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CRIME

Double murder defendant returning to Cullman for competency hearing

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Double murder defendant Sara Tapia-Franco, 34, of Holly Pond, this week was ordered to be transferred from state mental health facility Bryce Hospital to the Cullman County Detention Center for an upcoming competency hearing. Tapia-Franco was indicted in 2020 on capital murder charges in the deaths of her two young sons, 3-year-old Alvaro Garcia and 9-year-old Taylor Garcia, on Oct. 12, 2019, at the family home between Holly Pond and Baileyton.

Tapia-Franco was previously ordered to undergo a mental evaluation. » PAGE 2



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Sara Tapia-Franco

– LOCAL GOVERNMENT –

Colony prepares for Colony Day, seeks help for roads


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The Colony Town Council met Tuesday evening.

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COLONY, Ala. — The Colony Town Council on Tuesday evening discussed plans for its upcoming Colony Day community celebration, scheduled for the Community Center Saturday on Aug. 7, with a rain date planned for Aug. 14. According to Councilwoman Jasmine Cole, the event will feature a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, volleyball tournament, spades tournament, dominoes tournament, cake walk, rib cook-off and inflatables and school supplies for children. Cole, who was not present at the meeting, sent a message saying that the Cullman Electric Co-op will bring a new electric Ford Mustang and charging station.

Cole also reported that the talent show originally scheduled for July 31 will take place at Colony Day, starting at 4 p.m.

Participants should register by 3:15 p.m. on the day of the event, at the table by the ballfield.

Event fees:
- Entry in the rib cook-off – $10, register by Aug. 6
- Family tents – $25
- Vendor spots – $25
- Food truck spots – $50

For more information, contact Jasmine Cole at 205-456-0340.

Help for roads
The council approved a resolution to seek a grant for assistance in repairing local roads. According to the resolution, funding will be used on four roads in the following order of priority:

1. Byars Road
2. Johnson Circle
3. Wooley Road
4. Fields Boulevard

Streets and Drainage Committee Chairperson Mary Parker said that she is working on replacing damaged or missing street signs, and that she will seek a warning light for the main intersection entering Colony from Highway 91.

Town historian named
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Repairs (from Front)

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City of Cullman

CULLMAN, Ala. – The City of Cullman Street Department will close a portion of Dahlke Drive from just past Specialty Pharmacy to Wyn Cliff Drive NE for street repairs beginning at 6 a.m., Friday, July 30.

The street will be closed all day.

Please use alternate entrances to access Cullman Regional and other medical offices or businesses while Dahlke Drive is closed, and thank you for your patience as we improve our infrastructure!

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Hearing (from Front)

Under the Alabama Rules of Criminal Procedure Rule 11, "A defendant is mentally incompetent to stand trial or to be sentenced for an offense if that defendant lacks sufficient present ability to assist in his or her defense by consulting with counsel with a reasonable degree of rational understanding of the facts and the legal proceedings against the defendant."

The Cullman County Sheriff's Office will arrange for her transportation and maintain her use of prescribed medications, as well as arranging follow-up care through a local facility or personnel in Cullman.

Tapia faces two counts of capital murder and one count of capital murder of two or more persons.

Capital offenses in Alabama carry a punishment of either the death penalty or life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Scooter (from Front)

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

Scooter is a 1-year-old short-legged Lab mix. He's a lively-but-not-crazy, medium-energy pet, an "unassuming, patient fellow who's ever so quiet in his kennel," said Ruttkay. He's skilled on his leash and likes toys to enrich his adventures. He likes to get out and walk, but will stay close to his people and enjoy their company.

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

Scooter'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.

Good news!
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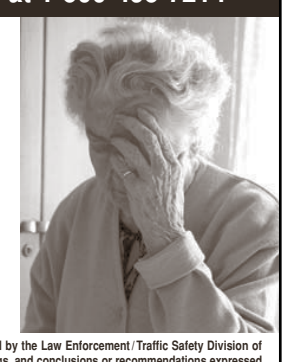
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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, July 28, 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 Monday, Wednesday and Friday; the Vaccine Distribution Dashboard will update 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 (Updated Mon, Wed, Fri)
- Total confirmed cases in Alabama: 442,373 (+ 3,810 since Monday)
- Probable cases in Alabama: 135,090 (+ 2,916 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama: 9,180 (+ 17 since Monday)
- Probable deaths in Alabama: 2,330
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co.: 7,056 (+ 61 since Monday)
- Probable cases in Cullman Co.: 3,307 (+ 28 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Cullman Co.: 143
- Probable deaths in Cullman Co.: 62
- Total tested in Cullman Co.: 44,556
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Cullman Co: 2,242
- Cases in the last 14 days in Cullman Co.: 240
- Total tested in Alabama: 2,756,534
- Cases in the last 14 days in Alabama: 17,866
- Total tested in the last 14 days in Alabama: 128,217
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 1,181

Vaccine details (updated Tues, Thurs)
- Doses Delivered to Alabama: 4,814,025
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 3,194,025
- Doses administered: 3,426,757
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 1,954,939
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 1,587,003
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 1,620,000

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

Variants of SARS-CoV-2
Variants of SARS-CoV-2 continue to circulate in Alabama and pose a significant threat of increased disease. Variants of concern reported, as of July 9, are Alpha (820 cases), Beta (2 cases), Gamma (31 cases) and Delta (56 cases). These variants are more transmissible, specifically the Alpha and the Delta, and some variants have less response to treatments such as monoclonal antibodies.

Percent positivity escalates
Alabama's current statewide percent positivity for COVID-19 has increased to its highest level since February 2021, at 7.7%. This is equal to the percent positivity recorded April 3, when vaccines had not been readily available.

Percent increase in COVID-19 cases
The number of COVID-19 cases reported in Alabama has risen 39% from June 26 - July 9. The best way to prevent getting the highly infectious and easily transmissible Delta variant or any other strain of COVID-19 is to get vaccinated as quickly as possible. The vaccines we have are highly effective and their benefits far outweigh any risks. Only a very small percentage of deaths due to COVID-19 are among the fully vaccinated population.

COVID-19 hospitalizations increase
As of July 14, 341 persons were reported hospitalized as a result of COVID-19 disease. On July 3, 179 persons were hospitalized due to COVID-19. Increases in numbers of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations due to COVID-19 are the result of low vaccine rates and unvaccinated persons not following preventive measures for themselves such as wearing masks, good hand hygiene and social distancing. So long as Alabama has such low rates of vaccination, cases will continue to rise, posing risk of illness and death from COVID-19, as well as threatening the ability of our health care system to treat all Alabamians.

Make vaccination a priority
This July 14, 4,124 doses of COVID-19 vaccine were administered in the state. At the height of vaccine administration on April 8, 45,128 vaccine doses were given. Young people and others who are taking a wait-and-see stance on vaccination should be aware that they need to protect themselves, their families, friends and communities by getting vaccinated as soon as they can. Safe, effective and free vaccine shields vulnerable people and saves lives.

CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported July 28

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 28, 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

July 23

- leaving scene of accident; person; 2nd Ave. SW; damage to Nissan Titan; $101
- third-degree forgery; person; 2nd Ave. SW; forged check
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; miscellaneous; $390
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; damage to '17 Ford Fusion; $500

ARRESTS

July 27

Lawrence, Raymond D.; 32

- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- run red light

Cross, Brandy R.; 42

- FTA- fail to register vehicle
- FTA- insurance violation

Cox Jr., Larry W.; 57

- FTA- third-degree criminal mischief
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- resisting arrest
- FTA- obstructing governmental operations

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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"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 Drive 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 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. – noon, Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. 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.
- No Talent Talent Show: July 31 - Saturday 7 p.m. No admission fees! Donations accepted. Free meal at 6 p.m. Everyone welcome! Fun and entertaining! Come see impersonations of some of your favorite singers. We hope "Elvis" will be there!
- Wednesday- Aug. 4- 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult men's class: "Be the Man" - Adult women's class: "Design Your Life"
- Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthday. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (Jasper 5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper AL 35504) from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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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- Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

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

Agriplex Children's Summer/Fall Camp Programs

- Aug. 20 - 10 a.m., Little Farmers Farmer's Market: Run your pretend farm stand and then use tokens to shop with a local farmer.
- Aug. 26 - 9 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Solar Power: Celebrate the new solar panels producing electricity at the Agriplex with hands-on activities powered by the sun.
- Sept. 4 - 9 a.m., Farm Kids Club County Fair Crafts: Create handicrafts that can be entered in the Cullman County Fair and win prizes!
- Sept. 10 - 10 a.m., Little Farmers "The Very Hungry Caterpillar": Explore the miracle of the butterfly life cycle through the beloved Eric Carle classic.
- Sept. 30 - 9 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Harvest & Seed Saving: Harvest the falls bounty at the Agriplex and save seeds for your very own collection. We will pick, taste and learn how to preserve the harvest.
- Oct. 2 - 9 a.m., Farm Kids Club Pumpkin Patch: Pick a pumpkin out of our patch and join us for some fall-themed fun! We will play games, have snacks and carve a pumpkin.
- 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

- Aug. 10 - 6 p.m., Heritage Skills Beginning Brewers Class: The Cullman Brewers Guild will explain the process of brewing and demonstrate how to make homemade beer. See equipment and learn the science of brewing your own beer.
- Aug. 16 - 6 p.m., Learn to Sew Christmas in August: Get an early start on Christmas decorating and join us for felt ornament making for the tree using sequins and decorative thread.
- Aug. 18 - 12:00 p.m., Lunch & Learn presents Planting & Growing Fall Veggies. This is a free program, light lunch provided. Please call us at 256-297-1044 to reserve your spot.
- Aug. 31 - 6 p.m., Living Landscapes Growing Berries & Grapes: Retired Auburn Experiment Station Director Arnold Caylor will be back at the Agriplex sharing his vast knowledge on growing berries and muscadines best suited for our region.
- Sept. 9 - 6 p.m., Cowboy Cooking - Cooking with a Dutch Oven: Local ranchers Greg and Emily Anderson from Sullivan Creek Ranch will be demonstrating how to cook over an open fire.
- Sept. 13 - 6 p.m., Learn to Sew Projects for the Kitchen: This will be a fun class making things to use in your kitchen.
- Sept. 14 - 6 p.m., Heritage Skills Raising Pigs: Learn the basics of raising pigs for your family.
- Thursdays: noon - 1 p.m., Yoga under the Pavilion, Join us for a beginner yoga class in the serenity of nature. $5 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.

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.

UNITE Summer Encounter at Church at the Well

July 30-31 - This weekend is dedicated to students encountering the power and presence of God. There will be powerful worship and dynamic speakers that will take us further into all that God has! Services are nightly at 7 p.m. with pre-service games starting at 6:30 p.m. at Church at the Well (708 Ninth Street SE, Cullman, AL 35055). Saturday morning service is at 10:30 a.m. followed by Orphan Run 4 Hope!! We hope to see you there! Get ready to ENCOUNTER!

Orphan Run 4 Hope

July 31 – Starting at 12:30 p.m. at Heritage Park. Orphan Run for Hope Project helps ordinary people do extraordinary things by participating in a 5K to benefit orphan children around the world. OR4H exists to be a bridge between churches and passion-driven people to orphans and orphanages that truly need our help! Join us for this year's OR4H and let's make a difference!

White City Junior High Reunion

July 31 – The annual White City Jr. High Reunion will be held July 31. It will be at the Johnson Crossing Fire Dept building at 1542 County Road 617 Hanceville, AL (old school location) and is for anyone who ever attended White City School. It will start at 9 a.m. We will furnish paper products, ice, water and tea. Bring your favorite food and all your memories!! Call Ronnie McElroy Crocker at 256-347-6976 for more info or visit our Facebook page.

Wallace State Diesel by Distance Open House

July-Aug. - Wallace State's Diesel by Distance program will host a series of open house events to learn more about the program, experience virtual reality lessons and more. Open house will be held from 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. in the Diesel Technology building on the Hanceville campus on the following dates: July 1, July 8, July 29, Aug. 5, Aug. 12 and Aug. 19. For more information, contact Anna Parrish Beard at 256-352-8356 or anna.parrish@wallacestate.edu or visit www.wallacestate.edu/dieselbydistance.

United Way of Cullman Designer Bag Bingo Fundraiser

Aug. 3 – United Way of Cullman County's Women United will host their 2nd annual Designer Bag Bingo fundraising event Tuesday, Aug. 3, at The Loft 212 (212 4th St. SW Cullman, Al 35055). Doors open at 5 p.m. and bingo starts at 6 p.m. Tickets are $35 each or $350 for a table of eight. Each ticket includes light refreshments and 15 games. Donate a gently used purse filled with personal care items for a chance to win a door prize. For more information and/or to RSVP, call 256-739-2948 or send an email at dmcdonald@uwaycc.org. To purchase tickets, visit https://www.uwaycc.org/.

Quilters Retreat Bunch Annual Yard Sale

- August 7 -Saturday from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Christ Covenant Church (1310 Saint Joseph Drive NW). Lots of fabric (all kinds), books, glassware, baskets, kitchen items, craft items, vintage table with four chairs, two bookcases, round table, odd chairs, pictures, sewing notions, tons of thread, grab bags, yarn, Christmas items and MUCH MUCH MORE. Don't miss it!
- Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame
- Aug. 14 - The Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame will hold its annual banquet and induction ceremony Aug. 14, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Stonebridge Farms. Tickets can be obtained at First Southern Financial and are $20 each. For more information call 256-737-5120 or 256-736-4445.

WSCC Applied Technologies Open House

Aug. 17 – Wallace State Community College Dept. of Applied Technologies will host an Open House Tuesday, July 20 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Department tours and refreshments will be provided. Stop by the Bailey Center Lobby for campus maps, schedules and information. Call 256-352-8000 for more information.

Free Community Movie Night at Vinemont Community Center

Aug. 21 – Bring a blanket or chair and come enjoy "Toy Story 4!" Start time will be announced at a later date. Vinemont Community Center – 88 Ridgeway St., Cullman, AL 35058

Alabama lands 6 on Nagurski Trophy Watch List

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama football's Will Anderson Jr., DJ Dale, Christian Harris, Josh Jobe, Phidarian Mathis and Malachi Moore have been named to the 2021 Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List announced today by the Football Writers Association of America. The Crimson Tide players are among 90 candidates from around the country named to the preseason list for Nagurski, recognizing the nation's top defensive player. Jonathan Allen is the Crimson Tide's lone recipient, collecting the honors in 2016.

WILL ANDERSON JR.
Linebacker, Sophomore

- An elite edge defender who made his presence known across college football in 2020
- Returns for his second season with the Crimson Tide after being selected as the Shaun Alexander-FWAA Freshman of the Year and earning multiple Freshman All-America honors a season ago
- Started every game as a freshman, totaling 52 tackles including 10.5 for loss (-52 yards) and seven sacks (-39 yards), to go with a forced fumble and team-high eight quarterback hurries
- Ranked third in the SEC in sacks and tackles for loss at season's end
- Applied 60 pressures (according to Pro Football Focus) through his 13 starts to lead the nation and more than double the next-closest freshman defender

DJ DALE
Defensive Lineman, Junior

- Made an immediate impact as a freshman and continued to see success as a sophomore last season
- A veteran of 23 career games with 22 starts along the Tide's defensive front
- Totaled 22 tackles, including one for loss (-2 yards), to go with two pass breakups and a fumble recovery in 2020
- Excelled during fall camp of his freshman season to earn the starting job at nose tackle, playing in 10 games before injuries ended his year early
- Recorded 17 tackles, including three for loss (-8 yards), while adding a sack (-6 yards), one quarterback pressure and a fumble recovery in 2019

CHRISTIAN HARRIS
Linebacker, Junior

- Looking to etch his name on the Tide's list of standout linebackers now in his junior season
- Earned Freshman All-America honors in 2019 and retained his starting role in 2020, finishing second on the Tide defense in tackles with 79
- Totaled seven tackles for loss (-31 yards) and 4.5 sacks (-28 yards) while adding six quarterback hurries, two pass breakups and an interception in 2020
- Selected to the Freshman All-SEC Team to go with his Freshman All-America honors in 2019 after playing in all 13 games with 12 starts
- Led the SEC's first-year defenders in tackles for loss at 7.5 (-14 yards) as part of his 63 tackles that finished seventh among the league's freshmen

JOSH JOBE
Defensive Back, Senior

- A talented corner in the Crimson Tide's veteran defensive backfield
- Excelled in his first season as a full-time starter, earning Honorable Mention All-America honors from Pro Football Focus in 2020
- Totaled 55 tackles as a junior, including 2.5 for loss (-9 yards) and two sacks (-9 yards), while adding 11 pass breakups to go with two forced fumbles and one quarterback pressure
- Allowed one reception every 20.0 coverage snaps in 2020 to rank sixth nationally, according to PFF, and gave up just 26 receptions for 209 yards and one touchdown on 521 coverage snaps
- Began his career by playing in 14 games of the 2018 season before seeing time in 12 contests with two starts as a sophomore

PHIDARIAN MATHIS
Defensive Lineman, Redshirt Senior

- One of the leaders on the Tide defense who has played in 40 career contests with eight starts to his name entering the 2021 campaign
- Put together a standout junior season, totaling 31 tackles with five for loss (-10 yards) and 1.5 sacks (-6 yards)
- Added three quarterback pressures, three pass breakups and one forced fumble to his 2020 totals
- Racked up 27 tackles, including half a stop for loss, to go with two quarterback hurries and a forced fumble across his 12 games of action and two starts as a sophomore
- Played in all 15 games as a freshman, recording 18 tackles and a fumble recovery on his way to SEC All-Freshman Team honors in 2018

MALACHI MOORE
Defensive Back, Sophomore

- Made an immediate impact on the Tide defense as a true freshman, earning the starting job at star a season ago
- Saw time in 11 games before injuries held him out of the College Football Playoff but still managed multiple Freshman All-America accolades to go with a spot on the SEC All-Freshman Team
- Rated as one of the top slot defenders in the nation last season, according to Pro Football Focus
- Led the UA defense with four forced turnovers in 2020, including a team-high three interceptions to go with a forced fumble that he recovered for a scoop-and-score
- Racked up 44 tackles, including four for loss (-8 yards), to go with six pass breakups and two quarterback pressures



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama LB Will Anderson Jr. (31) was one of six Crimson Tide players named to the Nagurski Trophy watch list.

The Bronko Nagurski Trophy has been presented annually since 1993 by the Charlotte Touchdown Club and the Football Writers Association of America to recognize the top defensive player in college football. The award is named in honor of college and NFL Hall of Famer Bronko Nagurski. The 2021 winner will be announced at the Charlotte Touchdown Club's annual awards banquet in December of this year.

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.

Auburn's McClain, Monday, Brahms named to Nagurski, Outland watch lists

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – Another day, another watch list for Auburn defenders Zakoby McClain and Smoke Monday. The seniors are among 90 standouts on the 2021 Bronko Nagurski Trophy watch list, the Football Writers Association of America announced Tuesday.

On Monday, McClain was named to the Butkus Award watch list while Monday earned recognition on the Jim Thorpe Award watch list.

Auburn senior center Nick Brahms was named Monday to the Outland Trophy, given annually to the nation's top interior lineman.

The Nagurksi Trophy watch list represents players from 61 schools in all 10 Division I FBS conferences plus independents on a roster that includes seven returning players from last season's FWAA All-America team, another from the 2019 team, the nation's top four tacklers from a year ago, three of the top seven sack leaders and one of the interception leaders.

The Bronko Nagurski Trophy winner will be chosen from those five finalists and honored at the Bronko Nagurski Awards Banquet presented by LendingTree on Dec. 6 at the Charlotte Convention Center.

The FWAA All-America Committee, after voting input from the association's full membership, selects a 26-man All-America Team and eventually the Nagurski Trophy finalists.

Committee members, by individual ballot, select the winner they regard as the best defensive player in college football.

The top four total tackles leaders from 2020, each of them a linebacker, also highlight the list. Auburn's McClain and Carlton Martial of Troy each claimed the title with 113 total tackles each, with Arkansas' Grant Morgan (111) and N.C. State's Payton Wilson (108) just behind. McClain and Morgan are the returning leaders of the 20-player SEC contingent that is spread among nine schools.

Auburn is one of six SEC schools with at least two players on the list.

This year's watch list includes at least four players from all 10 FBS conferences plus five from the independent schools.

The SEC led the conference list with 20 with the Big Ten (13) and Big 12 (11) just behind, making up half of the list. The list includes 29 linebackers, 22 backs, 22 ends and 17 tackles.

The Football Writers Association of America has announced the preseason watch list for the 2021 Outland Trophy, recognizing 80 returning standout interior linemen representing all 10 Division I FBS conferences and independents.

The 2021 season continues a celebration of the award's 75th anniversary and the watch list presents a talented field of players to accompany three returning FWAA All-Americans.

The recipient of the 2021 Outland Trophy will be announced on The Home Depot College Football Awards, live on ESPN in December. The official presentation to the winner will be made at the Outland Trophy Awards Dinner sponsored by Werner Enterprises and produced by the Greater Omaha Sports Committee in Omaha, Neb., on Jan. 12, 2022.



TODD VAN EMST

Zakoby McClain, Smoke Monday and Nick Brahms have been added to the Nagurski and Outland watch lists.

Brahms is one of 11 SEC players from seven schools on the Outland Trophy watch list, which includes 26 offensive tackles, 26 guards, 16 centers and 13 defensive tackles.

Moll earns nod on Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List

Ted Feeley
UAB Athletics

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Preseason watch lists, and the name Kristopher Moll go hand-in-hand.

The senior's most recent national recognition comes from the Charlotte Touchdown Club who has named him to Bronko Nagurski Trophy Watch List, which is presented to the nation's most outstanding defensive player.

A two-time First Team All-Conference USA selection and a 2020 Honorable Mention All-American, Moll is utilizing his extra year of eligibility to lead UAB's C-USA title defense as he anchors one of the top defensive groups in all of college football.

Moll has been a fixture on a unit that has finished top 10 nationally in total defense each of the last three seasons.

The Miami native played linebacker the past two years but is moving back to the star safety position where he played as a sophomore.

Moll enters his final year with 221 tackles and needs just 32 more to crack the top 10 for career tackles at UAB.

Despite missing one game last season, Moll led the team with 59 total stops and added 4.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks, six QBH and two pass breakups.

This is Moll's second consecutive year being named to the Nagurski Trophy Watch List.

The Blazers open the season on Sept. 1 against Jacksonville State at the Montgomery Kickoff on ESPN.

Season tickets are on sale by clicking here. Single game tickets go on sale Aug. 4.

UAB Preseason Watch List Honorees:

Kristopher Moll
- Bronko Nagurski Watch List – Nation's Most Outstanding Defensive Player
- Bednarik Award Watch List – College Defensive Player of the Year

Colby Ragland
- Outland Trophy Watch List – Most Outstanding Interior Lineman

Sidney Wells
- Outland Trophy Watch List – Most Outstanding Interior Lineman

Hayden Pittman
- John Mackey Award Watch List – Most Outstanding Collegiate Tight End

DeWayne McBride
- Doak Walker Award Watch List – Nation's Top College Running Back



UAB ATHLETICS

UAB LB Kristopher Moll has been placed on the Nagurski Trophy Watch List

Colony (from Front)

town historian.

The resolution noted her previous research and writings on Colony history, as well as her lifelong residency in the town.

The council also approved resolutions to:

- Remove Stephanie Marshall and Fallon Hagler from the Library Committee
- Add Councilman and Finance Committee Chairman Michael Johnson as a check writer on the town's bank accounts, and remove former Town Clerk Patricia Ponder

The Colony Town Council meets on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at Colony Town Hall. Work session begins at 5:40 p.m. and meeting begins at 6 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

School (from Front)

Trent Moore
Cullman City Schools

CULLMAN, Ala. — The 2021 school year is almost here, and Cullman City Schools are preparing to welcome parents and students back to campus for open houses, a welcome return after the tradition went virtual and socially-distanced last year as a precaution due to the pandemic.

Cullman City Primary School, East Elementary School, West Elementary School, Cullman Middle School and Cullman High School are preparing to welcome students and parents back to campus to meet their teachers, tour the campuses and get a firsthand look at their child's school ahead of the new school year.

"We are excited about the 2021-2022 school year and ideally working our way back to normalcy in comparison to the previous year and a half," Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff said. "Our teachers and administrators have been working extremely hard to get our campuses ready and we're preparing for a safe and successful new school year."

East Elementary School and West Elementary School have open house on Thursday, Aug. 5, from 4-6 p.m.

Cullman City Primary School will host open house on Friday, Aug. 6 from 4-6 p.m.

Cullman Middle School's open house is set for Monday, Aug. 9 from 4-6 p.m.

Cullman High School will host ninth grade and new student orientation Aug. 9 at 6:30 p.m. On Aug. 10, CHS will be open for parking pass and schedule pickup for grades 10-12. Parking decals will be sold at Tillman Hall. Schedule pick is set for seniors from noon - 1 p.m., juniors from 1-2 p.m. and sophomores from 2-3 p.m.

Cullman High students are strongly encouraged to pre-register and pre-pay for parking decals, which can be purchased online. To obtain a CHS parking decal, students must display a driver's license and pay $30 cash or check payable to Cullman High School. Parking fees may be paid online in advance at https://cullmancityal.csiepay.com/Views/Payment/Pay.aspx. Students need to take a screen shot of their receipt to present to receive a decal. Students must purchase a parking decal to park on campus. Student drivers must park on campus each day. Parking fines will be issued to drivers without decals.









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LEGALS

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Walker Brothers, LTD

(Plaintiff)

v. Case No. SM-2021-980180

Steven Jones

(Defendant)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

Defendant, Steven Jones, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the Plaintiff, Walker Brothers, LTD, for $2,157.32 plus court cost, cause of action being: Open Account.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 3rd day of September, 2021, or a default may be rendered against it in the above styled cause.

Dated this the 23rd day of July, 2021.

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2ND Ave SW
Room 303
Cullman, AL 35055

Walker Brothers, LTD

(Plaintiff)

v. Case No. SM-2021-980220

Justin Leach

(Defendant)

NOTICE OF FILING of LAW SUIT

Defendant, Justin Leach, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him/her by the Plaintiff, Walker Brothers, LTD, for $2,127.81 plus court cost, cause of action being: Open Account.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 3rd day of September, 2021, or a default may be rendered against it in the above styled cause.

Dated this the 23rd day of July, 2021

LISA MCSWAIN
CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
IN AND FOR
CULLMAN COUNTY,
ALABAMA

CV-2014-028

IN Re: the Guardianship/Conservatorship of :
EILEEN R HOOK, an alleged incapacitated person
NOTICE OF FILING OF MOTION TO DISMISS

YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE THAT
the appointed Conservator/Guardian
for the Estate of EILEEN R HOOK,
an adult incapacitated person
files this notice of Dismissing the Conservatorship
is set for a hearing on August 19, 2021 at 1:15 p.m.
on the third floor of the Cullman County, Alabama.

Judge Gregory Nicholas

Andria Sims, Esq, LEE015
300 1st Avenue, SE Suite 104
Cullman, AL 35055
256-775-7757

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk
7-19-21

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on June 11, 2020 by Trula Otey, aka Trula Ann Otey, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1917, Page 71 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on August 12, 2021:

Begin at a stake on the south line of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South Range 2 West, which stake is located 630 feet east of the southwest corner of said forty; thence north 595.0 feet; thence east 146.43 feet; thence south 595.0 feet to a stake on the south line of said forty; thence west 146.43 feet to the point of beginning.
ALSO: Commencing at the southwest corner of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 2 West; thence N 89°00' E distance of 526 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning of the lands herein conveyed; thence continue N 89°00' E a distance of 104.0 feet, more or less, to a point; thence N 00°30' W a distance of 342.5 feet to a point; thence S 62°53' W distance of 104 feet, more or less, to a point on the east line of the R. V. Russell and Sherlene Russell tract; thence S 00°30' E to the south line of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of said section and the point of beginning hereof.
ALSO; A right of way and easement for ingress and egress, said easement going over and along the following tract of and being more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the southwest corner of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 32, Township 8 South, Range 2 West; thence N 89°00' E a distance of 630 feet to a point; thence N 00°30' W a distance of 342.5 feet, which is the point of beginning of the easement herein; thence continue N 00°30' W for a distance of 497.5 feet, more or less, to a point on the right of way of County Road No. 35; thence S 62°53' W along said right of way a distance of 15 feet to a point; thence S 00°30' E distance of 497.5 feet, more or less, to the north boundary line of a tract of land owned by Donnie T. Banks and wife, Loretta Banks; thence along line a distance of 15 fret to the point of beginning of the easement granted herein. Said lands lying and being in Cullman County, Alabama.

This conveyance is made subject to matters of survey and other matters of record, if any.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
1980 mobile home, unknown make and model. Serial Numbers GEO065157 and GEO065158.

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
The Cullman Tribune-July 22, 29, August 5, 2021

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Building Inspection Department

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City of Cullman
Planning Commission

On Monday, August 2, 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. Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance (correction) to the parking lot dimensions

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

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
A.R.S.)
) Case No. JU 2021-194.01
Date of Birth: 1-20-14)

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

Kameron Smith, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the mother of the child in regards to the above reference child born on January 20, 2014 by the 26 day of August, 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 19 day of July, 2021.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
Megan Nabors
127 Buettner Drive
Cullman, AL 35055

Sara T. Baker
Attorney for Petitioner
100 Fifth Street S.E.
Cullman, AL 35055
Telephone: 256-737-7181

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

Obituary Announcements: July 28

Sara Gasser Bedard, 69
Sara Gasser Bedard was a compassionate wife, mother, grandmother, sister and friend. She passed away July 24 after a struggle with Alzheimer's disease. She died peacefully at home surrounded by her loved ones, who will continue to honor her legacy by living their lives by her faithful example. She was born to Alvin and Margaret Gasser on July 31, 1951. She was the youngest of six children. Sara met her husband, Eddie, at Cullman High School in 1966. They married in 1971 and had three children together. She graduated from college with her degree in elementary education. Sara shared her love of learning with hundreds of students over her 30-year career. Sara's success in teaching was evident, as former students would regularly approach her and express their thanks. After her retirement, she enjoyed caring for her grandchildren. Sara loved playing the piano, singing, cooking for her family and gardening. Sara's personality was contagious to everyone she met. Her laughter was infectious and would fill a room. Sara is survived by her husband: Eddie; her children: Maria, Chrissie (Scott) and Heath (Leanna); grandchildren: Tess, Evy, Fitz, Rhett and Vaughn; siblings: Robert (June) Gasser, Raymond (Eileen) Gasser, Nancy (Edward) Polk, Mary Margaret Spradlin and many cousins, nieces and nephews. We would like to thank Southern Care Hospice and Kim Hillis for their wonderful care of Sara. Visitation is scheduled at Moss Service Funeral Home on Thursday, July 29, 5-7:30 p.m., followed by a rosary at 7:30 p.m. The funeral service is Friday, July 30, at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Alzheimer's Association Alabama Chapter on her behalf family.

Elbert Allen Pirkle, 88, of Cullman
Memorial services for Elbert Allen Pirkle, 88, of Cullman are incomplete and will be announced later. Mr. Pirkle passed from this life July 27 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Pirkle family. He was preceded in death by his parents: David Warrior and Daisy Lou Dibert Pirkle; brothers: Harvey Alford Pirkle, Travis Pirkle, David Roscoe Pirkle and Albert William Pirkle and sisters: Pauline Pirkle James and Irene Pirkle Berry. Mr. Pirkle is survived by his sons: Allen Daniel Pirkle and David Allen (Mary Ann) Pirkle; stepson: William Pirkle; stepdaughter: Kathy Louise Pirkle and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Jerry Vann Dunn, 70, of Falkville
Graveside Service for Jerry Vann Dunn, age 70, of Falkville, will be at 10 a.m., Monday, August 2, at Berlin Cemetery at Mount Carmel with Caleb Elrod officiating. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 1, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Dunn passed away Tuesday, July 27, at his residence. He was born July 18, 1951, to J.L. and Lorene Dunn. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his daughters: Heather Blanchard (John Withers), Tiffany (Scott) Garrison and Carla Whitworth; grandchildren: Desiree Wilhite and Kamdin Garrison; our mom: Donna Dunn; brothers: John L. (Teresa) Dunn and Leroy Brian Dunn; sister: Pamela Joan Dunn; nieces: Michelle Shedd and Kelly (Tony) Elrod; nephew: Taylor Dunn; caregivers: Cyndi "Rooster" Ludwick and Danielle Alexander and a host of family and friends.

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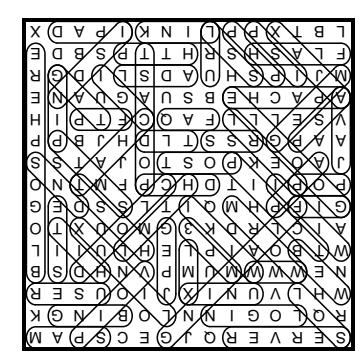
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JULY 29, 2021

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7	6	5	8	2	1	9	4	3
1	3	4	9	7	5	2	8	6
8	1	3	7	5	9	4	6	2
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2	5	9	4	6	8	1	3	7
5	9	2	3	1	4	6	7	8
3	8	7	2	9	6	5	1	4
6	4	1	5	8	7	3	2	9

Illnesses (from Front)

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. — State and federal agencies are warning residents across Alabama to be careful in current high heat conditions, which can be dangerous. Cullman saw a heat index of over 100 degrees Wednesday, and the National Weather Service Huntsville office reported, "Hot and humid conditions will continue on Thursday and a Heat Advisory is in effect for northwest and north central Alabama from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. The dangerous heat will expand over the entire Tennessee Valley on Friday, with heat index values between 105 to 110 degrees being common across much of the area."

In light of current conditions, the Alabama Department of Public Health issued this advisory on Wednesday:

With heat indices rising into triple digits, the Alabama Department of Public Health advises the public to be alert to the warning signs of heat illnesses.

Heat-related illnesses occur when the body is exposed to high temperatures.

The incidence of these illnesses rises expectedly during warm weather periods, and anyone exposed to high temperatures or extreme heat can experience symptoms when the body's temperature control system is overloaded.

The most common heat-related illnesses are as follows:

- Heat cramps
- Heat exhaustion
- Heat stroke

Heat cramps– include muscle pains or spasms (abdomen, arms or legs), profuse sweat and high salt concentration in the sweat.

Heat exhaustion– is associated with heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness, weakness, dizziness, headache, nausea or vomiting and fainting. Other possible symptoms may include cool and moist skin, fast and weak pulse rate, fast and shallow breathing or irritability. Older adults, those with high blood pressure and those working or exercising in a hot environment are prone to heat exhaustion. If heat exhaustion is not treated, it may progress to heatstroke.

Heat stroke or sun stroke – the most serious heat-related illness, a life-threatening problem, may occur when the body is unable to control its temperature. Body temperature may rise to 106 degrees F or higher within 10 -15 minutes. Signs include an extremely high body temperature, red, hot and dry or moist skin, rapid, strong pulse, throbbing headache, dizziness, nausea, dehydration, combativeness or confusion and unconsciousness. Heat stroke is a medical emergency and even with immediate treatment, it can be life-threatening or cause serious long-term problems.

It is recommended people drink plenty of fluids except alcohol or caffeinated beverages to prevent dehydration, stay in an air-conditioned room, keep out of the sun by seeking shelter, wear a wide-brimmed hat, light-colored and loose-fitting clothing, use sunscreen of SPF 15 or higher, take cool showers or baths and reduce or eliminate strenuous activities during the hottest times of the day.

Individuals with heart disease, diabetes, obesity, poor circulation, or previous stroke problems, people of older and younger ages and those taking certain medications are at greater risk of becoming ill in hot weather.

For more information, visit https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/injuryprevention/heat.html.

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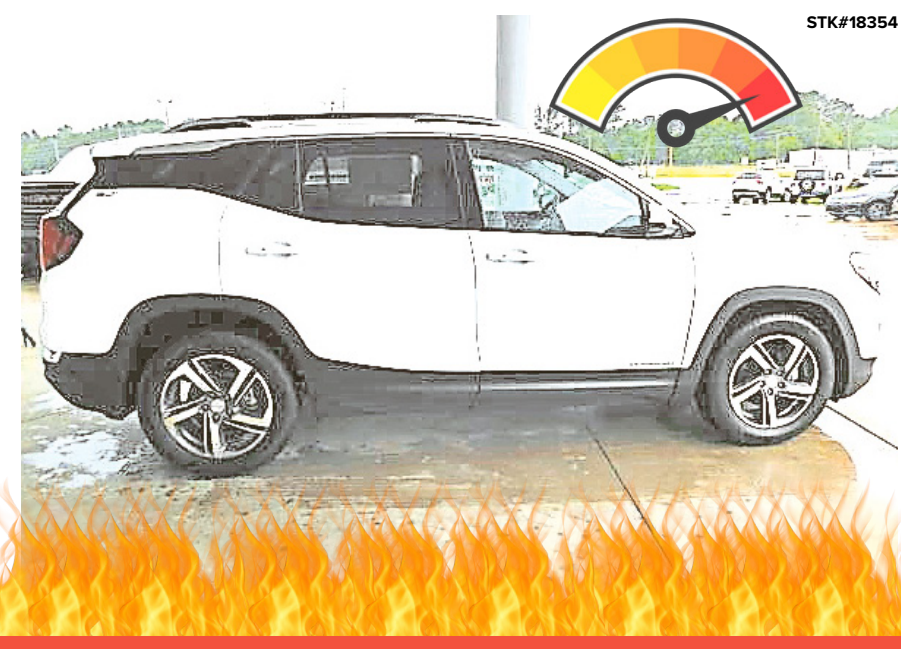
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