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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Hanceville City Council discusses damages at Veterans Park

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — At Hanceville City Council's meeting Thursday evening, the council appointed Leigh Ann Courington, professor at Wallace State, to place three on the Hanceville Water and Sewer Board for a six-year term.

Tim Brigum was reappointed to the Zoning Board of Adjustments for a three-year term.

The council considered the installation of a new security system at the city hall. The company Stream South Communications of Oneonta would install the alarm from vendor alarm.com. The company has installed security equipment at the City of Oneonta, the City of Snead, the City of Arab's parks and other municipalities.

The security system would have card » PAGE 6


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John Stam, Patty Dean, Jimmie Nuss, Mayor Kenneth Nail, Kim Brown and Jim Sawyer at the Thursday evening meeting

South Vinemont trailer park dumpster overflow causing litter problem for surrounding homes


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The litter at Vinemont Estates is considered an illegal dump.

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VINEMONT, Ala. — South Vinemont has been experiencing a litter problem around the Vinemont Estates mobile home community for months. The dumpsters at the mobile home park have consistently overflowed, causing litter to scatter across the park and to neighboring homes. Vinemont resident Shirley Arnett called the Sanitation Department about the issue at » PAGE 12


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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Jan. 14

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Jan. 14, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 10

- domestic violence; CR 421
- theft of property; CR 374
- burglary; Hwy. 69 N
- theft of property; CR 1623
- assault; Beech Ave. SE
- theft of property; CR 606
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 616
- trespassing; CR 148
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Firestation Rd.
- domestic violence; Hwy. 69 S

Jan. 11

- domestic violence; Weeks Cir.
- domestic violence; CR 1545
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 720
- burglary; CR 1354
- domestic violence; Weeks Cir.
- theft of property; CR 754
- domestic violence; CR 640

Jan. 12

- domestic violence; CR 52
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1553
- theft of property; Holly Pond Rd.
- theft of property; CR 43
- harassment; criminal mischief; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 1237
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; using false identity to avoid arrest; CR 703
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E

ARRESTS

Jan. 10 – 12

Chambers, Jonathan Ray O.; 34
- violation of domestic violence protection order

Charles, Seth C.; 30
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Golden, Matthew A.; 35
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Golden, Paul M.; 44
- possession of methamphetamine

Walker, Bobby D.; 50
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Webster, Elijah R.; 24
- assault-domestic-menacing-gun

Whisenant, Asa C.; 39
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Wilson, Garry M.; 37
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Burney, Tonya; 29
- public intoxication

Lane, Jeromy D.; 40
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Lang, Adam W.; 40
- FTA- drug trafficking
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- open container-alcohol in a vehicle
- FTA- attempting to elude a police officer
- FTA- Public Order crimes- alias writ of arrest
- FTA- possession of a concealed weapon without permit

Marion, Chasey R.; 37
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Morton, Alexander S.; 22
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Roberson Jr., David R.; 39
- ignition interlock misdemeanor
- DUI

Wilbanks, Brianna M.; 25
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- promote prison contraband (drugs)
- possession of dangerous drugs

Young, Dustin R.; 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs
- using false identity to avoid/hinder prosecution

Burns, Timothy J.; 28
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Childers, Joseph M.; 38
- burglary-residence-force

Gillilan, Arianna A.; 24
- harassing communications

Higginbotham, Sherry F.; 58
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Overton, Wesley L.; 35
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Pullium, James L.; 36
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Skaggs, John R.; 30
- FTA- drug trafficking
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of a concealed weapon without a permit

Wilbanks, Martha L.; 44
- FTA- stolen vehicles-auto theft

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Jan. 9
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $233

Jan. 12
- identity theft; person

Jan. 13
- third-degree domestic violence-harassment; person; 2nd Ave. SW
- third-degree forgery; person; 2nd Ave. NW; forged check
- fourth-degree theft of lost property; person; Cullman Shopping Center; phone; $400

ARRESTS

Jan. 12

Morton, Alexander S.; 22
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Chappell, Mechelle M.; 53
- FTA- third-degree theft of property
- FTA- driving without license (2 counts)
- FTA- expired tag (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while license revoked

Jan. 13

Watkins, Dekoda J.; 28
- third-degree theft of property

Marion, Chasey R.; 37
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property (4 counts)
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Lee, Haley R.; 38
- criminal mischief

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

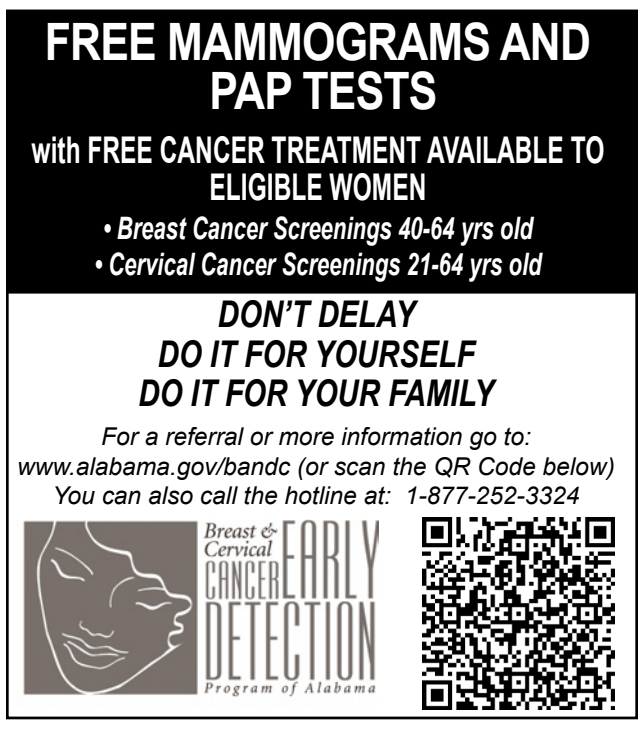
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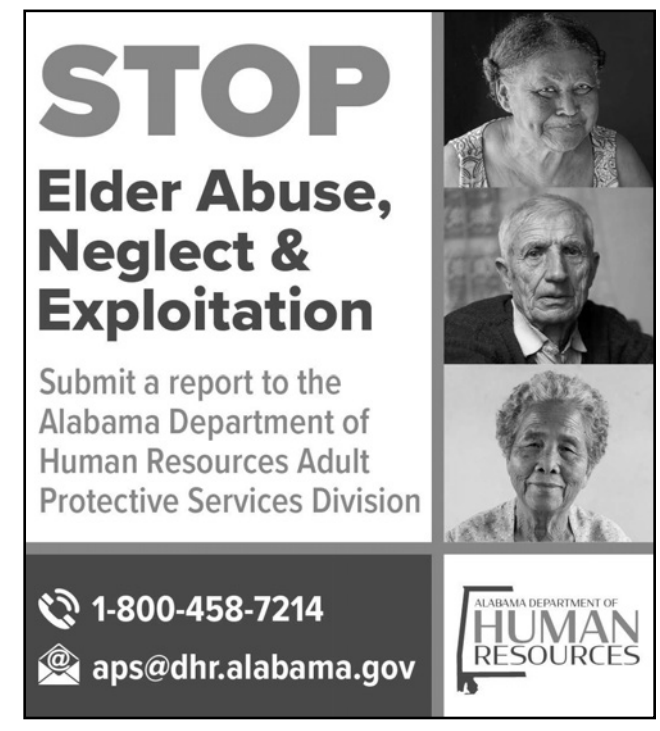


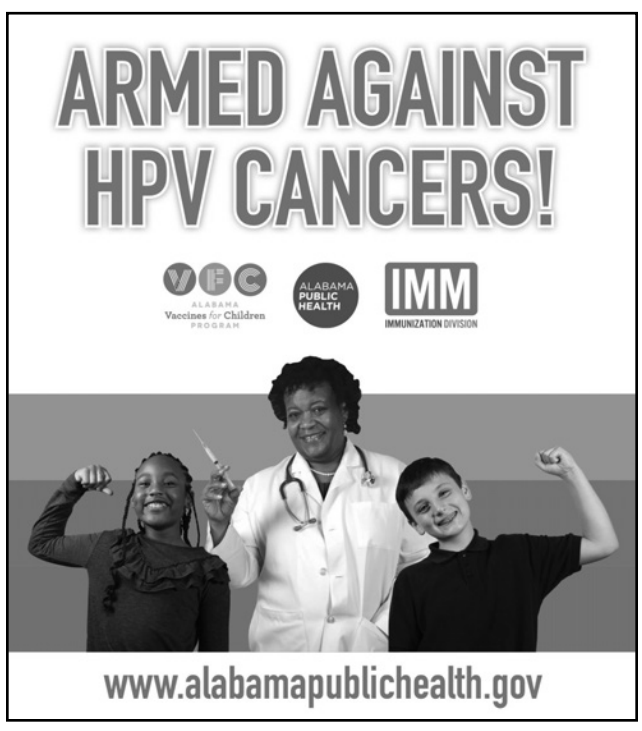
















COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, Jan. 14, 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) No Updates Available
- Positivity in tests in Alabama: 41.1%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,452
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 531,799
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 65,846 (+19,525 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,188
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,445
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 8 (+2 since Monday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 26.7%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,561
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,677
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 1,258 (+297 since Monday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 0 (+0 since Monday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 2,127
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 567
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 111,854
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 45,986
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,043

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)
- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,320,855 (No Updates Available)
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,469,425 (No Updates Available)
- Doses administered: 5,564,674
- Additional doses administered: 640,692
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,764,514
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,246,563
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,851,430 (No Updates Available)

Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 12 and older) are now eligible to receive a vaccine.

View the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan at: www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf

Jan. 12 Cullman Regional COVID-19 update
On Jan. 12, Cullman Regional Medical Center released the following COVID update:

Cullman County is in the High-Risk category for overall level of community transmission.

Cullman Regional current situation
- 31 COVID positive patients, two of whom are on a ventilator
- Continue to be vigilant in mask wearing and social distancing. Everyone should continue to follow precautions to prevent the spread of infection – wash hands, socially distance and wear a mask when you cannot socially distance.

COVID vaccine clinics

Vaccines for ages 12 and up
Cullman Regional's COVID vaccine clinic is located on the hospital's Mobile Unit in the parking area of Professional Office Building (POB) 3 on the east side of campus. This location is most easily accessed through the hospital's main entrance at the traffic light off Alabama Highway 157.

- Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. No Wednesday or Thursday appointments are available. When you arrive, please pull up to the mobile unit and a staff member will give you further instructions.
- Vaccines are by appointment only. To schedule a vaccine appointment visit: https://cullmanregional.com/cullman-regional-vaccination-clinics/?swcfpc=1.
- If no appointments are available, please check back the following day as we post additional appointment openings regularly.

Vaccines for ages 5-11
If you would like to schedule a COVID-19 vaccination for your child, you may schedule an appointment at Cullman Regional Medical Group – North by calling 256-735-5075. Online appointments are not accepted for children's vaccines. Appointments are available only on Fridays from 8 a.m. – noon. All children must have a parent or legal guardian with them to receive their vaccination.

Additional community locations providing vaccines
- Pfizer
- CVS – Hanceville
- CVS – South Cullman
- Walgreens – North Cullman
- Walgreens – South Cullman

Moderna
- Borden Family Pharmacy
- CVS – North Cullman
- Heritage Pharmacy - Dodge City
- Heritage Pharmacy of Cullman
- McSwain's Pharmacy
- Medical Arts Apothecary
- Publix
- Specialty Pharmacy
- Village Discount
- Walmart – Alabama Highway 157
- Walmart south

Johnson & Johnson
- McSwain's Pharmacy
- Medical Arts Apothecary
- Specialty Pharmacy
- Village Discount

The best protection from serious illness due to COVID remains vaccination and a booster when applicable. COVID vaccines can be obtained at Cullman Regional as outlined in this document.

Visiting Cullman Regional
As a reminder, Cullman Regional upholds visitation restrictions in accordance with CDC guidelines.

These restrictions include:
- All visitors must check-in and complete a temperature check at the front desk
- Masks are required for employees and visitors regardless of vaccination status
- Only one visitor is allowed per adult (16 or older) patient in all hospital departments except the Emergency Department*. (Two visitors allowed per minor patient ages 15 or younger)
- COVID-19 positive patients will not be allowed to have visitors
- All visitors must be over the age of 16

Please remember that visitor hours are from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. daily. Visitors to the Cullman Regional Medical Group Clinics must wear a mask regardless of vaccination status and only one visitor is allowed per patient or two visitors per minor under the age of 16.

***Emergency Department restrictions**
Due to the influx of COVID positive cases and out of an abundance of caution, no visitors are allowed in the Emergency Department. Limited exceptions will be made on a case-by-case basis. In those limited exceptions, we will only allow (one) visitor/caregiver who will not be allowed to rotate with any other visitor during the patient's stay in the Emergency Department to limit unnecessary exposures.

We appreciate your compliance with these regulations to keep our staff, patients and families safe. Stay up to date on all of the information by following us on social media: Facebook, Instagram and Twitter or visit https://cullmanregional.com/coronavirus-2/ for more information.

Cullman Regional update courtesy Mary Beth Sellers

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 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.
- Saturday, Jan. 15: Drive-thru Food Bank 9-11 a.m. Bring ID.
- 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
- 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.

Miércoles de Despensas
- 6-7 p.m. ler. miercoles del mes, En Su Tierra Cullman FUMC
- Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

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
- 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

Wallace State Community College spring registration
Dec. 11 -Jan. 15th - 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.

Pleasant View Singing
Jan. 16: - Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have their regular third Sunday night singing on Jan. 16, at 5 p.m. "The Dixie Echoes" from Pensacola, Florida will be the guest singers. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

Sing Me to Heaven choir concert
Jan. 18: Cullman choir Cullman Women Sing will be holding their concert "Sing Me to Heaven" on Tuesday, Jan. 18 at 7 p.m. at Seventh Street Baptist Church. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.

Cullman County Master Gardeners Association Meeting
Jan. 20: Cullman County Master Gardeners Association will meet on Thursday, Jan. 20, at the County Extension Office, 402 Arnold St. NE, Cullman, at 10 a.m. At 11 a.m. Kira Sims, County Extension Coordinator, will present information on weed management in turf grass with emphasis on preparing to manage summer weeds this winter. Current, former and prospective members are invited to attend. For more information, call Stefanie Light at 240-469-8417.

Fairview High School Class of 1963 Meeting
Jan. 21: The 1963 Fairview High School class meeting will be Friday, Jan. 21, at 1:02 p.m. The meeting will be at the Cullman Golden Corral (1720 Cherokee Ave. SW) in one of the reserved rooms in the back. Must arrive at 1:02 p.m. or after to receive senior discount. For more information, call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

Cullman Community Theatre's "Arsenic and Old Lace"
Feb. 18-20: Cullman Community Theatre will present "Arsenic and Old Lace," a play by Joseph Kesselring, Friday, Feb. 18 – Sunday, Feb. 20 at Stone bridge Farms. Dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the show will start at 7 p.m. To get your tickets, call 256-347-9109 or email noah.carpenter123@gmail.com.

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PREP SPORTS

Cullman's Stancil, Barksdale sign with Snead, Wallace State

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman High School's Tillman Hall was packed with friends, family, teammates, and coaches Thursday afternoon to celebrate a pair of Bearcats taking the next step in their athletic and academic careers. Cullman baseball standout Hayden Stancil will be taking his talents to Snead State after his senior season and Lady Bearcats Volleyball star Gracie Barksdale will head down the road to play for Head Randy Daniel and the Wallace State Lions.

Gracie put together some impressive numbers in her career at Cullman High School, racking up 956 kills, 673 digs, 154 blocks and 113 aces and helping lead the Lady Bearcats to two appearances at the AHSAA North Regional.

Barksdale knows that she'll miss her teammates and coaches at Cullman after spending so much time with them, but she's also excited about what the future has in store. She'll be stepping into a great program with a lot of familiar faces.

"Being at Wallace was really a good thing for me from the moment I stepped over there. I played club there, I knew all the girls that were already playing there and knew several that had already committed in my recruiting class, so I knew right away that that's where I need to be," Barksdale said.

"I'm definitely going to miss my teammates and all the girls I've played with since I was little. A lot of things will be the same, but a lot will also be different so I'm excited to see what's new."

Cullman Volleyball Coach Meagan Cagle isn't surprised to see one of her standout players and leaders earn this opportunity because she's seen Barksdale put in the work firsthand.

"Gracie has always just had an incredible work ethic, a great attitude and been a great leader. She's just a great player and a great kid all the way around so I'm so proud of her," Cagle said. "She has definitely worked hard to earn this, and she's always been willing to put in work and go 110% all the time."

Next to Gracie at the table in Tillman Hall was Bearcats Baseball player Hayden Stancil.

Stancil has made a big impact for Cullman on the diamond ever since he earned a spot in the varsity lineup. Last season, Hayden posted a .325 batting average with 11 extra base hits and 21 RBIs.

On the mound, he finished with a 6-1 record, a 2.43 ERA and 56 strikeouts.

Hayden has one more season with the Bearcats coming up this spring but he's looking forward to playing with some more of his friends at Snead too. Stancil has grown as a player over the last few years, and he credits his head coach for helping him develop into a college player.

"It just really felt like home to me after bonding with those guys over there. I know a couple buddies that play over there now, and I know some guys from Georgia that are there that I've played with in some tournaments over the summer so that'll be good to play with them. What I'm going to miss the most about playing here is just the enthusiasm that Coach (Patterson) brought to practice every day and the way he pushed us to be the best players we could be. It was just awesome."



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Cullman's Hayden Stancil (left) and Gracie Barksdale (right) each signed athletic scholarships Thursday to continue their baseball and volleyball careers at Snead State and Wallace State respectively.

Like Cagle, Bearcats Baseball Coach Brent Patterson is not surprised to see one his best players earn this opportunity. Patterson has seen Stancil put in the time and effort to develop over the years and now that work is starting to pay off in big ways.

"He's quiet, determined, does extra and doesn't do it for show. He's very, very diligent in his work and it means the world to him," Patterson said. "What people get to see on the field is the product of all the things they don't see, and he's worked for years and years and years to be in that spot and be the type of guy that will be a number one for us and have a career in college. I think that's the biggest thing, he's a quiet worker that's a great teammate and he is highly, highly competitive."

PREP BASKETBALL

Addison topples No. 4 Winston County 54-48, Bulldogs down Yellow Jackets 33-30 in OT

Todd Walker
Tribune Correspondent

DOUBLE SPRINGS, Ala. – Addison traveled to take on their arch-rival county foes, the Winston County Yellow Jackets Thursday night and came away with a little payback. The Jackets had swept the Bulldogs in Addison approximately one month ago and the Bulldogs came home with a pair of wins this time around. The Lady Bulldogs knocked off the fourth-ranked and undefeated Lady Yellow Jackets in a 54-48 thriller and the Addison men followed them with a 33-30 overtime win over the Winston County in the nightcap.

Addison 54 – Winston County 48 (Varsity Girls)
Coach Bailey Boland brought her seasoned Addison Lady Bulldogs 17 miles across the lake to take on the No. 4 ranked and undefeated (20-0) Double Springs Lady Yellow Jackets in their packed and boisterous gym. Addison was looking to avenge an early season home loss to the Jackets.

The first period was an up and down affair, as both teams employed the in-your-face woman to woman defense which puts maximum pressure on the opposing teams ball handlers. Addison's "Magic" Molly Gilbreath knocked down two threes and Gracie "Bug" Manley put in eight points to give the Lady Dawgs the 19-14 lead. Jacket Senior Makayla Lindsey did her part to keep the Lady Jackets close as she put in six points.

Olivia Wright and Bailey Kelley each added a three pointer to keep the Jackets in the game.

The second period belonged to the Lady Jackets as their size advantage controlled the boards and led to many second chance points. Winston County eighth grader, Lynleigh Cobb put in four points and three boards, while Madison Comeens drilled two three pointers. Addison's Bracie "Tiny" Rodgers tallied five of the Bulldogs eight points in the period, but it wasn't enough. The Jackets outscored the Dawgs 13-8 and tied the game up at 25 going into the half.

The defense to start the second half was very intense and both teams came out playing like the other team owed them money.

There were hard fouls, girls diving on the floor and just general mayhem as neither team could muster much offense. The fouls piled up on both teams, especially the Bulldogs, as Winston County outscored Addison 9-8 in the period to take a 36-35 lead going into the final period.

The final frame was very exciting as the game went back and forth. Neither team could muster more than a four-point lead on the other. With only 53 seconds to go in the game, Lady Jacket Lindsey put in a lay-up to give the Jackets a 46-45 lead.

Addison's Manley was not to be denied as she drove to the lane and put in a basket to give Addison the lead at 47-46. Manley then hit a free throw to give the Lady Dawgs the two-point lead at 48-46. Lady Jacket and eighth grader, Emma Kate Veal put in a basket to tie it up at 48-48.

Gilbreath notched a basket and Rodgers calmly sank four consecutive free throws to ice it, giving the Lady Dawgs the upset at 54-48 win.

The difference in the game, as in most games came down to free throw shooting and while Addison wasn't spectacular going 10-19, they were immensely better than the Lady Jackets who were an abysmal 9 out of 27 for the game.

Addison Head Coach Bailey Boland said, "This is a huge win for us. Double Springs is a great team and Becky (Cobb) has down an incredible job with her girls. This was the win that we needed. I mean it was big for our community and a big area win for us," Boland said.

"This puts us in a position to host the area tournament. We will have a coin flip to determine who hosts, us or Double Springs since we are now tied for the area lead. I just want to emphasize how proud I am of our girls.

"They stepped up when we had foul trouble and even though Double Springs has a huge height advantage over us, I thought we held our own on the glass tonight."

Unofficial stats:
Addison was led by Manley with 20 points, 11 rebounds and three steals. Gilbreath had 14 points, five boards and two assists. Rodgers had 13 points, nine rebounds, five assists and two steals. Anna Grace "The Glove" Luker had five points, six boards and three steals. Hadley "Shooter" Butler had three points and two boards. Lydia "Barbie" Ergle had three boards and a steal.

Winston County was led by Lindsey with 14 points and 10 boards. Cobb had nine points and eight boards. Kelley had seven points and six boards. Comeens had six points and two steals. Bella Wakefield had five points, nine boards, three steals and three blocks. Veal had two points and two boards.

Addison moves to 14-6 on the season and will host county rival Lynn Saturday.

Addison 33 – Winston County 30 (OT) (Varsity Boys)
Well, if you thought that the girl's game was a nail-biter, the men's game was even closer. This game had points at a premium. Points were harder to come by on this night than free donuts at a weight watcher's convention. Addison also had two of their starters playing with heavy hearts. Christian Roberts and Jed Wilkins grandfather, the Legendary Addison Sports star Danny Lee Stallings passed away today, and both young men took the court to honor their granddad.

At the end of the first period, Addison only led 8-5. Brady Gilbreath put in five points and Bradley Willette took down three boards. Winston County was led by Ethan Morgan and Braden Hudson with two points apiece.

The second period was another rough and tumble affair as Addison won the frame 8-7 to take a 16-12 lead at the half. Gilbreath put in four points and Justin Mather took down 5 boards. Roberts had two points and three rebounds in the frame. Winston County was led by Cameron Thompson, Hayden Jackson and Eli Moore with a bucket apiece.

The third period had Winston County playing outstanding defense and holding Addison to only six points, while the Jackets tallied 11 to take a 23-22 lead going into the fourth period.

Roberts had four of Addison's points to go along with three boards and three steals. The Jackets had Morgan tossing in four points and four boards, Sy Blanton had three points.

The fourth period was not for you if you had heart problems. A grand total of 9 points were scored in the entire fourth period. Nothing of note occurred until about 2:17 was left in the game, unless you count a lot of missed shots and turnovers.

With the Jackets up 25 to 22, Roberts drained a three to tie the game up at 25. After a defensive stop by the Bulldogs, Gilbreath calmly dropped in a runner for two and Addison had a 27-25 lead with only 10 seconds to go in the game. Addison forced another turnover and it looked like the game was done.

The Jackets didn't agree, and the Jackets Blanton got a steal and found Eli Edgil streaking down court. Blanton hit him with a nice pass and Edgil laid it up and in for the bucket and tie. After a last second heave by the Dawgs, which was no good, it looked like the momentum was on the Jackets side.

When overtime started, Gilbreath scored a bucket to give Addison the lead again at 29-27. Jacket Ethan Morgan hit a free throw to cut the lead to 29-28. As Addison attempted to run out the clock, the ball was stolen, and Blanton drove the lane and in heavy traffic got the shot to fall to give Double Springs the miraculous 30-29 lead with only 16.3 seconds to go in the game.

With only 2.1 seconds to go in the game, Christian Roberts, the man who lost his grandfather on game day, nailed a deep corner three pointer to give his Addison Bulldogs the lead back at 32-20. I am sure that Mr. Danny Lee Stallings was smiling down on his grandson on that shot. The gym went crazy and after forcing another turnover, Lane Tubb hit a free throw to make the final score 33-30.

Addison Head Coach Ben Mastin said, "This is a big win in one of the toughest and loudest gyms we play at. Their crowd is always crazy, and they get super loud. We needed to win a game like this because it makes us better. I think that this shows that we can win in numerous ways," Mastin said.

"They slowed the tempo down tonight and I will give Coach (Adam) Gray credit, he has a solid team, and they played a completely different defense than they did the first time we played each other. Just glad to get out of here with a win. I would like to thank Christian (Roberts) and Jed (Wilkins) for playing tonight. I know it was tough for them, but it just shows what kind of young men they are. They both played outstanding tonight."

Unofficial stats:
Roberts led the Bulldogs with 13 points, nine boards and three steals. Gilbreath had 13 points. Eli Howse had four points, three boards and three steals. Justin Mather had 12 rebounds. Willette had five boards.

The Jackets were led by Morgan's seven points and four boards. Blanton had six points, two boards and four steals. Eli Edgil had four points and five boards. Braden Hudson had four points and eight boards. Eli Moore had four points and two boards. Cameron Thompson had two points, three boards and two steals. Hayden Jackson had three points and four boards.

Addison goes to 10-10 and will host the Lynn Bears Saturday.

PREP BASKETBALL

Broncos, Lady Broncos split home matchups with Locust Fork

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — The Holly Pond Broncos and Lady Broncos hit the court at Felton Easterwood Gymnasium Thursday night to host a pair of varsity showdowns against Locust Fork. The Lady Broncos played a tight game with Locust Fork, but the Lady Hornets pulled away in the fourth quarter to top them 51-40. In the boys' game, the Broncos finished strong in the final frame to pick up a 54-47 victory over the Hornets.

Locust Fork 51 - Holly Pond 40 (Varsity Girls)

The first quarter was a tightly contested one between both teams, but Holly Pond had five players score in the first quarter with Kamryn Tankersley leading the way with a pair of treys as the Lady Broncos went into the second quarter with a 14-12 lead. A Raeleigh Olinger basket down low gave the Lady Broncos a 16-12 lead early in the second period, but a pair of threes from Locust Fork tied the game up at 18. A layup by Tankersley broke the tie and gave Holly Pond a 20-18 lead, but the Lady Hornets would hit yet another three as the Lady Broncos would go into the locker room down by one at 21-20.

Locust Fork hit a floater to give them a three-point lead early in the third period, but Kaylee Stallings drilled a three to tie the game up at 23. Five straight points from the Lady Hornets would give them a 28-23 lead, but another Tankersley trey trimmed the deficit to just two at 28-26 with a little over five minutes to go in the third quarter. Three Locust Fork free throws pushed their lead to 33-27 with less than a minute to go in the third period, but the Lady Broncos finished the quarter strong as Emma Earl hit a layup and Tankersley drilled yet another three to make it a 33-32 game going into the final period.

But a three by Locust Fork increased their lead to 36-32 to start out the final period. A three-point play and another three made it a 42-32 game, but Holly Pond went on yet another run to get back into the game. Stallings scored five in a row to make it a 42-37 contest with less than four minutes to go in the game. An Earl three kept the deficit at five at 45-40 with less than two minutes left, but Holly Pond wouldn't get any closer after that. The Lady Hornets scored the final six points of the game and the Lady Broncos ended up falling to Locust Fork, 51-40.

Tankersley led the way for Holly Pond (7-11) with 14 points. Stallings added 10 points. Earl and Olinger each ended up with seven points and Bai Widner added two points.

Holly Pond 54, Locust Fork 47 (Varsity Boys)

Holly Pond got off to a very strong start early on as Kollin Brown and Diego Garcia each hit a three to give them a quick 6-0 lead. Sawyer Olinger hit one of his own to make it a 9-2 game, then back-to-back baskets from Christian Couch and Olinger pushed the Bronco lead to 13-4 with four minutes left in the first quarter. The rest of the quarter, though, belonged to the Hornets as they ended up scoring the final 15 points of the quarter and the Broncos went from up, 13-4, to down, 19-13, going into the second period.

The Hornets pushed their lead to eight to start out the second quarter. Levi Farr hit a layup to end an almost six-minute scoring drought for the Broncos to make it a 21-15 game, then Brown hit another three to cut the deficit to just five at 23-18. A Locust Fork three made it a 26-18 game, but Olinger hit a layup and Nathan Carter drilled a three to cut it to 26-23. The Hornets scored five straight points to make it a 31-23 contest, but Carter hit a shot down low to trim the deficit to just six at 31-25. The Broncos would end up going into the half trailing by eight at 33-25.

A pair of Hornets baskets pushed their lead to double-digits at 37-27 and later added a pair of free throws to make it 39-27. But the Broncos came roaring back into the game. A Farr basket down low cut it to 10, then later on, floaters by Garcia and Blake Rickard cut it to 39-34. Locust Fork hit a pair of free throws to end the quarter as Holly Pond went into the final quarter down by just seven at 41-34.

A huge three-point play from Couch made it a four-point game, then Olinger cut it to 41-39 on a layup. The Hornets hit a layup to make it a four-point game, but Olinger hit a three from the right corner to make it a 43-42 contest with less than five minutes left. A Locust Fork layup gave them a 45-42 lead, but the Broncos took over after that. A layup by Farr and a short jumper by Brown gave Holly Pond a 46-45 lead with 2:38 remaining in the game, then Olinger and Carter each hit a pair from the line to increase their lead to 50-45. Garcia and Olinger each added another free throw to make it 52-45. A Hornet layup cut the lead to 52-47, but Olinger sealed the 54-47 win for Holly Pond with two more free throws. The Broncos are 3-1 to start the new year.

Olinger led the way for Holly Pond (6-12) with 17 points. Brown added 10 points. Carter ended up with seven points. Farr and Garcia each added six points. Couch ended up with five points while Rickard chipped in with three points.

Holly Pond will travel to Cold Springs Friday night.



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Holly Pond's Sawyer Olinger finished with 17 points in the Broncos' win over Locust Fork Thursday night.







Vouchers (from Front)

Justin Graves
NARCOG

Spring is on the horizon, and local farmers markets are preparing to open in a few months. This also means applications are being accepted for the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program.

"Most seniors just refer to the SFMNP as the vegetable voucher program," said Ronette Gravitt, nutrition coordinator for the North Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments. "This is an extremely popular program among our seniors. It's something they look forward to every year."

The Alabama Farmers Market Authority opened the 2022 SFMNP application process on Friday, Jan. 7, giving seniors who qualify for the program an opportunity to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables for local farmers markets with a voucher.

The SFMNP application is available on the Alabama Farmers Market Authority website; however, NARCOG assists local seniors who are 60 and older apply by telephone by calling 256-355-4515 or 1-800-AGE-LINE.

Through SFMNP, eligible seniors receive a booklet containing five vouchers with a value of $30 that can be used at farmers markets throughout the state.

Fresh fruit, vegetables, herbs and locally harvested honey can be purchased with the vouchers.

Last year, NARCOG helped 1,381 seniors in the Region receive SFMNP vouchers.

"This is a great program that helps provide seniors access to nutritious produce that is grown here locally by farmers in the region," NARCOG outreach coordinator Justin Graves said. "The price of groceries has increased in the past few years, which has an impact on seniors who live on a fixed income. This program helps ensure qualifying seniors have a way to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables while also supporting local agriculture."

2022 SFMNP age and income criteria
Must be 60 and older on the date of the application, and gross household income must not exceed:

- $1,772.00 monthly for a household of one
- $2,396.00 monthly for a household of two
- $3,020.00 monthly for a household of three
- $3,645.00 monthly for a household of four
- $4,269.00 monthly for a household of five
- $4,892.00 monthly for a household of six

Hanceville (from Front)

readers on doors to grant access.

The front door would not be equipped with a card reader to give public access. There is an optional fee of $2,000 - $4,000 for a yearly service contract; however, the council could choose to pay the $100/hour rate for a technician to diagnose and fix any issue that may arise. The council chose to table this proposal and examine it again at the next meeting.

The council granted the request of Willow Brook Boutique to waive the vendor fees for an arts and crafts festival to be held at the civic center on April 9. This will be a first-time festival which will have 23 vendors.

The mayor brought up the topic of damage being done at the Veterans Park. He reported an estimated $1,000 worth of damage. He said, "I'm about fed up with this" and discussed a proposition from police chief Bob Long, who said, "He recommends that we pass an ordinance not to allow juveniles in the park unaccompanied after dark." The mayor also recommended creating an ordinance to hold the parents or guardians responsible for damages done by juveniles.

There is currently a curfew of 11 p.m. set in Hanceville; however, Chief Long said he would like to have an ordinance created that states that from sunset to sunrise, juveniles should not be unaccompanied by an adult in the park.

City Attorney Dan Willingham says there is an existing statute, 6-5-380, that holds parents and guardians liable for damages up to $1,000, so the council would only need to make an ordinance to prevent children from entering the park after dark.

The mayor said that he did not want to close the park entirely after dark because, "We got folks who get off at 11 p.m. at night and they go walking, they use the exercise machine.

"We got people that get up and can't sleep during the night – 4 a.m. or 5 a.m. in the morning, they are down there walking. That's not the people utilizing it that we want to penalize."

The council did not create a new ordinance at the meeting, but plan to discuss the issue further.

The city does plan to install cameras at the park. Mayor Nail said it was a shame to have to put up any cameras. Some of the recent damage done is to the globes on top on the lampposts.

The mayor said, "We have probably replaced five of six of them in the last seven or eight months, and those things are anywhere between $200 and $400 apiece."

In old business:

- The council adopted the ordinance allowing the re-zoning of statewide sales.
- An ordinance was also passed to allow property zoning for DB Technologies.
- Chief Bob Long reported seven motor vehicle accidents last month, a total of 59 arrests, 12 incident reports, 234 citations, four felonies and 19 misdemeanors.
- Fire Department Chief Rodger Green reported 1,276 calls last year; 1,055 of the calls were medical, 221 were fire related. The department has six new volunteers since last year.

The next council meeting will be Jan. 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Hanceville City Hall. The next work session will be at 5 p.m.



LEGALS

PB ADT BK 60 PG 516 - 01/13/2022 02:33 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
WENDI LEIGH PEREZ-ANDRADE CASE NO AD 2021-090
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

E.C.P.C. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 08-18-2005

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MARISOL CANALES-CHAPULA, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR E.C.P.C.

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Wendi Leigh Perez-Andrade, 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 petitioners, 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 13th DAY OF January, 2022.

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

Kimberly H. Drake
Attorney for Petitioner
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Cullman, Alabama 35055

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
WENDI LEIGH PEREZ-ANDRADE CASE NO AD 2021-091
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

J.C.P.C. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 07-06-2007

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The estate of)
)
RONALD GENE MOORE,) Case No. PC 2021-468
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Kimberley Moore as Administrator of the Estate of Ronald Gene Moore, deceased, on the 13th day of January, 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.

Kimberley Moore
Kimberley Moore
Administrator of the Estate of
Ronald Gene Moore, deceased

TO: The Publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*

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

Beverly Paschal Poston,
Attorney for the Estate of
Ronald Gene Moore, deceased.
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

PB MIN BK 203 PG 336 - 01/13/2022 10:58 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
KENNTH GERARD RODEN * CASE NO PC-2022-005
*
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted to Damon Ryals, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Kenneth Gerard Roden, Deceased, on the 13th day of January, 2022 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.

Damon Ryals
Personal Representative

Damon Ryals
Attorney for the Estate
217 Country Club Park #434
Birmingham, Alabama 35213

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.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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)
CHARLES VAN WUNDERLICH, JR.,) CASE NO PC2021-428
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

TO: LAURA GWIN
ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTEREST PARTIES

Please take notice that a hearing on the Petition for Approval of the Sale of Real Property filed by Billy W. Jackson, Attorney for Vanessa Wunderlich McCartney, Personal Representative of the Estate of Charles Van Wunderlich, Jr., is set for hearing on the **10th day of February, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.**. Before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Done this the 13th day of January, 2022.

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

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To The Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF S.S.E.
A minor child. CASE NO.: AD2021-057
D.O.B. 009/14/2017

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: HOPE NICOLE WRIGHT, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR S.S.E. AND GARY SHAWN EASON, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR S.S.E. BORN TO HOPE NICOLE WRIGHT

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Marvin Wright and Melinda Walker, 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 5th DAY OF January, 2022.

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

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PERFORMING ARTS

Performing Arts scholarship auditions scheduled at Wallace State

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College's Performing Arts programs will hold scholarship auditions for the 2022-2023 academic year on Feb. 11 and March 11 at the Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts.

The Wallace State Performing Arts programs consists of vocal and instrumental ensembles, dance and theater. Students can audition for more than one ensemble across all programs. Recipients are required to be full-time students taking 12 or more credit hours, maintain a GPA of 2.5 and meet other requirements specific to each program.

The Performing Arts programs that offer scholarships include instrumental groups: Concert Band, Jazz Band and Pep band; vocal groups: Concert Choir, Wallace State Singers and Vocal Jazz, the Allegro Dance Theatre and Wallace State Theatre. Current and future students can audition.

The ensembles perform independently as well as cooperatively in numerous productions each semester. Participation is open to all Wallace State students, regardless of their major.

Auditions will be held from 8 a.m. - noon, Friday, Feb. 11 and March 11 at the Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts. Registration forms can be found under the Performance Scholarship link at https://www.wallacestate.edu/fpa. Registration is encouraged but not required. Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and a scholarship application before a scholarship can be distributed.

For more information about the Fine and Performing Arts programs, visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/fpa. Click on the Performance Scholarships link for details about scholarship audition requirements. For questions, contact Jessica Chairez at 256-352-8277 or jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu.

Applications for all WSCC Scholarships will be accepted through Feb. 15.



WALLACE STATE

The Wallace State Future Foundation will accept applications for their scholarships Jan. 10-March 4. Visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/financial-aid for more information.

Wallace State began classes for the Spring 2022 semester on Monday, Jan. 10. Registration for Regular and Mini Term I classes will continue through Jan. 15. Registration for Flex Start I classes will be held Jan. 15-21 and Jan. 22-28 for Flex Start II classes. Mini Term II classes will begin March 8. Visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/ for more information.

HEALTH

Pediatric COVID-19 hospitalizations are at record high in Alabama, immediate measures necessary

ADPH
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Hospitalizations of children in Alabama due to COVID-19 are at a record high, and immediate measures should be taken to reduce COVID-19 in the pediatric population. The Alabama Department of Public Health and the Alabama Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics, urge parents to minimize their children's exposure to COVID-19 in schools and public places, wear well-fitting masks in schools and get vaccinated if they are eligible.

On Jan. 13, there were 9,266 total COVID-19 cases reported in Alabama.

The breakdown of cases by age is as follows:

- Percent of cases, ages 0-4 - 3.1 %
- Percent of cases, ages 5-11 - 4.3 %
- Percent of cases, ages 12-17 - 5.3 %

"In the crisis of higher virus transmission with the Omicron variant, immediate measures are critical," ADPH District Medical Officer Dr. Wes Stubblefield said. "Schoolwide masking is at the top of the list of preventive steps that need to be implemented. Masks can still make a difference in school settings and allow students to remain in class, if properly used."

Only 10.5 % of children in the 5-to-11-year-old age group have initiated vaccine. For ages 12-17, 35.5 % of young people in this age group have initiated vaccine. According to the latest school dashboard, there were 16,035 cases of COVID-19 in Alabama schools this week with all but four of the 143 districts reporting. There were 2,940 cases reported last week.

Dr. Katrina Skinner, president of the Alabama chapter, AAP, said, "The Omicron variant of COVID-19 is extremely contagious and fast-spreading. Pediatric hospitalizations are at record high numbers, and we continue to see children with serious complications of COVID-19 infections such as MIS-C. Parents should take the current COVID-19 outbreak seriously as it poses a very real threat to the health and well-being of their children. Children depend on their parents to protect them by minimizing their exposure to high-risk settings, to teach good masking practices and other preventive measures, as well as getting them vaccinated if eligible."

On Jan. 13, a total of 2,091 patients were admitted to Alabama hospitals with confirmed COVID-19 (of which 71 are pediatric patients). Of these patients, there were three pediatric patients in the intensive care unit, including one on a ventilator. There were also 41 pregnant women admitted, with one in the intensive care unit and one on a ventilator.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Commission on Education, at its Jan. 13 board meeting, approved the employment of Lana Tew to be the district's next Director of Special Education. Tew is a 26-year veteran educator and currently holds the same position in the Morgan County school district.

Tew has spent her entire career working with students with disabilities, as well as students who are gifted and talented. She holds a bachelor's degree from Jacksonville State University, a Master of Science from the University of Montevallo and an Educational Specialist degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

She worked as a special education teacher for several years before serving for 13 years as director of Special Education in Morgan County.

Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette is excited to bring an experienced director of Special Education like Ms. Tew to the team.

"I can't wait for Ms. Tew to join our leadership team," said Barnette. "She is a proven leader that loves young people and has a calling to work with students with special needs."

Ms. Tew resides in Hartselle and has two sons, Lawson (17) and Judson (14). She is excited about this new opportunity and is looking forward to serving students, families and teachers in Cullman County.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Lana Tew

"Every day is a chance to serve students and make their lives better," said Tew. "If we aren't working toward this goal, what is our purpose?"

Ms. Tew will begin with Cullman County Schools later this month.

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52 ODES TO JOY: SMILE-MAKING

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ODE TO SMILE-MAKING
When you're smiling, the
muscles it takes are 17.
But, when you're scowling, it
takes 43 and looks so mean.
When you're smiling, you
look better even on frumpy
days with bad hair.
Smiles are always in
fashion, it's the very most
important thing to wear.
Even when you're feel-
ing grouchy, think up
and in a little while,
You'll be smiling and
beguiling, life is just more
joyful when you smile.

SMILE-MAKING, one of the four essentials of "Joy & Aging," is about positive-thinking and about positive-doing.

It could seem like a blatant dose of the obvious. Well duh, if you are positively beaming you must already be joyful, right? It is true that by simply smiling you increase your chances for joy.

Smile-making has two parts: First, think of all the positive things that bring a smile to your face, start a roster of these. Next—start making smile-inducing things happen today and often. Take action. Make more smiles.

Smiling is self-care and therapeutic. In talks as "The Gerontologist of Joy," I encourage everyone reading, even my most stern-faced, left-brained colleagues, to smile the very first thing when you wake up each morning. Open your eyes to the light, stretch a SMILE from ear-to-ear, then get out of bed.

If you need to be prompted to start your day with a smile—put a "Smiley Face" sticker on your alarm clock and decorate the ceiling above your bed with a happy, upturned smile. After a month, smiling at the start of the day will become a happiness habit.

Smile-making is also a wonderful gift from you to others. If you cohabitate, I encourage you to start the smile-sharing at home and then go out and safely spread it to the world.

ACTION: Think about someone or a group you are in like a study club or a prayer circle and share these thoughts on smile-making from the writer, Richelle Goodrich, in her self-help best-seller, SMILE ANYWAY:

"One smile has the power to...calm fears. Soften stone walls. Warm a cold heart. Invite a new friend. Mimic a loving hug. Beautify the bearer. Lighten heavy loads. Promote good deeds. Brighten a gloomy day. Comfort a grieving spirit. Offer hope to the forlorn. Send a message of caring. Lift the downtrodden soul. Patch up invisible wounds. Weaken the hold of misery. Act as medicine for suffering. Attract the companionship of angels. Fulfill the human need for recognition. Who knew changing the world could prove so simple?"

When I'm not smiling, I'm told I resemble those giant, stone-faced heads on Easter Island. But, like that beret-tossing, American joy-giver, Mary Tyler Moore, I can "turn the world on with a smile...and take a nothing day and suddenly make it seem worthwhile." I'm certain of it and I'm certain you can as well.

Smiling is something we can do as a neighboring act of kindness. We owe it to our public. You smile and then I see you smiling, and I smile and then suddenly smiles are beaming across the universe.

Scientists report our brains don't seem to distinguish between when we are genuinely smile-making or smile-faking. As long as you smile big enough to make your eyes sort of scrunch up, your brain positively reads that as joy.

ODES TO SMILE-MAKING JOY FROM OTHERS:

"Sometimes your JOY is the source of your smile, but sometimes your smile can be the source of your joy."—Thich Nhat Hanh

"When a new day begins, dare to smile gratefully...When you cross paths with another, dare to make them smile."—Steve Maraboli

"Peace begins with a smile."—Mother Teresa

"You make me smile like the sun...just the thought of you can drive me wild. Oh, you make me smile."—Uncle Kracker

"What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity."—Joseph Addison

"If we smile at someone, he or she will smile back. And a smile costs nothing. We could plague everyone with JOY."—Sri S. Satchidananda

"You'll find that life is still worthwhile, if you just smile."—Charlie Chaplin

PROGRAMMING YOUR BRAIN FOR MORE SMILES—Just as it's easier for some people to maintain a desired weight--life really isn't fair--it's also easier for some people to maintain a sunnier, more positive outlook on life. However, with a bit of imagination, practice, discipline and positive psychological changes can add more smiles to our lives. (Here are some suggestions from 40 years of Joy & Gerontology):

1. REFLECT ON HAPPY MEMORIES—start a journal where you "Ac-cent the positive, and e-liminate the negative, and don't mess with Mr. In-Between"—think of the good things that have happened in your life and the good people who helped bring you smiles. Mawmaw? Pappaw? Aunt Fanny? Your third grade teacher, Mr. Farkle?

2. BE GRATEFUL 24/7—a quick formula to remember is: GRATITUDE + OPTIMISM = JOY. You don't need to wait for prayer time, instead throughout the day take 30-second pauses to refresh your gratefulness as you remind yourself of positive things in your life.

3. HANG OUT WITH HAPPY PEOPLE—just as research shows being with weight-conscious people helps maintain dieting discipline, choosing to be with more upbeat individuals and groups will help you smile more.

4. SMILES IN/SMILES OUT—joy is a choice. When you're selecting a movie or music or book, choose those which generate smiles not anxiety or sadness. When was the last time you chose to go to a comedy club instead of dinner?

5. ADD NATURE AND SUNLIGHT EVERY DAY POSSIBLE—These natural injections cause immediate brain changes that allow for greater positivity.

6. SMILE CUES—Just as smelling the popcorn in a movie lobby or seeing golden, popping kernels on the screen cue your brain to hang out with Orville Redenbacher, you can create your own "smile-making cues" – these are personal, subjective cues for each individual to construct, but I can tell you that two of mine are that I've cued my brain to smile when I see someone wearing a school bus yellow something (not often enough) and also when I hear ducks who quack like cartoon laughter during my regular walks around the city pond.

SMILE-MAKING ENHANCED BY DENTISTRY—Many people are reluctant to smile because they aren't confident about the way their teeth look. This week, I talked with Dr. Lindsey Marecle Marshall of Signature Smiles of Cullman to get a professional's perspective. In the unique practice she founded with Dr. Katie Stidham, they first explore how each patient feels about that patient's teeth and smile. Knowing why someone might want to make some sort of physical enhancement allows these gifted doctors to create a customized plan for such transitions as whitening, fixing diastemas (the space between teeth) and rotations (the shape of each tooth). About the success their practice is enjoying, Dr. Marshall responded with gratitude and enthusiasm, "I love my work. Helping others smile makes me smile." (Signature Smiles of Cullman 256-531-9983)

SMILE-MAKING ENHANCED BY LIPSTICKS—In this smile-challenged time of the pandemic lockdown, new lipstick shades are doing a booming business. Be prepared when you talk with super joy-giver Charlene Brock of Merle Norman Cosmetic Studio, to hear about the 2022 colors from "Mischief" berries to black cherries, then there are "Peppy" and "Perky" peaches and all the metallics, nudes, oranges, purples and luscious reds. When Charlene and I spoke, she shared a true and near-tragic story about the crucial connections we humans make through smiling. Her smile-making shop is across from Books-A-Million. Ask Charlene to share the story which touched her heart and will make your heart smile. (Merle Norman of Cullman 256-734-2191)

THE SECOND PART OF SMILE-MAKING IS POSITIVE DOING—Eighteenth-century German philosopher Immanuel Kant is credited with these concise rules for happiness: "Something to do. Someone to love. Something to hope for." The activities that cause each of us to smile depend on the individual. Many times, I've heard people say they expected to be perfectly happy doing nothing in their years following retirement.

Statistically, endless hours of doing nothing simply doesn't bring joy. We are wired with a need to achieve something purposeful each day. We don't have to be moving civilization forward, but we do need something positive to do.

Three hours a day of lollygagging according to geriatric medical researchers, and yes, lollygagging I'm sure is what the Harvard psychologists call it, is typically the upper limit for happiness. Whether it's reading a book or needlework, doing something proactive simply adds more joy to every stage of living.

WHAT ACTIVITIES MIGHT MAKE YOU SMILE MORE? Can't think of anything or you would have already done it? I regularly recommend Barbara Ann Kipfer's "14,000 Things to Be Happy About." Get a copy of the still-popular paperback and a stash of sunny yellow highlighters and find some potential bliss. If you can't find some joy out of 14,000 things, you are overly enjoying being cranky and cantankerous.

Here are some smile-making things that are current favorites for me to suggest:

1. COOK LOCAL—Get to know your farmers, growers, beekeepers and more—visit your farmers market and call your county Extension agent to explore.

2. EXERCISE TO A FREE ONLINE CLASS—I found a good one created in Northeastern Pennsylvania: https://www.discovernepa.com/.

3. TAKE A FREE CRAFT-MAKING CLASS ONLINE—Craft supply stores like Hobby Lobby offer classes.

4. SWEDISH DEATH CLEANING—It's not a very smile-making phrase but actually taking action with some Marie Kondo-esque organizing of stuff gives many and their loved one's joy.

5. JOIN A UNITING "GAMING COMMUNITY"—This can be a major "time suck" but think of all the smiles such groups as "Dungeons and Dragons" have generated across the globe.

6. MAKE UP YOUR OWN DANCE—You can find some goofy happiness and a bit of aerobic exercise in any dance that has a name—"The Swim," "The Shag," "The Hully Gully"—In the smile-making musical I co-wrote, "The Original, One-Liner American Diner," a favorite number is "The Hypocrite Twist" which has such choreographed moves such as "smile in their face as you stab 'em in the back"—please, it's tongue-in-cheek, how low can you go?

7. ZOOM A POTLUCK DINNER AND SHARE RECIPES—Even during pandemic quarantines folks gotta eat some smile-making tasty treats.

8. STUDY YOUR GENEALOGY FOR UNITING CONNECTEDNESS—Check your local library and nearby historical society to get started.

9. BECOME A "MOTH STORYTELLER" OR A "TED TALKER"—You've got a great story in you just waiting to be rehearsed and shared. Check out the "Moth Story Hour" at https://www.npr.org/.

10. START OR JOIN a "JOY BOOK CLUB"—Some writers such as Nick Hornby, Daniel Wallace, Fannie Flagg or Anne Tyler are surefire smile-makers; ask your librarian and your bookseller.

HERE ARE A FEW SMILE-MAKERS TO GET YOU STARTED SMILE-MAKING:

"My son asked me, "Daddy, why do bees stay in the hive in the winter?" I smiled and answered..."Swarm."

"Why should you attempt to hit a fortuneteller who is smiling? Because you should always try and strike a happy medium."

"My girlfriend said: 'You've never smiled at me since we started dating.' And, I was like, 'I thought you said you wanted a serious relationship.'"



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SMILE-MAKING JOY-GIVER BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK AND A SMILE-MAKING PARTY RECIPE

- Jan. 15—Dr. King
- Jan. 16—Lin-Manuel Miranda
- Jan. 17—Betty White
- Jan. 18—A.A. Milne (Winnie-the-Pooh)
- Jan. 19—Dolly Parton
- Jan. 20—George Burns
- Jan. 21—Christian Dior

A TRULY SMILE-MAKING SANDWICH
(Source: eatsmarter.com)
Remember when some smile-maker made you little sandwiches shaped like fish and birds and hearts? Transport yourself and others to happy times with a healthy sandwich with a goofy grin.

INGREDIENTS
- 1 poppy seed Roll
- Butter for brushing
- 2 lettuce leaves
- 1 thin, cooked ham slice
- Red paprika
- Cucumber
- Carrots (peeled)
- Chives

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Slice each roll in half and spread with butter.

2 On the lower half, add lettuce, ham and cheese and top with the top half of roll.
3. Cut out slices of cucumber and use for eyes. Use butter to attach. Add a slice of chive for a pupil on the eye. Cut peppers in half and use for mouth. Thinly slice carrot and use as a nose. Serve pronto.

1,070 JOY-GIVING THINGS from MY FIRST 70 YEARS (continued):

45. Smile-making face jugs by Alabama potter, Jerry Brown, in the Smithsonian Museum.

46. Vivaldi's "Goldfinch" played by flutist, James Galway.

47. Pawley's Island hammocks.

48. Yard eggs.

49. "Oh, behave."

50. Paying forward.

51. The Ministry of Silly Walks.

52. "Spamalot."

53. The King Tut blockbuster.

54. "Walk Like an Egyptian."

55. WWOZ, New Orleans blues/jazz public radio.

56. WLRH, Huntsville classical public radio.

57. The Boxcar Children series.

58. The silly spectacle of Elizabeth Taylor's "Cleopatra."

59. Raquel Welch in Broadway's "Applause."

60. Blackened redfish.

61. The introduction of ranch dressing.

62. The Champagne cork and bubbles of "The Lawrence Welk Show."

63. Chatting with "Cosmo Magazine" founder, Helen Gurley Brown.

64. "My Favorite Martian."

65. Chef Gray Kunz at Lespinasse—St. Regis Hotel.

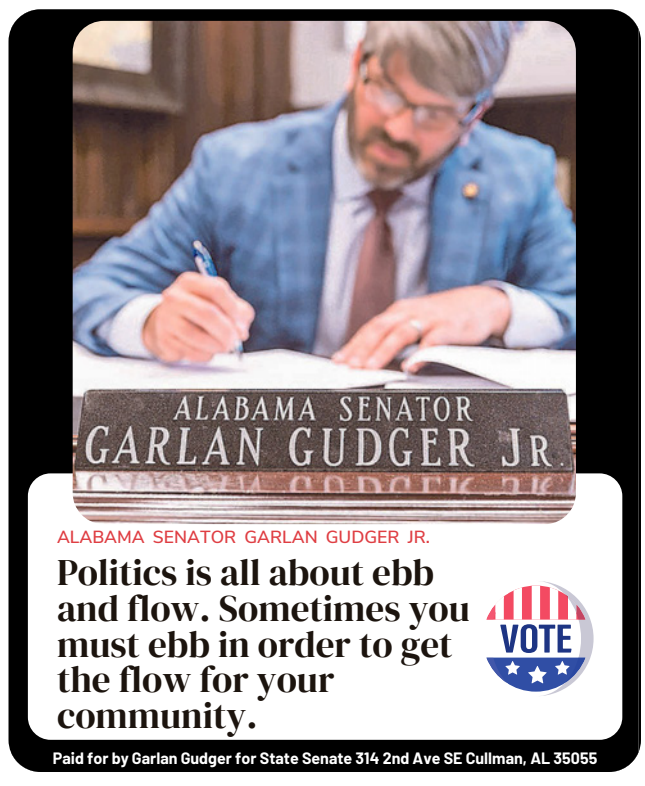
66. An assortment of pies.

67. Bellingrath Gardens and the Azalea Trail in Mobile.

68. "Sock it to me."

69. The Smile Train.

HAPPY, SMILE-MAKING JANUARY!



Meek (from Front)

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ARLEY, Ala. — Meek High School hosted the 2022 Winston County Cheerleading Championship Jan. 9 in the high school gymnasium. The schools participating were Meek, Winston County, Addison and Lynn High School. The judges of the competition were contracted through UCA. After the squads performed the team competitions, cheerleaders were judged on jumps and/or tumbling, a selected cheer and a selected dance.

The Meek squad used the same routine they competed with at state competition, the cheerleaders having had about a month to prepare their individual tryouts.

The cheerleaders selected for All-County will cheer at halftime at the County Basketball Championship games. Belle Cleghorn, a sophomore at Meek High School, was named varsity All-County MVP.

Meek Cheer Coach Kristen McCay said, "I'm very proud of them. They worked very hard. The County competition was the last of our competition season. It was good to go out with a win, and it just affirmed that all of our hard work had paid off. We are excited about working toward next year."

The Junior Varsity All-County cheerleaders from each of the schools are Jena Brown, Amori Miles, Hadley Treece, Elina James, Josie Ayers, Maggie Gilliland, Madison Mertens, Hailey Morgan, Arleigh Smothers and Bailey Womack.

The Varsity All-County cheerleaders are Raylee Smith, Kayla Clark, Emma Ridgeway, Callie Gilliland, Jacie O'Quinn, Evan Hutchins, Avery Archer, Bailey Kelley, Laina Clower, McKinli Sandlin, Savannah Lynn, Christina Tyree, Makenzie Phillips, Belle Cleghorn, Macee Rogers, Reshae Moore, Karley Curtis and Anna Grace Cochran.



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Members of Meek and other participating Varsity All-County teams pose together at the event.

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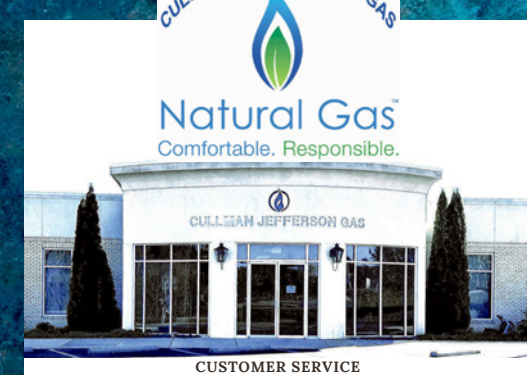


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Obituary Announcements: Jan. 13-14

Elton Hale, Sr., 91, of Cullman
Funeral service for Elton Hale, Sr., 91, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m., Monday, Jan. 17, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Emeus Cemetery, with Pastor Jean Parson officiating. Visitation will be Sunday evening at the funeral home from 5:30-8 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Hale passed away Jan. 13, at his residence. He was born Sept. 21, 1930, to William and Lilier Mae Hale. He was preceded by his parents his brothers and sisters and an infant: E.G. William Hale. Survivors include his wife: Genevev Hale; sons: Elton (Theresa) Hale and Jr., Shane (Mindy) Hale; daughters: Hilda Funk, Gracie Hale, Sabrina (Robert) Pitts, Cindy (Richard) Reid and Jenell Hale; grandchildren: Bailey Parker, River Parker, Phoenix Parker, October Parker, Shae Trimble, Raul Beltran, Candi Filippone, Grayson Hale, Rudy Danielle Randall, Meagan Hale, Makenzi Hale, Ashlynn Jones, Maddison McBrayer, Gracie McBrayer, Riley Whitehead, Helaina Wilcutt and Breanna Heinl a host of great-grandchildren, family and friends.

Alice Tawana June Canada, 67, of Hanceville
Funeral service for Alice Tawana June Canada, age 67, of Hanceville, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 18, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home and burial at Beech Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 17, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Canada passed away Tuesday, Jan. 11. She was born April 7, 1954, to Luther Basil and Lucille White.She was a part of the town of Dodge City for over 20 years. She served as the mayor of Dodge City since in 2009. She loved her kids, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and the town of Dodge City. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband: William David Canada and brothers: Dewayne White and Jerry White. Survivors include her sons: Clint (Jennifer) Waters, Brian (Christy) Waters, Andy Waters and Billy (Kimberly) Bruer; daughter: Dalena Phillips; grandchildren: Brittany (Jordan) Graham, Heather (Brian) Ball, C.J. Waters, Mikayla Waters (Will Clark), Katie Waters, Colton Waters, A.J. (Kaitlyn) Johnson, Travis (Megan) Helms, Mikayla O'Neal, Kylee (Alec) Phillips, Josh Campbell and Kelena Carpenter; great-grandchildren: Jase, Oakley, Baileigh, Kenley and Colt; sister: Gail (Billy) Day and brother: Ronald (Wanda) White.

Danny Lee Stallings, 70, of Addison
Danny Lee Stallings, age 70, of Addison, Alabama, passed away Thursday, Jan. 13. Danny was born on Sept. 6, 1951, in Cullman, Alabama to Clifton and Sidney Stallings. He was an educator for over 30 years. During his time as an educator, he touched many lives and influenced many young people. He loved his family, wife, girls, sons-in-law and seven grandchildren. He was a caring Christian man. Visitation will be held Sunday, Jan. 15, from 1-3 p.m. at Mount Pleasant Church, in Nesmith, Alabama, where the service will begin at 3 p.m. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery. Pastor Mike Turner will officiate and Pastor Bobby Dodd will read the obituary. Danny is survived by his wife of 49 years: Rhonda Alston Stallings; children: Danna Stallings Roberts (Chris), Britney Stallings Wilkins (Jeremy) and Yancey Stallings Wiggins (Nathan); grandsons: Christian Roberts, Jedidiah Wilkins, Elijah Roberts, Judah Wilkins, Zeke Wiggins, Zion Wiggins and Zebb Wiggins; brother: Leonard (Ladonna) Stallings; brother-in-law: Phillip (Shelia) Alston; sister-in-law: Teresa (Randy) Crider a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents: Clifton Stallings and Sidney Stallings Cromer and brothers: Larry Joe (Sharon) Stallings and Terry Stallings. Pallbearers include Clay Alston, Colton Alston, Heath Crider, Melvin Parker, Terry James, Jesse Stallings and Mitchell Woodard. Honorary pallbearers will be his seven grandsons, Christian Roberts, Jedidiah Wilkins, Elijah Roberts, Judah Wilkins, Zeke Wiggins, Zion Wiggins and Zebb Wiggins. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Stallings family.

Sadie Kuikendall Kibodeaux, 92, of Cullman
Sadie Kuikendall Kibodeaux, age 92, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Thursday, Jan. 13. Sadie was born Sept. 11, 1929. Sadie is survived by her daughter: Diane Dye Boyer (Bob); son: Steve (Janie) Dye; her grandchildren: Stacia Boyer, Andrea (Allen) Reed, Ashley (Daniel) Gullet, Shayna (Alton) McLean, Bear (Casey) Dye and Chad (Sandra) Ellerbe; seven great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. Sadie was preceded in death by her parents: Newman Kuykendall and Henrietta Patterson Kuykendall; her brother: J.C. Kuykendall and her sisters: Betty Tidham, Kathryn Broderick and Carol Chambers.

Hilda Jeanette Wakefield, 75, of Double Springs
Hilda Jeanette Wakefield, age 75, of Double Springs, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 12, at her residence. Jeanette was born Feb. 5, 1946, in Lawrence County, Alabama. She loved gardening, Alabama football, reading and spending time with her family. Visitation will be held Sunday, Jan. 16, from 5-8 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home – Double Springs. A graveside service will be held Monday, Jan. 17, at 1 p.m. at Mount Vernon Cemetery (King School House) in Natural Bridge, Alabama. Jeanette is survived by her son: Kenny (Jennifer) Waid; grandsons: Ben Waid, Brett (Jennifer) Waid, Ryan Waid and Austin Perdew; great-grandchildren: Brooklyn, Reid, Sawyer, Charlee and Owen; brother: Roger Wilson and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband: Wendell Wakefield; parents: Lee and Clezelle Wilson; brother: Wendelle Wilson and son: Keith Waid. Pallbearers will be Kenny Waid, Brett Waid, Ben Waid, Mark Williams and Greg Wilson.

Delton Lynn Vaughn, 79, of Addison
Delton Lynn Vaughn, age 79, of Addison, passed away Thursday, Jan. 13, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 28, 1942, in Cullman Henry and Willie Allcorn Vaughn. Delton proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1965-1971. Visitation will be held Monday, Jan. 17, from 6-8 p.m. at Mount Vernon First Congregational Methodist, where the service will be held Tuesday at 2 p.m. Mr. Vaughn will lie in state at the church on Tuesday from 1-2 p.m. Burial will be at Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church Cemetery. Brother Mackey Watts will officiate. Delton is survived by his wife: Carol Vaughn; daughter: Angie Herald and her husband Shawn; grandchildren: Trevor Vaughn and his wife Ashley, Gracie Yarbrough and her husband Austin and Connor Herald; great-grandson: Ryker Herald; sisters: Jeanette Williams, Lucille Dunnie and her husband Tommie and Karen Rutherford; brother: Danny Vaughn and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Henry and Willie Vaughn. Pallbearers will be Trevor Vaughn, Connor Herald, Austin Yarbrough, Bruce Willingham, Brian Willingham, Barry Willingham and honorary pallbearer, Shawn Herald.

Madeline Nicole Schuler, 22
Funeral service for Madeline Nicole Schuler, 22, will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 15, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Steve Rodgers officiating. The family will receive friends from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Madeline passed away Sunday, Jan. 9, at her residence. She was born Feb. 17, 1999, to David and Jennifer Roberson Schuler. She is survived by her grandparents: Mike and Karen Roberson, Alicia Griffin and John Schuler; parents: David and Jennifer Schuler; daughters: Novaly and Ruby; brothers: Benny and Brody; sister: Macy and a host of family and friends.

Maddelle Ashwander, 88, of Hanceville
A graveside service for Maddelle Ashwander of Hanceville, Alabama will be 3:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Visitation will be from 2-3 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home prior to the graveside service. Ms. Ashwander was born Dec. 18, 1933, in Cullman, Alabama to the late Maritz George and Ruth E. (King) Ashwander. She died at the age of 88 at her residence in Cullman on Jan. 13. Survivors include her sister: Juanita Garrettson; nephew: William Maritz Blakely and a niece: Anne Merkelson.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

My first week of nothing to do

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I am now officially retired. My last day with Tuskegee Lee Baptist Association was the last day of the year. The last time I didn't have get up and go somewhere every weekday morning was when I was six years old. That was the year I began first grade. It has been school or work, and often both, ever since.

I thought that I might lay around the house all week and do nothing for my first week of retirement. I did that on the first day, if you count watching college football as doing nothing. I watched about 12-hours of bowl games. I did take time out to eat. You know, you get three timeouts in each half!

On Sunday, I used a time out to go to church. I wasn't speaking anywhere, so I went to my home church and listened to my pastor. After we had lunch out, I went back home and did nothing.

Since Jean didn't have to go back to work until Wednesday, she and I got up and headed out of town Monday. We headed North to Clanton to visit an old friend and his wife and see their place of business. Since I had run our A/C the day before, I never dreamed we would be driving into a snow storm. Okay, it wasn't exactly a storm, but we did see some snow flurries. We spent the day visiting our friends, and antique stores.

On Tuesday, we got up and headed in the opposite direction. We drove over to Columbus, Georgia, where we met our daughter and her family. We found some more antique stores where I found some great pieces of oak to use in my woodshop. Of course, we found somewhere for lunch.

On Wednesday, Jean headed back to work, so I headed out to the woodshop. I had new wood! I cut out and glued up a cutting board, with alternating strips of oak and walnut. I also hit the fitness center for some racquetball.

On Thursday, I was like Willie...on the road again. My alter ego, Bro Billy Bob, did not retire. I did a concert of stories and songs for the Senior Adult Luncheon of Butler Baptist Association, in Greenville. I knew I would pass directly in front of Priester's Pecans, but I didn't know that I would be running late and not have time to stop. Our host pastor, told me about a shortcut back to I-65. I think it may have been divine guidance that my shortened route took me directly by the entrance to Priester's! Well, it would have taken me by it, had I not pulled in. I wasn't hungry after that huge potluck lunch they had fed me, but I never let a little problem like that stop me from pecan logs and brittle!

Jean doesn't work on Fridays, so headed to Fort Payne. We visited a sawmill and woodstore in downtown Lebanon. I got a little more wood, hickory this time. We drove on up to Mentone for lunch. We visited an antique mall in the old W.B. Davis Hosiery Mill, in Fort Payne. I bought some table legs.

The next morning, we visited a lifelong friend and his wife, then headed to my brother's house for a past-due family get together. We headed on home afterwards, so I could speak at a church in Opelika for their morning and evening services. Other than that, I didn't do much of anything during my first week of retirement. I think I'll be able to find something to do, but if you think of something, let me know.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1930, 1950

From the Files of 1930

The honor roll of seniors at Cullman High School for the first semester includes: Maria Callahan, Charon Denson, Alfred Glaser, Margaret Hartung, Mary Ellen Hines, Mary Johnson, Vonda Lee Johnston, Edna Martin, Eunice Martin, Frances McPherson, Ruby Philpot, Eldon Simpson, Alice Stockley, Mabel Yeager, Inous Thompson, Laura Harbison, Hortense Wallace, Roberta Howell, C.S. Fletcher, Minnie Stansell, Herman Tillery, Thelma Moore, Edna Duckworth, Vera Wilhite, Edward Herfurth, Merle Trammell and Flora McEwen.

Holes in the Bee Line Highway caused by the recent inclement weather are being repaired.

O.J. Price has announced his candidacy for sheriff of Cullman County.

Cotton ginned in Cullman County by January 16, 1930 from the 1929 crop has reached 47,942 bales, compared to 40,627 bales from the 1928 crop to this time last year.

John Blette of Cullman has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Auburn Chemical Society at API, where he is a student.

Uncle "Andy" Hill opened his new and modern café and barbecue lunchroom for business last Saturday. He has electric stoves and electric coffee percolators and all-electric refrigerators.

Mr. and Mrs. E.A. Grayot spent Sunday afternoon in Athens with their daughter, Doris, who is a student in Athens College.

From the Files of 1950

A hot tamale supper will be held in the basement of Sacred Heart School on February 21.

Maurice Marty, age 16, suffered a broken back when he was hit by a falling tree while cutting logs at the family farm at Grandview. The accident occurred on January 14. He is improving at Jefferson Hillman Hospital in Birmingham. His parent are Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Marty.

Carl Peinhardt is president of the Guernsey Cattle Club. Billy Baltz is vice-president, as well as H.M. Windsor. G.H. Lehnert is secretary-treasurer. Directors are W.O. Jones, Joe Sapp, Doug Hart and J.W. Shaw.

Herman C. (Tex) Hett has purchased Duchess Bakery from Al Gasser. Troy Bontrager, Herman Tankersley, James Legg, Linda Gasser and Mrs. Dora Pesnell will remain with the business.

POET'S CORNER

Small Things | By: Randy C. Hale

My Granddaughter likes to choose
one small thing and hold on to it
for hours, like the ballerina she took
off the Christmas tree that I allowed.
The ballerina danced in the air for
hours even as we walked looking
for kittens, rabbits, or adventures near.

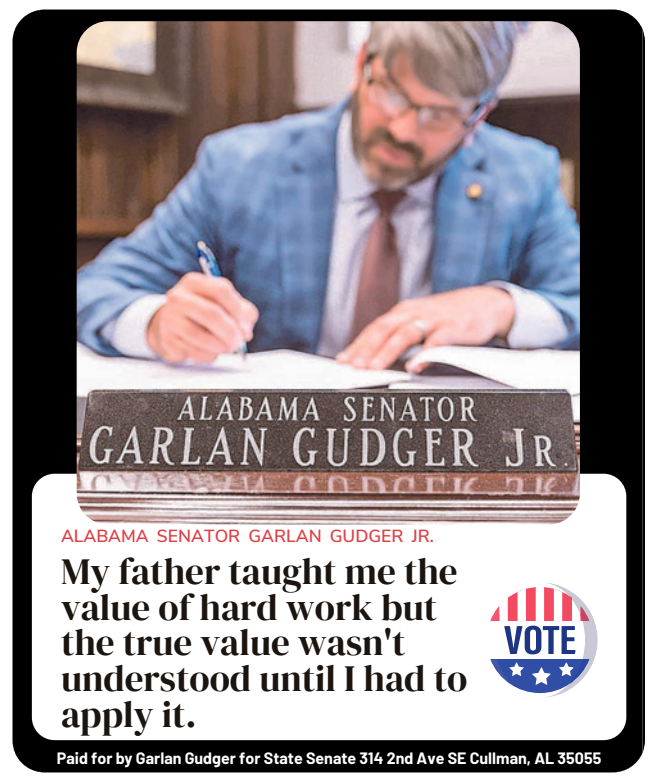
Sporadically it's a toy, but it can be a
roll of tape, a color pencil or recently,
my checkbook that I returned to her
after seeing her sigh and faltering
brow when taken.

I remember liking things I could hold
in my hands as a child, trucks, cars, or army men grasped by my imagination
and why, if safe, she can explore
most things that she will eventually
lay aside, or like this ballerina
drop from her hands to dream.



RANDY C. HALE

Penelope - age 2



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My father taught me the value of hard work but the true value wasn't understood until I had to apply it.

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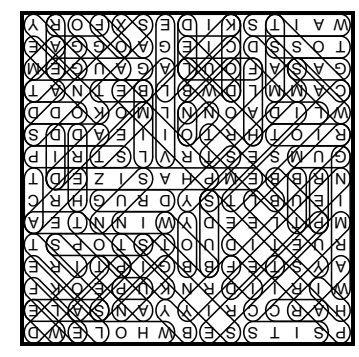
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Vinemont (from Front)

the beginning of September. Arnett lives across the street from the park and during windy days has had trash blown down her street from the park's dumpster.

The Vinemont town council has discussed the issue at many of their meetings. The council asked the public works director Mike Graves to contact the Sanitation Department, the owner of the property, and the sheriff's department to discover if the owner of the property could be given a fine. Graves contacted solid waste officer Phillip Patterson who spoke to the owner and manager of the properties, "I advised them of what is to come to them if they did not correct the problem. They are currently in the process of ordering more dumpsters or bigger dumpsters and they are going to clean the entire park up."

The owners of the property own two of the parks in Vinemont, Patterson said, "Tomorrow or the next day, they for sure should be cleaned up and moving in the right direction."

The litter at the village is considered an illegal dump. If the owners of the dumpsters fail to clean up the trash around the area, they will be taken to court. Patterson stated, "There is an owner of the property, but it is listed to a corporation, so we would have to determine if it needed to go to a civil case or a criminal case."

"There would be some penalties or fines involved that would have to be paid back through the court system. That would be taken care of, because tax-payer dollars are not gonna be spent cleaning this up."

As of Jan. 12, the site has already been cleaned up. Mayor Radginal Dodson stated, "We got in touch with the property owners, we meaning the townspeople, got in touch with the property owner and he agreed that situation should be corrected in the very near future."

Dodson described the reason for the litter problem, "They are redoing all the plumbing in the trailer park, and they've dug up all the sewage and all the water. They have ended up with a situation where people, because they are digging up across the driveways down to all the mobile homes to lay the water and sewage down, they were unable to get down to their mobile homes with a vehicle. So, they were parking their vehicles near the dumpsters. Then they would bring their trash when they got back to their vehicles and they would get back to the dumpsters and if the dumpsters happened to be full, what are they going to do with a bag of trash? Throw it down beside the dumpster. The gentleman that dumps the dumpsters, he isn't gonna get out of that truck and pick up anything that is laying on the ground, so we have ended up with a situation. Once the dumpsters became at the capacity for the dumpsters, there was trash being piled up on the ground and we would see this, then get in touch with the folks at the mobile home park and they would clean it up."

Dodson went on to say that sometimes it would take a day or two before the situation was rectified, but the council tried to keep aware of when the dumpster was overflowing and ask the owners to clean up the litter.



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