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CRIME

Arrest made in Walter community stabbing

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CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. – On Wednesday morning, the Cullman County Sheriff's Office responded to a stabbing in the Walter community, finding a victim with multiple stab wounds and located the suspect, Justin Bryan (first reported by CCSO as Brian) Horton, 32, of Arab, a short time later.

The CCSO said in a statement Wednesday:

"Earlier today, Cullman County Sheriff Office (CCSO) investigators arrested Justin Brian Horton, 32-year-old of Arab, for Attempted Murder and Assault 1st.

"CCSO deputies and investigators responded to the report of a possible stabbing in the Walter Community Wednesday morning.

"When they arrived, they found the victim with multiple stab wounds. The victim was able to identify the offender as Horton, who had fled the scene.

"Investigators and deputies began following up on leads as to the whereabouts of Horton. He was located a short time later and charged with the listed offenses.

"The victim » PAGE 2


CCSO
Justin Bryan Horton

– LOCAL GOVERNMENT –

South Vinemont Town Council discusses completion of Park Drive


CHRISTY PERRY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Newly completed Park Drive

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SOUTH VINEMONT, Ala. – Those coming and going from the Vinemont Sports Complex now have a smoother drive, as the Park Drive project has been completed. The project took longer than expected due to delays during the pandemic. With the center striping finished, Mayor Radginal Dodson said Tuesday, "It's looking pretty cheerful!"

Dodson continued, "I have gotten good reports on it.

"Everybody going in and out, they got accustomed to the chuckholes in the dern Park Drive and when they got all the new paving, I think they really appreciated that."

Concerns were raised about safety at the entrance to the complex off Highway 31 and if anything could be done to make improvements. Park director Mike Graves explained that the state had the right of way.

In the business portion of the Tuesday night's South Vinemont Town Council meeting, the previous month's minutes and financials were approved.

Councilmember Sonya Copeland, once again, chose to abstain (not vote), due to the financials but did not express a reason for doing so.

The mayor and council will be attending a Certified Municipal Official Training Class in Athens June 23. The council approved the registration fees along with food and mileage expenses associated with the class.

The council also voted to approve Town Clerk, Kayecea Sasser, to attend the Alabama Municipal Clerk Fall Training Institute. She will attend the program Aug. 4-6 in Tuscaloosa.

The South Vinemont Town Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in South Vinemont Town Hall.

CRIME

Cullman man arrested in south side shooting


CCSO
Michael Allen Oliver

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HEALTH

CDC awards the Alabama Department of Public Health funding to address COVID-19 related health disparities

Funding will help improve health status in communities that are underserved and adversely affected by COVID-19 to improve health equity

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– PET OF THE WEEK –

Take off with Flash!


CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER
Flash

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EDITORIAL

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Stabbing (from Front)

was transported to an area hospital and is in stable condition.

'I would like to thank the deputies and investigators for their immediate action and for quickly tracking down the offender,' said Sheriff Matt Gentry. 'Due to this quick response, they were able to locate Horton and keep the citizens and the community safe,' added Sheriff Gentry.

"Mr. Horton is currently being held in the Cullman County Detention Center with no bond."

Horton has a record for possession and use of drug paraphernalia in Blount County, and for burglary and theft of property in Baldwin County.

The Cullman County Sheriff's Office contributed to this story.

Flash (from Front)

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

Flash is a 1-year-old Shepherd mix. Get ready to play--he's a lively medium-to-high energy pet who loves his toys. He's already getting a grip on leash etiquette and will look to his people for direction and comfort. He is a people pooch!

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

Flash'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.

Shooting (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Following a late evening shooting in the area of Golf Course Road on Cullman's south side, Michael Allen Oliver, 43, of Cullman, was arrested and charged with assault 3rd degree. Following the incident, Oliver is alleged to have fled the scene, and was taken into custody after Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies and Cullman police searched a residential area around Golf Course Road (County Road 490) and County Road 488.

According to the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, "An argument had occurred between Oliver and the victim which resulted in Oliver shooting the victim.

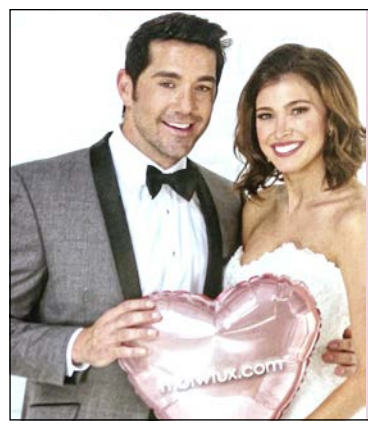
"It was determined that the weapon used was a pellet gun.

"The victim was transported to an area hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries."

Oliver, the alleged shooter, was out on bond in multiple cases, including charges of possession of controlled substances and drug paraphernalia, possession of prohibited liquor, illegal possession of prescription drugs and obstruction of justice/false identity.

As of Wednesday evening, Oliver remained in the Cullman County Detention Center.

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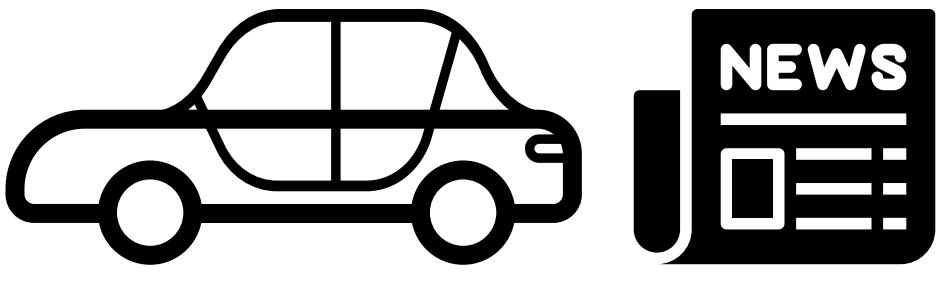

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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, June 9, 2021 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes
Along with decreases in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths, ADPH will be updating its dashboard less frequently. Effective June 7, the Data and Surveillance Dashboard will update on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; the Vaccine Distribution Dashboard will update on Tuesday and Thursday and no weekend updates will be made. Additional information may be provided in the future as ADPH gathers more data on the pandemic.

Case details
- Total confirmed cases in Alabama: 419,764 (+657 since Monday)
- Probable cases in Alabama: 126,560 (-139 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama: 8,843 (+55 since Monday)
- Probable deaths in Alabama: 2,351
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 6,711
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,199 (+4 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 137
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 63
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 42,765
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co: 1,707
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 34
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,639,446
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 1,765
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 86,218
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 212
- Cumulative no. of hospitalizations in Alabama: 50,126
- 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

National Month of Action begins June 4; Goal is 70% COVID-19 vaccination
The Alabama Department of Public Health joins in encouraging everyone in the state to work toward the goal of 70% of U.S. adults getting at least one COVID-19 vaccination by July 4. President Biden announced the National Month of Action initiative which encourages national organizations, local government leaders, community-based and faith-based partners, businesses, employers, social media influencers, celebrities, athletes, colleges, young people and thousands of volunteers across the nation to work together to get their communities vaccinated. Decreasing numbers of Alabama residents are being vaccinated even though vaccines are available, so promotions and actions are needed now to defeat COVID-19.

On-site vaccination clinic toolkit
On-site vaccination clinics are a critical tool to make vaccinations as accessible as possible to local communities. The "We Can Do This" campaign has created a toolkit that provides a roadmap for community organizations, employers and other groups to work directly with vaccine providers to set up vaccination clinics in places people know and trust. The toolkit can be accessed here: https://wecandothis.hhs.gov/onsite-vaccination-clinic-toolkit?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Multicultural Day at FEMA Community Vaccination Center
The drive-thru FEMA Community Vaccination Center located at Watermark Place (4500 Katies Way) in Bessemer will hold a Multicultural Day Saturday, June 5 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Attendees that receive vaccination on-site can then enjoy a diverse family fun day with food from across the globe, raffle prizes, bounce houses, face painting, carnival games and more. Everyone is welcome. No legal status, no ID and no insurance is required.

COVID-19 vaccine data for persons 12-15 years of age
Children 12 years and older are now eligible to get vaccinated against COVID-19. Since May 10, 8,614 patients age 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.

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 9

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 9, 2021. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
June 3
• third-degree theft of property; Metro PCS; 2nd Ave. SW; phone; $516

June 7
• third-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; TV and sound bar; $562

June 8
• first-degree theft of property; Tony Serra Nissan; Cherokee Ave. SW; '17 Chevy Silverado 2500; $30,000
• unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; gun; $650
• harassing communications; person
• burglary; first-degree criminal mischief; first-degree criminal trespass; person; 2nd Way NE; miscellaneous
• fourth-degree theft of property; person; 4th St. SW; phone; $174

ARRESTS
June 8
Bryan, Daniel J.; 27
• unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
• possession of drug paraphernalia
• carrying pistol without permit
• driving while license suspended

Sears, Bridget N.; 35
• FTA- disorderly conduct
• FTA- third-degree domestic violence
• FTA- resisting arrest
• FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana

Speegle, Jesse A.; 32
• FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA- public intoxication

Brown, Christopher L.; 46
• DUI

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No incidents or arrests reported.

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

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to 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-Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m. – noon, Tuesdays 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. – noon Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle S.W. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. 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.
• June 11 - 10:30 a.m. Adult Lunch and Games. Bring a dish, drink or dessert and fellowship with others.
• June 11 - 6 p.m. Youth Lock-In. Call Zach (1-205-544-9210) or Alisha (1-205-717-7478) for more info.
• June 25-26 "Daddy's Girl - Walking as a Daughter of the KING" Women's Conference – Friday - doors open at 6 p.m. Saturday 8 a.m. breakfast, 9 a.m. worship, noon lunch, 5 p.m. ends. Guest speakers: Robin Fields, Debbie Kitterman and Roxanne Worsham. Invite your family and friends!

Free Community Dinner at Center Hill Baptist Church
• 5-6 p.m.- The first Wednesday of every month we will be offering a Free Community Dinner. Church members, community members, neighbors and friends are welcome. This will be takeout only. Please message or comment with how many plates you will need to help us prepare enough food for everyone. RSVP at http://bit.ly/centerhill.
• 13108 County Road 747, Hanceville, AL 35077

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

Guy Hunt Library Summer Children's Programs
• June 17 – North Alabama Agriplex
• June 24 – Mr. Larry's Magic Show
• July 8 – Mrs. Nance's Painting Party
• July 15 – McWane Science Center
• July 22 – Soil and Water, Animal Tracks
• All programs start at 1 p.m. For more information, send an email to guyhuntlibrary@gmail.com or call 256-796-5226.

Agriplex Children's Summer Camp Programs
• June 10 & 11: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., 20th Annual Cullman Touring Farms for Kids: Two days of farm tours in Cullman County. We will meet all different types of farmers and tour their farms. Food and t-shirts provided. Paying parents are welcome to attend, but may need to drive separately. Ages 7 to 13, $25.00 per person. Registration required at Agriplex.org.
• July 14 & 15: 8 a.m. – 3 p.m., Nature Day Camp: Day camp exploring our natural world and the Native American heritage with adventure activities such as hiking, canoeing, heritage crafts & storytelling. Ages 10-14. $35.00 per person. Registration required at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.
• July 19 - 23: 9 a.m. - noon, Sewing Camp 101: This camp is designed for children interested in learning to sew. Campers will learn the basics of hand sewing while making projects to take home. Ages 8 & up, adults must attend with children under 9. $40.00 per person. Registration required at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.
• July 26 - 30: 9 a.m. - noon, Sewing Camp 102: Designed for Sewing Camp alumni who want to expand their sewing skills by reviewing hand stitching & moving on to machine sewing with fun take home projects. Each camper will need to bring their own machine. Ages 9-18, must complete Sewing Camp 101. $40.00 per person. Registration required at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.
• Saturdays, beginning at 9 a.m. at Festhalle Farmers Market, Power of Produce: Kids up to age 12 can sample fresh produce while earning market money (pop bucks) to buy produce from local farmers.

Agriplex Adult Programs
• June 16: noon - 1 p.m., Lunch & Learn presents Growing & Cooking with Herbs: We will cover the basic culinary herbs and learn how to enhance meals with them. We will also cover herbs that grow wonderfully in our area. No registration required, this program is free.
• June 21: 6 - 8 p.m., Learn to Sew Tote Bags: We will discuss how to make various tote bags of all shapes and sizes and make one to take home. Registration required at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.
• June 22: 6 - 8 p.m., Living Landscapes Succulents: Succulents are more popular then ever right now! Learn the basics of taking care of succulents, including propagation. Make a succulent planter to take home. Cost $15.00 Registration required at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.
• Thursdays: noon - 1 p.m., Yoga under the Pavilion, Join us for a beginner yoga class in the serenity of nature. $5.00 per person, summer family special of $10 per family. Ages 10 & up, must be able to follow along with class. No registration required. Please bring your yoga mat & water.
• 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

Free Community Movie Night at Vinemont Community Center
June 19 – Bring a blanket or chair and come enjoy the show! The movie, Toy Story 4, will start at 8:15 p.m. and there will also be a concession stand. Vinemont Community Center – 88 Ridgeway Street, Cullman, AL 35058

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 Kickoff Event
• Free Community Ice Cream Social
• 2 - 4 p.m.

Country Legends Rediscovered Exhibition
• Evelyn Burrow Museum at Wallace State Community College.
• Through Aug. 31. Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Vacation bible school at Mount Nebo Baptist Church
• June 7 – 11
• Vacation Bible School will be held at Mount Nebo Baptist Church (11 County Road 1273), June 7-11, 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The theme is Concrete and Cranes.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Raiders collect summer play day wins over West Point, Elkmont

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HARTSELLE, Ala. – Several local squads made the short trip to Hartselle Tuesday for a day of summer competition on the hardwood and the Good Hope Raiders picked up a pair of wins over West Point and Elkmont to tip off their summer slate.

Good Hope 40 - West Point 38 (Game One)

Behind six quick points from Charlie O'Neil and a stifling defense, Good Hope jumped out to a quick 11-2 lead almost halfway through the first half. A Tyler Cone trey from the right corner made it 14-2. A basket down low by Kanen Trussell helped cut the West Point deficit to 18-8, but O'Neil added a fast-break layup late in the first half as the Raiders pushed the lead back to 12 at 20-8 and that ended up being the score at the half.

An Andrew Lynn trey made it 20-11 as the Warriors looked to make a run in the second half.

Each team traded baskets for a few possessions before Aiden Dujoud (three-point play) and Samuel Wheeler (trey) helped cut the Raider lead to six at 27-21 with 10:45 remaining in the game. Five straight points by Tanner and Tucker Malin increased the Good Hope lead back to double-digits at 34-23. Five straight points by Wheeler made it a six-point game. Later on, Kolton Perry and Jayden Laney scored the next seven points to make it a 38-36 game.

Each team traded baskets to keep it at a one-possession game, but Good Hope got the rebound off a missed free throw and drained the remaining few seconds off the clock as they wound up taking game one, 40-38.

Tanner Malin led the way for Good Hope with 11 points. O'Neil added eight, while Tucker Malin and Noah Barnette each ended up with seven. For West Point, Wheeler finished with 12 points. Trussell added eight points. Perry ended up with six points and Dujoud finished with five points.

Good Hope 51 - Elkmont 39 (Game Two)

Tanner Malin got Good Hope on the scoreboard less than a minute into the first half with a trey and K'mal Bell hit a short jumper, then Weston Hancock drilled a three to give the Raiders a quick 8-2 lead. After an Elkmont three-point play made it 12-9, Cone and Tanner Malin each hit back-to-back treys pushed the lead back to nine at 18-9. The Red Devils then went on an 8-4 run to make it a 22-17 game, but Tanner Malin hit a layup to put the score at 24-17 at the half.



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Good Hope's Tanner Malin posted 16 points in the Raiders' win over Elkmont Tuesday.

The Raiders got off to a really bad start defensively in the second half as Elkmont scored nine of the first 11 points in the half and Good Hope found themselves tied with the Red Devils at 26-26. Tanner Malin and Weston Hancock helped break the tie as they started a 12-2 run and the Raiders' defense gave Elkmont fits as they caused several turnovers during the run.

When the run was over, Good Hope held a 40-28 lead and Barnette scored five straight points to help push the Raider lead to 45-32 and they ended up taking game two, 51-39.

Tanner Malin finished with 16 points for Good Hope. Barnette added 11 points, Hancock ended up with nine points and Tyler Cone finished with seven points. Both the Raiders and Warriors will travel to Lipscomb University in Nashville to play in several more play-day games later this week.

Other local scores at Hartselle Tuesday:

- Fairview 52 – Vinemont 43 (varsity boys)
- West Point 58 – Douglas 38 (varsity girls)
- Douglas 73 – Fairview 48 (varsity boys)
- Cold Springs 39 – Douglas 28 (varsity girls)
- West Point 37 – Falkville 15 (varsity girls)
- Douglas 67 – Vinemont 53 (varsity boys)

Troy's Garrett Gainous named Freshman All-American

Adam Prendergast
Troy Athletics

TROY, Ala. – Freshman right-hander Garrett Gainous joined an illustrious group in Troy baseball as he was named to the Collegiate Baseball Freshman All-America Team, the publication announced Wednesday.

Gainous becomes the 60th All-American in program history, and 2021 marks the fourth straight season – and sixth time in the last eight years – a Trojan has earned Freshman All-America honors.

"Garrett established himself quickly as one of our best pitchers in the fall," head coach Mark Smartt said. "He was consistent throughout the season, which is a sign of his poise and maturity as a young pitcher. He deserves this type of award and is poised to have a great career at Troy."

Gainous, the Sun Belt Freshman of the Year, finished the season 9-5 with a 4.66 ERA with 83 strikeouts and just 36 walks in 83 innings of work all while holding opponents to a .248 batting average.

His nine victories were the most in the country by a freshman starter, while his 83 strikeouts led league freshmen and ranked seventh overall in the conference. The Cairo, Ga., native sat down 29 batters looking, the second most in the Sun Belt.

Gainous tallied seven quality starts and posted a 4.04 ERA during the regular season, beginning in the Saturday slot before eventually moving to Friday nights in mid-April.

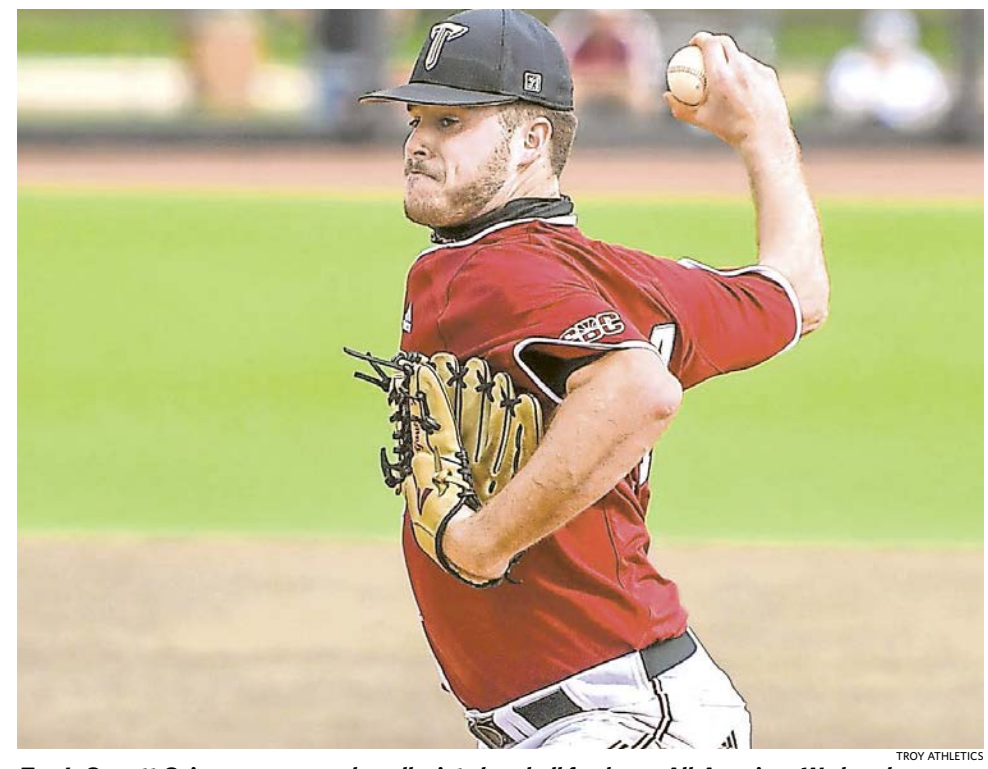
In his first Friday start, he allowed just two hits in seven shutout innings against Georgia State.

Gainous followed that performance with his second consecutive scoreless outing behind seven strikeouts and just two walks while only allowing three hits against App State.

At one point during the season, Gainous logged a shutout streak of 16.1 innings, the longest by a Trojan since Levi Thomas in 2020.

Troy Freshman All-Americans (Last Eight Seasons)

- Garrett Ganious (P) | 2021
- William Sullivan (1B) | 2020
- Logan Cerny (OF) | 2019
- Rigsby Mosley (OF) | 2018
- Reid Long (OF) | 2015
- Marc Skinner (P) | 2014



TROY ATHLETICS

Troy's Garrett Gainous was named a collegiate baseball freshman All-American Wednesday.

Alabama & Boston College schedule home-and-home football series

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama and Boston College announced a home-and-home football series between the two programs for the 2031 and 2034 seasons on Wednesday.

"Our future schedules continue to fill out nicely with quality home-and-home series, many of which present us with opportunities to play opponents and go places we haven't been to in a while or ever," said Alabama Director of Athletics Greg Byrne. "The 2031 matchup in Chestnut Hill will be a great trip for our team and our fans, and we look forward to hosting the Eagles here in Tuscaloosa in 2034."

The first game will take place in Chestnut Hill, Mass., on Sept. 13, 2031, with the Eagles coming to Tuscaloosa on Sept. 16, 2034.

It will mark the first games between the programs since a series in the 1983 and 1984 seasons that took place at Sullivan Stadium in Foxboro, Massachusetts, and Legion Field in Birmingham.

"The numerous home-and-home matchups that have been scheduled in recent years are going to make for some great football games for our program and our fan base," Alabama head football coach Nick Saban said.

"We are excited to add a trip to Chestnut Hill for the 2031 season and look forward to the challenge that awaits us with the Boston College series."

Alabama and Boston College have previously met four times on the football field with BC holding a 3-1 edge in the series. The Eagles took both games of a series in 1983 (Foxboro, Mass.) and 1984 (Birmingham). The teams first met in the 1943 Orange Bowl, a 37-21 Crimson Tide victory. Alabama returned to Boston College for a road game in 1946, falling 13-7.

With the addition of Boston College, Alabama has added 12 home-and-home series to future schedules recently, including: Texas (2022 & 2023), Wisconsin (2024 & 2025), Florida State (2025 & 2026), West Virginia (2026 & 2027), Ohio State (2027 & 2028), Oklahoma State (2028 & 2029), Notre Dame (2029 & 2030), Georgia Tech (2030 & 2031), Oklahoma (2032 & 2033), Arizona (2032 & 2033) and Virginia Tech (2034 & 2035).

The Crimson Tide also has a 2-for-1 home-and-home series with South Florida (2023, 2024 & 2026).

Along with playing at Boston College in 2031, Alabama will also host Georgia Tech (Aug. 31, 2031). The 2034 season will see the Eagles and a trip to Virginia Tech on the Crimson Tide's slate.

Alabama opens the 2021 season with a neutral site game against Miami (Fla.) on Sept. 4 at 2:30 p.m. inside Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta.

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

Future Home-and-Home Football Series

- 2022: at Texas (Sept. 10)
- 2023: Texas (Sept. 9), at USF (Sept. 16)
- 2024: USF (Sept. 7), at Wisconsin (Sept. 14)
- 2025: at Florida State (Aug. 30), Wisconsin (Sept. 13)
- 2026: at West Virginia (Sept. 5), USF (Sept. 12), Florida State (Sept. 19)
- 2027: West Virginia (Sept. 4), at Ohio State (Sept. 18)
- 2028: Ohio State (Sept. 9), at Oklahoma State (Sept. 23)
- 2029: at Notre Dame (Sept. 1) Oklahoma State (Sept. 15)
- 2030: at Georgia Tech (Aug. 31), Notre Dame (Sept. 14)
- 2031: Georgia Tech (Aug. 30), at Boston College (Sept. 13)
- 2032: Arizona (Sept. 4), at Oklahoma (Sept. 11)
- 2033: at Arizona (Sept. 3), Oklahoma (Sept. 10)
- 2034: at Virginia Tech (Sept. 2), Boston College (Sept. 16)
- 2035: Virginia Tech (Sept. 1)







CULLMAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Dale Greer, center, accepts the Lucille Galin Public Service Award.

Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce holds 78th Annual Meeting and Garden Party

Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce

CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce held the 78th Annual Meeting and Garden Party Tuesday evening at Stone Bridge Farms.

The event was dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Jackie Moore, the Chamber's director of administration and finance, who passed away this past year.

Jeff Tolbert of Trident Marina, the 2021-2022 Chamber chair, noted that the possibilities are truly unlimited for our area through the cooperative efforts of our partners and all others in leadership roles in our community.

The 2020 Small Business of the Year was given to long time staple in the community, Johnny's Bar-B-Q.

Josh Wiggins accepted the award on behalf of the Wiggins family and the amazing staff of Johnny's.

Mr. Dale Greer was awarded the Lucille Galin Public Service Award for his years of outstanding service to the Cullman area in economic development.

Garry Marchman, president of the Cullman mayor and commissioner association, presented the award.

The Emma Maire Eddleman Citizenship Award was presented to Representative Randall Shedd for his commitment to restoring dignity and order to Cullman Memory Gardens after years of neglect.

The evening ended with a celebration of all the businesses large and small that make Cullman such a wonderful place to live, work, worship and play.

President Peggy Smith noted the Chamber is thankful to our sponsors and all our members who attended and made the 78th annual meeting a huge success.



CULLMAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Rep. Randall Shedd, left, accepts the Emma Marie Eddleman Citizenship Award.



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Josh Wiggins, left, accepts the 2020 Small Business of the Year Award.







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Funding (from Front)

CDC
Contributor

WASHINGTON D.C. – CDC has awarded the Alabama Department of Public Health $40,452,096 to address COVID-19-related health disparities. The funding, part of a $2.25 billion nationwide investment, seeks to advance health equity by expanding state, local, US territorial and freely-associated state health department capacity and services. This is CDC's largest investment to date to improve health equity in the United States. "These grants demonstrate our steadfast commitment to keeping equity at the center of everything we do," said CDC Director Rochelle P. Walensky, M.D., MPH.

"They are an important step in our unwavering efforts to strengthen our communities' readiness for public health emergencies—and to helping everyone in America have equal opportunities for health."

The intended outcomes of these grants are to:

1. Reduce COVID-19-related health disparities,

2. Improve and increase testing and contact tracing among populations that are at higher risk and are underserved, including racial and ethnic minority groups and people living in rural communities, and

3. Improve state, local, US territorial and freely-associated state health department capacity and services to prevent and control COVID-19 infection.

"The pandemic has laid bare longstanding health inequities, and health departments are on the front line of efforts to address those inequities," said Director of CDC's Center for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support, José T. Montero, M.D. "These grants will provide these health departments with much needed support to address disparities in communities that need it most."

To learn more about CDC COVID-19 State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Funding, visit https://www.cdc.gov/budget/fact-sheets/covid-19/funding/index.html. For more detail on HHS COVID-19 funding, please visit https://taggs.hhs.gov/Coronavirus.

To stop the spread of COVID-19 and move toward greater health equity, CDC continues to work with populations at higher risk, underserved, and disproportionately affected to ensure resources are available to maintain and manage physical and mental health, including easy access to information, affordable testing and medical and mental health care.

Honk (from Front)

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I've noticed that as the City of Cullman grows, so do the unexpected consequences and problems. One of those problems is the traffic on the incredibly narrow Highway 31 and those who are choosing residential streets as their alternate route. Over the past year or so, my once peaceful street, Cleveland Avenue NW, has become Alt-31 and that's not OK.

When the North Cullman Shopping Center was renovated and expanded a few years ago, those of us living behind the shopping center knew it would cause a few headaches.

We were already accustomed to the noise and shenanigans that were a frequent occurrence when living close to a large shopping hub, though not at this level.

While the 5 a.m. Monday morning slamming of the dumpsters, the 2 a.m. leaf-blowing and 24-hour-a day 18-wheeler deliveries are not ideal, this was the trade-off of having the convenience of a pet store, bookstore, grocery store, nail salon and clothing stores all within walking distance.

Now, I am pretty sure those living adjacent to the shopping center no longer see it as a convenience at all. As for walking, pedestrians beware!

The other day, as I backed down my driveway, I stopped (as I always do) to check for cars.

I saw one, so I waited. This knucklehead honks his horn at me--in my own driveway! Why? This guy isn't the only one that seems inconvenienced by those of us who actually live on this street; try signaling to turn into the driveway--people flip us off, speed around us or get horn-honking happy. Are you Keanu Reeves in "Speed" or something? If you slow down, will your car explode?

Last week, a boy, who looked to be 12 or 13, was riding his bike down the street and I thought he was going to get killed. I observed seven cars, going well above the 25 mph speed limit, fly by this poor kid as though he wasn't even there. They didn't even move over to pass him as he tried to show with his arm his intention of making a left turn. Finally, the eighth car stopped to allow the young man to complete his turn. Wouldn't you know, the eighth car was a neighbor from a few houses down.

I began counting the number of cars that I had to wait to pass before backing out of my driveway. I guess I started doing this about a year ago.

The hour before and after school was understood because there are many school age children in the neighborhood. One Tuesday at 5:30 p.m., I had to wait on 19 cars to pass by. I expect that type of wait if I'm leaving Newk's or Walmart, but not a residential street. By the way, there is a stop sign at Cleveland and Loring. If you are doing 50mph when you hit the back of Books-A-Million, it's sort of too late to slam on your brakes.

Several years ago, the city put up speed bumps to help slow the traffic and it worked. Hardly anyone used the street as their personal Autobahn and we no longer saw mowing the edge of our yards as an extreme sport. We could check the mail without worrying if our final affairs were in order. Now, I feel like I should kiss my kids before heading to the mailbox.

For other families on similar residential streets being used as major thoroughfares, I see you and feel your pain. The level of disrespect shown by impatient and hurried motorists is gross, much like the fast-food bags and beer cans they often throw out on their way through.

If you are one of the drivers who think cutting through neighborhoods will save you some time, I'd ask you to think about where you are and to be respectful of those who live and play in those areas. Quit putting your need for speed ahead of their well-being and leave the residential streets for the actual residents.



IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
ARP, * **CASE NO.: JU 19-675.03**
a minor, DOB: 10-17-2019. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

Destiney Kiah Thompson, 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 the above referenced child born on October 17, 2019 by the 24 day of June, 2021, or thereafter a judgment terminating her parental rights may be entered against her in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 14 day of May, 2021.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

RONNIE HUNTER, 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 March 6, 2012, to Amy Nicole Lovell by the 1 day of July, 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 14 day of May, 2021.

Lisa McSwain
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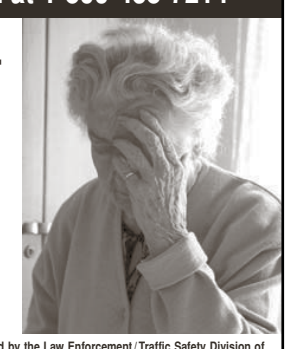
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– VETERAN MEMORIAL –

Fred Theador Aker

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Fred Theador Aker was born Aug. 20, 1920 in Cullman County. He enlisted in the United States Army in October 1944 and served during World War II. Aker was attached to the 3rd Armored Division, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment.

The 3rd Armored Division, 36th Armored Infantry Regiment, referred to as the "Blitz Doughs" of the division, was one of the original "spearhead" elements in the fight against the Germans. According to the Association of 3D Armored Division Veterans, the 36th Armored Infantry were "the infighters of the division, the soldiers who insured victory after the cutting edge of the armor had slashed enemy positions. Indeed, in street fighting, the armored infantry often proceeded the tanks.

For all the heavy casualties, constant fighting and fatigue, the "Blitz Doughs" maintained a brilliant reputation for valor."

Aker would arrive in France just five weeks before being killed in action. He died April 17, 1945, in Dessau, Germany, a town destroyed during the War and occupied by US troops.

Aker would leave behind a wife, Oleva Moody Aker, and their two children--a young son and daughter.

He is buried at Plot L Row 8 Grave 13, Netherlands American Cemetery, Margraten, Netherlands. He was awarded the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for valor. Aker is also memorialized at Cullman's Veterans Memorial Park.

Fred Theador Aker »



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Obituary Announcements: June 9

James H Burke, 81, of Cullman

James H Burke, age 81, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Sunday, May 30. James was born May 22, 1940, in Etty, Kentucky. James is survived by daughters: Candy (Richard) Powers, Lola (Laurin) Samp; sons: James Burke, Timothy (Debby) Burke; 5 Grandchildren; 11 Great Grandchildren; sister: Mary (Ron) Helms. James was preceded in death by his wife: Karen Johnson Burke; sister: Betty Tackett; granddaughter: Amber Dawn Lovitz. A celebration of life visitation for James will be held Saturday, June 12 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Ave., N.W., Cullman, Alabama 35055. A celebration of life funeral service will follow at 11 a.m. Burial at Cullman Memory Gardens, 1516 Bolte Road SE, Cullman, AL 35055. In lieu of flowers, contributions in James' memory may be made to Dystonia Medical Research Foundation, 1 East Wacker Drive, Suite 1730, Chicago, IL 60601. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Burke family.

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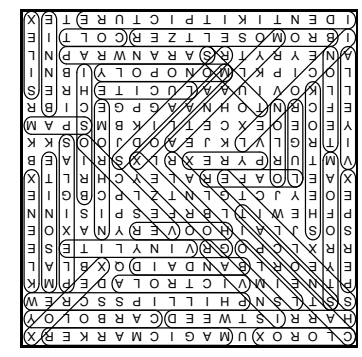
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Harvesting pine straw has financial benefits

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AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. – The name of the game for landowners is to manage their land and its resources in a way that is profitable. For forestland owners, one way to fully use the land's resources is by harvesting pine straw for profit. This can be a great opportunity for landowners to earn additional income, especially when traditional timber markets are down.

Becky Barlow, the Alabama Cooperative Extension System interim assistant director for agriculture, forestry and natural resources, said when pine trees cast their needles, they produce a non-timber forest product called pine straw.

"This annual needle shedding is a natural biological process where older, spent needles fall from the tree to be replaced by new ones," Barlow said.

Benefits

When layers of straw build up on the forest floor, harvesting and selling it can be a source of income. Landowners can rake and sell freshly fallen pine needles to retailers, landscapers and others. A popular use of harvested straw is for landscape mulch. People normally sell pine straw on a per-acre or per-bale basis.

"Revenue from pine straw harvests can vary based on region, tree species, straw quality and the costs of site preparation and harvesting," Barlow said.

How to harvest

According to Barlow, who is also an Alabama Extension specialist and professor of forestry and wildlife sciences, harvesting pine straw can be done mechanically or by hand.

Hiring contractors to conduct mechanical harvesting operations with tractor-drawn rakes is common. This piece of equipment pulls the needles into piles between tree rows. After this, tractor-drawn bailers collect and bundle pine needles into bales bound with wire or twine.

Hand-raking straw is a popular method in forest stands where trees are closer together or where low-impact operations are necessary. A forest stand is a contiguous group of trees that are fairly uniform in age-class distribution, structure and composition. Hand ranks help in gathering between rows of trees.

"Once gathered, straw is then placed in a bailing box, compressed into a square bale and secured with twine," Barlow said.

More information

For those interested in learning more about harvesting pine straw, check out this Alabama Extension article - https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/forestry/harvesting-pine-straw-for-profit-questions-landowners-should-ask-themselves/, or contact the forestry, wildlife and natural resources professional in their area or visit the Alabama Extension website at https://www.aces.edu/.





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