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Something to celebrate

Cancer survivors gather for special breakfast provided by the Holly Pond Civitan Club

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The annual Relay for Life of Cullman County Survivors Breakfast was held Wednesday morning at Cullman Church of Christ. The indestructible warriors of the Cullman area were invited and broke bread together, celebrating their victory over the insidious disease of cancer.

With eggs, biscuits, bacon, sausage and all the trimmings provided and prepared by the Holly Pond Civitan Club, the survivors, their families and caregivers were served from the buffet by students from the Holly Pond High School Key Club.

The Key Club's sponsor and Holly Pond High School teacher Chelsie Alldredge spoke of the importance of the teenager's participation in the event, saying, "We are very proud of our kids in the Holly Pond Key Club. The Key Club is all about serving others and caring is our motto. They wanted to get up early and to help out because these survivors have been through a lot. It's really good for the kids to give back."

Registration desk volunteer Mitzi Smallwood noted the event was a sight for sore eyes after the » PAGE 7


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Members of Holly Pond's Key Club serve some of the attendees

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Vinemont High School Contemporary Music Ensemble performs at Karma's Coffeehouse


AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Savannah Keel performs Thursday afternoon

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Vinemont High School's Contemporary Music Ensemble held a free performance for the community at Karma's Coffee House on Thursday afternoon.

With a packed house, the talented musical group seamlessly executed songs spanning the decades including a heartfelt rendition of the Ben E. King classic "Stand by Me" sung by VHS student Savannah Keel.

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Hanceville man arrested for sexual abuse


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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported April 29

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported April 29, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

April 25

- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S
- domestic violence; CR 1762
- burglary; CR 1720
- domestic violence; CR 1365
- possession of controlled substance; Hwy. 278 E
- theft of property; CR 437
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Beech Ave. SE
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E
- harassment; Hwy. 278 E

April 26

- possession of controlled substance; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 616
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR143
- harassment; CR 1437
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1169
- menacing; CR 1437
- burglary; Hwy. 69 N
- possession of controlled substance; CR 1498
- domestic violence; CR 1208
- possession of controlled substance; illegal possession of prescription drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69 S
- domestic violence; CR 1485
- theft of property; CR 1214
- theft of property; CR 1246
- theft of property; CR 1518
- harassment; Hwy. 31

April 27

- domestic violence; CR 587
- theft of property; CR 1437

ARRESTS

April 25 – 27

Buttram, Jake W.; 48
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Cable, Stacey R.; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- attempting to elude police officer

Conklin, Nathan P.; 42
- possession of barbiturate (2 counts)

Dukes, Standford L.; 46
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- knowing that he does not have the consent of the owner

Fuller, Cregary A.; 45
- liquor-possession of tax-paid alcoholic beverages for private use
- unauthorized possession, sale, delivery, use, etc., of wine or alcohol

Guthery, Trey B.; 28
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs

Hicks, Justin T.; 28
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Kay, Marcus A.; 32
- rendering false alarm-other building/location
- disorderly conduct/disturbing peace/affray

Moberly, Robyn Renee L.; 23
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Salazar, Marco; 41
- FTA- no liability insurance

Stafford, Joshua A.; 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Villa, Joseph S.; 50
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- no plainly visible tag

Wiley, Kevin L.; 35
- second-degree bail jumping- burglary-residence-force

Baldwin, Alice F.; 47
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Boyd, Lacie M.; 25
- Grand Jury-burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- larceny/theft-Grand Jury arrest warrant

Brown, Christopher L.; 47
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- first-degree criminal mischief
- Grand Jury- cruelty to animals

Burks, Kenneth A.; 21
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Byrd, Aceli D.; 34
- probation violation-fraud-identity theft

Carr, Casey R.; 31
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft or damage)

Clarke, Justin L.; 42
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs

Cockrell, Rusty D.; 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs

Daniel, Teddy R.; 52
- Grand Jury- burglary-non residence-no force
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- criminal mischief
- Grand Jury- possession of marijuana
- Grand Jury- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- Grand Jury- resisting arrest
- Grand Jury- stolen vehicles-auto theft

Davis, Jason L.; 36
- Grand Jury- larceny/theft-shoplifting $500 less than $1,500
- Grand Jury- larceny/theft-Grand Jury arrest warrant
- Grand Jury- robbery-street-strong arm

Garrison Jr., Ronald R.; 44
- Grand Jury- aggravated assault-A to M attempt to commit crime
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force (2 counts)
- Grand Jury- damaged property-criminal mischief

Horton, Jessica M.; 37
- possession of methamphetamine
- promote prison contraband (drugs)

Jackson, Ethan L.; 23
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- larceny/theft-Grand Jury arrest warrant
- Grand Jury- stolen vehicles-auto theft

Landers, Barry W.; 37
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force
- Grand Jury- receiving stolen property $500 less than $1,500

Moore, Christian P.; 27
- Grand Jury- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Myrick, John C.; 36
- FTA- buying/receiving stolen property

Olinger, Loyd R.; 58
- assault-reckless endangerment

Parris, Andrew E.; 42
- Grand Jury- burglary-non residence-force

Parson, Jordan N.; 21
- smuggling-promote prison contraband (weapon)

Perkins, Anthony J.; 29
- Grand Jury- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft or damage)
- Grand Jury- larceny/theft- second-degree theft of property $1,500 to $2,500 (2 counts)

Pitts, Jacobly C.; 33
- Grand Jury- assault-aggravated assault non-family-other weapon

Ponder, Trevor L.; 31
- Grand Jury- forgery-possessing forged instrument

Speakman, James R.; 26
- FTA- forgery-forged instrument

Swope Jr., Michael D.; 36
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- second-degree possession of marijuana

Tanner Jr., James I.; 30
- Grand Jury- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (no theft or damage)

Trussell, Donald O.; 61
- Grand Jury- sex offense-adult sex offender-violation of homelessness restrictions

Tucker, Lisa M.; 42
- Grand Jury- burglary-residence-force

Weeks, Christopher J.; 44
- Grand Jury- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- Grand Jury- second-degree possession of marijuana
- Grand Jury- forgery-passing forged instrument (3 counts)
- Grand Jury- sale of stolen property less than $500

Wilbanks, Emma S.; 60
- negotiating worthless instrument

Woods, Kathy M.; 41
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- probation violation- possession of dangerous drugs
- probation violation-stolen vehicles-auto theft

Calvert, Robert P.; 43
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Dillard Jr., Clayton E.; 43
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- motion to revoke- possession of a stolen vehicle

Elliott, Joshua Dustin D.; 37
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Floyd, Cassie M.; 27
- promote prison contraband (drugs)
- possession of dangerous drugs

Hughes, Richard D.; 39
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Martin, Robert F.; 39
- Grand Jury- child abuse-simple-family (2 counts)

Nugent, Donald G.; 51
- FTA- sex offense- failure of adult sex offender to register with local law enforcement

Richards, Jenna M.; 34
- FTA- making false report to law enforcement authorities

Talley, Teresa M.; 31
- causing delinquency, dependency, or need of supervision

Talley, Windle H.; 35
- causing delinquency, dependency, or need of supervision

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

April 25

- third-degree criminal trespass; person; Austin Ave. SW

April 27

- third-degree burglary; First United Methodist Church; 3rd Ave. SE; lawn equipment; $2,185
- third-degree domestic violence; person; 2nd Ave. NW
- second-degree theft of property; person; Cobb Ave. SW; medication; cash
- third-degree domestic violence-harassment; person; Denson Ave. NW
- counterfeit $100; State of Alabama; Hwy. 157

April 28

- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $39
- third-degree domestic violence; person; Hwy. 157
- fourth-degree theft of property; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $276

ARRESTS

April 27

Ellis, Stephanie J.; 40
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property

Varnado III, Louis C.; 45
- fugitive from justice

Williams, Angela S.; 55
- FTA- third-degree criminal trespass

Bates, Kimberly D.; 48
- third-degree domestic violence-harassment

Riggs, Ramona Y.; 23
- FTA- driving without license

Rittenhouse, Kelly G.; 55
- DUI

April 28

Kilpatrick, Justin K.; 34
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Mojica Jr., Vicente M.; 21
- FTA- switched tag
- FTA- fail to yield right of way
- FTA- driving while license suspended

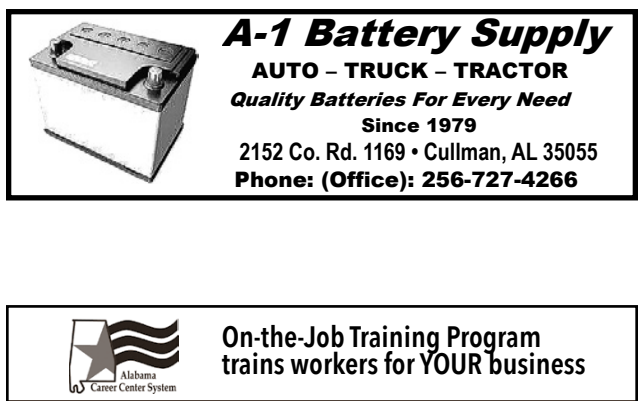
Pendergraft, Unique N.; 29
- FTA- fourth-degree theft of property
- FTA- providing false information to police officer

Overton, Wesley L.; 36
- FTA- insurance violation

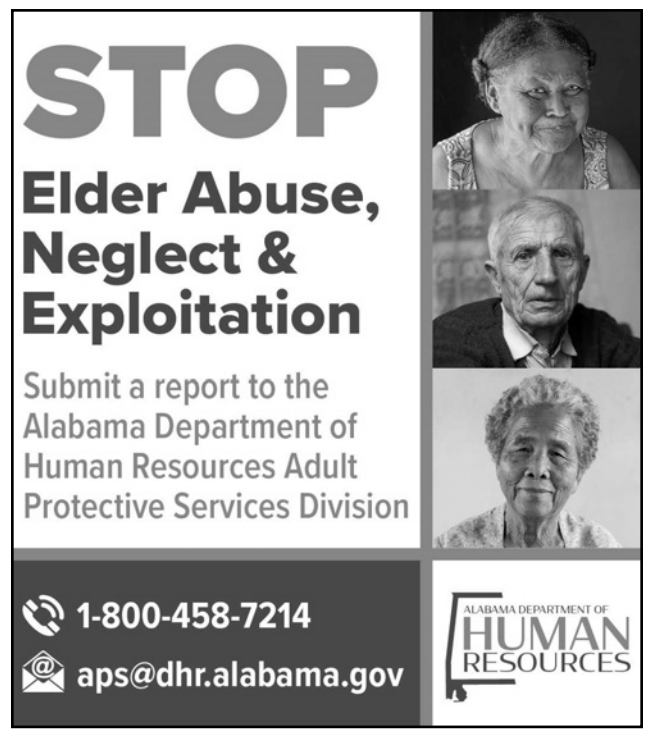
HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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









Abuse (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Cullman County Sheriff's Office Investigators executed a search warrant at a residence in the Hanceville area on Friday, April 22. The search warrant was secured due to information obtained concerning an incident that had occurred earlier this month. Nathan Aaron Varney, 32, of Hanceville was located at the residence. Marijuana and other evidence was also recovered. Varney was arrested and charged with: possession of marijuana in the second degree and sex offense – sexual abuse.

Visit CullmanTribune.com for updates.

Director (from Front)

DeAnn McDonald
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – United Way of Cullman County is pleased to announce their new executive director. The United Way Board of Cullman County has named Waid Harbison to take over the position of leading the agency beginning May 24. Harbison will replace Becky Goff, who recently retired April 15 after five years of service to the United Way. He spent seven years in administrative roles for Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism, as well as serving on many local boards, committees and volunteering for local causes for over 12 years. Waid also has an extensive background in marketing, business and sales, working in marketing positions for several private sector businesses over the last five years. He currently owns A-1 Marketing Services where he has worked with many local businesses, retailers, organizations and churches.

"I am very excited and honored to have been named as the executive director," Harbison stated.

"I have been heavily involved in the community for over 12 years in many leadership roles, boards and committees, and I am excited to take my next steps in serving the community by leading the United Way.

"I am a very servant minded person and my passion is to get up every day and ask what I can do to serve other people and our community, so I know this is a perfect opportunity to truly be able to live this out every day."

The United Way's 2022-23 campaign began April 1 and Harbison has big plans moving forward to help grow resources for the community and the United Way's many partner agencies. "My goal is to come in with a strategic plan to really be able to double the resources we give our partner agencies over the next few years.

"We currently work with 17 partner agencies and impact 20% of the population in Cullman County with our allocations every year; however, there are still so many needs in our community that are not able to be met.

"Being able to increase our resources and funding to our partner agencies is where we will really be able to see that additional significant increase to the community impact the United Way has."

Harbison said meeting the goals for the United Way will require much assistance, as United Way relies heavily on volunteers. "One of our top priorities for making the additional impact on our partner agencies is the ability to get volunteers. We will be heavily recruiting volunteers to help us achieve the goals set up in our strategic plan and really be able to meet as many of these unmet needs in the community as possible."

Harbison also spoke positively of outgoing Executive Director Becky Goff. Goff had worked as assistant director and executive director of the Cullman County United Way for many years.

"Becky has left the United Way in amazing position, so I am very blessed to be walking in day one to the organization being at an all-time high under her leadership. She has done a phenomenal job with her many years of service, and we wish her well on her retirement." Harbison said he plans to carry on the work Goff has begun by carrying out her legacy of excellence as leader for the United Way of Cullman County.

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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 St. 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.
• Sunday, May 1, 9 a.m.: Van runs in 5 Points Area - Call 256-841-2060 for pickup - Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. - Bible study classes for children, youth and adults at 10 a.m. - Adult class by Pam Dodd. - 11 a.m. message "A River Runs Throu It!" by Pastor Bobby Dodd.
• 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
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• Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 12-Step Groups
The Goose Hung High Group of Alcoholics Anonymous - 1st Church of Nazarene, 5415 U.S. Highway 157, Cullman, AL 35058 - CLOSED Literature Study, SUNDAYS at 3 p.m. - Handicap accessible

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.

Holly Pond Pancake Breakfast
May 7 – The Holly Pond Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 7 from 6-9 a.m. at the Lions Club Building in the Holly Pond Lions Park. Admission: Please make a donation. Proceeds will go to the Holly Pond Cemetery.

Book Sale
May 7 - Cullman County Public Library will have an indoor Book Sale on Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Cullman County Public Library, 200 Clark St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055. Books, DVDs, Books on CD, VHS tapes. All items 50 cents each. For more information, call 256-734-1068.

Swamp John's Dinner at St. Andrew's Methodist Church
May 13 – St. Andrew's Methodist Church is hosting a Swamp John's dinner Friday, May 13 from 4-7 p.m. There will be dine-in and carry-out options (sponsored by Quilter's Retreat Bunch). For more information, contact Sondra at 256-595-4433.

49th Annual Arley Day Festival
• May 21 - The Arley Women's Club will host the 49th annual Arley Day Festival on May 21, from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Hamner Park. This year's festival will feature an array of activities: kids rides, vendors, a car show, a parade and a fun run. The car show will also feature prizes. Proceeds from the event go to the funding of the women's club, which helps the community in a variety of ways, including supporting local students with scholarships.
• For more information, contact Teri Henley at terihenley@gmail.com or 205-230-5004.

Heartland Quilt Guild Meeting
May 19 – The Heartland Quilt Guild will meet May 19 (not May 12) at Christ Covenant Church at 6:30 p.m. The church is located on 1310 St. Joseph Drive in Cullman.

Hamm Family Reunion
May 21 – Hamm Family Reunion will be Saturday, May 21 at noon at The Hanceville Lions Club (111 Michelle St. NW, Hanceville, AL). Please bring a covered dish. For more information, call Scott Hamm at 256-924-6272.

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/.

"Heartland Has Turned 20" 2022 Quilt Show sponsored by Heartland Quilters of Cullman
July 8-9 – This event will feature beautiful quilts made by Heartland members, vendors, Guild Challenge 2021 display, donation quilt give away (made with turning 20 blocks), drawing at 3:30 on Saturday, door prizes and free mini demonstrations. Friday, July 8 from 1-5 p.m. and Saturday, July 9 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at East Elementary School (608 Fourth Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055). Admission is $7 per person.

SCHEDULE
Friday:
• 2-3 p.m.: Finishing Your Quilt with Carol McKay
• 3-4 p.m.: Paper Piecing with Porsia Anderson

Saturday
• 10-11 a.m.: Selvages- Not One Left Behind with Sheryl Simpson
• 11 a.m. - noon: Hand Embroidery/Redwork with Geraldine Hendrix
• Noon – 1 p.m.: Making Bags with Cheryl Johnson/ Teresa Rogers
• 1-2 p.m.: Rope Bags with Laurie Osborn
• 2-3 p.m.: Bed Turning with Jennifer Bridges

Contact: Porsia Anderson 256-737-7557, Carol McKoy 256-841-2977, Geraldine Hendrix 256-734-8316 or Hazel Ruehl 256-339-2224. Please join us as we celebrate 20 years of quilting!

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PREP SOFTBALL

Cullman collects 12-2 senior night win over Holly Pond

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Lady Bearcats had won four straight games coming into Thursday night's matchup with Holly Pond and Cullman extended its winning streak to five games with a 12-2, senior night win over the Lady Broncos. Before the first pitch, Bearcat seniors Faith Guest, Dayln Phillips, Savannah Davis and Carlie Burnham were honored for their years with and contributions to the program and they celebrated with a big win in front of their home crowd.

After a three-up, three-down top of the first for Haley Shannon on the mound, Cullman put some runs on the board in the bottom half of the inning. Shannon led off with a single to reach first and Davis and Burnham each followed with singles of their own to load up the bases. That's when Olivia Britton barreled one up and drove a grand slam over the fence in left-center to put the Lady Bearcats on top 4-0 going into the second inning.

After a pair of quick and scoreless innings, the Lady Broncos got on the board in the top of the fourth. Maggie Nail drilled a solo homer over the left field fence to trim the lead to 4-1 but Cullman responded in its half of the inning.

An RBI single off the bat of Kylie Stracener built the lead back up to 5-1 and later in the inning, Taylor Au drew a walk with the bases loaded to bring in another run and make it a 6-1 game. A few pitches later, Davis blew things open with a bases-clearing double deep into center field that stretched the lead to 9-1. Britton ripped an RBI single into left field to push another run across the plate and the Lady Bearcats led the way 10-1 going into the fifth.

Mattie Earl led off the top of the fifth with a solo homerun to cut the lead to 10-2 but that was all the offense Holly Pond could get going in the inning. Cullman couldn't add to its lead in the fifth either but in the bottom of the sixth, Faith Guest drove an RBI double up the middle to bring Burnham home to score and Brooklyn Morton ended the game early with an RBI double into right field that wrapped up a 12-2 win for the Lady Bearcats.

Shannon earned the win on the mound for Cullman, tossing all six innings and allowing two earned runs on just three hits. She also struck out four batters. Britton (two hits) led the way at the plate with five RBIs in the win and Davis (two hits) finished just behind her with three. Guest (two hits), Au (one hit), Stracener (one hit) and Morton (one hit) each drove in a run as well.

Nail (two hits) and Earl each posted a homerun for Holly Pond in the loss.

With the regular season in the books, both the Lady Bearcats and Lady Broncos will turn their attention to their respective area tournaments.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Olivia Britton and Faith Guest (17) celebrate following Britton's grand slam in the first inning of Cullman's 12-2 win over Holly Pond Thursday night.

WSCC ATHLETICS

Men's tennis wins 4th straight ACCC Tournament title; Women's tennis finishes ACCC runner-up; No. 3 Softball and Baseball updates

Russell Moore
WSCC Athletics

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State's men's tennis program is the Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) champion for the fourth consecutive season.

The Lions swept through the ACCC Tournament in Mobile over the weekend, remaining undefeated against all conference opponents during the regular and postseason.

Wallace State freshman Ryan Wang, of Brisbane, Australia, was named the 2022 ACCC Player of the Year and Tim Garner was named the Men's Coach of the Year.

Wang, Sebastian Gamez, Massimo Caliendo, Tristian Du Plessis, Muntingh Hamman and Marco Kalbermatten each earned singles victories for the Lions. Wallace State swept doubles behind Wang and Hamman; Gamez and Caliendo; and Du Plessis and Alex Rainer.

Other members of the men's team are Hudson Harden, Ethan Howard, Leonardo Dos Santos and Vinnie Aragao.

"These guys care about tennis and pull for each other. I always see them putting in extra hours on the court. There's not much I have to say for this group to get motivated. They love to compete and love to perform, and that's one reason they're conference champions," Garner said.

Wallace State's men finished seventh at the national championship last season.

Meanwhile, Wallace State's women's team finished as the ACCC Tournament runner-up. The Lady Lions had Martina Paillet, Natalia Barron, Halle McCrory and Micah Oldacre each earn singles victories.

The Lady Lions' roster is also made up of Kaitlyn Daniel, Erianna Irvin, Italia Jones, Anna Knepper and Breanna Vann. Both teams advance to the NJCAA Division I Tennis National Championship. The Lady Lions will compete in Tucson, Ariz., on May 7-11, and the Wallace State men will play for a national championship on May 16-20 in Tyler, Texas.

No. 3 Wallace State softball sweeps Shelton State

Wallace State's starting pitching trio of Leigh Kirby, Bailee Hall and Josie Thompson limited Shelton State to only three runs over four games during a four-game sweep against the Bucs.

Kirby tossed a pair of complete-game shutouts, recording a combined 19 strikeouts and surrendering only four hits as the Lions (46-2, 23-1) clinched the ACCC North Division championship.

Bailee Hall twirled a one-hit shutout, striking out 18 batters, and Josie Thompson was the winning pitcher in the third game of the series with a complete-game effort of her own.

Sophomores Harper Niblett and Felicity Frame continue to wreak havoc at the top of the lineup.

Niblett went 9-for-15 with her first homer of the season, eight RBIs, four stolen bases and four runs scored. Niblett leads the ACCC with a .503 average. She's added 48 runs scored and 37 stolen bases.

Frame is second in the league in hitting at .493. She's second in the ACCC with 56 steals and added a conference-best 59 runs scored.

Sarah Beth Brake hit a solo homer in the series finale for Wallace State, while Maddie Carton had a pair of RBIs in the series opener. Jaiden Farnetti scored four runs throughout, adding two RBIs.

Wallace State, coached by A.J. Daugherty, closes the regular season this week, hosting Calhoun on Thursday, beginning at 2 p.m. at Bobby McCracken Stadium.

Wallace State baseball drops series to Shelton State

Wallace State dropped a conference series to rival Shelton State over the weekend.

The Lions (27-17, 13-11 ACCC) won the second game of the series, 10-8.

Freshman catcher Dan Stewart finished with five singles, an RBI and three runs scored in the series, while Colson Lawrence had four hits and scored two runs.

Abner Benitez was 3-for-4 with two RBIs and two runs scored in the victory.

Ben Arnett had four hits and three RBIs throughout, while Austin Roberts had four hits and two RBIs. In the win against the Bucs, Will Varmette was the winning pitcher for Wallace State. Ridge Raper earned the save.

Next up for the Lions is a conference series vs. Calhoun. The four-game set begins in Decatur on Thursday and wraps up in Hanceville on Saturday.

For more information about Wallace State athletics, visit www.athletics.wallacestate.edu or the athletics Facebook page at www.wallacestate.edu/athleticsfb.

Alabama's Neal, Williams selected in 1st round of 2022 NFL Draft

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

LAS VEGAS, Nev. — The University of Alabama football program had two former players selected in the first round of the 2022 NFL Draft on Thursday night in Las Vegas, including offensive lineman Evan Neal (No. 7, New York Giants) and wide receiver Jameson Williams (No. 12, Detroit Lions).

With the selection of Neal and Williams on the opening night of the draft, head coach Nick Saban has now produced 46 first rounders in his career, including 41 at Alabama. Those 41 selections, which have all come in the last 14 years, are as follows:

- 2009 – Andre Smith (No. 6, Cincinnati)
- 2010 - Rolando McClain (No. 8, Oakland), Kareem Jackson (No. 20, Houston)
- 2011 - Marcell Dareus (No. 3, Buffalo), Julio Jones (No. 6, Atlanta), James Carpenter (No. 25, Seattle), Mark Ingram (No. 28, New Orleans)
- 2012 – Trent Richardson (No. 3, Cleveland), Mark Barron (No. 7, Tampa Bay), Dre Kirkpatrick (No. 17, Cincinnati), Dont'a Hightower (No. 25, New England)
- 2013 – Dee Milliner (No. 9, New York Jets), Chance Warmack (No. 10, Tennessee), D.J. Fluker (No. 11, San Diego)
- 2014 – C.J. Mosley (No. 17, Baltimore), Ha Ha Clinton-Dix (No. 21, Green Bay)
- 2015 – Amari Cooper (No. 4, Oakland)
- 2016 – Ryan Kelly (No. 18, Indianapolis)
- 2017 – Marlon Humphrey (No. 16, Baltimore), Jonathan Allen (No. 17, Washington), O.J. Howard (No. 19, Tampa Bay), Reuben Foster (No. 31, San Francisco)
- 2018 – Minkah Fitzpatrick (No. 11, Miami), Da'Ron Payne (No. 13, Washington), Rashaan Evans (No. 22, Tennessee), Calvin Ridley (No. 26, Atlanta)
- 2019 – Quinnen Williams (No. 3, New York Jets), Jonah Williams (No. 11, Cincinnati), Josh Jacobs (Oakland, No. 24)
- 2020 – Tua Tagovailoa (No. 5, Miami Dolphins), Jedrick Wills Jr. (No.10 Cleveland Browns), Henry Ruggs III (No. 12, Las Vegas Raiders), Jerry Jeudy (No. 15, Denver Broncos)
- 2021 – Jaylen Waddle (No. 6, Miami Dolphins), Patrick Surtain II, (No.9 Denver Broncos), DeVonta Smith (No. 10, Philadelphia Eagles), Mac Jones, (No. 15, New England Patriots), Alex Leatherwood, (No. 17, Las Vegas Raiders), Najee Harris, (No. 24, Pittsburgh Steelers)
- 2022 – Evan Neal (No. 7, New York Giants), Jameson Williams (No. 12, Detroit Lions)

Draft ntotes

- Alabama has had at least one player selected in the first round of 14 straight drafts (2009 – present), which ties Miami (1995-08) for the NCAA record for the most consecutive first round draft picks.
- During that stretch, the Crimson Tide has had 41 players selected in the first round, while the Hurricanes had 33 players selected in the first round.
- Crimson Tide head coach Nick Saban holds the NCAA record for the most first round draft picks in a career at 46 and for the most first-round picks from a single school at 41, setting the latter record last spring.
- The next closest coach in each of those categories is the late Joe Paterno with 33 first-round picks in both his career and from a single school (Penn State).
- With Alabama's two selections this evening, the Crimson Tide has produced multiple first-round picks in 11 of the last 14 NFL Drafts.
- The Crimson Tide had just one first-round pick in 2009, 2015 and 2016.
- Since 2000, the Crimson Tide has produced an NCAA-leading 43 first-rounders, a number that is nine better than the next closest school Ohio State (34).
- Since 2010, the Crimson Tide has had an NCAA-leading 40 players selected in the first round, a number that nearly doubles the next closest school Ohio State (21).
- With Jameson Williams' selection in the first round, Alabama has turned five wide receivers into first round draft picks in the last three NFL Drafts (Jaylen Waddle and DeVonta Smith in 2021, Henry Ruggs III and Jerry Jeudy in 2020).

The second and third rounds will take place on Friday at 6 p.m. CT. The 2022 NFL Draft concludes with rounds four through seven on Saturday starting at 11 a.m. CT. The remaining rounds will be broadcast on ABC, ESPN and NFL Network.

Alabama First Round Recap

Evan Neal, Offensive Lineman (No. 7 | New York Giants)

Neal started all 40 games of his Alabama career, spreading his starts across time at left guard (2019), right tackle (2020) and left tackle (2021). He earned consensus first team All-America honors as a junior while also being named a permanent team captain for the 2021 squad. Neal accounted for a team-high 34 knockdown blocks and played 1,200 snaps over 15 starts as a junior. In 2020, the Okeechobee, Florida, native played 810 snaps with just six missed assignments and three penalties as part of the Tide's Joe Moore Award winning group. He provided blocks for the nation's No. 1 scoring and pass efficiency offense along with the No. 2 passing offense on the way to the Tide's 18th national championship. Neal picked up Freshman All-America and Freshman All-SEC honors in his first season at the Capstone thanks to a standout rookie campaign.



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama offensive tackle Evan Neal was selected 7th overall by the New York Giants Thursday night.

Jameson Williams, Wide Receiver (No. 12 | Detroit Lions)

Williams inserted himself into the lineup and made an immediate impact in 2021, earning first team All-America and All-SEC honors. The Ohio State transfer finished the 2021 season ranked third on the Alabama single-season yardage list with 1,572 yards, a total that was fifth in Division I and led the SEC. Williams became one of just 13 receivers in Alabama history to eclipse the 1,000-yard receiving mark and paired with John Metchie III to become just the second UA wide receiver duo to post 1,000 yards receiving in the same season. He also totaled 15 receiving touchdowns to lead the SEC and rank third nationally as part of his 79 total receptions and averaged 104.8 receiving yards per game that were tops in the league and good for ninth in the country. A big-play threat, Williams hauled in a Crimson Tide single-season record four touchdowns of 70-plus yards and totaled 11 touchdowns of 30-plus yards to lead the nation in both categories. Williams also contributed in the return game, recording 10 kickoff returns for a combined 352 yards and two touchdowns to lead the SEC and tie for second nationally in scores.

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram. General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.

EDUCATION

CHS school paper a 'Hilight' for journalism education for almost a century

Trent Moore
Cullman City Schools

CULLMAN, Ala. — In a wider landscape where understanding media literacy has arguably never been more important, Cullman High School's decades-old student-run newspaper remains an innovative teaching tool to do just that.

Cullman High School teacher Jennifer B. Calahan, the school's English Language Arts Department chairperson, is the current faculty sponsor for The Hilight, Cullman High's student newspaper that dates back to 1936 when its first issue was published.

The Hilight traditionally releases six editions per year, with copies available digitally as well as in print on campus and at local business sponsors.

The paper currently has a staff of 13 students, though those numbers vary between 10-20 students year-to-year. Archived issues are also available at the school website.

"The Hilight is more to me than just a school newspaper. It is more to me than simply a different class I teach and supervise during the day. The Hilight is a legacy of sorts. This program allows students to work together and leave behind a recording of people, places and events," Calahan explained.

"My goals for this program each year are to allow the staff members to think critically as well as to promote creativity and collaboration with others and their work. The greatest benefits for the staff include being accountable, working under the stress of deadlines and recognizing the value of the written word."

Calahan explained being on The Hilight staff allows students to learn something about every level of how a newspaper works, from ad sales to support the printing and release of new issues, to ethics and how reporting itself works, to laying out the paper design itself with InDesign software.

Recent issues of The Hilight have focused on everything from different holiday customs from around the globe, to local stories on the school band and the annual Cullman Oktoberfest festival.

"I teach the parts of a newspaper, journalistic ethics, interview guidelines and newspaper terminology," she said.

"This is a student produced paper for students, however we try to cover community, state, national and world events that they desire to cover. After graduation, I have had several students pursue journalism at different levels and many pursue communication careers."

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Ensemble (from Front)

the opportunity to perform in front of people.

"It's important to learn how to engage with the audience and how to get themselves out there and have more musical opportunities outside of the school. That's what I would love to see—these students become members of the musical community performing all over the place whether that's worship or secular music, whatever makes them happy," VHS band director Skyler King shared.

The ensemble's origin started with the purchase of 18 guitars using funding from a grant several years ago.

"Cullman County schools gave us a grant to start a guitar class at Vinemont four or five years ago. We've been able to incorporate the guitarists more and more into our Vinemont Band spring concerts and Christmas concerts," explained King. "This year we're trying to take it to the next level and learn a lot of songs and get out to do more community performances, more performances in front of the school."

He continued, "This group is all students in the high school band, but the guitar class is open to any student at Vinemont High School. Next year, we'll have two sections, a beginner guitar class and an advanced guitar class."

Karma's Coffee House owner Katie Fine shared she was in the fortunate position to be able to offer her stage to the students. "We're glad that we were able to help out when the ensemble's director reached out to us. These are wonderful musicians and Karma's is proud to have them with us today."

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, April 29, COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes

April 25 update: The Alabama Department of Public Health received lab reports from one entity on April 22. A total of 354 positive cases with specimen collection dates from Oct. 6, 2021 to Feb. 22, 2022 were added to the dashboard today. For information related to when a case occurred versus when the case was reported, please view Tab 5. COVID-19 is a notifiable disease and laboratories are mandatory reporters. ADPH does not have control over when results are reported.

*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) No Updates Available

- Positivity in tests in Alabama: 3.8%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,828
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,508
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 374,397 (+464 since Monday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,188
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,551
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 2,828 (+8 since Monday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 4.4%
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,567
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,754
- Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 7,267 (+8 since Monday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 50 (+0 since Monday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 707
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 31
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 22,697
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 857
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 52

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)

- Doses delivered to Alabama: 9,250,795 No Updates Available
- Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,770,865 No Updates Available
- Doses administered: 5,959,814
- Additional doses administered: 806,146
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,877,627
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,357,615
- Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,479,930 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/.

LEGALS

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN RE: THE GUARDIANSHIP and CONSERVATORSHIP of LOUELLA SYBLE DANIEL BISHOP, An incapacitated person. * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. * CASE NO: PC 2019-307

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

TO: JAVON DANIEL; DONALD DANIEL; RANDALL DANIEL; SANDRA SCHMIDT; OPHIA STEPHENS; ELLEN CULVER; RICKY DANIEL; KEITH DANIEL; OLAN DANIEL; MANYLA HOUSAT; AND ANY OTHER NEXT OF KIN, KNOWN OR UNKNOWN.

Please take notice that a Petition for Final Settlement has been filed in said Court by the Petitioner, Javon Daniel, and that the 23rd day of May, 2022, at 11:00 o'clock A.M., has been set for a hearing on the same in the Probate Court of Cullman County, first floor of the County Courthouse in the city of Cullman, Alabama.

Done this the 28th day of April, 2022.

Alex J. Chaney, Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1052
Cullman, AL 35055

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GRACE ANITA TOMPKINS BOLDING, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC2021-107

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to GENTRY TOMPKINS as Personal Representative of the Estate of GRACE ANITA TOMPKINS BOLDING, deceased, on the 28th day of April, 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.

Gentry Tompkins
Personal Representative

Richard R. Henson
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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2022-130

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF GENEVA ELVIRA McBRAYER, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Pattie Diane Kitchens on the 14th day of April, 2022, by the Hon. 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.

Pattie Diane Kitchens
Personal Representative

To the 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 JONAH ROBERT CURVIN, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC2022-125

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to JAMES JOEL CURVIN, as Administrator of the Estate of JONAH ROBERT CURVIN, deceased, on the 21st day of April, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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James Joel Curvin
Administrator

Michael J. Baggett
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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DWIGHT WEST, Deceased. * CASE NO PC-2022-138

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration having been granted to MICHAEL CHAMBERS, as Personal Representative of the Estate of DWIGHT WEST, Deceased, on the 21st day of April, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claim against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Michael Chambers
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BYRON OKEITH TWITTY, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC2022-082

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to KEITH TWITTY, II, as Administrator of the Estate of BYRON OKEITH TWITTY, deceased, on the 21st day of April, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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Keith Twitty, II
Administrator

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of MARIE HAMNER CAMPBELL, Deceased. * CASE NO. PC 2022-151

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE: Letters Testamentary having been granted to Julian R. Campbell as Personal Representative of the Estate of MARIE HAMNER CAMPBELL, deceased, on the 21st day April, 2022, 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.

Julian R. Campbell
Personal Representative

Shay Persall

Attorney for Personal Representative

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HEIRS OF CHARLES M. GRANT, HEIRS OF JAMES OTIS GRANT, HEIRS OF HOMER G. GRANT, HEIRS OF HENRY L. GRANT, HEIRS OF OLEN E. GRANT, AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PERSONS, THEIR HEIRS OR DEVISEES, CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY, TO WIT:
A parcel of land located in the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the East line of said twenty with the North right-of-way line of a county road; thence North 81 degrees 21 minutes West along said road a distance of 294.3 feet to a point; thence North 4 degrees 30 minutes East a distance of 174.6 feet to a point; thence South 81 degrees 21 minutes East a distance of 277.2 feet to a point; thence South 1 degree 06 minutes East a distance of 176.2 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.14 acres, more or less.
DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE OF FILING LAWSUIT

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Petition to Quiet Title to that certain property being more particularly described as follows:
A parcel of land located in the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 9 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at the intersection of the East line of said twenty with the North right-of-way line of a county road; thence North 81 degrees 21 minutes West along said road a distance of 294.3 feet to a point; thence North 4 degrees 30 minutes East a distance of 174.6 feet to a point; thence South 81 degrees 21 minutes East a distance of 277.2 feet to a point; thence South 1 degree 06 minutes East a distance of 176.2 feet to the point of beginning. Containing 1.14 acres, more or less.

Answer to the Complaint must be made by the said Heirs of Charles M. Grant, Heirs of James Otis Grant, Heirs of Homer G. Grant, Heirs of Henry L. Grant, Heirs of Olen E. Grant, and any and all other persons, their heirs or devisees claiming any rights, title or interest to the above described property being the Defendants, on or before the 20th day of June, 2022, or a default may be rendered against them in the above styled cause.

DONE, this the 22nd day of April, 2022.

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Finding a place for autistic people during Autism Acceptance Month and after

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HUNTSVILLE, Ala. — Many autistic people find they have a difficult time during Autism Awareness Month which was recently been changed last year to Autism Acceptance Month. The autistic community deals with harmful messaging from well-meaning companies that may not be including autistic people in their "Autism Acceptance."

Holly Foshee founded Huntsville Autistic Adults in 2019 when it was just a meet-up group for autistic people. The organization is now a nonprofit that provides educational and community building opportunities to the people of North Alabama who are either autistic themselves or influence the lives of autistic people in professional environments.

The organization conducts informational seminars for school and professional settings and provides parents and caregivers with information that may not be clearly communicated by those they care for. Foshee stated, "We have contacted all of the disability support services at the local colleges to let them know we exist so anyone coming in who may be autistic knows that we are a resource they can come to."

The Huntsville Autistic Adults Meet-up group Facebook page answers questions and schedules meetups. About 70 people are currently in the group. Foshee says, "That group is just for autistic people. It's not for parents. It's not a support group. We have conservatives, we have liberals, we have trans. All these groups of people and we're all in there together and there's no conflict because that's not what we're there to talk about." There is also a Huntsville Autistic Adults public page.

Foshee spoke about some of the corporate messaging that is detrimental to autistics. The puzzle piece logo used by Autism Speaks is widely disliked by the autistic community. "We're not a mystery and we're not missing a piece." In terms of corporate language, the autistic community overwhelmingly prefers identity-first language instead of person-first language (autistic person instead of person with autism).

Foshee says, "We're autistic people. We're autistic. We're an adjective, not a prepositional phrase. They use 'with autism' to separate and put the autism in the back because it doesn't define you. Actually, yes it does define us. It's part of our wiring, part of our neurology. It affects every single thing we do because it's our brain. Everything we see, smell, taste. It affects every aspect of our lives.

"We cannot separate ourselves from autism. They should not try to separate the word autism from us. It is an identity. It is who we are, but that's not a bad thing. Saying 'with autism' makes it sound like it's something you can leave at home like it's an accessory, and like it's a disease. It's not cancer. I've had that, and I got rid of it. Now I'm not a person with cancer, I'm a person."

She continued, "They act like it's something that's terrible and they have to dance around the words. If you can't say the words, you're telling me they have a negative connotation to you, and that's a problem and it's not ours because we don't think autism is bad."

Foshee noted that any organized media events or fundraisers should consult with autistic adults first. "We understand our experiences better and we know what organizations are harmful."

She also stated a dislike for the term special needs, saying, "We don't have special needs. We have normal needs that are harder to meet in the environment in which the world has built without us in mind. I need silence the way another person would need silence. The difference is I hear more than they hear so it just takes more for me to meet that need."

When asked how individuals could be more considerate, the first thing Foshee said was to not stare. "Some of us might walk different or might do something with our face or blink really hard. A lot of autistic people stim, and we don't need to be stared at."



CONTRIBUTED

Holly Foshee with autism advocate and creator of Wrong Planet, Alex Plankt

Another issue she noted was when a person will talk to an autistic person loudly as if they are deaf or ignore them and speak to the person next to them as if they are a translator. "It's a big problem with all disabled people that someone will talk to the person that's next to you."

"If a person finds out you're disabled in some way and they change who they are about you, there's something wrong with them because they should by default treat everybody like something could be different about them. We should all be accepted for who we are," she added. "The main thing we wish that people knew about autistic peoples' experience is that they are all different and the experience is a lot. I mean we experience things more than other people experience things."

Celebrate (from Front)

breakfast was put on hold over the last two years due to COVID-19.

"We lost track of so many people and lost so many over those years. We worry about them and hope we will see them today to see how they're doing. I'm glad we're back so we can celebrate."

Organizer Jan Pierce expounded on the sentiment, "The survivors are what Relay for Life is all about. That's what we're working for—to have survivors and not statistics—and that's why it's so important to celebrate our survivors."

Along with her partner in crime, fellow organizer Linda Walker, Pierce has been an integral part of Cullman's Relay for Life committee since its inception.

"Linda Walker is a survivor herself and we've worked together with survivors since the very beginning. That's over 20 years now. That's where my heart is. They have something big to celebrate and to be so happy about. They're here and they've beaten this evil, evil thing. That's why we celebrate," Pierce continued.

The celebration will continue Saturday with the Party in the Park beginning at 3 p.m. and ending at 10 p.m. at the city's Depot Park. The opening ceremony will be hosted by newscaster Rick Karle. Events and activities will include music, food trucks, cornhole, the Kids' Korner and inspiring Survivors Lap.

For more information, please visit https://secure.acsevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY22SOR?pg=entry&fr_id=101617.

Market (from Front)

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BERLIN, Ala. — Growing into its third season, the Berlin Farmers Market will have its season opening day on Saturday, May 21 with a community-wide celebration.

Starting at the market, located at the intersection on U.S. Highway 278 West and Mount Carmel Drive, and stretching to the Berlin Community Center, local vendors and community outreach organizations will have booths all along the field route.

Market Manager Keirstyn Montgomery shared, "278 Rock Grocery will be providing FREE pizza and Berlin Fire Department will display their new fire trucks. We will have bounce houses, Power of Produce Program (POP), $3 per child, and a sunflower potting project. Retail vendors will be sponsored by Decatur-Morgan Entrepreneurial Center, Temple Baptist and MORE."

With selling sites each offering electrical hookups and water available on site, the spaces rent for a yearly fee of only $100 for residents of the town of Berlin and $150 for those living within Berlin's vicinity. All others can rent the spots for $200 for the year.

Monthly rates are $60 and daily rates are $20 for vendors.

The market will be open May 21 – Oct. 29 on Saturdays from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. located at 50 Mount Carmel Drive.

Interested farmers, vendors and crafters who are interested in renting a bay for selling at the market can call Ms. Montgomery at 256-736-3138 or visit https://berlinal.org/.

Pause (from Front)

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WASHINGTON D.C. — Earlier this month, the Biden administration and U.S. Department of Education announced they were extending the current pause of federal student loans along with interest and collections. The extension will run through Aug. 31.

With many borrowers still feeling the negative financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the extension intends to provide relief from the student loan repayment burden for at least six additional months. The pause will allow payees the time to reassess their budgets to ready for repayment to the federal government.

While federal student loan payments are not required during the pause, borrowers may still continue their payments if nothing more than to pay on the loan interest.

"The Department of Education is committed to ensuring that student loan borrowers have a smooth transition back to repayment," said U.S. Secretary of Education Miguel Cardona.

"This additional extension will allow borrowers to gain more financial security as the economy continues to improve and as the nation continues to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

"It remains a top priority for the Biden-Harris Administration to support students, families and borrowers—especially those disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

"During the pause, we will continue our preparations to give borrowers a fresh start and to ensure that all borrowers have access to repayment plans that meet their financial situations and needs."

On Feb. 3, 2020, the Trump administration first declared a United States Health Emergency followed by the March 13, 2020, Federal Emergency declaration, at which point many federal student loans were placed on hold by the Department of Education as the country began the COVID lockdown.

During this time, millions of U.S. workers deemed "nonessential" were unable to work.

Now that the American workforce is back with its nose to the grind, the administration and Department of Education will continue to monitor the viability of restarting student loan payments in September of this year.

For more information, please visit https://studentaid.gov/.

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52 ODES TO JOY: FLANEUR JOY

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ODE TO WANDERLUST

I long to walk there, maybe
there and then there.

More joy-filled I'll return,
you may surely trust.

In my lifetime, I shall
flaneur everywhere,

Just my feet, my daydreams
and wanderlust.

"I love to go a-flaneuring" just doesn't have quite the earworm viability of "I love to go a-wandering," but, those words mean almost the same thing. You might think of a flaneur as a "wanderer with joyful alertness." Flaneurs have their antennae up and are savoring a SMILE-MAKING and SPELLBINDING moment "in the flow."

David Blake, a traveling social scientist who calls himself a "free-range human" and created the website, https://www.flaneurlife.com/ adds this for greater clarity: "The word, 'flaneur' is difficult (nearly impossible) to translate from the French. French-English dictionaries define a flaneur as someone who strolls, loafs or idles, but that doesn't do the term justice. Let's think of the 'flaneur' as a connoisseur of the street—a highly observant urban wanderer who takes in everything they see as they seek experiences that fuel their creative minds."

FLANEUR JOY might not be quite the words you'd choose for your own meanderings though it does have a petite dash of panache,' you must admit. You could opt for "Dawdler Joy" or if you sported a jaunty hat, "Boulevardier Joy." Lollygagging, anyone? That said, I would really like some reader to loop into a sporting goods store and say to a salesperson, "I see you have running shorts, but do you have flaneuring shorts?" Just trust me on this.

FLANEUR JOY is a step beyond commonplace walking, though walking more is one of the very smartest things you can do to add joy to your life. Studies indicate even a 5-minute walk can help with concentration and aid problem-solving.

Here are ways "flaneuring" is good for you physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually:

CHANGING PATHS FOR BRAIN FLEXIBILITY—Neuroscientist Dr. Daniel Levitin, author of "The Changing Mind," says "Outdoors, anything can happen—and that's the most potent way of keeping the brain flexible and active that we have discovered so far." Instead of the boring sameness of a treadmill or a predictable, paved track, let your mind play as you move different sets of muscles stepping on cobblestones, trudging a sloping meadow or walking on pea gravel.

"AWE WALKS" LIFT YOUR SPIRIT—Stop listening for the next "text ping" when you saunter along and opt instead to listen rapturously to a bird sing. As you become a flaneur, you are more likely to experience a sense of wonderment as your senses become teased and thrilled.

LOSE YOURSELF TO FEEL LESS SELF-IMPORTANT—Tim Cook, CEO of Apple, told "InStyle Magazine" this year (January 2022) that when he begins to worry about the global impact his business decisions may have, he chooses to feel "inconsequential" and small, alone in nature.Cook shared, "I think it's good for all of us to feel insignificant, and there's no better way to do that than to be out in nature and in the national parks, which I dearly love. I find it grounding, relaxing, and a way to clear the mind like nothing else quite does."

DE-STRESS THE WORST OF TIMES—During the pandemic lockdown, according to research sponsored by the "walking shoe" brand, Rockport, Americans walked 1 to 5 miles more per day compared to pre-2020 statistics. No matter how much you love being with your family or your super-compatible mate, sometimes you just need to get away from them for your sanity and theirs.

However, for many shut in by the coronavirus plague and related malaise, there is a second "pandemic of idleness." Thomas Frieden, M.D., former director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, lauds low-impact walking outdoors for cardiovascular and immune-boosting benefits and prescribes it as "the closest thing we have to a wonder drug."

DOLLY PARTON IS STILL FLANEURING at 75—Explaining her partnership with Apple Fitness+ (see Tim Cook above), "The Divine Dolly," says "I do my best thinking when I walk."

CONNECT TO THE WHOLE EARTH—In her book, "Wanderlust: The History of Walking," the essayist Rebecca Solnit writes that while walking "one lives in the whole world rather than in interiors built up against it...On foot everything stays connected."

SELECTIVE OPTIMIZATION AND COMPENSATION—German psychologist Paul Baltes has been a hero of mine over the past 40 years in my work as "The Gerontologist of Joy." One of the "Baltes theories" on "successful aging" is that we should select activities enjoyed in our peak years of achievement and then compensate for any declines experienced over time. An example, using another hero, is that astronaut/senator John Glenn, for years jogged daily but in his 90s, he chose to walk regularly and much of that time not inside in a gym, but happily meandering along the cobblestoned streets of historic, Washington, D.C. and nearby Virginia. The changing vistas and variety of surface terrains aided his "brain flexibility."

NORDIC WALKING—Yes, it looks goofy as all "git out" to us Americans but walking with poles as if "snow skiing on dirt" burns 20-46% more calories than regular walking according to Malin Svensson author of the enthusiasts' bible, "Nordic Walking." A study by researchers at the University of Florida shows that "Nordic walking," with those sillyass poles, reduces stress at the knee joint by about 30% compared to flaneuring without them.

"The S.U.N.S. (Smile-Making, Uniting, Neighboring, Spellbinding) Joyous Aging System" reminds us that walking with joyous wonderment increases our opportunities to see things and do things with positivity. Flaneuring can be a great way to deepen relationships with those we love, help us get out of our own heads to care about our neighbors and regularly be magically captivated in the "flow."

FLANEUR JOY ODES FROM OTHERS

"Free and alone in the maze of the city, the flaneur craves a revelation that might change his life and his destiny."—Frederico Castigliano

"I was trying to daydream but my mind kept wandering."—Steven Wright

"Whenever I get fed up with life, I love to go wandering in nature."—Andreas Arnold

"I'm a wandering gypsy."—Lady Gaga

"To be away from home and yet to feel oneself everywhere at home; to see the world, to be at the center of the world and yet to remain hidden from the world...the spectator is a prince who everywhere rejoices in his incognito."—Charles Baudelaire

"It's fun wandering through other people's minds."—Jenny Holzer

FLANEUR JOY JOKES

"My grandmother started walking 5 miles a day when she was 60. She's 97 now, and we don't know where the hell she is."—Ellen Degeneres

"A priest was walking down a side street in his little town when he came across a woman of ill repute. He stopped and told her in no uncertain terms that she had chosen the wrong path. 'You're tellin' me, Father,' she answered. 'I've been on this street for more than an hour and you're the first man I've seen.'"

"I made a musical playlist for my hours wandering and flaneuring. It has tunes from the Muppets, Beyonce' and The Beatles. I call it my trail mix."

"Three bubbas were strolling through the countryside and saw a pig stuck halfway through the fence. 'I wish that was my wife,' said the fellow from Alabama. 'I wish that was my girlfriend,' said the guy from Tennessee. 'I wish it was dark out here,' said the bubba from Mississippi."

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

April 30—George Balanchine

May 1—Tim McGraw

May 2—Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson

May 3—Bing Crosby

May 4—Keith Haring

May 5—James Beard

May 6—Kim Oden, volleyball Olympian

STREETWALKER CORN ON THE COB — ILLINOIS
(Source: delish.com—this popular, Mexican street food is perfect for Cinco de Mayo)

Each week, Joy & Gerontology shares a recipe saluting a healthy food produced in America. The delicious and nutritious collection is called "The S.U.N.S. Longevity Cookbook" and highlights vitamin B-3 (niacin) which many gerontologists believe holds the promise for a long, healthy, joyful life.

INGREDIENTS

- ¼ cup finely chopped walnuts, plus more for serving
- Canola or vegetable oil, for brushing
- 4 ears corn, shucked and cleaned
- ¼ cup mayo
- ¼ cup sour cream
- ¼ cup cotija cheese (or Parmesan)
- Chili powder, for serving
- 1 lime, cut into wedges
- Cilantro, for serving, if desired

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Heat oven to 350F. Scatter walnuts on small baking pan. Toast until lightly golden, about 8 minutes. Set aside.

2. Preheat a grill pan over medium-high heat and oil grates. Brush corn with oil and grill, turning occasionally until kernels are bright yellow and charred in places, about 10 minutes.

3. In a small bowl, combine mayo and sour cream. In another small bowl, combine walnuts and cotija cheese.

4. Brush cooked corn with mayo mixture, then sprinkle with walnut mixture and a generous amount of chili powder. Squeeze one lime wedge over the corn and sprinkle with cilantro and more walnuts. Serve with lime wedges.

THE HAPPY WANDERER
(This popular song, "Der Froliche Wanderer," was written by a German woman, Florenz Friedrich Sigismund (1791-1877) for the children's choir her sister, Edith, conducted.)

I love to go a-wandering,
Along the mountain track,
And as I go, I love to sing,
My knapsack on my back.

Chorus:
Val-deri, Val-dera,
Val-deri—
Val-dera ha-ha-ha-ha-ha
Val-deri, Val-dera
My knapsack on my back.

I love to wander
by the stream
That dances in the sun,
So joyously, it calls to me,
Come! Join my happy song!

I wave my hand to all I meet,
And they wave back at me,
And blackbirds call
so loud and sweet
From ev'ry green wood tree.

High overhead, the
skylarks wing,
They never rest at home
But just like me,
they love to sing,
As o'er the world we roam.

Oh, may I go a-wandering
Until the day I die.
Oh, may I always
laugh and sing,
Beneath God's clear blue sky.

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

384. "Walking on Sunshine" with Katrina and the Waves.

385. Happening upon a discreet bit of graffiti.

386. "Fractured Fairytales" on "Rocky and Bullwinkle."

387. "Rindercella" told by Archie Campbell.

388. Pebbles and Bam Bam.

389. Judging a Lego contest for originality and storytelling.

390. Donkey basketball.

391. The "laddie novels" of Nick Hornby.

392. Any novel by Anne Tyler.

393. Knowing Anne Tyler is Nick Hornby's favorite, contemporary novelist.

394. A snide Bingo caller.

395. That ballsy confidence of "Stuart Little."

396. Buying one hundred and forty-two back issues of "Architectural Digest" during a pandemic midwinter.

397. Watching my dad "shadow box" as he watched television boxing.

398. A big, Texas omelet.

399. "Honey, magnolias will bloom in the mud."

400. The smell of baseball glove leather.

401. The smell of leather shops in Spain.

402. The sound of "frou-frou" as ballgowns sweep across carpet.

403. "Let it go."

404. Milk Duds.

405. Peter Potamus.

406. "Walkin' After Midnight" with Patsy Cline.

HAPPY WANDERING, WONDERFUL MONTH OF MAY!



EDUCATION

Wallace State breaks ground on Winston County Community Learning Center

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

ARLEY, Ala. — Wallace State Community College held a groundbreaking ceremony Tuesday afternoon marking the official beginning of the new Winston County Community Learning Center to be located in Arley next to Meek Baptist Church.

"What a beautiful day to come to Arley, Alabama to talk about something that's good for all of us and especially good for Winston County, Alabama," said WSCC President Dr. Vicki Karolewics as she greeted the dozens in attendance.

The Learning Center will allow Wallace State to expand its programs and services in Winston County. The goal is to have the center open for the fall 2022 semester.

"This building will house Wallace State's Adult Education program (GED, high school diploma), our Adult Education-guided Career Pathways (CDL, Phlebotomy, etc.), Workforce Training program and the Alabama Community College System Innovation Center programs," Karolewics added.

It will also provide limited enrollment services for credit students and the four classrooms can be used by the community, as well as Wallace State students.

Karolewics expressed her appreciation to state legislators who helped secure funding for the modular building that will house the center and the Arley Town Council for offering the 4.2-acre property on which it will be placed for lease at $1 a year.

"We are incredibly grateful for this collaboration to make this center a reality and to better serve the citizens of Winston County," Karolewics said.

"This partnership will contribute to a better quality of life for Winston Countians through instant access to education and training for good-paying jobs."

"I've been waiting on this day for several years," said Rep. Tim Wadsworth.

"We have worked hard to bring a facility here that will help Winston County, not just students, but bring jobs here."

Wadsworth added, "The purpose of this facility is to educate our youth and also allow dual enrollment. Having people get well trained, get their high school degree will always allow them to have a higher paying job and this center will also grow our community."

"This will really be a game-changer for your high school students, for your adult education students and it will be a game-changer for your local elected leaders," said Matt Woods, ACCS Board of Trustees, 4th Congressional District. When they go out and recruit business and industry, they have a tool now that they can point to that says we're open for business in Winston County, that we know what we need to provide for you, and that's a well-trained and highly credentialed workforce.



WALLACE STATE

Cutter Green, center, is pictured with ACCS Chancellor Jimmy Baker and Wallace State President Dr. Vicki Karolewics

"So, the opportunities that will come from this learning center are far greater reaching than anything we might can even see today."

He continued, "Knowing that Wallace State Community College and Dr. Karolewics' commitment to excellence, and everything that they do, it gives me great confidence that the good people of Winston County will have a top-notch opportunity through the academic and career technical programs that Wallace State will offer right here at this facility,"

Houston Blackwood, Workforce director of ACCS Innovation Center, explained how they will be providing curriculum and supplies for the Learning Center to teach a variety of subjects.

"The Innovation is a support system through the community college system for the community colleges," Blackwood said.

"What we do is design curriculum including the content, the materials, the instructors and source all of the information and hand it over to the college so they can roll out those programs wherever they need them."

The curriculum is also industry approved, he added, and cover a variety of subjects for short-term training and credentials that could help students obtain high-paying jobs.

As an example, Blackwood noted the curriculum for Fiber Optics Technician training, which could lead to jobs making $20 per hour.

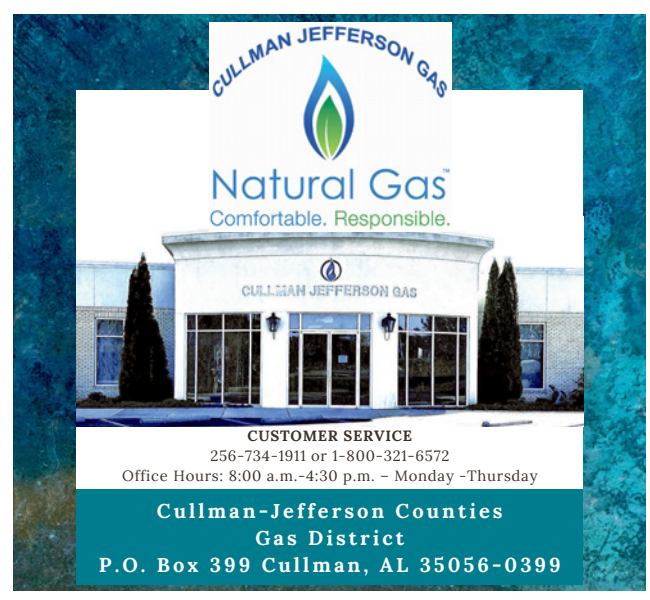
"Talk about changing the family tree, quickly," he said. "That kind of salary and those kind of benefits at a young age or even an older age can really make a difference."

Suzanne Harbin, WSCC Vice President for Advancement and Innovation announced the creation of an endowed scholarship through the Arley Women's Club and the WSCC Foundation. In a year or so, the fund will be able to provide its first scholarship to a Meek High School student.

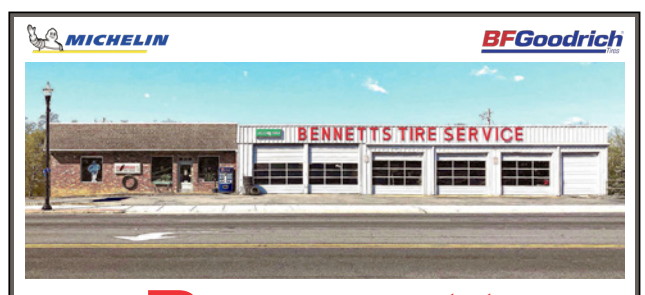




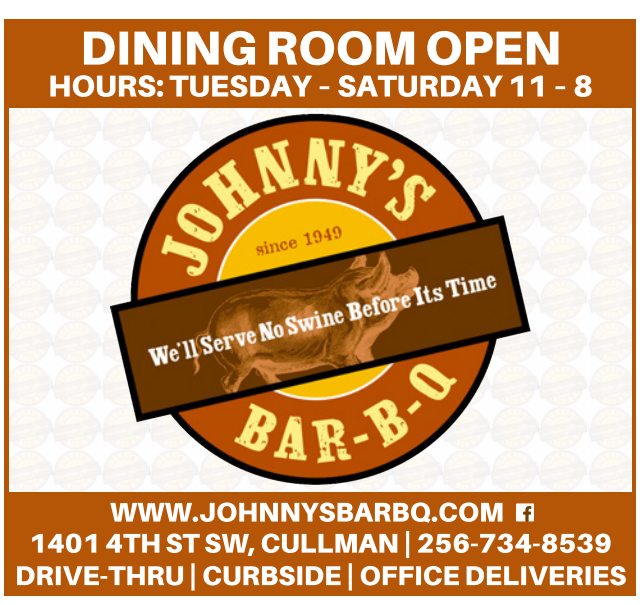












EDUCATION

Cutter Green, Halle McCrory named Wallace State's All-Alabama Academic Team Scholars

Russell Moore
Wallace State

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Wallace State students Cutter Green and Halle McCrory are the college's 2022 All-Alabama Academic Team Scholars.

Green and McCrory were recognized recently among the 48 top scholars across the Alabama Community College System at the All-Alabama recognition program at the Hyatt Regency Birmingham – The Wynfrey Hotel. More than $53,000 total in scholarships was announced.

Green is from Cullman and McCrory from Muscle Shoals. Both possess a 4.0 GPA at Wallace State.

"We're so very proud of Cutter and Halle, who are both outstanding representatives of the college and exemplary servant -leaders, fully engaged in campus life," said Kristen Holmes, interim vice president for students at Wallace State. "Their futures are so bright."

Both Green and McCrory were selected from Wallace State by members of the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society for the students' demonstration of academic excellence and intellectual rigor, leadership and service, and for a commitment to extending their education beyond the classroom to benefit society.

Green is among the most active leaders on campus, serving as a Lion Leader Ambassador for the Wallace State Alumni Association. He's an active member in multiple honor societies and groups across campus and the Wallace State's 2022 President's Cup winner, an annual award presented to the student who most completely demonstrates academic excellence, service to the college and community, leadership, courage and perseverance, all qualities that make a student well-rounded.

Green, who will graduate from Wallace State next month with a general studies degree, plans to attend UAB to pursue a bachelor's degree in political science and eventually attend law school.

He wants to focus on advocating for individuals with disabilities through the legal system.

McCrory, a general studies major, is the college's Phi Theta Kappa secretary, the SGA Parliamentarian and a member of Mu Alpha Theta. McCrory is among the top singles players on the Wallace State's women's tennis team and was crowned as the college's Homecoming Queen earlier this year.

McCrory plans to transfer to the University of North Alabama to earn a bachelor's degree in secondary education. She has hopes to be a high school math teacher.

The All-Alabama Academic Team recognition program was founded in 1995 to complement the All-USA Academic Team Program that is sponsored by USA Today, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society and the American Association of Community Colleges.



WALLACE STATE

Halle McCrory has maintained a 4.0 GPA at Wallace State, while also playing a significant role on the women's tennis team.



WALLACE STATE

Cutter Green, center, is pictured with ACCS Chancellor Jimmy Baker and Wallace State President Dr. Vicki Karolewics

Obituary Announcements: April 28 - 29

Stanley "Stan" Talmadge Mann, 63, of Cullman
Funeral service for Stanley "Stan" Talmadge Mann, age 63, of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 2, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home, with interment in Cullman City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Mann passed away on Thursday, April 28, at Princeton Baptist Medical Center. He was born July 28, 1958, to Talmadge and Imogene Morris Mann. Stan worked for 3M from 1976 until he passed away. He loved his 3M family and will be missed by many.He loved camping with Connie and his beloved dog, Ruby. He loved his animals and being at the lake in the summer. He was an avid Alabama Crimson Tide football fan. Roll Tide Roll! He was preceded in death by his parents and brother: Gary Mann. Survivors include his loving partner of 23 years: Connie Tucker; beloved dog: Ruby; a host of aunts, uncles, family and friends and all of his special friends.

Nellene Wade, 86, of Double Springs
Nellene Wade, age 86, of Double Springs, passed away Thursday, April 28, at Walker Baptist Medical Center. She was born May 2, 1935, to Mack and Alpha Wolfe. Visitation will be Saturday, April 30, from 2-3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Double Springs, where the service will be held at 3 p.m. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery in Double Springs. Reverend T.J. Millican will officiate. Nellene is survived by her children: Jayne (Terry Wayne) Hunter, Dale Wade, Gloria (Aron) Nielsen and Michael (Kelly) Wade; grandchildren: Eric Hunter, Richelle Tracy, Brett Hunter, Alana Galloway, Bethany Tracy, Cameron Hunter, Nathan Nielsen, Joshua Price, Caleb Nielsen, Jordan Wade Rhodes, Jacob Price, Garrett Wade and Brody Wade; seven great-grandchildren; sister: Maxine White and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband: Edsel Wade; daughter: Michelle Wade Smeltzer; parents: Mack and Alpha Wolfe and brothers: Hollis Wolfe and Hoyett Wolfe.

Nancy Ray Harden, 64, of Cullman
Nancy Ray Harden, age 64, of Cullman, passed away on Thursday, April 28, at Cullman Regional. She was born March 29, 1958, to Oxford and Stella Ray. She was preceded in death by her parents and one brother. Survivors include her daughter: Crystal (Matthew) Wray; grandchildren: Georgiana Wray and Elijah Wray; one brother and seven sisters.

William Heath Humphreys, 44, of Baileyton
Funeral service for William Heath Humphreys, age 44, of Baileyton, will be at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 2, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Bro. Dean Elrod and Bro. Josh Mason officiating, with interment in Bethel United Methodist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, May 1, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Humphreys passed away Thursday, April 28, at UAB Hospital. He was born March 16, 1978, to Emmett and Donna Humphreys. He was preceded in death by his brother: Matthew Humphreys and his grandparents. Survivors include his wife: April Humphreys; daughters: Cheyenne (Richard) Sharpton and Chasity Humphreys; grandson: Liam Sharpton; parents: Emmett and Donna Humphreys; sister: Stacey (Robert) Joiner; brother: Daniel (Wendy) Humphreys; nephews: Joseph Humphreys, John Humphreys, Zach Joiner and Eli Joiner; niece: Katelyn Neely and a host of family and friends.

Robert Walker Cowart, 87, of Brecksville, Ohio; formerly of Haleyville
Robert Walker Cowart, 87, of Brecksville, Ohio; formerly of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Sunday April 24, at Ames Family Hospice House in Westlake, Ohio. Robert was born on Nov. 5, 1934, to Burnett J. Cowart and Mabel Ellen Moore Cowart in Haleyville, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his wife: Nancy Cowart; parents: Burnett Cowart and Mabel Cowart; sister: Marilyn Cowart and brothers: Burnett Cowart, Jr. and John Cowart. Robert is survived by his son: Jim Cowart and husband Peter; grandson: Elijah; brother: James Cowart and wife Noriko; sister: Mabel A. Evans; sister-in-law: Marilyn Carroll; brother-in-law: Bruce Strom; nephews: Rich Evans and wife Gail, Randell Evans and wife Darla and Tim Carroll and wife Lynn; nieces: Jill Carroll and Lisa Carter and husband Craig and host of other nieces nephews and friends. Visitation was held Friday, April 29, from noon – 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville with the funeral service at 2 p.m. Interment followed at Fairview Cemetery in Double Springs. Brother Matthew Balentine will officiate.

Cynthia Louise Parker, 67, of Hanceville
A graveside service for Cynthia Louise Parker of Hanceville will be 11 a.m. Saturday, April 30, at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Pastor Brandon Ardnt will be officiating. Visitation was from 5-8 p.m. Friday, April 29, at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Parker was born June 10, 1954, in Bay City, Michigan and died at the age of 67 on April 26, at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman, Alabama. Survivors include her son: G.W. (Brandi) Parker; siblings: Suzanne (Thomas) Reynolds, Barbara (Paul) Lancaster and Craig (Mia) Hubert; nieces and nephews: Tammy (Tim) Vanochten, Tina (Elisha) Reynolds, Michael Hubert and Jeanne (Dan) Lomas a host of great nieces and nephews and many special friends. Mrs. Parker was preceded in death by George Parker and parents: Albert James and Carol (Schuman) Hubert.

Nettie Ruth Hyde, 85, of Haleyville
Nettie Ruth Hyde, age 85, of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Wednesday, April 27, at Terrace Manor Nursing Home in Russellville. She was born on February 28, 1937, in Haleyville, Alabama. Nettie loved cooking, gardening and decorating. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church. A visitation will be held Sunday, May 1, from 2:30-3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will be held at 3 p.m. Burial will follow at New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery. Carolyn Hyde will officiate. Nettie is survived by her son: Benny Hyde; daughter: Carolyn Hyde; sister: Sandra Bates; daughter-in-law: Shelia Hyde and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.She was preceded in death by her husband: Benjamin Hyde; sons: Roger Hyde and Timmy Hyde; parents: Lonnie and Myrtle Parker; brothers: James Parker and Jerry Parker and sister: Vera Southern. Words cannot express the gratitude our family feels for the care given to Nettie from Terrace Manor Nursing Facility in Russellville, Alabama and from Amedysis Hospice of Florence, Alabama.

David Dewayne Baldwin, 56, of Double Springs
David Dewayne Baldwin, 56, of Double Springs, passed away April 27, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama. He was born Aug. 12, 1965, to David Baldwin Jr. and Patricia Ann Lee Baldwin. Dewayne was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying hunting, fishing and camping. He loved sports, especially Alabama and Addison football. He loved his family and was very proud of his grandchildren. He was always willing to help anyone who needed help. Family will receive friends Sunday, May 1, from 1-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, where a memorial service will begin at 2 p.m. Dewayne is survived by his wife of 28 years: Robin Baldwin; daughter: Aislinn Baldwin Smith (Jason); son: Adam Baldwin; grandchildren: Kaylix Baldwin and Shonix Baldwin; mother: Pat Baldwin; sister: Lori Stephenson; brothers: Steve Baldwin (Lisa), Kenneth Baldwin (Kerri) and Kevin Baldwin (Dallas) and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father: David Baldwin, Jr. In lieu of flowers, the family asks you to donate to a charity of your choosing, or to plant a tree in remembrance of Dewayne.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

All that trouble just to kiss a rock

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Would you climb up 127 stairsteps in the partial ruins of a castle that is almost 600-years old? Would you do so on a spiraled stone staircase with steps so narrow at one end that your foot won't fit there, and barely wide enough on the other end to step on? The stones are uneven and damp and slick in spots. There is no handrail. There is a rope fastened to the wall on one side that you can hold onto if you can, well, hold onto it. Would you endure this test of stamina and endurance just to lie flat on your back once you've reached the top and hang out over the edge of the castle wall some 90-feet above the ground? A man you've never seen wraps his arms around you so you don't plummet to your death? Would you do all that just to kiss a rock? A rock! Yes, I said a rock!

My first thought was, "Well, I don't know. How much are they going to pay me to do this?" What? I have to pay them? This rock is not a diamond, a ruby, or as you might expect in Ireland, even an emerald. It is a limestone rock that looks pretty much the same as all the other limestone rocks in the battlements of Blarney Castle near Cork, Ireland.

Oh, they say it's a unique rock with special powers, but it looks like an ordinary rock, or so they tell me.

Well, no, as a matter of fact I didn't actually see it, because I didn't climb up there. So, no, while I didn't actually kiss the Blarney Stone, I did kiss the girl who kissed the stone. I even have a picture to prove it. Doesn't that count? Isn't that kind of like kissing the stone by proxy?

Maybe I should have climbed on up there. I am, after all, much older than my sweet wife...14-months older, to be exact.

Never mind that she has two artificial knees. Well, her knees are practically new and my knees, not to mention my hips and ankles, are old-original equipment.

OK, the real reason is because I don't believe the myth. According to legend, kissing the stone gives one an endowment of eloquence. To put that in the King's English...Bill King's English that is, it is supposed to give one the gift of gab. I have been told numerous times that I already have that, so why go to all that trouble to get something I already have?

I believe it is a fun-little myth that attracts people to the ruins of a centuries old castle, and gives them a reason to pay good money to climb all those steps and kiss that rock.

Am I glad I went? Absolutely! The grounds are beautiful, the castle has an intriguing history, and I got to kiss a pretty woman who happens to be my wife.

The lady whose credit card we found on the ground is glad we went too. She may have used it to pay to get in, where she evidently kissed the stone. When Jean asked in the coffee shop if anyone had come in looking for a lost credit card, the lady in front of her turned around and eloquently screeched, "It is my sister's!" She even gave Jean the correct name on the card. I guess I was wrong. Maybe I should have kissed the stone. Had that lady not kissed the stone, she might not have been able to speak a single word when Jean asked!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1900, 1930

From the Files of 1900

The population of Cullman County is now 17,849.

Uncle Sam Cole, who is very ill at his Holly Pond home, has his sons from Texas and Louisiana visiting him.

Ron Graves left yesterday for Texas.

Mrs. J.T. Bogue left Thursday for Senora, Kentucky.

Lee Kelley, of Garrison Point, was in Cullman yesterday.

Miss Pattie Oden, of Bangor, is visiting relatives here.

If people turn out Election Day, like they did to see the John Roberson show, an enormous vote will be polled.

J.H. Dunlap was called to Walter yesterday to see his brother, Robert Dunlap, who was kicked and seriously injured by a mule.

The population of the town of Cullman is 1,225.

Grover Halbrooks has accepted the agency for the Chattanooga Steam Laundry.

Governor Johnston passed through Cullman yesterday, enroute to Huntsville.

Captain E.J. Oden died of paralysis at his residence here, on October 21.

Blacksmith, W.T. Cooper, received a burn on his arm, with a hot iron.

Eggs are 12 cents per dozen, cotton is 8 ½ cents per pound and hens are 22 cents per pound.

Mr. and Mrs. L.T. Rasco visited relatives at Walter on Saturday.

Evert Finke and Ernest Malchow went down to see the Stouts Mountain railroad, last Sunday.

J.K. Bland, who came home from Alabama City, Illinois, is much improved.

From the Files of 1930

Oden Brothers cotton gin, on the Eva Road, burned to the ground, on Monday night.

Cotton is selling for 10 cents per pound, this week.

The county schools will reopen on Monday, November 3 after the recess for cotton picking.

Mrs. J.M. Bright died on October 23, after several months illness.

Miss Doris Wise was hostess to several friends, at a dance at her home on Saturday night.

Nick Ruehl celebrated his 82nd birthday, on Thursday.

Miss Essie Joiner and Clifton Oswalt of Tuskegee were married here, on Sunday afternoon.

Miss Deany Rollo entertained at bridge on Thursday, complimenting her sister, Mrs. J.D. Daniel of Birmingham.

POET'S CORNER

Prints | By: Randy C. Hale

Etched in concrete, her name written
for many years, prints of memories captured by a little girl, sheltered in
her parent's world.

Who rose in height, so fast in time,
and left such things behind, to rub
our hands across the letters
sank into the mix of the past.

One day, someone may fumble
in scraps of stones and see of one
who thought it fun to write her name
in drying seconds of the sun.



CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

APRIL 30

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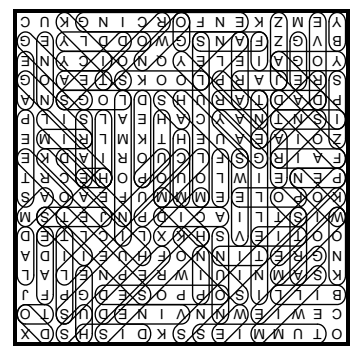
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APRIL 30

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Hanceville (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — At Hanceville City Council's meeting Thursday evening, MayorCommand, an Alabama-based alert system company endorsed by Senator Richard Shelby, was on hand to share their presentation during the work session. The cyber solution company offers the ability to send out alerts to citizens in the case of catastrophic emergency situations in which the standing 911 system is disabled.

During the presentation, MayorCommand representatives sent council members alerts during a demonstration. Town message boards, court date alerts and fire alerts are some of the many services offered by the agency.

The cost is proposed by the company to be approximately $1,000 a month for three years with a one-time $7,000 startup fee.

There is no price guarantee beyond the three-year proposed contract and any contract beyond that time would have to be renegotiated at that time.

At the regular council meeting, it was proposed by Mayor Kenneth Nail that the council should revisit the proposal after the end of the fiscal year, saying, "I would rather us hold off and chew on this thing until budget time."

With the purchase of $35,000 in tornado sirens last year to aid in the safety of Hanceville's residents during weather emergencies, all council members agreed.

Unanimously approved was spending $14,975 on the city jail. Needed improvements include two new commodes, two new security doors and two lock and hardware kits.

With no report from Police Chief Bob Long, Fire Chief Rodger Green expressed his gratitude of the passing of Ordinance 641 earlier in the meeting.

The Knox Box emergency access system is commonly used by law enforcement and firefighters to enter secured buildings for rapid response emergencies.

Noted in the budget was an increase from the projected budget due to higher-than-expected employee wage expenditure and the increase in gas prices which was not expected during the formation of this year's budget.

Nail reported successful paving projects were complete on Greenbrier Drive off Alabama Avenue and Michelle Street traveling west from U.S. Highway 31.

The paving project at the new senior center experienced a minor delay due to a recommended gravel change and work equipment issues. The removed gravel will be added back to the city's supply.

Many tentative new business developments may be heading the city's way with Cullman County Industrial Economic Development Authority eyeing property in Hanceville at a price of $6,000 an acre and a townhouse developer looking at sites for a possible $15 million project.

A multitude of upcoming summer events in the city were discussed, including Riding for Residents which the council granted. In its third year, the event began during COVID-19 as a way for Jeep owners to have a parade of their decorated vehicles visiting residents at Monarch Assisted Living and Hanceville Nursing Home. With approximately 75 vehicles expected this year in the drive, Riding for Residents will begin Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m.

"There's a lot of exciting things going on in Hanceville," Nail aptly shared before previewing May's calendar of community events.

Bama Blu-Grace and the Cotton Pickin' Kids are slated to play at a Bluegrass Gospel Concert at Hanceville Civic Center on Saturday, May 14 with doors opening at 5 p.m. and the show kicking off at 6 p.m. Presale tickets are available at City Hall for $5 or for $10 at the door.

Last year's favorite Grilled Cheese Festival will be held Saturday, May 28 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. in downtown Hanceville. With vendors, musical entertainment and special events for children, the day will also include a grilled cheese cook-off.

In light of previous commitments, the next council meeting will be moved from May 12 to Monday, May 16 with the work session beginning at 5 p.m. and regular council meeting at 5:30 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall. The public is invited to attend.

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