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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

County Commission proclaims February 'Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month'

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CULLMAN, Ala. — At the Cullman County Commission meeting Tuesday evening, one item of discussion was the plat Pointe Sixteen subdivision which will contain 74 lots and be located on County Road 204.

Ted Eaton voiced concerns from the property owners on County Road 204 about the impending construction of the subdivision. The only route for construction traffic and increased regular traffic will be County Road 204 which is a 13-feet-wide road that does not accommodate two lane traffic. Within one-fifth of a mile from the entrance to the proposed plat are four blind curves, steep hills with no visibility, and four major drain culverts. Eaton said, "This road is totally unsafe and not adequate to handle this kind of construction traffic."

County Engineer Brian Cheatwood stated, "There is a very serious need to improve this roadway." He has plans to improve the road and surrounding roads in the area beginning this summer. The council decided to approve the preliminary plat. Cheatwood said, "This subdivision preliminary plat » PAGE 12



FACEBOOK

Left to right: Commissioner Kerry Watson, Chairman Jeff Clemons, Victim Services Prevention Educator Olivia Wyatt and Garry Marchman pictured Tuesday evening

– PREP BASKETBALL –

4 local teams preparing for Northwest Regional



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Cullman's Tucker Gambrill (left) and Good Hope's Kyndall Seal will help lead their respective teams at the Northwest Regional later this week.

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Regional stage of the basketball postseason is upon us, and we have four local squads still in the hunt for a trip to Birmingham. Both the Lady Raiders of Good Hope and the Addison Lady Bulldogs are alive in the 4A and 2A girls' brackets and on the boys' side, the Cullman Bearcats will continue their run through 6A, and the Meek Tigers will hit the court for a 1A Regional battle.

All four teams will head to Wallace State for this year's Northwest Regional Tournament and a pair of them will tip things off Friday.

Cullman and Addison will be on the court at Tom Drake Coliseum Friday, the Lady Raiders will be in action Saturday and Meek will hit the floor Monday. » PAGE 10

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 16

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 16, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 10

- forgery; person; forged check
- third-degree criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW
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Feb. 12

- burglary; CR 1650; City of Cullman; wire; $2,500

Feb. 14

- first-degree theft of property; Truck Country Autos LLC; 2nd Ave. NW; '06 Ford F250; $15,000
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $69

Feb. 15

- harassment; person
- fourth-degree theft of property; person; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $100

Feb. 16

- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; person

ARRESTS

Feb. 14

Champion, Jennifer L.; 38

- Grand Jury- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- Grand Jury- second-degree possession of marijuana
- Grand Jury- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property (8 counts)
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass (6 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Dodd, Dennis J.; 50

- fourth-degree theft of property

Speakman, Blain R.; 30

- trafficking

Smith, Buffy D.; 46

- fourth-degree theft of property

Duncan, Stephanie L.; 46

- fourth-degree theft of property

Overton, Celina J.; 27

- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- leaving scene of accident

Feb. 15

Gilley, Christopher J.; 30

- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle

Mentzer, Jacob M.; 30

- first-degree theft of property
- second-degree possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Guthery, Tyler J.; 25

- Grand Jury- manslaughter
- Grand Jury- criminal negligent homicide
- Grand Jury- second-degree assault
- Grand Jury- DUI-controlled substance
- Grand Jury- vehicle entering from private road

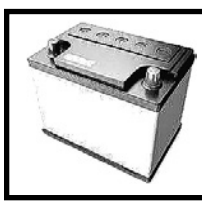
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COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 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: 15.6%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,476
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 535,096
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 345,335 (+3,621 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,507
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 1,055 (+173 since Monday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 9.9%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,562
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,739
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 6,812 (+77 since Monday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 19 (+3 since Monday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,327
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 131
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 44,835
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 7,000
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 1,447

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,689,335 No Updates Available
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,607,525 No Updates Available
- Doses administered: 5,802,783
- Additional doses administered: 745,689
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,833,831
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,305,681
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,081,810 No Updates Available

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

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

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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 St. 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.
• Sundays at 9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Small group classes for adults, children and youth at 10 a.m. Praise and worship and message at 11 a.m.
• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m. – noon, Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. – noon. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry, and Spirit Life Church.
• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthday. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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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
• 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, 9:30-11 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.

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 $2.00 each. Ten tree and six shrub species will be available.
• All proceeds go toward the Cullman County Forestry Awareness Week Now school program for 6th graders and 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.

Trafficking (from Front)

Staff Reports
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DECATUR, Ala. — A local man was arrested on a drug trafficking warrant on Valentine's Day after being located at the Morgan County Jail.

According to CPD Public Relations Officer Adam Clark, Blain R. Speakman, 30, of Vinemont, was arrested on a warrant from May of 2021 for drug trafficking of methamphetamine.

Clark said they recovered 2.25 kilos (4.96 pounds) of meth from Speakman.

"The street value for 2.25 kilos of meth is around $110,000," Clark said. "He was arrested at Morgan County Jail and brought to the Cullman County Detention Center on the trafficking charge. We would like to congratulate the officers on a job well done."



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PREP BASKETBALL

Cullman punches ticket to NW Regional with 68-50 win over Clay-Chalkville

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Bearcats were back on their home court for the final time this season Tuesday night, hosting the Cougars of Clay-Chalkville for a Sub-Regional battle. With a spot in the Northwest Regional on the line, the Bearcats did what they've done most of this year and knocked off the Cougars 68-50 to advance.

Baskets by Tucker Apel and Tucker Gambrill gave the Bearcats a quick, 4-2 lead over the Cougars and Max Gambrill drained a three-pointer to make it a 7-2 game early in the first. Sam Duskin followed with a three of his own to add to the lead and a Tucker Cagle basket kept Cullman in front 12-6 with two minutes remaining in the period. Tucker Gambrill laid one in to make it 14-8 late in the first and Garrison Sharpe drilled a three in the final moments of the quarter to put the 'Cats on top 17-10 going into the second quarter.

A pair of Max Gambrill free throws and a three-pointer by Colton Echols stretched the lead to 22-10 early in the second and a pair of Nate Zills buckets made it a 26-16 game with just over three minutes to play in the first half. Zills put down two more baskets later in the period to extend Cullman's lead to 32-17 near the 2-minute mark of the period and Echols and Apel each split a pair of free throws to make it a 34-19 game at the halftime break.

Cagle netted a pair of free throws and laid in another basket to start the third quarter and another bucket from Sharpe put the Bearcats ahead 40-26 early in the period. Duskin laced another three midway through the quarter to make it a 43-26 game and scores from Max Gambrill and Cagle helped stretch the lead to 49-26 later in the third. Cagle drained three free throws in the final minute to add to the lead and Sharpe scored just before the buzzer to give Cullman a 58-34 advantage going into the fourth.

A pair of free throws from Tucker Gambrill put the 'Cats in front 61-37 early in the final frame and another basket by Echols made it a 63-41 game with five minutes to play. Echols and Apel each posted another basket in the final two minutes and Cullman continued to smother Clay-Chalkville on the defensive end, allowing the Bearcats to pull away with a 68-50 win.

Max Gambrill and Cagle each finished with 11 points for Cullman in the win. Sharpe and Echols each added 10, Zills posted eight and Duskin scored seven.

With the win, the 'Cats have secured a spot at the Northwest Regional for the first time since 2016 and they will play Hazel Green at Wallace State's Tom Drake Coliseum Friday at 1:30 p.m.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Cullman Bearcats defeated Clay-Chalkville 68-50 Tuesday night to advance to the Northwest Regional for the first time since 2016.

PREP BASKETBALL

Lady Raiders top Haleyville 69-33 in Sub-Regional to advance to NW Regional

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — The postseason is heating up for high school basketball all across the state and one of Monday night's 4A Sub-Regional matchups was hosted at Good Hope High School. After claiming the area championship last week, the Lady Raiders returned home for a Sub-Regional battle against Haleyville Monday night and knocked off the Lady Lions 69-33 to secure a spot at the Northwest Regional at Wallace State.

As they have many times this season, the Lady Raiders got off to a fast start. Ivey Maddox scored inside on their first possession to take a 2-0 lead and she drilled a three on the next possession to make it 5-0. Bailey Tetro drained a three to stretch the lead to 8-0 and she was fouled just before hitting her next trey.

She added the free throw to complete a 4-point play and give Good Hope a 12-0 advantage early in the first.

Rudi Derrick laid one in, and Kyndall Seal knocked down a three to make it a 17-0 game midway through the period.

The Lady Raiders led the way 20-3 with around three minutes to play in the first and Maddox scored the final 10 points of the quarter for Good Hope, including a three at the buzzer, to put the Lady Raiders in front 30-11 going into the second.

A three-pointer from Kyndall Seal and a bucket by Charly Johnson made it a 35-17 game midway through the second quarter and a three-pointer from Bailey Tetro made it 38-20 later in the period.

Baskets by Derrick and Bailey Tetro stretched the lead to 42-23 and Maddox hit a pair of free throws in the final minute of the period to give Good Hope a 44-23 advantage at the halftime break.

Another three-pointer by Maddox made it a 48-23 game early in the third quarter and Derrick laid one in to keep the Lady Raiders in front 50-25. Johnson scored another easy basket inside to make it 53-25 later in the third and after Seal split a pair of free throws, Bailey Keef laid one in at the buzzer to put Good Hope on top 56-27 heading into the final frame.

After another Bailey Tetro basket got the fourth quarter started, Desire' Odachowksi drilled a three to stretch the lead to 61-27. Renee McLeod scored inside to add to the lead and Lexi Collins buried a three from the top of the key to make it a 66-30 game midway through the period. McLeod split a pair of free throws and Keef scored another basket in the final minute to wrap up a 69-33 win for the Lady Raiders.

Maddox led the way for Good Hope with 22 points in the win. Bailey Tetro posted 14, Derrick added eight and Seal finished with seven. Good Hope will face either Brooks or Rogers in the Northwest Regional at Wallace State Saturday at 3 p.m.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Good Hope's Heather Tetro and Rudi Derrick trap a Haleyville ball handler during the Lady Raiders' 69-33 win over the Lady Lions Monday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

Addison handles Aliceville 47-35 to advance to NW Regional for 1st time since 2006

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ADDISON, Ala. — The Addison Lady Bulldogs were back home to host the Sub-Regional round Monday night and they collected a 47-35 win over Aliceville to punch their ticket to this year's Northwest Regional at Wallace State for the first time in 15 years.

Baskets were hard to come by in the opening period for both teams. Aliceville scored on a pair of baskets in the paint to grab an early 4-0 lead. Addison went scoreless for the first three-plus minutes of the first quarter before Molly Gilbreath knocked down a short jumper to put the Lady Bulldogs on the scoreboard. A pair of Lady Yellow Jackets pushed their lead to 6-2, but a Gilbreath free throw cut it to 6-3. Aliceville put in another basket late in the first period as the Lady Bulldogs trailed, 8-3, going into the second quarter.

The second quarter was a different story for Addison as a Gilbreath three from the top of the key made it an 8-6 game early in the second period. A Gilbreath steal led to an Anna Grace Luker layup to tie the game up at eight. The Lady Yellow Jackets broke the tie with a layup, but it was all Lady Bulldogs after that to end the first half. Gracie Manley scored in the paint to tie the game up at 10, then she added a pair of free throws and another basket in the paint to give Addison a 14-10 lead. Gilbreath put in her second trey of the first half with less than 20 seconds remaining in the first half and the Lady Bulldogs' defense stifled Aliceville in the second period, holding them to just one made basket. Addison took a 17-10 lead into the locker room.

Gilbreath continued her red-hot shooting in the second half as her third one of the night pushed Addison's lead to 20-10, but the Lady Yellow Jackets scored the next five points to cut it to 20-15 with less than four minutes remaining in the third period. Gilbreath put in yet another trey to make it 23-15, then Hadley Butler found the stroke from long-range as she drilled back-to-back threes to help increase Addison's lead to 29-17. Bracie Rodgers knocked down a pair of free throws to end the third period as the Lady Bulldogs took a 31-17 lead into the final period.

Manley knocked down a three to start out the final period for Addison as that made it 34-17. An Aliceville made basket cut it to 34-19, but Manley couldn't be stopped down low as she added a pair of baskets in the paint to push the Lady Bulldog lead to 38-22. She later added a pair of free throws to make it 40-22.

The Lady Yellow Jackets cut the Addison lead to 40-26 after a layup, but the Lady Bulldogs wouldn't let them cut the deficit to single digits the rest of the way. Free throws by Butler and Rodgers put the score at 47-32 and the Addison Lady Bulldogs ended up defeating the Aliceville Yellow Jackets, 47-35, to advance to Regionals for the first time in 15 years.

Coach Bailey Boland couldn't be prouder of her team right now after their big win on Monday night.

"I am super proud of them. This is the first time in 15 years that an Addison girls' basketball team has made it to Wallace, so I think that's huge for the girls." Boland said. "That's huge for our program. I couldn't be prouder of them. We started out a little slow, but we picked it up and we kind of gained some momentum going into the second half. We hit some big shots, but I'm super proud of them. We had some girls step up and make some big plays, so I was proud of everybody today."

Boland was really happy about Gilbreath's and Manley's performance on Monday night and this win will help her team build some momentum going into Regionals at Wallace.

"Molly's shooting the ball really well right now," Boland said. "I told her the other day at practice, that every time you shoot the ball, it's going to go in. I have a lot of confidence in her and I think she has a lot of confidence in herself right now because she's shooting the ball lights out right now. Gracie's steady. We can rely on her and go to her a pretty good bit, but she's a scrappy player. She earns her points on offensive rebounds and she played that way tonight. She wasn't feeling as well tonight either. She hadn't been feeling good today, so I felt that was huge for her to still play the way she did tonight. It's a good feeling. I'm just happy for the girls because I feel like they've earned it. They've worked hard this year. I hope that we can continue to play well down the stretch. I feel like this win gives us momentum going into regional play at Wallace. I think it helps us to just have some momentum and we need that right now."

Gilbreath and Manley each finished with 15 points for Addison (21-9). Butler added eight points. Rodgers ended up with seven and Luker added two. The Lady Bulldogs will take on Hatton Friday at 6 p.m. in the Northwest Regional at Wallace State.



LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ALANA RUCKER,
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2022-000009.00**

GEORGE RUCKER,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

George Rucker, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Alana Rucker's Complaint for Divorce by March 28th, 2022 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in Case Number 25-DR-2022-000009.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 26th day of January, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER:
Alana Rucker
4610 County Road 1212
Vinemont, AL 35179

DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY
500 2ND Ave SW
Room 303
Cullman, AL 35055

Walker Brothers, LTD

(Plaintiff)

v Case No. SM-2021-900935

Jacob Kilgore

(Defendant)

NOTICE OF FILING OF LAW SUIT

Defendant, Jacob Kilgore, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the complaint brought against him her by the Plaintiff, Walker Brothers, LTD, for $2,256.46 plus court costs, cause of action being: Open Account.

ANSWER TO THE COMPLAINT MUST BE MADE BY THE SAID DEFENDANT on or before the 3rd day of March, 2022, or a default may be rendered against it in the above styled cause.

Dated this the 24th day of January, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
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CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF B.L.L
A minor child.
D.O.B. 03/18/2015

CASE NO.: PC2021-349

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: **ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A CHILD BORN TO RONNI ELIZABETH LIGHT KNOWN AS B.L.L.**

A Petition to Change Name of Minor was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Ronni Elizabeth Light, Petitioner. If you should contest this name change, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 25th DAY OF January, 2022.

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

Michael R. Burleson
Attorney for Petitioner
200 2nd Avenue SE
Cullman, AL 35055

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
K.P.,) CASE NO. JU 2017-508.04
A Minor Child, 11/04/2016)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of K.P. born on or about 11/04/2016. to Tiffany Godfrey, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 9th day of Feb, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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 9th day of February, 2022.
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
K.P.,) CASE NO. JU 2017-508.04
A Minor Child, 11/04/2016)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Tiffany Godfrey, the Mother of K.P., born on or about 11/04/2016, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 9th day of Feb, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
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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.
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WELMER CALVIN WHISENANT, * CASE NO.: PC2022-049
*
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to JOHN R. BURDEN, JR., as Personal Representative of the Estate of WELMER CALVIN WHISENANT, deceased, on the 15th day of February, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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 be barred.

John R. Burden, Jr.
Personal Representative

Melvin Hasting
Attorney for Personal Representative
407 Second Avenue, SW
Cullman, AL 35055

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 RE:)
D.B.) CASE NO. JU 2011-113.09
A Minor Child, 06/12/2009)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Kerri Bingaman, the mother of D.B., born on or about 06/12/2009, respond to the Petition by the 10th day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: J. Bradley Wilson, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 27th day of Jan, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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 28th day of January, 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 *
J. D. BLALOCK * CASE NO PC 2022-039
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to **Darrell Wade Blalock,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **J. D. Blalock**, deceased, on the 9th day of February, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Darrell Wade Blalock
Personal Representative

J. Bradley Wilson
Attorney for Personal Representative
BAGGETT & WILSON, LLC
206 Ninth Street Southwest, Suite 102
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

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

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF: **CASE NO. PC-2021-197**
Estate of BURL WAYNE BOHANNON

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Mary Bohannon, Personal Representative on the 2nd day of February, 2022 by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be forever barred.

Mary Bohannon
Personal Representative

Melvin Hasting, HAS016
Attorney for Petitioner
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Cullman, Alabama 35056-0517
Phone: 256-736-2230

TO the Publisher of Cullman Tribune
Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
J.P.,) CASE NO. JU 2019-545.03
A Minor Child, 04/01/2019)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Tiffany Godfrey, the Mother of J.P., born on or about 04/01/2019, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 9th day of Feb, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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 9th day of February, 2022.
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my Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

LINDA SUE JOHNS QUICK, DECEASED CASE NO. PC 2021-469

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF LINDA SUE JOHNS QUICK, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to James Brandon Quick on the 2nd day of February, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

James Brandon Quick, Personal Representative (Administrator),
and
Steven C. Smith, Attorney for the Estate

TO: Publisher of *Cullman Tribune*:

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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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)
)
PHYLLIS ELAINE WATWOOD) CASE NO.: PC-2021-037
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
MOTION TO SELL PERSONAL PROPERTY AND
VERIFIED MOTION TO SELL REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

TO: K.C. PAYNE, WILLIAM PAYNE, LINDA JOINER, DANIEL PAYNE, KENNETH PAYNE, RONNIE STROUP, KENNY STROUP, ANGELA HOCUTT, PATTY ELLIOTT, ROBERT ELLIOTT, CATHY ELLIOTT, AND ANY OTHER KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a Hearing on the Motion to Sell Personal Property and Verified Motion to Sell Real and Personal Property filed by Tina R. Miller, Administratrix of the Estate of Phyllis Elaine Watwood, by and through Attorney Shay Persall, set for hearing on the **9th day of March, 2022, at 10:00 A.M.** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

DONE this 9th day of February, 2022.

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

Shay Persall
Attorney for Administratrix
108 3rd Street, SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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.
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Lisa McSwain
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
N.P.,) CASE NO. JU 2017-510.04
A Minor Child, 05/12/2015)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Tiffany Godfrey, the Mother of N.P., born on or about 05/12/2015, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 9th day of Feb, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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.
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
N.G.) CASE NO. JU 2017-509.04
A Minor Child, 03/11/2013)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Tiffany Godfrey, the Mother of N.G., born on or about 03/11/2013, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 9th day of Feb, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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 9th day of February 2022.
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

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CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
N.P.,) CASE NO. JU 2017-510.04
A Minor Child, 05/12/2015)

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Father of N.P. born on or about 05/12/2015. to Tiffany Godfrey, respond to the Petition by the 24 day of March, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: Michael J. Baggett, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

ETSEL VAN COLE,

PLAINTIFF,

VS. CASE NO. CV-2022-900020

Parcel IV:
The North Half of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ Of Section 29, Township 12, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama, containing 20 acres, more or less.

Parcel V:
The South Half of the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 29, Township 12, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama, containing 20 acres, more or less,

AND

ROBERT JOHNSON and RUTHIE SIMS, And A, B, C, D and all other persons claiming any present, future, contingent remainder, reversion, or other interest in said lands.

DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE

The Defendants, Robert Johnson and Ruthie Sims, and any unknown Defendants, must answer the Complaint to Quiet Title filed by Etsel Van Cole on or before the 14th day of March, 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against her in case number CV-2022-900020 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County Alabama.

DONE this the 25th day of January, 2022.

LISA MCSWAIN, Circuit Clerk

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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)
RUTHIE MAE KANADAY,) CASE NO PC 2020-046
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT AND
AMENDED PETITION FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT

TO: **BETHLEHEM EAST BAPTIST CHURCH**, **LOUISE KANADAY**, **SARA MAE SMITH**, **FRANCES FOUST**, **GARY KANADAY**, **JOHNNY BAKER**, **JUDY HOOPER**, **STEVE KANADAY**, **KEITH KANADAY**, **JEFF KANADAY**, **BETTY STEWART**
ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a hearing on the Petition for Final Settlement and filed by Reba Michelfelder, Personal Representative of the Estate of Ruthie Mae Kanaday, deceased, by and through Attorney, Beverly Paschal Poston, and Amended Petition for Final Settlement filed by Beverly Paschal Poston, is set for hearing on the **9th day of March, 2022, at 11:30 a.m.** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Done this the 7th day of February, 2022

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Personal Representative
200 First Avenue SE
Cullman, AL 35055

SPECIAL NOTICE RE LOCAL LAWS

NO SPECIAL, PRIVATE, OR LOCAL LAW CAN BE PASSED, except in reference to fixing the time of holding courts, unless notice of the intention to apply therefor shall have been published, without cost to the State, in the county or counties where the matter or thing to be affected may be situated. The notice must state the substance of the proposed law and be published at least once a week for four consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in such county or counties. Such publication must have been completed prior to the day on which the bill is introduced.

Proof by affidavit (proof of publication) which verifies that notice has been properly published must be exhibited to the House of Representatives and the Senate, and one copy of such proof must be attached to the original copy of the bill which is offered for introduction.

The county or municipality affected by a local law introduced by a legislator must pay for advertising the notice, if the notice is signed by the Legislator, even though the bill is not passed. (Section 11-13-6, Code of Alabama 1975)

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the 2022 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made:

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A BILL

TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

Relating to Cullman County; to amend Section 45-22-60 of the Code of Alabama 1975; and to provide for the annual salary and other benefits for the Coroner of Cullman County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 45-22-60 of the Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§45-22-60.

"(a) Effective for the term of office beginning after the ~~2018~~ 2022 General Election, the Coroner of Cullman County shall receive ~~a~~ an annual salary of ~~twenty-five thousand dollars ($25,000)~~ thirty-five thousand dollars ($35,000), to be paid in equal monthly installments~~, and shall be paid~~ out of the general fund of the county. The salary in this subsection shall be the total compensation paid to the

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coroner, subject to the adjustments provided in subsection (b).

"(b) In addition to the salary provided in subsection (a), the salary of the coroner shall be increased by any uniform increases in compensation granted equally to all county employees by the Cullman County Commission. In addition, the coroner may participate in the county health insurance plan provided to county employees under the same terms as county employees.

"~~(b)~~ (c) The Cullman County Commission shall provide the coroner with office space and a county automobile for use in the performance of his or her duties.

"~~(c)~~ (d) The Cullman County Commission shall reimburse the coroner for any actual expenses for supplies used in the performance of his or her duties. The benefits and expenses provided in this subsection shall be in addition to any other compensation or expense allowances provided by law.

"~~(d)~~ (e) The coroner may employ an assistant coroner, and the salary of the assistant coroner shall be paid out of the salary of the coroner."

Section 2. This act shall become effective beginning on the next term of the coroner on January 16, 2023.

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ORDINANCE NO. 2022-07
AMENDING THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN

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

SECTION 1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Opportunity Cullman, LLC, the following describe the tracts or parcels of land, to-wit:

Property Address: Vacant Lot on Main Ave SW Parcel: 17-05-21-4-004-002.002 PPIN: 86261

Legal Description: A part of Lot 2 of the Burrow's Subdivision (recorded in Plat Book 2014 Page 4) beginning in the Northeast corner of Lot 1 of the Burrow Subdivision, then West 300 feet, then North 50 feet, then East 300 feet, then South 50 feet to the true point of beginning and containing 0.34 acres more or less

within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as R-4 Residential District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from R-4 Residential District to B-2 Business District.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.

SECTION 3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 14th day of February, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.

SECTION 4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.

SECTION 5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.

SECTION 6. 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.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-08
AMENDING THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN

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

SECTION 1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Opportunity Cullman, LLC, the following describe the tracts or parcels of land, to-wit:

Property Address: Vacant Lot on Main Ave SW Parcel: 17-05-21-4-004-002.001 PPIN: 76528

Legal Description: Lot 1 of the Burrow Subdivision being a part of the North half of the South half of the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 21 T10S R3W, more particularly described as follows: commencing at a found railroad spike marking the Southeast corner of said Section 21; thence N 0°54'26"E along the East line of said Section 21a distance of 1662.77 feet; thence, leaving said East line, run N 88°51'44"W a distance of 40.47 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar iron on the West right of way of Main Avenue Southwest and the true point of beginning of the property herein described: thence from said true point of beginning continue N 88°51'44"W a distance of 300.00 feet to a set ½ inch rebar iron; thence N 0°51'20"E a distance of 279.73 feet to a set ½ inch rebar iron on the South line of a proposed street; thence S 88°54'50E along the South line of said proposed street a distance of 300.00 feet to a set ½ inch rebar iron on the west right of way of said Main Avenue Southwest; thence S 0°51'12"W along said West right of way a distance of 280.00 feet to the true point of beginning and containing 1.93 acres more or less.

within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as B-1 Business District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from B-1 Business District to B-2 Business District.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.

SECTION 3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 14th day of February, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.

SECTION 4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.

SECTION 5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.

SECTION 6. 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.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-09
TO VACATE AND SURPLUS PROPERTY NOT NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC OR MUNICIPAL PURPOSE
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

1.The City of Cullman is the owner of a 50 foot wide by 585 foot long right-of-way located between 4th Street SW (Hwy 278) and Rosemont Ave. SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

2. The Cullman City Council finds and determines that this property is not needed by the City of Cullman for public or municipal purposes and hereby vacates the property and declares it surplus.

3. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to sell this property for its fair market value.

4. This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-12
TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owners, Allen T. Brooks and Oliver T. Brooks, have petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioners, be annexed into the City of Cullman:
Property Address: 1680 Lessman Street SW
Parcel No.: 17-05-21-0-001-001.003
PPIN: 51122
Legal Description: Commence at the Northwest corner of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 21, Township 10 South, Range 3 West; thence South 89 degrees 26 minutes 21 seconds East 224.71feet to a point; thence South 0 degrees 09 minutes 55 seconds West 395.32 feet a point; thence North 85 degrees 33 minutes 45 seconds West 225.33 feet to a point; thence North 0 degrees 09 minutes 55 seconds East 380.09 feet to the point of beginning. Said land lying in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 21, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama.
LESS AND EXCEPT: A tract of land being in the NW ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 21, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, in Cullman County, Alabama, described as commencing at an existing railroad spike marking the northwest corner of said NW ¼ of the NW ¼; thence South 89 degrees 26 minutes 21 seconds East 224.71 feet to an existing ½ inch iron; thence South 00 degrees 09 minutes 55 seconds West 204.28 feet to a ½ inch rebar being the point of beginning; thence continue South 00 degrees 09 minutes 55 seconds West 191.04 feet to an existing 1 inch rebar; thence North 85 degrees 33 minutes West 225.33 feet to an existing railroad spike; thence North 00 degrees 09 minutes 55 seconds East 171.37 feet to a ½ inch rebar; thence North 89 degrees 25 minutes 48 seconds East 224.72 feet to the point of beginning. Being 0.93 acres, more or less.
ALSO, LESS AND EXCEPT: Road right of way and all other rights of way and easements of record.
To be zoned as R-2 Residential District.
SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.
SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as R-2 Residential District.
SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.
SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 14th day of February, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, will hold a public hearing on March 28, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium at City Hall, 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. At this time, anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2022-13 (set forth in full below) will be given an opportunity to speak.
Wesley M. Moore, City Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-13
AMENDING THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, Jim Hays, the following describe the tract or parcel of land, to-wit:
PPIN: 34034. Parcel No.: 09-09-32-0-001-017.000. Property Address: Old Hwy 157.
Legal Description: A tract of parcel of land containing 30.12 acres of land, more or less, and being a part of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at a found axle marking the accepted Northeast corner of said Quarter-Quarter, having an Alabama State Plane, West zone, NAD 83, coordinate value of N. 1533561.00', E. 2157926.31' and run North 89 degrees 30 minutes 29 seconds West (bearing based on Alabama State Plane, West zone, NAD 83 grid), a distance of 1,151.55 feet to a set rebar on the East right-of-way line of Alabama Interstate Highway No. 65; thence South 05 degrees 56 minutes 51 seconds East, a distance of 39.20 feet to a set rebar marking a transition point in said right-of-way line; thence South 20 degrees 37 minutes 03 seconds West, a distance of 156.13 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the left having a central angle of 02 degrees 09 minutes 29 seconds, a radius of 3519.72 feet, a chord bearing of South 19 degrees 32 minutes 19 seconds West and a chord length of 132.56 feet; thence run along the arc of said curve an arc distance of 132.57 feet to a set rebar marking another transition point in said right-of-way line; thence South 44 degrees 10 minutes 44 seconds West, a distance of 120.62 feet to a set rebar on the accepted West line of said Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence South 00 Degrees 48 minutes 21 seconds East and run along said West line, a distance of 732.52 feet to a set rebar on the North right-of-way line of Old Highway No. 157; thence South 44 degrees 26 minutes 24 seconds East and run along said right-of-way line, a distance of 172.89 feet to a set rebar on the accepted South line of said Quarter-Quarter; thence South 89 degrees 17 minutes 28 seconds East and run along the accepted South line, a distance of 659.23 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar; thence North 00 degrees 49 minutes 06 seconds West, a distance of 551.38 feet to a found capped corner (Conn-17831); thence South 89 degrees 24 minutes 59 seconds east, a distance of 552.24 feet to a sound capped corner (Conn – 17831) marking the East line of said Quarter-Quarter; thence North 00 degrees 19 minutes 44 seconds West, a distance of 705.02 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any rights-of-way and/or easements of record.
within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as R-4 Residential District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from R-4 Residential District to PR-2 Planned Unit Development District.
SECTION 2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.
SECTION 3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 28th day of March, 2022 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.
SECTION 4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.
SECTION 5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.
SECTION 6. 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.
SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.
Submitted by Wesley M. Moore, City Clerk



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Tips (from Front)

Lauren Estes
lauren@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — According to the Cullman City Police Department, there were five pedestrians struck by vehicles last year locally.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Association in coordination with commentary from Public Relations Officer Adam Clark provided the "basics" for safety tips for drivers.

Here are ways for drivers to remain safe around pedestrians according to the NHTSA:

- Look out for pedestrians everywhere, at all times.
- Use extra caution when driving in hard-to-see conditions, such as nighttime or bad weather.
- Slow down and be prepared to stop when turning or otherwise entering a crosswalk.
- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and stop well back from the crosswalk to give other vehicles an opportunity to see the crossing pedestrians so they can stop too.
- Never pass vehicles stopped at a crosswalk. There may be people crossing where you can't see.
- Never drive under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.
- Follow the speed limit, especially around people on the street, in school zones and in neighborhoods where children are present.
- Be extra cautious when backing up and look for pedestrians.

The NHTSA provided several tips for those walking out and about in regard to drivers:

- Follow the rules of the road and obey signs and signals.
- Walk on sidewalks whenever they are available.
- If there is no sidewalk, walk facing traffic and as far from traffic as possible.
- Cross streets at crosswalks or intersections. Look for cars in all directions, including those turning left or right.
- If a crosswalk or intersection is not available, locate a well-lit area where you have the best view of traffic.
- Wait for a gap in traffic that allows enough time to cross safely; continue watching for traffic as you cross.
- Watch for cars entering or exiting driveways or backing up in parking lots.
- Avoid alcohol and drugs when walking; they impair your abilities and your judgment.
- Embrace walking as a healthy form of transportation - get up, get out and get moving.

Walking is a means of traveling, but when doing so, please remember to walk in well-lit areas, follow traffic and safety signs and be aware of your surroundings.

Exports(from Front)

Gina Maiola
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Governor Kay Ivey on Wednesday announced that Alabama's exports in 2021 surged more than 20% in value compared to the previous year, surpassing pre-pandemic levels and indicating the underlying resilience of the state's economy.

New federal government figures show that Alabama's exports of goods and services totaled nearly $20.9 billion last year, above the 2019 total of $20.8 billion, recorded before widespread global trade disruptions tied to COVID-19.

Alabama's 2021 exports increased more than 21.8% from the 2020 total, approaching the national year-over-year growth rate of 23.1%. Many key export categories showed robust growth last year.

"We are very pleased to see that our optimism at this time a year ago was well-founded. Alabama's export numbers in 2021 exceeded those of 2019," said Governor Ivey. "This is a promising sign that demand for Alabama-made goods and services remains strong, and that Alabama has an integral role to play in the worldwide recovery."

Alabama businesses exported to 189 countries in 2021, reflecting the vital connection that the state's high-quality, in-demand products have to the global economy.

The Top 5 destinations were:

1. Germany — $3.7 billion (up 65.7%)
2. Canada — $3.4 billion (up 15.6%)
3. China — $3.2 billion (up 1.6%)
4. Mexico — $2.5 billion (up 35%)
5. South Korea — $921.7 million (up 47.3%)

Rounding out the 10 top destinations for 2021 Alabama exports were Japan, Belgium, the United Kingdom, Australia and Brazil.

Having rebounded from the pandemic downturn, Alabama exports showed gains across the board in 2021, according to an analysis by the Office of International Trade at the Alabama Department of Commerce.

The state's No.1 export category — transportation equipment — jumped 25.8% to reach $10.35 billion, a figure that topped the total for 2019. Overseas shipments of Alabama-made motor vehicles rose 38.4% in value, while exports of ships and boats jumped 40% last year.

Other top categories for 2021 exports were chemicals ($2.3 billion), forest products ($1.5 billion), primary metals manufacturing ($1.3 billion) and non-electrical machinery ($1.1 billion).

"It is critical that we build on the successes of 2021 in order to keep the momentum going," said Greg Canfield, Secretary of the Alabama Department of Commerce. "The impressive growth in exports of motor vehicles, iron and steel products, in addition to machinery, plastics and forestry products shows that Alabama is well-positioned to meet the demands of overseas buyers in a wide variety of sectors."

Exports to Germany in particular showed substantial growth during 2021. One of the main drivers powering that increase was Alabama-made motor vehicles, which increased 91% to reach $2.8 billion. Other notable upticks occurred in exports of minerals and ores (388%), chemicals (54%), paper (103%) and fabricated metal products (187%).

Alabama ranked No. 24 among the states in export volume for 2021, moving up a spot from No. 25 in 2020.

Regional (from Front)

6A NW Regional Semifinals

Cullman (25-3)
v.
Hazel Green (19-13)

Friday 1:30 p.m.

So far this basketball season has been one to remember at Cullman. Head Coach Stu Stuedeman has helped lead the 'Cats to a 25-3 record in his first year and collected the first area championship for the black & gold since 2016. Now, the Bearcats are headed to the Northwest Regional to play a massive game in some familiar territory. Cullman finished the season 13-0 on its home court and with Tom Drake Coliseum just a few minutes down the road, hopefully that home comfort will extend to Wallace State. Hazel Green's record may not be as impressive as the Bearcats' but the Trojans have won their last three games in dominant fashion so Cullman will have to kill their momentum when they meet Friday in order to advance to the Regional Finals.

4A NW Regional Semifinals

Good Hope (29-4)
v.
Rogers (17-11)

Saturday 3 p.m.

This season has been a fun one for the second-ranked Good Hope Lady Raiders. With a record of 29-4, they've been on the winning end of nearly all their games this season and they still have plans to win a few more. Good Hope dominated its area tournament and handled Haleyville in the Sub-Regional 69-33 to punch its ticket to the Northwest Regional. Now, the Lady Raiders will square off against Rogers with a spot in the Regional Finals on the line. The Lady Pirates have been up and down throughout the year but are coming off a big, 45-33 win over Brooks in the Sub-Regional so Good Hope can't afford to look past them if they want to take the next step toward Birmingham.

2A NW Regional Semifinals

Addison (22-9)
v.
Hatton (15-10)

Friday 6 p.m.

The Lady Bulldogs have been on quite a run the last few weeks. Addison knocked off No. 4 Decatur Heritage 58-56 at the end of January, defeated 4A Dora 60-53 at the start of February and posted impressive wins over Cold Springs and No. 5 Winston County to claim their area championship. Now, after a 47-35 win over Aliceville in the Sub-Regional round, the Lady Bulldogs are looking for even more hardware. The road to Birmingham will continue for Addison Friday with a Sweet 16 battle against Hatton and if the Lady Bulldogs continue to ride the momentum they've been building, they'll have a chance to move on to the Elite 8.

1A NW Regional Semifinals

Meek (18-9)
v.
Covenant Christian (25-6)

Monday 10:30 a.m.

The Tigers have won four straight coming into their Regional matchup against Covenant Christian but they'll certainly have their hands full with the Eagles. Covenant finished the season ranked fourth in Class 1A poll and has put together a stellar season up to this point. However, Meek will be looking to topple them at Tom Drake Coliseum Monday and secure a spot in the Northwest Regional Finals. The Tigers have been stout on the defensive end most of the year and it'll take another great performance Monday to knock off the Eagles.

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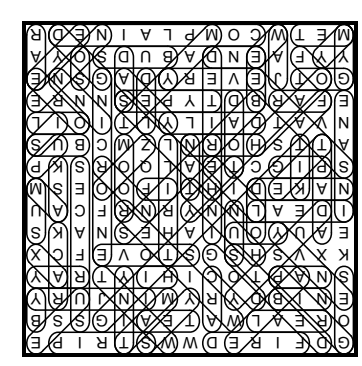
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Obituary Announcements: Feb. 15-16

Paula "Mendi" Armenda Watts Davis, 48
Paula "Mendi" Armenda Watts Davis, age 48, passed away Monday, Feb. 14. She was born Oct. 15, 1973, in Jasper, Alabama to Larry and Phyllis Gilbreath Watts. Mendi was a resident of DeFuniak Springs, Florida. She was Baptist by faith and a member of the Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church. She graduated from Troy State University, receiving her bachelor's degree in Education. She worked as a School Teacher at West DeFuniak Elementary School and for the Walton County School District for over 23 years. She was a devoted wife, mother, daughter and sister. She was an avid Alabama Football fan, enjoyed hunting, fishing and spending time with her family. She never met a stranger. Mendi was preceded in death by her two sisters: Malinda Watts and Jamie Watts; her beloved paternal grandmother: Pauline Watts and maternal grandmother: Iola Gilbreath. Mendi is survived by her parents: Larry and Phyllis Watts of DeFuniak Springs, Florida; her loving husband of 20 years: Michael B. Davis of DeFuniak Springs, Florida; three children: Meghan Davis, Marlee Grace Davis and Micah Wattson Davis; one brother: Jonathan Watts of Freeport, Florida; one sister: Marie Hurley and husband James of DeFuniak Springs, Florida; niece: Jenna Watts and four nephews: Braydon Watts, Jack Hurley, Max Hurley and James Henry Hurley. A time of visitation will be held from 1-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 17, at Clary-Glenn Funeral Home Chapel (230 Park Ave., DeFuniak Springs, FL 32435), where the funeral service will be held at 2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 17, at Clary-Glenn Funeral Home Chapel, with Reverend Ed Joyner officiating. Graveside service will be held at 1 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 19, at Liberty Grove Baptist Church Cemetery at 4495 County Road 15, Haleyville, AL 35565, with Reverend Larry Watts officiating and Nichols Funeral Home directing.

Carol Janine Pope, 56, of Vinemont
Funeral service for Carol Janine Pope, age 56, of Vinemont, will be at 1 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Dr. Laurentis Barnett officiating and interment in Mount Zion Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Pope passed away Monday, Feb. 14. She was born Jan. 30, 1966. She was preceded in death by her husband: Travis Pope. Survivors include her parents: Ronald (Regina) Hammond and Joan (Roland) McLeroy; daughter: Ashley Martin; son: Tyler Boike; stepsons: TJ (Lori) Pope and Josh Pope; grandchildren: Keiton Martin and Arianna Martin; sister: Larraine (Dale) Greer; brother: Ryan Hammond; nieces and nephews: Alex (Jennifer) Boike, Brandon (Miranda) Boike, Jeremy Greer, Casey (Brian) Link, Cory (Meg) Greer, Morgan Hammond, Gabriella Hammond and Sophie Hammond, father of her children: David (Marquita) Boike; special friend: Junior Sams; dog, Honey and her farm animals.

Gary Anthony Abbott, 71, of Cullman
Gary Anthony Abbott, age 71, of Cullman, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Cullman Regional. He was born Sept. 30, 1950, to Carroll and Margaret Abbott. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers: Gary Garner and Timothy Abbott. Survivors include his son: Scott Abbott; daughters: Desiree (Jerry) Simmons and Angelia Collins; grandchildren: Austin, Tristan, Makenzie and Laci; four great-grandchildren; special friend: Jerita Cobb; and her children: Teresa Kreps, Rhonda Davis, Deboraha Folge, Cindy Harris and Angela Green; sisters: Joyce Wilhite, Deborah Hale and Karen Lynn; brother: Thomas Abbott and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Jerry Gibbs Carter, 73, of Hanceville
Jerry Gibbs Carter, age 73, of Hanceville, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 15, at Cullman Regional. He was born June 4, 1948, to Curtis and Eva Carter. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife: Patricia Carter; daughters: Heidi Carter (Mark Aaron), Heather Carter and Jennifer Mashburn (Doug Bailey); son: Michael (Jamie) Stephens; grandchildren: Chloe, O'Neal, Julian and Maddie; great-grandchildren: Mason, Atleigh, Autumn and Harper; brother: James Carter; niece: Connie Carter; nephews: Jeffery Carter and Rodney Carter; great-nephew: Shane Carter and a host of family and friends. A memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Richard "Alvis" Connell, 73, of Falkville
Richard "Alvis" Connell, age 73, of Falkville, Alabama, passed away peacefully at home Wednesday, Feb. 16. Alvis was born in Cullman, Alabama on March 19, 1948, to Thomas Francis and Sally Savannah Connell. For the majority of his working career, he worked as a plasterer contractor. A star high school basketball player for the West Point Warriors, Alvis earned the honor of All-State as a Senior in 1966. He was selected as an All-Tournament player in eight invitational tournaments and played in two state tournaments. During his high school career, Alvis started in 95 varsity games, amassing a 73-22 record and averaging 14 points per game. In 2010, he was inducted into the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame. Visitation will be 5:30-8 p.m., Friday, Feb. 18, at Cullman Funeral Home. The funeral service will be 11 a.m., Saturday, Feb. 19. Visitation for Saturday will be 9:30-11 a.m. Burial will be at Mt. Zion UMC Cemetery. Will Weir will officiate. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Connell family. Alvis is survived by his wife of 18 years: Barbara Connell; daughter: Bridget Connell; stepdaughters: Shauna Finley (Michael) and Paula Bryan (Keith); stepson: Norman Dillard; brother: Byron Connell (Marion); sister: Sharon Williams (Tommy); sister: Karon Smith (Mark); sister: Freida Calvert (Ed); sister: Samantha Welch; step-grandchildren: Ryan (Jessie) and Jeremy (Kelly) James, Brett (Ally) Finley, Amanda Plakk, Benjamin, Lana and Emily Bryan, Kelcey, Ty, Cole and TJ Dillard and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Alvis was secure in his relationship with his Lord. He was preceded in death by his parents: Thomas Francis Connell and Sally Savannah Marks; a sister: Lyndia Gail Harris; brother-in-law: Ray Harris and brother: Sherel Connell. Pallbearers include Ronnie Heaton, Alton Sullins, Alan Jennings, Tommy Williams, Mark Smith and Patrick Smith. The remainder of his West Point High School basketball teammates will serve as honorary pallbearers. Donations can be made in Alvis's name to the Alabama Kidney Foundation at 265 Riverchase Parkway East, Suite 106 Hoover, AL 35244 or to the American Diabetes Association at P.O. Box 7023 Merrifield, VA 22116-7023.

Mary Sue Bell, 73, of Hanceville
Mary Sue Bell, 73, of Hanceville passed away Monday, Feb. 14, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born in Grand Saline, Texas on Nov. 4, 1948. She is survived by her daughters: Diana Lynn Roys and Brenda Kay Williams; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren and her beloved dog, Little Man. She is preceded in death by her parents: Travis Wray Simmons and Mary Jane Parr Simmons; husband: David Willis Bell Sr.; son: David Willis Bell Jr.; brother: Travis Lee Simmons; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Visitation will be Friday, Feb. 18, from 5-7 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Funeral services will be Saturday, Feb. 19, at 11 a.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Cullman City Cemetery.

Harold Vincent Ballew, 92, of Cullman
Harold Vincent Ballew, 92, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Monday, Feb. 14. Harold was born Dec. 13, 1929, in Arab, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his wife: Inez King Ballew; his parents: Estelle and Edgar Ballew Sr. and his brother: Bob Ballew. He is survived by his daughter: Mary Leah (David) Moss; grandchildren: Thomas (Nina) Moss, Katie (Jansen) Acton and Mary Beth (Lance) Cleveland and brother: Edgar Ballew, Jr. After serving in the Korean War, Harold earned a teaching degree from Jacksonville State University. He taught at West Point, East Point and Gold Ridge Schools. He became principal at Welti Junior High School in 1966 and retired there in 1989. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 1 p.m. at the Cullman City Cemetery, with pastor Lyle Holland officiating. Moss Service Funeral Home directing. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Sonshine Preschool / Mom's Day Out Playground fund at the First United Methodist Church in Cullman.

Jeanie Marlene Voss Okeley, 75, of Cullman
Jeanie Marlene Voss Okeley was born May 15, 1946, in Cullman, Alabama. She resided in Cullman until she married Robert Okeley and moved to Apollo Beach, Florida and resided there until her death. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Okeley; parents, George Allen Voss and Katherine Mary Leibacher Voss; brother, Charles Voss and sister, Mary Katherine Quattlebaum. She is survived by sisters: Margaret Voss and Margie Voss; nephew: Gene (Paige) Quattlebaum and niece: Debra (John) Lee. She was presently employed at Sun City Funeral Home, but held several other positions during her lifetime at Daubert Chemical, Cullman Products, Snap on Tools, PMSI and Pharamerica, and did numerous years of volunteer work at Saint Anne Catholic Church, this being very special to her. She was such a happy person, smiling all the time and had a bubbly personality. She was also a very good softball player, having played in many ladies' softball leagues. Visitation and Mass of Christian burial was held at Saint Anne Catholic Church, Ruskin, Florida on Feb. 10. The Rite of Committal will be held on Saturday, Feb. 19, at 1 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Cullman. In lieu of flowers, make a contribution to St Anne Catholic Church Ruskin, Florida or Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Cullman, Alabama.

Ravenell "Nell" Miner Powell, 90, of Vinemont
Funeral service for Ravenell "Nell" Miner Powell, age 90, of Vinemont, will be at 3 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Barry Henderson and Edward Green officiating, with interment in Bethel United Methodist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1-3 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Powell passed away peacefully in her home on Monday, Feb. 14. She was born Friday, Oct. 16, 1931, to E. U. and Gladys Miner. Nell was known for always willing to help anyone, especially those who needed it most. Her cooking and sewing skills were immeasurable. She worked tirelessly throughout her life to scratch out a meager income to provide for her family. She was employed for many years at King Edward Cigar Plant, along with driving the CARTS bus and working at the General Electric Co. plant in Decatur. She was preceded in death by her sons: Keith Allbritten and Terry Allbritten; daughter-in-law: Pat Allbritten; parents and siblings: Norvell Miner, Grace Miner Laney, J. C. Miner, Donna Miner Butler and Jerry Miner. Survivors include her sons: Don Allbritten, Perry (Karen) Allbritten and Charlie (Tanya) Allbritten; daughters: Robbie (Roy) Thomason, Susan (Kevin) Graves, Cindy Allbritten and Tara (Stan) Jennings; 21 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; brother: Joe (JoAnn) Miner and sister-in-law: Geraldine Miner. She also had several that she thought of as her own children, especially Steven "Kid" Day and Edward "Green Jeans" Green, and all of her GE family. The family would like to thank Kindred Hospice for providing excellent care and assistance throughout her lengthy declination of health. With their support of our sister, Cindy, Mother was able to remain in the comfort and peace of her home.

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 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. and 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.

Bettye Louise Dyer Hamilton, 71, of Canton, Georgia
Bettye Louise Dyer Hamilton, age 71, of Canton, Georgia passed away Saturday, Feb. 12. Bettye was born July 31, 1950, in Miami, Florida to Rufus Boyd and Nancy Louise Massey Dyer. Bettye is preceded in death by her husband: Thomas Charles Hamilton and her parents. Graveside services are Friday Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. at Center Grove Baptist Church Cemetery with Dr. David Chambers officiating. The family will receive friends at the cemetery Friday. Survivors are daughters: Cindy Lorene Hamilton of Canton, Georgia and Cathy Ann (Michael) Lepeak of Canton, Georgia; sister: Christine Lorene (Joseph) Bateman of Cullman, Alabama; brother: Roy Boyd (Teresa) Dyer of Cullman, Alabama and grandchildren: Samuel Lepeak and Jacob Lepeak. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Diana Lynn Cason, 60, of Cullman
Diana Lynn Cason, age 60, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022. Diana was born Nov. 24, 1961, in Napa, Idaho. Diana is survived by her husband of 43 years: Donnie Cason; her brother: David (Melinda) Wright; her sisters: Connie Wright (John) Miellmier and Tammie Wright (Joe) Fullington and her grandchildren: Nadia Ruby June Hopper and Cam Stryker Hopper. Diana was preceded in death by her daughter: Christina Cason Hopper; her mother: June Matteson Wright; her father: Alton Wright; her brothers: Robert Wright, Danny Storck and Russell Storck and her grandparents: Frank Matteson, Marion Matteson, Lee Wright and Ivy Wright. A celebration of life visitation for Diana will be held Wednesday, Feb. 16, from 1-2 p.m. at Trinity Pentecostal Church (Alabama Highway 91, Hanceville, AL 35077). A celebration of life funeral service to follow at 2 p.m. An interment will occur at Hopewell Cemetery, Hanceville, AL 35077.

Conrad Euell Wren, 87, of Vinemont
Funeral Service for Conrad Euell Wren, age 87, of Vinemont, will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 20, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. Bruce Farr officiating and interment in Spring Hill Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon - 2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Wren passed away Sunday, Feb. 13, at Woodland Village Health Care. He was born July 10, 1934, in Cullman, Alabama, to Luther and Birdie Wren. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife: Alta Wren; son: Danny Wayne Wren; infant children: Keith Wren and Connie Wren; brothers: Calvin Wren and Clarence Wren and sister: Clara Mae Hedrick. Survivors include his son: James Wren; sisters: Carol Farr and Charlene Howard; granddaughter: Tia Marie Myers and great-grandchildren: Marcus Myers and Remi Myers.

Ellis Dee Quick, 89, of Vinemont
Funeral Service for Ellis Dee Quick, age 89, of Vinemont, will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 19, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Quick passed away on Monday, Feb. 14, at his residence. He was born Dec. 12, 1932, to Fred Lee and Daisy Quick. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife: Rilla May Barnett Quick and granddaughter: Sabrina Quick. Survivors include his wife: Faye Quick; son: Steven R. (Paula) Bickell; daughters: Rebecca (Gary) Fix, Teresa (Tom) Charney and Diane (Mark) Young; son: Jimmy (Debbie) Quick; brother: Wilford Quick; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Jerome Nelson Michael, 65, of Cullman
Jerome Nelson Michael, age 65, of Cullman, passed away Monday, Feb. 14, at his residence. He was born Nov. 13, 1956, to Henry Michael and Ellen Michael. He was preceded in death by his grandparents. Survivors include his father: Henry Michael (Priscilla Stewart); mother: Ellen Michael; sister: Rebecca Michael and a host of family and friends. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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does meet our current regulations, and we will work to address all of the concerns of the residents expressed here today, and I do recommend approval of this preliminary plat."

Peggy Smith was recognized for receiving the David R. Echols Distinguished Service Award for exemplary service in Economic Development. Chairman Jeff Clemons stated, "This is an honor to recognize this lady and it's an honor to work with her."

The commission proclaimed February "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month."

Around 4,105 teens daily are victims of dating violence and 10% of U.S. teens have been a victim of dating violence.

The goal of the commission is to encourage teens and young adults to talk about things that are unhealthy in relationships and be able to understand where to go for help.

The Commission joined the State of Alabama and other local governments as participants in the Endo Settlement which is part of the ongoing class action dealing with the opioid epidemic. The commission will receive roughly $118,000. There are stipulations attached to how the money can be spent which state it must be used to handle the opioid crisis.

In other business:

• The Cullman County Attorney was authorized to file complaints against guests for violating campsite policies approved Oct. 19, 2021.

• The purchase of a gate system for Smith Lake Park was approved in the amount of $23,200. Parks Director Doug Davenport stated, "This is a gate system we've been trying to get for some years. It just ensures the safety of the campers and helps stop some of the activity that goes on after hours."

• The commission approved the vacation of a portion of County Road 630 which was requested by two property owners to implement a turnaround at the end of the road for buses and utility vehicles. Surrounding landowners supported the vacation.

• The participation in the Joint Bidding Program for the members of Investing Alabama Counties was approved.

• Cullman County Economic Development was authorized to submit and application for funding assistance through Alabama Emergency Management Agency's Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program for bridge replacement on County Road 986, 1273, 1352,1427, 1447 and 1508.

• The commission approved the allocation of $15,000 to the Cullman County Hazmat Team for the purchase of equipment. The Hazmat Team is made up of multiple different departments.

• Gaither Mills was appointed as Deputy Coroner. Ginger Hicks was reappointed to the Regional Housing Authority Board for a five-year term to expire February of 2027. Brian Monk was appointed to the Veteran's Memorial Park Advisory Board to replace Wiley Kitchens.

• The plat Arrowhead Creek Subdivision containing 6 lots located on County Road 515 was approved.

• The proposed plat Crooked Crane Subdivision containing 16 lots to be located on County Road 936 was approved.

The next commission meeting will be Tuesday, March 15 at 6 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room. The public is invited to attend.

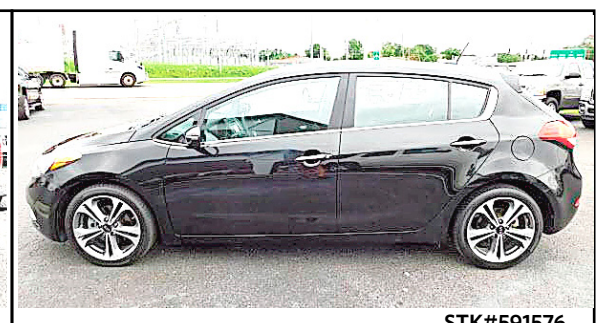
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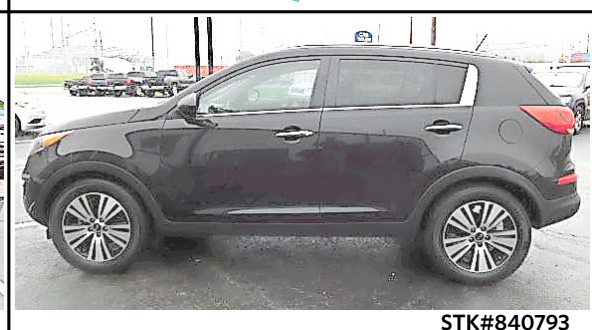

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