU for us to win that third game (in the 2019 regular season finale) and me to come out of the pen and throw six innings, 90 pitches. That was the turning point for me. I feel like we really clicked going into the SEC Tournament that next week. Both of those moments are just special for me."

Jack Owen: "I'll never forget going to Omaha. All the Auburn fans coming out as we were leaving the hotel. There had to have been a thousand people in the hotel cheering us on. That was definitely the coolest moment of my career. Getting back from Omaha, we lost two games, we get back to Plainsman Park and there's at least 500 people outside cheering us on, giving us hugs and welcoming us back. Those are the coolest moments I've ever had in my baseball career."

Judd Ward: "Thirteen runs in the first inning against North Carolina (in game three of the 2019 Super Regional). That was pretty special, especially in game three of a must-win to go to Omaha. (Ward led off the game with a walk and scored, then hit a three-run home run in the inning that gave Auburn an 8-0 lead). Looking back on it, it's definitely something that's really special that you don't see happen much, and to do it on that stage makes it even better."

Steven Williams: "Definitely the walk-off. (Williams' three-run home run in the bottom of the ninth in Auburn's 6-5 win vs. Georgia Tech in the 2019 NCAA Atlanta Regional). That was a surreal feeling. It's something you dream about as a little kid. Bottom of the ninth and you walk it off for the team you grew up cheering for. That's definitely the first thing that comes to mind."

Rankin Woley: "I would say the Super Regional at North Carolina, hitting that ball when we were down 5-4 in the eighth inning in game one. (Woley's three-run double was the key hit in Auburn's 11-7 win). I think that was probably the coolest moment for me personally. I remember when Steven hit that home run at Georgia Tech, that's probably everybody's most memorable memory. I was on base and I just remember seeing the ball go up and absolutely blacking out around the bases. It was so cool."

Central Board of Control selects Alvin Briggs as next AHSAA Executive Director

AHSAA
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – Current Associate Executive Director Alvin Briggs has been selected to become the fifth Executive Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Association. The unanimously approved the hiring of Briggs at a special Central Board meeting Monday morning and the announcement was made by current AHSAA Central Board of Control president Van Phillips Monday at a news conference held at the AHSAA office.

Briggs, 56, who has been on the executive staff of the AHSAA since 2011, will be taking over his new role as Executive Director officially on July 1. Steve Savarese, who has served as Executive Director for the 15 years, announced his plans to retire at the April meeting of the CBOC.

"I believe Mr. Alvin Briggs in the person who can meet the challenges the AHSAA will face in the coming years ahead with the same commitment to the AHSAA mission as the four executive directors that came before him," said Phillips. "He attended high school in the AHSAA where he was an outstanding student-athlete who went on to represent his family, school and the AHSAA well at the college and professional level.

"After coaching for several years at the collegiate level, he became a high school teacher, coach and administrator at our member schools .... again representing himself as the ultimate professional."

Briggs becomes just the fifth person to hold this position fulltime in AHSAA history. Cliff Harper was the first hired by the CBOC in 1948 and served until 1966. Herman L. "Bubba" Scott served in the position from 1966-1991. Dan Washburn then served from 1991-2007. Savarese replaced Washburn in 2007 and has remained in the position ever since. Sellers Stough of Birmingham served in in a part-time position as executive secretary-treasurer from 1921 to 1948.

"I am honored, humbled and excited to be selected as the next Executive Director of the AHSAA," said Briggs. "I want to thank the Central Board Search Committee, Central Board President Van Phillips and current Executive Director Mr. Savarese for the confidence they have shown in me to lead this great organization in the years ahead.

"No doubt, I have big shoes to fill. The previous executive directors Cliff Harper, Bubba Scott, Dan Washburn, and Mr. Savarese have set some tremendous standards and have left a legacy of outstanding leadership for all our member schools. I pray I can continue to lead this organization in the same manner as these great men who have stood before me."

All four previous executive directors had a major impact nationally with Scott and Washburn serving as president of the National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS) Board of Directors. Savarese is currently president-elect but will not move into that position now that he is retiring. Harper (1987), Scott (1990) and Washburn (2011) have been inducted into the National High School Sports Hall of Fame. Savarese will be eligible for induction upon retirement. All four have been enshrined in the Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame and the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame.

Briggs is the first person selected for executive director who was already working on the AHSAA executive staff. He brings a wealth of leadership and knowledge of AHSAA operations spending the last decade serving, first, as Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Directors & Coaches Association from 2011-2018 and for the last three years serving as the Associate Executive Director.

Savarese said Alvin Briggs' transition to Executive Director "will be a seamless transition. He has great staff in place and understands what this job is going to require. He is an outstanding leader, and I have full confidence in him."

Briggs earned his Bachelor of Science in Education degree from the University of North Alabama in 1993, and his Master of Arts in Education from UNA in 1995. His major was Health, Physical Education and Recreation (HPER).

A former standout high school student-athlete at Greenville High School (1982), he had an outstanding collegiate career playing defensive back at Auburn University from 1983-1987. He was a member of the Dallas Cowboys (1988-1989) until injuries cut short his NFL career. As a high schooler, he played in the AHSAA North-South Football All-Star Game in 1982 – becoming the first and only player in all-star history to score a touchdown on offense and defense.

Briggs joined the football coaching staff at the University of North Alabama in 1993 and remained through 2001. During his time on the staff, he helped lead the Lions to seven NCAA Division II playoff appearances, three Gulf South Conference Championships and three NCAA Division II National Championships.



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AHSAA Executive Director Alvin Briggs.

He moved back to his hometown of Greenville in 2001 as system Athletic Director and head football coach through 2005. He then moved back to Florence as assistant athletic director for the Florence City School System. In 2007 he was promoted to system athletic director and head football coach at Florence High School through 2011. His overall coaching record was 52-44 overall. His Greenville teams made three trips to the state playoffs in four years and his Florence teams made two trips in four years. His best season was 9-3 in 2009.

At the AHSAA, Briggs oversaw the AHSADCA managing the All-Star Sports Week and Summer Conference providing important professional development for more than 7,000 attendees each year. As Associate Executive Director at the AHSAA, he worked alongside the Executive Director. He has served on various NFHS committees including the Track Committee, Coaches Association Committee and the Tackle Football Education Committee. Overseeing the sport of football, he helped develop the current contact limitations for practice that have been championed nationwide in helping to reduce injuries making the sport of football safer for the more than 32,000 student-athletes in Alabama who play football in the AHSAA, and for student-athletes nationally.

He has also served in leadership positions for the AHSAA Reclassification Committee, Joint Ad Hoc Committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and the Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame Committee. He is also currently serving on the Bryant-Jordan Selection Committee and has served on the Board of the Alabama Football Coaches Association.

He is active in civic organizations as well including the Kiwanis Club of Montgomery, Montgomery Quarterback Club, and served on the Board of the YMCA of Shoals. He is also a volunteer for various events sponsored by the Alabama Music Hall of Fame Museum.

Briggs is married to Roxie and has two children.

Principal (from Front)

Ty Watwood
Contributor

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Cullman County Board of Education on Monday approved the hiring of Daniel Wakefield as the new principal of Hanceville High School. Wakefield has worked at Hanceville for 19 years and is currently the principal of Hanceville Middle School.

"I'm very excited and very appreciative for the opportunity to be principal of Hanceville High School," said Wakefield.

"Hanceville has been very good to me, and I'll continue to work hard every day to try and make this campus a better place."

Mr. Wakefield has been an administrator for eight years, three of those as principal of Hanceville Middle, and five years as assistant principal of Hanceville Middle.

Under Wakefield's leadership, Hanceville Middle earned Blue Ribbon Lighthouse status, the highest level of national recognition by Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence.

"Mr. Wakefield has done a really good job leading Hanceville Middle School and I am excited to work with him to continue the tradition of excellence at Hanceville High School," said Dr. Shane Barnette, Cullman County school superintendent.

Wakefield's first day as Hanceville High School principal will be July 1. A search for his replacement at Hanceville Middle will begin soon.

Safety (from Front)

ADPH
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama Department of Public Health is participating in the annual Healthy and Safe Swimming Week, May 24-30, 2021, which is an initiative of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The goal of this week is to maximize the health benefits of swimming by promoting healthy and safe water activities. Just 2.5 hours of water-based or other forms of physical exercise per week has health benefits for everyone. Each of us plays a role in preventing illnesses and injuries as we swim this summer and year-round.

A new CDC report shows that during 2015–2019, more than 200 outbreaks were linked to pools, hot tubs and water playgrounds. Cryptosporidium (or Crypto) can make swimmers sick if they swallow just a mouthful of contaminated water.

Although most germs are killed within minutes by chlorine or bromine at the recommended levels, Crypto is a germ that can survive in properly treated water for more than seven days. To protect swimmers' health and safety, utilizing pool and spa water test strips will help to monitor chlorine and pH levels of swimming pools and hot tubs to decrease exposure to germs.

Drownings are the leading cause of injury or death for young children ages 1 to 14, and three children die every day due to drowning.

Parents can play a key role in protecting their children and pets by:

• Making sure to watch children and pets while they are in the pool.

• Fencing off the pool when not in use.

• Ensuring children wear life jackets in and around natural bodies of water, such as lakes or the ocean, even if they know how to swim.

ADPH encourages those who plan to participate in recreational water activities during this season to take some of the following steps to prevent waterborne illnesses and diarrheal disease:

Before getting in:

• Don't swim or let others swim if sick with diarrhea.

• Shower for at least 1 minute before you get into the water to remove dirt or anything else on your body.

• Chlorine mixed with dirt, sweat, pee and poop creates chemicals that make swimmers' eyes red and sting.

• When chlorine mixes with dirt, sweat, pee, and poop, there is less chlorine available to kill germs.

Once you are in:

• Don't swallow the water.

• Don't pee or poop in the water. Take children on frequent bathroom breaks and check diapers every hour.

• Change diapers away from the water to keep germs from getting in.

• Dry ears thoroughly with a towel after swimming.

For more information on Healthy and Safe Swimming Week, visit the https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/swimming/safe-swimming-week/index.htmlor for general healthy swimming guidelines, visit: https://www.cdc.gov/healthywater/swimming/.







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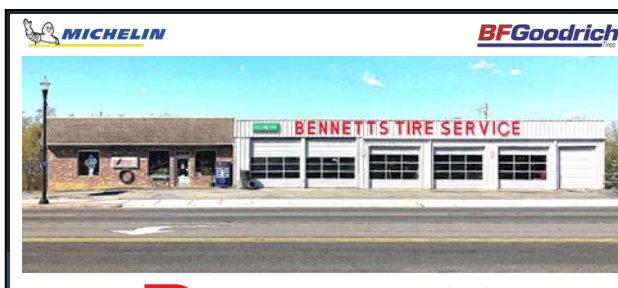








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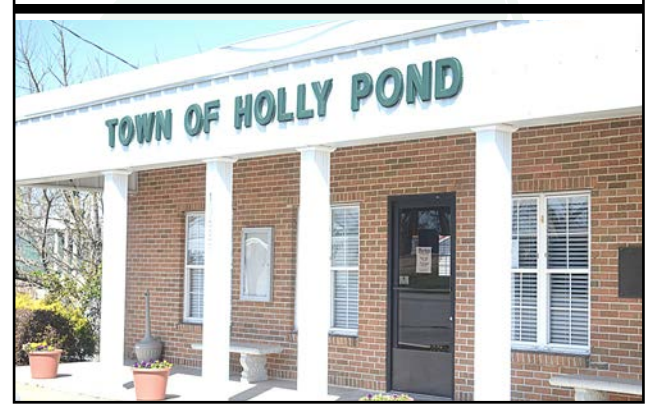
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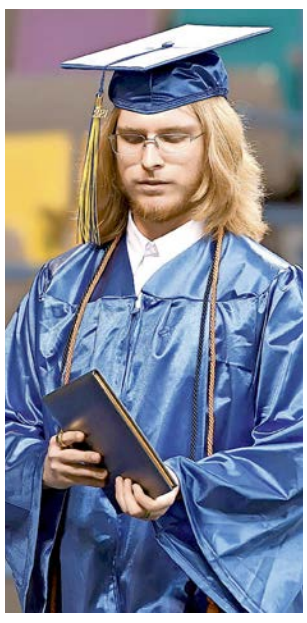
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Grady (from Front)

W.C. Mann
craig@cullmantribune.com

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

Grady is a 1.5 - 2-year-old Blue Tick Hound. He's a lively medium-to-high energy pet, a vocal guy who likes to announce his arrival! He's not a fan of the shelter's walls, preferring trips outside, and he's mastering the finer points of leash etiquette. He enjoys human companionship and, according to Ruttkay, "loves life, providing you are in it."

Grady has the makings of a good companion, therapy, tracking or hiking dog. Grady'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 visit them at 935 Convent Road NE. Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.

Examiner (from Front)

room up and running, but they will also have access to Victim Services' trained advocates and counseling services. If the victim chooses to report the crime, a private room will be available for law enforcement interviews.

An advocate will be with the victim throughout the entire process and will be available to provide support and information as they continue the healing journey.

"Prioritizing the needs of survivors by creating a 'one-stop-shop' where they can receive immediate medical care along with all the other available resources will be a huge benefit to the entire community."

Get involved

Horstman suggested ways the community can help with the SANE project:

• Make a tax-deductible monetary contribution. The names of businesses, civic clubs, churches, individuals and others who contribute to the SANE Program will be memorialized on a plaque that will permanently hang in the SANE facility. In addition, special recognition will be given during the SANE Room's grand opening this fall.

• Become a SANE volunteer. VSC offers training to volunteers to provide support to survivors.

• Join the team of on-call SANE nurses. Current SANEs or RNs interested in SANE training are encouraged to apply.

• Donate! Monetary contributions can be mailed to Victim Services, P.O. Box 416, Cullman AL, 35056 or dropped off at the Victim Services offices - 310 3rd Ave. NE Cullman, AL 35055.

For information about volunteering or becoming a SANE nurse, call 256-775-2600.

Carol Horstman contributed to this article.

LEGALS

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
EDDIE EARL JAMES * **CASE NO.: PC 2021-154**
Deceased. *

NOTICE
SMALL ESTATE AFFIDAVIT

Notice is hereby given that a Small Estate affidavit has been filed on the 21st day April, 2021, by Patrick Alan James, Petitioner, by and through his Attorney, Stuart L. Moore and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Patrick Alan James
Petitioner

Stuart L. Moore
115 4th St SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

To: PUBLISHER OF ***The Cullman Tribune***

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

DONE this the 21st day of May, 2021.

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

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City of Cullman
Planning Commission

On Monday, June 7, 2021, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Short form Subdivision – 2nd Ave. SE between 4th St. SE & 5th St. SE – move lot line
2. Conditional use request on 2nd Ave. NW for a convenience store
3. Conditional use request at 100 13th Street NE – fence company
4. Conditional use request at 808 2nd Ave. SW – car lot

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
NANETTE BEATRICE STANCHAK * CASE NO.: PC2021-157
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to KIMBERLY H. DRAKE Personal Representative of the Estate of NANETTE BEATRICE STANCHAK, deceased, on the 21st day of May, 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.

KIMBERLY H. DRAKE
Personal Representative

Kimberly H. Drake
Attorney for the Petitioner
419 2nd Ave SW Suite A
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

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

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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JUDITH ELAINE TAYLOR * CASE NO.: PC2021-160
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Thomas Taylor, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Judith Elaine Taylor, deceased, on the 7th day of May, 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.

Taylor Thomas
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for the Petitioner
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
ROBERT SQUIRES * **CASE NO.: PC 2021-136**
Deceased. *

NOTICE
PETITION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION OF SMALL ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for Summary Distribution of Small Estates has been filed on the 12th day April, 2021, by Sally Whaley, Petitioner, by and through her Attorney, C. Blake West and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Sally Whaley
Petitioner

C. Blake West
Attorney for Petitioner
1701 Main Avenue, SW, Suite 5
Cullman, Alabama 35055

To: PUBLISHER OF ***The Cullman Tribune***

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

DONE this the 21st day of May, 2021.

Tammy Brown
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2021-192

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DONNA A. BLACKMON, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Fredrick A. Blackmon on the 17th day of May, 2021, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Fredrick A. Blackmon, Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Sherry H. Barrett
Smith & Smith, LLP
Attorneys for Fredrick A. Blackmon
P. O. Box 398
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(256) 734-4721

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

KEVIN DEWAYNE HUNTER, SR., whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources in regards to a minor child born on May 9, 2013, to Amy Nicole Lovell by the 21 day of June, 2021, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 27 day of April, 2021.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
Cullman County Department of Human Resources
P. O. Box 990
1220 St. Joseph Street NW
Cullman, AL 35056

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LISA McSWAIN
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CULLMAN COUNTY

Perry D. Knight
Attorney for Petitioner
412 First Avenue SE
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Cullman, AL 35055
256-734-4090

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

EDITORIAL

The policies of starting over

Ashlyn Grey
ashlyn@cullmantribune.com

There are few things that we as people seem to love less than change. The disruption to our daily patterns, motions and moments rattles us so greatly that occasionally, we break under the pressure—and why wouldn't we? As creatures so comforted by our habits, it only makes sense that sometimes it could shatter us.

When a volcano goes dormant, it can remain that way for thousands of years. Ever quiet and seemingly frozen within a moment, yet everything is evolving beneath the surface.

The Earth's internal furnace melts down rock to form buoyant magma that begins a long journey upward. We see mountains unchanging, but we are not looking closely enough.

Change is continuous but occasionally invisible, and it's only once it has exploded, that we understand its inevitability.

The thing is, we do not have to fear it. Starting over is a hurdle we all climb.

Sometimes it is small, merely an adjustment to be made, and sometimes it takes us by storm and allows us to see what we are truly made of, with millions of shining moments waiting to be made on the other side.

Change is something I have learned a lot about throughout my life and even more so recently. This, in truth, is what made me start writing again.

They say that your best work tends to come from the fiercest of emotions, and I believe it.

These waves of feeling can cloud our judgement and our skies so intensely that we can no longer really see where the light might peek through again, and what I have been learning is that feeling of anticipation, of searching for the sun; that is where the growth happens.

When my boss handed me an editorial assignment, I had no idea what to do with it.

I was unsure of what direction to go in, what to write, or how to even talk to readers but after seeking some advice, I was told, "Introduce them to the person that's telling the stories."

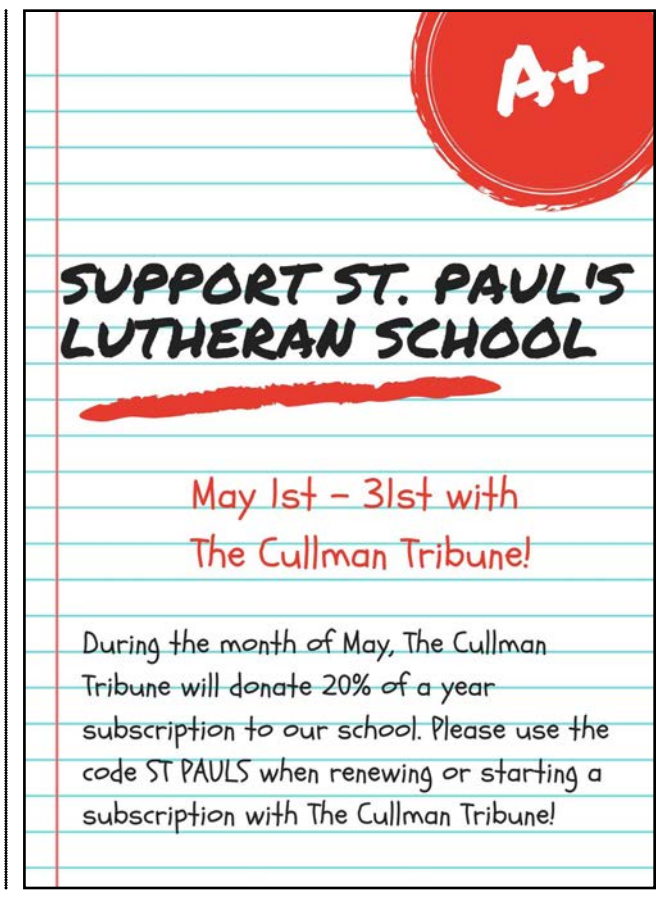
So here I am, a brand new reporter writing about change, growth and starting over because that is what I am going through now. Normally, opening up about my life would feel like pulling teeth for me, and I am sure plenty of you can understand the sentiment.

My hopes with this column are that I can allow you to meet me as I meet myself again.

Furthermore, I hope that as I start over, those of you who may be doing the same can feel something of a sense of solidarity.

Change can be heartbreaking, terrifying even, but you are not alone, and neither am I. So maybe, with the help of a few keystrokes and this amazing platform, we can begin again together.

My name is Ashlyn Grey and it is lovely to meet you all.



Obituary Announcements: May 24

Brigitte "Kitty" Washburn, 83, of Cullman
Funeral Service for Brigitte Washburn, age 83, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Tyler Perkins and Tyler Cantrell officiating and the interment in Simcoe Methodist Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Washburn passed away Sunday, May 23, 2021. She was born July 14, 1937, in Moosburg, German, to Josef and Barbara Rauch. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband: Billy Washburn. Survivors include her sons: Wade (Jackie) Washburn and Mikel (Beverly) Washburn; daughter: Kathy (Ronald) Estes; two sisters: Anita and Helga; eight grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren. A special thanks to Kindred Hospice. Visitation will be from 1 - 2 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home.

Tracie Joan Corbitt, 50, of Cullman
Funeral Service for Tracie Joan Corbitt, age 50, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at Center Grove Baptist Church with Phillip Ashley officiating and the interment in Center Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 -2 p.m. prior to the service. Visitation will also be held from 6 - 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 25, 2021, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Corbitt passed away Sunday, May 23, 2021, at Cullman Regional. She was born Dec. 28, 1970, to Tommy Clyde and Betty Smith. She was preceded in death by her father: Tommy Clyde Smith; brothers: Terry Smith, T. Tom Smith and Jeff Cofer; grandparents: E.T. and Pearlee Smith and in-laws: M.L. and Venus Corbitt.. Survivors include her husband: Stanley Corbitt; son: Samuel Corbitt; daughter: Lora (Shawn) Bell; mother: Betty Smith; sisters: Michelle (Doyle) Rusk and Lisa (Allen) Cox; brothers: Mike (Carol) Smith and Rodger (Lee Anna) Cofer and grandchildren: Brayden Bell, Camden Bell and Tanner Bell.

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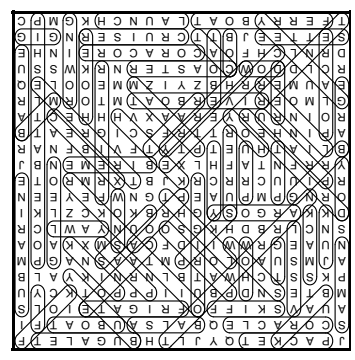
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Good Hope (from Front)

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – The Good Hope City Council voted Monday night to allow Sunday alcohol sales beginning July 4, 2021. Alcohol will be sold from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. on Sunday and rules for Monday-Saturday to remain unchanged. This was welcomed news to Kolby Lawrence, owner of Cabin Fever Beverages, who addressed the council at the Monday night council meeting.

Lawrence was joined by Stash House co-owner Preston Prewitt to make their case for Sunday sales. Lawrence said, "Ultimately, there's already sales in Cullman County. You have the lake that is wet as well as Stone Bridge." He added,

"We've got some property that we've had looked at by other restaurants that would like Sunday sales."

While the case was being made for Sunday sales at the Good Hope meeting, representatives from several restaurants and businesses including Publix, Buffalo Wild Wings and Wal-Mart were also petitioning the Cullman City Council to make the same consideration.

In 2019, legislation was passed in Alabama that would allow counties and municipalities where alcohol sales had already been approved by voters to allow Sunday sales without ballot referendums.

Mayor Jerry Bartlett and Councilmembers Terry Shabel, Susan Eller and Taft Dillashaw approved the ordinance change.

Councilmembers Eric Phillips and Greg Brown were not in attendance at Monday night's meeting.

"The City of Good Hope is I-65 oriented. We have the interstate. That's what we have. We have a brand new 305 exit that is just starting to develop.

"This is just another way of enticing people to come and join us in Good Hope," Mayor Bartlett said. "I am just doing it for the betterment of Good Hope."

Councilmember Susan Eller explained that several retailers and restaurants have opted not to move to the Cullman area due to lack of Sunday alcohol sales.

She said, "We are getting to the point of economics. I know with Good Hope, we have done a lot of great things with our alcohol money."

Good Hope gives the schools close to $45,000 in donations and scholarships each year.

Prewitt told the council, "Even though we are not open yet, we plan on opening July 1, if we don't get it, we just don't think it will make sense to open on Sunday."

He added, "It's kind of handicapping some businesses from coming in because they can go 15-20 minutes either way and have an extra day.

"That extra day, especially in the restaurant business, it's like having an additional Friday or Saturday night. That's one of your busiest times. We are definitely 100% for it."

In other business, the council approved pursuing a 2022 grant from the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program for sidewalk improvements along Calvert Road and Hathcock Road. Representative Corey Harbison explained, "TAP wants connectivity in the communities so that would connect the sidewalk by Good Hope Baptist Church on back to Hathcock Park making that whole area walkable."

The grant would be an 80-20 grant with a projected cost of $705,230.00. TAP funding would cover $470,729.00 with a cost of $234,501.00 to the City of Good Hope.

The Good Hope City Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. inside City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

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