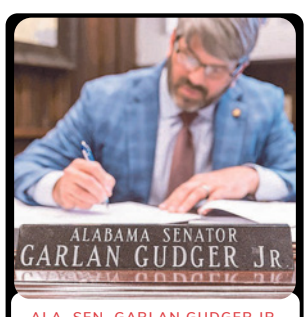
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EDUCATION

Cullman City School's recognize January as School Board Appreciation Month at Tuesday board meeting

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman City Schools held its board meeting Tuesday evening celebrating January as School Board Appreciation Month.

Board members recognized included:
- President - Amy Carter
- Vice President - Jason Neal
- Chris Branham
- Cheryl Harrison
- Joey Orr

Teachers of the Year Awards were given to Carrie Byrd – Cullman City Primary School, April Dean – East Elementary School, Sashari Caretti – West Elementary School, Brent Hill – Cullman Middle School and Christopher Smith – Cullman High School.

A presentation on the Cullman City Head Start Annual Training was given by Director Tricia Culpepper, along with the introduction of Early Child- » PAGE 6

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'Backstage Photography' exhibit held at Brooke Desnoes Ballet Academy

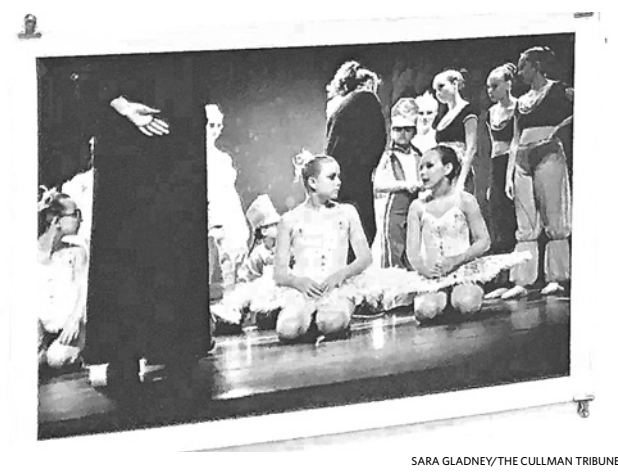


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Wall display of some of the black and white prints sold at the fundraising event on Thursday

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Brooke and Vincent Desnoes held a "Backstage Photography" exhibit Thursday evening at Brooke Desnoes Ballet Academy. The purpose of the event was to showcase the reality of the backstage world of ballet. Brooke Desnoes has been a ballet instructor for three decades, teaching in Paris before moving back to her hometown » PAGE 12



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Alabama's unemployment rate remains steady at 3.1%; Cullman County 1.8%

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Local agencies receive almost $47M in grants from Gov. Ivey to assist low-income families with utility costs

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Two meth-related arrests made in Cullman and Hanceville Wednesday

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Jan. 21

Cullman Tribune staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Jan. 21, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 18

- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91
- theft of property; Weeks Cir.
- harassment; 5th St. SE
- theft of property; Colony Rd.
- burglary; CR 43
- theft of property; criminal mischief; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 1386

Jan. 19

- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E
- criminal mischief; CR 287
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; 5th St. SE
- theft of property; CR 1435
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 702

ARRESTS

Jan. 18 – 19

Anders, Jeremy K.; 29
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Brown, Christopher L.; 47
- FTA- violation of domestic violence protection order

Cunningham Jr., Patrick J.; 42
- FTA- drug trafficking
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (5 counts)
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs (6 counts)

Daniel, Teddie R.; 52
- motion to revoke bond-burglary-residence-force
- sex offense- adult sex offender-violation of homelessness restrictions

Henry, Patrick O.; 24
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Tanner Jr., James I.; 29
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance

Cantrell, Jerimiah R.; 25
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Farr, Larry D.; 61
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Flanigan Jr., Edsal E.; 42
- sell/distribute methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Holcomb, Anita L.; 39
- sell/distribute methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Labrecque, Michelle L.; 51
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Moore, Christian P.; 27
- probation violation-family offense-endangering welfare of child

Sachs Jr., James E.; 42
- FTA- assault-domestic-menacing-strong arm
- FTA- assault-harassment (2 counts)
- FTA- attempting to elude police officer
- FTA- disorderly conduct/disturbing peace/affray

Simmons, Andrea M.; 36
- sell/distribute methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Smith, Steven D.; 56
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Speakman, Tyler L.; 27
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Vincent, Derrick L.; 34
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)
- violation of domestic violence protection order

Waters, Leon Z.; 34
- possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Jan. 19
- harassment; person; Walker St. SW
- fourth-degree theft of property; third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $190

Jan. 20
- harassing communications; person
- fourth-degree theft of property; Walmart; Hwy. 157; shelving; $78
- first-degree theft of property; Bill Smith Used Cars; Hwy. 157; '15 Chevy Silverado; $35,398

ARRESTS

Jan. 19

Speakman, Tyler L.; 27
- fourth-degree theft of property

Byrd, Kayla M.; 31
- DUI

McDonald, Sunny K.; 45
- fourth-degree theft of property
- third-degree criminal mischief

Jan. 20

Baker, Zachary C.; 24
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Brown, Amanda L.; 33
- fugitive from justice

Corrigan, Carl A.; 33
- FTA- insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Arrests (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. — Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies arrived at a residence in the Phelan Community to serve a felony warrant on Wednesday, Jan. 19.

Tyler Lamont Speakman, 27, of Hanceville was located at the residence and was arrested on multiple warrants.

While there, deputies also discovered other illegal substances in the residence.

Speakman was charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear for: possession of dangerous drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of marijuana in the Second Degree and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Also on Wednesday, CCSO deputies conducted a traffic stop in the Eastpoint area.

Jeremiah Ross Cantrell, 25, of Cullman, was the driver.

Narcotics and paraphernalia were located on his person and inside the vehicle.

He was arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Sheriff Matt Gentry said he is proud of the continued effort the proactive deputies put forth at the Cullman County Sheriff's Office.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Jeremiah Ross Cantrell


CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Tyler Lamont Speakman

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, Jan. 21, 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: 46.3%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,442
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 532,767
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 200,672 (+55,847 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,188
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,475
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 161 (+81 since Wednesday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 42.5%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,561
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,727
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 3,641 (+741 since Wednesday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 3 (+0 since Wednesday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 2,233
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 949
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 110,190
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 51,015
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,690

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,422,495 (No updates available)
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,502,625 (No updates available)
- Doses administered: 5,631,233
- Additional doses administered: 672,482
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,784,653
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,260,203
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,919,870 (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

Cullman Regional COVID-19 update, Jan. 19

On Jan. 19, Cullman Regional Medical Center released the following COVID-19 update: Cullman County is in the High-Risk category for overall level of community transmission.

Cullman Regional current situation

- 52 COVID positive patients, three 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

- Location and hours changing
- Beginning Monday, Jan. 24, Cullman Regional's COVID vaccine clinic, located on the hospital's Mobile Unit will move to the back parking lot behind Professional Office Building 2.
- New hours will be Mondays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. The clinic will not be open Tuesday-Sunday. 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 – U.S. Highway 157
- Walmart South

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

Monoclonal antibody therapy:

Distribution of the monoclonal antibodies previously available has been paused and/or severely limited from the state and federal government. This is due to the ineffectiveness of these therapies for the omicron variant which is the most prevalent COVID variant causing infections currently. As a result, we have a very limited supply of effective monoclonal antibodies to administer, and these are being given only to patients in the highest risk category as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. We do not have enough to provide infusions to every patient with COVID. National production of these treatments has increased, and we are hopeful there will be much more availability soon. 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 updates courtesy Mary Beth Sellers

OUTDOORS

Get to know Alabama Extension: Fish and Water

Mary Leigh Oliver
Contributor

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — The Alabama Cooperative Extension System has the privilege of assisting Alabamians through a range of topics from agriculture to home life. The eight topics highlighted on the Extension website provide readily available, research-based information to farmers, families, businesspeople and gardeners across the state.

The fish and water section of the website is a one-stop-shop for information from Alabama's experts about water—and everything that lives there.

Alabama Extension specialists and associate professors Rusty Wright and P.J. Waters are two of these experts researching the diverse lifeforms that inhabit the state's various bodies of water.

What is Fish and Water?

"The fish and water section of the website is the primary Extension source housing the information needed to support the activities of the Aquatic Resources PPT," Wright said.

With publications, videos and other digital resources, the aquatic resources team's research covers a multitude of related topics.

Some of these topics include: fisheries, aquaculture, watershed and coastal management.

"When we produce Extension programming that touches on water, we potentially impact millions of lives and sustainability of the natural environment," Wright said.

We need it

No matter where you live in Alabama, water impacts your daily life.

"Water is a vital component to our ability to thrive as people," Wright said. "We use water for food production, power generation, navigation, recreation, drinking and other industrial uses."

Wright's favorite part of working with aquatic resources is providing solutions to problems.

He and his colleagues are able to work one-on-one with clients to help them discover a solution.

"If it is wet, we likely have expertise or can find the expertise quickly," Wright said.

Waves of the water

Unlike Wright, Waters primarily focuses on the marine and estuary life. Waters and his partners focus on estuarine species including finfish and shellfish.

While these species mainly reside at the beach, the way the watershed is set up, nearly two-thirds of Alabama's waterways drain to Mobile Bay.

This means every Alabamian plays a role in maintaining its health.

"If you live, work or play in Alabama, odds are you have a daily impact on the bay and surrounding areas," Waters said.

Fish and water personnel offer several programming options where stakeholders can directly engage with the natural world around them.

"I enjoy facilitating hands-on interactions between people and their environment," Waters said.

The aquatic resources team continues to connect Alabamians back to their environment through interactive programming, research and community.

No matter the body of water, the Alabama Extension Fish and Water team has an expert equipped.

More information

For more information about Fish and Water, visit https://www.aces.edu/blog/category/fish-water/.

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.

• 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.

CASA volunteer training

Cullman County CASA (Court appointed special advocates) is looking for dedicated volunteers to speak up for abused and neglected children in foster care. They need YOUR VOICE! A training class will be beginning soon! For more information, please contact Candace Lingo at cullmancountycasa@msn.com.

T.O.P.S (Take off Pounds Sensibly) Meetings

Fridays, 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m., at Cullman Housing Authority Community Center (1545 Vine Circle SW, Cullman, AL 35055). First meeting is free. TOPS, a national program, is a hands-on/pounds-off approach to weight loss and management through weekly meetings providing information, accountability, support and encouragement where you make the changes that make sense to you.

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

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation scholarship application open

Jan. 22 – March 4: The Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for a $500 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. Applicant must be a U. S. citizen, high school senior, and living in the State of Alabama. Deadline to receive completed applications in the District office is March 4. For more information, please contact Kathy Holmes at 256-734-1431 or at cullman@alconservationdistricts.org

Cullman Caring for Kids Benefit

Jan. 22: Liberty Tax Service is hosting a benefit event Saturday, Jan. 22, for Cullman Caring for Kids. Please drop off non-perishable goods and coats. Get a 30% discount off tax returns when you donate. Free refreshments.

Fairview Lions Club Bean Supper

Jan. 22: The Fairview Lions Club is having a bean supper on Jan. 22 from 4-7 p.m. at the Fairview Town Hall, 7525 Alabama Highway 69 N. Meal includes beans, cornbread, onions and drink for $5. With a dessert, it's $6. Dine in or carry out options available. All proceeds will go to the Fairview Lions Club project fund. For more information, call William at 256-385-5596 or Kita at 256-385-8805.

Cullman Community Theatre's "Arsenic and Old Lace"

Feb. 18-20th – 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.

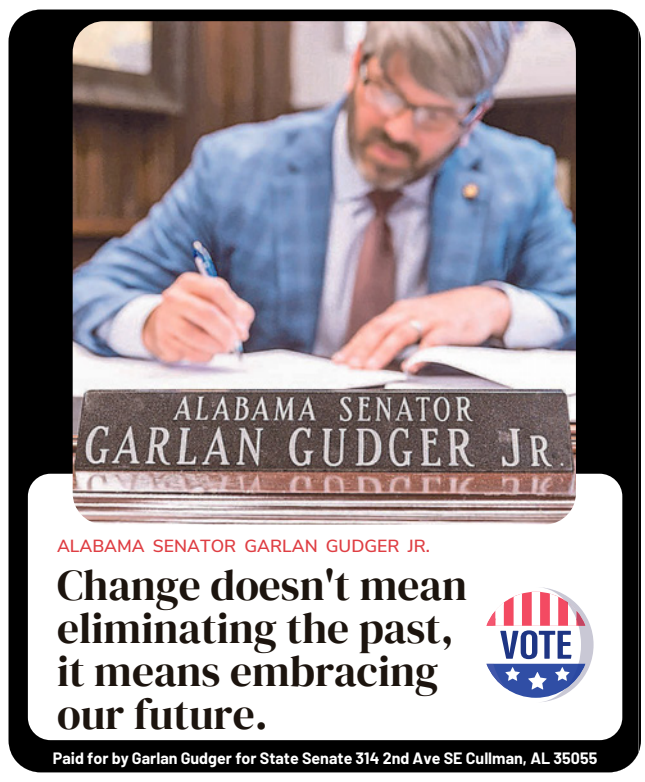
Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee Tree sale

• Feb. 19: The Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee will be holding a tree sale Saturday, Feb. 19 at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Tally Ho Street, Cullman. The sale will begin at 8 a.m. – noon (or until all trees are sold). Trees are bare root seedlings and are $2.00 each. Ten tree and six shrub species will be available.

• All proceeds go toward the Cullman County Forestry Awareness Week Now school program for 6th graders and FFA Forestry judging contest.

• Come learn about the characteristics of the trees and shrubs for sale before the tree sale, Thursday, Feb. 17 at 11 a.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex.

• For more information on the tree sale, contact Kathy Holmes, Cullman County Conservation District, 256-734-1431, kholmes@cullmanswcd.com or Kira Sims, Cullman County Extension Office, 256-737-9386, klc0023@auburn.edu.





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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Good Hope Raiders and Lady Raiders made the trip over to Hanceville's Lane Horton Gymnasium Thursday night for a pair of area matchups and both road teams left with big wins. The Lady Raiders pulled away from Hanceville in the second half to pick up a 60-27 win and remain unbeaten in area play while the Raiders bounced back in a big way. After falling to Hanceville earlier this season, Good Hope got its payback Thursday night with an impressive, 75-39 win over the Bulldogs, creating a tie atop the Area 11 standings.

Good Hope 60 – Hanceville 27 (Varsity Girls)

Heather Tetro knocked down a long jumper and a three-pointer on Good Hope's first two possessions to make it a 5-0 game early and Rudi Derrick laid one in to make it 7-0. A pair of free throws from Bailey Tetro stretched the lead to 9-0 and baskets by Derrick and Tetro later in the period put the Lady Raiders in front 15-0 at one point. Jolee McHan scored to get Hanceville on the board with about three minutes to play in the opening quarter. Victoria Stanley drilled a three and Aaliyah Twitty scored inside to trim the lead to 15-7 going into the second quarter.

Three-pointers by Heather Tetro and Ivey Maddox extended the lead to 21-7 early in the second and Good Hope extended its lead to 30-9 midway through the period. Savannah McAnnally buried a three-pointer to make it a 30-12 game, but the Lady Bulldogs went into the locker room trailing 37-14 at halftime.

Derrick and McHan exchanged baskets to start the second half but another deep three from Heather Tetro kept the Lady Raiders in front 42-16. McHan got another jumper to fall late in the period, but Renee Mcleod scored under the basket just before the buzzer to give Good Hope a 46-21 advantage going into the fourth quarter.

A Bailey Keef basket got the final frame started for the Lady Raiders and Desiree Odachowski and Maddox added buckets to make it a 52-21 game early in the fourth. Lexi Collins scored to put Good Hope on top by 31 with around four minutes to play and with the hot clock running, the Lady Raiders pulled away to defeat Hanceville 60-27.

Heather Tetro led the way for Good Hope with 14 points in the win, followed by Derrick with 12 and Bailey Tetro and Maddox who each posted 10. Twitty finished with eight points for Hanceville. McAnnally added seven and McHan and Stanley each posted six.

Good Hope 75 – Hanceville 39 (Varsity Boys)

Points were hard to come by for these two teams in the opening period. Brayden Harris scored to give the Bulldogs a 2-0 lead and Colton Lindsey split a pair of free throws on the other end to make it a 2-1 game. That score held for a while before a basket and a pair of free throws from Tanner Malin gave the Raiders a 5-2 lead and they never looked back. Malin dropped in a running floater to add to the lead and Weston Hancock scored in the final moments of the first to put Good Hope on top 9-2 at the start of the second.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Good Hope's K'mal Bell (1) led the Raiders with 18 points in their 75-39 win at Hanceville Thursday night.

It was Noah Barnette's turn to get hot at the start of the second quarter. Barnette scored the first six points of the period to stretch the Raider lead to 15-2 and Jacob Haynes netted a pair of free throws to make it a 17-2 game. Harris responded with a three on the other end to stop the run but a basket by K'mal Bell and a three-pointer by Lindsey gave Good Hope a 22-7 advantage midway through the second. After another Barnette score, Bell drilled a three to make it 27-7. Bell stayed hot and scored the next five points for the Raiders to give them a 32-9 lead late in the second quarter and after a basket by Haynes, Good Hope went into the locker room at halftime with a commanding, 34-14 lead.

Will Calvert knocked down a three at the start of the third quarter to cut into the lead and a basket by Harris made it a 34-19 game.

Baskets by Bell and Tyler Cone kept the Raiders in front 38-19 as the third went on and two more three-pointers from Bell made it 46-21 with just over three minutes remaining in the period. Harris got hot later in the third and scored five straight for the Bulldogs to trim the lead to 50-29 but another basket by Hancock and a buzzer-beating three from Malin put Good Hope in front 55-31 going into the fourth quarter.

The Raiders continued to dominate on both ends of the floor and pull away in the final period. Haynes, Barnette and Hancock each scored early in the fourth to extend the lead to 30 and an emphatic dunk by Barnette later in the quarter made it a 67-34 game.

Charlie O'Neil laid one in to put Good Hope in front 72-37 and Tucker Malin drained a three-pointer in the final two minutes of the game to put the finishing touches on an impressive, 75-39 area win for the Raiders.

Bell led Good Hope with 18 points in the win. Barnette posted 14, Malin finished with 13, Haynes added nine and Hancock and Lindsey each posted six. Harris led the way for Hanceville with 17 points.

Good Hope will return home Friday night to host Cold Springs while Hanceville remains at home to host Holly Pond before the county tournament tips off this upcoming week.

PREP BASKETBALL

Holly Pond edges Fairview 52-49, Lady Aggies top Lady Broncos 46-29

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — The Holly Pond Broncos clashed with the Fairview Aggies at Felton Easterwood Gymnasium Thursday night and the county squads split their varsity matchups. The Lady Aggies pulled away to defeat the Lady Broncos 46-29 and in the boys' game, Holly Pond edged out the Aggies 52-49 to collect a win on its home floor.

Fairview 46 - Holly Pond 29 (Varsity Girls)

Somer Harris hit back-to-back threes from the left corner for Fairview as they jumped out to a quick 6-0 lead. Maddi Ham would hit one of her own from long range for Holly Pond and Emma Earl added a basket down low to make it a 6-5 game. Kaylee Stallings drilled a three from the left wing to give Holly Pond an 8-6 lead with a little over five minutes left in the opening period. Kamryn Tankersley got fouled while shooting a three and she hit all three free throws to push the Lady Bronco lead to 11-6, but Fairview would finish the quarter strong as baskets by Emma Garcia and Sadie Smith made it a one-point game. A Jayla Gorham free throw tied the game up at 11 and that would be the score going into the second period.

The Lady Aggies quickly broke the tie in the second period as Garcia and Smith each hit a three to give them a 17-11 lead. Earl hit a layup to make it a four-point game, but a huge three-point play by Allison Davis pushed Fairview's lead to 20-13 with less than two minutes to go in the first half. Smith got a floater to go as the Lady Aggies took a 22-13 lead into the half.

Tankersley nailed a long jumper to cut Fairview's lead to 22-15 to start out the second half. Jaycee Aleman and Gorham each hit a layup to make it a 26-15 game, then another Garcia three and a Gorham made shot pushed the Lady Aggie lead to 31-17. A Smith trey made it 34-20, but an Ellie Burks layup cut it to 34-22 going into the final period.

Fairview started the final period strong as baskets by Davis and Garcia made it 38-22, then Gorham and Garcia each hit a basket down low to push their lead to 20 at 42-22. Abby Davis got in on the scoring for the Lady Aggies as she made a shot to make it 44-22. Despite the Lady Broncos finishing the game strong on a Bai Widner and a Stallings three-point play, it was too little, too late for them as Fairview rolled to a 46-29 win over Holly Pond.

Garcia led the way for Fairview (15-9) with 14 points. Smith added 10 points, while Gorham ended up with seven points. For Holly Pond (8-13), Tankersley finished the game with eight points, while Stallings and Earl each added six points.

Holly Pond 52 - Fairview 49 (Varsity Boys)

Sawyer Olinger got the scoring for Holly Pond with a three. Baskets from Cylas Yarbrough and Landon Tweedie gave Fairview a 4-3 early almost midway through the first period. Tweedie and Yarbrough each added a basket down to give the Aggies an 8-6 lead, but Levi Farr converted the and-one opportunity to put Holly Pond back on top, 9-8. A pair of Kollin Brown free throws made it 11-8, then he later added a layup to make it a 13-9 game going into the second period.

Back-to-back threes from Blake Rickard pushed the Bronco lead to 19-9 less than a minute into the second quarter. A Tweedie made basket cut the Fairview deficit to nine at 20-11, then a Cade Yeager three swiveled Holly Pond's lead to 22-14. A Christian Couch layup made it a 24-14 contest, but the Aggies looked to cut into the deficit before the half. A Yarbrough three-point play made it 24-17, then an Austin Johnson layup cut it to five. Yarbrough later added a pair of technical free throws as that would make it a 24-21 game at the half.

A Tweedie made basket cut it to one, then a free throw each by Johnson and Parker Martin gave Fairview a 25-24 lead. A pair of Olinger free throws and a Brown trey saw Holly Pond get the lead right back at 29-25 with 4:27 remaining in the third period. Another Rickard three increased the Bronco lead to 32-27. A Brown layup and a free throw made it 35-29, but Cade Arnold and Tweedie each hit a basket down to cut it to 35-33. Brown, though, provided a huge boost for Holly Pond to end the third period as his buzzer-beating trey gave Holly Pond a 38-33 lead.

Brown then nailed an NBA-range three to push the Bronco lead to 41-33, then later on, layups by Rickard and Couch made it a 45-35 contest with 5:43 remaining in the contest. Fairview, though, countered with a huge run of their own as a Kobe Payne three cut it to 45-38 with 3:34 left in the game. A Johnson free throw, a layup by Yarbrough and a pair of Martin free throws made it 46-43 with two minutes left. A Payne driving layup kept the Fairview deficit at three at 48-45, but Olinger and Brown each hit a pair from the line to give Holly Pond a 52-45 lead with less than a minute left. Payne nailed a pair from the line to make it 52-47, then a Martin driving layup cut it to three. But that was as close as they would get as Holly Pond would pick up a huge 52-49 win over Fairview.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Holly Pond Broncos defeated Fairview at home 52-49 Thursday night.

Brown finished with 18 points for Holly Pond (8-13). Rickard added 16 points. Olinger ended up with nine points. Couch added six points and Farr chipped in with three points. For Fairview (13-9), Tweedie and Yarbrough each finished with 11 points. Arnold finished with eight points, while Payne ended up with seven points.

Holly Pond will travel to take on Hanceville Friday night and Fairview will begin preparing for next week's county tournament.

Unemployment (from Front)

Tara Hutchison
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Alabama Department of Labor Secretary Fitzgerald Washington announced today that Alabama's preliminary, seasonally adjusted December unemployment rate is 3.1%, unchanged from November's rate, and below December 2020's rate of 4.7%. December's rate represents 69,854 unemployed persons, compared to 68,710 in November and 106,318 in December 2020.

"For five months now, our unemployment rate has held steady at 3.1%," said Washington. "We all know of the challenges facing today's workforce, most of which are still pandemic related, and we're grateful that Alabama is weathering these challenges. Since last year, more than 36,000 people are no longer counted as unemployed, and we saw more than 7,000 additional people shift to the employed column since last month."

Over the year, wage and salary employment increased 48,400, with gains in the trade, transportation, and utilities sector (+11,700), the leisure and hospitality sector (+11,000) and the manufacturing sector (+8,800), among others.

"We continue to see improvement in our wages as well," continued Washington. "Total private weekly wages are up $26.65 over the year, manufacturing weekly wages are up $85.17 over the year, and the Professional & Business Services and Leisure & Hospitality sectors both saw new record high weekly wages in December."

Total private weekly wages were $973.41 in December, representing a $26.65 yearly increase. Manufacturing weekly wages were $1,258.17, representing an $85.17 yearly increase. In the Professional & Business Services sector, a record high weekly wage was recorded at $1,245.05, and the Leisure & Hospitality sector also saw a record high weekly wage at $412.25, an increase of $57.94 over the year.

Over the month, 65 of 67 counties saw their unemployment rate decrease or remain the same in December. All 67 counties saw unemployment rate decreases over the year.

Counties with the lowest unemployment rates are Shelby and Cullman counties at 1.8%, Marshall and Blount counties at 1.9% and Limestone, Dekalb, Clay and Cherokee counties at 2%. Counties with the highest unemployment rates are: Wilcox County at 10.3%, Lowndes County at 8.4% and Perry County at 7.2%.

Major cities with the lowest unemployment rates are Athens at 1.4%, Alabaster at 1.7% and Homewood, Madison and Vestavia Hills at 1.8%. Major cities with the highest unemployment rates are Selma at 8.1%, Prichard at 6.9% and Anniston at 5.1%.


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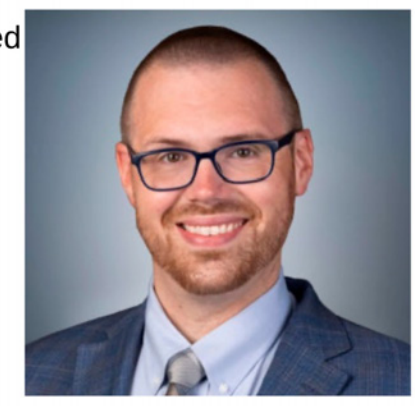
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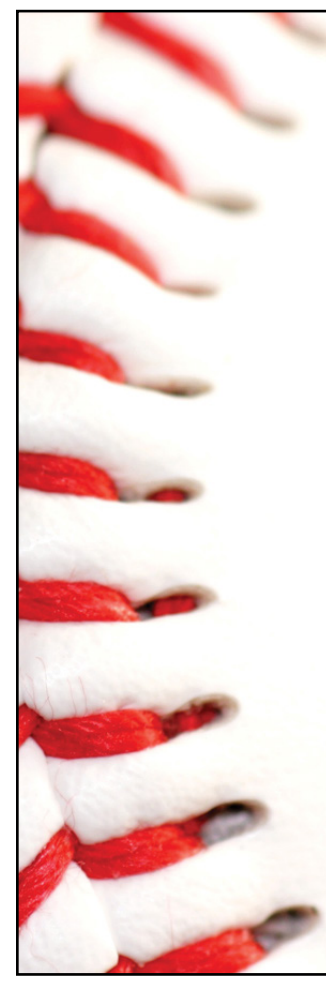
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Grants (from Front)

Russell Sellers
ADECA

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Gov. Kay Ivey has awarded grants totaling nearly $47 million to help low-income households with utility costs during the cold winter and hot summer months.

The grants will enable 18 community service agencies to provide emergency funding to help low-income families heat and cool their homes in 2022.

"Alabama's coldest and hottest times of the year hit many low-income residents particularly hard when they can struggle to pay their utility bills," Gov. Ivey said.

"These grants will provide extra funding to assist in lowering the costs for many of them so that they can stay warm in the winter and cool in the summer."

Gov. Ivey awarded the grants to 18 community agencies that manage the program at the local level and receive applications from individuals seeking assistance.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants from funds made available by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

"ADECA stands with Gov. Ivey in supporting those who need help most during our hottest and coldest months," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said.

"These partnerships with local community agencies ensure that those who truly need assistance will receive emergency help with heating and cooling their homes."

Below is a list of each grant, the recipient agency, counties served and the agency telephone number:

• $1.34 million to Community Action Agency of Northwest Alabama Inc. (Colbert, Franklin and Lauderdale) 256-766-4330

• $2.46 million to Community Action Partnership of Middle Alabama Inc. (Autauga, Chilton, Elmore and Shelby) 205-755-1204

• $1.24 million to Community Action Committee Inc. of Chambers-Tallapoosa-Coosa (Chambers, Coosa and Tallapoosa) 256-825-4287

• $1.39 million to Alabama Council on Human Relations Inc. (Lee) 334-821-8336

• $3.62 million to Community Action Partnership of Huntsville-Madison and Limestone Counties Inc. (Madison and Limestone) 256-851-9800

• $5.12 million to Mobile Community Action Inc. (Mobile and Washington) 251-457-5700

• $2.57 million to Montgomery Community Action Committee and Community Development Corporation Inc. (Montgomery) 334-263-3474

• **$3.22 million to Community Action Partnership of North Alabama Inc. (Cullman, Lawrence, Marion, Morgan and Winston) 256-355-7843**

• $3.9 million to Community Action Agency of Northeast Alabama Inc. (Blount, Cherokee, DeKalb, Jackson, Marshall and St. Clair) 256-638-4430

• $3.12 million to Organized Community Action Program Inc. (Bullock, Butler, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Lowndes and Pike) 334-566-1712

• $3.31 million to Community Action Agency of South Alabama (Baldwin, Clarke, Conecuh, Escambia, Marengo, Monroe and Wilcox) 251-626-2646

• $2.28 million to Community Action Agency of Talladega, Clay, Randolph, Calhoun and Cleburne (Calhoun, Clay, Cleburne, Randolph and Talladega) 256-362-6611

• $5.97 million to Community Service Programs of West Alabama Inc. (Bibb, Choctaw, Dallas, Fayette, Greene, Hale, Lamar, Perry, Sumter and Tuscaloosa) 205-752-5429

• $1 million to Walker County Community Action Agency Inc. (Walker County) 205-221-4010

• $3.06 million to Southeast Alabama Community Action Partnership Inc. (Barbour, Coffee, Geneva, Henry and Houston) 334-347-0881

• $510,922 to Pickens County Community Action Committee and Community Development Corporation Inc. (Pickens) 205-367-1283

• $1.2 million to Macon-Russell Community Action Agency Inc. (Macon and Russell) 334-727-6100

• $1.47 million to Community Action of Etowah County Inc. (Etowah) 256-546-9271

ADECA has issued a solicitation for applications to identify an eligible entity to administer the program in Jefferson County and will issue an announcement once that agreement is finalized.

Month (from Front)

hood Education Consultant Amanda Tanner.

Action items included:
• Financial report which included monthly financial statements and cash balance/bank reconciliations for November 2021, as presented by the chief school financial officer.

• Revision to Cullman City Head Start Non-Federal Share Waiver Request for FY21.

• Contract with Levi Stricklin to pride Residence Artistry in Set Building.

• TEAMS Contract with Tonia Broussard beginning Jan. 3, through June 30.

• Teacher Mentor Agreement – Courtney Waters beginning Aug. 2021 through May 2022.

• Teacher Mentor Agreement – Heather Brooks beginning Jan. through May.

• Resignation of Teacher Mentor Agreement – Sara McCutcheon, effective Jan. 7.

• Stipend for the following CNP Staff that provided the meal for the "Dinner with Devin" event on Jan. 13: Trinity Doss, Charlotte Hood, Vickie Wood, Kim Zavidil, Rachel Jimerson and Tammy Brown.

• Revision of the following Head Start Policies (approved by Head Start Policy Council Jan. 12)

• PO-HPS03 Oral Health Practices; PO-HPS06 Child Mental Health and Social and Emotional Well Being; PO-ERSEA02 Determining, Verifying and Documenting Eligibility; PO-ERSEA03 Recruitment of Children; PO-ERSEA04 Selection Process; PO-ERSEA05 Enrollment; PO-ERSEA06 Attendance

The following surpluses were also approved:

• #99-01 - 1999 International 72 passenger school bus

• #99-03 - 1999 International 66 passenger school bus

• #02-04 - 2000 International 72 passenger school bus

• Non-numbered CNP bus - 2003 International 48 passenger school bus

• Salvaged two inoperable Elmo's from the Technology Department

• Salvaged two art easels and one wooden desk from Cullman City Head Start

• Scrapped reach-in cooler from East Elementary School

Personnel items that were approved were:

Resignations
• Diane Culpepper from contract for part-time counselor at Cullman Middle School, effective Dec. 1, 2021.

• Patricia Talley from custodian at Cullman High School, effective Dec. 20, 2021.

• Sara McCutcheon from Spanish teacher at Cullman High School, effective Jan. 7.

• Broc Malcom from instructional assistant at Cullman High School, effective Dec. 17, 2021.

Transfer
• Jeri Entrekin - transfer from part-time special education teacher at Cullman Middle School to special education teacher at Cullman City Primary School, effective Jan. 19. (JV21 – 156)

Conditional employment
Under the terms of the Child Protection Act of 1999, Act No. 2022-457, pending certification and paraprofessional requirements as applicable:

• John Connor Adams - Special education Instructional assistant (itinerant), beginning Jan. 12 (retroactive)

• Kayla Sheree Walsh - Child nutrition program manager (Itinerant), beginning Jan. 19 (tentative)

• Kelly Michelle Barron - Long-term substitute (6th Grade Social Studies) to fill a leave of absence at East Elementary School, beginning Jan. 3

• Phyllis Thompson - Long-term substitute (Physical Education) to fill a leave of absence at East Elementary School beginning Jan. 19

• Robin Darden Cranford - Spanish teacher at Cullman High School, beginning Jan. 18

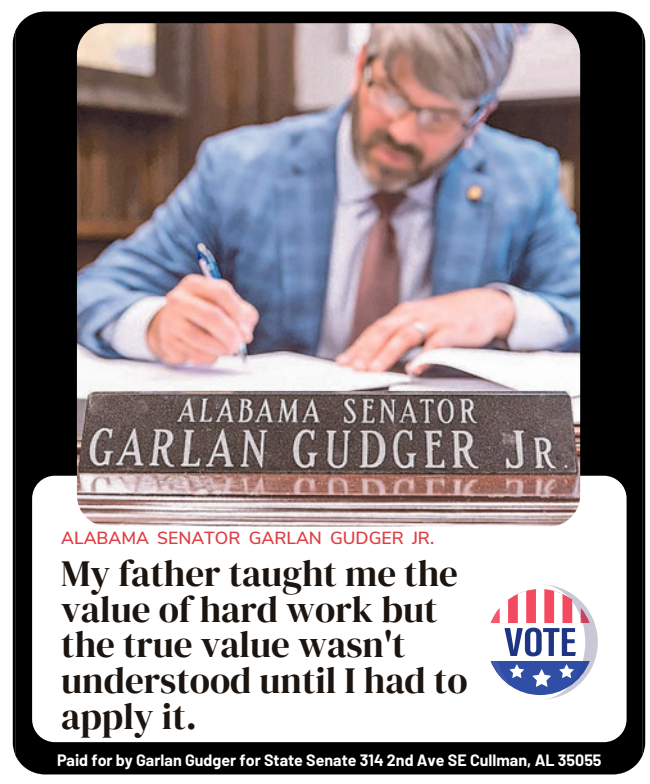
Supplement resignation:
• Sara McCutcheon - Student Government Association at Cullman High School effective Jan. 7.

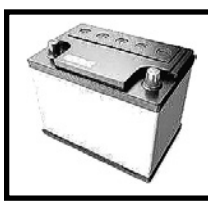
• Broc Malcom - 9th Grade Football Assistant, effective Dec. 17

Athletic supplement:
• Scott Broad - 9th grade head basketball coach (unfilled supplemented position)

Community coach:
• Jonathan Ryan Hunt - Tennis volunteer community coach

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. at Cullman Middle School.




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AGRICULTURE

Avian Influenza makes a return to the Southeast

Emery Tschetter
Contributor

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. – Highly pathogenic avian influenza has been confirmed in wild ducks in North Carolina and South Carolina. While professionals have not detected the bird disease in Alabama, migratory birds can bring the threat here in natural flyways.

Ken Macklin, a poultry specialist with the Alabama Cooperative Extension System, said even though the wild ducks were part of the Atlantic Flyway, and only part of Alabama is in that flyway, there is still substantial risk to poultry producers in the state.

Backyard poultry flocks face greatest risk of exposure

"These birds may be flying overhead as you read this, meaning the disease may already be here," said Macklin, who is also a professor of poultry science at Auburn University. "Following good biosecurity is the most effective way to prevent the disease from spreading into your poultry." Commercial poultry producers in Alabama, and throughout the Southeast, have already increased their level of biosecurity. This increased security includes being extra cautious with visitors, wearing extra shoe covers and increasing sanitizing of shoes, just to name a few things. "Backyard poultry producers must also increase their biosecurity diligence because, unlike commercial poultry, most backyard poultry are housed outside where the chance of being exposed to this virus is high," Macklin said. This increased biosecurity provides a measure of protection to not only the poultry producer, but also to neighbors that have poultry by not spreading the disease.

The following is some basic advice to protect poultry flocks:

- Isolate birds from potential disease carriers by making the coop and its surrounding area unappealing to wild birds.
- Minimize visitor traffic near the chicken coop, as they may have stepped in something carrying the virus.
- Sanitize anything and everything entering the coop.
- Recognize when the birds are acting sick. In the case of avian influenza, the birds will be extremely sick.

Whether raising 5, 50, 500 or 50,000+ chickens, preparing and following a good biosecurity program is important for maintaining the health and well-being of a poultry flock. If properly implemented, there is a good chance that a disease outbreak will not affect the flocks that have a good biosecurity program.

Avian influenza transmission

Infected waterfowl can shed the virus in secretions from the mouth, nostrils and eyes. They can also excrete the virus in their droppings. Contact with contaminated droppings is the most common means of bird-to-bird transmission. However, airborne secretions are another important means of transmission, especially within poultry houses. People can often trace the spread of avian influenza between poultry facilities to the movement of infected birds or contaminated people and equipment, including clothing, boots and vehicles. If a grower suspects that their chickens are sick, they should contact their veterinarian, state diagnostic lab or a qualified expert and get a diagnosis if possible.

Is chicken safe to eat?

Yes, poultry is safe to eat. Infected flocks do not enter the human food chain. When a person identifies avian influenza in a flock, they euthanize the chickens and dispose of their remains, usually on the farm.

More information

Alabama Extension offers more details about backyard poultry can be found here: https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/poultry/biosecurity-for-backyard-poultry-flocks/ or : https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/poultry/avian-influenza-faq-march-2020-update/.

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LEGALS

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on October 15, 2010 by William Bryan Jones, a single man, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1690, Page 782 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on February 11, 2022:

All that tract or parcel of land tying and being Lot 5 of the Redivision of Lot 18 of Saddlebrook Estates and unrecorded redivision, more particularly described as follows Commencing at an iron pin found at point purported to be the southeast corner of Lot 18 of Saddlebrook Estates as recorded in Plat Book 7, Pages 151 :& 152 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama. Being more particularly described as follows: thence North.89 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West 31.44 feet to a point on the West margin of Neptune Drive; thence along the West margin of said drive North 3 degrees 57 minutes 24 seconds West 308.71 feet to a point on the South margin of Mercury Drive; thence along the South margin of said drive as follows: thence North 88 degrees 24 minutes 31 seconds west 279.02 feet to a point; thence North 87 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds West 15.09 feet to a point, the point of beginning for the property herein described; thence leaving the. south margin of said drive South 4 degrees 11 minutes 17 seconds West 147 68 feet to point thence South 68 degrees 30 minutes 26 seconds West 104.28 feet to a point; thence North 4 degrees 11 minutes 17 seconds West 188.02 feet to a point on the South margin of said drive; thence along the South margin of said drive as follows: thence South 89 degrees 14 minutes 52 seconds East 70.51 feet to a point; thence South 87 degrees 51 minutes 39 seconds East 29.49 feet to the point of beginning containing 0.38 acres more or less.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
2002 Southridge manufactured home, Vin No. 1SRP17181AAL and 1SRP17181BAL located thereon.

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

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
The Cullman Tribune-January 22, 29, February 5, 2022

REQUESTS FOR BIDS

CULLMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT - VINEMONT, ALABAMA

Sealed bids will be received until Thursday, FEBRUARY 17, 2022 at 2:00 PM at Cullman Regional Airport located at 231 County Road 1360, Vinemont, Alabama 35179 and at said time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment and performing all work necessary for: HANGAR PROJECT at CULLMAN REGIONAL AIRPORT. Major items of work include: site work, foundation, and construction of a hangar: base bid - 100' x 100' hangar. All Bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Engineer; the Bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying the license number on the outside of the envelope in which the Proposal is delivered. **Proposer must be an Alabama General Contractor licensed by the State Licensing Board for the General Contractors for Alabama pursuant to Alabama Code Section 34-8-1, et seq.** Proposer must place his/her current license number on the outside of his/her sealed proposal or otherwise Proposer's proposal shall be rejected. These projects include all required site and building design and engineering; foundation, structure, utilities, fire protection; doors, windows, restrooms, finishes; HVAC, lighting, electrical, plumbing, and other associated items to create a fully capable facility. Any proposal received after the scheduled closing time for receipt of proposals will be returned to the Proposer unopened. The Request for Proposal may be examined in the office of the Airport Manager. You may also request the documents from the Airport Manager at bharrison@cullmanal.gov. Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid guaranty in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid, but not to exceed $50,000. The bid guaranty may be by certified check or bid bond made payable to the City of Cullman / Cullman County. Bids may be held by the City of Cullman / Cullman County for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of evaluating bids prior to award of contract. The City of Cullman / Cullman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in the bids received. The City of Cullman / Cullman County will hold retainage not to exceed 5% of the work completed.

Cullman Regional Airport
Ben Harrison, Airport Manager
231 County Road 1360
Vinemont, AL 35179

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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 2021-090
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
419 2nd Avenue SW, Suite A
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

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

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

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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

Billy W. Jackson
JACKSON & WILLIAMS
Attorney for Personal Representative
416 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, AL 35055
256-739-2546

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

Jerry L. Kilgo
Attorney for Petitioners
105 1st Ave. NE
Cullman, AL 35055

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52 ODES TO JOY: UNITING

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ODE TO UNITING
(Dedicated to John Lennon and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.)

I have a dream and
I'm inviting
All to end the fighting
and begin uniting.
Imagine a dream of no more
dividing, black and whiting;
A bit of history rewriting,
one world uniting.
I have a dream of hate
subsiding and faith abiding,
With love presiding, kindness guiding and all uniting.

Joy is best when it is shared. Uniting with some person or people deeply and with one's tribe is a fundamental need, like food and shelter. Our brains are wired to desire feeling socially united with others where we are accepted, supported and loved. Isolation and disunity cause us to suffer psychologically and joy to wither.

In his book, "Social: Why Our Brains Are Wired to Connect," UCLA Psychology Professor Matthew Lieberman says this about uniting: "Becoming more socially connected is essential to our survival. In a sense, evolution has made bets at each step that the best way to make us more successful is to make us more social." Here, Lieberman is not talking only about career success but in all areas of life and in all stages of aging. He adds, "We may not like the fact that we are wired such that our well-being depends on our connections with others, but the facts are the facts."

"I refuse to join any club that would have me as a member," was one of Groucho Marx most quotable lines. Actually, Groucho was born into a dynamic and thriving club. Uniting as a family act, the Marx brothers, Chico, Harpo, Groucho, Gummo and Zeppo, shared their joy from vaudeville to motion pictures through four decades.

You may not have the luck to be born into a family with which you find it fun to interact like the Marx Brothers. An idea would be to design and unite your own family with friendships.

Brother by another mother? Sister by another mister? Medical Genetics Research Professor Dr. James Fowler of the University of California San Diego has new data from 1,200+ sample group which provides scientific evidence that "friends are the family we choose."

Dr. Fowler's study and related genetics study at Yale University shows that friends share a lot of genes—as many as fourth cousins do. Evolutionary uniting as friends could have worked something like the following example. An early human finds she has the genetic mutation that allows her to speak. She senses the need to unite with a mate outside her family genetics who has this same ability. Together, like an Adam and Eve, they create a line of superior communicators. Uniting may well be Darwinian.

As lyricist Bob Merrill wrote for "Funny Girl:"
"People, people who need people, are the luckiest people in the world. We're children, needing other children and yet letting our grown-up pride hide all the need inside, acting more like children, than children."

ODES TO THE JOY OF UNITING FROM OTHERS

"Sometimes life is too hard to be alone, and sometimes life is too good to be alone."—Elizabeth Gilbert

"Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success."—Henry Ford

"Shared joy is a double joy; shared sorrow is half a sorrow."—Swedish proverb

"To get the full value of joy, you must have someone to divide it with."—Mark Twain

"The meeting of two personalities is like the contact of two chemical substances: if there is any reaction, both are transformed."—Carl Jung

"By building relations, we create a source of love and personal pride and belonging that makes living in a chaotic world easier."—Susan Lieberman

"What of people who aren't able to form close and strong relationships? And people who cannot find fulfillment in their lives, or those who have lost hope, who live in disappointment and bitterness and find no joy, no love? These, it seems to me, are the real 'disabilities.'"—Fred Rogers

"It is important to find a place where you feel trust, you feel belonging and stability."—Bojan Krkic

"We are driven by five genetic needs: survival, love and belonging, power, freedom and fun."—William Glasser

USEFUL AND UPBEAT TIPS FOR ULTIMATE UNITING: In her book, "Gathering: How We Meet and Why it Matters," author Priya Parker offers these guidelines (here with my asides) for making connections more meaningful when we are uniting:

UNDERSTAND WHY YOU ARE UNITING—You don't have to be moving civilization forward, it's perfectly fine to just be getting together for some laughs and fun but understanding the purpose will help assure your experience is a positive one.

SCHEDULE A STANDING DATE FOR UNITING—Pick a weekly or monthly day and time to get together and don't allow for a bunch of re-scheduling. If uniting is truly something you value, you will joyfully make the time a priority.

NO SOCIAL MEDIA WHEN YOU ARE UNITING—Make a rule as some families who wish for more meaningful connection do, to lessen distractions by having everyone put their so-called "smart" phone in a basket.

22 WAYS TO ADD MORE JOY TO YOUR 2022 BY UNITING (from Joy & Gerontology):

1. DEEPLY HATE SOMETHING WITH SOMEONE—"The reason grandparents and grandkids get along so well is that they have a common enemy," humorist Sam Levenson reminds us. It may not say the most positive thing about us humans, but psychological research supports people bond more intensely over things they hate together rather than love together. "LET'S GO BRANDON" and Trump-bashing garner a lot more passion than any wonky policy discussion. If you're exhausted with American politics, how about joining others to protest what you both perceive as unenlightened environmental thugs or on the homefront, The First Wives/Husbands Club.

2. GET A PART-TIME JOB—I'm thinking here of the millions of retired Americans who are tired of being stuck in lockdown with the same four walls and often even fewer people. Employers are begging for workers, the pay has increased and you will unite with co-workers and customers.

3. SPIRITUAL RETREAT—You may need this even more after your political "hate fest." There are opportunities for directed mindfulness for every budget. You could DIY via books and YouTube at home, find inexpensive navel-gazing gatherings in-state, or go all-out "eat, love, pray" in Bali.

4. INNER-CITY LOFT LIVING—After a long marriage (aren't they all?), I moved from suburbia to what was then the new frontier of "loft living" in my city. I expected to have a cool, perhaps edgier lifestyle. However, what I found was the warmest community I have ever experienced over my seven decades. People were proactively uniting with such things as monthly potluck dinners, group discounts on entertainment events and flash mobs. What I learned was in suburbia, I lived in my house bubble, waved to neighbors from my windows-sealed car bubble and spent the bulk of daylight hours in my work bubble. Are you familiar with Sutton's Law? It is named for bank robber Willie Sutton. When reporters asked why he robbed banks, Sutton famously replied, "Because that's where the money is." So, if you recognize the need to unite with more people, go where they are already uniting.

5. FACEBOOK GROUPS AND EVENTS—Just as we are fragmenting into micro-nations, uniting on the common ground that online connections allow means "Greek meets Greek" and flocking songbirds and lovebirds have never found it easier to meet up.

6. BARTERING AND UNITING—No one is great at everything. Delve into some self-analytics on your skills/traits and then think of what you are good at and what you are not so good at. Then, think of what you might give to someone else in a fair exchange of what they might give you. I would rather do yardwork than housework, so maybe I could unite with some neatnik who would like a container garden or a rakish lawn.

7. PANDEMIC FATIGUE WHINE AND THERAPY GROUP—Now, three years in, most of us are simply mad as Hell about COVID-19 and any other related numbers including Omicron 24/7, and we've had it UP TO HERE with all the "No No Rules" that come with it. Contact your local mental health authority to explore ways to safely unite for "COVID Chat Therapy" and therapeutic "venting."

8. THE JOY BOOK/FILM CLUB—Wanna add some joy to your life and to others? How about uniting through books and films that share messages of hope and positivity? I'm getting with my local public library to see if we can bolster such offerings to circulate. Zoom is a good way for positive-thinking readers to unite. A couple of books I found useful in 2021 were: "The Happiness Project" by Gretchen Rubin and "Little Pieces of Hope" by Todd Doughty.

9. YOUR DREAM + TEAM—What is a project you've been thinking of recently or possibly for years? I'll share one that has been running through my brain for a number of years, but I haven't made it happen yet. Please, if you want to collaborate on this or have suggestions that could help me "git 'r done," let's do some uniting. My dream has been to have some sort of weather-safe receptacle where people could leave their "prayer requests," or if that is too churchy for you, their "wishes" that might be collected weekly and shared with a spirit-lifting team to usher to the universe. To materialize this "dream," I would need some others on my team: someone with a public space, someone who I might help build a weather-safe receptacle, someone to let the community know this option exists and how it works, someone or group to collect and lift the prayers/wishes, other. I'm not suggesting this is "THE" project that most needs doing or that it should unite a lot of people, but maybe some, and I need some other heads and hearts uniting on a team to make it happen. Now, what is a project that keeps nudging you to unite a team to accomplish?

10. UMARELLI, OLD MEN WHO STARE AT CONSTRUCTION SITES—Yes, this is actually a thing. This wouldn't have to be about uniting only old or only men, but in Italy where it was first identified ("umarell" is an Italian term for an older man), it began with the retired male demographic. The American food corporation, Burger King, recruited umarells to monitor construction of their newly planned sites in Italy to unite loyal customers in this traditionally fast-food snubbing nation.

11. UNITING FOR SLOWING—Going fast is often fun but for enhancing joy in one's life, slowing is often the better pace. Writing about the "umarelli" above reminded me of the "Slow Food Movement," another an Italian innovation. Many of us bemoan the shallowness and lack of connection in 21st century living. "Slow food" aims for people to find more pleasure via carefully prepared, fresh food and consciously relaxing and uniting with others at the table. Many cooks and chefs in the U.S. have joined the "Slow Food Movement." When you have the time to explore the concept with more depth. There are many articles for you to read as you sip a cappuccino with your friends or better yet, with a nice glass of prosecco. Buon appetito!

12. DISC GOLF FOURSOME—This is an almost NO COST, public alternative to planet-hating, old school golfing. For the price of a Frisbee and a tiny commitment from public parks and rec, hundreds can benefit from the joys of nature, get some vitamin D sunshine and exercise while uniting. Some communities even have golf discs to loan from public libraries and parks suppliers. (Last year, a local mayor of a small town and I were given a demonstration of this uniting and growing sport by local "Disc Golf Ambassadors" Bo Shirey and Mark Clark of the Cullman Disc Club. I left not only a believer, but an enthusiast of the sport.)

13. UNITING INTERGENERATIONAL CHANGEMAKERS FOR POSITIVE SOCIAL CHANGES—is the mission of encore.org. People who want to make the world a better place are often segregated by age—easy assumptions are that AARP is for senior issues and Boy Scouts/Girl Scouts for young activists. Encore bridges generations of do-gooders to do good by uniting across the U.S. and across the age groups.

14. GET THEE TO A DISTILLERY—for locally brewed craft beers and vineyard-to-table wines which unite fun-loving adventurers. First explore local and then broaden your search for an easy day trip. My suggestions are "Karaoke Night/Thursday" at Goat Island Brewery, the downtown Huntsville craft beer pubs and a short drive to the vineyards of East Alabama (Calhoun and Cleburne counties).

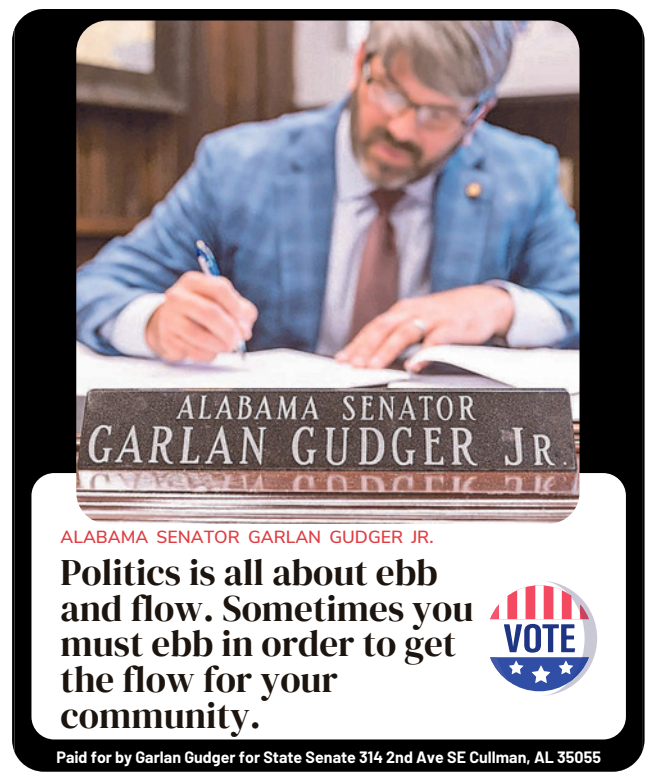
15. FINDING COMMON GROUNDS AT COFFEE SHOPS—Uniting over a hot cup of coffee has been popular for centuries. The oldest coffee shop I've ever gotten a caffeine buzz in is Café Procope in the 16th arrondissement of Paris, a jump-jiving java joint since 1686. Marie Antoinette, Napoleon, Voltaire and American ambassador, Ben Franklin sipped coffee there. Hey, if it's good enough for that Ben, it's good enough for me. The coffee I sipped at Café Procope tasted like lukewarm dish water, but today's coffee culture offers flavorful, mostly affordable adventures to transport your creative brainstorming gatherings. Our small town has corporate coffee like Starbucks and Dunkin' Donuts, but I prefer the authenticity of our top class, local shops: Berkeley Bobs, Karma's and Duchess Donuts.

16. MAKE ZOOM MORE FUN—The Zoom meetings I've participated in have mostly been sterile, spirit-sagging, sometimes sadsacky, second-rate, soporific and serious, but with a playful spirit, we can be uniting with a bit more zippity-do-dah. Zoom Pictionary, anyone? Zoom Charades? Zoom Cosplay? Zoom Rock, Paper, Scissors? Zoom Talk-Like-a-Pirate Day?

17. LOCAL HISTORY WALKING TOUR—Join one if some group like your historical association is already sponsoring them. If not, create your own to unite people with each other and their shared place. Working with local folks a couple of years ago, I created a "History Cakewalk." We learned some things while noshing bites of delicious, local favorites like glazed doughnuts Johann Sebastian Bach loved, while a gifted musician gave a mini-Bach organ concert at our Catholic cathedral, cannolis at Carlton's Italian Café, classic orange rolls at the All-Steak Restaurant, crumb coffeecake at Karma's, etc. This made for a history lesson that is a sweet memory.

18. NEIGHBORING and UNITING—Good causes bring good people together and sometimes give even so-so people a feel-good opportunity. (Note: The next installment in this yearlong series of "52 Odes to Joy" is fully dedicated to "Neighboring.")

19. PUT ON YOUR BIG GIRL POM POMS—One of



my "most-liked" Facebook postings was inspired by Garth Brooks, "Blame it all on my roots, I showed up in majorette boots." It was a joke, yes REALLY, but how about uniting people with some RAH-RAH like a community cheer team for girls' soccer or even a parade. Just because some of our majorettes might have fleshed up a bit through the years doesn't mean they can't twirl like their inner-teen self. Heckfire, if it'll bring some joyful smile-making during this pandemic, I'm totally up for shaking some pom poms.

20. RUN AWAY AND START A CIRCUS—Can you juggle or swallow fire? Yeah, I know, me neither. But everyone has some talent to amuse. Together, and we'll add a few others along the way, we can be THE GREATEST SMILE-MAKING SHOW ON EARTH!! Remember all the joy the Shriner's Circus bring to town and they generate millions of dollars of do-gooder donations for the burn units of children's hospitals across THE GREATEST COUNTRY ON EARTH!!

21. EXERCISE/YOGA/LINE DANCE/ZUMBA—we can start a new movement. You can only dance in your go-go cage alone for so long and then you need to bust a move as you are uniting with others. Callin' out around the world, are you ready for a brand, new beat? We'll be dancin' in the street.

22. MAKE YOUR FORMER "KOOL-AID" HOUSE THE NEW, HEALTHY "VITAMIX HOUSE"—Smart kids grow up and so does their appreciation for "real food" and non-sugary nutrition. Big-year-olds enjoy colorful, healthier drinks. Try the array of smoothies at https://www.vitamix.com/us/en_us/, including the "Spinach/Mint Mocktail," the "Cucumber/Cantaloupe Smoothie" and the recipe below for a gorgeous, magenta-hued "Mixed Berry and Green Tea Smoothie." Replace your dining table with a Ping-Pong table as pottery joy-giver, Jonathan Adler, did—and your "Vitamix House" will generate even more laughter and fun than ever.

THE MIXED BERRIES AND GREEN TEA UNITING SMOOTHIE
(Source: Vitamix.com)
Yield: 3 ½ cups

INGREDIENTS
- 1 ½ cups green tea, chilled
- 2 tablespoons honey
- ½ orange, peeled, seeded
- 1 banana, frozen, halved
- 2 cups frozen mixed berries

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Place all ingredients into the Vitamix container in the order listed and secure lid.

2. Select Frozen Dessert program.

3. Switch machine to Start and allow machine to complete programmed cycle.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK UNITING US IN JOY

Jan. 22 — Daniel "Big Fish" Wallace

Jan. 23 — Mariska Hartigay

Jan. 24 — Maria Tallchief

Jan. 25 — Alicia Keys

Jan. 26 — Ellen Degeneres

Jan. 27 — Mikail Baryshnikov

Jan. 28 — Jackson Pollock

UNITING WITH SOME SHARED JOKES ABOUT CONNECTIONS

"I hate connect-the-dot puzzles. That's where I draw the line."

"The secret to uniting in love is finding someone who treats you like royalty, someone who help you be a better person and someone who you enjoy physically. Then, making sure they never meet."

"I thought I came up with a great idea for making a belt by connecting watches from my collection...Then, I realized it was just a Waist of Time."

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

70. Jiffy Pop.

71. Being on a farm under the stars with no "light pollution."

72. New Orleans Superdome.

73. The Coneheads.

74. Horton Hatches the Egg.

75. Cindy Lou Who.

76. The Who.

77. The group hug ending "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" series.

78. Betty White

79. The Betty White Super Bowl Snickers ad.

80. French cuffs.

81. French ooh-la-la.

82. Ruby slippers.

83. Ruby Begonia.

84. Donna Reed's pearl necklace.

85. Tommy Bahama shirts.

86. The roll of Lifesavers in your mom's church purse.

87. Wedgwood divorce China.

88. Madame and Waylon.

89. Willie and Waylon.

90. A train ride to the city of New Orleans.

91. A nudie sideshow to benefit the blind.

92. Brailling

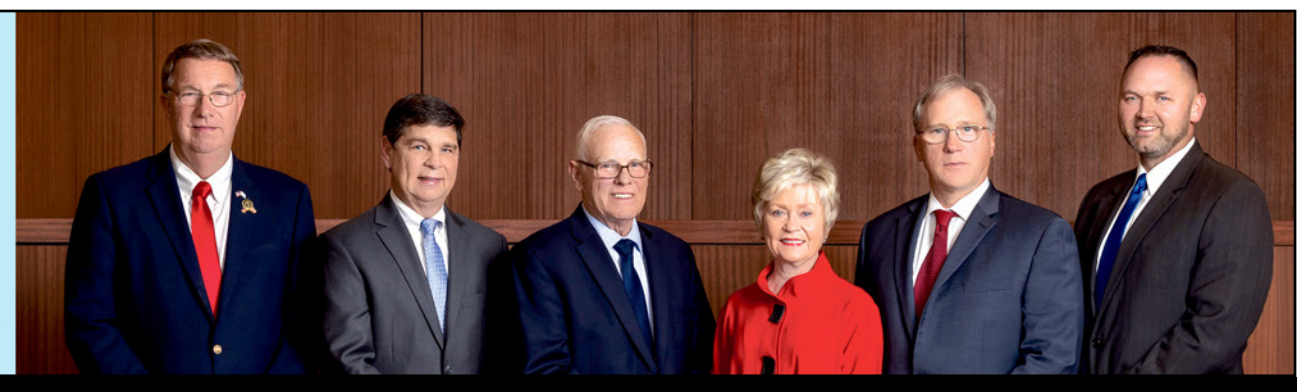
93. Cotton candy bought with hard-earned cotton-pickin' money.

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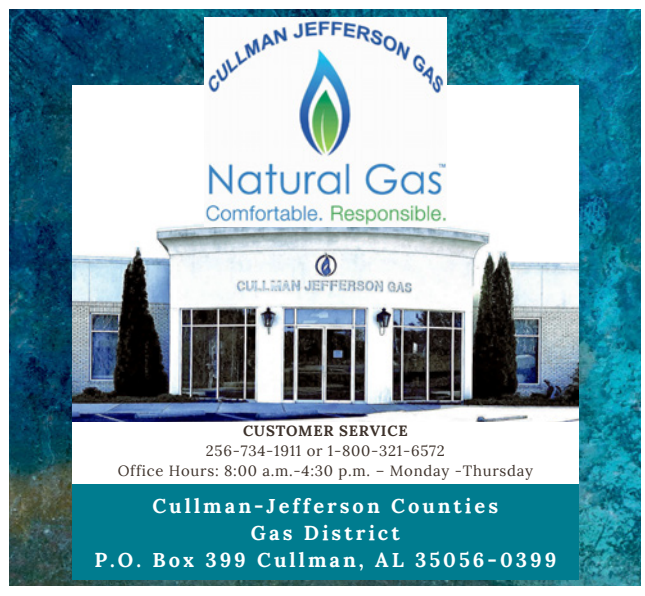
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Obituary Announcements: Jan. 20-21

Peggy Sue Wilborn, 88, of Cullman
Memorial services are incomplete at this time for Peggy Sue Wilborn, 88, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Wilborn family. Mrs. Wilborn passed away Thursday, Jan. 20, at CRMC. She was born July 27, 1933, to Marion Leroy and Emma Christine Merten Richardson. She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings: M.L., Ralph, Melba and Christine. Survivors include her son: Dennis (Debbie) Wilborn; daughter: Sandra (Lynn) Dulaney; grandchildren: Jared (Jessica) Dulaney, Dr. Erin (Taylor) Britt and Westin (Olivia) Wilborn; great-grandchildren: Walsh Britt, Mac Britt, Wood Britt, Dulaney Britt, Minnie Dulaney, Gunner Wilborn, Owen Wilborn and baby Britt (6/25); nieces and nephews: Sarah Dunn, Sheila Breland, Karen Merick, Kelli Patti, Kathryn Hood, Dr. Mel Richardson, III and Buddy Malley and a host of family and friends.

Paul Allen Graves, 84, of Cullman
Funeral service for Paul Allen Graves, 84, of Cullman, will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. prior to the service at Cullman Funeral Home. The interment will follow at Graves Gap Cemetery. Mr. Graves died Jan. 20, from Alzheimer's. He was born March 13, 1937, to James Lewis and Alice Zadie Barber Graves. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Graves family. He is survived by his wife of 59 years: Viola Graves; three children and two stepchildren: Roger Graves (Glenda), Theresa Baker (Joey), Terry Graves (Sandra), Virginia Breedlove (Danny) and Mary Lowery; nine grandchildren and a host of great-grandchildren.

Fred Simoneaux, 85, of Jacksonville, North Carolina
Fred Simoneaux, 85, of Jacksonville, North Carolina, passed away at his home Monday, Jan. 17. A native of Greenwood, Michigan, he was the husband of Aimee (Peterson) Simoneaux for 39 years, and the son of the late Wilbur and Isabelle (Chaisson) Simoneaux. He spent most of his childhood and early adult years living in Cullman, Alabama, where he obtained a degree in accounting, and then decided to join his beloved Marine Corps at his first opportunity. He served in the USMC for 16 years, traveled the world and served his country as a Master Gunnery Sargent in Vietnam. He later found his calling in the concrete industry, where he spent the following 42 years covering the Carolinas and making friends all along the way. In addition to his wife, left to cherish his memory are his daughters: Nory Simoneaux (Paul Bergin) of Wilmington, Kelly Simoneaux of Jacksonville, Meghan Simoneaux of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Erin Simoneaux also of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; brother: Dick Simoneaux of Arizona; grandson: Graham and his beloved grand-dog, Arnold. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother: Sonny Simoneaux. "His girls," wife and grandson were his top priorities, and always went above and beyond for them. He gave them the world, and made it look easy. He was the definition of a well-respected and well-connected businessman, and an even better family man. He lived a long and fulfilled life, surrounded by people who loved him dearly. Visitation will be held Wednesday, Jan. 26, from 4-6 p.m. at Coastal Cremations and Funeral Care, Jacksonville, North Carolina. To know Sam was to love Sam. He never met a stranger and was always ready to greet you with a smile and a "Hey, Baby (or Buddy)" and would do anything for anyone at any time. You could always count on Sam! He will be forever missed by all who loved and were lucky to know him.

Marvin Lee Johnson, 80, of Cullman
Marvin Lee Johnson, age 80, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Friday, Jan. 21. Marvin was born May 1, 1941, in Helicon, Alabama to Carl and Lorene Denson Johnson. He is preceded in death by his parents. He was a veteran of The United States Army and he worked at Cloverleaf Chevrolet in Decatur as the parts sales manager. Funeral services are Sunday, Jan. 23, at 2 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, with Rev. John Bussman officiating. Mr. Johnson will lie in state for one hour prior to the service at the church. Interment will follow services in Cullman City Cemetery. Survivors are wife: Johanna Hartwig Johnson; sons: Tim (Emily) Johnson of Atlanta, Georgia. and Mark (Kellie) Johnson of Cullman, Alabama; daughters: Leah (Kevin) Arnold of Muscle Shoals, Alabama. and Marianna (John) Wester of Huntsville, Alabama. and eight grandchildren: Sandy and Oliver Johnson, John Mark Johnson, Delaney and Sam Arnold, Julianna, Corrine and Tripp Wester. Visitation is Sunday, Jan. 23, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church from 1-2 p.m. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Franklin Ervin "Frank" Aderholt, 74, of Cullman
Franklin Ervin "Frank" Aderholt, age 74, of Cullman, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 19, at his home. He was born Aug. 3, 1947, to Ervin and Mable Aderholt. Private graveside services were held. Frank is survived by his wife: Sharon Lucas Aderholt; daughter: Sherry (Billy) Seymore; son: Joey Aderholt; granddaughter: Megan Seymore; brothers: Donald (Gloria) Aderholt and Dennis (June) Aderholt and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Ervin and Mable Speegle Aderholt and brother: Shirley Ray Aderholt.

Barbara Ann Sclafini Rutherford, 85
Barbara Ann Sclafini Rutherford, Jan. 2, 1937 - Jan. 17, 2022, was a loving mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and wife to her late husband. She is survived by her son: Kevin (Kelli) Rutherford; grandchildren: Korban, Ava, Kelsie and Haley; great-granddaughters: Audrey and Adele; daughter: Charissa (Garian) Nobinger; five grand fur babies; her brother: Charles (Jo) Sclafini; a great number of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, great-great-nephews, as well as a number of friends that she loved as sisters, bonus kids and bonus grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband of 47.5 years: Wayne; her oldest son: Wayne Michael; her parents: Anthony and Mildred Sclafini; her sisters: Carol Berman and Florence Saracco and brother: Tony Sclafini. She will be deeply missed. Barbara looked forward to the day that she would get to be reunited with her son, Wayne Michael, and husband, Wayne and all her family and friends that preceded her in death. Acts 24:15. A memorial will be held January 29, 2022, starting at 2:45 p.m. Please contact family for video conference link.

Peter Jerome O'Donnell, 73, of Cullman
Peter Jerome O'Donnell, age 73, of Cullman, passed away Monday, Jan. 17, at Veterans Hospital Birmingham. He was born Feb. 12, 1948, in, Rhode Island to Charles and Ann O'Donnell. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sisters. Survivors include his wife: Janet O'Donnell; sons: Christopher (Debbra) Burk, Randall Burk and Matthew O'Donnell; daughter: Jessica O'Donnell; grandchildren: Blake Swearengin, Allison Burk, Riley Burk and Anna Burk and a host of brothers, sisters, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Mr. Patton's prophecy has come true

Bill King
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I realized my life's calling at the beginning of my senior year of high school. It was not anything I had ever imagined myself doing. My work experience back then included helping my dad in his coal and building supply business, cutting grass, working for my neighbor in his auto-clean-up shop, and working for my brother in his auto-paint-and-body shop. I had also spent a couple of falls picking cotton. I did not feel compelled to spend the rest of my life doing any of those things, especially the cotton-picking thing. When I was 13, Dad closed his business and spent the remaining two-years of his life doing long-haul trucking. Since he was rarely home, I decided then and there I didn't want to choose that for my profession. Early on, I had fanciful thoughts of becoming a veterinarian. I have always loved animals, and still do. Like many kids who get a guitar, and actually learn to play, I also had pipe-dreams of becoming a rock star. At one point, like many boys in the 70s, I even had the hair for it.

In the early 70s, there was a great spiritual awakening among teenagers and young adults in this country.

It was called The Jesus Movement. In the early part of 1972, there was a great youth revival at Second Baptist Church, in Fort Payne.

It spread to other nearby towns and churches, including those on Sand Mountain. A great number of young people made decisions for Christ during that time, including myself. Many sensed a calling into ministry.

Later that year, I sensed my own calling to a life of ministry. On a Wednesday night, Rev. Max Tucker, pastor of Second Baptist, gave me my first opportunity to speak.

I used all of 7 minutes to say everything I had planned to say, and some I had not. Not long afterwards, Rev. Nolan Ford, pastor of my home church, Broadway in Rainsville, invited me to "fill the pulpit" on a Sunday night. I was already getting long winded. That time I lasted 12 minutes.

Those early years were during the days of youth revivals, special youth Sundays, bonfire services, and retreats. Suddenly, I had more opportunities to speak and sing than I ever imagined. I also used my guitar for a new purpose.

I played Christian music on it and sang a new song. I even turned some of those old rock songs into Christian songs. At the old age of 21, while still in college, I was ordained and began pastoring my first church.

I still remember the words my next-door neighbor, friend, and fellow church member, Mr. Ernest Patton, spoke after that second sermon. He said, "Bill, if Jesus doesn't return first, you'll still be preaching 50-years from now."

Fifty years seemed like an eternity to me back then. Now, 50-years later, it seems like the blink of an eye, and although Mr. Patton is long gone, his prophecy has now come to pass.

This past Sunday, my sweet wife and daughter put together a celebration of my 50-years in ministry, as well as my retirement from Tuskegee Lee Baptist Association. Even with snow falling, and Covid rising, many of the ministers from our association, and their wives, came to celebrate and congratulate. Tables were filled with pictures and memorabilia from my years in ministry...oh, and edible goodies. Friends, colleagues, and former church and staff members sent cards and notes, which I greatly enjoyed reading. Thank you to all who had any part in those 50 years, Sunday's celebration, and especially to my family. I am indeed one blessed man!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1950, 1900

From the Files of 1950

Mrs. Fred Kelley and Charles, Junior are here to visit her mother, Mrs. C.W. Sandlin, who is seriously ill.

Cullman upset Saint Bernard in first round action of the county basketball tournament, 41 to 40. There was a minute left to play when Saint Bernard guard, Postom, sank a free throw to break the tie, then Cullman's Asa Blalock hit the winning field goal as the clock expired. Other Cullman scorers were Robinson 16, Doss 9, Bobby Blalock 9, Edwards 3 and Dahlke 2.

Those being treated at the hospital include Mesdames Mittie Teague, John L. Link, R.B. Boatright, William D. Lamont, Roy Self, Lee Willingham, Dennis Blalock, Thomas Phillips, J.W. Bates, H.L. Couch, R.W. Hughes, G.W. White, C.A. Smith, E.J. Morrow, Charles Shultz, Elwin Waldrop, Ed Evans and I.P. Speegle and Messers Will Dean, J.G. Allred, Thomas Reynolds, Elmer Johnson, Elbert Kilgo, James H. Yates, Boyce Smith, E.E. Cagle, Eddie Baker, Edward Hinkle and Misses Sue White, Anita Plunkett, Doris Jean Northcutt, Temple Murphree, Dora Williams and Baby Decca Kilpatrick.

Mrs. Carl Kinney, Mrs. C.V. Padgett, Mrs. Ed Ziegler and Mrs. Harry Parker were in charge of the ham and egg breakfast for the Bob Sapp Sunday School class las Sunday. The class was organized in 1941.

Mrs. Lizzie Daniel is the West Cullman Baptist Association Young Leader this year.

William P. Alldredge, age 67, died on Tuesday. Services were held at Emeus. He is survived by sons: J.A., R.C., J.B. and A. Alldredge and daughters: Mrs. Winnie Davis, Mrs. Edith Sherrill Pitts and Mrs. Mildred Butts.

Miss Mary Ellen McAfee and Millard Freeman were married on January 20.

Zach Burrow of Bethany died last week after a long illness.

Mrs. Jim Hale of Upshaw suffered a heart attack last week.

Mrs. H.G. Pinkston and Carole are ill this week.

From the Files of 1900

Hugh Williams, Junior, is out again after a light attack of mumps.

Chris Scheuing has ordered an entire new outfit of buggies, harnesses, etc. for his livery stable.

James C. Calvert of Bremen, one of the foremost candidates for Tax Assessor, spent some time electioneering in Cullman last week.

POET'S CORNER

Chores | By: Randy C. Hale

There is such much to do
North, South, East, and West.
I cannot do them all, but I
should try my best.

The dust of earth to sweep away,
and hours without rest.
And once I do them one by one,
the list is never less.

I do them for a while,
holding up my chin, but
sometimes with a little fuss,
to do them once again.

I push the stone up the hill,
like Sisyphus always will,
and watch it beat me down again
with looks from me to kill.

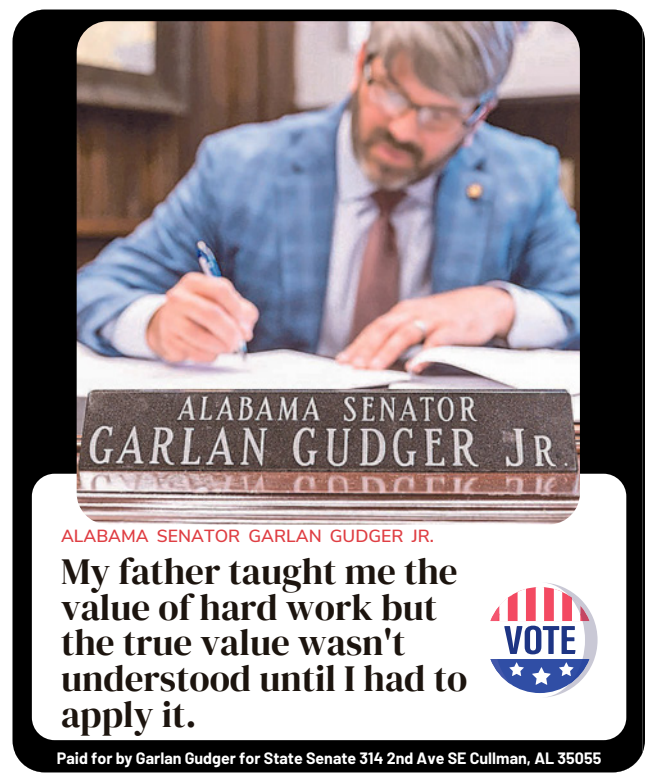
But chores don't care regardless
of how I think and feel,
I'll do them as I can
until I've had my fill.

Like Adam of the Bible,
I'll sweat to eat my bread,
and do this work relentless,
until I'm gone and dead.

One day it will be over,
the dust I'll leave behind.
I'll kick the bucket of this life,
and suds will run and hide.

And what of all these things to do,
North, South, East, and West.
I never did them all,
but maybe tried my best.





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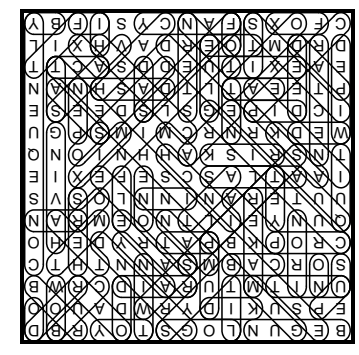
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Exhibit (from Front)

of Cullman in 2019. Vincent, who has been a professional photographer for just as long, has experience in observing and photographing ballet.

Vincent posted a note as an introduction to his exhibit which read, "In a way, this show is an antidote to Photoshop and Instagram.

"It is a reminder that reality is not a meaningless word and is far more fascinating than the virtual and anonymously scripted fallacies currently imposed upon us."

Brooke said the photos were not planned or staged, "We didn't plan it, but we just had so many great photos that were too good to go on Instagram and disappear, so we decided to do this because it's a great tribute to the girls because it shows clearly the comradery between them."

The Brooke Desnoes Ballet Academy has been in operation for two years.

Their next show, "Cinderella," will be on Saturday, April 9, at the Princess Theater in Decatur.

The event doubled as fundraiser and each print on display was sold for $20. Half of the proceeds will be donated to The Friends of Ballet South.



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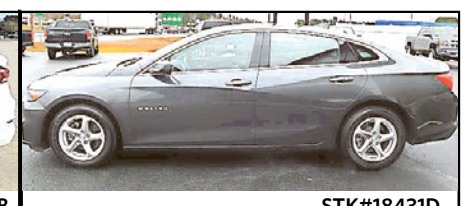
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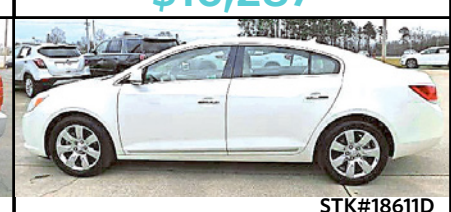

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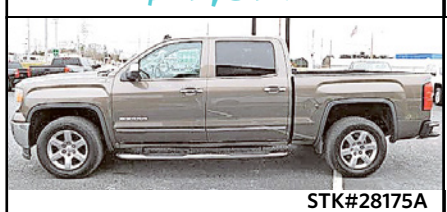

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