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POLITICS

Local District Attorney race opponents share why the people are important

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County District Attorney incumbent Wilson Blaylock and challenger, local attorney Champ Crocker, shared with The Cullman Tribune their thoughts on the upcoming election for DA.

The question the Tribune posed to each candidate was simply, "Why are the people that you'll be representing – if you win – important to you?"

Blaylock said his focus has been and will always be to seek justice as Cullman County's top law enforcement official.

"Whether it is representing the victims of crimes or their families, custodial parents in child support cases, or the citizens of Cullman County at-large, » PAGE 8



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Wilson Blaylock

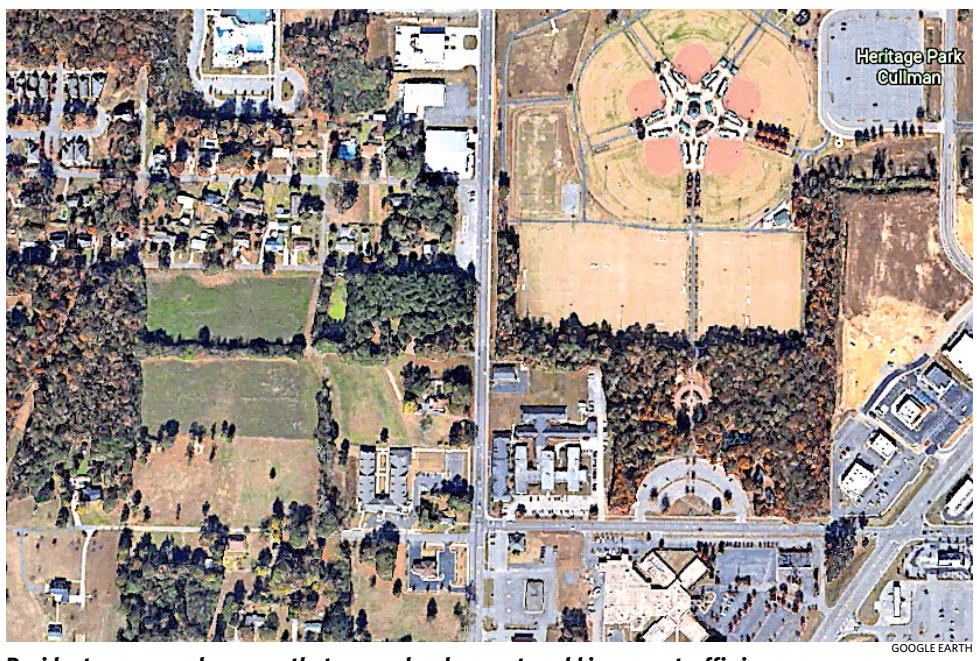


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– LOCAL GOVERNMENT –

Cullman City Council clears hurdles for private developers in south and west Cullman, buys back unused industrial park property



GOOGLE EARTH

Residents expressed concern that a new development could increase traffic in an already-busy stretch of Main Avenue southwest of Heritage Park

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City Council on Monday evening suspended regular procedural rules to approve measures that could open opportunities for new business developments in south and west Cullman, despite concerns expressed about one by two local residents. Ernest Wright and Linda Romine both questioned the rezoning of two small adjoining parcels on Main Avenue southwest of Heritage Park, saying that a new business development there could increase traffic through an already-busy section of road. Romine shared a further concern that the rezoning and development could landlock a piece of property behind the two.

City Clerk Wes Moore said that the property behind and the two that front Main Avenue belong to the same owner, and that access would not be hindered. He added that, though the city is not aware of development plans at the site, the private owner is free to develop his property as he wishes, as long as the development falls within the zoned purpose. The larger of the two parcels was rezoned from B1 to B2, both business zonings but with a little more freedom as to what could be developed under the new zoning. A narrow strip alongside the larger parcel was rezoned from residential to business to match the larger parcel. The council voted unanimously to approve the rezoning.

The council also voted to vacate a strip of land across U.S. Highway 278 from West Elementary, creating a space for development of a retail or other business space. According to Moore, commercial development of that site, which would be linked to the traffic light near West Elementary, would create a sidewalk corridor for children from the neighborhood south of the school to walk directly to the safe crossing at the light.

The council voted to purchase 36.75 acres within Industrial Park V on State Road 157 adjoining the Yutaka facility. The City sold the property to the Industrial Development Board to resell for development, but the purchaser did not use » PAGE 5

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Two people killed in three-person wreck on Monday

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Good Hope City Council discusses new speed zone, utilities expansion



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CCSO arrest two men on drug-related charges following traffic stop

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 14

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

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Feb. 10

- unlawful possession of controlled substance; unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1092
- theft of property; CR 1371
- stalking; CR 820
- domestic violence; CR 1815
- theft of property; Hwy. 278 E
- harassment; CR 204
- menacing; Good Hope School Rd.
- theft of property; trespassing; CR 1546
- attempt to elude police officer; Hathcock Park
- harassment; Arkadelphia Rd. NE
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Industrial Blvd.
- unlawful possession of marijuana; unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 615

Feb. 11

- theft of property; CR 792
- theft of property; Wesley Ave. S
- theft of property; Good Hope School Rd.
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; Olive St. SW

Feb. 12

- assault; CR 715
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; CR 747
- domestic violence; CR 1544

Feb. 13

- domestic violence; CR 1117
- domestic violence; CR 798
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 631
- assault; CR 1117
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 788
- criminal mischief; CR 1866
- criminal mischief; Hwy. 278 E

ARRESTS

Feb. 10 – 13

Aldridge, Ronnie B.; 39
- public intoxication

Andrews, David W.; 45
- attempting to elude a police officer

Baxter, Laura E.; 29
- assault-aggravated assault family-knife

Briggs, Nakeisha R.; 45
- probation violation-fraud-identity theft (3 counts)

Campbell, Connie Dawn P.; 54
- FTA- forgery-counterfeiting

Dunion, Trent M.; 23
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Green, Charles K.; 31
- FTA- assault-reckless endangerment
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (3 counts)
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- attempting to elude police officer
- FTA- stolen vehicles-auto theft

Hays, Cody N.; 33
- probation revoked- possession of dangerous drugs

Johnson, Jason M.; 42
- FTA- weapons-drunk/addict in possession of a firearm

Johnson, Landon L.; 18
- FTA- reckless driving

Lambert, Michael L.; 40
- FTA- driving while license suspended (2 counts)

Lindsey, Cody G.; 35
- larceny/theft-theft of article from auto

Lively, Denisha D.; 34
- DUI (alcohol)

Miles, Anthony D.; 42
- driving while license suspended

Lovelace, Robert G.; 53
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- second-degree possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- public intoxication

Mentzer, Jacob M.; 30
- public intoxication

Porter, Eldridge; 57
- FTA- forgery-counterfeiting (2 counts)
- FTA- forgery-possessing forged instrument (2 counts)

Raines, Brian A.; 34
- second-degree stalking

Wadsworth, Keith D.; 61
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Wingo, Linda F.; 49
- FTA- larceny/theft-miscellaneous, $1,500 - $2,500

Brown, Christopher L.; 47
- burglary-residence-no force
- damaged property-criminal mischief

Denney Jr., John C.; 52
- public intoxication

Fanning, Ricky D.; 30
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- public intoxication (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Gonzalez Jr., Raumir; 26
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- DUI (alcohol)

Heatherly, Raymond C.; 46
- FTA- public intoxication

Henderson, Shelia A.; 54
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- larceny/theft-miscellaneous less than $500
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Hooper, Robert D.; 40
- probation revoked- forgery-possessing forged instrument

Jacobs, Jenny M.; 49
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Mooney, Cheranda R.; 36
- FTA- using false identity to avoid/hinder prosecution

Nichols, Vanita G.; 40
- FTA- liquor-consumption of intoxicating liquors during election

Pace, Ryan G.; 22
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Power, Mark L.; 43
- DUI (controlled substances)

Smith, Dustin H.; 35
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)

Sterling, Pattie L.; 62
- FTA- drug trafficking
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Twilley, Sharlene Whitney L.; 26
- FTA- assault-child abuse-simple-family
- FTA- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- second-degree theft of property $1,500 - $2,500
- Grand Jury- illegal possession/use of credit/debit card

Villa, Joseph S.; 50
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Wise, Barry R.; 52
- FTA- sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Wise, Lisa D.; 50
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Youngblood, Destinie C.; 25
- assault-harassment (harassment/intimidation)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 12
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wild Thang; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $43

ARRESTS

Feb. 11 – 13

Fanning, Ricky D.; 30
- FTA- public intoxication (2 counts)

Jacobs, Jenny M.; 49
- FTA- DUI (2 counts)
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- driving on wrong side of road

Tinanau, Mihaela; 30
- loitering

Merrill, Zachary A.; 34
- fugitive from justice

Lambert, Michael L.; 40
- FTA- fail to register vehicle
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- insurance violation

Cole, Christopher I.; 20
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- first-degree possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Sullins, Chase E.; 31
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle

Wise, Lisa D.; 50
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- second-degree possession of marijuana

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF HANCEVILLE

Pursuant to the instructions of the City Council of the City of Hanceville, notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City Council at the Hanceville City Hall, located at 112 Main ST SE, Hanceville, Alabama, 35077, on Thursday March 10, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., where all interested citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard for or against the rezoning request submitted by One One Two Two Inc., for described property below to be rezoned to B-1 (Local Shopping) from AG-1 (Agricultural).

PROPOSED
ORDINANCE NO. 639
AN AMMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 510 INCLUDING THE ZONING MAP

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HANCEVILLE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The public health, safety, morals, and general welfare requiring it under authority granted by Article 4, Sections 11-52-70 through 11-52-79, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended and the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Hanceville, Alabama Ordinance No. 510, adopted the 1st day of May, 2006, as amended, and more particularly the Hanceville, Alabama zoning map as a part thereof, is hereby amended, changed, and modified as follows:

   (a) That the real estate being the property of ONE ONE TWO TWO, LLC zoned AG-1 Agricultural, located in Hanceville, Cullman County, Alabama, be re-zoned to B-1 Local Shopping, described as follows, to-wit:

   Commencing at the Northwest corner of the NW ¼ - SE ¼, Section 18, Township 11 South, Range 2 West, (the ¼ section corner is intersected by the West right-of-way line of U.S. Highway No. 31); thence southeasterly along the West right-of-way line of Highway No. 31 a distance of 181 feet to the beginning point of a 1 degree – 00' curve Right at station 627-72; thence continue along said right-of-way line and a 1 degree – 00' curve to the Right a distance of 88 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue along said right-of-way line a 1 degree – 00' curve to the right a distance of 210 feet; thence 90 degrees – 00' Right a distance of 110 feet; thence 90 degrees – 00' Right a distance of 210 feet; thence 90 degrees – 00' Right distance of 110 feet to a point of intersection with the West right-of-way line of U.S. Highway No. 31 and the point of beginning; the above described property lies in the NW ¼ - SE ¼, Section 18, Township 11 South, Range 2 West, in Cullman County, Alabama, and contains 0.53 acres, more or less.

2. That this Ordinance has been published once each week for two (2) successive weeks with the second being at least 15 days prior to passage, within the City of Hanceville, Alabama, and the publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim.
   That a public hearing has been held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the ____ day of _____ _____, at 5:30 p.m. at which time interested parties and citizens had opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.

3. That all notices as required by law were given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing.

4. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Hanceville, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance be and are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.

5. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this ordinance.

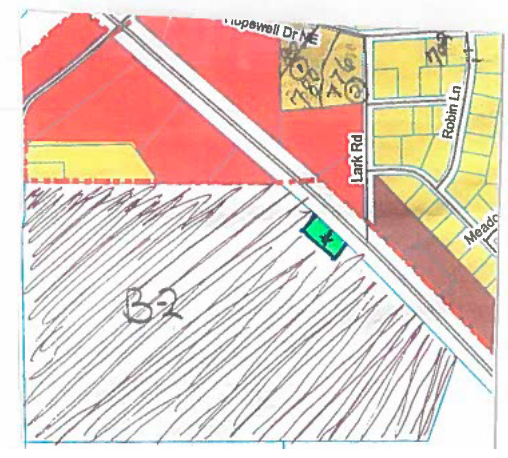
6. THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the above-described property is now zoned B-1 Local Shopping and that appropriate action be taken to change and modify the City Zoning Map to so reflect the said land as such.

7. This ordinance adopted ____ day of _____ _____, shall take effect after its publication as required by law, including notice, and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

_____
Mayor Kenneth Nail

ATTEST:

_____
Tania C. Wilcox, City Clerk



COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Monday, Feb. 14, COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes

Along with decreases in COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths, ADPH will be updating its dashboard less frequently. Effective June 7, the Data and Surveillance Dashboard will update Monday, Wednesday and Friday; the Vaccine Distribution Dashboard will update Tuesday and Thursday and no weekend updates will be made. Additional information may be provided in the future as ADPH gathers more data on the pandemic.

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

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday)

- Positivity in tests in Alabama: 17.8%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,471
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 534,611
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 341,714 (+4,004 since Friday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,502
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 882 (+64 since Friday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 11.3%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,562
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,738
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 6,735 (+66 since Friday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 16 (+0 since Friday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,517
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 171
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 54,140
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 9,627
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 1,600

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday) No Updates Available

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,689,335
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,607,525
- Doses administered: 5,783,675
- Additional doses administered: 738,820
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,828,340
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,299,203
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,081,810

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

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"Come to the Well" Community Women's Bible Study
• Tuesday mornings at 10 at the Hebrews Cafe at East Side Baptist Church, 1111 Third Street SE in Cullman
• Please wear a mask/face covering.

Baileyton Bargain Days
• First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park
• Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items
• A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted.
• Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Alcoholics Anonymous
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Monday and Thursday nights from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Church Services- Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 Saint Joseph Drive NW, Cullman
• Prayer meetings- Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.
• Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.
• 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.

Agriplex spring program schedule

Child & homeschool programs
• Feb. 24 - 9 a.m.: Heritage Homeschool Terrariums / Watercycle: Join us as we cover the water cycle and put that knowledge to use in creating take home terrariums. $15 per student, no max per family.
• March 3, noon: Heritage Homeschool Secondary Spring Herbs for Your Health: We have an abundance of spring herbs popping up that can be useful to help spring clean our bodies. Instructor Paula Smith will share how to use herbs to help students feel their best and will have a hands-on salve making project. $15 per student, no family max.
• March 5, 9 a.m.: Farm Kids First Peas to the Table: Join us as we find out how Thomas Jefferson's garden is inspiring even the youngest gardeners today.
• March 8, 10:30 a.m.: Library Storytimes Five Senses at Guy Hunt Library Holly Pond. FREE
• March 11, 10 a.m.: Little Farmers Feathered Friends: Explore the world of birds with hands on fun as we learn how to bring birds to our own backyards.
• March 24: Heritage Homeschool Seed Starting: What does a seed need to grow? Find out as we learn all about how to grow our own vegetable transplants for the garden.

Adult programs
• Feb. 15, 6 p.m.: Beginning Farmer & Rancher- Using Plastic Mulch & Drip Irrigation: This free program will cover what crops benefit most from plastic mulch and drip irrigation and how you can use that technology on a small scale. Registration required, contact Tony Glover at gloveta@aces.edu, or by phone 256-568-0005.
• February 16, noon: Lunch & Learn Micro & Drip Irrigation: Eric Schavey will be here to teach the basics of micro and drip irrigation. Free program, registration is required by calling 256-297-1044. Light lunch provided or bring your own!
• March 8, 6 p.m.: Beginning Farmer & Rancher- Small Scale Vegetable Production: Learn which summer vegetables are the most profitable and learn the best practices for growing them. Registration required, contact Tony Glover at gloveta@aces.edu, or by phone 256-568-0005
• March 14, 6 p.m.: Living Landscapes Growing Shitake Mushrooms: Inoculate your own shitake mushroom log to take home and grow. $40 per person.
• March 16, noon: Lunch & Learn Growing Succulents: Bethany O'Rear will be here to talk about succulents. Free program, light lunch provided. Must call 256-297-1044 to register.
• March 22, 6 p.m.: Heritage Skills Growing & Using Gourds and Pumpkins: Katie Westmoreland will be here teaching us how to grow these useful cucurbits, avoid pests and diseases and also will be demonstrating how to use them in crafting recipes and more!

Register for programs at https://agriplex.org/WPtest/services/.

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.

Application deadline for Eightmile Creek Watershed
• The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service announced the deadline to submit applications for the National Water Quality Initiative. The deadline to apply is Friday, Feb. 25. Cullman NRCS is offering an opportunity for agricultural producers in Eightmile Creek watershed to apply for financial assistance to install conservation practices that protect water quality through NWQI.
• Eligible conservation practices through NWQI include those that promote soil health, reduce erosion, and lessen nutrient runoff, such as cover crops, reduced tillage, nutrient management and animal waste management systems.
• Cullman County producers located in the Eightmile Creek watershed interested in participating in NWQI and meet eligibility criteria should contact the Cullman NRCS office. Please phone the Cullman County NRCS office at 256-734-6471, ext. 3. Applications signed and submitted to NRCS by the Friday, Feb. 25, deadline will be evaluated for fiscal year 2022 funding.

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

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.

Holly Pond Homemakers Club
Feb. 15: The Holly Pond Homemakers Club will meet Tuesday, Feb. 15, at the Event Center in Holly Pond. Meeting will begin at 1 p.m. and will be hosted by Judy Jones and Peggy Ray. Please come and bring someone. For more information, contact Gladys Wisener at 256-338-1478.

Cullman County Master Gardeners Meeting
Feb. 17: Cullman County Master Gardeners will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 17, at the North Alabama Agriplex, 1714 Tally Ho St., Cullman. At 11 a.m. Kira Sims, County Extension Coordinator, will present information about the trees and shrubs that will be available at the Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee tree sale to be held at the Agriplex on Feb. 19. Master Gardeners, interns and members of the public are invited to attend. No charge and no reservation needed. For more information, contact Stefanie Light at 240-469-8417.

Fairview High School Class of '63 Meeting
Feb. 18: The class will meet at the Golden Corral (1720 Cherokee Ave. SW, Cullman). Must be 1:02 p.m. or after for senior discount. The meeting will be in one of the reserved rooms in the back of the restaurant. Call Joyce Williams Rodgers for more information at 256-339-3451.

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

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 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 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.

Books & Brews
Feb. 23: The Friends of the Libraries of Cullman County is hosting a book sale at Goat Island Brewery on Wednesday, Feb. 23 from 5-7 p.m. The event is free to attend, with books selling for 50 cents apiece. Chat and Chew Food Truck will also be on-site.

Fairview Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
Feb. 26: The Fairview Lions Club is having a pancake breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 26 from 7-10 a.m. at Fairview Town Hall (7525 Alabama Highway 69 N.). Plates will be $6, with both dine-in and carryout options available. All proceeds will go to the Fairview Lions Club projects fund. For more information, call Kita Chambers at 256-385-8805 or William Criscoe at 256-385-5596.

Valley Springs Baptist Church Youth Revival
• March 12-13: Beginning at 5 p.m. at Valley Springs Baptist Church (6979 County Road 437, Cullman). The evangelists will be Colin Long, Ethan Yarbrough, Clay Rollo and Kenny Shelton.
• Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers in word in conversation, in charity, in faith, in purity. 1st Timothy 4:12 (KJV).

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.

2022 Hanceville Grilled Cheese Festival
May 28: The Hanceville Grilled Cheese Festival is back for the second year! The festival will take place Saturday, May 28 starting at 9 a.m. Features will include vendors, food trucks, live music and plenty of activities for adults and kids alike. Most food trucks will feature their own signature grilled cheese. There will also be a grilled cheese cook-off. Follow them on Facebook for more information: https://www.facebook.com/events/265071822436868/.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Bearcats fend off Hartselle 64-48 to win area title

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CULLMAN, Ala. — After defeating Decatur Tuesday night, the Bearcats returned home Friday night to host the Hartselle Tigers in this year's 6A, Area 14 Championship Game. It was a back and forth affair throughout the first half but Cullman clamped down defensively in the second, outscoring the Tigers 26-11 in the final two periods and pulling away to win their first area championship since 2016. Head Coach Stu Stuedeman is proud of the way his guys adjusted and locked down defensively in the second half. Stuedeman is excited about what his team has been able to accomplish this season but he and the Bearcats plan on winning more hardware before the year is done.

"Kudos to Hartselle, they came out and balled. They exploited some of our miscues on defense and we haven't had this problem all year but what we did was we had to stop trapping them. We stopped trapping them and stopped giving them angles and we just wore them down in the second half. Those shots became harder and harder and they're not as deep as we are, so we just ran bodies at them and played a great second half defensively," Stuedeman said. "We just have to stay healthy and keep playing hard. We're a really good basketball team and there's always room for improvement but the biggest key for us will just be staying locked in and focused. This isn't the end for us. We have bigger aspirations."

The 'Cats got off to a fast start, pulling ahead 5-0 after a three-pointer from Garrison Sharpe and a basket by Nate Zills. Tucker Cagle scored inside to keep Cullman in front 7-5 and threes from Jamar Kay and Colton Echols kept the Bearcats ahead 15-13 midway through the first quarter. The Tigers managed to take an 18-17 lead later in the period, but Tucker Gambrill drained a three-pointer from the top of the key with 20 seconds remaining in the first and retook a 20-18 lead for the black and gold going into the second.

Kay and Max Gambrill each knocked down a trey early in the second quarter to give Cullman a 26-21 lead and after an answer from the Tigers, Sharpe finished an and-one play at the line to keep the Bearcats in front 30-27 midway through the period. Kay sank another three-pointer after that to make it a 33-29 game and Colton Echols scored a quick basket off a turnover to make it 35-29. Kay's third three-pointer of the game gave the 'Cats a 38-32 lead with a minute to play in the half but Hartselle was able to cut the lead to 38-37 by the end of the first half.

A pair of Cagle buckets put Cullman in front 42-37 at the start of the third quarter and Tucker Gambrill netted another three-pointer to make it 45-37. Max Gambrill added another deep three to extend the lead to 48-39 midway through the third and a basket by Tucker Apel made it a 50-42 game with two minutes left in the period. Apel wasn't done, and he laid one in with just two seconds on the clock to send the Bearcats into the fourth quarter with a 52-42 lead.

Another Cagle basket and a pair of free throws from Max Gambrill made it a 56-46 game early in the final period and Cullman was able to smother the Tigers on the defensive end throughout the final frame. The Bearcats continued to knock down shots at the free throw line and Hartselle wasn't able to get anything going on the offensive end, allowing the 'Cats to pull away and win it 64-48, capturing their first area title since 2016 in the process. Kay and Max Gambrill each posted 12 points for Cullman in the win. Cagle and Gambrill each added 11 and Apel finished with six. The Bearcats will be back home Tuesday night to host Clay-Chalkville in the Sub-Regional.

All-Area Tournament Team selections

- Tucker Gambrill – MVP
- Tucker Apel
- Garrison Sharpe
- Jamar Kay



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Tucker Apel drives and scores through a foul during the Bearcats' 64-48 win over Hartselle Friday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

Cold Springs tops Addison 62-40 to capture area championship

Todd Walker
Tribune Correspondent

BREMEN, Ala. — The Cold Springs Eagles clashed with the Addison Bulldogs at Jesse George Gymnasium Friday night and the hometown Eagles were able to keep the Dawgs at arm's length most of the night. Cold Springs carried a 33-20 lead in the halftime break and was able to pull away and claim a 62-40 win over Addison and this year's 2A, Area 13 Championship.

Cold Springs Coach Tim Willoughby was pleased with the way his squad played defensively in the win and is especially proud of his group of seniors that have led the Eagles to this point.

"Very proud of our guys. We shot the ball well tonight. We tried to make it extremely tough defensively on them (Addison) tonight," Willoughby said. "We didn't want to give up any easy baskets. Number 13 (Howse) for Addison is one of the best guards that we played all year, and they have some more shooters that you can't let have open looks or they will hit the shots. Proud of my seniors. Brody Peppers, Tanner Kilgo and Cody Bales have all been on varsity since they were Freshman and have meant a lot to the program."

The first period started out fairly evenly as Addison and Cold Springs swapped buckets, with Addison leading 8-7 with 3:50 minutes to go in the period. The Eagles then went on a 9-0 run jump out to a 16-8 lead. Eagle Junior John Mark Smith did his best Steph Curry impersonation as he bombed threes from all over the gym. Smith nailed two in the period and had a layup as well. Senior Seth Williams drained a three as well. The Eagles couldn't miss in the period, well pretty much for the entire game. At the end of the first period, the Eagles led 16-10. Addison Senior Eli Howse had five points for the Dawgs and Junior Brady Gilbreath had three points.

The second period was more of the same as Cold Springs ran their offense to perfection. There were crisp passes to the player cutting for the layup. If the cut wasn't there, they would find the open man for the three-point attempt, which they usually made. Smith made two more threes and Senior Brody Peppers had one as well. The Eagles and Bulldogs both had only three rebounds apiece for the period, which means that there weren't very many missed shots. The Eagles won the period 17-10 with Howse scoring six of the points. The Eagles carried a 33-20 lead into the half and in all truthfulness, it didn't seem that close of a game.

The third period was won by the Eagles as they outscored the Dawgs 16-13 to carry a 49-33 lead into the final period. Peppers went off for the Eagles as he dominated the period. Peppers, who seems like he has been playing at Cold Springs for ten years, in truth he has only been starting since ninth grade, had eight points and three rebounds. Smith and Williams drained some more three-pointers and the entire team continued to play excellent defense. The Bulldogs couldn't get an uncontested shot off. Addison Senior Justin Mather did everything in his power to keep the Dawgs close as he had nine of their 13 points. Freshman Bradley Willette and Howse had two points apiece for the Dawgs.

The fourth period had the Eagles closing out the Dawgs in matter-of-fact way as they outscored them 13-7 to take the victory 62-40. Addison Senior Joe Harris had three points, Christian Roberts and Mather had a bucket apiece. The Eagles were led by Smith's five points, all free throws. Peppers, Senior Cody Bales, Williams and Senior Tanner Kilgo each had two points apiece.

Cold Springs was the better team on this evening, as they played a near flawless game. Addison on the other hand shoots a lot of threes but just couldn't find any open looks on this night. The Bulldogs only hit four for the entire night.

Addison Head Coach Ben Mastin said, "Cold Springs played really well tonight. I mean they played an almost flawless game," Mastin said. "We didn't help ourselves by turning the ball over a lot. Our offense relies on running in transition but if the other team doesn't miss the shot, it makes it hard on us. Coach Willoughby does an excellent job over here and had a great plan tonight."

Cold Springs will return home Tuesday night to host Aliceville in the Sub-Regional while the Bulldogs travel to Red Bay.

Unofficial stats:

Cold Springs was led by Smith who had a game-high 22 points and three boards. Peppers had 16 points and five boards. Williams had 10 points and two boards. Cody Bales had six points and a blocked shot. Kilgo had six points, three boards and a block. Coleton Bales had two points. Cold Springs was 12-15 in free throws.

Addison was led by Howse who had 13 points and three assists. Mather had 11 points and four boards. Gilbreath had five points. Roberts had two points, four boards and three steals. Freshman Jed Wilkins had two points, three boards and three assists. Willette had two points, three boards and a block. Junior Briley Hayes had two points and one assist. Harris had three points and one board. Addison was 6-10 in free throws.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

West Point's Summer Mendoza finished with 12 points in the Lady Warriors' 52-45 loss to Lawrence County.

PREP BASKETBALL

Lady Saints shut out West Limestone 3-0, Saints tie Wildcats 1-1

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LESTER, Ala. — The Saint Bernard Prep varsity soccer teams opened their season Friday evening at West Limestone High School in Lester, with the Lady Saints scoring a shutout on three goals by Madi Kerber.

"Our girls played very well," said Coach Will Drake. "The team felt good after the early goal from Madi Kerber. Defending a lead is in this team's DNA, and we were prepared to, but it makes us more comfortable to watch Madi put in two more. Her work ethic is excellent, dropping back to help the team, and her runs open up the opponent. Of course, her hat trick speaks for itself."

The varsity boys fell behind early but came back with a goal by Jiovany Arriaga to finish with a 1-1 tie.



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St. Bernard's Madi Kerber watches her kick pass the West Limestone goaltender Friday evening.



EDUCATION

The CMS Olympic Games

CMS students participate in their own versions of the Winter Olympics

Trent Moore
Cullman City Schools



CULLMAN CITY SCHOOLS

Cullman Middle School students participate in their own versions of the Winter Olympics this week.

CULLMAN, Ala. – Couldn't make it to Beijing for the 2022 Winter Olympics? That was no problem at Cullman Middle School the past two weeks, as they brought the Olympics to life for students with their own take on key events, plus a bit of schooling on what the Olympics are and what the games represent.

As part of Cullman Middle School's physical education program, teacher Tracie McPhillips explains they took a hard look at the Olympics to figure out how they could adapt the events for local students, bringing that icy action to life in the admittedly less-icy climes of Cullman, Alabama.

Before the Winter Olympics end, CMS students will have participated in their own takes on curling, bob sledding, the luge, hockey and a biathlon.

"It is a bit harder to do the Winter Olympics instead of the summer games, since we are from the South. In other parts of the country, they can use the actual snow during P.E., but we've had to get a bit more creative with what equipment we have available," McPhillips explained. "For example, scooters are not something that I would normally use in middle school. But for bobsled and curling? It was perfect.

"The students definitely have to use their imaginations, but we're building the best courses we can for them."

The homegrown Olympics incorporate the Alabama Course of Study for Physical Education and is an opportunity for students to learn about sports they may have never even known existed before this month.

"Yesterday we did a Biathlon and 99% had never even heard of one," McPhillips said.

"They are engaging and really want to succeed to earn the gold medal. We're also doing some timed events and they want to beat the times the other classes have had."

To make sure the Olympics don't stop when the bell rings, the school has also posted a schedule of major Olympics events and where to watch them on TV after school, as well as watching Olympics footage of some of the events the students have been competing in the past two weeks.

"It's a way for them to see what the real events look like, and how creative we've had to be to play it here," McPhillips said. "By the end, we'll engage with students to talk about what their favorite new sports are from the Winter Olympics."

Cullman (from Front)

the property. The council approved the repurchase of the property for $700,000.

The council set a public hearing on March 28 to discuss rezoning of property north of Old Highway 157 – behind Cracker Barrel and along the Interstate – from R-4 to PR-2 (Planned Unit Development District).

The council also approved an alcohol license request from Kolby Lawrence of Cabin Fever Beverages for a new package store to be located between the Dollar General and city water treatment plant on U.S. Highway 278 east of St. Bernard Abbey. The license was recommended by the City of Cullman Alcohol Review Committee.

The Cullman City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at Cullman City Hall. The public is invited to attend.









Wreck (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Two people were killed when three vehicles were involved in a traffic wreck on Monday morning around 7:30 a.m. near Hurricane Creek Park on U.S. Highway 31.

According to Cullman County Coroner Jeremy Kilpatrick, two women were identified as being deceased on scene this morning.

Sarah Elizabeth Onks, 26, of Hartselle, and Carol Janine Pope, 56, of Vinemont, were in opposing vehicles that collided Monday morning.

An Alabama State Troopers spokesperson confirmed that Onks and Pope were driving a Hyundai Tucsan, and Chevy Malibu, respectfully. The third vehicle was a Mazda6 and there was no injury reported.

Look for updates at CullmanTribune.com.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Chris Robin McGinnis



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Keith Dewayne Wadsworth

Charges (from Front)

Lauren Estes
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Sheriff's Office Deputies conducted a traffic stop that ended in two arrests Wednesday, Feb. 9.

The driver, Keith Dewayne Wadsworth, 61, was of Oneonta. Wadsworth pulled into an area hotel. The passenger of the vehicle exited the vehicle and ran into a room of the hotel. The passenger, Chris Robin McGinnis, 49, of Cullman was arrested for a warrant for obstructing police.

Deputies returned to the hotel later that evening for a follow-up investigation with Wadsworth.

Narcotics and paraphernalia were located in Wadsworth's room at that time.

He was arrested and charged with possession of methamphetamine, possession of drug paraphernalia and illegal possession of prescription drugs.

Good Hope (from Front)

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — Good Hope's City Council held its first regularly scheduled meeting of the month at Good Hope City Hall Monday had a pair of readings for upcoming city ordinances. Before the council got to the readings, they discussed potential plans for expanding the city water and sewage systems with Walter Lewis, Managing Director with Piper Sandler & Co. The Council and Lewis agreed that as the City of Good Hope continues to grow, a plan for expanding city utilities will become necessary in the future.

Following those discussions, the Council moved on to the readings for a pair of ordinances regarding a new speed zone and a property rezoning.

The first was Ordinance No: 001-2022 to rezone a parcel of property from R-2 to B-2.

"Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Good Hope, Alabama as follows:

"Whereas, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Act and the city's general jurisdictional power and land use authority, it is therefore provided: For the purpose of rezoning the below parcel of property from R-2 located in the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope, Cullman County, Alabama to Business District.

"A parcel of land, 14 acres +/- in the City of Good Hope, more particularly described as follows:

"The West half of the SW ¼ of Section 33, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, containing 20 acres, more or less. LESS 7 EXCEPTING: 4.36 acres heretofore sold to State of Alabama for right of way for Interstate Highway No. 65.

"Also, less and except a strip of land 20 feet in width deeded to Burrow and Edge Company, Incorporated, said easement filed for records in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama in Deed Book 286, Page 43. Situated, lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama."

The Council will hold a public hearing for this ordinance at its next meeting. The second ordinance was Ordinance No. 003-2022 to establish a speed zone. With several recent traffic accidents happening in the same area on Highway 69 (County Road 437), Mayor Jerry Bartlett and the Council are moving to try and slow down drivers passing through the area.

"What we decided to do is make it a speed zone from there at the beginning of Wiregrass (Construction)," Bartlett said. "We put up a large speed zone sign and we've put up about three 35 mph signs up to the red light."

The ordinance states in part: "Any person driving a vehicle within the city limits of Good Hope shall drive at a careful and prudent speed not greater than is reasonable and proper, having due regard to the traffic, surface and width of the street or highway and of any other conditions then existing.

"No person shall drive any vehicle within the city at such a speed as to endanger the life, limb or property of any person.

"It shall be prima facie unlawful for any person to operate any automobile, motorcycle, truck or any other motor vehicle at a speed in excess of thirty-five (35) miles per hour on or in the SPEED ZONE set between GPS coordinates 34.099588 (parking lot of Wiregrass Construction) and 34-093458-86.882059 (Bavar Creek Bridge), within the municipal limit of the City of Good Hope, Alabama."

The Good Hope City Council will hold its next meeting Monday, Feb. 28 at 6:30 p.m.



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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
BRENDA GAYLE JEFFERS
Deceased.

CASE NO PC-2022-043

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted to Shirley Jeffers, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Brenda Gayle Jeffers, Deceased, on the 11th day of February, 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.

Shirley Jeffers
Personal Representative

Shannon H. Dye
Attorney for the Estate
3800 Colonade Parkway, Suite 175
Birmingham, Alabama 35243

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

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
SDT, * **CASE NO.: JU 20-068.02**
a minor, DOB: 08-08-2018. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

Denise Ann Tanner, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources in regards to the above referenced child born on August 8, 2018 by the 15th day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating her parental rights may be entered against her in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 1st day of February, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal this 1st day of February 2022
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

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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 *
GARY TURNER, * **CASE NO.: PC2022-033**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to R. ERIC SUMMERFORD, SR., as Personal Representative of the Estate of GARY TURNER, deceased, on the 4th day of February, 2022, 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.

R. Eric Summerford, Sr.
Personal Representative

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701 2nd Avenue
Decatur, AL 35601

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

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
ZAT, * **CASE NO.: JU 20-067.02**
a minor, DOB: 06-11-2017. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

Denise Ann Tanner, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources in regards to the above referenced child born on June 11, 2017 by the 15th day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating her parental rights may be entered against her in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

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JAMES ISAAC TANNER, JR., whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources in regards to a minor child born on June 11, 2017, to Denise Ann Tanner by the 15th day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of 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 *
JOYCE WALDROP CHAMBERS, * **CASE NO.: PC2021-406**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to KATHY SALINAS as Personal Representative of the Estate of JOYCE WALDROP CHAMBERS, deceased, on the 4th day of February, 2022, 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.

Kathy Salinas
Personal Representative

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IN THE MATTER OF *
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a minor, DOB: 08-08-2018. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

JAMES ISAAC TANNER, JR., whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources in regards to a minor child born on August 8, 2018, to Denise Ann Tanner by the 15th day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 1st day of February, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal this 1st day of February 2022
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

Obituary Announcements: Feb. 12 - 14

Maria de los Angeles Padron, 57, of Blountsville
A memorial service for Maria de los Angeles Padron of Blountsville, Alabama was 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 14 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Mrs. Padron was born in Rio Bravo Tamaulipas, Mexico on Nov. 23, 1964. She died at the age of 57 at Cullman Regional Medical Center on Feb. 10. Survivors include her husband: Eusebo Padron, children: Sarith Lopez, Nicolas Padron and Paulin Padron and several other family members and friends.

Micah Darrell Grimmett, 71, of Crane Hill
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Micah Darrell Grimmett, 71, of Crane Hill. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Grimmett family. Mr. Grimmett passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, at his residence. He was born Oct. 9, 1950, to Othell and Opal Stewart Grimmett. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife of 51 years: Martha Baker Grimmett; son: Toby (Beverly) Grimmett; daughter: Tracy (Shane) Hancock; brother: Shirel (Carolyn) Grimmett; sister: Marsha (Robin) Johnson; grandchildren: Noah Hancock and Grayson Grimmett a host of family and friends.

Rebecca Gail Grayson, 80, of Hanceville
A graveside service for Rebecca Gail Grayson, of Hanceville, will be 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 15 at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - noon on Tuesday at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Grayson was born Nov. 14, 1941, to Henry and Olene (Mann) Graves. She died at the age of 80 on Feb. 14, at her residence in Hanceville. Survivors include her siblings: Henry C. and (Anita) Graves Jr., Larry Graves and Diane (Barney) Vick and nieces and nephews: Henry C. Graves III, Kimberly (David) Moody, Andrea Bishop, Randy Graves, Alan (Victoria) Graves Jr., Christopher Bradford and Cary Bradford. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Grayson was preceded in death by her husband: Cecil Grayson and nephew: Jason Graves.

Janice Laney, 67, of Cullman
Funeral service for Janice Laney, age 67, of Cullman, was at 11 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 14, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Etsel Riddle officiated and burial was held at Mount Carmel Cemetery. Visitation was from 5-8 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 13, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Laney passed away Friday, Feb. 11, at Huntsville Hospital. She was born June 16, 1954, in Cullman, Alabama to Hayse and Sylvia Brock. She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers: Howard and Kenneth Brock and sister: Gaynell Latham. Survivors include her husband: Ralph Laney; daughter: Jennifer (Tony) Lambert; son: Glen (Jennifer) Laney; grandchildren: Jake (Emily) Lambert, Michael (Emily) Lambert, Caleb (Amber Dewberry) Lambert, Abbie Cook, Gracie (Gage Henke) Cook and and Emma Laney; great-grandchildren: Truett Lambert, Mabri Lambert and Emmett Cook and nine siblings. In lieu of flowers, please consider placing a Bible in mom's memory through Gideon Bibles.

Geraldine Bryson Ezekiel, 79, of Hanceville
Funeral service for Geraldine Bryson Ezekiel, age 79, of Hanceville, will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Bro. Randy Sellers officiating and interment in Welti Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Ezekiel passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, at Brookwood Medical Center. She was born July 1, 1942, to Hobert James and Eula Bryson. She was preceded in death by her husband: John H. Ezekiel; son: John Samuel Ezekiel; daughter: Anita Ezekiel; parents; sister: Betty Camp and brother: Buddy Bryson. Survivors include her daughter: Rebecca Holman; grandson: John Holman; adoptive daughter: Lawasa Hagood; adoptive granddaughter: Carlie Lassiter; brother: Kenneth Bryson; sister: Shela Meskimen; sister-in-law: Linda Bryson and a host of nieces and nephews.

Paul Randall Linam, Sr., 68, of Haleyville
Paul Randall Linam, Sr., age 68, of Haleyville, passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, at Lakeland Community Hospital. Mr. Linam was born Oct. 8, 1953, in Haleyville, Alabama to Paul Gipson Linam and Agnes Olene King Linam. Paul was a member of the Ninth Avenue Church of Christ and National Rifle Association. He was a proud supporter of the Haleyville American Legion. Paul was a third-generation trucker and received "The Million Mile Safe Driving Award." Family will receive friends Thursday, Feb. 17, from 5-6:30 p.m. at Ninth Ave Church of Christ in Haleyville, where the memorial service will be held at 6:30 p.m. Andy Kizer and Mathew Balentine will officiate. Paul is survived by his wife: Becky Linam; children: Randall Linam, Jr. (Jessica); Cecily Linam Barnett (Chad); grandchildren: Sarah Linam and Cole Linam; sister: Gnean Linam Whitten; two beloved pets: Jack and Jimmy and host of friends and family. He was preceded in death by his parents Paul and Olene Linam. In lieu of flowers, the family request memorial donation be made to the Ninth Avenue Church of Christ, American Legion Whitehead Post (Unit 33) or the Misty Romine Scholarship Fund.

Alvin Chester Fortner, 72, of Hanceville
Funeral service for Alvin Chester Fortner, 72, of Hanceville, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from noon – 2 p.m. prior to the service on Wednesday. Bro. Heath Riggs will officiate the service. The interment will be in the Center Hill Baptist Church Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Fortner family. Mr. Fortner passed from this life on Feb. 12, at his residence. He was born June 2, 1949, to Cargus and Thelma Love Hammock Fortner. He made custom draperies for 35 years. He was an active member of Center Hill Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents: Cargus and Thelma Love Hammock Fortner; brother: Roy Fortner and grandson: Daythan Allen Fortner. Mr. Fortner is survived by his wife: Gearldine Fortner; son: Kenneth Allen Fortner; stepdaughter: Wendy (Michael) Jenkins; brother: William (Jeanette) Fortner; sister: Shirley (Cecil) Worley; grandchildren: Riley Joe Fortner and Michaela (Brett) Jenkins Barker and a host of family and friends.

Janey Michelle Helms, 45, of Vinemont
Janey Michelle Helms, 45, of Vinemont, Alabama passed away Saturday, Feb. 12, surrounded by her loving family. Janey was born May 25, 1976, in Cullman, Alabama. Janey is survived by her loving husband of 26 years: Dewayne Allen Helms; her daughter: Tyler Nicole (Martin) Greer; her brother: Donnie (Tammy) Kimbril; her aunt: Janey Buchanan; her nephew: John Ray Kimbril; her niece: Rachel Kimbril; her nephew: Johnathon Kimbril and her cousins, other family and friends: Cindy Sanchez, Cheryl Kitts, Annette Sammons, Chad Burnett, Jenny Johnson, Marcia Day, Barbara Holmes and Joann Foley. Janey was preceded in death by her mother: Gaynell Viola Kimbril; her brother: Jason Kimbril and her grandparents: JW and Martha Kimbril. Janey loved spending time with her family and loving her beloved fur babies Bear and Molly. She enjoyed sewing, making arts and crafts. She was one of Alabama's biggest fans. A celebration of life memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Donald Rodgers, 69, of Holly Pond
Memorial service for Donald Rodgers, 69, of Holly Pond will be Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel from 5-7 p.m. Rev. Steve Rodgers will officiate. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Rodgers passed away Saturday, Feb. 12, at Cullman Regional Hospital. He was born Jan. 9, 1953, to Major and Bessie Rogers. He was preceded in death by his parents; his son: Isaac Rodgers, Sr.; brothers: Harry Rodgers and David Rogers and infant brothers and sisters. Survivors include his wife: Octavia Rodgers; daughter: Kayla Rodgers (Christopher Cole); brothers: Danny Rodgers and Steve (Hilda) Rodgers; sisters: Elizabeth Robinson and Brenda (Ben) Kerny; grandson: Isaac Rodgers, Jr. and family and friends.

David Eric Horton, 52, of Cullman
David Eric Horton, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Feb. 11, at the age of 52. He was born April 11, 1969, in Cullman County, Alabama, to Millard Eldredge and Jacqueline Freeman Horton. Eric was a member of Pleasant View Baptist Church, in Holly Pond, where four generations of the Horton family worship their Savior together every Sunday morning. Mr. Horton was an automotive machinist. He owned his own business and he enjoyed getting to work in an industry that he was passionate about. Eric was a fun loving and joyful man. He was always teasing, joking or playing. Eric enjoyed God's blessing of laughter and humor and he found joy in laughing with those he loved. Eric was always doing for others. He was a giving and loving man, and his heart was that of a servant of Christ. Eric's love and adoration for his family was evident. He adored wife, his Tara Ann, and his heart belonged to his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren as well. Eric was also a loving son, brother and brother-in-law. While our hearts are broken, we also rejoice in knowing that Eric is home with the Father and we are grateful for the blessing Eric has been to so many of us. Eric was welcomed into heaven by his father: Millard Horton and his grandparents: Art and Gracie Horton. Eric is survived by his wife: Tara Ann Horton; sons: Eren Horton, Ross and Maggie Bailey and Jacob and Hannah Bailey; daughters: Ashley and Chris Ralph and Kelly Horton Hall; grandchildren: Vera Hall, Valyn Hall, Drew Ralph and Adora Ralph; great-grandchildren: Cora, Maliah, Riley, Selah, Kabri and Paxton; mother: Jackie Horton; brother: Kevin and Lisa Horton; sister: Kathy and Jerome Kilgo; nephews: Grant and Samantha Banks, Kade Horton and Kohl Horton; great-nieces: Kaylee Banks and Alyssa Banks; uncle: Jerry Freeman and his dog, Ratchet. Funeral services for Eric are 11 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 16, at his church home, Pleasant View Baptist Church, with Pastor Earl Harper officiating. Mr. Horton will lie in state from 10 a.m., until services begin. Burial will follow services in Holly Pond Cemetery. Eren Horton, Ross Bailey, Jacob Bailey, Chris Ralph, Kevin Horton and Grant Banks will serve as pallbearers. Friends are invited to visit with the Horton family on Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, at Pleasant View Baptist Church, from 5-8 p.m. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to care for Mr. Horton.

Clarcie Marie Jones, 97, of Cullman
A graveside service for Clarcie Marie Jones of Cullman will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 16 at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Wednesday prior to the service at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Jones was born on Monday, Nov. 24, 1924, in Cullman, Alabama. She died at the age of 97 on Saturday, Feb. 12, at the Folsom Center in Cullman. Survivors include her son: Billy (Elizabeth) Jones; grandson: David Jones; great-grandson: Coby Jones; sisters: Mary Powell and Melba Hipp; brother: Douglas Edwards and a host of nieces and nephews. Mrs. Jones was preceded in death by her husband: Charles Jones; sister: Hazel McPherson and brother: Rollan Edwards.

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my office will continue to prosecute each case to the extent that justice requires," Blaylock said. "The results of 'justice' has changed drastically over the years. For example, in recent years, we have seen the State Legislature enact so-called 'prison reform' laws that have led to a mass exodus of career criminals from the prison system back into our neighborhoods. The Legislature has also handicapped our ability to seek justice by mandating other laws such as the sentencing guidelines, which often prevents us from sending many habitual offenders to prison. These laws, which are targeted at saving the State of Alabama money by decreasing the size of the prison population, have placed our citizens' safety at risk."

Blaylock went on to say, "While our office has been presented with challenges, we have also sought solutions to confront these challenges. An example of such a solution is the creation of the Helping Families Initiative (HFI). The HFI is targeted at helping students with truancy or disciplinary problems to build productive futures while improving the safety and learning environments for all. Studies have shown that the vast majority of adult offenders had certain behavioral characteristics that could be identified during their school-aged years. The HFI was primarily created to help correct the problems and decision-making of at-risk children that could lead them down a path of crime. The HFI is a full-community effort that involves the local school systems and representatives from throughout the community."

Blaylock finished, saying, "The District Attorney is tasked with more than just the prosecution of criminal cases. Our office also offers many more services such as Victim Services, Worthless Check Unit, Court Cost and Restitution Recovery Unit and Child Support Enforcement Unit. Our office will continue to offer these services to our community because our families and communities deserve it. Representing the people of Cullman County has been a great responsibility. I would be honored to continue to serve you as District Attorney because Cullman County is such a special place that I will always fight to keep it safe."

Cullman attorney Champ Crocker first thanked The Tribune for focusing this question on what matters the most in this election and every election and that is the people.

"I'm running because the people of this community matter to me. I grew up here, my law practice is here, and my wife and I chose to raise our family here. We have two young children who I want to grow up in the same safe, secure community I did," Crocker said. "There is a national conversation happening right now revealing that who you elect as District Attorney will have more practical impact on your quality of life than any other elected official."

Crocker discussed his goal of a safe community starts with the people supporting law enforcement.

"As District Attorney, I will support and partner with our law enforcement because they are on the front lines," Crocker said. "I have represented law enforcement officers and agencies as an attorney, attended countless events supporting our officers and I have served as a legal instructor for the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, Cullman Police Department and Alabama Reserve Deputies Association. I have ridden the roads of this county with deputies, and I've been on scene with them in confrontations with combative individuals. I have seen firsthand what our officers face, which is why I will be fully engaged with law enforcement and the community."

Crocker's final thoughts included the importance of sharing that the District Attorney represents the State of Alabama in court, but crime victims serve as the face of the State.

"I will establish a Victims Advisory Council on my first day in office and will take other measures to give victims the priority, acknowledgement and justice they deserve. I will use my training and experience and that of my staff so we can win our cases at trial. The people should expect nothing less," he said. "I will have a transparent administration. Access should not be hard. It should not be hard to see your elected officials. That is why I will have an open-door policy – to be ready, willing and able to assist the people of Cullman County. If someone is calling the District Attorney's Office, it's probably because they are having a bad day. My staff and I will conduct ourselves with professionalism, courtesy and respect for the citizens," Crocker continued.

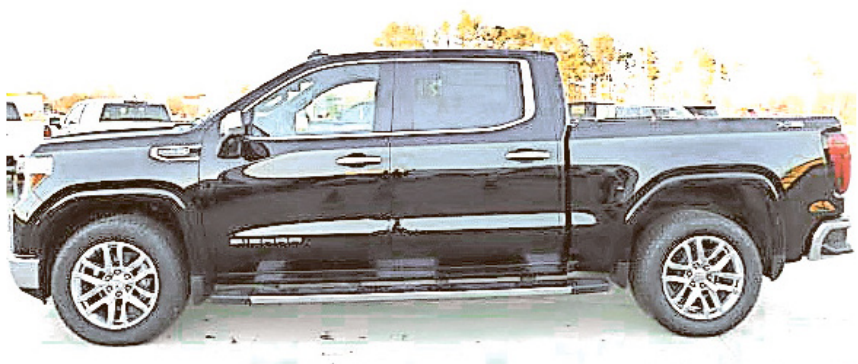
Crocker added, "The Office of District Attorney does not belong to any individual – it belongs to the people. In 2016, Donald Trump said 'The problems we face now...will last only as long as we continue relying on the same politicians who created them. A change in leadership is required to change these outcomes.' I am running to bring change so that the Office of District Attorney serves the people as it should."

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