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EDUCATION

West Elementary students celebrate healthy eating with strawberries provided by Farm to Table program

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Just in time for the Strawberry Festival, the students at West Elementary School were served a special treat during their lunchtime Thursday. Fresh strawberries were the star of the menu in the cafeteria, much to the students' delight.

In an effort to encourage youngsters to try fresh, healthier foods, the Farm to Table program provides opportunities for students and their families to make educated food choices.

West Elementary School Assistant Principal Tommy Duke spoke of how the program has impacted his students.

"We are appreciative for Jeremy Calvert providing the strawberries for us. We are thankful for the Farm to Schools program for opening our students' eyes to eat fresh fruit, to get out and have the initiative to grow » PAGE 10



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West Elementary students in line at the dessert table

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Strawberry Festival Senior Day makes triumphant return Friday



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CULLMAN, Ala. — "I'm just happy to be anywhere these days," laughed Ben Kerny as he walked into Friday's celebration of the Strawberry Festival Senior Day.

He and hundreds of Cullman seniors descended on the Active Adult Center in Cullman, celebrating their triumphant return after the event was put on hold for the last two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Long stretches of tables were packed full of vibrant kids at heart as they shared lunch and stories, catching up after their years apart. Old friends were found and embraced, and new friends were made. Laughter and fun were found everywhere you turned.

Stephanie Neal, senior program coordinator at the Active Adult Center, watched the attendees with a smile of appreciation.

"I think the seniors missed getting out and socializing with one another after being on quarantine for so long. They were without their friends during that time so being able to be together again is what they tell me means the most. We are happy to be a part of giving them that opportunity."

Neal continued, "On a day-to-day basis, they hang out together at the senior centers. Any chance we can give them to be together, dance, eat and fellowship, they love. Our seniors love that the Strawber- » PAGE 9

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'The Beast Who Came to School'

West Elementary second grader Ronin Peavy presents first comic book work to CCS Superintendent Kyle Kalloff



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CRIME

Electronic filing system issues to blame for absence of arrest and incident reports; expected to be running Monday

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office and Cullman Police Department are currently experiencing issues with their electronic filing system database. Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry said once the issue is resolved, the information will be sent regarding incident/arrest reports. "We are currently working in conjunction with the city to resolve the issues," Gentry said. "We hope to have it up and running on Monday. This issue has no bearing on calls for service and we appreciate the media's patience with us as we work to resolve this issue."

No end in sight for national baby formula shortage

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The nationwide baby formula shortage is the latest product shortage over the past two years. Following limited supplies of toilet paper and disinfectants, formula availability has been reduced by up to 30-40%.

A trip down the aisles of local retailers tells the story. Much like the barren toilet paper aisles seen two years ago, the baby formula shelves sit collecting dust and there's no end in sight.

While the production chain and inflation bear some of the responsibility, the shortage has been made even worse by several recalls from makers. Popular brands Enfamil and Similac were included in the recent recalls.

Warehouse Discount Groceries manager Robert Lindsey spoke on the shortage.

"I think the baby formula companies are being cautious with their supplies. They have to be because of the recalls. We can't have infants getting sick."

Many national retailers have opted to limit the amount of formula a person can buy in one day.

This rationing is due to some customers overbuying and stocking up the product. With the limited supply, increased anxiety among parents and caregivers over the limited availability of formula echoes the reaction many had with bathroom supplies and disinfectants.

When asked if his store is limiting purchase amounts of formula, Lindsey replied, "No. If we've got it, we have it available to our customers and we don't limit the number you can buy. We didn't even do that during the worst of COVID. If we have it, you can buy it."

Approximately a third of American infants receiving exclusively breast milk at 6 months old. That percentage decreases to only 15% of babies solely breastfed at 1 years old. Filling in the gap is infant formula through bottle feeding.

Young mother Britteny Cooley shared her experience of the past several months. "Harley can only have a special formula because he has colic and it was hard to find before all of this started.

"Now, it's almost nowhere. Sometimes, I have to get him regular formula because that's all there is. It breaks my heart. He cries and cries when he drinks it."

With no end in sight for the shortage, parents and caregivers are urged to check supplies through online retailers; however, shoppers are urged to beware of price gouging.

Representatives for local stores were unwilling to answer questions about rations and no signage was found stating policies in the locations visited nor did online purchases appear to be limited.

Contact with most local retailers were met with contact information for their respective media specialists. The Cullman County Health Department referred calls regarding the shortage to the Alabama Department of Public Health.

Messages to the retail stores' media specialists were not returned nor were the calls to ADPH in Montgomery.



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Shelves continue to look sparse with little product to be stocked

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, May 6, COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes
*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: 5.2%
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,838
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,499
- Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 376,060 (+593 since Wednesday)
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,553
- Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 2,859 (+10 since Wednesday)
- Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 3.1%
- 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): 7,298 (+10 since Wednesday)
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
- Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 51 (+1 since Wednesday)
- Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 861
- Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 27
- Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 22,446
- Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 1,157
- Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 62

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: 5,969,716
- Additional doses administered: 810,053
- Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,880,366
- Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,360,781
- 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/.

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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.
• Saturday, May 7, 8 a.m.: Men's Breakfast and Community Outreach -Sack Lunches in the 5 Points area. Come join our men for a free breakfast; help prepare and distribute lunches. All men are welcome.
• Sunday, May 8, 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. The 11 a.m. message is a SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY MESSAGE by Pam 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.

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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 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 Street NE, Cullman, AL 35055. Books, DVDs, Books on CD, VHS tapes. All items 50 cents each. For more information, call 256-734-1068.

Cullman Women Sing - May Concert
May 10 – Cullman Women Sing will hold their May concert on Tuesday, May 10. Concert begins at 7 p.m. at Seventh Street Baptist Church.

Pilot Club Charity Yard Sale
• May 12-14 – The Pilot Club of Cullman will be holding a charity yard sale Thursday - Saturday, May 12-14 which includes donated items from 40+ households, held at 1628 Edgewood St. NW. This is a fundraiser to benefit the Pilot Light Home, Project Lifesaver, Field of Miracles, Margaret Jean Jones Center for Developmentally Disabled, Grace Place, Brain Minder's Protecting Your Brain Puppet Shows, Therapeutic Recreation and veterans with PTSD. Hours are:
• Thursday, May 12 – 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.
• Friday, May 13 – 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.
• Saturday, May 14 – 7 a.m. – 2 p.m.
• ½ Price Sale on Saturday, noon – 2 p.m.
• For more information, contact Becky Richardson at 256-347-1986 or Peggy Harris at 256-531-2525.

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.

Pleasant View Singing
May 15 – Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will hold their regular third Sunday night singing on May 15 at 5 p.m. "The Williamsons" from Wetumpka, Oklahoma will be the guest singers. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles East of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

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.

Fairview High School Class of 1963 Meeting
May 20 – The 1963 Class meeting will be held May 20, at the Golden Corral at 1:02 p.m. (must be 1:02 p.m. or after for Senior discount). Meeting will be held in the reserved room in the back. Call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451 for more information.

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.

Boston Butt Sale
May 27 – The Hanceville Lions Club will hold a Boston Butt sale on Thursday, May 26 and Friday, May 27. Boston Butts will be $35 each and can be picked up at Hanceville Warehouse Grocery. To pre-order, call Bobby Davis at 256-339-2539.

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 p.m. 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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Update (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville Industrial Development Board met on Thursday night at the Hanceville Civic Center. After the minutes from the April 7 and April 18 meetings were read and approved, updates on two properties were given.

The first property is the old Ward Building located on Alabama Highway 91 between U.S. Highway 31 and Interstate 65. Being readied for DB Technologies, the site has HVAC work being completed.

The new proprietor, Dr. David Branscomb, will be manufacturing fiber enforced products used in gas, oil, military and automotive industries. "He does high-tech products with carbon fiber. He's built for NASA and bicycles for Lance Armstrong and the Tour de France. If you put it on a 3-D printer, he can make it," shared board member Nolan Bradford.

The second, located on Alabama Highway 91 north of U.S. Highway 31, is being prepared for a wholesale cabinet making company owned by Connie Mack.

ID board member Mary Jo Lakin spoke of the projects stating, "It's just nice to have new projects. We've gone for so long without having anything, no properties and no buildings. Now, we've got several things going on."

The tentative timeline of the purchase of the Sawyer property was also discussed.

ID board members present included Nolan Bradford, Mary Jo Lakin, Sandy Parker, Jeremy Rice, Buddy Perkins and Elaine Perkins.

The ID board meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Hanceville Civic Center. The public is invited to attend.

RUMMAGE SALE
Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church (1310 St. Joseph Dr. NW)
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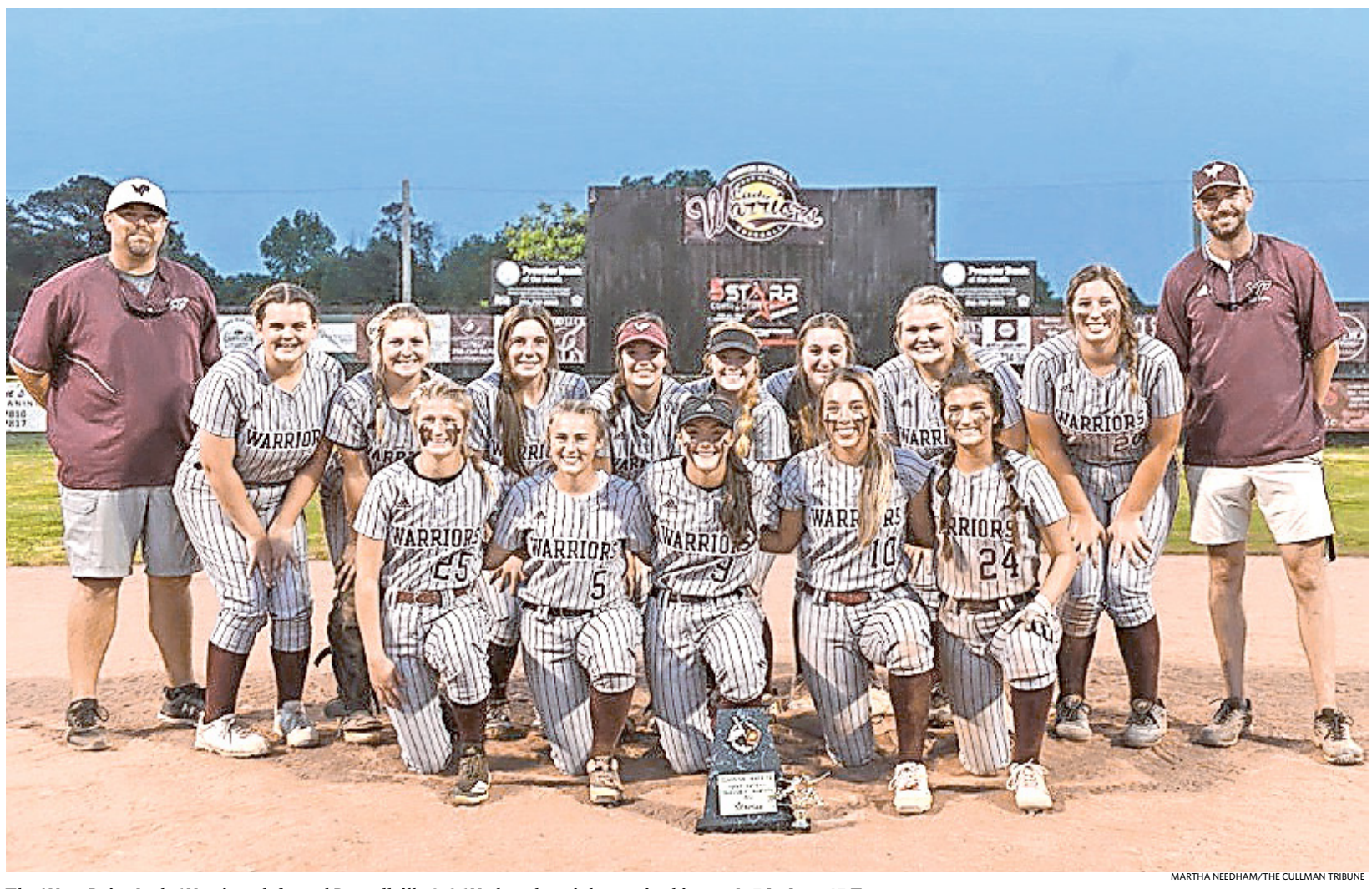
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AREA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

West Point claims area championship with 3-0 win over Russellville

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The West Point Lady Warriors defeated Russellville 3-0 Wednesday night to win this year's 5A, Area 15 Tournament.

WEST POINT, Ala. – After edging Russellville 1-0 in their first area tournament game Tuesday night, the Lady Warriors topped the Golden Tigers 3-0 Wednesday to capture this year's 5A, Area 15 Tournament title. Carlie Wilkins pitched a complete game shutout Tuesday, and she was dominant once again tonight, tossing seven more scoreless innings, allowing just five hits and striking out four batters in the win.

West Point struck early, taking a 1-0 lead in the bottom of the first when Wilkins drove in Bethany Minck with an RBI double to left field.

An error allowed another run to score for the Lady Warriors and Braelee Quinn crossed the plate on a fielder's choice to make it a 3-0 game going into the second inning.

Russellville put runners on the bases and threatened to score in both the second and the third, but West Point was able to get out of the jam both times and maintain the lead.

Wilkins retired six of the next seven batters she faced over the next two innings, but the Lady Warriors weren't able to push any runs across either.

Russellville went three-up, three-down in the top half of the sixth and West Point collected the final three outs in the top of the seventh to secure a 3-0 win and an area tournament championship.

Braelee Quinn finished the night 3-for-3 at the plate and Sidney Burks and Wilkins each posted a hit and an RBI in the win.

West Point will advance to play Wednesday at 9 a.m. against Pleasant Grove at the North Regional Tournament in Florence next week.

Alabama's Jesse Wiggins wins MLF Bass Pro Tour Bass Boat Technologies Stage 4 on Lake of the Ozarks

Joe Opager
MLF

OSAGE BEACH, Mo. — All week long, Addison, Alabama, pro Jesse Wiggins said that when he closed his eyes, Lake of the Ozarks felt exactly like his home fishery – Lewis Smith Lake in North Alabama. That hometown "feel" was just what Wiggins needed this week. The 32-year-old Alabama angler caught 11 scorable bass Thursday weighing 27 pounds, 11 ounces to win the MLF Bass Pro Tour Bass Boat Technologies Stage Four on Lake of the Ozarks Presented by Bass Cat in Osage Beach, Missouri, and take home the top prize of $100,000.

"Oh my gosh," said an emotional Wiggins as time expired. "I'm shaking, my videographers shaking, my official is shaking – we're freaking tore up. I'm just a redneck from Alabama that likes to fish and loves to throw a shaky-head.

"I get here, and the banks look identical to Smith Lake. I mean, identical. And the fish set up identical. It seemed like I could call my shot, all week long."

Wiggins spent the tournament targeting boat docks with a homemade shaky-head rig. After winning the Group A Qualifying Round, he advanced directly into Thursday's Championship Round.

"I did exactly what I wanted to do, all week," Wiggins said.

"I grew up throwing a worm – that's all we did. And we finally get a lake where they're spawning and they're biting the shaky-head. When they're on that thing, I feel like I can win."

Wiggins shaky-head rig was homemade – he fished both a 1/8-ounce and a 3/16-ounce – and he credited his key bait as being a watermelon-candy-colored Jackall Flick Shake worm.

"I always throw my shaky-heads on my 7-foot, 1-inch extra fast St. Croix Legend Elite rod – medium-heavy – with a Quantum Smoke S3 reel," Wiggins said.

"My line was Seaguar – Smackdown 30-pound braid and a 12-pound (Seaguar) Invisx leader.

"I worked with 12-pound because the water was dingy, and I was throwing it mainly around docks and cables.

"To come away with a win, first place against these guys – Lord have mercy, I can't even put it into words," Wiggins went on to say. "My support system back home – they all sacrifice so much. My wife Haley, River, my mom, Haley's mom, Haley's sisters, my grandma, my brothers – it's crazy how much they sacrifice just for me to come out here and chase these things. I am so happy to win this for them. I can't wait to bring this trophy back home to Addison."

The top 10 pros from the Bass Boat Technologies Stage Four on Lake of the Ozarks Presented by Bass Cat finished:

- **1st: Jesse Wiggins, Addison, Ala., 11 bass, 27-11, $100,000**
- 2nd: Dean Rojas, Lake Havasu City, Ariz., nine bass, 25-4, $45,000
- 3rd: Wesley Strader, Spring City, Tenn., six bass, 17-11, $38,000
- 4rd: Stephen Browning, Hot Springs, Ark., five bass, 14-0, $32,000
- 5th: Jacob Wheeler, Harrison, Tenn., five bass, 13-2, $30,000
- 6th: Kelly Jordon, Flint, Texas, four bass, 11-11, $26,000
- 7th: Andy Morgan, Dayton, Tenn., four bass, 10-9, $23,000
- 8th: Mark Rose, Wynne, Ark., three bass, 10-4, $21,000
- 9th: Jonathon VanDam, Kalamazoo, Mich., two bass, 4-3, $19,000
- 10th: Jeremy Lawyer, Sarcoxie, Mo., zero bass, 0-0, $16,000

Full results for the entire field can be found at MajorLeagueFishing.com.

Overall there were 49 scorable bass weighing 134 pounds, 7 ounces caught by the final 10 pros Thursday.

General Tire pro Mark Rose earned Thursday's Championship Round $1,000 Berkley Big Bass award – his second Big Bass Award of the event – with a 4-pound, 9-ounce largemouth that bit a Strike King Finesse jig in Period 1.

Brookeland, Texas, pro Dakota Ebare earned the $3,000 Berkley Big Bass award for the overall largest bass of the event with his 6-pound, 14-ounce largemouth that he weighed on Day 1 of competition.

After four regular-season events down in the 2022 Bass Pro Tour season, reigning Bally Bet Angler of the Year (AOY) Jacob Wheeler currently leads with 300 pounds, while Jordan Lee sits right behind Wheeler in second place with 284 points. Dayton, Tennessee's Andy Morgan sits in third with 255 points. Jesse Wiggins currently sits in fourth place with 251.5 points, while Alton Jones, Jr., rounds out the top five with 231 points.



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AREA SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Holly Pond advances to North Regional with runner-up finish, Lady Bearcats advance with win over Muscle Shoals

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HOLLY POND, Ala. – The Lady Broncos played their way to the 3A, Area 13 Championship Game Thursday night with a win over Susan Moore in the loser's bracket final but unfortunately for the home crowd, they couldn't keep the bats going in the area final and J.B. Pennington was able to rally late and defeat Holly Pond 4-3. With a runner-up finish in their area tournament, the Lady Broncos will advance to compete at the North Regional Tournament next week.

Just up the road, the Cullman Bearcats were playing Muscle Shoals for a spot in the 6A, Area 14 title game. The Lady Bearcats outpaced the Lady Trojans 6-3 to secure a spot in Thursday night's championship game and punch their ticket to the North Regional Tournament in Florence next week.

J.B. Pennington 4 – Holly Pond 3 (3A, Area 13 Championship Game)

The Lady Broncos played their way out of jams in the first and second innings and got the bats going in the third to build an early lead. Maggie Nail drove an RBI single to left to put Holly Pond in front 1-0 and Addison Armstrong followed with another RBI single to make it a 2-0 game. After a scoreless fourth inning, J.B. Pennington trimmed the lead to 2-1 with a solo homerun in the bottom of the fifth.

The Lady Broncos put a couple runners on in the top of the sixth but couldn't push them across and the Lady Tigers responded in their half of the inning, scoring three more runs to claim a 4-2 lead going into the seventh.

Nail scored on a passed ball to trim the lead to 4-3 but Holly Pond wasn't able to come any closer and J.B. Pennington held on to win it 4-3.

Nail (one RBI), Samantha Giles and Kaylee Stallings each posted a pair of hits in the loss.

Cullman 6 – Muscle Shoals 3 (6A, Area 14)

After a scoreless opening frame, Haley Shannon ripped a 2-run single into right field to give the Lady Bearcats a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the second. Savannah Davis followed her with an RBI double into left-center that made it 3-0 and Cullman plated two more runs on passed balls to take a 5-0 lead into the third inning.

Muscle Shoals took advantage of some errors in the top of the third to cut the lead to 5-3 but after a scoreless fourth inning, the Lady Bearcats stretched their lead to 6-3 in the bottom of the fifth with an RBI single from Faith Guest. Shannon and the Lady Bearcats collected the final six outs over the next two innings and secured a 6-3 win for Cullman.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Holly Pond Lady Broncos fell to J.B. Pennington 4-3 Thursday to finish as runners-up in the 3A, Area 13 Tournament and advance to the North Regional in Florence.

Shannon tossed a complete game, allowing three unearned runs on four hits and posting a strikeout. Shannon also added three hits and a pair of RBIs at the plate and Davis and Guest each finished with a hit and an RBI in the win as well.

Hartselle 13 – Cullman 1 (6A, Area 14 Championship Game)

The Lady Bearcats squared off against the top-seeded Lady Tigers for the 6A, Area 14 title Thursday night and unfortunately for the black & gold, Hartselle jumped out to an early 5-0 lead and Cullman wasn't able to recover.

The Lady Tigers plated a pair of runs in the top of the first and three more in the top of the second to build a 5-0 lead going into the third inning.

After a scoreless third, a 3-run homerun stretched the lead to 8-0 in the top of the fourth.

Hartselle added another run in the top half of the fifth, but Olivia Britton drew a bases-loaded walk in the bottom half of the inning to trim the lead to 9-1.

The Lady Tigers extended their lead to 13-1 in the top of the sixth and held on to defeat the Bearcats and claim this year's 6A, Area 14 crown.

Britton posted the lone hit and RBI for Cullman in the loss. The Lady Bearcats will advance to play Jasper Tuesday at 11 a.m. at the North Regional Tournament in Florence next week.

Peavy (from Front)

Amy Leonard
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman student Ronin Peavy is a humble young writer in his second grade class at West Elementary School. When asked if he is the latest celebrity in town, he immediately responded, "Nope. I'm just a kid."

Peavy gained notoriety with the gift of his latest writing adventure, a comic book titled "The Beast Who Came to School," which he gifted to Cullman City School Superintendent Kyle Kalloff.

Kalloff told the Tribune how he met the ambitious young writer.

"I met Ronin in carpool last week after school at West. He asked me if I happened to be a publisher, because he writes comic books and was looking for a publisher.

"Keep in mind he is in second grade. I told him I was not a publisher, but I would love to read one of his books."

Kalloff said that what happened next surprised him.

"Two days later, Dr. Page gave me a short story he wrote and illustrated about a beast who came to school, met a friend, handled a possible bullying situation and ended up moving next door to his new friend."

Erica Rutherford, Cullman City Schools Elementary curriculum coordinator, reflected how Peavy's book is evidence of his teacher's hard work.

"Student engagement is such an important part of early literacy. When students read high interest books, they are much more motivated to apply literacy skills in their writing.

"This is evident in Ronin's work. Second grade literacy instruction focuses on grade level standards. Mastery of many of these standards can be found in 'The Beast Who Came to School.'

"Explaining story structure and points of view from multiple characters is an important part of second grade comprehension," Rutherford explained.

"Ronin goes a step beyond this standard by applying these skills to writing.

"This is a much more challenging task and demonstrates a solid understanding of these skills. He has also applied grade level phonics and vocabulary to his writing. He is not afraid to write difficult words because he is able to use the phonics strategies, he has learned this year.

"Another important literacy skill is utilizing text features and illustrations to understand text.

"Ronin exhibits this with his lively illustrations that include dialogue, as well as the table of contents.

"Research tells us that if students can demonstrate learning in writing, they have truly mastered the skill. This is certainly evident in Ronin's excellent work!

"It is a testament to his learning this year and the exceptional literacy instruction provided by teachers at West Elementary."

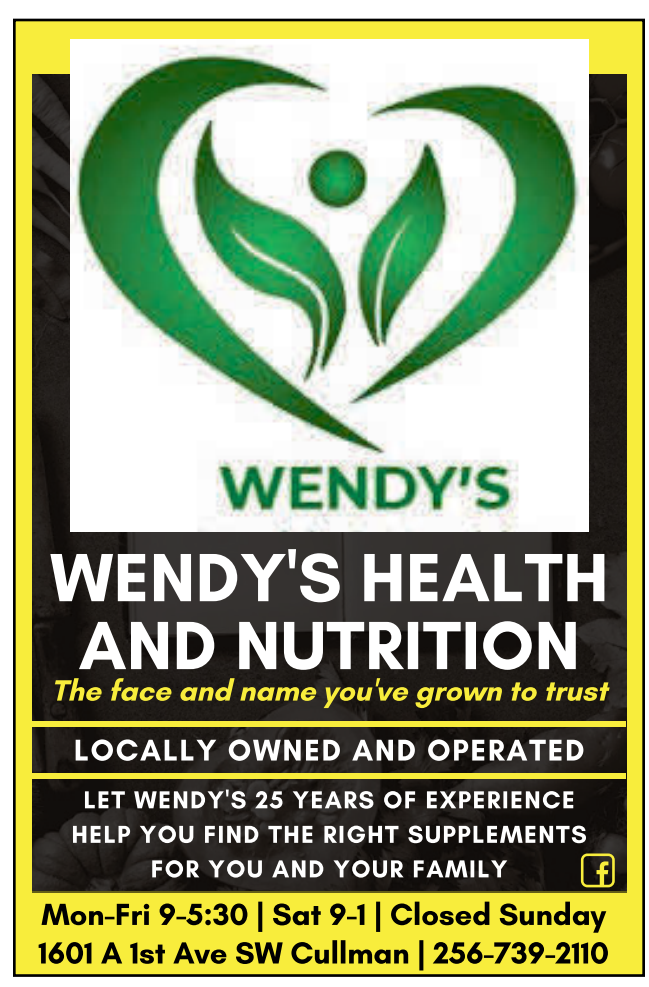
Peavy's teacher, Kelly Hayes, beamed when speaking of her student.

"All of his classmates are so proud of Ronin. I was impressed with his story and look forward to more. We're all just so proud of him."

Peavy said the experience was "pretty cool" and that the beast in his story had a good first day of school but "it didn't go so well because homework on the first day of school makes the day bad."

Looking to the future, Peavy informed this reporter to let her boss know that he's available to work as a writer for the paper anytime and wants a job.

We look forward to seeing him in the newsroom one day soon!









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 25th 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
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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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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
Personal Representative

Erin G. Adams
Attorney for Personal Representative
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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

Kalif R. Green
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

CLOSE-OUT PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Cullman Commission will hold a public meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 10:15 a.m. at the Cullman County Economic Development Office located at 325 Second Street SE., Cullman, AL 35055 to discuss closing-out their FY 2018 Community Development Block Grant Project (CY-ED-PF-18-011) known as Cullman County – County Road 18 CDBG ED Project which constructed improvements to County Road 18 which serves the AGCO-GSI facility in Bremen. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the close-out of this project and accept citizen input or objections to the county proceeding with the close-out of this project. All citizens who would like to attend the public hearing but has a disability which might require special materials, services, or assistance, should notify Bradley Williams, Director, Cullman County Economic Development at (256) 775-4696 at least three days in advance of the public hearing.

Jeff Clemons
Chairman
Cullman County Commission

FORMAL AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARING

The Cullman County Commission will hold a public meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cullman County Economic Development Office located at 325 Second Street SE., Cullman, AL 35055 to discuss amending the County's FY 2018 CDBG Economic Development Project which constructed improvements to County Road 18 which serves the AGCO-GSI facility in Bremen. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss submitting a formal amendment to ADECA requesting a decrease in the number of jobs to be created as part of this project from 50 new jobs to 23 new jobs. All citizens are encouraged to attend this meeting. All citizens who would like to attend the public hearing but has a disability which might require special materials, services, or assistance, should notify Bradley Williams, Director, Cullman County Economic Development at (256) 775-4696 at least three days in advance of the public hearing.

Jeff Clemons
Chairman
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

State of Alabama
Cullman County
Probate Elections

TO: ALL CULLMAN COUNTY VOTERS

A **PUBLIC TEST** will be held for the Precinct Ballot Counter for the **Tuesday, May 24, 2022 Democrat and Republican Primary and Constitutional Amendment Election**.

The public test will be held Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at the Cullman County Court Referral Building, 2051 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

NOTICE OF ELECTION

State of Alabama
Cullman County
Probate Elections

TO: ALL CULLMAN COUNTY VOTERS

In accordance with Section 17-9-5 of the Code of Alabama, notice is hereby given that a Democrat and Republican Primary and Constitutional Amendment Election will be held in Cullman County, Alabama on May 24, 2022. The following offices will be on the ballots:

Democratic Ballot

- Governor
- United States Senator
- United States Representative, 4th Congressional District

Republican Ballot

- Governor
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- Attorney General
- State Representative, District No. 14
- Associate Justic of Supreme Court Place 5
- Secretary of State
- State Auditor
- Public Service Commission, Place No. 1
- Public Service Commission, Place No. 2
- State Board of Education, District No. 6
- District Attorney, 32nd Judicial Circuit
- Cullman County Coroner
- Cullman County Commission, District 2
- Cullman County Commission, District 4
- Member, Cullman County Board of Education, Hanceville / District No. 4
- Member, Cullman County Board of Education, Vinemont / District No. 6
- State Republican Executive Committee, Cullman County, Place No. 2
- State Republican Executive Committee, Cullman County, Place No. 3
- State Republican Executive Committee, Cullman County, Place No. 4
- Cullman County Republican Executive Committee, East Side
- Cullman County Republican Executive Committee, At Large
- Cullman County Republican Executive Committee, West Point / District No. 1

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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds of the State of Alabama of up to $85,000,000 for the purposes of the improvement, renovation, equipping, acquisition, provision, construction, and maintenance of Alabama state parks under the jurisdiction of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and public historical sites and public historical parks under the jurisdiction of the Alabama Historical Commission.
(Proposed by Act 2021-326)
This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

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

All of the 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 Defendants whose whereabouts and identities are unknown, must answer the Complaint brought against them by Plaintiff for the cause of acting being:

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.

Lisa McSwain
Cullman County Circuit Court Clerk

Billy W. Jackson
Attorney for Plaintiff
JACKSON & WILLIAMS ATTORNEYS
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Lisa McSwain
Cullman County Circuit Court Clerk

LIFESTYLE

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CHAMPION: Community Health Aerobic Motivational Program Initiating Optimal Nutrition provides adults and youth with health, nutrition, and physical activity programs to live a healthier life (https://www.aces.edu/blog/topics/health-nutrition-products-programs-urban/champion-health-nutrition-exercise/).

Group (from Front)

Sammy Confer
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Wednesday was a very special day for the WildWater Youth Focus Group as they held a meeting inside the Cullman Wellness and Aquatic Center's indoor pool area to talk about the new WildWater Park that will open at the beginning of the summer. The kids watched a short video on what the new water park will include. Then they were taken to the construction site and got a quick sneak peek of where all the rides and slides will be.

Garrett and Aubrey Scott, ages 9 and 12 respectively, loved seeing the new water park up close and even talked about what rides they can't wait to get on.

"It was pretty cool." Garrett Scott said. "I'm very excited to get to go on the rides." Aubrey Scott said. "I think my favorite ride will be the one where you get to race on it, the rainbow one. I'm very excited to get to go on the rides as well. It was very cool to get to be on a construction site for the first time, see how it gets done."

Graham Anderson, age 10, can't wait for the water park to open up and was really excited to get to see the new water park up close.

"It was amazing." Anderson said. "I think I'm going to love the wave pool. It's amazing. I can't wait to go on all of the slides as well. It was amazing and breathtaking to see it up close."

Diane Sims, who is the manager of the new water park and the Aquatic Center director, discussed when the idea first got started, plus the excitement of having a new park in Cullman.

"About two years ago, we started outgrowing our concrete and we just needed an expansion." Sims said. "We are just so fortunate that they all put it together and it's coming along great. It's going to be great to have a new water park. I think people are going to come from all over when they find out about how many slides we have and a nice wave pool. It'll be a great place for children with a little kiddie pool area."

Sims was excited to have a group of kids be able to see the construction of it up close, plus she talked about the expectations of the new water park.

"Wasn't that wonderful?" Sims said. "What a great experience for them to come and take a look at the place. I know that they're excited to be able to come back and play in it. I think it's going to be a big hit. We've have had a lot of people that's come from Trussville and up north up here, so I think it'll be a great experience."

Leah Waldrop, marketing and public relations director, talked about what's she most excited about when it opens up.

"Being a mom, I'm really excited about the new kids' slides in that particular kids' zone area. It's going to play in nicely with the current kids' zone. I'm also really excited to see a wave pool here in Cullman. I think that's a really fun attraction for kids and adults of all ages. I'm also really excited about the fact that the park's going to be in close proximity to one another so that the rides aren't super spread out. The concessions are going to be really, really busy."

There will be some special events multiple times during the week and Leah talked about dates, plus where they can go to get tickets.

"On Tuesdays, we're going to have Twilight Tuesday. That's going to be from 4-7 p.m." Waldrop said. "Part of the park will be closed due to the swim team's practices. That's only the current water park area. But the whole new expanding area will be open on those nights. One Tuesday a month, we're also going to do a splash-in movie, one in June, one in July and one in August. That'll be at the wave pool and there won't be any waves going during the movie, but it's going to be a really fun time for people to hop in the pool and see a movie on the big screen. That'll be on Tuesday nights starting at 7 p.m., one a month."

Waldrop added, "The ticket prices can be found at wildwatercullman.com. We have ticket prices based on age and height, and of course senior citizens and active military discounts, as well as large group discounts too."

When asked about the WildWater Youth Focus Group, Walrop said, "We really wanted to pull in a group of kids from the community to see a sneak peak of what the water park is going to look like. We really wanted them to be a part of naming a slide or two and being able to see the construction and the process of the water park, so we did an application for the WildWater Youth Focus Group. We had over 260 kids from around the community apply for that. We were originally going to choose 12 kids at random, but we bumped it up to 16 since we had such a large response to that. We had a lot of fun today, showing the kids the water park, the video of what it's going to look like, and we got a lot of creative ideas for our water slide that we are wanting to rename, as well as a new name for the new wave pool and we're really excited to announce those names soon."

Waldrop was happy that she was a part of helping get a group of kids together and having them, along with their parents, see it up close for the first time.

"It was really exciting for WildWater and the city of Cullman as a whole to have a group of young kids and their parents come and help really understand the WildWater expansion, understand what it's going to look like." Waldrop said. "Plus, just have their fingerprint on it and the fact that our community, young and small, are getting to participate with us, is just a really fun thing to be a part of."

Waldrop explained, "It's unbelievably special to have a water park like this for the city of Cullman and Cullman County to have a water park like WildWater and the expansion that we're doing. Growing up in Cullman, we always went to Spring Valley Beach and Point Mallard, so you always dreamed about having something like this in your own hometown. I think having something like this is going to be huge for generations to come. I think that Cullman is really good at maintaining all of their properties and it's going to be a really fun, safe place to bring your families. Like I said earlier, it's going to be close proximity, so people with families and young children don't have to feel like they're spread out across the park. It's going to be a little bit closer in for everyone, but a still much larger park."

For more information and/or purchase tickets, visit: https://www.wildwatercullman.com/.

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52 ODES TO JOY: ZEST FOR ZZZ

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ODE TO ZZZ

ZZZ are A-okay methinks,

Each regarded with
great esteem.

A long sleep or
just 40 winks,

To doze, perchance
to dream.

There is some irony in the fact I started a luxury brand which sold many thousands of silver-topped casters of posh "sleeping powder" and silky sleep-shirts to customers like the Ritz-Carlton Hotels—though much of my life I have been a super-lousy sleeper.

My sleep-ineptitude didn't seem to be genetic. My older, wiser brother was a great sleeper. He was so good at it, he could do it with his eyes closed. We always shared a bedroom as kids. He would drift off to slumberland the moment his head would hit the pillow and I would be lying awake trying to remember if the child psychologist said I had amnesia or insomnia.

During the day, my kid brain was bouncing around like a pinball wizard, "Gimme the ball, gimme the ball, ping...ping. Squirrel!" Then, in the dark middle of the night, I'd be doing my most clear-headed pondering, "Hmmm, why aren't there dinosaurs in the Bible? They first appeared during the Triassic period, between 243 and 233 million years ago. I wish I had a flashlight so I could get up and confirm this data on the bottom of p. 287 of my dinosaur book. Of course, the time depends on the speed of evolution. Oh yeah, and on whether Mr. Darwin was right about his theories of evolution. I really need a flashlight or a miner's cap. I need to ask Santa Claus for a tiny flashlight I could pin on these pajamas. I wonder if there really is a Santa Claus. Also, was Santa Claus in the Bible?" Then, I would chart the dinosaur timeline and the days until Christmas on an imaginary blackboard in my brain, wake up exhausted and sleep through grammar school like a foggy-brained dope head.

"The amount of sleep required by the average person is five minutes more," quipped the humorist, Wilson Mizener. I've often found that to be the case, but I've also learned there are choices we can make to take some control of our sleep life destiny.

ZEST FOR ZZZ
Here are 20 favorite recommendations to enhance the likelihood for happier sleep as you age, based on my 40 years as "The Gerontologist of Joy:"

1. BE YOUR OWN SLEEP RESEARCHER—before you sign up for a "sleep study," do your homework. For just one month, every morning when you are fully awake (after coffee?) jot down how you slept the night before and what you did different the day prior that might have positively and/or negatively impacted your sleep quality. Did you get some exercise the day before? Did you have a nightcap? Once you understand the impact of your awake choices on your sleeping, you can be a more effective monitor. Each day, rate the previous night's sleep experience on a 1-10 scale. Every night may not be a 10, but for overall good health and life enjoyment, you should aspire to being a superior sleeper.

2. LOSE WEIGHT, SNORE LESS, SLEEP BETTER—Yes, it's just that simple. Well, it's just that simply said. Obviously, losing weight requires a lot of willpower and lifestyle changes. According to the Obesity Medicine Association, approximately 1 in 3 adults in the U.S. are obese, and 1 in 5 Americans (25 million people) are estimated to be affected by sleep apnea.

Sleep apnea is defined as five or more breathing-related events per hour, measured by polysomnography (sleep study).

There is a strong link between sleep apnea, snoring and obesity. Excess fat in the neck area reduces the width of the air passage and constricts the natural flow of breath. Eliminating your obesity is one of the best things to do for better sleeping, and lessening snoring can be a good thing for relationships.

3. SLEEP BETTER TONIGHT, PERFORM BETTER TOMORROW—Remind yourself of this truism. Write it on a notecard to leave on your nightstand. Embroider it on a pillow. Sleep matters. If you want more joy in your work and in your play, plan for optimal sleep.

4. ADJUST YOUR SLEEP BY 15-MINUTE INCREMENTS until you identify an optimal sleeping time for yourself.

5. SEVEN MAY BE THE CLOSEST TO SLEEPY-TIME HEAVEN—According to the latest major research results, seven hours of sleep per night is recommended for most adults.

"While we can't say conclusively that too little or too much sleep causes cognitive problems, our analysis looking at individuals over a longer period of time appears to support this idea," reports Dr. Jianfeng Feng, a professor at China's Fudan University in the scientific journal, "Nature Aging." The vast study was based on almost 500,000 adults ages 38-73 in the U.K. and China.

However, since researchers often seem to bicker like sleep-deprived kindergarteners, consider this from Russell Foster, author of "Life Time: The New Science of the Body Clock:" "How we sleep, our preferred sleep times and how many times we wake during the night varies hugely between individuals as we age. Sleep is dynamic, and we all have different sleep patterns, and the key thing is to assess what our individual needs are."

6. ENJOY BRIGHT DAYS LIKE SUNFLOWERS, EVENING SHADE LIKE ORCHIDS AND DARK SLEEPING TIME LIKE NIGHT-BLOOMING JASMINE—Flowering occurs throughout the day. Use bright light to stay alert. Lessen your lighting as the sun sets for calming. Arrange for total blackout darkness for sleep.

7. BEING HOT IN BED IS NOT GOOD—Well, it might be good for other things, but your body temperature changes throughout the day and for best sleep, experts suggest you set your sleeping room thermostat for 66-70 degrees Fahrenheit.

8. SLIP INTO SOMETHING MORE COMFORTABLE FOR SLEEP—whether, for you, that's a Victoria's Secret teddy, a Mother Hubbard flannel gown or your birthday suit. Avoid sleepwear that chokes, binds or scratches.

9. TO LOOK YOUR BEST, REST YOUR BEST—Great shoes and matching bags under your eyes is a "Glamour Magazine"—DON'T. You want to be rested and radiant for your next Met Gala or Mr. America pageant.

10. TAKE A HIKE—Even five minutes under the sky each day aids sleeps. Get outside some each day and when possible, this is even better done in early-ish morning. Exercise in the day will help tire your body which will want to naturally regenerate at night.

11. THINKING YOU MIGHT WANT A BABY, SLEEP ON IT—I thought of this example because I once saw a condom machine in a men's room at a Texaco station, euphemistically labeled "The Family Planning Center." No big decision like that should be made impulsively while pumping gas at the filling station. Pondering something major? After a good night's sleep, you'll think more clear-headedly.

12. S L E E P Y H E A D S DON'T WANT TO HEAR SPURS OR ANYTHING ELSE JINGLE, JANGLE, JINGLE—If some sounds are jazzing up your brain too much to doze off, add a "constant, background noise" like a whirring fan, a noisemaker or a smartphone app.

"Real Simple Magazine" touts the customization options of the LectroFan Classic which has 10 "fan sounds" from industrial to vent to oscillating. It also has these options: white noise (TV static), brown noise (the low hum of a brass instrument) and the new, sleep darling, pink noise (something like falling rain). Visit https://www.soundofsleep.com/.

13. WHO OR WHAT IS YOUR BIGGEST IRRITANT? —Identify one "Mighty Stressmaker" you often lose sleep because of, address it and banish it from your nighttime worries.

14. CONSISTENCY MAY BE THE HOBGOBLIN OF LITTLE MINDS—but your "body clock" wants consistent times for going to sleep and awakening from sleep. Scientists believe the reason for the "Sunday Blues" which plague many people is not from dreading Monday and the workweek but from confusing the brain with late nights and morning "sleep ins" during the weekend.

15. CREATE A "ONE HOUR PRE-SLEEP REGIMEN"—no food, no drink, no television, no electronics at all. (Full disclosure: I regularly keep this rule but have a task lamp to read good-but-not-intense novels in bed. It's rare but last night I dozed off while reading, then awakened in the wee, small hours of the morning and I'm a zombie with a pain in the neck today. Possibly karma for the hypocrisy of preaching all these "sleep commandments.")

16. THE TONIC FOR YOUR TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, NO-GOOD DAY—is sleep. Restore your body and you'll restore your perspective so you can begin again and again and again and...

17. DESIGN YOUR WORK TO RESPECT SLEEP—Let your boss and co-workers know your health priorities while also assuring them you will "pull your load" as a good team player. Some may often opt to "burn the midnight oil" but you might suggest innovative time-use strategies such as the "walking meetings" Tim Cook, Apple CEO, conducts or possibly healthy, "working lunches."

18. THROW YOUR "SNOOZE BUTTON" CLOCK OUT THE WINDOW (The Riddler would say, "See time fly.")—Instead of 10 minutes of pillow-hugging denial and giving that bojangle clock the finger, when you first wake up, spread an ear-to-ear smile across your face (your brain can't distinguish between happy to be getting up and faking the happy), then get out of bed and open the curtains and/or turn on the lights. Repeat every day for the rest of your life.

19. DON'T BE A CRAMMER—Plan ahead for a test or an important work assignment and go to bed 15-minutes earlier the night before.

20. RELAX, SLEEP WILL COME—Mindfulness meditation in which you focus on the present moment and let your mind wander without latching on to your thoughts and judging them can lead to sleep. Dr. Joshua Tal, a psychologist specializing in healthy sleep suggests deep, relaxing "belly breaths" to activate your body's "rest and digest" system. I use "box breathing" with a 4-4-4 pattern. Breathe in to a count of four, hold for a count of four, breath out for a count of four. Relax and get a good night's sleep.

Some of these 20 sleep suggestions could help you have some joyful 40 winks. Consider which might be useful for your own personal sleep health, then—sleep on it. (And, for ultimate lulling, get someone you love to read you GOODNIGHT MOON—full text below.)

ZEST FOR ZZZ ODES FROM OTHERS

"Sorrow can be alleviated by good sleep, a bath and a glass of wine."—St. Thomas Aquinas

"No day is so bad it can't be fixed with a nap."—Carrie Snow

"Sleep is the best meditation."—Dalai Lama

"I count it as a certainty that in paradise everyone naps."—Tom Hodgkinson

"O bed! O bed! Delicious bed! That heaven upon earth to the weary head."—Thomas Hood

"Without enough sleep, we all become tall 2-year-olds."—JoJo Jensen

"A good laugh and a long sleep are the best cures in the doctor's book."—Irish proverb

ZEST FOR ZZZ LAFFS

"Scientists have shown that an uncontrollable urge to start singing The Tokens' hit single, 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight' is just a whim away...a whim away, a whim away."

"What do you call a mare that sleeps around? A whorse."

"I have a condition that make me eat when I can't sleep, it's called insom-nom-nom-nom-nia."

YOU ARE GETTING SLEEPY, VERY SLEEPY TURKEY SANDWICHES—INDIANA
(Source: "Men's Health Magazine"—November, 2020)

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 which many gerontologists believe holds the promise for a long, healthy, joyful life.

Tryptophan is an amino acid in turkeys known for its sleep-inducing capabilities but is really more delicious hype than science. With the right enzymes in your brain, tryptophan, can transform to serotonin which has a calming effect but renders nothing like the "turkey coma" popularized on the television sitcom, "Seinfeld."

These turkey sandwiches published in "Men's Health Magazine" will wake up your taste buds. For each sandwich, they suggest: "Get Toasty—toasting the bread enhances sandwich flavor and structural integrity. The toaster is fine, but heartier breads (ciabatta, baguette) benefit from a minute or three beneath the broiler to turn crisp outside and chewy inside." Also, "Stack Smart—each recipe makes two sandwiches. Double the flavor by distributing the spread on the top AND bottom slices. Then add ½ cup sliced turkey to the bottom slice, followed by an equal portion of the topping and finally the top slice."

JALAPENO POPPER—Bread: 2 sandwich thins; Spread: ¼ cup barbecue sauce; Topping: ½ cup grated sharp cheddar cheese + ¼ cup pickled jalapeno slices +1 cup shredded lettuce

SHROOM SERVICE—Bread: 4 slices pumpernickel; Spread: 2 tablespoons grainy Dijon mustard; Topping: 2 slices provolone cheese + 1 cup sauteed mushrooms + ½ cup parsley

BIG FIG—Bread: 4 slices seeded multigrain; Spread: ¼ cup fig preserves + 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar + 1 tablespoon chopped shallot + 1 teaspoon fresh thyme

TBLT—Bread: 4 slices sourdough; Spread: ½ cup hummus + 2 tablespoons pesto; Topping: 4 strips cooked bacon + 2 thick slices tomato + 1 cup torn bibb lettuce

GOODNIGHT MOON
by Margaret Wise Brown

(This magically mesmerizing, sleepy time book has sold more than 50 million copies around the globe. Written by Ms. Brown and illustrated by Clement Hurd, "Goodnight Moon," was first published by Harper and Brothers in 1947.)

"In the great green room there was a telephone and a red balloon and a picture of the cow jumping over the moon.

And there were three little bears sitting on chairs and kittens and a pair of mittens and a little toy house and a young mouse and a comb and brush and a bowl full of mush, and a quiet, old lady whispering, 'Hush.'

Goodnight room. Goodnight moon. Goodnight cow jumping over the moon. Goodnight light and the red balloon.

Goodnight bears. Goodnight chairs. Goodnight kittens and goodnight mittens.

Goodnight clocks and goodnight socks. Goodnight little house and goodnight mouse.

Goodnight comb and goodnight brush. Goodnight nobody. Goodnight mush. And goodnight to the old lady whispering "Hush."

Goodnight stars. Goodnight air. Goodnight noises everywhere."

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

407. "Sleepless in Seattle" with Meg Ryan and Tom Hanks.

408. Deviled eggs made with Sriracha hot sauce and smoked salmon.

409. Grilled okra wrapped in bacon.

410. May Day posies someone leaves on your front door.

411. Mother's Day lap and love.

412. Drive-in movies.

413. Drive-thru daiquiri barns.

414. Drive-By Truckers.

415. Lightning bugs in a jar.

416. "Good Vibrations" by The Beach Boys.

417. The New York Times Crossword Puzzle.

418. College beer joints on the Tennessee line.

419. The Funky Chicken.

420. The Fickle Finger of Fate.

421. "As It Was" by Harry Styles, original video.

422. Independent bookstores.

423. Pen pals.

424. Slow-dancing at an Eagle's concert with a lady whose husband was in the federal pen.

425. Uni-Ball pens, bold, black ink.

426. Taj India buffet.

427. Indian leg-wrestling.

428. "All I Ever Really Needed to Know I Learned in Kindergarten."

429. "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" by The Tokens.

HAPPY JOYFUL DAYS AND ZESTFUL ZZZ!

Return (from Front)

ry Festival Senior Day has special events tailored just for them. It makes them feel special. After all the years of work and service our seniors have put in, today is their special day. I think they appreciate that."

Quick with a joke and smile, Milford Baker shared, "I just happy to be alive! I always come to the Senior Day at the Strawberry Festival. After we were down for the past two years, I'm happy to be back here with my friends."

Master of ceremonies Mark Aderhold kept the crowd entertained. The festival included a "Best Strawberry Themed Outfit Contest," buck dancing competition and the ever-popular games of Bingo. Several Hee Haw skits had the crowd in stitches. Live music by the talented group The Fairlanes had many couples cutting a rug while even more participated in line dancing.

Brenda Kerny, smiling broadly, shared, "We love to come to the Senior Day celebration. We love to spend time with other seniors and enjoy the fellowship we have together."

Health Promotion Coordinator for the Cullman County Commission on Aging Ava King spoke of how important socializing is to Cullman County elders and how the commission is working to bring them together again.

"Our seniors spent so much time stuck at home during COVID. Our biggest goal was to get them out and back together again. They spent so long with the senior centers closed and then we opened back up but there were still restrictions.

"The events have been very important to get everyone together again. We have several plans to make that happen.

"We had our Easter egg hunt last month and the Senior Fishing Day in Hanceville a couple of weeks ago. They love to be together and we're going to make that happen as much as possible."

Senior Day was sponsored by Drinkard Development, Affinity Hospice and Walmart Distribution.



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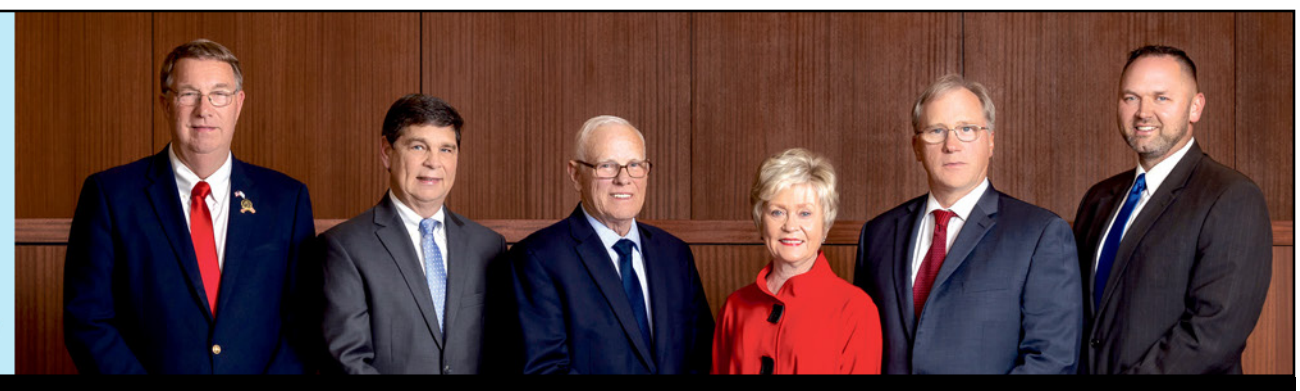


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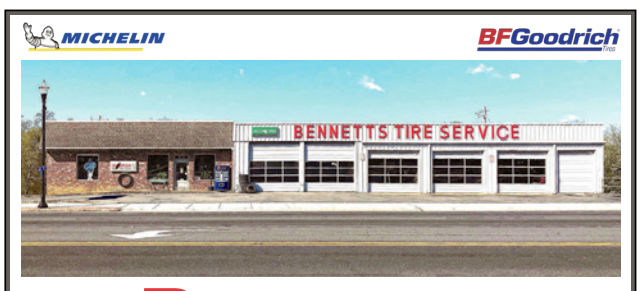
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EDUCATION

Summer Bridge program offered to high school seniors at Wallace State

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College announces it is offering a Start Right Summer Bridge program for qualifying high school seniors that aims to help incoming freshmen transition to college. The program will provide academic, motivational, social and scholarship support in a three-week format to help financially in-need students Start Right on their path to degree completion.

By participating, qualified students could avoid taking developmental level math and/or English courses, saving them both time and almost $2,000 in tuition and fees. They will also earn one college credit by completing Freshman Seminar during the Summer Bridge program.

The main campus in Hanceville will offer General Studies, Career Technical Studies and Health Science Studies options. A second General Studies option will be available at the Oneonta Campus.

"With COVID, we know there are students who may have suffered academically, which could create a barrier to them entering college," said Title III Coordinator at Wallace State Christine Wiggins.

"With the Start Right Summer Bridge program, we're hoping to level the playing field and make that transition a bit smoother, save them from taking developmental classes that would add time and cost and introduce them to the college in a way that may actually put them ahead of the game when classes start in the fall."

Applications will be accepted through May 30 for the 2022 Start Right Summer Bridge. Classes will be held four days per week, six hours per day, for three full weeks.

Offered as a hybrid option, students will spend two days each week on campus with two days of remote learning online. Lunch will be provided each day the student is on campus.

The program is open to graduating high school seniors in the Wallace State service area who have a math or English ACT of 18 or lower or a GPA lower than 2.75 plus a C or lower in Algebra II and/or English IV if they do not have an ACT score.

Income eligibility requirements will be determined during the application process. Students can apply at https://bit.ly/WSCCSummerBridge.

The program is made possible by a $72,338 grant from the Alabama Commission on Higher Education.

For more information, contact Wiggins at 256-352-8462 or christine.wiggins@wallacestate.edu.

HAVE YOU SEEN ME?



A local couple lost their Mini Australian Shepherd, Lucy, several days ago. The last place Lucy was seen was close to Randy's Auto Repair Center at 185 County Road 1294 in Cullman. They are increasing the reward to $500. If you have information, please call: 205-492-8885.

Students (from Front)

their own. It's gone hand in hand with what Ms. Hayes, our sponsor at West Elementary, is doing with our outdoor classroom. They meet every week and have 30-40 students that participate in growing their own produce and trying to eat healthy. It's important to establish those habits early on. That's important for our students here at West."

As the line of sixth grade students formed in the lunch lines, eyes brightened at the sight of the strawberry treats.

"Those look so good!"

"I have strawberries growing at my house!"

"Can I have two of them?"

Agriplex Executive Director Rachel Dawsey enthusiastically shared about the program.

"The North Alabama Agriplex received funding this year from the Alabama Specialty Crop Block Grant and one of our proposals was to help promote the Alabama Farm to School program. Our Cullman schools have been buying lots of produce from our local farmers. We just wanted to make sure that the parents, the families and the community knew that. The schools were already sourcing strawberries from Jeremy Calvert's farm, and we wanted to celebrate it. We worked with the lunchroom staff and Sabrina Yarbrough, the director. She and her staff made these beautiful strawberry yogurt parfaits. We get to hand out stickers and have a strawberry plant to show the lifecycle of the strawberry."

Looking to fall's harvest, Dawsey said, "We're hoping to come back in the fall for Apple Crunch Day that Sweet Grown Alabama, Farm to School and Alfa Insurance sponsor. The idea is to get local apples that we will get at Steele Orchard. Each child will get a local apple that they all bite into together at the same time as all the other schools in Alabama that are participating in Apple Crunch Day."

The students were the first of many Cullman residents to reap the rewards of a bountiful harvest of Cullman's famous strawberries.



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Autumn Rook, North Alabama Agriplex Outdoor Classrooms program, and Rachel Dawsey, North Alabama Agriplex Executive Director

Obituary Announcements: May 5-6

James Bradley Murphy, 88, of Falkville
James Bradley Murphy, age 88, of Falkville, passed away Thursday, May 5, at Cullman Regional. He was born April 16, 1934, to Carl and Myrtie Murphy. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Tom Armstrong and Joe Murphy and sister: Margaret Tillman. Survivors include his sister: Joy Coots and a host of nieces and nephews.

Beverly Haynes Denson, 69, of Vinemont
Funeral service for Beverly Haynes Denson, age 69, of Vinemont, will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 8, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Tim McCormick officiating, and interment in Brooklyn Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1-3 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Denson passed away Thursday, May 5, at her residence. She was born Aug. 24, 1952, in Cullman, Alabama, to Silas and Frances Haynes. She was preceded in death by her sons: Robert Irvin Denson and Joseph Denson; parents and former husband: Robert Preston Denson. Survivors include her sister: Eugenia (Shawn) Hadaway: brothers: Stanley (Peggy) Haynes and Veyon (Nancy) Haynes and a host of nieces and nephews.

Carolyn Joyce White, 78, of Cullman
The funeral service for Carolyn Joyce White, 78, of Cullman will be 2 p.m. Saturday, May 7, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from noon – 2 p.m. prior to the service on Saturday. Reverend Steve Rodgers will officiate the service. The interment will be in Fellowship Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the White family. Mrs. White was a member of Baldwin Heights Baptist Church. She loved jigsaw puzzles, the Atlanta Braves and being a homemaker. Mrs. White loved her family, her grandson and great-grandson. She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years: James Aubrey White; parents: Alvin Thomas and Ruth Chandler Parker; brother: Bobby Parker and sister: Charlene Parker Woods. Mrs. White is survived by her children: Pamela (Steve) Levering and Tina (Greg) Smith; grandchildren: Christopher (Brittany) Grimmett; great-grandson: Parker Grimmett; brother: Rayburn Parker; sister: Doris (Charles) Adkins; sisters-in-law: Mossie Parker, Mary Alice Rhodes and Carolyn White; special friend: Virginia Headrick and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Jennifer Lee McElvenny, 60, of Hanceville
Jennifer Lee McElvenny, 60, of Hanceville, Alabama passed from this life May 4, at the Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born June 10, 1961, to Robert Stewart and Ella Jean Wisener McElvenny. A private viewing for family and friends will be announced. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the McElvenny family. Ms. McElvenny was preceded in death by her father: Robert Stewart McElvenny, Sr. She is survived by her mother: Ella Jean Wisener McElvenny; son: Ralph Colin (Brissa) McElvenny; daughter: Penny (Scott) Alessandrine; brother: Robert Stewart (Cecilia) McElvenny, Jr.; sisters: Debbie (Jeff) Albright, Jeannie (Chris) Jensen and Charlene Sakers (Brian) Chapman and grandchildren: Brayden and Briana Alessandrine.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

The three most important mothers in life

Bill King
Tribune
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No matter how different we may be from one another, we all have at least one thing in common. We all had a mother and a father. The only two people ever who did not have a mother and father were Adam and Eve. Unfortunately, some children may have never known theirs. Sadly, others may have wished they did not. It has been said that we have no choice in the ones we got. Not all parents are good parents, but the good ones are a blessing to whom we owe much. They have an enormous effect on our lives and the people we become. Since Mother's Day is this week, I want to write about the three most important mothers in life, not necessarily in your life, but in mine.

The first mother I ever knew was obviously my own, Iris Nell King. She was also the first person of great influence in my life. She was the mother of 4, of which I was the youngest. She lovingly taught us right from wrong, how to behave, and how to treat others. She taught us about God and Jesus and how much they love us. She took us to Sunday School and church every Sunday. She read the Bible to me, and prayed with me most nights before we went to bed. She saw that we had 3 meals each day, usually ones she had cooked. While she only had a 6th-grade education, she made sure we went to school and helped us with our homework.

During much of my adolescence, my father worked long hours and wasn't home much, but Mama was always there. She became a widow at age 48. I was 15, and her only child still living at home. She had all the parental responsibilities after that, but she rose to the challenge. I lived with her until shortly before my 20th birthday.

She went to live with Jesus 20-years ago, but I still miss her every day. She was not a perfect mother, but I couldn't have asked for a better one.

The next mother I want to mention is the mother of my child. Jean Willis King became my loving wife almost 47-years ago. Almost 35-years ago, she became the mother of our only child.

Since then, she and I have had some great times and some hard times, but she has been right by my side through it all. She quickly became my best friend, my soul mate, and my partner in parenting. Being a parent is one of the greatest blessings in life, but it can also be one of the most challenging things we do. Children do not come with instructions!

I cannot imagine rearing a child by myself, and I am thankful that I did not have to do so. Having a wife who was and is a good mother sure made parenting much easier. Neither of all had all the answers, but

together as a team we tried our best to make the right decisions.

The next important mother in my life is the mother who made me a grandfather. Our daughter, Ashley, is a hard-working nurse who gives so much of herself to so many, but still finds time to give to her family. I am extremely proud of the woman she has become, and that includes the loving mother she is to our grandson.

I appreciate all good mothers. I have indeed been blessed with wonderful ones in my life, whom I love deeply! Happy Mother's Day to you all!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1930, 1933

From the Files of 1930

Judge and Mrs. Homer F. Mitchell announce the birth of a son, at their home last week.

Attending the University of Alabama homecoming last weekend were Howard Griffin, Bob Young, J. Church and J. Little.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tanner have returned from Atlanta, where they had visited friends for several days.

Joseph Mackentepe is quite ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Richter announce the birth of a pretty little daughter, at their home last week.

On Sunday afternoon "Fairlawn," the home of Miss Mary Knapp was dedicated as a pastorium for the Vinemont Baptist Church. Knapp gave this large home with several acres of grounds to the church and has moved into her smaller home, which she has named "Kozykot."

From the Files of 1933

The commencement sermon was called off at Fairview School due to a severe hailstorm. Holes were knocked in some of the roofs and window glass was broken by the hail. Fruit trees were stripped and vegetation beaten into the ground. Reverend John E. Marion of First Baptist Church would have been the speaker.

Sixty carloads of strawberries have been shipped from Cullman and 45 carloads from Hanceville to northern markets. The trucks hauling strawberries were not counted.

The rise in price of cotton from 4 ½ cents to 8 ½ cents during the past few weeks really looks encouraging to the farmer. There is hope for a brighter day.

Walker County officials have moved into a new courthouse which replaces the old one that was destroyed by fire a few months ago. The cost of the new building is $100,000.00

Mr. and Mrs. T.A. Smith are the parents of a fine little girl, whom they have named Martha Sue.

The song service for Memorial Day at Duck River Church was led by Reverend Glenn Hembree.

E.R. Williford, good citizen and merchant of Crane Hill was in Cullman on business this week. He called at The Tribune and renewed his paper.

POET'S CORNER

The Alabaster Box | By: Randy C. Hale

Her hair, in silent waves
fell across his feet,
as drops of tears fell on His skin
to clear the dust from streets.

She kissed His feet with tender lips
and held them in her hands, and
spread a perfume that filled the air,
anointing the Son of man.

She asked for nothing, yet something
came, the master said fear not,
your love outweighs your sins,
forgiveness fills your heart.

Go in peace, your faith to keep
your life it has been saved.
And all the things you ever did,
in heaven is erased.

Randy C. Hale
Luke 7:37-50



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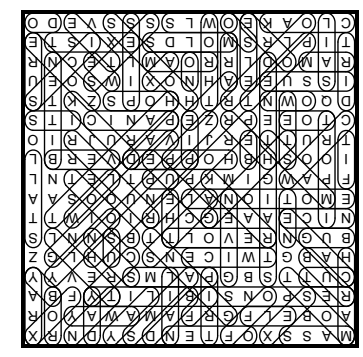
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EDUCATION

CATA Health Science seniors Riley Daugherty and Briece Buxton obtain Nurse Aide Certification

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Two Health Science students, Riley Daugherty and Briece Buxton from Cullman Area Technology Academy, recently received their Nursing Aide Certification and AHA BLS Instructor certification, meaning they can now instruct others in first aid techniques, CPR and cardiovascular care. The two are seniors at West Point High School and third-year students at CATA.

Their senior year has been dedicated to hands-on clinicals and obtaining their CNA and BLS Instructor certification. They both have plans to attend Wallace State Community College and plan to become RNs.

This year, the pair were the only seniors in the Health Science program at CATA. Instructors Tracy Smith and Adriann Basch shared that they usually have many more seniors, but due to Covid, they have had fewer students going into nursing in the last two years.

Daugherty and Buxton can now enter the workforce in their industry if they choose to as CNAs and get a jump-start on their college education with hands-on experience.

Daugherty shared her appreciation for the experience she gained at CATA, "I loved attending CATA. Our instructors made sure that we were well prepared for whatever plans that we had for our future and made sure that we were comfortable in whatever field we take in our future."

While Buxton still plans to pursue nursing, she said that she has already received a job offer from Cullman Regional Hospital where she will be getting certified as a telemetry monitor technician.

She stated, "I think CATA did help me a lot because I went into their class not knowing what I wanted to do or even be.

"Funnily enough wanted to do cosmetology when I first heard about the career center, but then I went into their class and absolutely loved it."



WALLACE STATE

West Point Seniors Briece Buxton and Riley Daugherty

EDUCATION

CATA holds information session about new Power Lineman/Fiber Optic Technician Training Program

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Area Technology Academy held an informational session on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. to discuss their upcoming Lineman Program in fall 2022 just for High School seniors. The program is the first high school program of its kind in Alabama. CATA has had an electricity program for years, but last year, the faculty decided to revamp the program. About two months into their process, Principal Billy Troutman said he got a call from Cullman Electric Cooperative in which they offered to partner with CATA.

Troutman, Assistant Director Haynes Riddle and the team at Cullman Electric revised a new program with the idea that internet is now an essential need for most people and fiber optic technology is a new component to linemen jobs.

This collaboration led to a Power Lineman/Fiber Tech program idea. Electricity principles like basic wiring will still be a part of the program.

Riddle said, "If you're wanting to be an electrician, this program is for you too." According to Troutman, it will be "the new and improved electricity program."

"What we're looking to build in a tech program that is going to be 100% transferable. The skills you learn are transferable into the real world.

"When students graduate, there will be multiple career paths available to them," Riddle explained.

The Fiber Optic Certification is going to be a three-day training where students can learn to splice fiber optic wire. Other credentials earned will be NCCER, OSHA 10, CPR, CFOT, along with many safety classes.

Riddle said that CATA will even set up a pole yard where students can practice climbing power poles.

At the end of the year, instructors will go over interviewing and communication skills to prepare students for getting jobs.

The standards in the program will be high.

Scoring below a 70 on a test will mean having to retake it.

Troutman said, "We want to make sure you're held to the same standard you will be held to in the industry."

Superintendent of Operations at Cullman Electric Cooperative Brandon Miner attended the session and shared that the Co-op wants to be a part of the program and will have linemen attend the classes and discuss their careers with the students.

He said that lineman and fiber optic technician jobs are in high demand. They are also in the Top 40 highest paying jobs in Alabama.

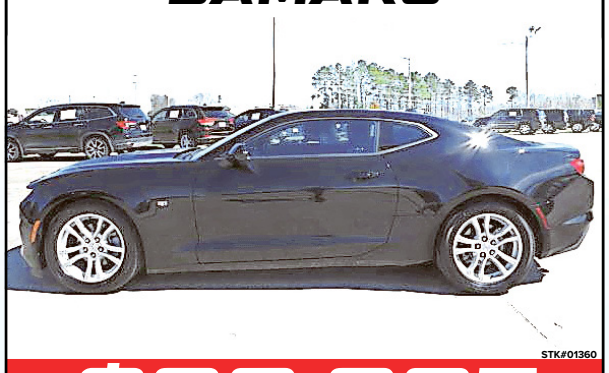
He said the reason for requiring high test scores is because it's, "...a dangerous job. It's not a job for mistakes."

Interested students are encouraged to apply quickly as there is limited availability. Apply at https://cata.ccboe.org/o/cata/article/665839.

CATA is hosting a Signing Day for seniors on May 13 for those who have not yet found employment, to meet with employers in every industry program offered at CATA.

Riddle said that at the end of next year, he plans to have a similar event for students in the Lineman Program to help them become employed as quickly as possible.

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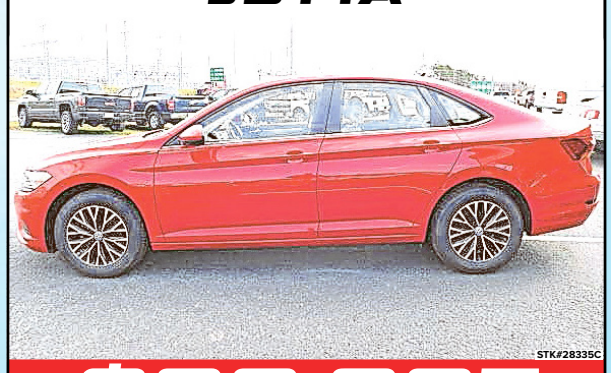
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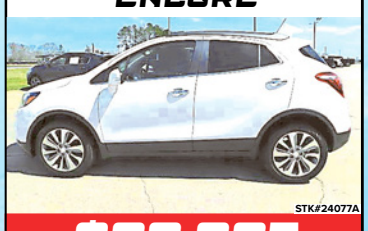
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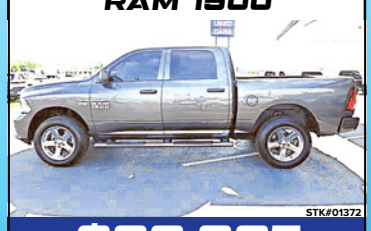
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