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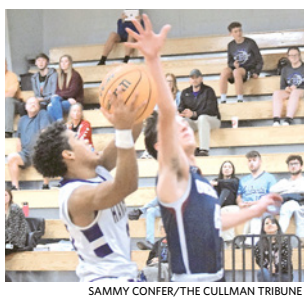
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Cullman Electric Co-op HUG program assists neighbors in need

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Electric Cooperative's Home Utility Gift allows participants to help others by paying their Cullman EC bill. The HUG program was started in the 2007 holiday season, but HUG payments became popular year-round as a method to assist others who are struggling financially due to a lost job, the death of a family member, house fire or other disaster or simply as an act of kindness.

Communications Manager of Cullman EC Brian Lacy stated that before the program began, customers would often come to the office to try to pay the bill of a friend in need.

Lacy said, "We would do that, we just didn't have a name for it. A few years ago, we put a name to it so people could come in and specifically ask to make a payment using our HUG program."

To make a HUG payment, visit Cullman EC's main office or their Addison branch and tell a member service representative who you would like to help.

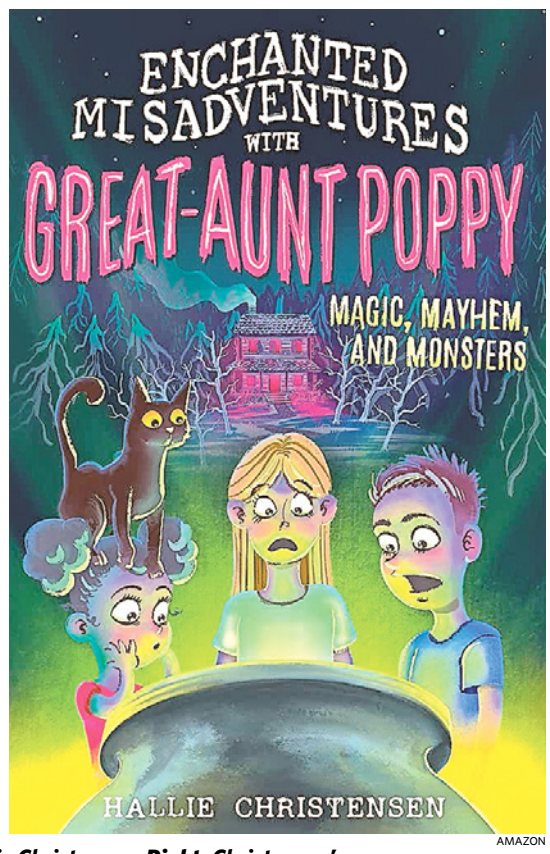
Lacy said the easiest way to make the payment is to have the recipient's name and address. After a payment is made, the EC will mail a card, either anonymously or with your name included, to the recipient.

For more information on Cullman EC's HUG program, call 256-737-3200 or stop by one of their offices.

Vinemont writer Hallie Christensen now a published author



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***Left:** Now-published Vinemont author Hallie Christenson; **Right:** Christenson's book, "Enchanted Misadventures with Great-Aunt Poppy"*

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VINEMONT, Ala. — A Vinemont native's middle-grade novel was recently published through Sweetwater Press. Her book, "Enchanted Misadventures with Great-Aunt Poppy," released Oct. 12, is available for purchase now on Amazon.

Hallie Christensen grew up in Cullman County surrounded by professional storytellers - her family.

She received her B.A. in English with a minor in Italian while attending The University of Alabama and her M.A. in English instruction from Faulkner University.

"My life's background helped to influence my writing and creativity," Christensen said. "While growing up, I attended young authors conferences, played in a marching band, tried my luck as a magician, became a Junior Ranger for quite a few National Parks and for a brief moment, was a disc jockey with an eclectic taste of music spanning from The Monkees to N'SYNC."

When she isn't writing, editing, teaching English courses or marking-up essays, she enjoys hiking, attending rock concerts from musicians her parents' age, staying at Airbnbs, playing in a family band and of course, reading, with preferences in fantasy, contemporary and the classics.

"I have had author visits at elementary/intermediate schools in Cullman and surrounding areas," Christensen said. "I had free resources for teachers on my site. My book is currently sold online where all books are sold. My novel recently received a 5-star rating from Reader's Favorite." She shared that although her novel has a spooky vibe, it takes place at Christmas, so she thought it would be a fun read for elementary and middle-grade students during the holiday break.

Visit http://www.authorhalliechristensen.com/ to learn more about Hallie's work and sign up for her e-newsletter.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Vinemont town council approves block grant application for Community Development

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BUSINESS

Dental Arts wins Cullman Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Month



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From left to right, Dr. Abby DiLuzio, Dr. Kari Bartlett, Dr. Kaitlin Byerly, Cheryl Knighten of SOZO Digital Media LLC » PAGE 6

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Sheriff's Rodeo sees sold out crowds

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RECLASSIFICATION: AHSAA releases new fall classifications; Addison, Holly Pond on the move



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Holly Pond High School is moving to Class 2A following the AHSAA's reclassification Tuesday morning. » PAGE 5

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 15

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Dec. 15, 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

Dec. 13

• unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; third-degree criminal mischief; person; 3rd St. SE; catalytic convertor; damaged property; $750

• theft of lost property; person; wallet and contents

• third-degree burglary; person; Sportsman Lake Rd.; miscellaneous

• third-degree domestic violence; person; Laurel Ln. SW

Dec. 14

• first-degree theft of property; Tony Serra Nissan; Cherokee Ave. SW; $25,000

• third-degree domestic violence-harassment; person; Logan St. SW

• domestic violence; person; Mack Ave. SW

ARRESTS

Dec. 13

Ford, Shayla M.; 25

• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Baswell, Zackery C.; 29

• FTA- improper tag

Graves, Kevin D.; 35

• third-degree criminal trespass

Dec. 14

Moctezuma, Reyna N.; 24

• third-degree criminal trespass

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

CRIME

Multiple arrests following traffic stop in Jones Chapel

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. — Cullman County Sheriff's deputies stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation in the Jones Chapel community on Dec. 12.

John Coy Denney, 52, of Holly Pond, and Carrie Bridget Pelham Pate, 36, of Cullman, were passengers in the vehicle.

Deputies located illegal narcotics and paraphernalia in the vehicle and on their persons.

Both were arrested following the stop.

Denney was charged with possession of opium or derivative (two counts), possession of drug paraphernalia (two counts) and possession of marijuana in the second degree (two counts).

Pate was charged with possession of opium or derivative, possession of drug paraphernalia (three counts), possession of marijuana in the second degree (two counts) and possession of methamphetamine (warrant).



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
John Coy Denney



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Carrie Bridget Pelham Pate

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Dec. 15, 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.

*The dashboard has been redesigned to help people better understand the current transmission levels in their communities and the impact of COVID-19 in Alabama. The moving 7-day sum is updated 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)

• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 6.4%

• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,571

• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 467,304 (+2,306 since Monday)

• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,185

• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,119 (+39 since Monday)

• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 6.4%

• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,570

• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 8,810 (+72 since Monday)

• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128

• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 179 (+0 since Monday)

• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,333

• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 85

• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 43,774

• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 2,815

• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 378

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

• Doses delivered to Alabama: 7,730,185

• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,253,365

• Doses administered: 5,243,897

• Additional doses administered: 477,281

• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,676,191

• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,184,440

• Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,476,820

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.

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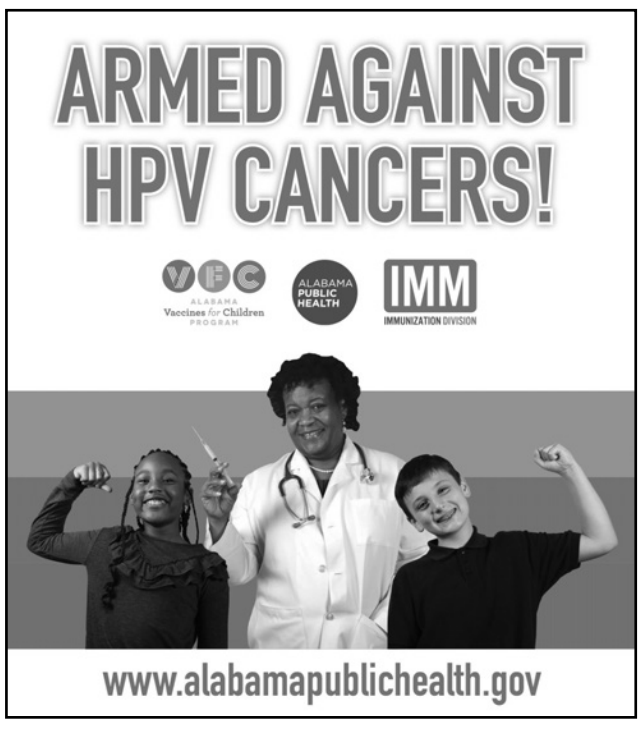
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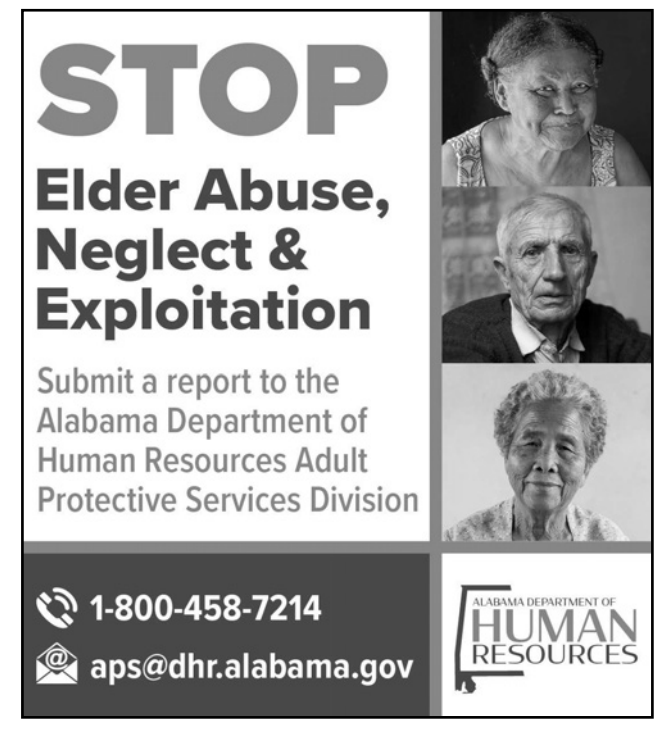
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CRIME

Cold Springs High School student arrested for terrorist threat

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BREMEN, Ala. – Cullman County Sheriff's deputies arrested a Cold Springs High School student on Friday for making a terrorist threat.

Carmel Anthony Messina, 18, of Bremen, was arrested at Cold Springs High School.

The arrest stemmed from a threat made by Messina on Thursday, Dec. 9, directed toward other students.

He was arrested and transported to the Cullman County Detention Center. He was charged with terrorist threats.

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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 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 Saint 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.
• Dec. 19, 11 a.m.: Children's Christmas Play, "Where is Christ in Christmas?"
• 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 pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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Grief Share Meetings Fall Semester
August – November: The fall semester of Grief Share is taking place at Cullman First Baptist Church. Weekly meetings are at 6 p.m. on Tuesdays in Room 215. These meetings will run through Nov. 9. Anyone who has experienced the loss of a friend or loved one is welcomed to join us for this faith-based program to help deal with the effects of grief and loss. Workbooks for the semester are $15, but scholarship funds are available for anyone who would like to attend. You can register online at https://www.griefshare.org/ or just show up a little early for the next meeting. Please contact Tammie Dunkling at 256-339-2999 with any questions.

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

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
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Dazzle Me, Disney!
• April 7-9, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Wallace State Singers
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Big Band Dance
• April 15, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts
• Featuring the Wallace State Jazz Band
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Dance Spring Showcase
• April 22, 7 p.m.
• Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre
• Featuring the Allegro Dance Theatre
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Spring Under the Stars
• April 26, 7 p.m.
• Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts (bring lawn chairs, blankets etc.)
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• 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! 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.

Wallace State Community College spring registration
Dec. 11 - Jan. 15: Registration for the spring 2022 semester is underway at Wallace State Community College. Classes will begin Jan. 10 with options for day and evening classes on campus, online and hybrid. Registration will continue through Jan. 15 for regular and Mini Term I classes. Mini Term II classes will begin March 8. Call 256-353-8000 for more information.

Christkindlmarkt
Dec. 17-18: Join in on a newer Cullman holiday event, the Christkindlmarkt, on Friday, Dec. 17 - Saturday Dec. 18 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!

Christmas Dinner at Parkside Catfish
Dec. 24: Parkside Catfish (13610 Alabama Highway 69, Baileyton, AL) is hosting a Christmas Dinner on Dec. 24 at 5 p.m. This is a free meal for anyone in need. For more information, call 256-796-4288.

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PREP BASKETBALL

No. 6 Hanceville downs Oneonta 64-62 in OT, Lady Bulldogs fall 55-38

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville Bulldogs returned home to Lane Horton Gymnasium Tuesday night for a pair of big area matchups against Oneonta and four quarters weren't enough to settle things between the Bulldogs and the Redskins. Hanceville and Oneonta went to overtime in the boys' game and the Bulldogs were able to edge the Redskins 64-62 in the extra period to pick up a huge area win. The Lady Bulldogs were tied with the Lady Redskins after one half of play, but Oneonta was too much in the second half and pulled away to win it 55-38.

Oneonta 55 – Hanceville 38 (Varsity Girls)

Hanceville got off to a slow start as Oneonta jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead. Kate Sterling nailed a short jumper to put the Lady Bulldogs on the scoreboard with 3:38 remaining in the opening period. Savanna McAnnally got red-hot to finish out the quarter for Hanceville as she scored their final seven points of the period, including a pair of threes, to give the Lady Bulldogs a 9-8 lead going into the second period.

Jolee McHan hit a layup to give Hanceville a three-point lead, but Oneonta tied it up on a three. McHan hit another show down low and McAnnally drilled another shot from long range to stretch the Lady Bulldog lead to five at 16-11 with 5:35 remaining in the first half. A 9-2 run by the Lady Redskins, though, gave them a 20-18 lead. McHan finished out on what was a strong second quarter for her with a short jumper as both teams went into the half tied up at 20.

The score was tied up at 24 almost midway through the third quarter when Oneonta scored six in a row to give them a 30-24 lead. A Katelyn Boyd three and a McHan basket trimmed the deficit to just one at 30-29. Later on, though, another Lady Redskin trey stretched their lead to 38-31. Victoria Stanley picked a perfect time to get her first points of the game as she drilled a long-range shot before the buzzer to swivel the deficit to four at 38-34 going into the final period.

Another Stanley trey made it a 41-38 game with 4:44 remaining in the contest, but unfortunately, that ended up being Hanceville's last basket of the game as Oneonta scored the final 14 points of the game and the Lady Bulldogs ended up dropping a tough game to the Lady Redskins, 55-38.

McHan finished the game with 14 points for Hanceville (4-7, 0-2). McAnnally added 11 points. Stanley ended up with six points. Boyd added five points and Sterling chipped in with two points.

Hanceville 64 – Oneonta 62 (OT) (Varsity Boys)

A Braxton Broad three-point play gave Hanceville an early 3-2 lead. A Brayden Harris trey gave the Bulldogs a 6-5 lead, but Oneonta scored five straight points to give them a 10-6 lead. Hanceville went on a huge run to end the first quarter and it started with Will Calvert and Noah Jones hitting shots down low. Zach Campbell finished it off with six straight points, including a layup just before the buzzer, as the Bulldogs went into the second quarter with a 16-10 lead.

The Redskins quickly trimmed Hanceville's lead to one to start out the second period, but a Carson Garrett layup and a Jones trey from the right corner quickly pushed the Bulldog lead back up to six at 21-15. But another huge run by Oneonta saw them get the lead right back at 23-21. After a Redskin free throw gave them a 26-23 lead, it would be Harris that would give Hanceville a huge boost going into the half as he hit a pair of huge shots down low to give them a 27-26 lead at the break.

A Calvert trey from the right corner increased Hanceville's lead to 30-26 to start out the second half. Seven straight points by Oneonta gave them a 33-30 lead and later stretched their lead to 38-32 with a little over five minutes to go in the third period. But back-to-back baskets by Campbell and a trey by Broad gave the Bulldogs a 39-38 lead. The Redskins, though, would be the team to end the quarter strong, hitting a three and Hanceville would go into the final period down by just two at 41-39.

Oneonta increased their lead to 46-41 to start out the fourth quarter and later held a 50-45 lead late in the final period, but a huge three-point play by Harris trimmed the deficit to just two at 50-48 with 1:45 remaining in the contest. Later on, after missing some free throws, Campbell quickly redeemed himself as he got a huge steal and ended up finding Calvert down low to tie the game up at 50. A Calvert three-point play gave them a 53-52 lead with 26 seconds to go in the game, but the Redskins converted on one of their own to take a 55-53 lead. A driving layup by Campbell tied the game up at 55 and this huge region game would be decided in overtime.

A huge three by Campbell gave Hanceville a three-point lead in overtime and he later added a pair of free throws to make it a 60-57 game. The Redskins, though, scored four straight points to take a 61-60 lead. A free throw gave the Redskins a two-point lead, but Campbell hit a pair from the line to tie the game up at 62. Harris then forced an Oneonta turnover to give the ball back to Hanceville with a chance to win it in overtime. Campbell drove down the middle of the lane and found Broad for an enormous layup to give the Bulldogs a two-point lead with eight seconds remaining in overtime. Oneonta's shot to win the game was off and Hanceville ended up picking up a huge win at home as they held off the Redskins, 64-62.



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Hanceville's Zach Campbell finished with 23 points and had the game-winning assist to Braxton Broad in the Bulldogs' 64-62 overtime win over Oneonta.

Campbell finished the game with 23 points for Hanceville (11-2, 2-0). Harris added 12 points. Calvert ended up with 10 points. Broad added eight points, including the game-winning layup. Garrett ended up with six points and Jones finished with five points. Hanceville will travel to Holly Pond Thursday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

No. 9 Cullman handles Carver Birmingham 65-42 to remain unbeaten

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The ninth-ranked Cullman Bearcats returned home to host Carver Birmingham at Cullman High School Tuesday night and the 'Cats built a 19-point lead at halftime before eventually pulling away to top the Rams 65-42 and improve to 8-0.

Tucker Cagle scored the first basket of the night for Cullman to make it a 2-2 game early in the opening period and five points from Garrison Sharpe on back to back possessions kept the score tied at 7 as the quarter went on. Cagle drained a three-pointer to give Cullman a 10-9 lead with five minutes to play in the first and Tucker Gambrill followed with a three of his own to make it 13-9. Buckets by Nate Zills and Colton Echols kept the Bearcats in front 17-14 with two minutes to play in the period and Gambrill drilled another three to stretch the lead to six. Gambrill turned a steal into an easy layup just before the buzzer and Cullman went into the second quarter leading 22-14.

A pair of free throws from Gambrill and another basket from Sharpe made it a 26-16 game early in the second and Tucker Apel netted a pair from the free throw line to extend the lead to 29-16 later in the quarter.

Back to back buckets by Sam Duskin put the Bearcats ahead 33-16 and Gambrill knocked down a pair of three-pointers late in the second to make it 39-21 with just over a minute remaining in the half. After two more free throws by Sharpe and a basket from Zills, the 'Cats went into the locker room leading the Rams 44-23 at halftime.

Cagle split a pair of shots from the free throw line to start the third quarter and Jamar Kay followed with a three-pointer to make it a 49-25 game early in the period. Gambrill drained his fifth three-pointer of the night to stretch the lead to 52-27 and baskets by Sharpe and Kase Nixon made it a 20-point game with just under a minute to play in the third. Duskin buried a three in the final seconds of the quarter and Cullman went in the final frame with a 60-32 lead.

Nixon was fouled on a three-point attempt and knocked down all three free throws to put the Bearcats up 63-32 and with the clock running, Cullman went on to collect a 65-42 win over Carver Birmingham and remain undefeated.

Gambrill led the way for the Bearcats with 19 points in the win, followed by Sharpe with 14. Duskin and Cagle each posted seven points and Zills finished with six. Cullman will be back on the court Wednesday when it travels to Hayden for a matchup with the Wildcats.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Tucker Gambrill posted 19 points in the Bearcats' 65-42 win over Carver Birmingham Tuesday night.





PREP CROSS COUNTRY

Holly Pond's Christopher Putman signs with Indiana Tech



ANDREW KNEDLIK

Congratulations to Holly Pond's Christopher Putman on signing to continue his athletic and academic career at Indiana Tech Wednesday morning at Holly Pond High School.

Reclassification (from Front)

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. – The Alabama High School Athletic Association released its reclassification numbers for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 school years Tuesday morning and there are a pair of local schools making a move. Holly Pond High School and Addison High School are each stepping down to classes 2A and 1A respectively.

The AHSAA reclassifies every two years based on public school enrollment and private schools are classified based on a 1.35 multiplier and a competitive balance rating that can put some highly successful teams into higher classifications.

2022-23, 2023-24 FOOTBALL AREA ALIGNMENTS

Class 6A, Region 7
- Athens
- Columbia
- Cullman
- Decatur
- Hartselle
- Muscle Shoals

Class 5A, Region 7
- Arab
- Boaz
- Crossville
- Douglas
- Guntersville
- Sardis
- Scottsboro

Class 5A, Region 8
- Brewer
- Ardmore
- East Limestone
- Fairview
- Lawrence County
- Russellville
- West Point

Class 4A, Region 6
- Ashville
- Cherokee County
- Etowah
- Fultondale
- Good Hope
- Hanceville
- Oneonta

Class 3A, Region 7
- Asbury
- Brindlee Mountain
- Danville
- J.B. Pennington
- Madison Academy
- Susan Moore
- Vinemont

Class 2A, Region 5
- Aliceville
- Cold Springs
- Greene County
- Lamar County
- Sulligent
- Tuscaloosa Academy
- Winston County

Class 2A, Region 6
- Cleveland
- Gaston
- Holly Pond
- Locust Fork
- Pleasant Valley
- Southeastern
- West End

Class 1A, Region 8
- Addison
- Cherokee
- Hackleburg
- Meek
- Phillips
- R.A. Hubbard
- Shoals Christian
- Vina
- Waterloo

2022-23, 2023-24 VOLLEYBALL AREA ALIGNMENTS

Class 6A, Area 14
- Cullman
- Decatur
- Hartselle

Class 5A, Area 14
- Arab
- Fairview
- Guntersville
- Scottsboro

Class 5A, Area 15
- Brewer
- Lawrence County
- Russellville
- West Point

Class 4A, Area 12
- Good Hope
- Hanceville
- Oneonta

Class 3A, Area 12
- Danville
- J.B. Pennington
- Vinemont

Class 2A, Area 12
- Cleveland
- Cold Springs
- Holly Pond
- Locust Fork
- Southeastern

Class 1A, Area 13
- Addison
- Decatur Heritage
- Meek
- St. Bernard

2022-23, 2023-24 CROSS COUNTRY SECTION ALIGNMENTS

Class 6A, Section 5
- Center Point
- Clay-Chalkville
- Cullman
- Fort Payne
- Gadsden City
- Huffman
- Mortimer Jordan
- Oxford
- Pell City
- Pinson Valley

Class 5A, Section 4
- Brewer
- Arab
- Ardmore
- Boaz
- Douglas
- East Limestone
- Fairview
- Guntersville
- Lawrence County
- Russellville
- Sardis
- Scottsboro
- West Point

Class 4A, Section 3
- Anniston
- Ashville
- Cherokee County
- Etowah
- Fultondale
- Good Hope
- Hanceville
- Handley
- Jacksonville
- Munford
- Oneonta
- White Plains

Class 3A, Section 4
- Clements
- Colbert Heights
- Danville
- Elkmont
- Fayette County
- Lauderdale County
- Madison Academy
- Oakman
- Phil Campbell
- St. Bernard
- Vinemont
- Winfield

Class 1A-2A Section 2
- Addison
- Cleveland
- Cold Springs
- Cornerstone
- Decatur Heritage
- Falkville
- Holly Pond
- Holy Spirit Catholic
- Jefferson Christian
- Locust Fork
- Southeastern
- Tuscaloosa Academy
- Vincent Middle
- Winterboro

2022-23, 2023-24 SWIMMING & DIVING SECTIONS

Class 6A-7A Section 3
- Albertville
- Athens
- Austin
- Bob Jones
- Buckhorn
- Columbia
- Cullman
- Decatur
- Florence
- Grissom
- Hartselle
- Hazel Green
- Huntsville
- James Clemens
- Lee
- Mae Jemison
- Muscle Shoals
- Randolph
- Sparkman
- Westminster Christian

Class 1A-5A Section 3
- Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering
- Arab
- Boaz
- Cedar Bluff
- Cherokee County
- Danville
- Decatur Heritage
- Deshler
- Guntersville
- Haleyville
- Lindsay Lane
- Madison Academy
- Madison County
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Rodeo (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The 2021 Cullman County Sheriff's Office Rodeo was an overwhelming success.

The rodeo had sold out crowds on both Friday and Saturday nights, according to Sheriff Matt Gentry.

"The venue was at full capacity each night with 'standing room only,'" Gentry said. "Even the parking lots were full. This year's rodeo was such a blessing."

Gentry said each year, the rodeo has become the heartbeat of the Cullman County Sheriff's Office.

"It was great having students back in person at the Special Needs Rodeo, and the community turnout at all the events was incredible," Gentry said.

"I am grateful for all the hard work our deputies have put in to make the rodeo possible. I am also so thankful for all the sponsors; without them the rodeo would not be possible."

Gentry shared that he is humbled by the continued support of the citizens in Cullman County.

"This past weekend was another reason I am convinced that we live in the greatest county in the state of Alabama," Gentry said. "Thank you all."

Dental Arts (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Chamber of Commerce presented this month's Small Business of the Month Award to Dental Arts.

Dental Arts has sponsored events held by the Chamber and they provide services to customers who may not be given treatment in a larger city. Dental Arts partners with dental specialists at the top of their field and brings them to their office so that people do not have to leave town to receive needed dental attention. Dental Arts has been providing comprehensive dental services to Cullman and the surrounding area since 1981.

Dr. Kari Bartlett took over Dental Arts in 2015 and expanded the office's cosmetic dental procedures available to patients. Dr. Bartlett had a state-of-art office built on Fourth Avenue NE to better serve her patients. Dr. Bartlett, Dr. Abby DiLuzio, Dr. Kaitlin Byerly and their staff remain committed to providing top-quality dentistry and friendly, personal service for the community. To learn more about Dental Arts visit https://www.dentalartscullman.com/.

The Chamber presents one recognition award to the small business community every month. The monthly winners are the nominees for the Small Business of the Year award which is presented in February at the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Meeting. To qualify, businesses must have fewer than 100 employees, be active as a volunteer or participate in Chamber activities, be established for at least 2 years, and provide superior customer service. Dental Arts meets all of these requirements.

Deadlines for nominations are the 15th of each month. To nominate a small business, visit https://www.cullmanchamber.org/small-business-of-the-month-nomination-form/.

Vinemont (from Front)

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VINEMONT, Ala. — The Vinemont town council held a public hearing Tuesday evening to discuss the application for a Community Development block grant. The grant is for the construction of an unnamed business which will be located on the high school road and generate 52 new jobs. Mike Graves listed the business' projected jobs, saying, "total jobs are 52-45 team members, six managers, one area coach." The estimated annual sales total of the business is $1.7 million. Graves also suggested the business will be a good opportunity for teenagers at the school without vehicles to find employment.

At the Town of Vinemont regular council meeting, several items were approved:

- Resolution No: 2021-12-01, allowing the mayor to apply for a Community Development Block Grant
- Ordinance No: 2021-12-01, annexation of property on 1296. The property is at the corner of 1296 and Goodwin Road.
- Resolution No: 2021-12-02, to surplus two 4-wheelers. The funds will go into the town's general fund.

The council gave a Proclamation that January 2022 will be Human Trafficking Awareness Month. The mayor stated, "From what I understand, there's been a situation come up where a lot of human trafficking has transpired at the rest areas on the Interstate." Dodson said the trafficking has been occurring at the Tennessee/Alabama line and at Good Hope.

In other business:

- The council approved the mayor and council to attend the Municipal Official Advocacy Day and training for Fiscal Year 2022.
- The council allowed the Clerk to attend training conferences/institutes for FY 2022 and approved funds for registration fees, hotel, food and mileage for both.
- Ordinance 2021-11-01, one-half of one percent, 1/2%, sales tax was approved. This tax levy would be for the purpose of funding the general fund and would be collected by the Cullman County Commission Sales Tax/Revenue Office. Chris Thompson made a motion to approve the ordinance and Charlotte Cosper seconded. Sonya Copeland was the only council member to vote against the tax. Thompson stated, "It will be good for the town, and we can do a lot for the town with the money."

South Vinemont Town Council meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. at Vinemont Town Hall. The public is invited to attend.

LEGALS

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

In Re the Estate of
Charles Edward Hollis,
Deceased

Case No. PC2021-452

Notice to Creditors

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Patsy Young as Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles Edward Hollis, deceased, on the 14th day of December, 2021, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate,

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

Patsy Young
Personal Representative
Patsy Young

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Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate, Tammy Brown
Cullman County, Alabama

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
DOT ALBRIGHT BOLZLE
A/K/A EMMA DOT BOLZLE
Deceased.

CASE NO PC-2021-295

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Administration having been granted to Bruce Gerald Albright, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Dot Albright Bolzle a/k/a Emma Dot Bolzle, Deceased, on the 30th day of November, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Bruce Gerald Albright
Personal Representative

Catherine H. Cooper
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
JUANITA ROBERSON,
Deceased.

CASE NO.: PC-2021-372

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted BRIAN CRAIG ROBERSON, SR. as Administrator of the Estate of JUANITA ROBERSON, deceased, on the 13th day of December, 2021 by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

BRIAN CRAIG ROBERSON, SR.

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Probate Judge of Cullman County

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
BILLIE FRANCES HILBURN SARTIN, DECEASED.

CASE NO.: PC-2021-332

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Ancillary Letters of Testamentary having been granted to SEAN HILBURN SARTIN as Ancillary Personal Representative of the Estate of BILLIE FRANCES HILBURN SARTIN deceased, on the 7th day of December, 2021, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

Sean Hilburn Sartin
Ancillary Personal Representative

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

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Larry W Butler Elizabeth P Butler Husband And Wife to Hometown Mortgage Services, Inc. dated June 5, 2001; said mortgage being recorded on June 21, 2001, in Book 1192, Page 671 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to MTGLQ Investors, L.P. by assignment recorded in Deed Book 366, Page 891 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, MTGLQ Investors, L.P., under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 29th day of December, 2021 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
A parcel of land in the Southeast quarter of the Southwest quarter of section 13, township 11 South, range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama, more particularly described as follows:

Commence at the Southwest corner of the said forty; Thence run North 89 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds East a distance of 625.00 feet to the point of beginning; Thence run North 89 degrees 48 minutes 20 seconds East a distance of 137.14 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar; Thence run North 02 degrees 19 minutes 40 seconds West a distance of 737.40 feet to the centerline of county road 574; Thence along centerline of said road the following bearings and distances; South 77 degrees 32 minutes 48 seconds West a distance of 50.78 feet; Thence South 65 degrees 29 minutes 43 seconds West a distance of 56.67 feet; Thence leaving said centerline run South 02 degrees 21 minutes 10 seconds East a distance of 42.71 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar; Thence run South 89 degrees 59 minutes 59 seconds West a distance of 34.62 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar; Thence run South 02 degrees 19 minutes 40 seconds East a distance of 660.68 feet to the point of beginning.

Said property is commonly known as 747 County Road 574, Hanceville, AL 35077.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
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 a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

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as holder of said mortgage
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
VIRGINIA M. SANDLIN,
Deceased.

CASE NO. : PC-2021-120

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ANN W. POPE, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Virginia M. Sandlin, deceased, on the 30th day of November 2021 by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

ANN W. POPE
Personal Representative

Annette Irons-Parker
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Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate Cullman County

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
OTTIS J. SWEATMON,
Deceased

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
CASE NO. PC-2021-317

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Donna Osborne,
Joan Blakemore,
Anzolette Mitchell,
Jamesina Femiano,
All Known and Unknown Heirs of the
Estate of Ottis J. Sweatmon, Deceased

That on the 27th day of August, 2021, a certain paper in writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of OTTIS J. SWEATMON, deceased, was filed in the aforesaid Probate Court by LYNN SWEATMON, as Petitioner, and his Petition for the Probate thereof as such Will; and that the 11th day of January 2022, at 10:00 o'clock a.m. has been appointed as the day for hearing said Petition, at which time you may appear and contest the same, if you deem it proper to do so.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Court this 29th day of November, 2021.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

TO: Publisher
The Cullman Tribune

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256-734-2023

Obituary Announcements: Dec. 14-15

Donna Irene Unterseher, 63, of Holly Pond
Memorial service for Donna Irene Unterseher, 63, of Holly Pond is incomplete at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Ms. Unterseher passed away Dec. 15, at her residence. She was born Nov. 13, 1958, to Norbert Clarence and Sarah Irene Mutzenberger Thielmann. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother: Norbert Thielman, Jr. Survivors include her son: Jesse Unterseher; daughters: Vanessa (Gary) Smith and Bobbi-Jo Unterseher; brother: Allen Thielmann; grandchildren: Preston and Dakota Johnson, Tashena Doyal, Dean King, Talon and Skyler Payne an Alivia Smith; great-granddaughter: Lila Doyal and family and friends.

Lawden Henry Yates, Jr., 74
Lawden Henry Yates, Jr., was born March 2, 1947, in Gadsden, Alabama. He passed away unexpectedly at the age of 74 on Dec. 13, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 17 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Mountain Grove Congregational Cemetery. Reverend Phillip Doss will be officiating. Visitation will be on Thursday beginning at 6 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Yates is survived by his wife: Judy Yates, Blountsville, Alabama; son: Lawden Christopher "Chris" Yates (Casey), Mobile, Alabama; daughter: Amanda Lauren Burns (Chris), Lawrenceville, Georgia; grandchildren: Bradley Yates, Caitlyn Horton, Kaden Crabtree and Kelsie Crabtree; sisters: Bett Yates Adams (Mike);Keller Anne Knight (Jimmy); Tracy Yates Sodergren (Karl); Robin LaBounty (David); brother: Donald Neal Yates (Teresa) and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. He was preceded in death by father: Lawden H. Yates, Sr.; mother: Bessie Louise Yates; brother: Cooper Leland Yates and sister: Mary Nell Yates. Mr. Yates was an active member of Mount Grove Congregational Christian Church in Hanceville where he served as a deacon and a trustee. He was a graduate of Lineville High School; Auburn University with a degree in laboratory technology; Birmingham School of Law, Juris Doctor and Peace Officer Standard Certification, Birmingham Police Academy. Mr. Yates enjoyed a distinguished career with the State of Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences as a firearms and toolmark examiner, laboratory director for the Birmingham Division and attorney for the Department. He retired in 1997 and was an attorney with Clark and Scott Law Firm in Oneonta, Alabama. He then served as an assistant district attorney for Blount and St. Clair County; prosecutor for the City of Blountsville; adjunct professor for UAB and forensic scientist Consultant on criminal and civil cases nationwide. Mr. Yates had many passions, but first and foremost was his love for his family, his love for his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and the Constitution of the United States of America. His career was spent in the pursuit of truth and justice in whatever role he held. He enjoyed most outdoor activities, but especially, hunting, canoeing and kayaking and his love for gardening. Mr. Yates will be missed by many but will remain in our hearts as he made a difference in every life he touched.

Delma Earl Sandlin, 86, of Cullman
Funeral service for Delma Earl Sandlin, 86, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m., Friday, Dec. 17, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Cullman Memory Gardens, and Brother Russell Whisenant officiating. The family will receive friends from noon - 1p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sandlin family. Mrs. Sandlin passed away Sunday, Dec. 12, at Hanceville Nursing Home. She was born June 15, 1935, to James and Vera Walton Farley. She was a faithful member of the Church of Christ. She was secretary of the East Cullman Church of Christ and was a longtime employee of Alabama Farm Bureau/ Alfa Insurance wh ere she made many friends. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands: Ellis Calvert, and Max Sandlin; daughter: Sherry Miles; son-in-law: Tim Miles and her brothers and sisters. Survivors include her daughters: Maxine (Derrick) Logan, Lynn (Steve) Palmer; brother: Jan (Shirley) Farley; grandchildren: Mark (Kim) Godfrey, Jonathan (Angie) Godfrey, Daniel (Wendy) Godfrey, Truman Logan, Sophia Logan, Major Logan; great-grandchildren: Anastasia, Wyatt, Maleah, Ellis, Keana, Kayle, Brody; family and friends.

Duard Dervin Fortner, 81, of Cullman
Funeral service for Duard Dervin Fortner, age 81, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 18, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home, with interment in Mount Zion Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 17, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Fortner passed away Monday, Dec. 13, at his residence. He was born March 8, 1940, to Thomas Jefferson Fortner and Mary Luevinnie Fortner. He was preceded in death by his parents: Thomas Jefferson Fortner and Mary Luevinnie Fortner; brothers: James Fortner, T.J. Fortner and Verlyn Fortner; sister: Mary Lou Fortner and a host of half brothers and half sisters. Survivors include his wife: Helen Fortner; daughter: Stacie Delane Fortner; grandson: Justin Holgersen; sisters: Jeanette O'Brien, Mary Jo Carroll and Willowdean Fortner; brothers: Darrell Fortner, Malcom Fortner, Charles Quinlyn Fortner and Melvin Fortner and a host of nieces and nephews.

Betty Jean Hyatt, 85, of Baileyton
Betty Jean Hyatt, age 85, of Baileyton, Alabama passed away Monday, Dec. 13. Betty was born March 24, 1936, in Alexander City, Alabama to Grady and Pearlie Mae Greenwood Brooks. She is preceded in death by her parents; daughter: Dianne Lemons; son-in-law: David Lemons and brothers: Lavelle Brooks and Charles Brooks. Funeral services are Thursday, Dec. 16, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow services in Arab City Cemetery. Survivors are husband: Harold Hyatt; daughters: Cathy Hooper, Sheila (Terry) King and Juawana (Steve) Brown; sister: Carolyn Tuberville; brother: Don (Gail) Brooks; eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Visitation is Wednesday, Dec. 15, at Moss Service Funeral Home from 6-9 p.m. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

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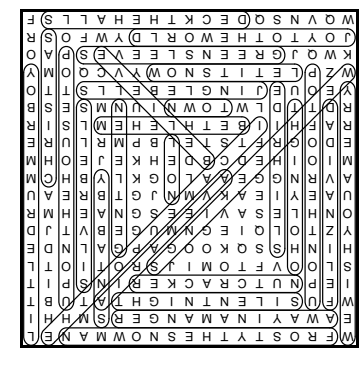
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United Way looking for community assistance in annual fund distribution process

Becky Goff
United Way of Cullman County

CULLMAN, Ala. — United Way of Cullman County would like to invite members of the community to participate in the upcoming fund distribution process. This annual review of funding requests is open to Cullman County residents who want to help with the evaluation process.

"United Way is community owned and 100-percent of our funding decisions are made by community volunteers" said United Way Executive Director Becky Goff.

"This citizen review process ensures fiscal and program accountability for all agencies receiving United Way funds while meeting the vital social service needs of our community.

"We hold our agencies accountable, and we can tell donors where their money is being spent. It's the cornerstone of United Way."

Through this process, team members will work together to schedule a site visit and evaluate the agency and services provided.

"Once teams complete their review process, leaders will work together to outline funding recommendations to present to United Way's Board of Directors in March.

"We are still working in the community to generate resources for the organizations and programs we support." Goff said.

"This year, we have several dynamic community programs seeking funding from United Way.

"Our campaign will end March 31, 2021, but there is still time for the community to send in donations to help us make a difference for local nonprofits."

Volunteers participating in the fund distribution process will learn about local human service programs, community needs and how United Way contributions are meeting these needs.

Each volunteer will have the opportunity to meet, work with and get to know other concerned community leaders, volunteers and service providers.

Training for the allocations process will be in February. Call United Way at 256-739-2948 or email bgoff@uwaycc.org to sign up to be part of the citizen review process and help decide where your donations go.

Goff concluded, "It only takes a few hours of your time to make a big impact on our community."

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