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Cullman Caring for Kids Executive Director Nancy Bryant retires after 20 years of child advocacy service

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Executive Director of Cullman Caring for Kids Nancy Bryant has recently said her goodbyes to the program she helped to build, as she is retiring after more than 20 years with the child advocacy group. She started out as a volunteer in 2000 to host the child abuse programs CCK held at county schools at the time. She did this for four years until she was hired as assistant director by then Executive Director Javon Daniel.

Daniel stated, "After I came to Cullman Caring for Kids in early 2001, I saw her value to come in and work as the assistant director." Bryant worked at the position from 2005 until July 2021 when she took over as executive director.

Daniel said, » PAGE 9



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Cullman Caring for Kids Executive Director Nancy Bryant

– PREP BASKETBALL –

'This is the stuff we dream about'

Cullman advances to 6A State Championship Game with 71-55 win over Park Crossing



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported March 2

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported March 2, 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. 24

• fourth-degree theft of property; Walmart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $114

ARRESTS

Feb. 28

White, Phillip J.; 61

• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property (2 counts)
• FTA- third-degree criminal trespass
• FTA- insurance violation (2 counts)
• FTA- improper lane usage
• FTA- expired tag (2 counts)
• FTA- driving without license

Twilley, Allyson C.; 23

• FTA- driving without license
• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- fail to register vehicle

Brasher, Ronald A.; 38

• FTA- third-degree criminal trespass (2 counts)
• FTA- DUI

Fowler, Adam K.; 31

• FTA- insurance violation
• FTA- fail to register vehicle

Pendergraft, Unique N.; 29

• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
• FTA- false information to law enforcement

Wood, Remington A.; 29

• FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

March 1

Tennihill, Jennifer A.; 35

• FTA- switched tag
• FTA- insurance violation

Harris, Karissa M.; 28

• fourth-degree theft of property

Thornton, Tasha N.; 33

• FTA- insurance violation (3 counts)
• FTA- fail to register vehicle

Smith, Larry A.; 35

• FTA- insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

HEALTH

CDC's COVID-19 Community Levels help determine prevention steps

ADPH
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention COVID-19 Community Levels (www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/covid-by-county.html) is a new tool to help communities decide what prevention steps to take based on the most recent data available. The CDC has released its new community level graphics which are determined by looking at hospital beds being occupied by COVID-19 patients, COVID-19 hospital admissions and new COVID-19 cases in an area. Each county's community level is ranked weekly as low, medium or high. Alabama's COVID-19 Data and Surveillance Dashboard will reflect these new measures as soon as possible. In addition, the dashboard will only be updated Monday through Friday instead of daily. With increasing levels of vaccination and high levels of population immunity from both vaccination and infections, CDC notes that the risk of medically significant disease, hospitalization and death from COVID-19 is greatly reduced for most people. At the same time, some people and communities, such as the elderly, people who are immunocompromised and people with disabilities, are at higher risk for serious illness and face challenging decisions navigating a world with COVID-19.

Vaccines are highly protective against severe disease and continuing to expand vaccine coverage and ensuring people are up-to-date with vaccination is essential to protecting individuals against hospitalizations and deaths. COVID-19 Community Levels do not change the guidance for health care settings, such as hospitals and nursing homes. Instead, health care settings should continue to use levels of community transmission and follow CDC's infection prevention and control recommendations for health care workers.

These prevention steps should be taken when the level is low (green): Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and get tested if you have symptoms.

If the level is medium (yellow): If you are at high risk for severe illness or are immunocompromised, talk to your health care provider about whether you need to wear a mask and take other precautions, stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and get tested if you have symptoms.

If the level is high (orange): Wear a mask indoors in public, stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines and get tested if you have symptoms. Additional precautions may be needed for people at high risk for severe illness.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, March 2, 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: 5.9%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,454
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 535,972
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 358,184 (+1,814 since Monday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,187
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,516
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 1,632 (+109 since Monday)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 3%
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,562
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,742
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 7,104 (+66 since Monday)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 35 (+4 since Monday)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,033
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 31
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 36,199
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 2,121
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 561

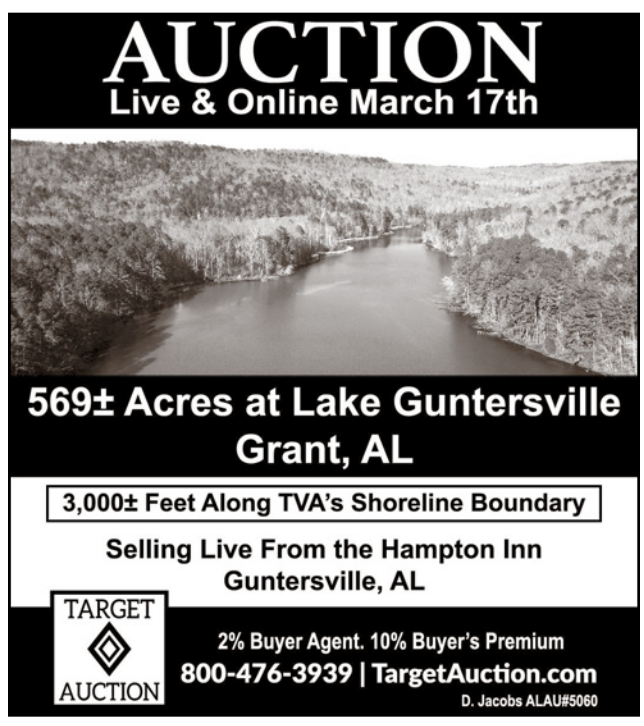
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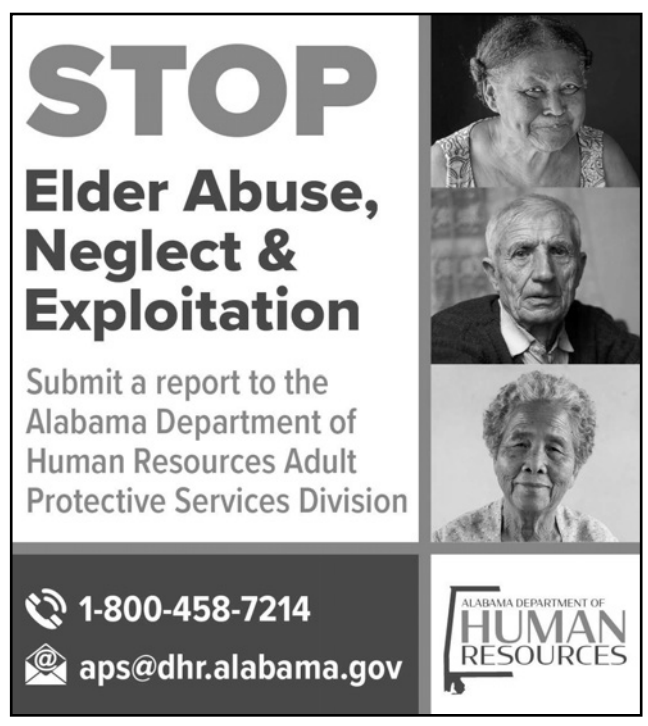
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 8,921,295 No Updates Available
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,659,865 No Updates Available
• Doses administered: 5,845,010
• Additional doses administered: 761,851
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,845,724
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,319,607
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,261,430 No Updates Available

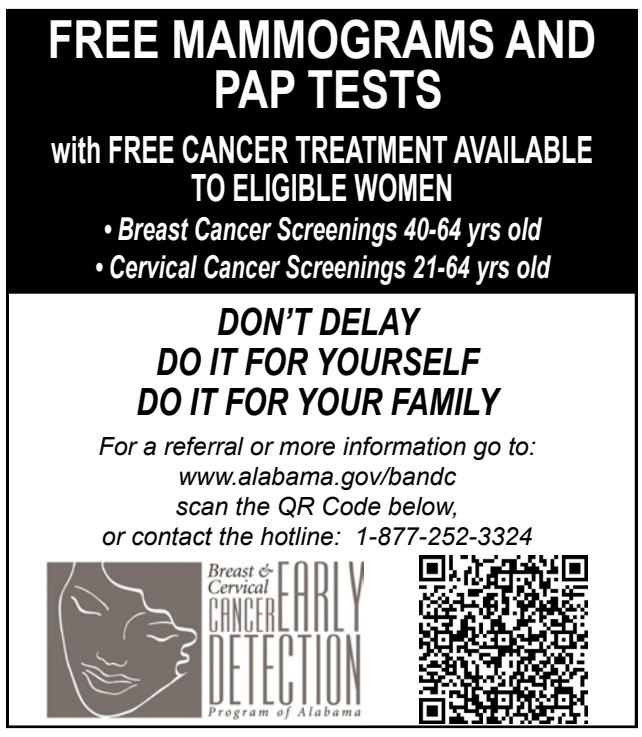
Alabamians in Phases 1a, 1b and 1c (including those 12 and older) are now eligible to receive a vaccine.

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

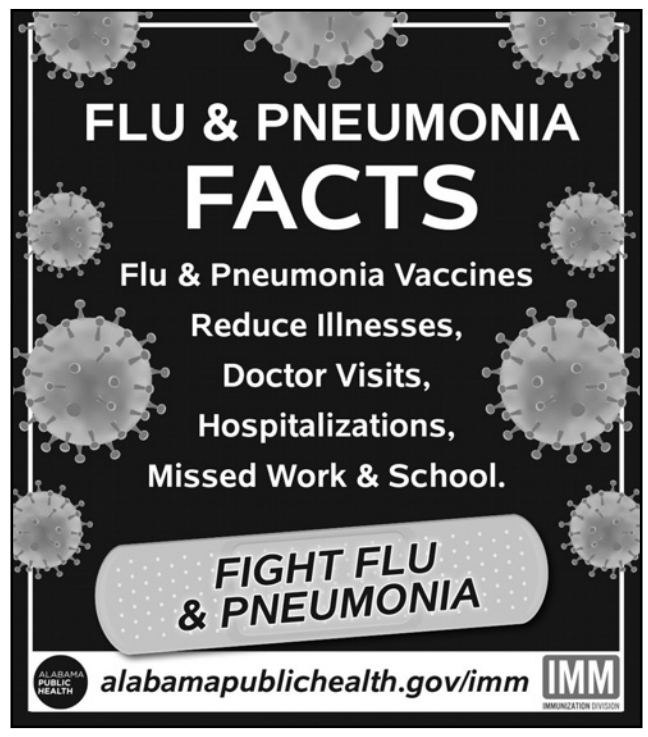












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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

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

Church Services- Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 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.
• Saturday, March 5, 8 a.m.: Men's Breakfast & Community Sack Lunches. Men are invited to eat a home cooked breakfast and help prepare and deliver sack lunches to our community.
• Sundays at 9 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Small group classes for adults, children and youth at 10 a.m. Praise and worship and message at 11 a.m.
• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m. – noon, Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m. – noon. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry, and Spirit Life Church.
• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthday. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.

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

Agriplex spring program schedule

Child and home-school programs
• 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.

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

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 Natural Resources Planning Committee Tree Giveaway
• March 3: The Cullman County Natural Resources Planning Committee is having a Tree Giveaway this Thursday, March 3 at Arise Coffee Co. (113 Commercial St., Hanceville). The tree giveaway will begin at 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (or until all trees are given away, supply is limited). Trees included: Redbud, Witchazel, Kousa Dogwood, Dogwood, Persimmon, Sourwood, Riverbirch, Red Mulberry, Red Maple, Bald Cypress, White Oak and Tulip Poplar. Trees are bare root seedlings.
• For more information contact: Kathy Holmes at 256-734-1431, kholmes@cullmanswcd.com or Kira Sims at 256-737-9386, klc0023@auburn.edu.

Stars and Stripes Rodeo
March 4-5: Hosted by West Point Band Boosters, the 38th Annual Stars and Stripes Rodeo will take place Friday and Saturday, March 4-5 at the Cullman Ag Center. Miss West Point Rodeo Queen crowned Saturday evening. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and show starts at 7 p.m. Tickets are $14 for adults at the door ($12 for presales) and $10 for kids 6-12, and 5 and under are free. Tickets sold at any Premier Bank location and Jack's Western Wear.

Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting
March 8: The Cullman County Republican Women's Meeting will be held Tuesday March 8 at 6 p.m. at the Veterans of Foreign Wars building located at (112 Veterans Drive SW, Cullman, AL 35055). The public is encouraged to attend. A light supper will be provided.

East Point Swamp John's Dinner
March 10: East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church will be hosting a Swamp John's dinner Thursday, March 10 from 4-7 p.m. (1441 U.S. Highway 278 E, Cullman, AL). Dine-in and carry-out options available. For more information, call 256-962-2116.

Swamp John's Meal at Corinth Methodist Church
March 12: Come by Saturday, March 12 from 4-7 p.m. for a Swamp John's plate, which are $13 each. Located at 5130 County Road 1101, Vinemont, AL.

Valley Springs Baptist Church Youth Revival
• March 12-13: Beginning at 5 p.m. at Valley Springs Baptist Church (6979 County Road 437, Cullman, AL). 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).

Holly Pond Homemakers Club Meeting
March 15: The Holly Pond Homemakers Club will have a regular meeting at The Holly Pond Event Center March 15, at 1 p.m. Probate Judge Tammy Brown will have the program. Hosts will be Brenda Scott and Deanie Walker. Please come and bring someone.

5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival
March 19: The 5th Annual Hanceville Irish Festival will take place Saturday, March 19 from 9 a.m. – 5:00 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.

Cottontails Arts & Crafts Festival
• April 9, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
• 905 SE Commercial St., Hanceville
• Willow Brook Boutique & Design will host a spring arts & crafts festival in downtown Hanceville.

Bloomin' Festival Arts and Crafts Fair
• April 23-24, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
• 1600 St. Bernard Ave. SE, Cullman
• Food, music and artisan crafts all weekend at St. Bernard Preparatory school.
• Admission $7, children 5 and under get in free.

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 cookoff. Follow them on Facebook for more information: https://www.facebook.com/events/265071822436868/.

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PREP SOFTBALL

Nichols' walk-off lifts Cold Springs over Fairview 7-6 in extra innings

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BREMEN, Ala. — Fairview traveled to Cold Springs High School for a match-up against the Lady Eagles and seven innings weren't enough to settle things between these local squads. With the score knotted at 4 after seven innings, we went into extras and with runners on the corners and two outs on the board, Heidi Nichols blasted a walk-off single in the bottom of the eighth to give Cold Springs a 7-6 win over the Lady Aggies.

After a scoreless first inning, Cold Springs got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the second. Nichols reached on an infield single to lead off the inning, then she moved to second on a Starla Fuller groundout. Maddie Pearl hit an RBI single to center field to bring home Nichols as the Lady Eagles grabbed an early 1-0 lead.

Cold Springs looked to add to their lead in the bottom of the third inning. Brooklyn Ingram led off the inning with an infield single, then Peyton Kennedy reached on an error. Emma Black got hit by the pitch to load the bases with no outs. Ciara Calvert lined out to Fairview's third baseman, Kaitlyn Benson, who then threw over to Emma Roberts at first base to double off Hope Speegle. Then a ground out got the Lady Aggies out of the bases-loaded jam.

Emma Black had the strikeout pitch going early on for Cold Springs as she racked up eight through four innings. The Lady Eagles padded their lead in the bottom of the fourth. Fuller got hit by the pitch to lead off the inning, then a Pearl sacrifice bunt moved her over to second. Fuller advanced to third base and scored on a Journee Swann sacrifice fly to make it 2-0. Anna Rollo then reached on an infield single and stole second. Ingram then drove her in with an RBI single as Cold Springs pushed their lead to 3-0.

The Lady Eagles made it 4-0 in the bottom of the fifth inning as Calvert scored on a dropped third strike.

After being held to just two hits through five innings, Fairview finally got something going in the top of the sixth. Singles by Savannah Bryson, Kylie Kovar, and Kaitlyn Benson quickly loaded the bases for the Lady Aggies.

One out later, Ayda Payne drove in Bryson with an RBI infield single to cut the deficit to three at 4-1.

Emily Benson reached on a throwing error, which allowed Kovar and Benson to score on the play, as that made it 4-3. Payne scored on a wild pitch to tie the game up at four.

Neither team could break the tie after that, so the game was to be decided in extra innings. Fairview struck first in extras as Kaitlyn Benson reached on an infield single. Roberts then lined a two-run home run over the center field wall to give the Lady Aggies an 6-4 lead.



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cold Springs' Heidi Nichols finished with two hits, including the game-winning RBI single, in the Lady Eagles' 7-6 win over Fairview Monday night.

The Lady Eagles, though, looked to end things in their half. Rollo got the one-out rally started with an infield single, then Ingram got hit by the pitch. A pair of stolen bases moved both of them over to second and third and Rollo scored on a dropped third strike to make it 6-5. A passed ball allowed Ingram to cross the plate as that tied the game up at six, then one out later, Nichols ended the game as her RBI single gave the Lady Eagles a 7-6 win over the Lady Aggies.

Ingram finished with three hits and an RBI for Cold Springs and Black racked up 16 strikeouts in eight innings of work. Nichols added a pair of hits and the game-winning RBI single. Pearl ended up with a hit and an RBI. Fuller and Swann each added an RBI. Kennedy, Black, and Rollo each finished with a pair of hits and Calvert added a hit as well. For Fairview, Roberts and Payne each finished with a hit and two RBIs in the game. Emily Benson added a hit and an RBI as well. Kaitlyn Benson ended up with a pair of hits, while Bryson and Kovar each chipped in with a hit.

PREP SOFTBALL

Lady Warriors down Cullman at home 7-1

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WEST POINT, Ala. – Cullman made the quick trip to West Point for a varsity matchup Monday night and the Lady Warriors were able to defend their home field and collect a 7-1 win. Carlie Wilkins got the start and the win for West Point, tossing a complete game, allowing just one run (unearned) on four hits and striking out five.

West Point got on the board in the bottom of the first after three walks loaded the bases and Braelee Quinn put one in play to drive in and take a 1-0 lead. Macayla Wilkins came home to score on an error later in the inning to make it 2-0 and Sydney Burks was walked with the bases loaded to bring in another run and give the Lady Warriors a 3-0 lead going into the second.

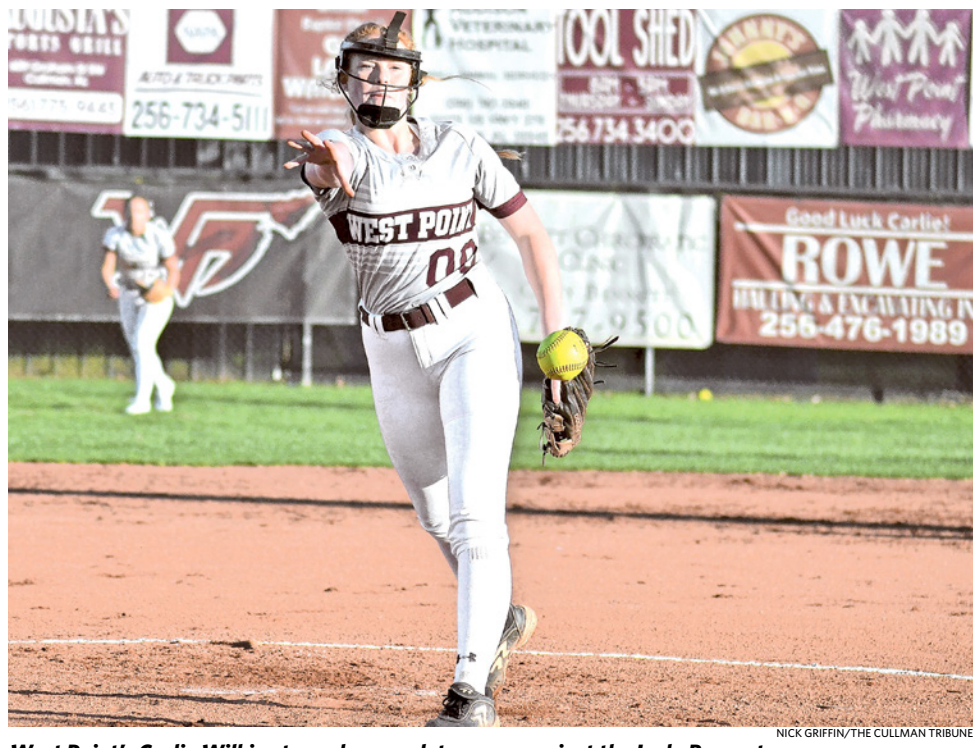
West Point struck quickly in the bottom half of the second. Bethany Minck led things off with a solo home run to left field to make it a 4-0 game and Braelee Quinn ripped an RBI single into left to make it 5-0. Brindlee Phillips and Braelee Quinn each scored on a fielder's choice and an error later in the inning and the Lady Warriors went into the third leading 7-0.

Both teams combined just three hits over the next three innings, but Cullman was able to break through and get on the board in the sixth. Haley Shannon led the inning off with a single and after stealing second and taking third on an error, Faith Guest grounded out to bring Shannon home and cut the lead to 7-1. However, the Lady Bearcats couldn't chip away any more than that and went into the bottom of the inning trailing by six runs.

Carlie Burnham led off the top of the seventh with a double into left field, but the Lady Warriors collected the final three outs to keep her from scoring and held on to win it 7-1.

Braelee Quinn (one hit) led West Point with two RBIs in the win and Minck (HR), Burks and Kylee Quinn each drove in a run as well. Guest posted an RBI for Cullman in the loss and Savannah Davis, Burnham and Abby Maples each recorded a hit.

The Lady Bearcats will look to bounce back against Austin at home Tuesday and the Lady Warriors will remain home to host Danville Thursday.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

West Point's Carlie Wilkins tossed a complete game against the Lady Bearcats Monday, allowing just four hits and striking out five batters.

PREP SOFTBALL

Arab tops Holly Pond on the road 5-2

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — The Holly Pond Lady Broncos returned home Tuesday night to take on Arab, but the Lady Knights were able to leave with a 5-2 win. The score was knotted at 2 after five innings but Arab pulled away with three runs in the sixth.

Arab drew three straight walks against Holly Pond starter Lexie Smith to start out the game and a two-run single put them up, 2-0. Smith settled down after that as she got the final three outs to get out with limited damage. The Lady Broncos looked to get on the scoreboard in the bottom of the second. Rebecca Bell got hit by the pitch to lead off the inning, then Addison Armstrong reached on a bunt single. Madyson Rickman flew out to left and that allowed both runners to move to second and third with one out. But back-to-back strikeouts got the Lady Knights out of the huge jam.

Holly Pond finally got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the fourth inning. Rickman lined a triple to center field and ended up scoring on a Lady Knight error to cut the Arab lead to 2-1.

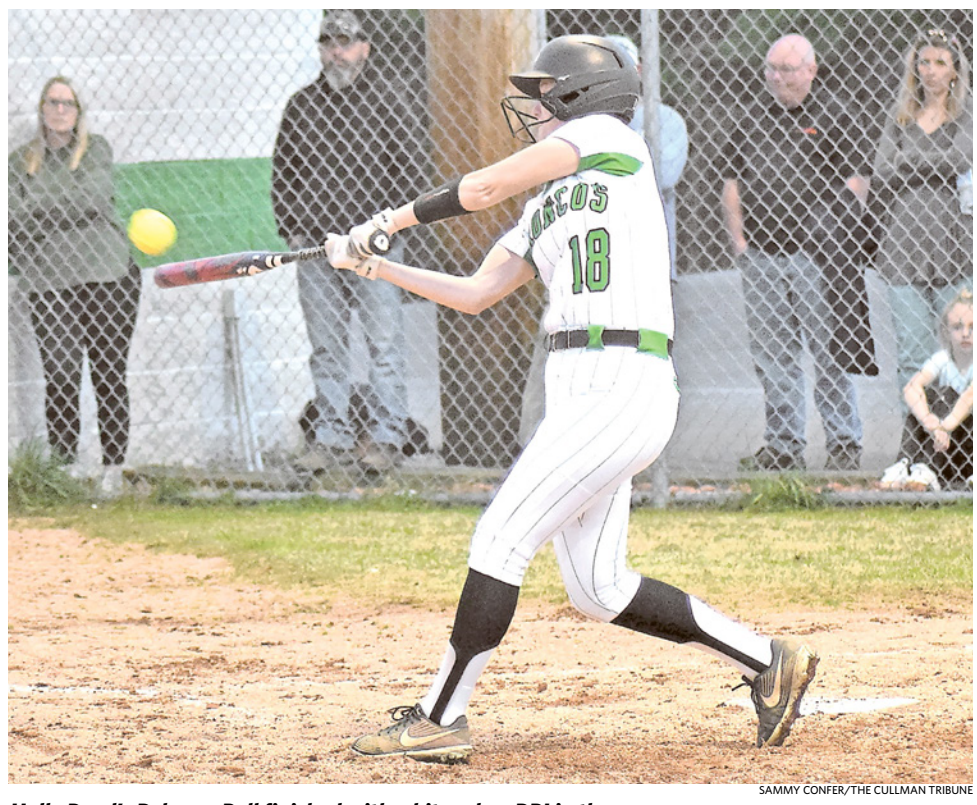
The Lady Knights loaded the bases with one out, but Smith was able to get out of the big jam by inducing a fly out and a line out. Holly Pond got a two-out rally started in the bottom of the fifth as Kaylee Stallings drew a walk and later scored on a Bell RBI double as that tied the game up at two.

Arab started a one-out rally in the top of the sixth inning as a double, single, and a fielder's choice saw them load up the bases. New pitcher Emma Ray Spitzer looked to get the Lady Broncos out of yet another jam, but the Lady Knights had other plans and an RBI infield single gave them a 3-2 lead. A throwing error brought home another run and another RBI infield single pushed Arab's lead to 5-2.

Holly Pond looked to answer in its half of the sixth inning. Brooke Hill hit a one-out single, then Molly Neal drew a walk.

But a pop out and a fly out ended the bottom half of the sixth and the Lady Broncos went down in order in their final at-bats as they ended up falling to the Lady Knights, 5-2.

Bell finished with a hit and an RBI for Holly Pond (1-2). Hill and Widner each added a pair of hits and Armstrong ended up with a hit. The Lady Broncos will stay at home on Thursday as they will take on Fairview.



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Holly Pond's Rebecca Bell finished with a hit and an RBI in the Lady Broncos' 5-2 loss to Arab Tuesday night.

PREP BASEBALL

Warriors fall to Hamilton at home 11-2

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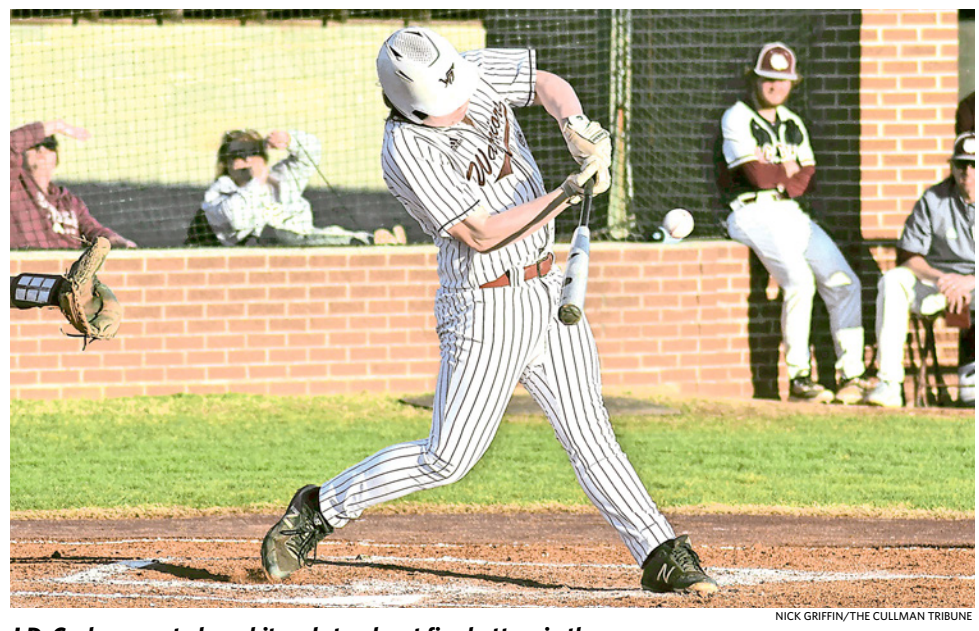
WEST POINT, Ala. — After starting the week with a 4-3 road win over Athens Monday night, the Warriors returned home Tuesday night to host one of the top teams in 4A. West Point squared off against the Hamilton Aggies and the Warriors had a lot of trouble getting the bats going. Five errors made it tough for West Point to keep pace with Hamilton as well and the Aggies were able to pick up an 11-2 win on the road.

J.D. Cochran got the start on the mound and quickly retired the first two batters he faced but a wild pitch, an error and a pair of hits allowed the Aggies to take a 3-0 lead after the top of the first. Eli Folds led off the for the Warriors and reached first on an error. Cochran followed him with a single into right field to put a pair of runners on the bases, but Hamilton put out the next three batters to keep its lead intact.

The Aggies added another run to their lead in the top of the of the second to make it a 4-0 game and after a scoreless third inning, a couple of West Point miscues allowed Hamilton to tack on two more runs in the fourth. The Aggies extended their lead to 8-0 in the sixth and they strung some hits together in the seventh to make it 11-0.

Isaac Hoffpauir and Cade Simmons led off the bottom of the seventh with back-to-back singles. Hoffpauir reached third on a wild pitch and a sacrifice fly by Brody Freeman brought him home to make it 11-1. Two pitches later, Bryson Phillips drove an RBI single into right field to make it an 11-2 game, but the Warriors couldn't get any closer than that and Hamilton held on to win it 11-2.

Phillips (one hit) and Freeman each posted an RBI for West Point in the loss and Cochran, Hoffpauir and Simmons each recorded a hit. The Warriors will look to bounce back Thursday when they travel to take on Good Hope.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

J.D. Cochran posted one hit and struck out five batters in the Warriors' 11-2 loss to Hamilton Tuesday night.

Cullman (from Front)

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — For the first time in nearly a century, the Cullman Bearcats were competing in the Final 4 of AHSAA State Basketball Tournament Wednesday and this historic ride for the 'Cats isn't over quite yet. Cullman came out shooting to take an early lead over the Park Crossing Thunderbirds and continued to add to its lead in the second half on the way to a 71-55 win and a spot in Saturday's Class 6A State Championship Game.

Bearcats Head Coach Stu Stuedeman came into the game with the same approach the 'Cats have used all season and once again, they were able to wear down an opponent and pull away in the second half.

"I just think our style of play prevailed. That run to start the third quarter is what our style is all about. We got a couple big turnovers and we had guys making big plays all game," Stuedeman said.

"We weathered some foul trouble in the first half and then in the second half we really poured it on them which is what we've been doing here lately in the playoffs."

Cullman has been killing teams with intense defense most of the year but in the postseason, the Bearcats have been very effective at the free throw line as well.

The 'Cats were 21 of 27 from the foul line against Park Crossing and Stuedeman credits the individual work his guys have put in throughout the year for that success.

"Our guys all playoffs have just been going up there and hitting dagger free throw after dagger free throw and I'm so proud of them because they've put the work in," Stuedeman said.

"That's not coaching, free throws are about individual work, concentrating in practice when you shoot free throws and they've been mature about it and serious about it. The proof is in the pudding."

Three-pointers by Tucker Cagle and Sam Duskin gave the Bearcats an early, 6-4 lead and Garrison Sharpe knocked down a trey of his own to make it 9-4.

Sharpe laid one in to stretch the lead to 11-4 midway through the opening period and Cagle turned a steal into an easy basket to keep the 'Cats in front 13-6.

The Thunderbirds managed to trim the lead to two late in the first quarter, but Cagle scored with just over 20 seconds on the clock to give Cullman a 15-11 advantage going into the second.

Tucker Gambrill buried back-to-back three-pointers to open the second quarter, extending the lead to 21-13 but Park Crossing tightened up on the defensive end and cut the lead to 21-19 by the midway point of the period.

The Thunderbirds tied things up at 21 but another bucket from Sharpe put Cullman back in front 23-21.

A three-pointer on the other end gave Park Crossing a 24-23 lead but Max Gambrill scored through a foul and hit the free throw with less than a minute remaining in the half to retake a 26-24 lead for the Bearcats at the break.

Tucker Apel drained a three and Cagle converted another and-one play to make it a 32-24 game early in the third quarter and Sharpe drilled a three to stretch the lead to 35-24.

Tucker Gambrill drained another three-pointer later in the period to give the 'Cats a 39-24 advantage and for the next few minutes, it was the Max Gambrill show.

He scored the next eight points for the Bearcats, culminating in a thunderous dunk and helped build a 47-31 lead for Cullman.

Tucker Gambrill netted three free throws on the next possession to make it a 19-point game late in the third and an intentional foul just before the buzzer sent Apel to the free throw line.

He sank both foul shots and the Bearcats went into the final frame with a 52-35 lead over the Thunderbirds.

A quick pair of baskets by Sharpe made it a 58-37 game early in the fourth quarter and after Tucker Gambrill split a pair of free throws, Sharpe knocked down a pair from the line to keep Cullman in front 61-48.

Apel split a pair of foul shots midway through the period to make it 62-50 and continued to do damage at the free throw line.

Apel and Sharpe each netted two more to stretch the lead to 66-51 with just over three minutes to play and Cagle scored inside to make it 68-53 with less two minutes on the clock. Time ran out of for the Thunderbirds and the Bearcats celebrated a 71-55 Final 4 win on the court at Legacy Arena.

Sharpe led the way for Cullman with 20 points in the win. Cagle finished with 14, Tucker Gambrill posted 13 and Max Gambrill posted 12.

After the game, Sharpe said he was thinking about the journey he and his teammates have been on this season to reach the biggest stage in Alabama High School Basketball.

"It's unbelievable, this is the stuff we dream about," Sharpe said. "On the way over here, I was thinking about all the work we've put in as a team, not even to mention individually, to become the players that we are. This is what we trained for, it's everything for us."

The Bearcats will be back on the court at Legacy Arena Saturday at 2:15 p.m. to face Huffman in this year's Class 6A State Championship Game.

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
J.P.,)
A Minor Child, 04/01/2019)

CASE NO. JU 2019-545.03

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

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WELMER CALVIN WHISENANT, *
*
Deceased. *

CASE NO.: PC2022-049

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
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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

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on January 17, 2005 by Charles Turnage and wife Sandra Turnage, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1412, Page 882 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on March 25, 2022:

Parcel I:
Beginning at a point which is located South 0 degrees 11 minutes East 298.36 feet from the NE corner of the NW Quarter of the NE Quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Cullman County, Alabama, said point being located in a public road; thence from the point of beginning continue along said public road, South 0 degrees 11 minutes East 141.64 feet to a point; thence leaving said road South 89 degrees 59 minutes 56 seconds West 203.20 feet to a point; thence North 0 degrees 10 minutes 59 seconds West 141.64 feet to a point; thence East 203.20 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.661 acres, more or less.

Parcel II:
Beginning at a point which is located South 0 degrees 11 minutes East 117.00 feet from the NE corner of the NW Quarter of the NE Quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 2 East, Cullman County, Alabama, said point being located in a public road; thence from the point of beginning continue along said public road, South 0 degrees 11 minutes East 181.36 feet to a point; thence leaving said road West 203.20 feet to a point; thence North 0 degrees 11 minutes 01 seconds West 181.36 feet to a point; thence East 203.20 feet to the point of beginning, containing 0.846 acres, more or less.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together with the real estate:
1986 Buccaneer DWMH VIN# 6509A and 6509B

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

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Dewayne N. Morris
Attorney for Mortgagee
2131 Third Avenue North
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
The Cullman Tribune-March 3, 10, 17, 2022

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
K.P.,)
A Minor Child, 11/04/2016)

CASE NO. JU 2017-508.04

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
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

RONALD ANDREW JOHNSTON, deceased. CASE NO. PC2022-029

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF RONALD ANDREW JOHNSTON, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Sheila Johnston on the 23rd 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.

Sheila Johnston, Personal Representative

TO: Publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*:

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
MARY JO BUTLER, *
*
Deceased. *

CASE NO.: PC2022-015

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to ANITA MARIE MORGAN, as Personal Representative of the Estate of MARY JO BUTLER, deceased, on the 23rd 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.

Anita Marie Morgan
Personal Representative

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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:)
K.P.,)
A Minor Child, 11/04/2016)

CASE NO. JU 2017-508.04

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.
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City of Cullman
Planning Commission

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

1. Conditional use request – Cullman Athletic Complex – Field of Miracles Drive SW

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

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1. Short form subdivision – move lot line – 8th Ave. SE / 7th Ave. SE
2. Short form subdivision – Olive Street SW – two lots
3. Short form subdivision–3rd Ave. SW/4th Ave. SW between 4th Street SW & 5th Street SW

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF N.P.G.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 09/07/2011

CASE NO.: AD2022-010

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: DANIEL GRUDZIEN, NATURAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, N.P.G., BORN TO ANDRIANA KATLYN KENNY EPPERSON

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Cody Aaron Epperson, Petitioner. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioner, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 23rd DAY OF February, 2022.

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

Jerry L. Kilgo
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:
N.P.,
A Minor Child, 05/12/2015

CASE NO. JU 2017-510.04

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 9 day of Feb, 2022.

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JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:
N.G.
A Minor Child, 03/11/2013

CASE NO. JU 2017-509.04

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 9 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:
N.P.,
A Minor Child, 05/12/2015

CASE NO. JU 2017-510.04

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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 *
RANDALL KIM MASON *
Deceased *

CASE NO PC 2022-066

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to **Karon Mason Lee,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Randall Kim Mason**, deceased, on the 1st day of March, 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.

Karon Mason Lee
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for the Estate of
Randall Kim Mason, deceased.
200 1st Avenue SE
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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

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

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.

PREP SOCCER

Saint Bernard varsity soccer scores double shutout against Fairview

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CULLMAN, Ala. — St. Bernard Prep School's varsity Saints claimed a matched set at home Tuesday evening, as the boys' and girls' teams each scored 4-0 shutouts over in-county rival Fairview High School.

"Our girls played very well," said girls' team coach Will Drake. "We dominated the space, passed really well through the middle and defended intensely.

"I'm especially proud of Yesenia Aburto-Santiago. She scored the first goal tonight, and I believe that's her first goal, too. We had missed a few chances before then, but her goal boosted the team and helped us realize how well we were playing. On the other end, our defense was strong tonight. Centrally, Emma Powell and Pepper Hastings were powerful, and Emma kept everything organized.

"Sarah Woods was reliable, as always, and Allie Stewart in goal kept the clean sheet. I'm proud of the fullbacks, too--Caroline McBride and Annabelle Marte. I challenged them with some new ideas at halftime.

"They adapted well, and we looked even stronger second half. Overall, we were really difficult to break down."

Varsity boys' coach Gregg Bissot said, "The St. Bernard Prep Boys' Soccer team continues showing great improvement with a 4-0 shutout last night. They were able to score two goals in the first half after some fortunate plays. The second half brought two more. We were very proud of their play after scoring four goals, but especially proud of the defense for holding a good Fairview team to no goals."

"I was very proud of their play after scoring four goals, but I'm also very proud of them holding a good Fairview team to no goals."

Drake added, "Nick Feldner has a great program going at Fairview, girls and boys. I was glad to have them with us tonight. They play good soccer, and it was a fun game for the fans."



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A St. Bernard kick slips past the Fairview goaltender Tuesday evening.

Jack (from Front)

Olivia Law
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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Animal Shelter has a lot of extra love, so Donna Ruttkay shares a bonus Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week: Jack!

According to Ruttkay, Jack is a 1-year-old, medium-energy Golden Retriever mix.

He exhibits talent on his leash. He is quite athletic, with plenty of common sense to boot!

Jack will make the best therapy or companion dog!

Jack's adoption fee includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, microchip, free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24PetWatch (with valid email only) and a free bag of food from Cullman Pet Depot (you must pay sales tax).

Animal shelter staff and volunteers work with their dogs to make sure they are accustomed to being around people, walking on a leash and practicing good behavior.

Several of the shelter's canine friends have even been "hired" to work as therapy and special needs service dogs.

Please consider adopting to give a rescued pet a chance at a happy and healthy life.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or visit them at 935 Convent Road NE.

Reach them by email at cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com.

Good news!
Recent POTW Salvatore was adopted! Thank you to the Cullman Community for providing forever homes for our furry friends!

Rodeo (from Front)

Sara Gladney
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WEST POINT, Ala. — The West Point Band Boosters are presenting their 38th Annual Stars and Stripes Rodeo March 4 - 5 at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center. The gates open at 5:30 p.m. The mutton busting for kids under 6 (or 60 pounds) starts at 6:30 p.m., with the main events beginning at 7 p.m. The rodeo will feature eight major events including bareback bull-riding, calf roping, team roping and barrel racing. Also present will be trick roper Kyle Lamon who holds the Guinness World Record for Largest Hoop.

There will be separate tickets available for purchase for a chance to compete in a steer roping contest. Four participants will be drawn to compete to win a $250 gift certificate from Nate's Western Wear on Friday night and a $250 gift certificate from Jack's Western Wear on Saturday night.

West Point Band Booster Shelia Taylor said, "All proceeds go to our West Point Band and Auxiliary. Last year, we bought all brand-new uniforms which included the jackets and bibbers, shoes, hats and plumes. So, we were able to provide them with brand-new uniforms from head to toe.

"This year, it's going to help cut band fees in half and purchase new uniforms for auxiliary this time. We utilize the rodeo funds. We rely on that to keep our band program going."

The Junior ROTC will be present for the opening ceremony to honor the veterans in attendance.

West Point Senior band member Anna Armstrong will sing the National Anthem. Taylor said, "We've tried to make sure to really incorporate our kids that this is all for."

The West Point Rodeo Queen Pageant will be Thursday, March 3 at Cullman First Baptist Church on U.S. Highway 31, with private interviews at 3:30 p.m. before the pageant begins.

The Rodeo Queen will be crowned at the rodeo Saturday night.

Tickets are $14 for adults at the door. Presale tickets are $10 sold at any Premiere Bank Location and Jack's Western Wear. Kids tickets are $10. Attendance is free for ages 5 and under.

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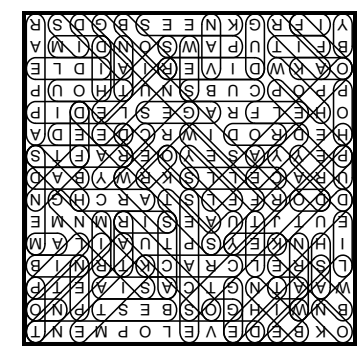
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OUTDOORS

Straw bale gardening great alternative to planting a garden

Wes Ellard
Contributor


ALABAMA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION

AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — Farmers and gardeners have been using compost for thousands of years, but that doesn't mean it always has to be the same old food scraps, pet scat and lawn clippings. Wheat straw bales make great compost—and great planters.

What is straw bale gardening?

"Straw bale gardening is simply planting vegetables into a straw bale that has been conditioned or gone through a composting phase," said Dani Carroll, an Alabama Cooperative Extension System home grounds, gardens and home pests regional agent. "It is great for urban areas and homeowners with a smaller plot."

Benefits of straw bale gardening

Carroll recommends this type of gardening for anyone interested, but particularly for people who have difficulty handling tools like shovels or trowels. Urban areas often lack good soil or space. Straw bales are a great way to take advantage of what space is available. They also contain great nutrients for plants, when properly conditioned. Carroll recommends only certain types of plants.

"I like to grow herbs, flowers and traditional vegetables," she said. "Shorter plants like tomatoes, broccoli, cabbage and greens tend to work best. Taller, larger or heavier plants could knock the bale off balance, catch too much wind or simply be too large to plant in a single bale."

Transplants are the planting method of choice, as seeds are more difficult to germinate using this method.

Straw bale preparation

To begin, gardeners should buy a wheat straw bale. According to Carroll, wheat straw works best because pine straw does not break down enough and hay bales may contain more weed seeds.

The gardener should then saturate the bale with water before adding fertilizer. They should use high nitrogen, water soluble fertilizer. The gardener should thoroughly re-water the bale each time they fertilize. On day 10, the gardener should add one cup of dolomitic lime over the top of the bale, and water it.

Afterward, they should add some balanced fertilizer for several days until the conditioning (or composting, whichever you prefer) process is finished. The process should take about two weeks.

Planting a straw bale

Once conditioning is complete, the gardener should plant the garden as they would any other garden. Carroll also recommends backfilling the hole around the plant once it is in place to fill any gaps and help the root system grow.

The gardener can then maintain the straw bale garden as if it were a basic, on-the-ground garden. They should make sure to water regularly until finished with the bale.

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System's Straw Bale Gardening Guide suggests recycling bales after they are depleted. They make great mulch or compost. The guide also adds that you may be able to get two plantings out of one straw bale.

Bryant (from Front)

"She has been very instrumental. We do a lot of events during April—child abuse awareness month. She coordinated all of our fundraisers, all of our events. As far as I'm concerned, she's one of the most compassionate people about children that I've ever associated with.

"We do a radio program every week and she has signed off on that program for the last 18 years with the phrase, 'Have you hugged your child today?'"

Bryant also served as co-director of CCK's Court Appointed Special Advocate program, which provides specially trained volunteers to look after the needs of children in the court system. She has participated in every program the agency offers, and even created programs to educate new parents, offer life coaching for teen girls and prepare female inmates at the Cullman County Detention Center for life after release.

CCK Food Bank Assistant Asia Nunnelley, who often worked with Bryant, said, "She was a joy to work with. She loved her job. She's an excellent friend and co-worker and she is definitely missed around here. I've known her for over 10 years—she holds a special place in my heart."

In response to Bryant's retirement CCK posted this statement to their social media:

"Your impact has been felt all across Cullman and the love you have shown to our people in our great county will never be forgotten. The Bible says in 1 Corinthians that 'Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.' These three things are a mark of your legacy. You've shown faith in Jesus, Hope for the People and Loved everyone who's came through here needing help. We will all miss you greatly but will strive to carry on the passion you've had for helping people.

"We wish you the best in your retirement and hope you spend every moment cherishing the time you have with the family you've sacrificed from. Now go hug your kids and grandkids and know that CCK is here and will always be your family. We Love You and will miss you."

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Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail, center, attends Pop's Café's ribbon cutting Wednesday.

LOCAL BUSINESS

Hanceville restaurant Pop's Café holds grand opening

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Pop's Café is the newest restaurant in Hanceville, opened in place of the old Huddle House. Pop's Café's owners are brother and sister Craig and Cathy Parker. Craig operates the Hanceville location and Cathy operates another Hillsboro location. The Hanceville location has been open since Dec. 27, serving breakfast and lunch. The café held a ribbon cutting and grand opening Wednesday, March 2 with Mayor Kenneth Nail and the Hanceville town council attending, to celebrate the completion of their building and signs.

Craig Parker stated, "We appreciate everything you have done for us, and we're glad to be here. We've got a lot of good things coming."

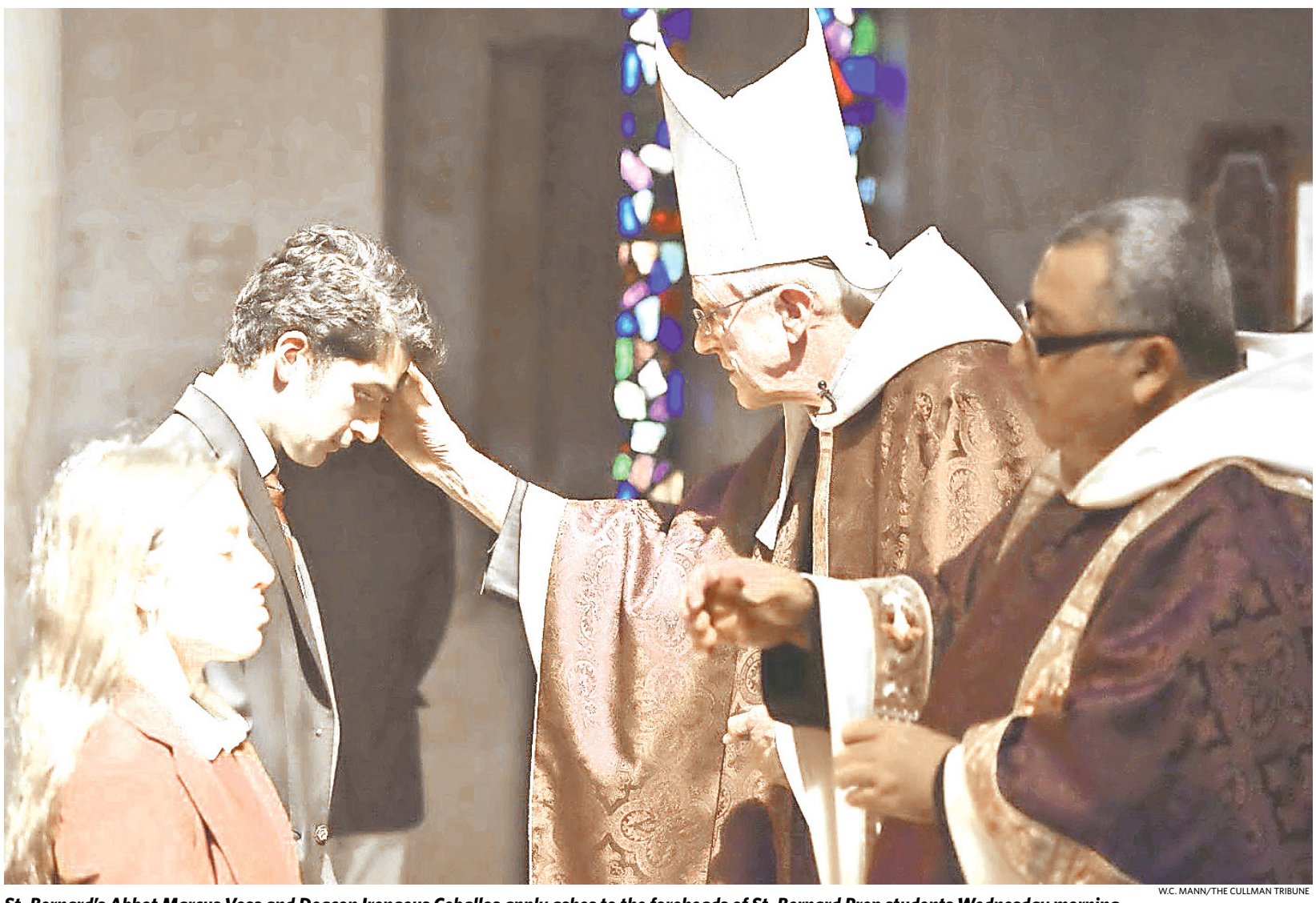
The restaurant is open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Sunday from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. They are currently on the lookout for new employees and plan to open for dinner as soon as they gather enough staff.

Wednesday (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — St. Bernard Abbey on Wednesday marked the beginning of the liturgical season of Lent by marking students at St. Bernard Prep School and other attendants with the sign of the cross in ashes on their foreheads. The ashes, a reminder of mortality, call the faithful to a 40-day period of reflection and penitence between Ash Wednesday and Holy Thursday leading up to the celebration of Easter.

According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, "It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ."



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St. Bernard's Abbot Marcus Voss and Deacon Irenaeus Ceballos apply ashes to the foreheads of St. Bernard Prep students Wednesday morning.

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Obituary Announcements: March 1-2

James Davie Jones, 76, of Cullman
Mr. James Davie Jones, 76, of Cullman passed from this life March 1, at Hanceville Nursing Home and Rehab. He was born March 16, 1946, to Jessie Lemuel Jones and Murline Jones Gattis. No services are planned at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Jones family. Mr. Jones was preceded in death by his parents: Jessie Lemuel Jones and Murline Jones Gattis. He is survived by his son: Time Jones; daughters: Felicia Jones and Bailee Jones; grandson: Mycah Jones and his close friend: Sherry Jones.

Timothy Lee Hicks, 36
A memorial service for Timothy Lee Hicks, 36, will be noon March 12, at Temple Baptist church. Bro. Malcolm Carter will officiate the service. Mr. Hicks passed from this life Feb. 26, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Mr. Hicks was born March 12, 1985, to James Stephen Hicks and Janet Lee Pilcher. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Hicks family. He was preceded in death by his father: James Stephen Hicks; grandmother: Faye Pilcher and grandfather: David Russell. He is survived by his mother: Janet Lee Pilcher; grandmother: Betty Warren; sisters: Christy Braswell and Rachael Higgins; aunt: Randy Arwine; nieces: Caydence Braswell and Kylie Braswell and nephews: Tameron, Higgins and David Arwine.

Sandra Faye Marlow Privett, 76, of Vinemont
Funeral service for Sandra Faye Marlow Privett, 76, of Vinemont will be 10 a.m., Friday, March 4, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Bethlehem West Baptist Church and Rev. John Echols officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service on Friday. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Privett family. Mrs. Privett passed away Monday, Feb. 28, att her residence. She was born Nov. 7, 1945, to Troy Fredrick and Callie Gertrude Godbee Marlow. She was a member of Mount Pleasant Baptist Church. She loved crafting and her family. Sandy was at her best when she was taking care of others. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband of 55 years: Freddy Privett and brother: Jimmy Marlow. Survivors include her sons: Freddy Paul Privett, Troy Scott (Chasidy) Privett, Luke Edward (Loretta) Privett and Samuel Heath (Susan) Privett; brother: Joe Don Marlow; sister: Pat Gasser; grandchildren: Caycee Jade (Travis) Overton, Jessie Lee (Houston) Hensley, Logan Eli Privett, Jackson Andrew Privett, Parker Benjamin Privett, Gabriel Scott Privett, Jacob Troy Privett, Nicholas Claude Williams, Savanna Troy Privett, Kassie Grace Privett, Sarai Eliana Privett, Paxton Jeep Privett, Ace Prescott Privett, Brock Simmons and Averie Simmons; great-grandchildren: Oaklee and Arley Overton and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

W. C. Burns, 73, of Cullman
Graveside service for W. C. Burns, age 73, of Cullman, will be at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, March 4, at Holly Pond Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon - 2 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home prior to the graveside service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Burns passed away Tuesday, March 1, at Cullman Regional. He was born May 16, 1948, in Holly Pond, Alabama, to William A. and Lois Burns. He was preceded in death by his wife: Margaret Sue Burns; parents and grandson: Cody Shikle. Survivors include his daughter: Felicia (Clint) Pace; sons: Wade Burns, Barry (Vicki) Frost and Brian (Leslie) Frost; daughter: Lisa (Roy) Woods and grandchildren: Connor Frost, Lora Leigh Frost, Amber West and Ryan Burns.

Dwight West, 75, of Holly Pond
Dwight West, 75, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away Feb. 27. He was born to Fred H. and Pauline Couch West, in Cullman County, Alabama, on Aug. 10, 1946. Mr. West served his country with honor in the United States Army. After his time in the service, Dwight spent many years in the construction industry. He enjoyed the outdoors and he loved to travel. Mr. West lived in Costa Rica for 15 years and was fluent in Spanish. Dwight loved to visit Buena Vista, in Cullman, several times a week, where he enjoyed speaking the langue with the servers there. Dwight is preceded in death by his parents, as well as a granddaughter: Natalie West. He is survived by his children: Bryan and Hillary West, Michael and Bridget "Birdie" Chambers and Pricilla West Rivera; grandchildren: Emily West, Alie West, Lilli West, Corey and Sarah Chambers, Erica and Michael Lambert and Tyler Chambers and great-grandchildren: Janalice Chambers, Sawyer Chambers, Leo Lambert, Fox Lambert and Lucy Lambert. Following a private celebration of life, Mr. West will be taken to Costa Rica. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the West family.

Margaret Lee Barnes Reid, 89, of Holly Pond
Margaret Lee Barnes Reid, 89, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away Feb. 28. A native of Holly Pond, Mrs. Reid was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years: Austin H. "Pat" Reid; parents: Hobson and Florene Barnes and her sisters: Ruth Moore and Faye Nail. She is survived by her sons: Austin H. Reid, Jr., (Jan) and Alvin Lee Reid (Pam); her grandchildren: Josh Reid (Jacqueline) and Hannah Bolton (Corey); her great-grandchildren: Lincoln and Juliet Bolton; her nephew: Greg Nail; her niece: Teresa Reid, as well as many more beloved family members and friends. Margaret married Pat after graduating from Holly Pond High School. After his time in the Army, which took them to Virginia and to Colorado, they finally settled in Birmingham, Alabama, where they raised their two sons. They returned to Holly Pond, upon retirement, where they resided for the rest of their lives. Margaret was a longtime and active member of Holly Pond First Baptist Church, as well as the Holly Pond Homemakers Club. Margaret was the most generous and loving person ever known. She loved her family greatly, and everyone felt at home the moment they stepped into her house. Visitation will be Thursday, March 3, at 10 a.m., followed by a funeral service at 11 a.m., at Holly Pond Funeral Home with Pastor Benjamin Smothers officiating. A graveside service will follow at Holly Pond Cemetery, where Josh Reid, Corey Bolton, James Reid, Jarod Mayfield, Greg Nail and Norman Nail will serve as pallbearers. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Reid family. Obituary provided by the Reid family.

Jackie Butler Clark, 66, of Cullman
Funeral service for Jackie Butler Clark, 66, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Friday, March 4, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Sardis Cemetery, Rev. Whitt Wray officiating. Visitation will be Friday at the funeral home from noon - 2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Clark passed away Monday, Feb. 28, at his residence. He was born March 11, 1955, to Emerson and Carrie Lloyd Clark. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife: Vonzell Clark and a brother: Joe Creech. Survivors include his grandchildren: Torena (Chad) Arnold, Felicia Atkins and Luke Rauch; great-grandchildren: Marcus Arnold, Serinity Arnold and Jackson Arnold; stepsons: Billy (Kathy) Tolliver and Jeff (Lisa) Tolliver; brother: Brad Clark; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Thersia Charlene Young, 67, of Cullman
Thersia Charlene Young, age 67, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Friday, Feb. 25. Thersia was born April 25, 1954, in Cullman, Alabama to Loyd Adrain and Stella Prudence Walls Young. Funeral services are Thursday, March 3, at 11 a.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. David Bradford officiating. Interment will follow services in Mount Carmel Cemetery. Survivors are brothers: Garland Smith and Michael (Debra) Young; nieces: Veronica (Chad) Lawrence, Melondy (Glen) Skinner and Chantel (John) Elrod; special great-niece: Madison Durham and a host of other nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Visitation will be Wednesday, March 2, from 6-9 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

George Edgar Milligan, 80, of Haleyville
George Edgar Milligan, age 80, of Haleyville, passed away Saturday, Feb. 26, at North Alabama Medical Center in Florence, Alabama. A visitation will be held Wednesday, March 2, from noon - 2 p.m. at the Nichols Funeral Home Chapel in Haleyville, where the service will begin at 2 p.m. Burial will be at Winston Memorial Cemetery in Haleyville. George was survived by his wife: Julia Hamby Milligan; sons: Paul Milligan and Stephen Milligan (LaRay); daughter: Paula Martin (Dencil); seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents: Richard Edgar Milligan and Louise Morrell Milligan Williams and and sister: Glinda Clemmons.

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BARBARA RAGSDALE

Mardi Gras (from Front)

Barbara Ragsdale
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Sacred Heart School students celebrated Mardi Gras — French for "Fat Tuesday" — with their homemade signature masks and party beads. The annual customs, which lead into the Lenten season (the 40 days of prayer and fasting which precede the Crucifixion and Death of Jesus, followed by His resurrection on Easter Sunday), especially in Mobile and New Orleans, also feature colorful, musical parades and raucous parties. Alabama's Mobile owns the title of being the starting place of the annual celebration, which now is copied all across the country.

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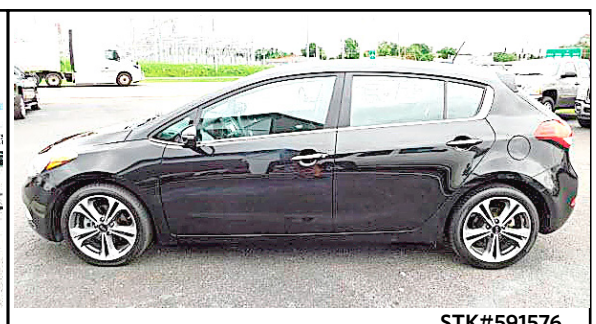
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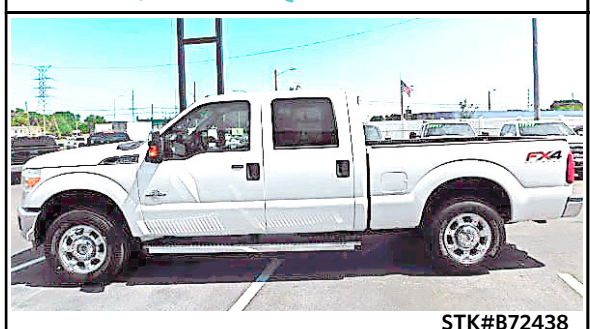
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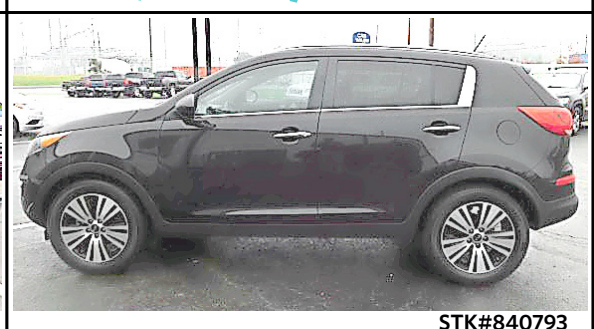
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