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Cullman County BamaCarry announces candidate endorsements

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County BamaCarry members announced on Saturday their endorsement of two candidates.

"We are pleased to share our endorsement of Sheriff Matt Gentry," CC BamaCarry said.

"He is the people's sheriff, and he has proven this time after time, he has also proven his commitment to making Cullman County a better place to live, work and raise our families."

They went on to share a second endorsement for Cullman County District Attorney.

"We are pleased to endorse Champ Crocker for district attorney. We feel he is the candidate who will put in the work to support the citizens of Cullman County and the work of the Sheriff's department. So it is our pleasure to offer our endorsement to both of these gentlemen."



CONTRIBUTED

Champ Crocker



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Matt Gentry

Cornhole tournament fundraiser held at Vinemont Elementary for Christian Hart Memorial Scholarship



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Players seen during a match on Saturday

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Vinemont Elementary School Gym hosted The Christian Hart Memorial Cornhole Tournament Saturday, Jan. 29. There were two divisions of Bring Your Own Partner games. The Social Division was $30 for entry and players could use provided house bags. The Competitive Division was $40 for entry and players were required to bring their own bags. These were followed by an airmail shot and a $10 blind draw partner tournament.

The winners of the Social Division:

- **1st:** Jeremy Crowe and Patrick Caffey
- **2nd:** Allen Cone and Gary Reid
- **3rd:** Nathan Sharp and Chasity Martin

Competitive Division:

- **1st:** Jed Thomas and Brent Dutton
- **2nd:** Paul Pearman and Russ Manns
- **3rd:** Daniel Tolton and Kenny Hogan

Blind Draw:

- **1st:** Kage Williams and Brant Rowell
- **2nd:** Robert Haddix and Toby Parker

The event was created in memory of Christian Hart who passed away in 2019. The tournament is a way to raise money for the Christian Hart Memorial Scholarship fund. Lynn Shaddix, organizer of the event, said the reason he chose to do a cornhole tournament was because, "It was just an experimental thing to see if we could raise some good money. I like cornhole and he [Christian] did, and we played it some. It was just something we wanted to try and see how it went over."

The tournament raised $3,300. Several » PAGE 8

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Jan. 31

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Jan. 31, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 27

- attempt to elude police officer; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; Firestation Rd.
- criminal mischief; CR 247
- trespassing; CR 1087
- harassment; Commercial St. NE
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 447

Jan. 28

- harassment; Beech Ave. SE
- trespassing; CR 09
- littering; CR 308
- domestic violence; CR 1304
- criminal mischief; CR 852
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 747
- theft of property; CR 509
- trespassing; CR 109
- domestic violence; Hwy. 69 N

Jan. 29

- harassment; CR 1570
- dog bite; CR 461
- assault; CR 89
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 224

Jan. 30

- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1855
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; sell/distribute drugs; CR 1371
- theft of property; CR 247
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 N
- theft of property; CR 855

ARRESTS

Jan. 28 – 30

Baker, Bethany P.; 28
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs

Bakery, Tyler W.; 29
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

Brown, David O.; 35
- FTA- no seat belt

Collins, Joshua T.; 31
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Corbin, Sarah K.; 26
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- using false identity to avoid/hinder prosecution

Davis, Jason L.; 36
- motion to revoke bond-buying/receiving stolen property
- motion to revoke bond-stolen vehicles-auto theft

Drummond, Heath L.; 30
- FTA- leaving scene of accident

Harris, Jamie E.; 18
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Harris, Tammy J.; 51
- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- stolen vehicles-auto theft

Hawkins, Brent J.; 30
- Public Order crimes-Alias Writ of Arrest

Holder, Dakota M.; 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- possessing stolen property $1,500 or more

Holder, Kimberly R.; 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Jones, Donald M.; 35
- Public Order crimes-Alisa Writ of Arrest

Landers, Barry W.; 37
- larceny/theft-aircraft/boats farm equipment

Lodge, Brianna J.; 19
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Ludwig, Kory P.; 42
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Malcom, Jerald E.; 38
- motion to revoke bond-sell/distribution of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

McClure, Jeffrey S.; 40
- Public Order crimes-Alias Writ of Arrest
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)

McDonald, Joshua R.; 31
- sell/distribute methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Monfort, John K.W.; 23
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs
- improper lane usage

Morris, Jason K.; 43
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Overton, Johnny L.; 56
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Twilley, Crystal B.; 38
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Whittle, Jacob E.; 37
- FTA- open container-alcohol in a vehicle
- FTA- operating vehicle with expired tag (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while license suspend (2 counts)
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance (2 counts)

Williams, Thomas W.; 24
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Jan. 26

- harassment; person; 13th St. NE

ARRESTS

Jan. 28 – 29

Collins, Joshua T.; 31
- FTA- expired tag

Smith, Carrie A.; 40
- fourth-degree theft of property

Aldridge, Carla O.; 59
- fourth-degree theft of property

Perkins, Anthony J.; 29
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (2 counts)
- fourth-degree theft of property

Moore, Joyce M.; 40
- public intoxication
- third-degree domestic violence

Cooper, Jimmy L.; 40
- third-degree domestic violence

Overton, Johnny L.; 56
- FTA- driving without license
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Urology (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman Urology has merged with Urology Centers of Alabama, giving UCA a total of 16 locations and 47 providers across northern Alabama. As of January 2022, Cullman Urology has been renamed to Urology Centers of Alabama, though few other changes were made.

The merge did not change anything for current patients, and the phone number for current and new patients to call and schedule appointments has not changed.

Patients can also schedule appointments online on the Cullman UCA webpage, though they recommend that anyone experiencing an urgent issue should call the office rather than fill out the online form.

In a press release issued by UCA, the company's CEO, Jason Biddy, stated that he hopes for this to be a seamless transition and for current patients to continue receiving their care as expected during the shift.

In that same press release, UCA announced that Cullman UCA will be gaining a new provider in August this year.

Dr. Zach Glaser is a Vanderbilt University graduate who completed his surgical internship and urology residency at UAB, and some of his clinical interests include complex kidney stone disease, urologic oncology, and minimally invasive robotic surgery.

For more information, call them at 256-739-2885.

Hanceville (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Though winter's chill will be for another month at least, some cities in Cullman are already working to spread the word about summer events in the works. Amy Moctezuma, assistant park director for the City of Hanceville, recently announced two such events on Facebook last week.

The first event will be a bluegrass gospel concert at the Hanceville Civic Center on May 14. Further details will be announced as the date approaches, but two acts confirmed for attendance are the Cotton Pickin' Kids and Bama Blue Grace.

The second event will be the very first Hanceville Bull Bash on June 10 - 11.

Friday will feature a running of the bulls down Commercial Street downtown, followed by Dinner with Cowboys at the Hanceville Civic Center.

The following day will have bucking and fighting bulls at CW Day Park, followed by a free concert starring Brandon Elder. Anyone interested in becoming a vendor at the Bull Bash can contact Amy Moctezuma via Facebook Messenger or by calling Hanceville City Hall.

However, for residents who don't want to wait so long for a festival to attend in Hanceville, there are a few that will be happening earlier in spring.

One will be the 5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival on March 19 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., hosted by Snead's Farmhouse.

The organizers are still looking for vendors, so interested parties can contact Snead's Farmhouse at judysnead9522@gmail.com.

Booth fees are $30 per booth. The event page can be found at https://facebook.com/events/s/hanceville-irish-festival/656930482158296/.

There will also be the Cottontails Arts and Crafts Festival on April 9 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., hosted by Willow Brook Boutique & Design. This festival will be held on Commercial Street in downtown Hanceville.

Incidents (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a call of an irate individual in the area of the Colony on Thursday, Jan. 27.

When deputies arrived, Jerald Edward Malcom, 38, of Hanceville, attempted to flee from the area on foot.

Deputies recognized Malcom and knew there were warrants out for his arrest. After a short foot pursuit, Malcom was caught and arrested for the warrants, as well as attempting to flee.

He was charged with domestic violence/criminal mischief in the Third Degree, domestic violence/assault, distribution of dangerous drugs (two counts) and attempting to elude a police officer.

On Sunday, Jan. 30, CCSO deputies stopped a vehicle in the Vinemont area for a traffic violation. Joshua Rowdy McDonald, 31, of Eva, was the driver of the vehicle. It was determined that McDonald had an active warrant from another agency.

Sufficient probable cause was established for a search to be conducted on the vehicle. Inside the vehicle, a substantial amount of methamphetamine was found; marijuana and paraphernalia were also located.

McDonald was arrested and charged with sell/distributing methamphetamine, possession of marijuana in the Second Degree and possession of drug paraphernalia.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Jerald Edward Malcom



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Joshua Rowdy McDonald

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, Jan. 31, 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: 36%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,419
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 533,940
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 296,898 (+22,464 since Friday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,490
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 409 (+38 since Friday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 29.3%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,561
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,736
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 5,716 (+515 since Friday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 8 (+0 since Friday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 2,552
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 748
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 104,317
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 37,576
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 2,805

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday) No updates available

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,422,495
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,502,625
- Doses administered: 5,718,544
- Additional doses administered: 713,902
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,809,608
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,278,729
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 3,919,870

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

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



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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.
• Van runs in 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Small group classes for children, youth and adults at 10 a.m., 11 a.m.
• Fridays 6:30 p.m. Friday Night Lights. Pot lunch supper followed by six weeks of training on addictions and 12 steps. Join us for food, fellowship, and to share how GOD delivers from all types of addictions.
• Saturday Feb. 5 at 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast. Home cooked breakfast followed by community sack lunch outreach ministry. All men are invited.
• 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, 9:30-11 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

Holly Pond Parks and Rec Ball Signups
Jan. 27 – Feb. 10: Holly Pond Park and Rec will have signups for Spring Baseball, Softball and T-ball during regular business hours at the Town Hall. Regular hours are Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. and Thursday from 1-4:30 p.m. Additional signup days are Jan. 27, Feb. 1 and 3 from 5-8 p.m. and Feb. 5 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Last day for signups is Feb. 10. Signups will take place at the Town Hall.

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

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 St., 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 (FAWN) school program for 6th graders and National FFA Organization 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.

Pleasant View Singing
Feb. 20: Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have their regular third Sunday night singing on Feb. 20, at 5 p.m. "2nd Mile" from Dekalb, Mississippi will be the guest singers. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival
March 19: The 5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival will take place on Saturday, March 19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., hosted by Snead's Farmhouse. Booth fees are $30 per booth. For more information about becoming a vendor Snead's Farmhouse at judysnead9522@gmail.com.

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COUNTY TOURNAMENT

Lady Warriors claim JV Girls Title, Good Hope wins JV Boys & Varsity Championships

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – This year's Cullman County Tournament is officially in the books and after a week of heated competition, four new champions have been crowned. The West Point Lady Warriors defeated Good Hope 33-29 to win the JV Girls Championship, but it was all Raiders the rest of the day. Good Hope went on to capture the JV Boys and Varsity Championships after that to take home three of this year's four county titles.

West Point 33 – Good Hope 29 (JV Girls Championship)

Championship Saturday at the Cullman County Tournament tipped off with the JV Girls title game between the Lady Warriors of West Point and the Good Hope Lady Raiders. It was a very tight contest between the two squads in which neither led by more than four at any point, but West Point was able to get just enough stops and sink just enough free throws late in the game to pull away and win this year's JV Girls Championship 33-29.

After a scoreless three minutes, West Point's Kealie Harbison split a pair of free throws to give the Lady Warriors a 1-0 lead midway through the first, but Reese Fox responded with a pair of free throws on the other end to put Good Hope in front 2-1. The Lady Raiders pulled ahead 5-2 later in the opening period but Jaelyn Faulkner drove to the basket and scored to make it a 5-4 game. Lela Fisher knocked down a three to put West Point in front 7-5 with just under two minutes to play in the quarter until an Emma Thompson jumper tied things up at 7. Good Hope got one more look at the basket before the buzzer but couldn't the shot to fall and the score stayed knotted at 7 going into the second quarter.

Bailey Keef scored from underneath the basket to give the Lady Raiders a 9-7 lead early in the second and Emma Bailey banked one in to stretch the lead to 11-7. Carsyn Blankenship sank a pair of free throws to cut the lead to 11-9 midway through the period and Patton Fell drilled a corner three to put the Lady Warriors ahead 12-11. Rylee Fox laid one in on the other end to retake a 13-12 lead for Good Hope but Fell split a pair of free throws to tie the game at 13 with less than two minutes remaining in the half. Baskets by Jaelyn Faulkner and Blankenship gave West Point a 4-point lead with a minute to play in the second quarter, but Zoey Keller knocked down a big three-pointer at the buzzer to trim the lead to 17-16 at the break.

Keef scored inside to put the Lady Raiders in front 18-17 at the start of the third quarter and Jaelyn Faulkner traded baskets with Emma Bailey to make it a 20-19 game. Fell drained a mid-range jumper to put the Lady Warriors back ahead 21-20 but Reese Fox buried a three-point to retake a 23-21 Good Hope lead with a minute to play in the third. Katie Beth Yovino drilled a three on the other end to take the lead back for West Point put another Fox basket just before the buzzer gave the Lady Raiders a 25-24 advantage going into the fourth quarter.

Keller netted a pair of free throws to extend the lead to 27-24 early in the fourth but Fell answered with a three on the other end to tie the game at 27. Keef and Jaelyn Faulkner traded baskets to keep things tied at 29 with just over three minutes remaining and Camryn Faulkner added a free throw to give the Lady Warriors a 1-point lead. West Point maintained a 30-29 lead with less than a minute on the clock and Jaelyn Faulkner split a pair of free throws with 12 seconds to make it 31-29. Good Hope was unable to score on its next possession and Fell added two more foul shots to stretch the lead to four with four seconds to play, securing a 33-29 win and this year's JV Girls County Championship for the Lady Warriors.

Fell led West Point with 11 points in the win, followed by Jaelyn Faulkner with 10. Reese Fox posted nine points for the Lady Raiders in the loss and Keef added seven.

2022 JV Girls All-County Tournament Team

- Alana Phillips – Holly Pond
- Caitlee Simmons – West Point
- Camryn Faulkner – West Point
- Patton Fell – West Point
- Emma Thompson – Good Hope
- Reese Fox – Good Hope
- Presli Carr – Holly Pond
- Darby Nichols – Fairview
- Camryn Faulkner – West Point



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Good Hope Lady Raiders defeated West Point 73-39 Saturday to win this year's County Championship.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Good Hope Raiders defeated Cold Springs 65-53 Saturday night to win this year's County Championship.

Good Hope 53 – West Point 41 (JV Boys Championship)

This year's JV Boys Championship Game featured another heated battle between West Point and Good Hope. The Warriors led the Raiders by two at halftime, but Good Hope shot extremely well at the free throw line in the second half and that helped them pull away to collect a 53-41 win and a JV Boys County title.

Baskets by Hunter Hensley and JD Cochran gave West Point an early, 4-0 lead but Eli Clements scored and split a pair of free throws on the other end to trim the lead to 4-3.

A Dakota Overton basket gave the Raiders a 5-4 lead midway through the first quarter, but Cochran responded with another score for the Warriors to put them back in front 6-5. Hensley dropped in a floater to stretch the lead to three, but Colten Whatley drilled a three just before the buzzer to tie the game at 8 going into the second.

Whatley drained a pair of free throws at the start of the second to give Good Hope a 10-8 lead but the Warriors were able to tie thing up at 11 later in the period. Ace Stricklin knocked down a three to put the Raiders in front 14-11 and Callahan Lindsey scored inside to extend the lead to five, but Pressley Burtis nailed a three-pointer for the Warriors in the final seconds of the half to cut the lead to 16-14 at the break.

Another three from Burtis tied the game at 17 early in the third quarter and Burtis laid one in on the next West Point possession to take a 19-17 lead.

Overton responded with a three-pointer of his own to put Good Hope back in front 20-19 but the game was tied at 21 once again midway through the period. Burtis converted an and-one play at the line to give the Warriors a 24-22 lead with two minutes to play in the third and Hensley buried a three-pointer to stretch the lead to 27-22.

However, the Raiders were able to chip away at the lead when Whatley drained another three and Clements sank a pair of free throws to tie things back up at 27. Burtis was able to draw a foul in the final second of the third quarter and knocked down two free throws just before the buzzer to give West Point a 29-27 lead at the start of the fourth quarter.

Good Hope got off to a fast start in the final frame, putting together a 7-0 run to move in front 34-29. TB Pendley banked home a three-pointer to trim the lead to 34-32 but the Raiders were able to pull ahead 37-32 with four minutes to play. Clements hit back to back threes from the left wing to extend the lead to 43-33 midway through the fourth but scores by Hensley and Cochran on the other end made it a 6-point game with just over two minutes remaining. Another Cochran basket cut the lead to 43-39 but Whatley and Clements each knocked down a pair of free throws to make it an 8-point game with a little over a minute on the clock. The Raiders continued to hit shots at the foul line as time ticked away, allowing them to pull away and defeat West Point 53-41, securing this year's JV Boys County Championship.

Clements racked up a game-high 23 points for Good Hope in the win. Whatley finished with 15 and Overton added nine. Burtis led the way for the Warriors with 14 points in the loss, followed by Hensley with 11.

2022 JV Boys All-County Tournament Team

- JD Cochran – West Point
- Will Bailey – Fairview
- Colten Whatley – Good Hope
- Dakota Overton – Good Hope
- Hunter Hensley – West Point
- Pressley Burtis – West Point
- Antonio Gaitor – Fairview
- Eli Clements – Good Hope

Good Hope 73 – West Point 39 (Varsity Girls Championship)

Good Hope and West Point squared off for the third time in the varsity girls' championship game Saturday night but unlike the first two battles of the day, this one was settled quickly. The Lady Raiders built a 26-point lead by halftime and continued to pull away until they secured a 73-39 win and their first county championship in 10 years.

As they have in most of their games this season, the Lady Raiders got off to a fast start against West Point. Three-pointers by Heather Tetro and Kyndall Seal put Good Hope in front 6-0 right out of the gate and Rudi Derrick added a basket of her own to make it 8-0. Bailey Tetro drained a three to stretch the lead to 11-0 but Liberty Shadix scored to get the Lady Warriors on the board and make it an 11-2 game.

The Lady Raiders maintained a 14-4 lead midway through the period and another three from Bailey Tetro made it 17-4. Free throws by Shadix and Braelee Quin trimmed the lead to 17-6 later in the quarter but a pair of Bailey Tetro free throws and a buzzer-beating three by Desire Odachowski put Good Hope in front 23-10 at the end of the first quarter.

Baskets from Odachowksi and Charly Johnson stretched the lead to 27-10 early in the second but Odachowski was just getting started. She scored the next eight points of the game to build the Good Hope lead up to 35-12 with three minutes remaining in the half and the Lady Raiders continued to pull away. Derrick drained another three from the corner to make it a 38-16 game with a minute to play in the period and Bailey Tetro added four more points before the break to send Good Hope to the locker room with a 42-16 advantage.

Back to back Bailey Tetro baskets extended the lead to 46-17 early in the third quarter and Derrick and Ivey Maddox each scored to make it 50-17. Odachowksi's big night continued with another three-pointer that put the Lady Raiders up 53-19 and after baskets by Derrick and Heather Tetro, Good Hope led 57-22 with two minutes to play in the third. Ryleigh Jones scored a pair of baskets for West Point in the final minute of the period, but the Lady Warriors still trailed 61-26 going into the fourth quarter.

Laklin Shadix scored inside to cut into the lead early in the fourth, but it was all Raiders after that. Back to back three-pointers from Maddox made it a 67-28 game and after a three by Jones on the other end, Renee McLeod scored on back to back possessions to keep Good Hope in front 71-31 midway through the final frame. With the hot clock running, the Lady Raiders cruised to win it 73-39 and capture their first County Championship since 2012.

Bailey Tetro led the way for Good Hope with 20 points in the win, followed by Odachowski with 16 and Maddox with 10. The Lady Warriors were led by Jones who finished with 17.

2022 Varsity Girls All-County Tournament Team

- Ryleigh Jones – West Point
- Emma Garcia – Fairview
- Kaylee Stallings – Holly Pond
- Ivey Maddox – Good Hope
- Heather Tetro – Good Hope
- Summer Mendoza – West Point
- Bailey Tetro – Good Hope
- Desire Odachowski – Good Hope

2022 Cullman All-County Girls Basketball Team

- Ivey Maddox – Good Hope
- Rudi Derrick – Good Hope
- Heather Tetro – Good Hope
- Bailey Tetro – Good Hope
- Ryleigh Jones – West Point
- Braelee Quinn – West Point
- Summer Mendoza – West Point
- Sadie Smith – Fairview
- Emma Garcia – Fairview
- Morgan Lindsay – Fairview
- Ella Bruer – Cold Springs
- Maddi Ham – Holly Pond
- Jolee McHan – Hanceville
- Maggie Burks – Vinemont

2022 Charlotte Cummings Memorial Scholarship Winner

- Morgan Lindsay – Fairview High School

2022 Bill Shelton Award Winner

- Ryleigh Jones – West Point High School

Good Hope 65 – Cold Springs 53 (Varsity Boys Championship)

Good Hope and Cold Springs fought it out for this year's Cullman County Tournament Championship Saturday night, and it was another exciting battle between the Eagles and Raiders. »



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The score was knotted at 25 after the first two quarters but Good Hope was able to outpace Cold Springs in the second half to pull ahead and went on to eventually win it 65-53. The win over the Eagles gives the Raiders their third County Tournament Championship in the last four seasons.

Tanner Malin and Cody Bales exchanged baskets to get things started and after Colton Lindsey split a pair of free throws to put Good Hope in front 3-2, Bales knocked down a pair from the line to give Cold Springs a 4-3 lead. John Mark Smith drilled a three to put the Eagles in front 7-3 and Brody Peppers sank a pair of free throws to extend the lead to 9-3. However, the Raiders were able to dominate the final four minutes of the period and thanks in large part to baskets from Noah Barnette and Tyler Cone, Good Hope finished the first quarter on a 10-0 run to take a 13-9 lead into the second.

Bales drained a three-pointer to make it a 13-12 game at the start of the second quarter and Tanner Kilgo later added a pair of baskets to retake a 16-15 lead for Cold Springs.

Another basket by Peppers and another three from Smith kept the Eagles in front 21-16 but Malin laid one in, and Lindsey knocked down a three from the corner to tie things up at 21 with just over two minutes remaining in the half. Cone and Tucker Malin each scored to give the Raiders a 4-point lead but a pair of Seth Williams free throws and another basket by Peppers in the final seconds of the period tied the game at 25 going into the halftime break.

A quick basket from Cone and a three by Tanner Malin gave Good Hope a 30-26 lead early in the third quarter but a three-pointer from Bales on the other end cut the lead down to one.

That's when back to back treys from K'mal Bell and another Malin basket put the Raiders in front 38-29 midway through the period, their biggest lead of the game.

A pair of Bales free throws and a basket from Kilgo trimmed the lead to five and Seth Williams drilled a three-pointer to make it a 38-36 game with three minutes to play in the third. Bales netted two more free throws to tie things up at 38 but Good Hope finished the quarter strong once again. A basket by Barnette and a three from Tucker Malin in the final moments of the period gave the Raiders a 43-38 lead at the start of the fourth.

Bales' big night continued with an old fashioned three-point play at the start of the final frame that cut the lead to 43-41. Good Hope answered right away with a corner three form Lindsey that extended the lead to 46-41 and a pair of Barnette free throws made it a 7-point game. The Eagles wouldn't allow the Raiders to create separation, and another three by Smith cut the lead to 48-44 before Kilgo laid one in to make it a 48-46 game with five minutes on the clock. Bell responded with a three-pointer on the other end to put Good Hope back in front 51-46 and Bell scored on the next two possessions to give the Raiders a 55-48 advantage with less than two minutes to play. Cold Springs continued to claw and fight to try and chip away at the lead, but Good Hope sank 12 consecutive free throws in the final two minutes to wrap up a 65-53 win and this year's Cullman County Championship.

Bell led the Raiders with 16 points in the win, followed by Cone with 13 and Malin and Barnette with 12. Bales posted a game-high 23 points for Cold Springs in the loss. Smith added nine and Peppers and Kilgo each finished with eight.

2022 Varsity Boys All-County Tournament Team

- Tanner Malin – Good Hope
- Brayden Harris – Hanceville
- Brody Peppers – Cold Springs
- Tanner Kilgo – Cold Springs
- Seth Williams – Cold Springs
- Cody Bales – Cold Springs
- Zach Campbell – Hanceville
- Ethan Frazier – Fairview
- Colton Lindsey – Good Hope

2022 All-County Boys Basketball Team

- Parker Martin – Fairview
- Landon Tweedie – Fairview
- Kobe Payne – Fairview
- K'mal Bell – Good Hope
- Tanner Malin – Good Hope
- Colton Lindsey – Good Hope
- Brody Peppers – Cold Springs
- Tanner Kilgo – Cold Springs
- Zach Campbell – Hanceville
- Brayden Harris – Hanceville
- Kollin Brown – Holly Pond
- Sam Wheeler – West Point
- Kolten Perry – West Point
- Colby Miller – Vinemont

Eli Thomas Memorial Scholarship Award Winner

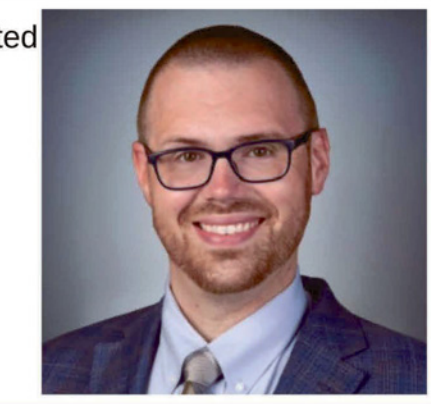
- Cody Bales – Cold Springs High School

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- Tanner Malin – Good Hope High School

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PERFORMING ARTS

Wallace State Singers offering singing Valentines

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Wallace State Singers from Wallace State Community College are offering singing Valentines for those who would like to express their love or appreciation to special people in their lives.

Performances will take place in person at the address provided or virtually by phone or video, according to patron preferences, on Monday, Feb. 14, in groups large and small. The small groups will be divided between male and female ensembles, with the large group comprising of the complete Wallace State Singers ensemble.

Prices for the performances are $25 for a small group or $40 for the large group to sing one song. A $50 combo will provide one song from both a small group and the large group.

"We love providing singing Valentines," said Tiffany Richter, director of the Wallace State Singers.

"We get a wide range of requests. Often, it's a husband getting a singing valentine for a wife, but sometimes it's an individual getting a singing valentine for a group of people at work. It's so much fun seeing the reactions of the recipients of the gifts and those who are nearby to watch and enjoy the experience as well."

"My first year doing singing Valentines, I got to sing a song for this couple's 50th wedding anniversary," said student McCoy Cleghorn of Cullman. "Everyone was crying, and it was just a beautiful way for them to celebrate the special day."

I think the best thing about singing Valentines is helping spread a little joy into the world," said student Riley Adams of Cullman.

Reservations for singing Valentines can be made by contacting Jessica Chairez at 256-352-8277 or emailing jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu.

In the lead-up to Valentine's Day, the Fine and Performing Arts program will be presenting "Night of Jazz" on Thursday, Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. in the Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts. The production will feature performances by Wallace State faculty and friends. Admission is free and open to the public.

Other performances scheduled for the spring 2022 semester include:

• The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee by Wallace State Theatre, March 18-19 at 7 p.m., March 20 at 2 p.m., Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre, $10 general, $5 students and children under 12

• Dazzle Me, Disney! by the Wallace State Singers, April 7-9 at 7 p.m., Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre, $10 general donation, $5 student donation

• Big Band Dance, by the Wallace State Jazz Band, April 15 at 7 p.m., Burrow Center for the Fine and Performing Arts, $15 donation

• Dance Spring Showcase by the Allegro Dance Theatre, April 22, 7 p.m., Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre, $10 donation

• Spring Under the Stars by the Wallace State Concert Choir and Concert Band, April 26, 6:30 p.m., free admission, bring lawn chair or blanket



WALLACE STATE

Members of the Wallace State Singers deliver a Singing Valentine in this file photo.

Scholarship auditions for the 2022-2023 academic year will be held Feb. 11 and March 11 from 8 a.m. to noon at the Burrow Center. Auditions will be held for the instrumental, vocal, theater and dance ensembles and are open to current students and students planning to begin classes in the fall. For more information, visit www.wallacestate.edu/fpa or contact Jessica Chairez at 256-352-8277 or jessica.chairez@wallacestate.edu.

Applications (from Front)

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Wallace State Community College Future Foundation is accepting applications for scholarships to be distributed for the 2022-2023 Academic Year beginning in the fall 2022 semester.

The Future Foundation lists more than 150 scholarships for Wallace State students. Some scholarships are geared to specific programs or divisions while others are more general and open to most of the student population.

During the 2021-2022 academic year, the Future Foundation awarded 212 students more than $347,000 in scholarship funds.

Suzanne Harbin, vice president of Advancement and Innovation at Wallace State, has seen firsthand how these scholarships and assistance from the Future Foundation have helped students achieve their goal of earning a college degree or certificate.

"In some cases, the need may represent a small amount of money, but to them, that amount is the difference between earning a degree or not, a degree that can help them earn a better paying job and improving their lives and their family situation," Harbin said.

Some of the scholarships may help take care of simple needs such as food and fuel, while others may cover tuition, books, supplies and even certification exams.

These scholarships can also help fill a gap for students who may not qualify for Pell grants, but still struggle to pay for college expenses.

Current high school seniors who will be attending Wallace State next fall and current Wallace State students who will be returning in the fall are eligible to apply for the Future Foundation Scholarships.

Students must have applied to the college and have been accepted and have a student number and a Wallace State email address.

They should have also completed the 2022-2023 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa.

Requirements vary depending on the specific scholarship. These scholarships can be combined with other Future Foundation scholarships, with institutional scholarships, federal student aid and with outside scholarship awards.

The deadline to apply for Future Foundation scholarships is March 4. Visit https://wallacestate.academicworks.com/ to view the scholarships offered by the Wallace State Future Foundation and to complete the application.

Apart from the Foundation, applications are also being accepted for scholarships offered by the college, with a Feb. 15 deadline to apply.

Visit https://www.wallacestate.edu/financial-aid/wscc-scholarships to see the list of these scholarships and to submit the application.

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City of Cullman
Planning Commission

On Monday, February 7, 2022, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Rezoning request for Kilpatrick Landing from R-4 to PR2

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

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

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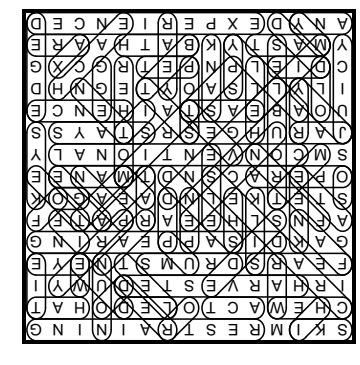
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Obituary Announcements: Jan. 29 - 31

Bobby Wayne "Sponge Bob" Willmoth, 68, of Arley
Bobby Wayne "Sponge Bob" Willmoth, 68 of Arley, Alabama, entered into rest on Sunday, Jan. 30, at his home. Bobby was born on July 2, 1953, in New Albany, Mississippi. No services are planned at this time. Bobby is survived by his daughter: Jennifer Cleghorn and her husband Robert; son: Bobby Wilmoth II and his wife Shay; grandchildren: Dalton Wilmoth, Christina Wilmoth, Brooke, Blake and Belle Cleghorn, Gabe Jones, and Myrah and Carson Davenport and brothers: Ricky Wilmoth, Danny Wilmoth and Norman Wilmoth and his wife Twila. He was preceded in death by his wife: Judy Wilmoth; parents: Evelyn and Robert Henry Wilmoth; sister: Dorothy McNutt and brother: Robert Wilmoth, Jr.

Betty Sue Roy, 65, of Vinemont
Betty Sue Roy, 65, of Vinemont, Alabama, passed from this life on Jan. 28, at her residence surrounded by her family. Mrs. Roy was born April 8, 1956, to Walter Andersen and Mildred Marie Filmore Benefield. She was a member at Powell's Chapel Church, a loving wife, mother and grandmother. A memorial service will be planned and announced by the family. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Roy family. Mrs. Roy was preceded in death by her parents; brother and sister-in-law: Timothy Andersen (Betty) Bennefield; sister-in-law: Cecilia Benefield; son-in-law: Noah Lee Reed and sister: Janie Marie Benefield. She is survived by her husband of 49 years: Bobby Douglas Roy, Sr.; son: Bobby Douglas Roy, Jr.; daughters: Kethel Sue (Charlie) Partain, Tina Louise Reed and fiance' Scott Bailey and Elsie Denise (CeCe) Mills; brothers: Paul Ray Benefield, Joseph Ray Benefield and Walter Ray Benefield; sister: Patsy Sain and two grandchildren: Christina Reed and Kimberly Roy.

Norris Allen Atchley
Norris Allen Atchley moved to our Father's House on Jan. 29, and, according to The Christian Apostle Paul, was received by his Savior, Lord and King who presented him with the Crown of Righteousness. Those who knew Norris best will remember him as a generous, compassionate man of integrity and character. He lived his life to bring comfort, not judgement. A gentleman whose soft voice spoke words of encouragement and kindness, and whose strong arms freely offered "the best hugs." Wearing a sweet smile and without complaint, Norris bravely fought the ravages and challenges of Parkinson's disease, once responding to his wife's question of why him, with "why not me?" Norris was an avid reader and quiet achiever. A Golden Key National Honor Society graduate of UT, Knoxville who graduated first in his OCS Class, and served in the Army's Armored Division, achieving the rank of Lieutenant. He retired from Wells Fargo as a senior vice president, investments. As a servant who had a heart for all children, he actively worked to raise funds for children's causes through Kiwanis, and served as a vice president, president and president of the board of Cullman Kiwanis Club. He also served on the Board of the Wallace State Community College in Hanceville, Alabama, in various capacities, including president of the Wallace State Foundation Board, where he and his wife shared the Barbara P And Norris A Foundation Scholarship for needy and deserving students. In lieu of flowers, contributions to this foundation would be appreciated. (WSCC Foundation P.O. Box 568 Hanceville, AL 35077). His absence will be hard for his cherished family. Please pray they will find comfort knowing that he will live on within those whose lives he touched. In keeping with his wishes, there will be a reception at his daughter's house on Sunday, Feb. 20 from 2-4 p.m. to celebrate his life and happy memories at 2929 Hampton Cove Way, Owens Cross Roads Alabama.

Paul Robert Edwards, 94, of Hanceville
Funeral services for Paul Robert Edwards of Hanceville will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, February 1 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Hopewell Cemetery in. Reverend Wayne Wisener will officiate. Visitation will be on Tuesday prior to the service beginning at noon at the funeral home. Mr. Edwards was born June 16, 1927, to Rufus and Annie (Sloan) Edwards. He died at the age of 94 on Jan. 30, at Hanceville Nursing and Rehab Center in Hanceville. Survivors include his daughters: Beth Brock and Pam Fulmer; granddaughters: Sarah (Travis) Eskew, Michelle (Ed) Roberson, Melinda (Bryan) Weeks, Kimberly Pylant and Amber (Eric) Roberson; great-grandchildren: Kyle (Lacey) Roberson, Lauren Roberson, Nathan Pylant, Katie Pylant, Hunter Weeks, Sam Eskew and Ben Eskew and a brother: Alvin Edwards. In addition to his parents, Mr. Edwards was preceded in death by his wife: Millinea Trousdael Edwards; son: Tommy Edwards; two sisters and two brothers.

Frances Jackson Walker, 92, of Blountsville
The funeral service for Frances Jackson Walker, 92, of Blountsville, Alabama, will be 11 a.m., Tuesday, Feb. 1, at the Pelham Church of Christ (3405 Pelham Parkway, Pelham, AL). The family will receive friends from 10:30-11 a.m. prior to the service. The interment will be at 2:30 p.m. at Berlin Cemetery in Cullman County. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Walker family. Frances was born on a cold winter day to Clara and Dennis Jackson in Walker County, Alabama. She left this world for Paradise peacefully with daughter Connie Buchanan and dear friend Samantha Pounds by her side. Preceding her from this life were husband of 64 years: Harold R. Walker, two brothers and three sisters. She is survived by five children, six grands, seven great-grands, two brothers and one sister. Frances was a true Capricorn as she had leadership roles in all her endeavors: The Pelham & Eastside Churches of Christ, school PTAs, Birmingham Southern Supper Club and the American Legion and Home Builder's Ladies Auxiliaries. She also was the first woman to serve on a jury in Shelby County. Frances loved watching sunsets and enjoying "God's Bounty of Natural Beauty." She loved antiquing with her friends, coffee, playing Rook and feeding birds and fish. She enjoyed the privilege of traveling in five continents on God's beautiful Earth!

Freda Marie Freeman, 83, of Cullman
Freda Marie Freeman, age 83, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Thursday, Jan. 27. Freda was born Feb. 12, 1938, in Cullman County, Alabama. Freda is survived by her daughter: Diane Foust; her sons: Michael (Susan) Freeman and John Freeman; six grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Freda was preceded in death by her husband: Javan Freeman and her parents: John and Elizabeth Moehring. A celebration of life visitation for Freda will be held Monday, Jan. 31, from 6-8 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home. A celebration of life funeral service to occur Tuesday, Feb. 1, at 3 p.m. An interment will follow at Memory Gardens, Cullman, Alabama.

Pamela Jo O'Neil, 64, of Cullman
Funeral service for Pamela Jo O'Neil, age 64, of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 1, at Baldwin Cumberland Presbyterian Church with Wayne Barnette and Edward Green officiating, and burial at Baldwin Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery. Visitation was from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 31, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. O'Neil passed away Sunday, Jan. 30, at Decatur Morgan Hospital. She was born April 23, 1957,, in Cullman, AL to Harold Kelton and Hilda Kelsoe. She was preceded in death by her parents and infant son: Christopher Dewayne O'Neil. Survivors include her husband of 46 years: Greg O'Neil; daughter: Mindi (Chad) Sandlin; grandchildren: Alaina Sandlin and Thrower Sandlin and sons: Kevin (Ashia) O'Neil and Scottie O'Neil.

Scott Glen Johnson, 60, of Hanceville
Funeral services for Scott Glen Johnson, 60, of Hanceville will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 5, in the chapel of Hanceville Funeral Home with Reverend Buddy Perkins officiating. Interment will follow at Hopewell Cemetery. A time of visitation and fellowship will be held Friday evening prior at the funeral home beginning at 6 p.m. Scott is survived by his loving wife: Dianne Cole Johnson; children: Carrie Ann Thomas (Wayland Bailey) and Kevin Dutton (Cassy Holeyfield); grandchildren: Brittany Maughon, Lani Bailey Twilley (Jacob), Kale Bailey (Kiera Pitre), Aurora Dutton and Luna Dutton; great-grandchildren: Gracely Twilley and Parker Twilley; his mother: Kathryn Johnson; brother: Stuart Johnson (Angela); sisters: Sheila Johnson, Sara Gould (Darren) and Sonya Suggs; a niece: Brittan Suggs, as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his father: Vernon Johnson and a sister: Sharma Ruth Johnson. Pallbearers will be Kevin Dutton, Jacob Twilley, Wayland Bailey, Stuart Johnson, Kale Bailey and Darren Gould. "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away." Rev. 21-4

Anita Carter Benford, 63, of Muscle Shoals
Anita Carter Benford, age 63, of Muscle Shoals, formerly of Haleyville, passed away Saturday, Jan. 29, at UAB Palliative Care, Birmingham. She was born March 12, 1958, to O.D. and Christine Carter. Anita loved flower gardening. She enjoyed trips to the mountains. Most of all, she loved her family (especially her grandbabies). All those who knew her, were made "better." Visitation will be Wednesday, Feb. 2, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will be held at 1 p.m. Burial will be at Sunny Home Cemetery in Haleyville. Brother Tim Carter will officiate. Anita is survived by her daughter: Kisha (Justin) Crowden; grandchildren: Andrew Hendrix and Katie Beth Brewer; brothers: Thomas (Connie) Freeman, Billy (Sandra) Carter and Allen (Angie) Carter; sister: Freda (Timmy) Salter; sisters-in-law: Marylynn Carter and Rhonda (Jimmy) Salter; father-in-law: J.L. Benford and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband of 40 years: Jessie Lonzo Benford, Jr.; grandson: Adam Hendrix; parents: O.D. and Christine Carter; brother: Teddy Carter; sister: Retia (T.E.) Walker and her mother-in-law: Martha Benford.

Carrie Leigh Harris, 46, of Eva
A celebration of life service for Carrie Leigh Harris, 46 of Eva, Alabama, will be 6 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from 4-6 p.m. prior to the service on Wednesday. Rev. Larry Duke will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Harris family. Mrs. Harris passed from this life on Jan. 29, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born June 16, 1975, to Jack Deland Holloway and Glenda Jean Roberts Lockhart. She was preceded in death by her grandparents and one brother: Patrick Holloway. Mrs. Harris is survived by her parents: Jack Deland (Janet) Holloway and Glenda Jean (Hal) Lockhart; her husband: Bradley Harris; two sons: Daniel Lockhart and David Lockhart; one daughter: Baylee Southerland; one brother: Jason (Kelli) Holloway; two stepbrothers: Jody Crowe and David Crowe; two stepsisters: Telva Crowe and Laura Schultz and a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends. The family requests in lieu of flowers that donations be made in Carrie's memory to The Wounded Warrior Project.

Leon Roy Lane, 84, of Cullman
Leon Roy Lane, age 84, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Friday, Jan. 28, surrounded by his loving family. Leon was born Aug. 1, 1937, in Lacon, Illinois to Viola Marie Marconet and Lyle David Henry Lane. Leon is survived by his wife of 63 years: Mary E. Britton Lane; his daughter: Deborah Lane (Mark) Calvert; his son: Paul David (Karen) Lane; his grandchildren: Misty Amber Lane (Richard) Fisher, Marki Grace Calvert (Michael) Anderson, Abigail Elizabeth Calvert (Timothy) Andrews and Sharon Nicole Lane and his great-grandchildren: Allison Marie Fisher, Richard Aiden Fisher, Lauren Faith Anderson and Sanuel Boone Anderson. Leon was preceded in death by his father: Lyle David Henry Lane and his mother: Viola Marie Marconet Lane. Leon proudly served our country in the Navy for 12 years. He moved to Alabama and started his own business, S.& L. Door Control, in January 1971. He loved his Auburn Tigers. He was also a member of the Cullman Elks Lodge and Moose Lodge. A celebration of life visitation for Leon will be held Tuesday, Feb. 1, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home. A celebration of life funeral service to follow at 1 p.m. An interment will occur at Cullman City Cemetery (812 Ninth Ave. SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055).

Jerry Harrelson, 66, of Arley
Jerry Harrelson, age 66, of Arley, passed away Friday, Jan. 28, at his residence. He was born Dec. 29, 1955, in Hollywood, Florida. Jerry proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1975-1996. After his retirement from the military, Jerry served as the Maintenance Technician at Meek High School from 1996-2016. Visitation will be Tuesday, Feb. 1, from 1-3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison. A graveside service will be held at 3:30 p.m. at Meek Cemetery. Jerry is survived by his wife: Pauline Harrelson; daughters: Melissa (Joseph) Thompson and Ann Calvert; mother: Annie Mae Brumley; sister: Arlene (Tommy) Beemon; brothers: Lance (Diane) Horsley and Earl (Holly) Brumley and grandchildren: Lea Thompson, Owen Thompson, Sydney Thompson and Everett Calvert. He was preceded in death by his brother: Harold Lee and stepfather: Earl Brumley.

Burlis "Mike" Michael Hall, 65, of Vinemont
Funeral service for Burlis "Mike" Michael Hall, age 65, of Vinemont, will be at 1 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 3, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Matt Jordan officiating, with burial at Enon Baptist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 2, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Hall passed away Friday, Jan. 28, at Cullman Regional. He was born Jan. 27, 1957, in Atmore, Alabama to Burlis Orvil and Wilene Virginia C. Hall. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother: Henery (Butch) Hall and sister: Annetta Hall. Survivors include his wife: Kathie Hall; sister: Charolette Cooner; brother: Thomas Hall; son: Trandon (Ellie) Hall; stepdaughter: Samantha (Matt) Young; stepson: Charlie (Margaret) Sanford; granddaughters: Oliva and Adley Hall; future grandson: Jack Thomas Sanford and a host of nieces, nephews, friends and extended family.

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Literacy Coordinator Reginnia Roat retires from The Link after 10 years of service

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Reginnia Roat

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Link of Cullman County is hosting a retirement party for Literacy Coordinator Reginnia Roat on Friday, Feb. 4 at the Link from 10 a.m. – noon. Director of Development and Operations Melissa Betts says, "Everyone in the community who would like to wish her well is invited." "She has been with us almost 10 years. In fact, she's one of the very first employees The Link ever hired."

About 15 years ago, Reginnia was a part of the Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Cullman County Group.

Each class in the Leadership group had to come up with a project that they believed would make the community better. Betts said, "Reginnia's class came up with volunteers in public schools."

She continued, "She connected that program with The Link, and it became one of the very first programs that we began providing.

"If it weren't for Reginnia, that program wouldn't exist in our community.

"We're thankful for the investment she has made in that area as well as all the other literacy components that she has helped us establish."

In her farewell to the staff, Reginnia stated, "I fell in love years ago with a quote from former President Jimmy Carter. 'I have one life and one chance to make it count for something. My faith demands that I do whatever I can, for as long as I can, with whatever I have, to try to make a difference.' I often pray that my life mimics the sentiment of this quote in some small way."

Fundraiser (from Front)

competitive payers donated bags that were raffled off. Jeremy Crowe donated a set of Vinemont Cornhole boards that brought in around $500. Randy Earnest from Chick-Fil-A donated 125 chicken sandwiches. All proceeds went to the scholarship fund. Stephen Robinson and the High School football players donated the drinks. The raffle prizes were donated by Ariagen, Stevens Trading Co., Monograms Plus, Karmas, Trea McRea, Phillip Bridges and Freedom Marina, Gloria Winton Accounting and Farmers Poultry.

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