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Cullman Community Band gears up for Christmas Concert

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Community Band has announced that their Christmas Concert will be held on Monday, Dec. 6, at the Cullman High School Auditorium. The concert will begin at 7 p.m., admission is free and all are welcome!

The Cullman Community Band is sponsored by the City of Cullman and offered its first official performance in 2005. The band provides a musical outlet for adult musicians in the Cullman area, as well as quality symphonic band entertainment for the community. These dedicated musicians perform annually at Cullman Oktoberfest, Christmas Concert, Spring Concert and Strawberry Festival.

"The band's repertoire includes standard symphonic band literature, » PAGE 5

Snead's Farmhouse hosting book tour event this weekend





SNEAD FARMHOUSE

The ladies decked out in costume and ready to share their book with everyone!

Sara Gladney
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Judy Snead of Snead Farmhouse and Deitra Deal will be doing a reading of their new children's book, "It Takes Two to Make a Farm go Right" at Cullman Health and Rehab center on Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. Deitra is the author and publisher of the book which is about Judy's ex-perience in opening her farmhouse. They will be dressed to match the theme of the book in respec-tive cow and chicken costumes. Judy said, "We're just going in, reading our book, spreading good cheer for the holidays, just to make people that can't get outdoors laugh." They will also be giving away gift certificates for Snead Farmhouse.

The kids' book is about Judy getting gathering her first animals. Judy said, "When I first started getting the animals, my husband said, 'lets get some chickens for farm eggs,' and I said, 'I don't know anything about chickens.'" Now Judy offers "how to get your farm started" private sessions.

Judy has recently done an incubation project with the Cullman middle school to teach the science of hatching chicks, she has also taught for 10 home-school programs. The schools rent the incubators for $60, and Snead provides the eggs and equipment. She has also partnered with Kalmbach, a food company in Ohio who provides all of the feed for the chickens who hatch in the schools. Snead's incubators are available for rent on her website. Judy is NPIP cer- » PAGE 5

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Falkville man arrested on sexual abuse for a grand jury indictment

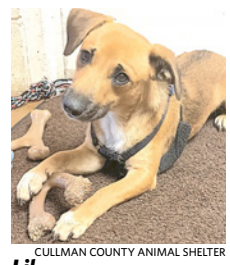


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Plan a playdate with Lil Tootsie!



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 29

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 29. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Nov. 26

- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 813
- harassment; CR 436
- receiving stolen property; 2nd Ave. SW
- domestic violence; CR 1235
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1398

Nov. 27

- domestic violence; CR 1154
- domestic violence; CR 518
- criminal mischief; CR 375
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 385
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91

Nov. 28

- domestic violence; CR 501
- unlawful possession of marijuana; possession of brass knuckles; Hwy. 278 E
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 950
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- domestic violence; CR 1621
- domestic violence; CR 310
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 310
- resisting arrest; obstructing government operations; I-65 NB at MM 291
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 31
- theft of property; CR 57
- harassment; CR 831
- burglary; CR 941
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- criminal mischief; CR 1435
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91

ARRESTS

Nov. 24 – 28

Berkery, Tara A.; 38
- FTA- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft)
- FTA- larceny/theft-shoplifting
- FTA- possessing stolen property

Briscoe, Keri B.; 43
- FTA- family offense-endangering welfare of a child
- resisting arrest
- obstruction-governmental operations
- public intoxication

Burleson, Joseph T.; 29
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Cofield, Caleb C.; 36
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine (7 counts)
- FTA- sell/distribute methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (5 counts)
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- no seat belt
- FTA- switched tag

Cole, Nicholas J.; 38
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Collier, Amanda M.; 34
- Grand Jury- possession of drug paraphernalia
- Grand Jury- possession of dangerous drugs
- Grand Jury- sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Coots, Steven D.; 31
- FTA- sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Corum, Justin T.; 34
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Cosby, Misty Marie D.; 35
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- public intoxication

Curtis, Jesse L.; 29
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Denney, Jefferey A.; 33
- FTA- public intoxication

Doss Sr., James E.; 76
- receiving stolen property $500 less than $1,500

Echols, James B.; 45
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana

Fanning, Mary E.; 55
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- throwing, dropping, etc., destructive materials onto highway

Flanagin, Steven R.; 36
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Flanigan, Aundrey L.; 39
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- promote prison contraband (drugs)
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Franklin, Cristy L.; 46
- FTA- larceny/theft- second-degree theft of property $1,500 - $2,500

Guthery, Tyler J.; 25
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of opium or derivative
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- violation of domestic violence protection order

Henry, Patrick O.; 24
- Grand Jury- assault-child abuse-simple-family (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

Higginbotham, Jarrett T.; 24
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- receiving stolen vehicle
- FTA- altering firearm identification or possession of a firearm
- FTA- drunk/addict in possession of a firearm
- FTA- possession of sawed off rifle/shotgun

Hudson, Danny Ray L.; 42
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Johnson, Jenifer M.; 35
- DUI (alcohol)

Jones, Hagen E.; 27
- receiving stolen property $500 less than $1,500

Joyner, Douglas R.; 51
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- carrying brass knuckles/sling shot

Keeton, Kandice L.; 33
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana (2 counts)

Kilgore, Shelli A.; 49
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of opium or derivative

Lucas, Richard A.; 32
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

McCay, Fallon L.; 40
- receiving stolen property

McCurdy, James E.; 35
- FTA- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft)
- FTA- driving while license suspended

McNabb, Cody D.; 30
- FTA- failure to register vehicle

Meskimen, Mark; 46
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Mickle, Daniel J.; 39
- FTA- possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fugitive from justice

Miller, Steven J.; 50
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)

Neal, Dustin R.; 32
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Pope, Roy G.; 77
- assault-domestic-harassment-family (2 counts)

Purifoy, Antonyio Donell M.; 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- promote prison contraband (other)
- unauthorized possession, sale, deliver, use, etc., of wine or alcohol

Rockwell Jr., Vinton E.; 33
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Stephens, Clayton A.; 35
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Wiley, Kevin L.; 35
- violation of a domestic violence protection order

Wright, Patience L.; 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Nov. 24
- fourth-degree theft of property; Allstar Energy LLC; 2nd Ave. NW; gas; $67
- third-degree burglary; person; 3rd Ave. SE; miscellaneous

Nov. 25
- third-degree burglary; first-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal mischief; Ed Holcombe Pharmacy; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous

Nov. 26
- third-degree burglary; person; Legion Dr. NW; miscellaneous
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; damage to '21 Toyota Camry; $700

Nov. 27
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Olive St. SW; tools
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; miscellaneous; $44

ARRESTS

Nov. 24 – 28

Wright, Patience L.; 25
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Lovett, Steven A.; 33
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- resisting arrest

Corliss, Kayla L.; 35
- harassment

Brooks, Oliver T.; 37
- public intoxication

Pearson, Juwan I.; 24
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass

Jenkins, Jerry R.; 52
- FTA- driving without driver's license

Weber, Nicholas J.; 27
- public intoxication (2 counts)

Gilley, Justin R.; 37
- fourth-degree theft of property

Vinson, Michael C.; 32
- fourth-degree theft of property

Briscoe, Keri B.; 43
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property (2 counts)
- FTA- third-degree criminal mischief
- FTA- contributing to delinquency of minor (2 counts)

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

CRIME

Multiple arrested in unrelated drug charges

Staff reports
Contributor

CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office arrested a local man for 13 drug and theft warrants on Sunday, Nov. 21.

Deputies from the CCSO arrested Justin Dale Wise, 37, at his residence in the Bremen area.

Wise attempted to flee the residence and resisted the arrest.

Additionally, he was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of methamphetamine, resisting arrest, attempting to elude, assaulting a police officer and attempting to disarm a police officer.

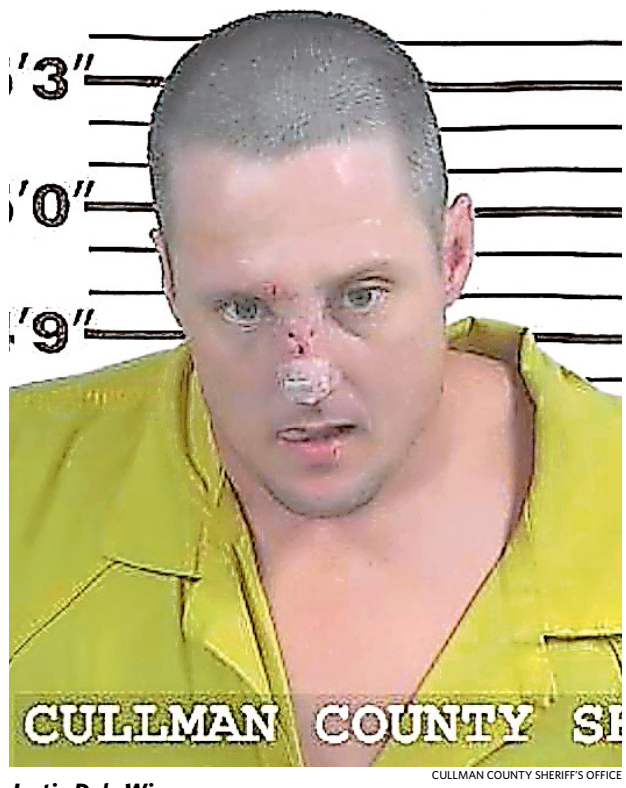
On Tuesday, Nov. 23, CCSO deputies arrested Rebecca Leigh Isbell, 35, of Hanceville in the Battleground area.

She was arrested for three drug- related warrants and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia.



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Rebecca Leigh Isbell



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Justin Dale Wise

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, Nov. 29, 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 Mon-day, 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.

*The dashboard has been redesigned to help people better understand the current transmission lev-els in their communities and the impact of COVID-19 in Alabama. The moving 7-day sum is updat-ed daily instead of weekly--instead of a 3, 7 and 14-day average, the dashboard will provide a 7-day moving sum for cases. The 2020 and 2021 breakdowns of cases and deaths will be provided - not just a total sum over both years.

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday) Last update for all numbers was Wednesday
- Positivity in tests in Alabama: 5%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,714
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 457,570 (+690 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 8,929 (+1 since Wednesday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 2.6%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,571
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 8,483 (+22 since Wednesday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 175 (+0 since Wednesday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,076
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 28
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 28,499
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 1,413
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 300

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday) No update available
- Doses delivered to Alabama: 7,416,955
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,143,585
- Doses administered: 4,975,707
- Additional doses administered: 342,939
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,602,530
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,130,607
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,273,370

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.

Indictment (from Front)

Staff reports
Contributor

VINEMONT, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office arrested a local man on sexual abuse charges on Tuesday, Nov. 23.

Arnold Douglas Naramore, 78, of Falkville was arrested in the Vinemont area by Cullman County Deputies for a grand jury Indictment.

The indictment was for sexual abuse in the first degree.

Visit CullmanTribune.com for updates.

Lil Tootsie (from Front)

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

Lil Tootsie is a 1-1.5-year-old Doxie mix. She is a medium-energy gal who is currently perfecting her leash training skills. She is a gal who loves her toys, but overflows with love for her people most of all.

Lil Tootsie is sure to make someone an awesome therapy or companion dog!

Lil Tootsie's adoption fee is $100 which includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, spaying, 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!
Ruttkay shared with the Tribune that a number of high school students recently purchased and donated blankets, beds and treats to the shelter, just in time for the holidays!

The Cullman County Animal Shelter is thankful for the continued generosity shown by the Cullman community toward their furry friends.

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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 Street 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 Street 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.
• Van runs in 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Small group classes for children, youth and adults at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. Message "EMPOWER ME LORD!" by Pastor Bobby Dodd
• Mondays-Fridays 5 Points Food Outreach - CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE DUE TO COVID
• 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.
• 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 (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 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 pick-up. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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Cullman NAR-ANON Group Meetings
The NAR-ANON family group meetings are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's addiction. We offer Help by sharing our experiences, strength and hope. We carry the message of hope by letting others know that they are not alone by practicing the 12 Steps of NAR-ANON and changing our own attitudes. We Respect Your Anonymity. Our program is not a religious one, but a spiritual way of life. Meetings will be held at The Ruehl Building (family life center of St John's Church) Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. Contact Jamie Weathersby Smith 256-708-7122 or Don or Nancy McKenzie 256-736-3327 or 256-736-3470 for more information.

Wallace State Fine and Performing Arts fall – spring performances

Christmas Spectacular
• Dec. 9, 7 p.m.
• Featuring: Wallace State Fine and Performing Arts programs
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Night of Jazz
• Feb. 10, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring Wallace State Faculty and Friends
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee
• March 18-19, 7 p.m, March 20, 2 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring Wallace State Theatre
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Dazzle Me, Disney!
• April 7-9, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Wallace State Singers
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Big Band Dance
• April 15, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts
• Featuring the Wallace State Jazz Band
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Dance Spring Showcase
• April 22, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Allegro Dance Theatre
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Spring Under the Stars
• April 26, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts (bring lawn chairs, blankets etc.)
• Featuring the Wallace State Concert Choir and Concert Band
• Info: 256-352-8277, jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu

Agriplex Children's Fall Camp Programs
• 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.

Adult programs
Thursdays, noon - 1 p.m., Yoga under the Pavilion, Join us for a beginner yoga class in the serenity of nature. $5 per person, no registration required. Please bring your yoga mat & water.

Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland
Nov. 19 - Dec. 30: This annual Cullman event is returning this year, featuring thousands of lights, Christmas train, horse and carriage rides, snow machine, photo booth, hot chocolate and more. A new addition is the Winter Wonderland Christmas Shop. Times are 5-9:30 p.m. For a more detailed schedule or for more information, call 256-734-3052.

Christmas in the Park
Nov. 26 - Dec. 31: The City of Arab is hosting Christmas in the Park nightly 5-9:30 p.m. from Nov. 26 - Dec. 31 at Arab City Park (844 Shoal Creek Trail Arab, AL). Over 2 million display lights to walk through! Lighting ceremony will be Nov. 26 at 6 p.m. Admission is free! Santa will be in the park Nov 26 - Dec. 18, Fridays and Saturdays only, from 6-9 p.m. in Arab Historic Village, which will also feature food trucks, live music and more! Admission is $6, with ages 2 and under free. For more information, call 256-586-6793 or visit https://www.arabcity.org/

Christmas at the Grotto
• Nov. 26 - Dec. 31: Christmas at the Grotto will return this season at the Ava Maria Grotto. The Grotto will open for special evening hours to allow visitors to tour the Grotto grounds which will be decorated with thousands of lights. This year, there will also be barbecue, music and even horse-drawn carriage rides Dec. 17 and 18. Admission prices for adults - $6, students - $3, with children under 3 are free.
• For more information, visit http://www.avemariagrotto.com.

St. Andrews Church new guest sermon series
• Nov. 28 - Dec. 1: St. Andrews Church, on the corner of Seventh Street and Main SW, Cullman, welcomes Rev. Aaron Golden, vision pastor of Union Point Church, New Bern, NC for a series of gatherings examining the "Plumblines of a People – Foundations."
• Sunday Nov. 28, 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m.
• Monday - Wednesday, Nov. 29 - Dec. 1, 6 p.m.
• All are invited.

32nd Annual Cullman County Christmas Parade
• Dec. 4: The 32nd Annual Cullman County Christmas Parade will take place on Saturday, Dec. 4 beginning at noon in downtown Hanceville, rain or shine. Entries are now being accepted. The theme is First Responders: God's gift to their community. For more information, contact Tonya Godbee at 256-531-8992 or Amy Moctezuma at 256-339-9900 or by email at hancevillecivitan@gmail.com.

Berlin Volunteer Fire Department's Breakfast with Santa
• Saturday, Dec. 4
• 7-10 a.m. at the Berlin Community Center, 3309 U.S. Highway 278 E
• Plates are by donation, and a donation enters you into a drawing to win a 7-foot teddy bear.
• Drawing at noon. You do not have to be present to win.
• Donations go to Santa to provide area families in need with food and gifts for Christmas.

Christkindlmarkt
Dec. 10-11: Join in on a newer Cullman holiday event, the Christkindlmarkt, on Friday, Dec. 10 - Saturday Dec. 11 in Downtown Cullman. This event will sport many different vendors set up German style in small wooden tents. This will be the perfect way to finish out your Christmas shopping!

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No. 3 Alabama beats Auburn in 1st overtime game in series history, 24-22

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. – Trailing until the last 24-seconds of the game, the No. 3/3/2 University of Alabama football team used four overtime periods to beat Auburn, 24-22, Saturday night in Jordan-Hare Stadium. It marked the first overtime contest in the 85-game Crimson Tide-Tigers series.

John Metchie III came away with 150 receiving yards on 13 catches, including the game-winning two-point conversion in the fourth overtime.

Jameson Williams followed with 43 receiving yards on two catches before being ejected on a targeting call during a second-quarter punt coverage.

Brian Robinson Jr. rushed for 71 yards on 16 carries.

Bryce Young threw for 317 yards on 25-of-51 passing including two touchdowns and an interception while being sacked seven times.

Henry To'oTo'o led the Crimson Tide defense with nine tackles including six solo stops while Will Anderson Jr. recorded seven total stops and six solo tackles in the game, including three tackles for loss and a sack.

Phidarian Mathis and Dallas Turner led Alabama with 1.5 sacks and 1.5 tackles for loss, respectively.

Postgame notes

- Will Anderson Jr. recorded three tackles for loss (-15 yards) and one sack (-11) in the game against Auburn.
- The sophomore continues to lead the nation with 30.5 (-128 yards) tackles for loss and ranks second in the nation with 14.5 (-90 yards) sacks.
- Kool-Aid McKinstry recorded his first-career sack (-13 yards) in the third quarter against the Tigers.
- Josh Jobe caught the third interception of his career and his second interception this season.
- The game captains against Auburn were linebacker Will Anderson Jr., defensive lineman Phidarian Mathis and wide receiver John Metchie III.

HOW IT HAPPENED

Second quarter

- 06:50 – AU | TJ Finley connected with Kobe Hudson on a 15-yard touchdown pass to cap a four-play, 39-yard drive that last two minutes and 12 seconds.

Third quarter

- 11:43 – AU | Ben Patton kicked a 33-yard field goal to help Auburn go up 10-0, concluding a four-play, five-yard series.

Fourth quarter



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama defeated Auburn 24-22 in 4 overtimes Saturday to finish the regular season 11-1.

- 11:50 – UA | Will Reichard connected on a 30-yard field goal to post Alabama's first points in the game to end a drive that lasted seven plays and 46 yards, thanks to an interception by Josh Jobe.
- 00:24 – UA | Bryce Young found Ja'Corey Brooks for a 28-yard touchdown to cap a 12-play, 97-yard drive, tying the game with Reichard's extra point.

Overtime

- OT1 – UA | Young hit Slade Bolden with a six-yard pass in the middle of the endzone to strike first in overtime
- OT1 – AU | Finley found Landen King for a five-yard touchdown pass to close overtime No. 1
- OT2 – AU | Patton made a 49-yard field goal to open the second overtime period
- OT2 – UA | Reichard answered Auburn with a 38-yard field goal to send the game into a third overtime
- OT3 – UA | Young to John Metchie III was good for the two-point conversion to open the third overtime
- OT3 – AU | Finley found John Samuel Shenker to tie it up and send it into a fourth overtime
- OT4 – UA | After Auburn failed to convert its second two-point conversion, Young found Metchie III once again for the two-point score to win the game

Up Next

Alabama will meet Georgia in the 2021 Southeastern Conference Championship Game Saturday, Dec. 4 at 3 p.m. on CBS.

Tigers cap Battle 4 Atlantis with 89-68 win over Syracuse

Greg Ostendorf
AU Athletics

PARADISE ISLAND, Bahamas — Jabari Smith poured in 22 points Friday to lead No. 19 Auburn past Syracuse, 89-68, in the fifth-place game of the Battle 4 Atlantis. The freshman scored in double figures in all three games in The Bahamas.

After a double overtime loss in the opening round, the Tigers bounced back to beat Loyola Chicago and Syracuse on back-to-back days to improve to 5-1 on the season.

Junior Devan Cambridge delivered the exclamation point for Auburn against the Orange on Friday with a reverse alley-oop dunk in the closing minutes. It was one of nine dunks for the Tigers who found success against Syracuse's patented zone defense. There was a stretch early in the second half where they converted lobs on three straight possessions.

Auburn only turned it over seven times for the game against Syracuse.

"When you've got Jabari Smith and Jaylin Williams in the middle of a zone like that – you're trying to get them the ball, you put it in their hands and you just trust them," Auburn head coach Bruce Pearl said. "You trust them to get inside out, you trust them to get to the rim, you trust them to make plays. They're both terrific playmakers."

Smith, an All-Tournament Team selection, added six rebounds and four assists while Williams finished with nine points, a team-best seven rebounds and two assists off the bench.

The Tigers only had three players score in double figures with Smith (22), Cambridge (10) and K.D. Johnson (15), but they got contributions from everybody in Friday's victory as all 10 players in the primary rotation scored. Auburn's bench outscored Syracuse's bench, 33-11.

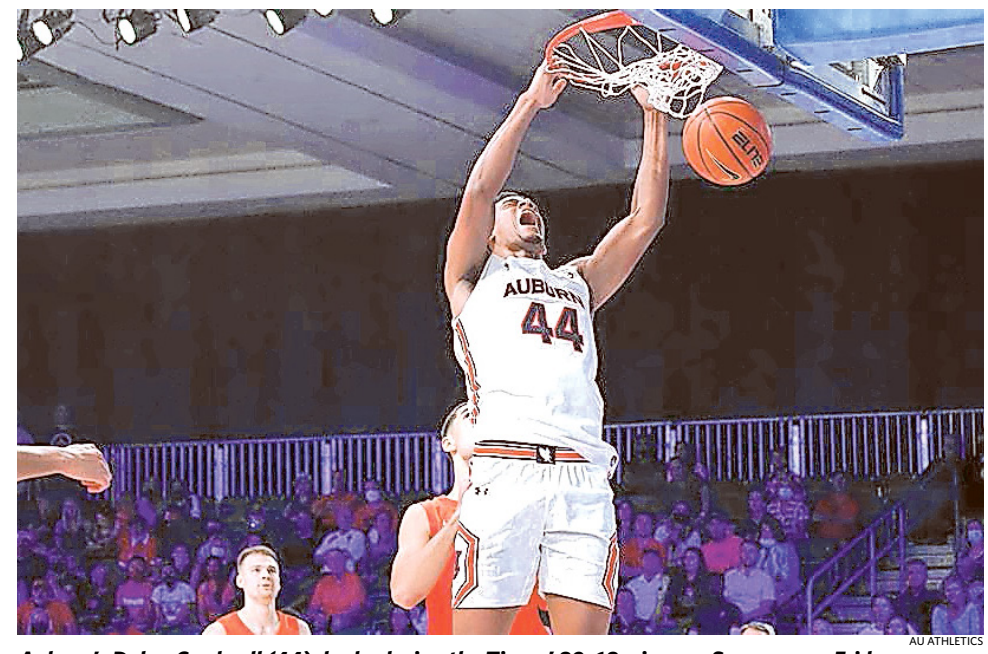
"I thought our bench was terrific," Pearl said. "Wendell (Green) coming off the bench, Jaylin coming off the bench, Chris Moore. And then Lior Berman gave us huge minutes. And our guys feed off that when our 10th man is out there balling. That gives you great confidence."

Berman knocked down 3s on consecutive possessions midway through the first half to give Auburn a boost and cap a 16-3 run.

The Tigers carried a 10-point advantage into halftime thanks to a putback shot from Wendell Green Jr. at the buzzer to make it 43-33. The play was set up by a steal from Johnson, one of three steals in the first half by Johnson who had 9 of his 15 points before the half.

Johnson averaged 16.3 points per game and had 14 steals in three games in The Bahamas.

"K.D. is a playmaker," Pearl said. "He's aggressive. I love the fact that he makes a lot of good decisions to come off the ball. He has a feel for when a guy needs some help, and he's willing to go make a play. And when he goes in, he usually gets it. He's kind of like a shark. With a little blood in the water, he sees that blood and he goes and gets it."



AU ATHLETICS

Auburn's Dylan Cardwell (44) dunks during the Tigers' 89-68 win over Syracuse on Friday.

Coming off the bench for the third straight game, Green led Auburn with seven assists against Syracuse. Sophomore Dylan Cardwell also made a significant off the bench with six points, six rebounds and a block in 17 minutes on the court.

The Tigers dominated inside, winning the battle on the boards 38-28, and outscoring the Orange in the paint by a margin of 42-26. They also had five blocks and 11 steals.

Auburn will return to the court next Wednesday, Dec. 4 to take on UCF. The game is scheduled to tip off at 7 p.m. from Auburn Arena.

"Mentally I feel like we're in a good place," Smith said. "We feel like we should've won three games, but we came here to win two and we did that. I know we got better through the losses, through the wins, through the bad spurts and through the good spurts."

2nd half offensive explosion leads Alabama to 32-point over Miami

Aaron Jordan
UA Athletics

ORLANDO, Fla. — Alabama used a dominant second half to roll to an impressive 96-64 win over Miami on Sunday in the final round of the ESPN Events Invitational. The Crimson Tide outscored the Hurricanes by a score of 63-34 over the final 20 minutes of play, as UA finished the event with a 2-1 record.

The Crimson Tide (6-1) was led by senior Keon Ellis' 22 points on the night, 17 of which came in the big second half. Junior Jaden Shackelford finished with 15 on the strength of five treys while freshman JD Davison had his first career double-double and finished four rebounds shy of a triple-double, with 13 points, 10 assists and six double-doubles. Juwan Gary also reached double digits for a second-straight game, adding 13 points and five rebounds.

Head Coach Nate Oats postgame comments

"I thought our second half was as good as any we've played this year. It was good to get that under our belt before we left for Seattle. I thought our defensive intensity was terrific. We tell our guys all the time to just lose themselves in the game, the offense will take care of itself. Our defense really started to pick up at the end of the first half.

"We made shots and got the ball moving. I think we had four assists and nine turnovers in the first half and turned that into 18 assists and four turnovers in the second half. I'm happy for a lot of our guys and I thought our play was a lot better. It would have been nice to beat Iona and get in the championship game, but sometimes you have to take a loss to learn from stuff. I thought as the tournament went along, we improved throughout. Continued improvement is what you want to see at this point."

Team stats

- The Tide is now 4-2 all-time in the ESPN Events Invitational tournament in Orlando, going 2-1 and winning the consolation bracket in both 2015 and 2021
- Ellis collected career highs of 22 points 5-of-6 three-point shooting – hitting all five of his second half attempts
- UA's bench outscored its counterparts by a 34-9 total
- In two starts over the Tide's last two games, Juwan Gary is averaging 13.5 points and 7.5 rebounds
- After going down by a score of 27-18 in the first half, Alabama outscored Miami 38-10 over a span of 15:58 that began at the 6:22 mark of the first half and ended at the 10:24 mark of the second half
- Alabama had 11 players contribute points to tonight's 96-64 win

First half

- Davison paced the first half, making 4-of-5 field goals for eight points and adding two assists and a steal
- After a 13-2 run gave Miami its largest lead of the half (27-18) with 6:22 to play, UA staged a 15-3 run to take the team into the break with a three-point lead
- Miami was unable to score from the floor in the final six minutes of play, capturing all three of its points from the free throw line
- Alabama made 14-of-33 field goals to shoot 42.4 percent in the half. Miami was 11-of-27 for 40.7 percent
- UA led in rebounds, 22-15, and bench points, 14-5

Second half

- Expanding upon a 5-0 run that concluded the first half, Alabama added three consecutive baskets to post 12 unanswered points
- In a little over two minutes, Ellis downed off 3-of-4 shots from the floor which, included a three-point play, to post eight points and give the Tide a 48-36 lead
- Not finished, the Tide added 17 unanswered points over four minutes to bring the score to 65-38 with 10:24 left to play
- The Crimson Tide would cruise from there, shooting 63.9 percent (23-of-36) and 76.9 percent from deep (13-of-17) over the final 20 minutes
- The Tide pulled down 20 rebounds in the half compared to eight from the Hurricanes



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama outscored Miami 63-34 in the second half of its 96-64 win over the Hurricanes Sunday night.

Up next

Alabama will have a week before games is it next takes on No. 1 Gonzaga on Dec. 4 at 7 p.m.

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

Tour (from Front)

tified, and Snead's Farmhouse stands as a certified hatchery.

Snead taught herself the process of hatching chicks and she said, "Once I learned the process, I knew immediately that I wanted to share this with kids because it is such a beautiful process to watch a chicken hatch out of an egg."

Judy's farm is open to tours. To reserve a spot to tour the Farmhouse, visit https://www.sneadsfarmhouse.com/. The tours last about two hours and admission is $10 per per-son. The tour includes the chance to feed chickens, pigs, cows, goats, ducks, rabbits, etc. Judy also teaches about the different aspects of farm life including breed and hatching. Her animals are al-ways dressed up for the holidays and ready to take pictures. To receive $5 off a picture with Judy's alpaca, bring this article to the farm during a tour.

Concert (from Front)

patriotic music, marches and Broadway/movie show tunes. The band has a standard symphonic band instrumentation - woodwinds, brass and percussion.

Members of the band are volunteers, ranging in age from 18 to 84, and come from many different occupational backgrounds," reads the Cullman Community Band's concert announcement.

The community band is always open to new members, with its practice and performing season following the school year.

Rehearsals are held Monday evenings from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Cullman Middle School band room. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/Cullman-CommunityBand, call Conductor Garry Taylor at 256-636-2754 or email garry54@bellsouth.net.

Location (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Curt's Closet, a nonprofit organization located at 1101 Third Avenue SE, has over 20 drop off locations in Cullman and has recently added Wallace State Community College to the drop-off list. For Christmas, Curt's Closet will be providing gifts for 300+ children up to 18 years old.

The Bailey Building at Wallace State will have donation boxes for new unwrapped gifts through today.

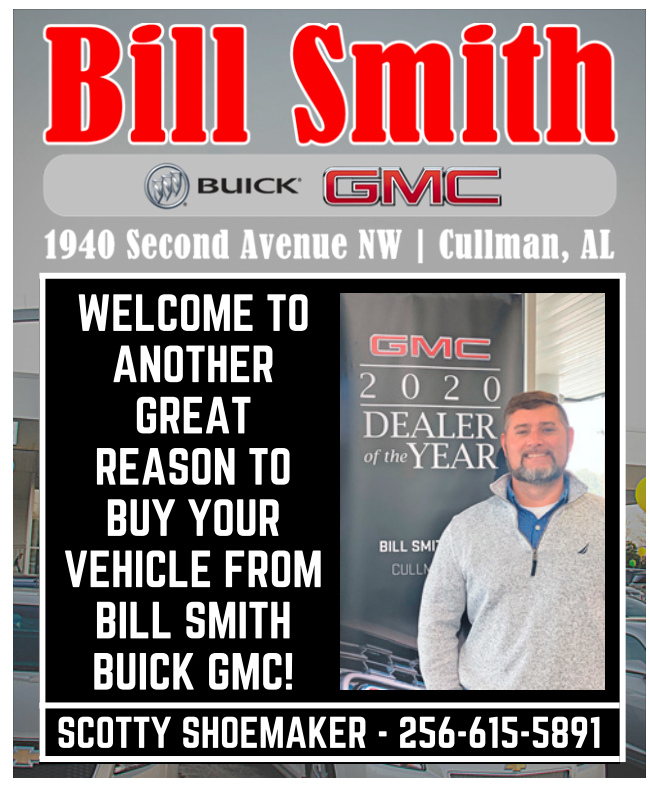
The Bailey Building will also have donation boxes for regular donations of clothes, shoes, lunchboxes, etc. until Dec. 17.

Curt's Closet was founded by Ashley Wilson in honor of her son Curtis James Wilson, to give back to the community he loved.

Curt's Closet is a boutique style shopping experience for children 19 years and younger where they can shop for clothing, shoes, and other basic needs, all for free.

They serve families that are low income, foster families, families that have had a re-cent house fire, sickness in the family, military families and many more situations.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call 256-735-4557.















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AMEA honors Governor Ivey with Excellence in Leadership Award

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Alabama Municipal Electric Authority has awarded Governor Kay Ivey with the Excellence in Leadership Award for her unwavering commitment and dedication to the state of Alabama.

"Governor Ivey has served and continues to serve our state with honor and integrity," said Fred Clark, AMEA president and CEO.

"Today, we honor her tremendous accomplishments and successes as she continues to lead our great state with steadfastness, perseverance and determination."

Rebuild Alabama, the state's economic development showcasing its strong workforce and achieving the state's lowest unemployment rate are just a few examples of Governor Ivey's leadership ac-complishments in the past year.

"We thank Governor Ivey for her tireless efforts as she and her team navigate one of the most chal-lenging years in our state's history," Clark added.

"We are extremely proud of Governor Ivey and feel she is most deserving of the AMEA Excellence in Leadership Award."



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Safety (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Police Department and Cullman County Sheriff's Office shares the importance of security at home and offers safety tips while shopping this holiday season.

CPD Public Relations Officer Adam Clark said one way to help with small thefts of opportunity is to have your packages delivered to a pick-up location instead of your house or doorstep.

"Make sure you lock your car doors - although it might seem overused to say, it's necessary," Clark said. "Always check to make sure that no personal items or cash are left in the vehicle, especially where they are visible to someone who is walking by. While shopping, we encourage women to keep their purses zipped and on your shoulder at all times. Never leave your purse in the shopping cart while you're not there."

Sheriff Matt Gentry and the CCSO would like to remind you to be cautious and vigilant this holiday season to ensure that you have a safe, happy and peaceful holiday!

"While at home, keep your home doors and windows locked at all times," Gentry said. "If you are leaving for an extended period of time, have neighbors or family members check on your residence and pick up your mail.

"Indoor and outdoor lights should be on an automatic timer if possible. Also, leaving on a radio or TV to give the appearance that someone is home is helpful.

We suggest not leaving large displays of holiday gifts visible through the windows and doors of your home."

Gentry said it's also important to be aware of when people are visiting your home that you do not know to take caution.

"Be aware that criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering packages or gifts and to never open the door if you are uncertain," Gentry said. "Do not hesitate to call the sheriff's office/police department if an issue arises. Be skeptical of door-to-door solicitors. Criminals will take advantage of people's generosity during the holiday season."

Lastly, Gentry discussed shopping measures to take while driving and/or shopping.

"Keep your doors and windows locked, whether you are inside or out of your vehicle," Gentry said. "If you must shop at night, remember where you park, and park in a well-lit area.

Also, pay attention who you are parking beside; avoid vans, camper shells or vehicles with dark tinted windows. Try and park as close as possible to your destination.

Never leave your vehicle running while unoccupied, or with children inside. Have your keys readily available as you approach your car."

Gentry said it's very important to always be aware of your surroundings, especially as you are approaching your vehicle and to not approach your vehicle if there are suspicious people loitering around the area.

"Always ask security or store personnel to escort you to the vehicle if you are apprehensive," Gentry said. "Safety is the most important thing."

LEGALS

Legal Notice

Pursuant to Alabama Code 32-13-1, J and G Wrecker, LLC will offer for sale at public auction the below abandoned vehicles at 556 County Road 1621, Cullman, Alabama, 35058, on Tuesday, December 23, 2021, at 11:30 a.m.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
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Deceased *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **Judith A. Reeves,** as Personal Representatives of the Estate of Douglas C. Reeves, deceased, on the 12th day of November, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Judith A. Reeves
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G. Stephen Wiggins
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TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
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Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **THERESA BYARS,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **HARVEY WARREN HAYNES,** deceased, on the 19th day of November, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Theresa Byars
Personal Representative

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF Y.B.C.M.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 10/13/2015
CASE NO.: AD2021-072

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: SERGIO ALEXANDER CHILEL LOPEZ, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF Y.B.C.M., A MINOR CHILD BORN TO IDALMA ISABEL MARTIN SANTOS

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Jorge Patino Cruz, Petitioner. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioner, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 12th DAY OF November, 2021.

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

S. Wayne Fuller
Attorney for Petitioner
413 First Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Obituary Announcements: Nov. 27-29

Matthew Hester Lancaster, 30, of Cullman
Funeral service for Matthew Hester Lancaster, 30, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 30, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Bethlehem Methodist Cemetery, with Pastor Paul Rivers officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Lancaster passed away Sunday, Nov. 28, at Cullman Regional Hospital. He was born Dec. 24, 1990, to Marston Hester and Vickie McDonald Lancaster. Matthew was loved so much. His whole life was special. He was preceded in death by his father: Marston Lancaster and grandfathers: Wallace McDonald and James Lancaster. Survivors include his grandmothers: Ellen McDonald, Jewell Lancaster and Elaine Persall; mother: Vickie McDonald Lancaster; brother: Tony Lancaster; aunt and uncle: Marshall and Melissa McDonald; cousins and friends.

Anna Louise Lione, 83, of Tuscaloosa
Funeral services for Anna Louise Lione, of Tuscaloosa will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 30 at Sacred Heart Church in Cullman. The rosary will be at the church at 1:15 p.m. Burial will follow at Holly Pond Cemetery. Fr. Patrick Egan will be officiating. Mrs. Lione was born in New York on Monday, July 11, 1938, to Arthur and Mary (Spoor) Beaupre. She died at the age of 83 at Grandview Medical Center on Friday, Nov. 26. Survivors include her children: Anna (Craig) Huggart, Elizabeth House, Ed (Donna) Heatherington, Patty (Dean) Arnold, Sarah (Scott) Platt, John (Lynda) Peirce, Salvatore (Christy) Lione Jr. and Rachel Lione and a host of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Lione was preceded in death by her husband: Salvatore Lione Sr.

Darrel Wayne Chandler, 75, of Cullman
Darrel Wayne Chandler, age 75, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Saturday, Nov. 27. Darrel was born Jan. 15, 1946, in Cullman, Alabama to Floyd Edgar and Lily Gertrude Hancock Chandler. Mr. Chandler worked for and retired from Nicholson File Company. Funeral services will be Wednesday, Dec. 1, at 11 a.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor John Bussman officiating. Interment will follow services in Cullman Memory Gardens. Survivors are wife: Martha Wilbanks Chandler; daughters: Kim Chandler (Shane) Eustice and Jenny Chandler Gay; son: Michael (Shannon) Chandler; sisters: Hilda Thompson and Carolyn Carden; brother: Gary (Marie) Chandler; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Visitation is Tuesday Nov. 30, at Moss Service Funeral Home from 5:30-8 p.m.

Mary Day Burns, of Cullman
Mary Day Burns passed away Nov. 29. Mary was born in Cullman County in 1937 to John and Jura Day, who preceded her in death. She was married over 67 years to Milton L. Burns of Hanceville who passed away in December 2020. Mary is survived by her two daughters: Debora Burns Peerce (Brian) and Amy Burns; three grandchildren: Brandon Peerce (Desirae), John Peerce (Chloe) and Alex Peerce; two great-grandchildren: Peyton and Jack Peerce and a sister: Laraine Stewart (Johnny). She was preceded in death by her brothers and sisters: Fred Day, Julius Day, John Day Jr., Bob Day, Mildred Gohn, Thelma Gohn and Claud Day. A private graveside service will be held at Fairview West on Dec. 3.

Melissa Diane Gothard, 53, of Holly Pond
Melissa Diane Gothard, of Holly Pond, Alabama, peacefully entered the arms of her Heavenly Father on the morning of Nov. 26, at the age of 53. She was born in Jefferson County, Alabama, on April 5, 1968, to Hollis Eugene and Carole Gantt Gothard. Melissa enjoyed traveling, puzzles of all kinds and she was an Alabama fan. Golden Retrievers, bunnies and bears all made Melissa happy, and her children brought her great joy. She enjoyed any time spent with her babies, and she was proud of the adults that they had become. Melissa is preceded in death in by parents and her brother: Tim Gothard. Survivors include her significant other: Glenn Williams; son: Josh Gothard; daughter: Emily Gothard (special friend, Gary Borck) and a host of friends and family. Donations may be made directly to the funeral home in Melissa's memory to help with her funeral expenses. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Gothard family.

Jay W Aycox Jr., 88, of Pell City
Jay W Aycox Jr., age 88, of Pell City, Alabama passed away Friday, Nov. 26. Jay was born Jan. 9, 1933, in Jasper, Alabama to Jay Walker and Mertie Mae Blevins Aycox. He is preceded in death by his parents and his wife: Patricia Colvert Aycox. Mr. Aycox was a retired veteran of The United States Army. Mr. Aycox is survived by his daughters: Teresa (Mike) Taft, Cindy (Kevin) Meacham, Wendy Aycox; son: Jeff (Paula) Aycox; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A graveside service for Jay will be held Monday, Nov. 29, at 11 a.m. at Bethsadia Baptist Cemetery (1365 County Road 421, Cullman, AL, 35057). The family will receive friends at the cemetery on Monday. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Sue Waid Nix, 72, of Cullman
Sue Waid Nix, age 72, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Thursday, Nov. 25. Sue was born July 13, 1949, in Houston, Alabama to Milford Harold and Bessie June Frazier Waid. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband: Bill Nix; brothers: Bobby, Edward and Hershel Waid and sister: Pamela Karen Lawler. She worked as a CNA at Cullman Medical Center and at Woodland Village Health Care. She loved growing flowers and fruit trees. She also loved sewing and quilting. Survivors are brothers: EJ (Pat) Waid and Ronald (Thelma) Waid; sister: Mona Waid Spear and a host of nieces, nephews and friends. A memorial service will be announced at a later date by the family. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

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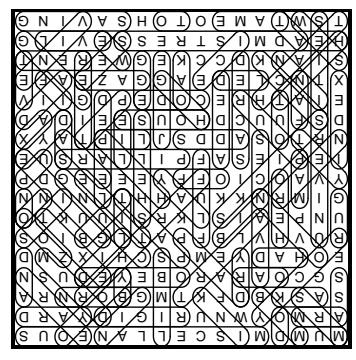
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INDUSTRY

Many factors at play in the current inflation situation

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AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — "Inflation" is a word that is being thrown around a lot in today's media market. What is inflation? What is causing it? How does it affect me? These are all questions that consumers could be asking themselves right now. An Alabama Cooperative Extension System economist sheds some light on these questions and more.

What is inflation?

In basic terms, inflation is when there is a decrease in the purchasing value of money. Wendiam Sawadgo, an Alabama Extension assistant professor and economist, said with inflation, a dollar can purchase less than it did in the past.

"We oftentimes think of price increases as inflation, but a price increase can be caused by factors other than inflation," Sawadgo said. "For example, if the price of a hamburger goes up, it could be due to inflation. However, it could also be due to beef prices increasing because of a drought that led to a decreased supply of cattle."

When measuring inflation, Sawadgo said economists will often examine a particular bundle of goods that households may purchase.

They will then evaluate what the price was for that same bundle of goods over different time periods. An example of this is the consumer price index.

"Right now, we are seeing prices increase, with a 0.9% increase in the CPI (seasonally adjusted) from September to October," he said. "The CPI increased 6.2% from October 2020 to October 2021."

What is causing the current situation?

Sawadgo said economists have some mixed perspectives on the cause of increased prices.

"One factor could be the increased demand for goods following the COVID-19 pandemic, coupled with a reduced supply of those same goods," Sawadgo said. "This reduced supply has been in part due to supply-chain disruptions from COVID-19."

There is no one single sector where prices are rising. Instead, there are multiple areas that have experienced price increases. Combined, all contribute to the current situation.

• Energy is leading the pack as the largest contributor. The energy index increased 4.8% over September this year and 30% from last October.

• Another somewhat unusual contributor earlier this year was the used vehicle market. The prices for used cars and trucks were up 26.4% from last year.

• Food prices are also up, rising 0.9% in October and 6.2% over the last year.

"With the higher energy prices, consumers are likely spending more filling up their vehicles with fuel," he said. "Increased food prices might also be affecting the average consumer's budget. For example, beef prices have been noticeably up."

When will prices start to decrease?

Because there are so many elements contributing to the problem, it is tough to know when prices will return to normal. Sawadgo said the supply chain issues may worsen because of the current labor shortages, but that is assuming that the labor demand rises.

"A record 4.4 million people—or 3% of the labor market—quit their jobs in September," he said. "Combining the pandemic risks with how employment has changed during the pandemic, this could restrict the labor supply for the near future. So, in short, prices returning to normal likely depends on the labor supply increasing to meet labor demand."

In the meantime, there may be some ways for consumers to combat higher prices.

"Because not all products have seen equal price increases, people may be able to shift their consumption to goods that have been more sheltered from price increases," Sawadgo said.

A consumer's food budget is an example of making this shift; take beef for example. Since beef has seen a 20% increase over the last year, people can make the switch to less affected products like chicken, which has only seen an 8.8% increase.

More information

The Alabama Extension Making LIFE Work publication series is designed to help residents during challenging times. These resources provide information on overcoming hurdles related to both family and finances and can be found by visiting, https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/disaster-home-family/making-life-work/.

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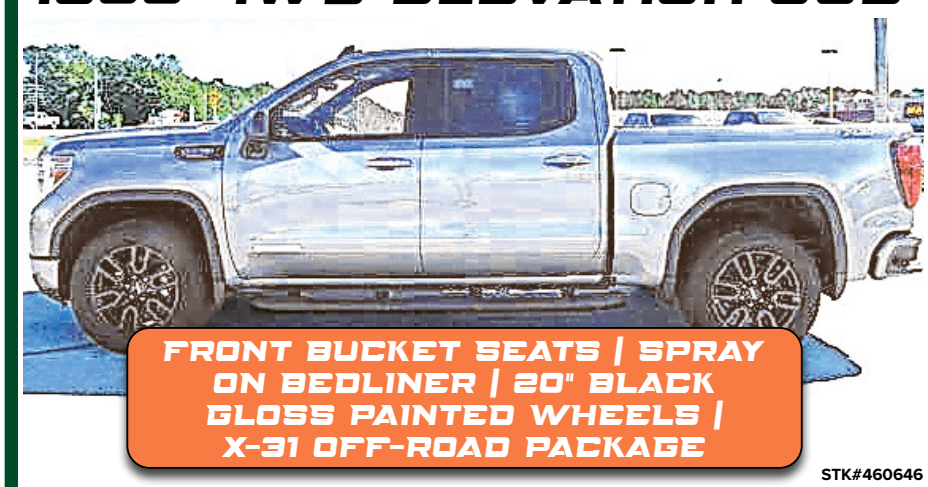
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