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LAW ENFORCEMENT

Cullman Police Department assistant chief retires, shares memories, experiences

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Assistant Police Chief Craig Montgomery spent his first day in retirement enjoying some front porch sitting and late morning coffee after serving 30 years with the Cullman Police Department.

Chief Kenny Culpepper said he knew Montgomery before their venture into law enforcement began together in 1992.

"We served together in the military previously—and I remember when he was hired into the police department," Culpepper said. "His military and life experiences are something worth sharing. He's been a great officer, leader and friend."

Montgomery joined the Army, got a degree from Auburn University, joined the National Guard and then, the Cullman Police Department in 1992.

"On Oct. 1, 1992, I started with the CPD—over the years I've had numerous assignments with numerous wonderful supervi- » PAGE 12



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Craig Montgomery

Young members of No Fences Cowboy Church with servants' hearts host outreach



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
The kids' hard work results in over 90 bikes assembled for those in need

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FALKVILLE, Ala. — No Fences Cowboy Church in Falkville is on a mission to teach an invaluable lesson to its young parishioners—the positive impact and vital Christian lesson on giving back and providing outreach to people in their community.

The small but powerful children's group meets on Wednesday nights at the church. The adults decided the young members were the perfect age to begin molding into the embodiment of true helpers within the church and the surrounding communities.

This week, the church's young members gave away 94 bicycles to children from three nearby elementary schools, ensuring a summer of outdoor fun and exercise.

Katie Brown from the church explains, "We started with just a small group of eight to 10 kids on Wednesday nights. We wanted to start doing outreach with the kids, so we've done canned goods drives and clothing drives to teach the kids how to do outreach. For Valentine's Day, they made love cards. The kids have been loving it."

After Valentine's Day, their sight was set on spring and the upcoming summer break from school.

"For March, we decided we would do 'Pedal into Spring' as our outreach. We decided, as a little class, that we wanted to raise some money and buy new bicycles for kids in the community. With our little group, we thought we would have eight to 10 bicycles." » PAGE 10

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Road paving along Eva Road starts Monday » PAGE 7

Year's first 'Second Fridays' celebration kicks off



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Stretching from Depot Park to south of U.S. Highway 278, First Avenue saw record numbers of traffic, foot traffic, as Cullman's summertime celebration returned on Friday night. Hosted by the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce and Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism, the event had warehouse business district merchants keeping their doors open to welcome shoppers, and the street was alive with activity. Look for a feature on the event in Tuesday's edition.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 9-10

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 9-10, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

June 7

- robbery/burglary; Hwy 278 W
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Chilkdhaven Rd. NE
- theft of property; Fields Rd. Hanceville
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1830
- Violation of Protection Order; Co. Rd. 1546
- criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 1283
- unlawful breaking entering of motor vehicle; Hwy 31
- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 1674
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 521
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 437
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1303
- burglary; Co. Rd. 1030
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1208

June 8

- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1212
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 109
- theft of property; US 231
- theft of property; Hwy 91
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 490
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle, domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1814
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 651
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Hwy 69 S
- drug trafficking, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1323

ARRESTS

June 7

Barton, Jeffery; 50
- burglary-residence-force
- burglary-residence-no force
- kidnapping-to aid/accomplish crime-adult
- robbery-residence-gun
- auto theft and use for crime
- burglary-residence-force
- larceny/theft-theft-firearms
- larceny/theft-theft-from residence, $500-less than $1500
- robbery-residence-gun
- auto theft

Byram, Christopher D; 40
- Probation Violation – larceny/theft of property – 2nd degree, $1500-2500

Hogan, Randall J; 40
- assault-harassment (harassment/intimidation)

Mills, Jeremy D; 52
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Mills, Ladana B; 50
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Moreno, Jonathan S Jr; 27
- FTA – driving while license suspended

Phillips, Benjamin T; 37
- larceny/theft-shoplifting, less than $500

Puckett, Logan I; 21
- FTA – assault-aggravated assault non-family-strong arm

Schwenn, Andrew W; 33
- FTA – possession of marijuana
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled
- FTA – failure to register vehicle
- FTA – no seat belt
- FTA – operating vehicle with improper tires
- FTA – operating vehicle without insurance

Simmons, Jonathon L; 40
- FTA – burglary-unlawful breaking and entering a vehicle (no theft)
- FTA – larceny/theft – shoplifting, $500-less than $1500

Thrasher, Kelsie P; 24
- FTA – assault – child abuse – simple – family

June 8

Anderson, Anthony L; 34
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Auston, William T; 36
- FTA – driving while license suspended
- FTA – improper lights

Fitzpatrick, Chris
- Probation Violation – possession of dangerous drugs

Klosinski, Mary E; 33
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA - making false report to law enforcement

Peterson, Amy R; 41
- drug trafficking
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Smith, Christian X; 31
- appears in public place under influence
- Sex Offense-indecent exposure
- Violation of a Domestic Violence Protection Order

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 5
- harassment; person; Northcrest Dr. NW

June 8
- theft of property – 1st degree; L&L Wholesome Autos; 2nd Ave. NW; '16 Ford F350; $68,500
- theft by deception – 4th degree; person; cash
- domestic violence – 3rd degree; person; Walker St. SW
- theft of property – 1st degree; Smart Style; Olive St. SW; cash

June 9
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; 4th St. SW; phone; $500
- theft of property – 1st degree; U-Haul; box truck; $80,000
- criminal trespass – 3rd degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW
- theft of property – 4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $8

ARRESTS

June 8

Johnson, Tanya L; 46
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

Marsh, Thomas M; 43
- FTA – theft of property – 4th degree

Owens, Clara N; 57
- theft of property – 4th degree

Phillips, Benjamin T; 37
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle (3 counts)

June 9

Graves III, James L; 51
- FTA – theft of property – 4th degree

Joslyn, Christopher M; 67
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – insurance violation
- FTA – switched tag

Klosinski, Mary E; 33
- FTA – domestic violence – 3rd degree
- disorderly conduct

Pugh, Jamie B; 42
- disorderly conduct

Rogers, Wendy S; 45
- criminal trespass – 3rd degree

Young, Andrew C; 27
- attempt to elude

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Cullman Ballet Theatre School offering Summer Dance Classes

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Ballet Theatre School is offering the opportunity for all ages, from young children to adults, to attend Summer Dance Classes. The curriculum at CBT School is carefully structured by levels to provide challenging yet safe training to each student. Students are placed in the appropriate level by the director in consultation with the former dance teacher and the dancers' parents based on a combination of age, experience and strength.

The first level is the Introduction to Dance Camps for ages 3-8 on June 14-16 and June 21-23 at 9:30-11:30 a.m. Children take an age-appropriate ballet class, create a ballet-oriented craft and will also have a story time where they learn about classical story ballets. Water will be provided for break time. All craft materials will be supplied. Parents and friends may observe the last day of camp at 11:15 a.m. The cost is $90 for one camp week and $160 for both camps.

The class will be taught by Anna Willingham Lanier who has been teaching pre-ballet for over 20 years at CBT. She is the owner of "Dance with Us," Cullman's only dancewear specialty shop.

Anna also teaches pre-ballet class levels A, B, C and community ballet classes, which is the multi-level ballet technique for dancers age pre-teen and above. Anna studied ballet from her mother, Elaine Willingham, from age 5 until graduation from high school.

The Intermediate class for ages 9-12 and Advanced class for ages 12 and up are from June 13-28 and July 11-29 on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Students will be taught ballet technique, terminology, Pilates, jazz, hip-hop, contemporary/lyrical and Acro.

Anna Lanier will teach the Intermediate level classes in the evenings. Director Elaine Willingham will teach the Advanced level classes, Leah Bowden will teach jazz and hip-hop for the Intermediate and Advanced levels and Cloe Carter will teach contemporary and Acro.

Since ballet is the foundation of dance, it is still beneficial to learn for any students who do not wish to continue will ballet. Director Elaine Willingham said, "Ballet isn't for everyone and that is why we continue to have a hip-hop teacher." She said that hip-hop would be easier for any child to learn regardless of previous experience.

Ballet Theatre School highly stresses summer studies for serious students, Master classes with guest teachers of title are planned throughout the year for Intermediate to Advanced students. Registration can be completed online at https://www.cullmanballettheatre.com/ or at Cullman Ballet Theatre School.

All dance attire is available at "Dance with Us," located next door to Cullman Ballet Theatre School.

Hanceville (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Hanceville City Council met on Thursday evening where the council voted to approve transferring funds to the Hanceville Industrial Development Board for a nearly completed property located on Alabama Highway 91 just north of U.S. Highway 31.

Home to an upcoming cabinet shop which is expected to employee approximately five people, the development is in the end stages of construction, requiring only minor work on the interior and concrete work on the exterior.

After thorough discussion on the most appropriate manner to move the project forward and the timeline by which the funds are needed by the ID board, a line of credit was not deemed a viable option.

With the budgetary needs explained by ID board member Nolan Bradford, the council approved transferring $12,500 to the ID board, understanding that up to an additional $12,500 may be needed for project completion.

Mayor Kenneth Nail reminded everyone that the city will be recouping the funds upon the sale or lease of the property.

"We understand that once the building sells or whatever and the finances get together, we will get that money back," he said.

In other news, Resolution No. 663 for sewer extension, using funds from the Community Development Block Grant program and additional funds from the Cullman County Community Development Commission, was approved.

Fire Chief Bob Long reported a highly active month of May with 159 total calls for his department.

The Hanceville Fire Department is selling raffle tickets for a Five-Day Vacation Getaway to either Panama City, Florida's Emerald Beach or Big Bear Lodge in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

Only 200 raffle tickets will be sold, which can be purchased at Hanceville Fire Station No. 1 or from any fire department member.

The money raised will go toward the purchase of new equipment.

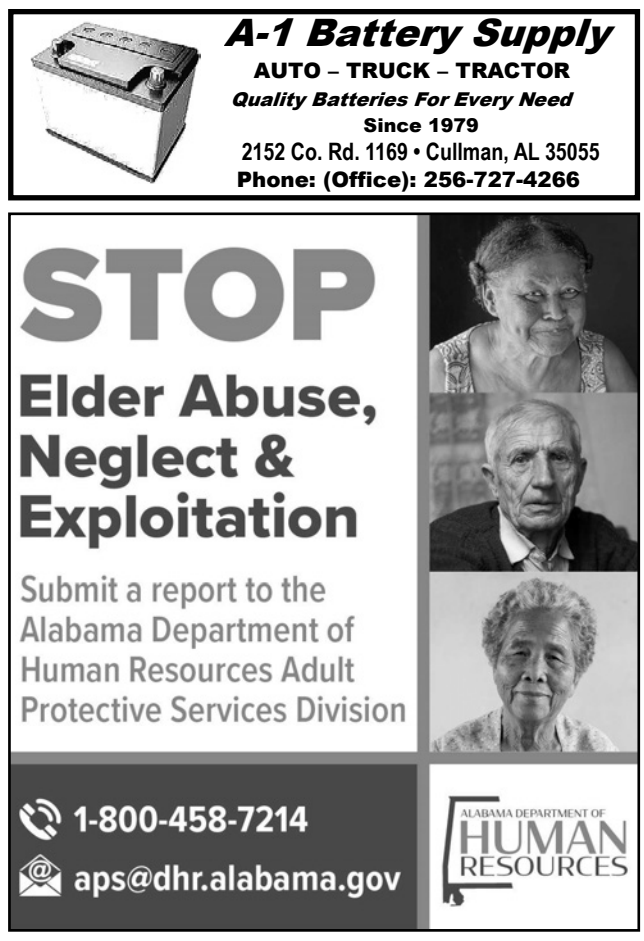
In council news, Council member John Stam attended the meeting by telephone while he is recovering from COVID-19.

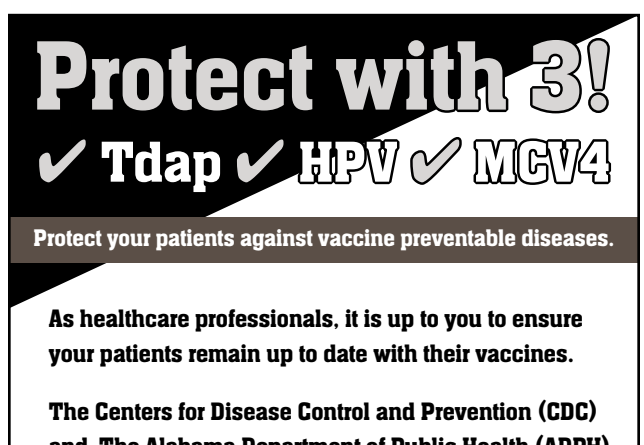
Mayor Kenneth Nail and his wife Sabrina are the proud grandparents of their small but mighty grandson, Liam.

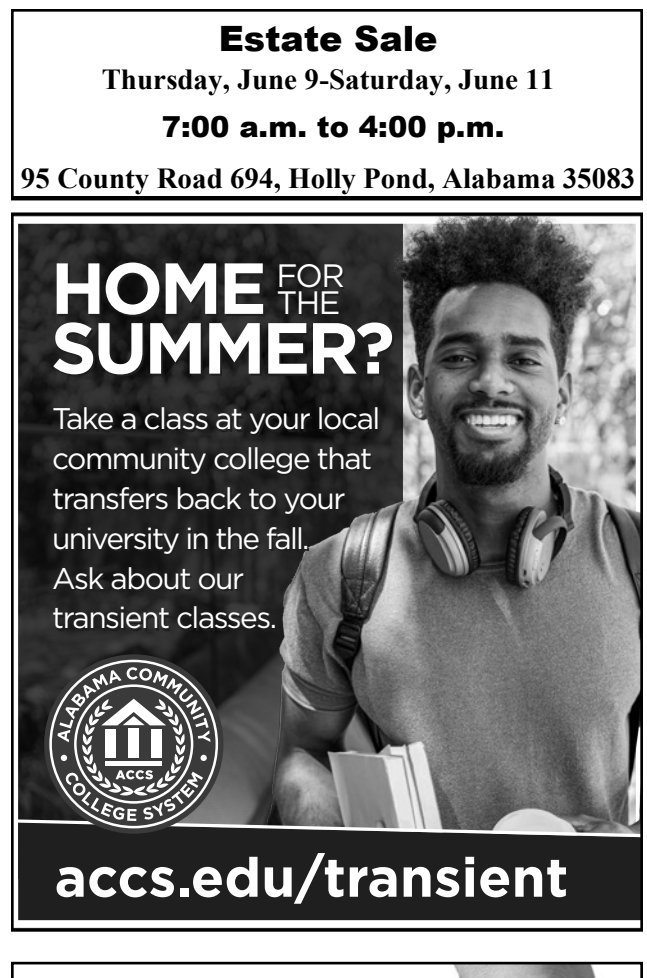
Weighing 1 pound, 8 ounces, Liam is currently in UAB Hospital where he is expected to be until the end of summer.

The mayor thanked the council and community members for their continued support and prayers for his family.

The Hanceville City Council meets on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at Hanceville City Hall. The work session begins at 5 p.m. and the regular council meeting begins at 5:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.









COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to olivia@cullmantribune.com

"Come to the Well" Community Women's Bible Study
• Tuesday mornings at 10 at the Hebrews Cafe at East Side Baptist Church, 1111 Third 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.
• Friday and Saturday, June 10-11, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Indoor / Outdoor Yard Sale
• Sunday, June 12 - 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 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
• 6-7 p.m. ler. miercoles del mes, En Su Tierra Cullman FUMC
• Despensas para la comunidad. No requiere ID. Entrega en su vehículo. Por favor use mascarilla.

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, 9:30-11:00 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.

St. Bernard Prep Applications Open
St. Bernard Prep is accepting applications for residential and day students in grades 7-11. Think you can't afford it - think again. If your child qualifies academically, scholarships and financial aid are available! Call to schedule an appointment today at 256-739-6682 or visit https://stbernardprep.com/.

Festhalle Farmers Market
• Open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays – 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. until October
• Located at 209 First Ave. NE, Cullman, AL

Berlin Farmers Market
• Open Saturdays from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. until October
• Located at 50 Mt. Carmel Drive off U.S. Highway 278

2nd Fridays at Sacred Heart
• Join Sacred Heart of Jesus Church's Altar Society and Knights of Columbus as they celebrate Cullman's 2nd Fridays this summer on three different nights, June 10, July 8 and Aug. 12, with Bunco and Bingo games in the Family Life Center. Located in downtown Cullman, one block over from First Avenue and the Warehouse District, site of open stores, music and food during these summertime nights. The Altar Society will offer two sessions of Bunco games, one from 5-7 p.m., with a second round of fun from
• 7-9 p.m. Cost is $20 per session per person with monetary awards for winners. In addition, the Knights of Columbus will sponsor an evening of Bingo starting at 5 p.m, and prizes galore! Food and drink will be available for purchase. Everyone is invited to attend these events with funds raised used for the Church's upkeep. Come join in the fun and fellowship in the air-conditioned Sacred Heart of Jesus's Family Life Center.

Yard Sale
June 11 – Four-family yard sale on Saturday, June 11 at 8 a.m. Located at Joe's Auto Sales (525 Alabama Highway 69 S, Dodge City)

Movie at the Park
June 11 – The Fairview Lions Club is having a free movie at the park on Saturday, June 11 at the Randall Shedd Community Park on Wesley Avenue in Fairview. "Gnomeo and Juliet" will begin around 8 p.m. There will be concessions and drinks. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets, as well as a canned food item to support the local community food bank. Proceeds will go to the Lions Club project fund. For more information, call Kita at 256-385-8805 or William at 256-385-5596.

Master Gardners Meeting
June 16 - Cullman County Master Gardeners will meet at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 16, at the County Extension Office, 402 Arnold St. NE, Cullman. At 11 a.m. Alisha Millican, President of the Alabama Mushroom Society, will present a program on mushrooms and other fungi. Current, former and prospective members are invited to attend.

Bates Reunion
June 18 – The Bates reunion will be held Saturday, June 18, beginning at 10 a.m. at Trimble Community Center

"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. 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!

Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet
July 23 – Tickets for the Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet on July 23 are on sale at First Southern Financial in the South Cullman Shopping Center. Call 256-737-5120 or 256-736-4445. Tickets are $20 each.

86th Annual Sandlin Reunion
• Aug. 6 – First Sandlin Reunion after two years will be back at the Cold Springs Community Center (8821 County Road 109 in Bremen) on Saturday, Aug 6 from 10:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. Bring covered dishes and drinks. Plates, cups, napkins, forks and ice will be provided. Invite your Sandlin relatives!
• For more information, email patsymedlock@bellsouth.net or call 205-915-1870.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Friday, June 10, COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes
As of May 19, the Overall Levels of Community Transmission was removed from the Data and Surveillance Dashboard. We have added two tabs: Community Levels for the public and Community Transmission Levels for health care facility use only to the Dashboard Hub: arcg.is/0brSGj.

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday) No Updates Available
• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 17.9%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,831
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,456
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 399,074 (+2,395 since Wednesday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,555
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 2,948 (+16 since Wednesday)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 5.1%
• 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): 7,595 (+44 since Wednesday)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 51 (+0 since Wednesday)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 860
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 44
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 27,854
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 4,987
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 261

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 9,520,395 No update available
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,864,065 No update available
• Doses administered: 6,014,341
• Additional doses administered: 838,996
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,877,229
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,377,470
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,663,530 No update 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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‘Good Hope is such a special place’: Tanner Malin reflects on his Raider career

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to Good Hope football and basketball star Tanner Malin, who will be going to Millsaps College to continue his athletic career on the football field and on the hardwood.

Tanner talked about what some of his best sports/high school memories were.

“Some of my best memories would have to be beating Etowah and Northside this past season because of the history we had with both of those teams,” Malin said. “In basketball, it would have to be for sure winning my third county championship because I’m not sure if many people in our county have ever done that or made it four in a row on a varsity team. My all-time favorite would have to be being the first North-South All-Star ever at Good Hope. In high school, some of the best memories would have to be just the weeks of homecoming and doing all the events with my friends and the senior pranks that we did. I’ll never forget bonding with my friends and just having fun one last time before we were official graduates.”

Tanner feels really blessed to have played for a pair of great coaches during his high school career.

“My coaches were like father figures to me,” Malin said. “I could text them anytime and ask them for something and they’d respond right away.

“They were always there for any of our players, and they always let us know that their faith came first in their life. They made sure everyone felt valued and cared for no matter if they played the whole game or didn’t touch the field or court at all.”

Tanner talked about what all he learned and took away during his time at Good Hope.

“I learned a lot, but my biggest takeaway is you’re never too good to be nice to everyone,” Malin said.

“There’s so many different friend groups and different people in high school and not one is better than the other. You never know the impact you could leave on a person. Be nice to them, especially if they’re going through something nobody knows about. Good Hope is one of the best things to happen to me. If I wasn’t from Good Hope, I don’t know where I would be or if I would even be playing college ball. Good Hope is such a special place.”

Tanner will miss a whole lot of things in high school and gave some advice to those students that are preparing to start high school.

“What I’ll miss the most will be the family atmosphere and the community support from everyone in the Good Hope community,” Malin said.

“I wouldn’t be the player I am without them and their support. For those students that are fixing to start high school, take everything in. Never be satisfied with the work you’re doing today because you can always work on this and be better at anything in life. Don’t be afraid to try new things. Be outgoing. Be the person that wants to talk first in class and first in everything. Set an example. Be someone others can look up to if you can. God made us all different, but perfect in his eyes. Put your own perfection out there and just give it your all.”



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Good Hope’s Tanner Malin

‘Don’t ever take anything for granted’: Cody Bales looks back on his time at Cold Springs

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BREMEN, Ala. – In this interview, I talked to former Cold Springs basketball and baseball standout Cody Bales about his Eagles career.

Cody shared some of his best sports/high school memories from Cold Springs.

“Two of my best sports memories is winning the county and area championship in basketball in 2021 and also making it to the second round of the baseball playoffs that year,” Bales said. “Another memory was winning the area championship this past year in basketball. Some of my best high school memories was definitely getting to see my friends and faculty every day. Getting to talk to my friends and faculty every day was a big part of my day. If I was having a bad day, my friends would come up to me and say, ‘Hey, what’s wrong’? then we’d talk about how our days was to each other after they figured out what was wrong. Another one of my memories was just always being able to play in the big sports games against Good Hope and Addison in basketball.

“The energy in the gym those nights was just awesome. It was loud in there no matter what, whether we were winning or losing. You could always count on the student section to make some noise and just be the best every game.”

Bales feels very blessed to have played for two outstanding coaches during his playing career.

“I loved playing for coach Willoughby. He always had energy on the sidelines,” Bales said. “When we would be doing good things, he was always just telling us, ‘Great job. Keep doing what you’re doing.’ He was always just a great coach and he’s been pretty successful pretty much wherever he coached. I loved playing for coach McSwain because he always tried making the games as fun and as competitive as they can be.

“He always tried to tell us what we were doing wrong and how to fix what we were doing wrong. We maybe didn’t have the best year in baseball this year, but I wouldn’t have traded this past season for anything.”

Cody learned an awful lot during his time at Cold Springs. He also talked about what he’ll miss the most and offered some advice to those students getting ready to start high school this upcoming year.

“I learned in high school, don’t ever take anything for granted,” Bales said. “Everyone just needs to be their self and go have fun with what they do, whether it be playing sports, being in the band, or being in clubs at school.

“You just need to be yourself in high school and always have fun. High school is the best four years of your life. Don’t take those four years for granted because it will fly by and then you will graduate and move on to the real world. I’m going to miss playing sports and seeing my friends and teachers the most.”

Bales added,

“My advice for those people fixing to start high school is to be yourself. Don’t let anyone change how you want to do things. Be kind to others and have fun while it lasts because it’ll fly by.”



MARTHA NEEDHAM & NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Cold Springs’ Cody Bales

1999: Auburn baseball alums see similarities with 2022 regional champs

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics

CORVALLIS, Ore. — When Blake Burkhalter struck out a UCLA batter for the final out of Auburn’s NCAA regional sweep, assistant coach Gabe Gross glanced at shortstop Brody Moore and flashed back 23 years.

Like Moore, Gross grew up loving Auburn, the son of an Auburn student-athlete.

“Watching those guys after it was over, how happy they were, it was a little bit of the same thing, taking myself back there,” said Gross, an Auburn freshman in 1999, the last time the Tigers won a regional at Plainsman Park. “Watching the fans respond the way they did and the atmosphere they created, it was all very similar.”

In 1999, Auburn hosted a regional for the first time, the culmination of more than a decade of determination from head coach Hal Baird to upgrade facilities so the Tigers would be considered worthy of hosting.

“There was so much anticipation that year,” Gross recalled. “Doing it at Auburn was something we all wanted to do. That was on everybody’s mind throughout the big picture of the year. When it happened, it was special. That team wanted to make that happen.”

Making it happen would not come easily. Interestingly, even though Auburn hosted, the Tigers were the No. 2 seed. Tulane, with a power-hitting lineup, came to the Plains as the No. 1 seed but lost to fourth-seeded Winthrop in the opening round.

Auburn beat North Carolina State and Winthrop to remain in the winner’s bracket before losing to Tulane, setting up a winner-take-all championship rematch vs. the Green Wave.

“We ran them out of pitching and hammered them a little bit that last game,” Gross said. “It was a release, a lot of joy and happiness. We wanted to host that regional and once we did, we had to win it.

“Coach Baird fought so hard for that stadium because he wanted to host regionals. You couldn’t get one and then lose it. That was the whole point: how much easier they were to win when you were hosting and so when we hosted one, we had to win it.”

Nearly a quarter century later, members of the 1999 Tigers tuned in to watch their alma mater outscore regional opponents 51-18.

“For us to be able to do that and for those kids to be able to experience that, that’s something they won’t forget,” said former Auburn pitcher Colter Bean, who followed the regional while on a family vacation in New England.

“To be able to do it in the home park too, and to beat Florida State. We got to go there like fifty years in a row so I’m glad they came to Auburn.”

“I think I watched almost all the games,” said Mailon Kent, a sophomore outfielder in 1999. “It’s nice to able to watch them on ESPN now. We didn’t get that back in the day. It’s nice that you can watch them anywhere. They sure did score a lot of runs this regional. It’s always great to click at the end of the season.”

Former Auburn catcher Casey Dunn, an All-American in 1999, paid extra attention. Dunn, now the head coach at UAB, recruited and coached Auburn’s Sonny DiChiara, Brooks Carlson and Chase Isbell at Samford.

“Those three guys are special to me,” Dunn said. “I watched more Auburn baseball this year than any year since I played there. If we weren’t playing, chances are I was watching.

“They were a part of something special we built there. You can see how much Sonny enjoys baseball and just loves to play.

“Brooks is not scared of the big environment. Those guys are used to being targeted and the guy people go after.”

Gross sees similarities between the 1999 and 2022 Auburn teams, especially senior leadership. Dunn and his fellow upperclassmen showed younger players like Gross, a freshman in ‘99, how to play the Auburn way.

“We had great leadership in Casey Dunn behind the plate for us,” Kent said.

“It was obviously exciting to win it and move on to a super-regional. We had some good older guys who really led us.”

“We had a lot of seniors who had been a part of Omaha early and were in leadership roles early on,” remembered Dunn, a sophomore on Auburn’s 1997 College World Series team. “A really cohesive group of guys. We had some really strong relationships in that locker room, bonds that you remember.

“It’s the people that made that experience, the people I played with and for. That’s the connection I took away.”

“We had really good chemistry in the clubhouse,” said Bean, who made it to the big leagues with the New York Yankees in 2005-07. “We had a lot of good relationships among each other. We all got along, we had fun. Coach Baird made it easy to do that. He ran the team like a major league manager would. He gave us flexibility to go and play.”

Ranked as high as No. 2, the 1999 Tigers stumbled in a series in Baton Rouge, getting swept by LSU. When Auburn dropped the opener the following weekend vs. Kentucky, the team leaders called a meeting.

“We’re not letting this season nosedive on us,” Gross recalled the seniors saying. “We’re not going to let it happen.”

Auburn responded, winning the Kentucky series and sweeping Georgia the following week to take a five-game win streak to the postseason. Auburn’s 18 SEC victories convinced the NCAA Tournament selection committee that Auburn deserved to host a regional.

“It was very much in doubt with three weeks left, and those older guys weren’t going to let it happen,” said Gross, who applied the lessons he learned that season throughout his Auburn career and into professional baseball.

“I learned from (Auburn coaches) Steve Renfroe, Tommy Slater and Hal Baird, but I learned a ton from the older guys on that team about the standard of Auburn baseball, how we were going to play, how we were going to conduct ourselves,” Gross said.

“That was special to me, and that’s what I’ll always remember about ‘99.”



Cullman holds Bearcat Baseball Summer Youth Camp

Dozens of young players attended this year's Bearcat Baseball Summer Youth Camp at Bill Shelton Field Thursday and Friday morning to learn from current and former Cullman coaches and players



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EDUCATION

Home Builders Association recognizes four seniors with J.B. 'Boots' Hill Memorial Scholarships



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Mayor Woody Jacobs, Bryson Driver, Olivia Gann, Cody Butler, and Cullman County Home Builders Association President Willy Hendrix

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Four seniors were honored at a Family Scholarship Night held by the Cullman County Home Builders Association and hosted by Mitch Smith Chevrolet Thursday evening. The students were awarded $2,000 scholarships each and praised for setting goals in homebuilding related careers. The Home Builders Association is a group of local businesspeople committed to promoting and maintaining home building excellence and professionalism. The association regularly raises funds for scholarships to encourage young people beginning their careers in the industry.

Students Cody Butler from Fairview High School, Olivia Gann from Priceville, Bryson Driver from Cullman Christian School and Gary Lane Smith from Arab High School were granted the J. B. "Boots" Hill Memorial Scholarship award by Home Builders Association President Willy Hendrix. Smith's pastor Brandon Berry accepted the award on his behalf as he was unable to attend.

Mayor Woody Jacobs attended the event to congratulate the deserving award recipients. He spoke about the critical role the people in home building careers play in the community. "Cullman has housing needs. Cullman has business and entertainment needs, and these needs are all because our growth and desire of people from outside to live here. We like nothing more than to see local builders, innovators and visionaries leading the charge to fulfill these needs. If our people aren't going to build in their hometown, then somebody else will, and when possible, I'd much rather have an end product from someone who lives here, worships here and send their children to school here—not from the outside that comes in and leaves without ties to the community. We need folks who want to invest for the longevity of this community, not the quick turnaround of making a buck."

He explained that Cullman is always growing and adding new additions, mentioning the soon to be constructed skate park, developments at the Klein building, the old Ponder Cotton Creek warehouse, and the renovated Warehouse District. "One of the neatest things we have really pushed and assisted with is having a lot of our local developers and builders play roles in renovating and reusing older or abandoned buildings in the heart of downtown Cullman. If its legally and financially feasible, the City of Cullman wants to assist in any way we can," Jacobs said.

He advised the four seniors to go out and try new things and gain experience saying, "Try, fail, work harder, try again and when you're ready, come back home and use your talents to make Cullman continue to forge a path into this new decade." He concluded by quoting his late friend, the widely loved and missed Coach Andy Page, "The only way we'll get there is through teamwork."







Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given to all owners, secured parties and lienholders of the following described motor vehicle, which I have a right to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, in accordance with the State of Alabama abandoned vehicle law, Statues, Chapter 13, Section 1-8, Title

2004 Ford Mustang, Vin.#1FAF040604F139006, Florida tag – CZA 5828.

This vehicle will be sold on July 6, 2022, at 8:00 a.m., unless all towing, storage and repair fees are paid before sale date. The sale will take place at Ponder's Wrecker Service, 2600 Alabama Highway 157, Cullman, Alabama 35058.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
BETTY F. HARRIS, * **CASE NO.: PC2022-064**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to MARGARET JEAN MOODY as Personal Representative of the Estate of BETTY F. HARRIS, deceased, on the 9th day of June, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

MARGARET JEAN MOODY
Personal Representative

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: *
MARGUERITE EDWARDS DALE, * **CASE NUMBER:** PC2021-276
DECEASED. *

Letters Testamentary of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 9th day of June, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Alvin L. Edwards
ALVIN L. EDWARDS

Annette Irons-Parker
ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
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Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Honorable Tammy Brown
Probate Judge

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
CFB, * **CASE NO.: JU 21-21702**
a minor, DOB: 05-13-2016. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on May 13, 2016, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
Cullman County Department of Human Resources
P. O. Box 990
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Cullman, AL 35056

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CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
JWH, * **CASE NO.: JU 21-219.02**
a minor, DOB: 05-01-2011. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on May 1, 2011, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
DAVID DELL OZMENT, * **CASE NO.: PC2022-210**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to SANDRA OZMENT HOFMANN as Personal Representative of the Estate of DAVID DELL OZMENT, deceased, on the 3rd day of June, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

SANDRA OZMENT HOFMANN
Personal Representative

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

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF * CASE NO. PC 2022-140
JACKIE BUTLER CLARK, DECEASED. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Torena Mattea Arnold, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Jackie Butler Clark, deceased, on the 26th day of May, 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 will be barred.

DONE this the 26th day of May, 2022.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE

TO: Publisher
The Cullman Tribune

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

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
DHH, * **CASE NO.: JU 21-218.02**
a minor, DOB: 07-10-2013. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Rebecca Ann Handley Esco on July 10, 2013, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 5 day of July, 2022, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 20th day of May, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
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CULLMAN COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-18
TO REAFFIRM THE AD VALOREM TAXES IN THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

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

Municipal ad valorem taxes for the tax year beginning October 1st, 2022 are hereby reaffirmed for the City of Cullman on all taxable property in the City of Cullman, Alabama, at the following rates for the following purposes:

1. A tax at the rate of 5 mills on all taxable property in the City of Cullman, Alabama, as assessed for state taxes, is hereby levied, pursuant to authority of Section 216 of the Constitution of Alabama to pay any general obligations incurred by the City of Cullman, Alabama.
2. A tax at the rate of 3 mills on all taxable property in the City of Cullman, Alabama, as assessed for state taxes, is hereby levied for educational purposes, pursuant to authority of Section 216 of the Constitution of Alabama and an election held in the City of Cullman as required.
3. A tax at the rate of 7½ mills on all taxable property in the City of Cullman, Alabama, as assessed for state taxes, is hereby reaffirmed for general school purposes, pursuant to authority of Section 56 of the Constitution of Alabama and an election held in the City of Cullman as required.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 6th day of June, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 6th day of June, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-19
TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

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

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owners, John D. Rodriguez and Rebecca Brock Rodriguez, have petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioners, be annexed into the City of Cullman:

PPIN: 83076. Parcel No.: 09-08-34-0-001-009.020. Property Address: 390 County Road 1320.

Legal Description: A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 1.94 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS AND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND ½ INCH PIPE ACCEPTED AS THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 34 AND RUN SOUTH 80 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST AND RUN ALONG THE ACCEPTED NORTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1839.19 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, A DISTANCE OF 376.78 FEET TO A FOUND ½ INCH BAR; THENCE RUN SOUTH 00 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 224.00 FEET TO A SET REBAR; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST AND RUN ALONG THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF CULLMAN COUNTY ROAD NO. 1329, A DISTANCE OF 376.78 FEET TO A FOUND CAPPED REBAR; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 27 MINUTES 00 SECONDS WEST, AN DISTANCE OF 224.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SUBJECT TO ANY RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND/OR EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

To be zoned as R-1 Residential District.

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as R-1 Residential District.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 6th day of June, 2022. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council
ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 6th day of June, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

PB ADT BK 61 PG 726 - 05/27/2022 10:42 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF N.A.S.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 04/26/2018

CASE NO.: AD2022-036

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: MARILYN ELAINE SAUCEDA, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF A MINOR N.A.S.
ALEX NATHAN SCHOENEBECK, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, N.A.S. BORN TO MARILYN ELAINE SAUCEDA

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

DONE THIS 26th DAY OF May, 2022.

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

Annette Irons-Parker
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2022-101

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JACK HAROLD WILSON, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Brenda Moore Day on the 9th day of June, 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.

Brenda Moore Day
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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EDUCATION

Wallace State's Agriculture/Horticulture Production has four students earn 3M/NC3 scholarships; more department news

Russell Moore
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Four students from Wallace State Community College's Agriculture/Horticulture Production program are the recipients of The Skilled Trades – 3M Transformational Scholarship, a national scholarship through 3M and the National Coalition of Certification Centers.

Wallace State students to earn the scholarship are:

- Daniel Campos – Cullman
- Jordan Mills - Anniston
- Annalisa Pope – Vestavia Hills
- Lauren Seymore - Addison

The Agriculture/Horticulture Production students were among 50 nationwide to earn the scholarship, which can be applied to the 2022-2023 academic year.

"All four students deserve the scholarship and recognition. They're leaders among our department and excel," said program chair Jason Bynum.

"It's a big deal when you're one of only 50 students to achieve something."

Campos has been selected to serve as Wallace State's inaugural ambassador at the National Association of Landscape Professionals' fall conference scheduled for September in Orlando.

Additionally, Wallace State's Agriculture/Horticulture Production program sent a team to compete in its first NALP Collegiate Landscape Competition last semester.

"It's a big step forward for our program to join the NALP and work to be recognized nationally.

"We want our students to be able to network with like-minded people in the profession and help them grow any way possible," Bynum said.

Wallace State's Agriculture/Horticulture Production program, which features an associate degree or certificate options, offers practical training for jobs in landscaping, forestry service, conservation, farming, nursery, agriscience education and more, including a new sustainable agriculture option and a 2+2 Poultry Science option with Auburn University.



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St. Paul's (from Front)

Emily Trahan
St. Paul's Lutheran School

CULLMAN, Ala. — Pastor Richard Gaub has accepted the call to become associate pastor and headmaster of St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School. Pastor Gaub will be installed Sunday, July 3, at 3 p.m. with a reception to follow. All are welcome to join us for this blessed occasion and to have the opportunity to meet him.

Pastor Gaub has served churches and schools in Wyoming, Virginia, California and Texas. He is coming to St. Paul's with more than 20 years of experience in administration and teaching. Pastor Gaub is a man who is patient and loving, and he is loved by his students.

His background with Classical Lutheran education will be paramount for future growth of St. Paul's.

The first Lutheran schools were formed for the precise purpose of offering a classical education.

Martin Luther and the early reformers urged the local governments to set up schools patterned after the ancient academies of the Greeks and Romans teaching the seven liberal arts of grammar, dialectic (logic), rhetoric, aesthetics (music), empirics (astronomy), mathematics and geometry. These schools became the model for public schools that set the standard for excellence in education well into the 20th century.

Pastor Gaub is not coming to us alone. His wife, Kristine, is a teacher and has taught for more than four decades. Mrs. Gaub will teach first grade beginning in August.

The Gaubs are very zealous for the Lord and His work at St. Paul's and they look forward to the strengthening of our school for the benefit of the students and the Cullman community.

Pastor and Mrs. Gaub have four children and five grandchildren.

To learn more about St. Paul's Lutheran School and to get enrollment information, please visit https://www.st-paulscullman.com/.


ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL
Pastor Richard Gaub

Paving (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Motorists should plan for road paving along Eva Road (County Road 1435) from U.S. Highway 157 to Bridge Creek next week.

The road work, expected to last from Monday, June 13 through Friday, June 17, will bring delays for travelers choosing to continue on this section of Eva Road.

The Cullman County Commission encourages using an alternate route or to prepare for lane and/or street closures.

Opening (from Front)

Amy Leonard
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism's newest and much anticipated venture will hold its grand opening Friday, June 17.

Gates will open to the water park's guests at 10 a.m. with a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for 11 a.m.

Door prizes will be given away and swag bags will be available to the first 50 visitors each day of the grand opening weekend celebration, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Giveaways will include day passes and even family season passes.

Having already hosted thousands of thrill seekers, the grand opening is expected to draw a huge turnout, so CPRST Executive Director Nathan Anderson encourages visitors to arrive early to enjoy the giveaways and live music planned during the weekend.

The three-acre water park, located at 1707 Main Ave. SW, boasts the Riptide, a 22,000 square foot wave pool, the Drift River for lazing through the water and many exhilarating water slides. For little ones, the Splash Station was specially designed for their water adventures.

Multiple concession options are available including the Oasis Bistro, whose menu includes everything from pizza to burgers to chicken fingers. The Gully offers hot dogs and quick snack items. Frozen treats are available for cooling off on hot summer days.

The park is open seven days a week, Mondays 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Tuesdays from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Wednesdays – Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. and Sundays from 1-6 p.m. Twilight Tuesday hours are from 4-7 p.m.

Splash In movie nights will be held three times this summer on June 28, July 26 and Aug. 30.

On-site tickets are available on a first come, first served basis and online ticket sales will begin June 17.

For more information on WildWater, please visit their website at https://www.wildwatercullman.com/.

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52 ODES TO JOY: THE ONE-HOUR S.U.N.S. JOY LIFT

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NEVER TRUST A GERONTOLOGIST UNDER 70! Please hear me saying that playfully. However, I've done my 70 years and spent much of it studying and practicing "joyful aging," so you can totally trust me on this next thing which could seem an absurd assertion.

Can I get a witness? I'm here to preach you the good news that in just one hour, you could start aging more joyfully. That's the time it will take you to read this article or hear the podcast, think through the four simple elements of "The S.U.N.S. Joyful Living System" and apply the ideas to how you could personally optimize them.

Life involves a lot of choices you make. You can choose to add more joy to your life—forever. Absurd? Quoting Albert Einstein, "If at first an idea doesn't seem absurd, then there's no hope for it."

When I began my professional exploration of gerontology, the study of aging, at the University of Alabama, I was in my 20s. Like most people in their 20s, I had vast areas of stupidity, but hey, I was young and in college, so like most yahoos that age, I was pretty sure I was a genius. Allow me another Einstein quote. When he was asked the difference in being stupid and being a genius, he said, "Genius has its limits."

My 50 years of studying aging was propelled by two things. First, I was intrigued by senior-achievers like Colonel Sanders of Kentucky Fried Chicken fame. Sir? Ma'am? Would you like some gerontological data with that bucket of chicken? Secondly, since I had the unenviably uncommon experience of being born to parents who were both orphans, I had no grandparents, and I really, really, really wanted me some old, wise, joyful people like all my friends seemed to have.

Colonel Sanders started his fried chicken world domination when he was 67 years old. He had a popular chicken café' in one of the Kentucky hollers, and he had his recipe with the "11 secret herbs and spices," but he was almost in his seventh decade before he hatched the franchise.

That sort of thrilling optimization of a long life is what I thought I'd be learning in my studies which I officially began with the first gerontology certification program in the School of Social Work at Bama. Can I get a Rollllll Tide?! By the way, the University of Alabama has a great football team and sprinkled here and there some surprisingly good book learnin'.

Even though I trudged through the social work gerontology courses, the lectures were consistently on the negative, downer aspects of aging—that as we age, we become weaker, duller, poorer, sadder.

It seemed the general perspective of the 50+ demographic was a "great gray mass of sameness."

Even at that age, I knew groups were composed of individuals. Prior to being admitted into the gerontology program, I'd gotten a master's degree in special education which philosophically appreciates each person as having a particular set of abilities. I had also glommed onto several surrogate grandparents who seemed to have eluded the "aging sameness" trap and amplified their unique eccentricities through their many years.

Few institutions had positive psychology programs at the time. Dr. Martin Seligman was a renegade and all of his serious research about positiveness aside, he was still getting little respect and was something akin to "The Rodney Dangerfield of the American Psychology Association."

But I was young and already a "joy warrior," a "gerontology gladiator." I really wanted to know more about joy that could be yours and mine as we journey through life. How could we get and give more joy to the world, all the boys and girls?

I was working in product development, ideation and advertising and knew the American marketing of "youthful vigor" and age bias, but I really wanted to know about how to grab some more joy especially as I aged, and how I could share that positivity with others.

My undergraduate major was sociology, the study of groups such as the 50+ demographic, but I minored in art. I was throbbing with the inspiration that the great, American primitivist, Anna Mary Robertson Moses, known as "Grandma Moses," had started her art career at 78. Art prodigies like Pablo Picasso, who could draw like his artist father practically before he was out of diapers, seemed a "dime a dozen," but what about the "late bloomers" like Paul Cezanne, who Picasso credited as his forerunner in creating Cubism?

S.U.N.S ONE-HOUR JOY LIFT

For those of you who, apparently unlike me, have better or at least other things to do than spend much of 40 years searching for "The Fountain of Joyful Aging," I've condensed all the often dry scientific and academic gerontology research into just four simple words, an acronym which spells "SUNS," as in, we have many suns in our universe.

How dry is much of the academic writing on gerontology? I'll let these one-liners from my dad answer that: "Son, what I was reading was so dry, I started spittin' cotton. It was so dry the river started running just twice a week. It was so dry, the birds were using barbed wire to build their nests and trees were bribing dogs to pee on 'em."

I'm a simple fellow, a happy simpleton. Even though my speech can be yammering and loquacious and my thinking more pinball buckshot than sniper precise—I'm drawn to simplicity. I like the art of Henri Matisse, the music of The Beatles, the concision of one-liner wit and aphorisms.

In fact, over my adult life, I've written more than 5,000 one-liners, some as a paid writer, but most because I start every day, year after year, waking up, stretching a smile across my face, starting the coffee and writing a newish aphorism.

Aphorism is just a la-dee-dah word for some one-liner truism that gets your brain started down some expected path and then hiccups to a surprise with a bit of wit.

By my latest count, I now have written 5,000+ one-liners often about the joys of aging. To paraphrase some other aphorist, "If you pick up a calf every day, eventually you can pick up some bull."

I'm going to illustrate the four elements of "The S.U.N.S Joyful Aging System" with some of my one-liners which have gotten the most "likes" on Facebook—the Solomonic wisdom of our time.

If you were really bad as a child and have to sit through my talk again, you'll get another wave of faves. I have 5,000+ just waiting to be pulled out of my, um, treasure trove.

Let's get started on some S.U.N.S. seeking.

SMILE-MAKING is the thing we need for joy in life at any age. Seems like a blatant dose of the obvious, doesn't it? Simply identify those things that make you smile (I encourage you to write them down) and then have those things regularly in your life. SMILE-MAKING is positive-thinking, and importantly, positive-doing.

"Home is a vessel for your joys," is an aphorism I wrote which became a greeting card. It seems particularly, pardon this, at home in this conversation. For more happiness in your life, surround yourself with whatever are your personal joys.

Not just objects which make you smile but also joy-giving people and activities. Only have those things in your life if they encourage you to think positive thoughts or using them fosters positive doing.

S.U.N.S. SMILE-MAKING ONE-LINERS

"Serious ain't solemn."

"Try to abide by this one rule: Have a good time all the time."

"Have fun today if possible. Fun is always possible."

"Someday we'll look back on the days, smile...and plow into a parked car."

"A long weekend could give us enough time to do all the nothing we want."

"Guzzle the good stuff! Life is too uncertain."

"Word to self about anything negative: Kwitchyerbellakin'."

"You gotta THINK UP. Miracles happen. A glass of H20 could become a nice Merlot."

S.U.N.S. UNITING

The "U" in our simple four-letter prescription is for UNITING you deeply, authentically with someone, or a few someones. A long-held truism for greater joy in life is having something to do and something to look forward to doing. Those things could be enjoyed alone, but another part of that simple recipe for joy is that each of us needs to not feel alone in the world. No man or woman is an island. We humans are a social species and are wired to be interdependent.

UNITING is even important for our physical health. A compilation of research done in 2017 shows that a lack of social connectedness equates to the risk of smoking up to 15 cigarettes per day!

UNITING is crucial for our mental/emotional health--our joy, too. UNITING doesn't have to involve romantic feelings, but it must be an especially important, deep connection with another being.

The latest census count reports 36 million Americans living alone, about 28% of adults. The number has seen a steady increase over the last several decades. The age segmentation for singletons is as you might expect. Young men living alone out number young women. The middle years have a fairly equal number of men and women living singly. Then, because women live longer, more senior women than senior men live alone.

UNITING remains an essential element in the pursuit of happiness. This is not solely about coupling but includes close relationships with friends and with family members. Although traditional church attendance has plummeted in much of the U.S. since the mid-20th century, connecting through faith and spirituality continues to link us humans.

THE GENUINE JOY GREETING is a choice I want you to leave this one-hour "JOY LIFT" session and practice. It's simple and can quickly, no matter how busy and distracted you are, lift your spirit and that of the others you encounter. The next time you meet someone, remember: CONTACT, COMMENT, CONNECT. I'll repeat "The Genuine Joy Greeting" instructions: MAKE EYE CONTACT/ PLEASANTLY COMMENT/ POSITIVELY, PHYSICALLY CONNECT.

This could sound like an antiquated, etiquette tutorial but it's proven to add joy to you, the greeter and to those you greet. It's a choice you can make starting today to add joy to your life. Again, for the socially challenged—Acknowledge others by truly looking into their eyes. Smile and tell them "Hello" or "Hey lady" or "Howdee cowpoke" or "It's good to see you." Then, when it's possible and wouldn't overly invade the other person's "personal space," offer a handshake, a hug or touch their arm. Lifting another's spirit is Buddhist, Christian, universal, human. One last time before the one-liners: CONTACT/COMMENT/ CONNECT makes the world go round and is understood in every language.

S.U.N.S. UNITING ONE-LINERS

"Today is a good day to have someone to do some delicious nothing with."

"My doctor said I'm healthy enough for romantic activity if only I looked better."

"Sadly, these 'love handles' I have appear to just be handles."

"I'll sleep when I'm dead—probably next to someone who will snore until eternity."

"Good friends is better than good grammar."

"A weekend never has too many 'I love you's.'"

"Being single is fine but I miss somebody to blame everything on."

"Don't judge someone until you've walked a parade in his majorette boots."

"Friends are my apology for some of the family I gave you. —God"

S.U.N.S. NEIGHBORING

Make someone happy or lots of someones happy and you will be happier, too. NEIGHBORING is not about thinking less of yourself, it's about thinking of yourself less.

Just trying to help others brings us joy, according to Dr. Emma Seppala, chief scientist for Stanford University's Center for Compassion and Altruism Research and Education. Seppala (pronounced suh-pay-ya), the author of "The Happiness Track," reports "Research shows that people who are more compassionate and generous end up being happier and healthier than others—and may even live longer."

This is about making a positive difference to the world because you lived. You don't have to sacrifice your own pleasure to receive the joy found in NEIGHBORING. No one is asking you to be Mother Teresa, just don't be a "mutha" and do be good to Mother Nature and be someone who would make any mother or dad beam a sunny smile. Kindness is still in the world, and we need to fight for it.

Dr. Adam Grant, psychology prof at U Penn's Wharton School shares the idea of a "five-minute favor" in his bestseller, GIVE AND TAKE. This is another example of a choice you can make today to add more joy to your life. These are random acts of kindness you positively think up and do for others. Start a "Take One, Leave One Library" at your work desk. Bring an apple for your intern. Help others connect. Do these NEIGHBORING things without expecting anything in return—be more others-centered just because it makes you feel joyous.

S.U.N. NEIGHBORING ONE-LINERS

"Never miss a chance to help others and look like you care."

"We are physicians to each other, and laughter is great medicine."

"Adopt a child or if you don't want to work quite that hard—adopt-a-highway."

"Give someone a fish and they can eat for a day. Teach someone to text for curbside takeout and they can get Tequila."

"Teaching kids to be kind would be easier if there were more grown-ups for them to model."

"Beautiful people aren't always good but good people are always beautiful."

S.U.N.S. SPELLBINDING

The last of the four elements of joyous aging is about listening to your heart and following your bliss with full-fledged commitment.

I've tried sitting cross-legged on a rug, staring into nothingness and chanting a meditation. I ultimately felt—nothing and even though that could be nirvana for you, it came to seem kind of nothingburger for me.

I still pray regularly but retreating to a monastery just seems wrong—for me—when I could be sharing one-liner smiles, giving "joyous aging" talks, raking leaves, shelving donated books at the public library or walking a neighbor's dog.

These particular passions are not work for me—they are exquisite play. I could choose to spend my time fully retired, but my choices are enjoyable for me and are things I can get "lost in" doing. To keep some balance, I recognize that sometimes the best use of my time is doing nothing. In my creative moments, these days I'm working on a new TikTok gig and co-writing a Broadway-intended musical, "The Original One-Liner American Diner," based on my 5,000+ aphorisms.

SPELLBINDING is an individual choice. What one finds captivating depends on one's personal interests and pleasures. Think back on the things you find SMILE-MAKING; the first "S" in the "S.U.N.S. joyous aging system."

Own your own passions. As long as you're not hurting yourself or someone else, don't be embarrassed or shamed. Among those many SMILE-MAKING things are one or a few that really "crank your tractor." Maybe you find it SPELLBINDING to be dancing, "Patch Adams" clowning or twirling a baton. Choose your joy, climb into that go-go cage, put on the rubber nose, strap on the pom poms.

Find something magically transporting that speaks to your heart. Maybe it's mowing your lawn or reading some each day. When you are pursuing your particular SPELLBINDING passions, you experience a delicious release from self-awareness and become immersed in what noted psychologist Mihaly Czikszentmihalyi refers to as being "in the flow."

Finding your bliss is easily attainable though it does require knowing yourself, sometimes risking a change, and then fully committing. You'll know you are experiencing a joyful state of SPELLBINDING when you feel: alive, energized, playful, contributing and are synchronized with others and the universe.

S.U.N.S. SPELLBINDING ONE-LINERS

"Don't follow your dreams; just GPS them and go where they are."

"God woos some in churches, some in gardens, some in nightclubs. God woos us where we are."

"I'm not napping; I'm thinking horizontally."

"My neighbors are listening to some fun music this weekend...whether they like it or not."

"Of all the paths we wander in life, many of the best are dirt."

"The angels wait for each of us. Dammit, make 'em wait!"

"Shame and flies live on bullsh*t."

"My main focus this year is staying alive through December 31."

"I accomplished all of last year's resolutions except to quit lying."

"Some think I'm shallow as a pie tin, but actually I'm more of a Bundt."

"Let's do lunch, you can text while I read."

THE S.U.N.S. ONE-HOUR JOY LIFT that I just shared is simply outlined but it represents more than 40 years of research and study for optimizing happiness as we age. I hope you start adding more joy to your life today by embracing "THE GENUINE JOY GREETING" and also Dr. Grant's "five-minute favor."

Sometime within the next seven days, I hope you will block out another hour and consider those many things you find personally SMILE-MAKING, then, think about those you genuinely value, the important people you connect with deeply and honestly in the world as you are UNITING. Ask yourself, "How could the world be better because I'm adding joy to it? It's proven through research, you will enjoy life more if you are more others-centered, more actively NEIGHBORING? Lastly, what is truly bliss-inducing for you? What would you do even if you weren't being paid to do it? What do you find deliciously SPELLBINDING?

I wish you—JOY.

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK:

June 11—Peter Dinklage

June 12—Jim Nabors

June 13—Martha Washington

June 14—Lang Lang

June 15—Saul Steinberg

June 16—Tupac Shakur

June 17—Barry Manilow

SARDINE AND SALSA, AVOCADO FRENCHIES—MAINE
(Source: allrecipes.com)

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

- 1 avocado, mashed
- 2 romaine lettuce leaves, chopped
- ¼ green bell pepper, finely chopped
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 4 slices French bread
- 2 teaspoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 (4 ounce) can of sardines in water (drained)
- 1 (14 ounce) can diced tomatoes with basil, garlic and oregano (drained)

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

2. Combine avocado, chopped lettuce, chopped green pepper, and lemon juice in a small bowl.

3. Brush extra-virgin olive oil on bread slices and toast in the preheated oven until browned, about 5 minutes on each side.

4. Remove slices from oven. Spread with avocado mixture; top with sardines and canned tomatoes.

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

525. Quotable quotes from "Readers Digest Magazine."

526. Hearing my philosophy professor/hillbilly dad twang Plato quotes.

527. Hearing my dad, Ben, read one-liners from "Poor Richard's Almanac" by Ben Franklin.

528. Henny Youngman, American aphorist.

529. "Take my wife...please."

530. Coppertone Sun Lotion.

531. Blockbuster Video Stores.

532. Pen pals.

533. Tuberose fragrance at our family farm.

534. Heirloom roses.

535. Piggly Wiggly and Hoggly Woggly.

536. The Everready Bunny.

537. Green Stamps.

538. "Splish splash, I was takin' a bath."

539. "Yes, we have no bananas."

540. Rodney Dangerfield, American aphorist.

541. "I get no respect."

542. Driving across the Golden Gate Bridge into San Francisco.

543. New Jersey, "The Garden State," in autumn.

544. "Commonwealth" by Ann Patchett.

545. "Who Let the Dogs Out?!"

546. "Cotton grew right up to our front door."

547. Having fun on Tanya Tucker's tour bus.

548. Dorothy Parker, American aphorist.

549. "Brevity is the soul of wit—and lingerie."

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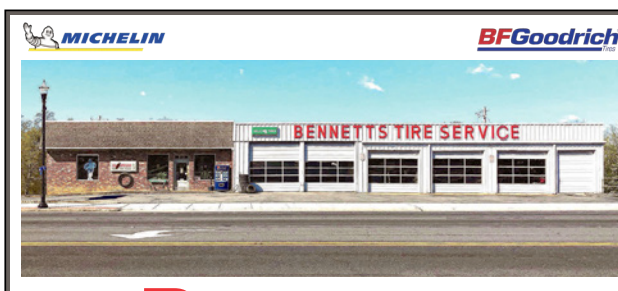
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Outreach (from Front)

After reaching out to students from Danville-Neel Elementary School, Falkville Elementary School and Sparkman Elementary School, the church had over 90 requests for bicycles and the children and adults from No Fences Cowboy Church went to work.

"We had a 5K to help raise the money and the kids have had several other fundraisers. The good Lord blessed us all along the way," Brown explained.

"Once we raised all of the money, we ordered the bicycles through Walmart. They came in boxes, so we had to have groups come in and put all of our bicycles together. It's been an awesome process. Now, we are getting to call all of the people in the community to come and pick up their bicycles.

"As I've been talking to these families and these parents, I've realized what a blessing this is."

She continued, "The parents in our community are so amazing. They are wonderful. We have bikes for mom with six kids. She's such a great and wonderful parent. All of these parents are such hard workers. It's a blessing to help them out.

"Plus, it has been a blessing for our little kids to learn how to do outreach and then show them that we might be a small church but look at all the good we can do. Our kids at church have learned so much. We've been able to teach our kids that you do have to be big to do something big and make a big difference."

No Fences Cowboy Church is located at 3544 West Lacon Road in Falkville. Their Sunday service is held at 10 a.m. For more information, please visit their website at https://www.nofencescc.com/.

Obituary Announcements: June 9-10

George Barry Willoughby, 76
Barry was overly fond of chocolate. It's a known fact that if there was any in the house, he'd eat it and lie about it, even though he had sugar diabetes. He didn't trust the pharmaceutical companies, democrats, MSNBC, doctors or salespeople. He was often grumpy to the point of embarrassment, when in the company of a crying baby, even his own grandchildren. He made his homemade ice cream every Father's Day. And we all told him it was the best, even though his ex-mother-in-law, Hilda, actually made one that was a little better. He was a fan of Johnny Cash and Willie Nelson and would turn up the radio and chair dance to their songs in his truck. He would call and sing Happy Birthday, Happy Mother's Day, Happy Halloween, Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas songs to us on each occasion, beginning it with, "Me, me, me, me, me..." just like Bugs Bunny. More often than not, he was watching Gunsmoke in the afternoon. His favorite drink was Jack Daniels and bought shares of it for each of his sons-in-law, when he still had sons-in-law. During the height of the ricin scare in the early 2000s, he once yelled, "It's gonna blow," at the Food World checkout because a bag of White Lily had burst and the powder was trickled all along the conveyor belt. Everyone ducked. He played the Offensive Line for Coach Bryant, alongside football greats like Joe Namath, Leslie Kelly and Snake Stabler, at the University of Alabama, 1964-1968 and was part of two National Championship teams. Coach Bryant once caught Barry imitating him before the entire team, had them all laughing until they suddenly stopped. Coach Bryant was in the doorway. Daddy was made to "go on." Afterward, Coach Bryant told Barry, "You don't look like me, you don't sound like me, you are nothing like me." Barry never gave up hope that his youngest daughter, Missie, would arrive on time. And she never did. He never stopped flirting and had all the nurses in dialysis looking forward to his visits. In the 70s, when his CB radio handle was "Tar Baby," he was perhaps the greatest driveway basketball player known, allowing for "free-ins" to all his children. No one could grill a cheeseburger like Barry, and no one appreciated a pan of homemade banana pudding like him. He had a thousand-watt smile, which he passed on to his children and shared with almost everyone he met. He is preceded in death by his parents: Amy and Orville Willoughby. He leaves behind his loving wife: Sheila; four children: Mary Willoughby Pound, Wesley Todd Willoughby, Melissa George Willoughby, Warren Cole Willoughby and Tara Horne; eight grandchildren; his sister: Sonya Willoughby Cabri and brother: Van Willoughby, along with a slew of nephews and nieces. The world won't be nearly as much fun without him. The family invites you to his visitation at Moss Funeral Home, Cullman, Alabama, on June 14, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., and the graveside service at 1:30 p.m. at Cullman City Cemetery.

Saundra Marie Garrard Green, 75, of Haleyville
Saundra Marie Garrard Green, age 75, of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Thursday, June 9, at her residence. Saundra was born March 21, 1947, in Winston County, Alabama. Saundra is survived by her husband: Walter H. "Clipper" Green Jr.; children: Bryan Keith Green and Kelly Marie Green (Scotty) Seal; mother-in-law: Sara Jo Green and grandchildren: Aleya Kate Green Rodriguez, Macy Erin Green, Kamden Cole Green Steele, Ava Marie Seal and Ryder Lee Seal. She was preceded in death by her son: Scott Tyler Green; father: Gus Milton Garrard; mother: Hazel Marie Wilson Garrard; sister: Vickie Lynn Garrard Morris and father-in-law: Walter H. Green. The family would like to send out a thank you to Jonna Clark and Enhabit Hospice (Encompass). Special thank you to Angela and Chad Tidwell for their help with Sandy's Final Journey. No services at this time.

Fae Nell Swafford, 82, of Cullman
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Fae Nell Swafford, 82, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Swafford passed away Wednesday, June 8, at CRMC. She was born June 14, 1939, to Mose Benjamin and Savannah Adline Swafford.

Danny Ray Reeder, 59, of Cullman
Graveside service for Danny Ray Reeder, 59, of Cullman will be at 11 a.m., Saturday, June 11, at Vinemont First Baptist Cemetery, with Rev. Gary Waddell officiating. Visitation will be from 10-10:30 a.m. on Saturday at the funeral home. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Reeder family. Mr. Reeder passed away June 8, at his residence. He was born Nov. 13, 1962, to Bobby Rayburn and Billie Sue Smith Reeder. Danny played football, baseball and basketball all through school. He loved sports and loved his Vinemont Eagles. He loved to play golf. He was a fan of the Atlanta Braves and was a No. 1 fan of Alabama football. Roll Tide. He was preceded in death by his parents: Bobby Reeder and Billie Reeder Moon. Survivors include his sister: Donna Reeder (Kerry) Chandler; two nieces: Heather (Keith) Graves and Hayden Chandler; nephew: Heath Chandler; three great-nephews: Hunter, Levi and Logan Graves; one great-niece: Natalie Howard; family and friends.

Ronnie Phillip Frese, 74, of Cullman
Funeral service for Ronnie Phillip Frese, age 74, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 12, at Andrews Chapel in Danville, Alabama with burial in the adjoining cemetery and Rev. John McKoy officiating. Visitation will be from 5:30-8 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home on Saturday June 11. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Frese family. Mr. Frese passed away Tuesday, June 7. He was born Nov. 12, 1947, to the late Lois Johnson and Reinold Frese in Cullman, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his wife: Patricia Joan Hogan Frese. Ronnie was a loving husband and father. He was a longtime employee of the Cullman County Road Department and spent several years traveling the county, talking to everyone he met. A bright smile and a warm conversation accompanied him wherever he went. His heart was bigger than life itself. Survivors include his sons: Michael Frese of Honolulu, Hawaii and Phillip (Sandra) Frese of Cullman, Alabama; two granddaughters: Leilani Frese and Taylor Joseph and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Judith Dianne Julian, 74, of Eva
Funeral service for Judith Dianne Julian, age 74, of Eva, were at 2 p.m. Friday, June 10, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Lisa Holmes and Jeremy Calloway officiating, and burial at Daniel's Chapel Cemetery. Visitation was from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Friday, June 10, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Julian passed away Wednesday, June 8, at her residence. She was born Aug. 7, 1947, in Morgan, Alabama to Ernest and R.V. Bates. She was preceded in death by her parents; daughter: Crystal Sabrina Miller; brothers: William (Pop) Bates and Jackie Bates and sister: Barbara Humphrey. Survivors include her son: Jon (Cheryl) Miller; daughter: Toni (Bobby) Hart; grandchildren: Desseria Hart, Kyle Hart, Melia Sims and Jarrett Miller; great-grandchild: Barrett Reid Hart; sisters: Shelba Scott, Gail Hanvey and Ernestine Harbison and a host of nieces and nephews.

Betty M. (Cram) Jess, 95, of Baileyton
Betty M. (Cram) Jess, 95, of Baileyton, Alabama, formerly of Clinton, Iowa passed away Thursday, June 9 at home surrounded by her family. Mrs. Jess was born June 11, 1926, in Clinton, Iowa, the daughter of Lily and Bruce Cram. She married Edward Jess on June 30, 1945, in Oakland, California and remained married for 67 years before his passing in 2013. Since then, Mrs. Jess has been living with her daughter in Alabama. Mrs. Jess was a homemaker devoted to raising her family. She attended school in Clinton. She is survived by her three daughters: Betty Lou (Edward) Kopp, Englewood Florida, Penny (Terry) Shields, Ottawa, Illinois and Rhonda (Steve) Eckstein, Baileyton, Alabama; two sons: Edward (Kathy) Jess, Clinton, Illinois and Marty (Connie) Jess, Lake Wildwood, Illinois; 22 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; daughter: Paula Jean Jess; grandson: Gregory Shields; sisters: Doris Seastrand, Dorothy Voorhees and Darlene Snedden and brothers: Bruce Cram, Richard Cram and Donnie Cram. Obituary provided by the Jess family. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Jess family.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

A wonderful weekend with writers

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Last weekend, people came from across the Southeast to attend the annual Southern Christian Writers' Conference in Birmingham. As you know from college football, the Southeast can now stretch from Texas through the Carolinas. The event is 2-days of workshops, inspiration, worship, writing competitions, prizes, seeing old friends, and making new ones. This is my 4th time to participate in the conference, either in person or virtually.

I was humbled by the honor of speaking to the entire group during the opening session. I shared my journey with them of how I became a writer of books, newspaper columns, and magazine articles. The treat of the day was getting to hear humorist and author Sean Dietrich, also known as Sean of the South. Ironically, Jean and I had seen him 5-years ago, almost to the day, when he did a program in Opelika. We had our picture made with him back then and it popped up on our Facebook memories the day before we saw him again. We showed him the old picture and then made a new one with him. Everyone smiled.

One of the privileges of the weekend was displaying and selling my books in one of the two authors' book rooms. I'm always happy to sell a few of my books, but what I really enjoyed the most was all the people I met and chatted with during that time. I especially enjoyed meeting fellow-author Mike Rogers, with whom I shared a book table. His business card said he was from Gadsden.

That immediately got my attention because I lived in the Gadsden area (Rainbow City) back in the 90s. Then, I found out that he had lived in Memphis, where I also had lived after I left Rainbow City. As we talked, I asked him where in Gadsden he lived. That's when I discovered that his business card was an old one, and that he actually doesn't live in Gadsden any more.

When he asked me where I lived now, and I told him Opelika, a big smile spread across his face. He said, "Me too!" I thought he must be kidding. How funny that I'm sitting right beside a guy whom I've never met, and we've lived in the same 3 cities, sometimes at the same time. I asked him where he lives in Opelika. He replied, "Do you know where Morris Avenue is?" I answered, "Yes Sir, I sure do. Morris Avenue is about a mile from my house!" I thought how ironic, and what a small world this is. I laughed as I realized that we had never met in Gadsden or Memphis, where we both had lived, or in Opelika where we both live now. We met in another city, 2-hours from home.

My final surprise and honor came at the close of the conference. Each year, writers are invited to submit their published works they have written during the previous year in a writers' competition.

For the third year in a row, one of my columns was chosen a top award. This year I took home 3rd Place in the newspaper column category for my piece titled, "Something Ugly Can Become Something Beautiful." In case you didn't read that one, it was not about me! Then, they closed out the event with a drawing for door prizes. I won a bag filled with a half-dozen wonderful devotionals...for women. One of my fellow writers had donated them. Even though I'm not a woman, I do plan to read some of them, but the great thing is my wedding anniversary is next week. I now have six gifts for Jean!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1904, 1934

From The Files Of 1904

Professor J.L. Gibson has moved to Falkville, where he is in charge of the college there.

Miss Dora E. Schneider and Herman Richter were married on Thursday evening, at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. E.B. Hauk in West Cullman.

Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Devine, of Birmingham, are guests of Mrs. Devine's father, H.B. Howard, of Good Hope.

Little Miss Frances Austin has returned from a visit to Birmingham.

Mr. and Mrs. R.O. Chance, of Jones Chapel, have gone to Georgia for an extended visit.

Mr. and Mrs. W.C. King, of Clarkson, are spending several weeks in Georgia.

J.A. McMinn has purchased a lot, near the W.A. Schlosser residence, in southwest town and will erect a handsome residence.

Miss Ollie Garrison, of Danville, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Leroy McEntire.

Harry Lightfoot received an offer the other day, made by a theatrical company for $50 per week. This show has great popularity. However, he had to turn down the handsome offer because of business at Vinemont.

A.J. Nix is planning to teach a Sacred Harp singing school at Pleasant Grove.

J.W. Leak killed seven turkeys, at one shot last week.

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Miss Annie Brooks is visiting in Kentucky.

Scott Leeth's little boy, Winfield, was injured when he fell from a fence last week, but is now okay.

Miss Susie Graves has returned from a five months' stay in Chicago.

From the Files of 1934

Married on August 9 were Miss Mildred Wilhite and Emil Wenzil.

According to the school census, recently completed here, there are 1,005 persons, between the ages of 6 and 21, living in the city. The total number of persons living inside the city limits is 3,674.

Cullman County people attending Howard College summer school are Earl York, Dewey Ryan, R.E. Glaze, Herman Thomas, Forrest Patrick, R.R. Riggins, Judson Gladney, Birdie Lee Thompson, Zelma Self, Bessie Walker and Florine Creel.

POET'S CORNER

The Cahaba Lilies | By: Randy C. Hale

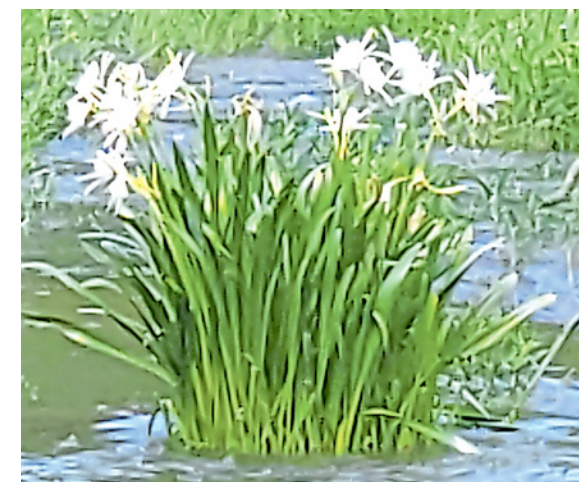
In the Cahaba River bloom white lilies in
the last of spring.
They grow from a bed that the water rolls
through, the Cahaba white lilies, for me
and for you.

The glorious lilies, the trip's no mistake
for they danced for me in their magical
way.
And I look at them as long as I could,
beneath the shadows of forest woods.

Displaying with grandeur, seductively
posed, bowing to the heavens,
waving to the crowds, these fine
dressed maidens in their greenery
shrouds.

Swaying together in waters quite swift,
the sun from the sky shining on them.
And my eyes beholding this sublime sight,
I framed the whole picture in life's brief
time.

But the hour would come that I must go,
so I took one last moment enjoying
them so. The fine southern belles so lean
with the wind, I prayed to see them one
day again.



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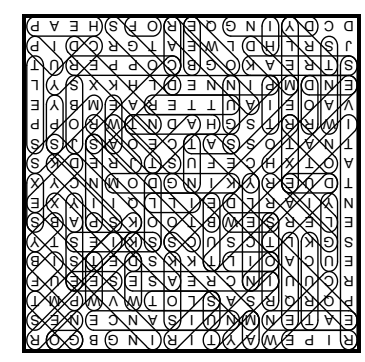
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Memories (from Front)

sors, but I've only known one chief since I've been there and he's been a good one (referring to Chief Culpepper)," Montgomery said. "We originally met in the 20th Special Forces Group of the Alabama National Guard. He had been there six years when I came along in 1986. I had been in the regular army, got out and joined the National Guard, and enrolled at Auburn University."

Montgomery said one thing that was vital to him was the support he received for his military side of life from the Cullman Police Department.

"They've always supported me working in the military and allowed me to take many leaves of absence for the military," Montgomery said. "In 1995, I went to Haiti in 1995 and I was gone from the department for the better part of a year. I went to Afghanistan and I was gone for 20 months, in 2002-03, and again I was gone for 22 months from 2009-2011 where I had duties that took me to Iraq. Also, I deployed to Washington, DC in 2016-2017 for a year and worked as a member of a protection detail for the Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Lastly, I returned to DC to the same unit as before for 13 months from 2020-2021. I was so thankful for the support of the police department during those times."

Montgomery said he's always enjoyed the structure and consistency that the military provided.

"I like rules, timely things and working according to schedule," Montgomery said. "I really enjoyed being around the people of the department. My job was closer to being a financial adviser/marriage counselor and sometimes, even a babysitter. The department is very blessed to have wonderful men and women working for the unit. With any working group—you know how it is, everyone has issues—and the 'Chief, we have a problem, let's talk about it' is part of day-to-day operations. The reality is you're not going to solve everyone's problems. It's nice knowing that we count on each other for more than just the expected law enforcement duties."

Montgomery shared one of his most memorable experiences that started quite comically.

"I came back to work from the Afghanistan venture and then Max Bartlett was the captain of investigations," Montgomery said. "I hadn't been there in 20 months at that point, and we were in a conference room. In between myself and Max was Craig Green. We were meeting about the unsolved murder case of John Ellard that happened on Lee Circle SW at Covery Chase Apartments. He was murdered in September of 1995 and it was an unsolved cold case."

Montgomery shared that several investigators had worked on that case for eight years and they decided to let Craig Green reopen the case and work on it.

"I felt so sorry for Craig Green when they said Craig would be handling it," Montgomery said. "I didn't realize he was talking about me— I had the wrong Craig. For the better part of a year, I worked on that case and re-interviewed people and got several breaks in the case. Now, the man responsible for his death is sitting in Limestone Prison. Ellard had a wonderful family, and they were getting up in age and wondered if that case would ever be solved. I am very proud of that case and the way it turned out."

If there was one aspect of law enforcement that Montgomery can hold on to—he said that Cullman law enforcement and places elsewhere aren't comparable—he truly felt appreciated here while he served.

"I would say that law enforcement is overwhelmingly supported by the citizens of Cullman city and the county," Montgomery said. "The citizens know right from wrong. I would encourage people to not get wrapped up what's in the national news. This isn't Portland or Chicago. Policing in Cullman isn't what you see elsewhere—focus on what it is at hand. People will have your back when you're doing the right things and they will appreciate you."

David Nassatta assumed the role of assistant police chief on May 31.

Nassetta graduated from St. Bernard Prep and went on to graduate from Auburn University. He started at the Cullman Police Department in 1997 and left in 2001 and went to work at the Birmingham Police Department.

"After my oldest daughter was born, I came back to Cullman and have been here since then," Nassetta said. "I have worked in Patrol, Investigations, was a member of the Tactical Unit and a Task Force Officer for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives. I have been involved with training over the years as a Defensive Tactics instructor, Chemical Munitions instructor and Firearms instructor."

Nassetta said he had the opportunity to work with him over the last month in order to get a feel for what the job entails.

"At this point, my goal is to fulfill the role in the best way possible, which is to support Chief Culpepper and assist in any way that I can to make the job easier on the members of this department," Nassetta said. "This will definitely be a challenge for me. My future plans for the department include somewhat of a restructuring of the department. It's more about reallocating personnel so that we can make the most of our resources. I'm very grateful for this opportunity."

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