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CPRST hears community input on future endeavors

Brainstorming on 10-year plan begins with public forum

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism's Executive Director Nathan Anderson and Brian Trusty of PROS Consulting hosted an open community forum on Wednesday evening at Terri Pines seeking the public's feedback and ideas on the future of the city's parks and recreational opportunities.

CPRST team members in attendance and accepting feedback were also CPRST Board President Rusty Turner and Christy Turner, CPRST Recreational Development director.

Trusty and his team at PROS Consulting are "walking through this process with us," according to Anderson.

He went on to encourage everyone saying, "Today is all about just hearing from you, collecting infor- » PAGE 4

Two homes in Cullman receive makeovers from Community Action Partnership of North Alabama



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

CAPNA at work on Brunner Street home makeover

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Community Action Partnership of North Alabama implemented their NeighborWorks program at two homes in Cullman this week.

Candy Ayers, CAPNA's director of Homeownership Services, said, "We serve five counties now including Cullman, Lawrence, Morgan, and we just picked up Winston and Marion counties. In Decatur, for the past six years, we've done a block makeover where we take the whole block and tidy up, landscape, pressure wash, paint and whatever else needs to be done.

"We've been wanting to come to Cullman, but it was really hard to find homeowners because the houses that needed it most are rentals, and we target homeowners. But we found two houses, one here on Brunner Street and the other on Ann Street.

"We have a veteran in this home and a person with disabilities at the other.

"We're helping them and doing what we can today and tomorrow."

Staff members from CAPNA along with community and church volunteers provided the sweat equity for the two projects in Cullman.

Trae Norrell is a board member of CAPNA, pastor at Grace Chapel Community Church on Main Avenue SW and Branch Manager at Byars Wright Insurance.

Putting down the extension wand of the pressure washer, he shared, "We're starting out with pressure washing today.

"We've trimmed trees and pruned to open it up. Now, we're getting the siding cleaned.

"I think it's always important to be a part of the community, to give back to the community.

"Anytime we have the opportunity, especially with a veteran of the armed forces, to be a neighbor is » PAGE 4

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 30 - July 1

Cullman Tribune staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 30 - July 1, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

June 27

- sell/distribute drugs, possession of marijuana; Co. Rd. 1763
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, unlawful possession of marijuana; Co. Rd. 222
- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; I65SB MM 299
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 613
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1422
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1223
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; Co. Rd. 1114
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1223
- burglary; 3rd St. SE Hanceville
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 233

June 28

- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 67
- unlawful possession of controlled substance; Hwy 69
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1214

June 29

- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, tampering with physical evidence; Co. Rd. 222
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1719
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1641
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1742
- domestic violence, criminal mischief; Hwy 278W
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Main Ave. SW
- criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 1043
- criminal mischief, trespassing; Co. Rd. 1635
- criminal mischief; 1st Ave. S Garden City

ARRESTS

June 27

Anders, Shaun D; 31
- FTA – theft of property – 1st degree

Barrett, Andrew B; 24
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

Bartlett, Chad E; 46
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA – burglary-residence-force
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- FTA – forgery-checks
- FTA – using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Boone, John T: 37
- Probation Violation/possession of dangerous drugs

Brock, Tania L; 45
- Probation Violation/possession of dangerous drugs

Grace, Haley N; 27
- possession of marijuana
- sell/distribute dangerous drugs

Hudson, Kevin; 46
- Probation Violation/possession of dangerous drugs

Johnson, Angela M; 47
- assault-reckless-endangerment

McDonald, Joshua R; 40
- possession of methamphetamine

Rockwell, Vinton E Jr; 34
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 2nd offense
- Grand Jury/possessing stolen property
- Violation of Release Order/possessing stolen property
- homicide-manslaughter

Shugrue, Claude A; 35
- FTA – burglary-residence-no force

Stone, Ted; 42
- possession of methamphetamine
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Whittle, Lauren P; 29
- homicide-manslaughter

June 28

Adams, Alyssa G; 21
- larceny/theft-theft-other vehicle

Ballard, Austin T; 25
- FTA – larceny/theft-theft-miscellaneous
- FTA – larceny/theft-theft-miscellaneous, $1500-$2500
- FTA – robbery-residence-knife

Barnett, Sumer L; 24
- Family Offense-endangering welfare of child

Braswell, Kandace N; 37
- possession of dangerous drugs

Coker, Michael J; 47
- FTA – driving while license suspended
- FTA – switched tag

Cook, Lauren N; 30
- possession of methamphetamine
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Edge, Clinton A; 53
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Hill, Joseph L; 54
- Violation of Release Order/unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Osborn, Haylyn M; 18
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Trimble, William C; 56
- FTA – possession of marijuana

June 29

Coots, Steven D; 32
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Farris, Patricia T; 83
- enters/remains in/on property

Gabriel, Shawn M; 55
- Probation Violation/sell-distribute dangerous drugs

Hayes, Brandi A; 47
- drug trafficking

Hubbard, Ashley S; 37
- assault-child abuse-simple-family
- FTA - unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA - possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)
- FTA – open container-alcohol in a vehicle
- FTA – driving under the influence (alcohol)

Japczyk, Kenneth E; 43
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Klosinski, Mary E; 33
- possession of methamphetamine
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- property crime-tampering with physical evidence

Minor, Henry O M; 42
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Ross, Brian S; 55
- assault-domestic violence – 2nd degree, criminal mischief – 1st degree

Vankeuren, Austin C R; 25
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of marijuana
- illegal possession/use of a credit/debit card
- buying/receiving stolen property, $1500 or more

Villa, Antonio Jr; 42
- FTA – driving while license suspended
- FTA – driving while license suspended, revoked or cancelled

Whalen, Wendy A; 46
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs

Wright, Jackie R; 33
- FTA – burglary-non-residence-no force
- FTA – damaged property-criminal mischief

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 24
- theft of property – 4th; Dollar General; Hwy 278W; general merchandise; $11

June 27
- theft of property – 4th; person; Main Ave. NE; miscellaneous; $30
- counterfeit $100; State of Alabama; Cherokee Ave. SW

June 28
- theft of property – 4th; person; Airpods; $185
- theft of property – 4th; joysticks and D20's; 4th St. SW; cards; $135

June 29
- theft of property – 1st degree; person; Hwy 157; '95 Ford Ranger; $1,500
- theft of property – 4th degree; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. SW; miscellaneous; $25

June 30
- burglary – 3rd degree, criminal mischief – 1st degree; Grand Pointe Pharmacy; 2nd Ave. NW; damaged property
- theft of property – 1st degree; Home 2 Suites; Hwy 157; lumber; $8,000

ARRESTS

June 29

Calvert, Heather T; 46
- domestic violence – 2nd degree
- harassment

Coots, Steven D; 32
- attempt to elude

Drane, Anthony G; 36
- theft of property – 4th degree (2 counts)
- false information

June 30

Checkon, William E; 79
- public intoxication
- resisting arrest

Holcomb, Harley S; 23
- theft of property – 4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Festival (from Front)

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CULLMAN COUNTY, Ala. — Cullman County Parks and Recreation's Smith Lake Park Fourth of July Fireworks Festival is celebrating its 50th anniversary this Monday. To celebrate, admission to the event will be free for everyone. Free to join activities, games, and contests will be held throughout the day. Families can play putt-putt golf, visit the swimming pool and rent kayaks, canoes and paddle boards. The annual golf cart parade will travel through the park at 4 p.m. The entertainment begins as early as 9:30 a.m. with the first musical guest in the artist line-up.

Entertainment schedule:

- 9:30 a.m. – Bailey Hill
- 11 a.m. – Justin Oliver and Daniel Raine
- 12:30 p.m. – Justin and Tab
- 2:30 p.m. – BREZ
- 4 p.m. – Golf Cart Parade
- 4:30 p.m. – The Allen Tolbert Unit
- 6 p.m. – Games at the Stage
- 7 p.m. – Reid Haughton

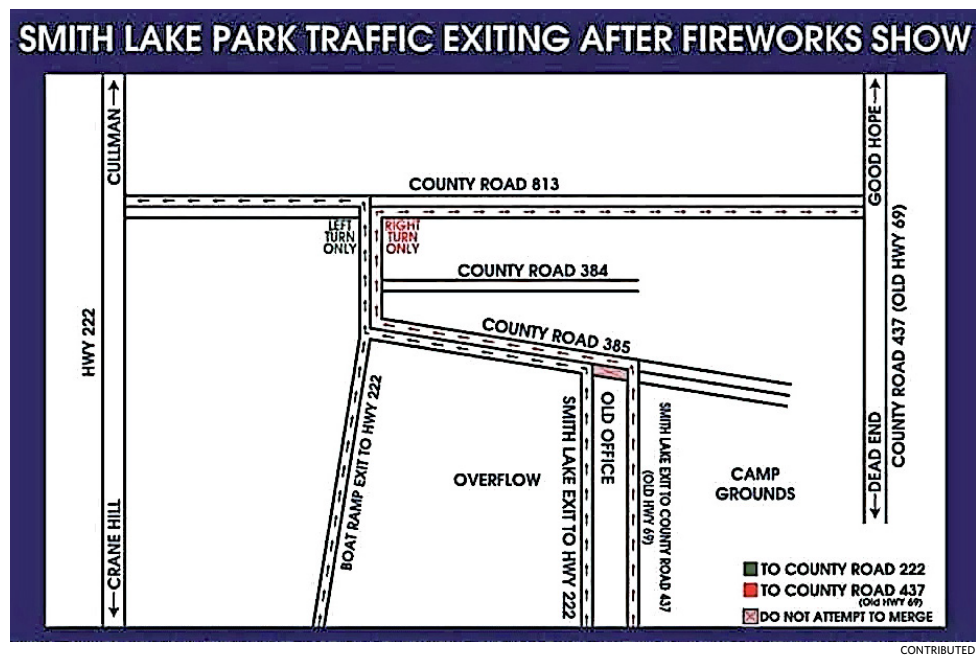
County Parks and Rec Director Doug Davenport said, "We feel like it's going to be an awesome event, there have been added security and traffic control."

Desperation Church organized and ran the fireworks show at Heritage for several years, and through the pandemic, the City of Cullman chose to continue the show as a way to provide a safe avenue for families to get out and enjoy an event.

Though the City decided not to host that show this year, they are encouraging the community to support the 50th anniversary of the County's show at Smith Lake.

Executive Director of Cullman Parks, Recreation and Sports Tourism Nathan Anderson stated, "The plans to continue the show were temporary, as we have many great opportunities for families to enjoy fireworks within our community.

"We have a great relationship with our friends at Cullman County Parks and Recreation and want to encourage others within our community to support their incredible show on the world-class lake we all love!"



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Traffic (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office will be responsible for traffic control following the fireworks show at Smith Lake Park on Monday, July 4.

"After the fireworks display has ended, traffic will be one way for outgoing traffic out of the park and also on County Road 385 and County Road 386," a release by the CCSO reads. "County Road 385 will be closed to incoming traffic at 8:50 p.m."

No one will be allowed to come into the park after 8:50 p.m. until all outgoing traffic has been cleared.

Traffic in the left lane MUST turn left toward Trimble and traffic in the right lane MUST turn right toward Good Hope/Dodge City when turning off County Road 385 on to County Road 813.

CCSO will be using the old park entrance road to exit the park as well.

"Please use patience when exiting the park," the release finished. "Thank you."

Drive (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Redline Leather Workz, located at 222 Arkadelphia Road in Hanceville, is hosting a bottled water drive for fire departments across the region on Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. in conjunction with their grand reopening.

Ben Wilson, of Redline, said, "There are 26 volunteer fire departments in Cullman County and our goal is a pallet of water for each department." In hopes of making the drive an annual event, Wilson encouraged all business owners to chip in and donate a pallet of water.

Bottled water donations can also be made at each local department from the provided list below. Please remember to keep all vehicles and donations away from the bay doors of each facility so that emergency vehicles and enter and exit without being blocked.

- Baileyton - 165 Fire Station Road, Baileyton, AL 35019
- Berlin - 3581 U.S. Highway 278 E, Cullman, AL 35055
- Bethsaida Station 1 - 454 County Road 804, Cullman, AL 35057
- Bremen - 1425 County Road 110, Cullman, AL 35057
- Cold Springs - 10 County Road 109, Bremen, AL 35033
- Colony - 100 Ward Hill, Hanceville, AL 35077
- Crane Hill - 151123 County Road 222, Crane Hill, AL 35053
- Dodge City - 1407 Alabama Highway 69 S, Hanceville, AL 35077
- Garden City - 169 Fifth St. SW, Garden City, AL 35070
- Gold Ridge - 5225 County Road 1545, Cullman AL, 35058
- Good Hope - 25 Super Saver Road, Cullman AL 35057
- Hanceville - 119 Collins Ave., Hanceville AL 35077
- Holly Pond - 10915 U.S. Highway 278 E, Holly Pond, AL 35083
- Johnson's Crossing Station 1 - 1542 County Road 617, Hanceville, AL 35077
- Jones Chapel Station 1 - 96 County Road 940, Cullman, AL 35057
- Logan - 4225 County Road 818, Logan, AL 35098
- Sardis - 9474 County Road 1043, Addison AL, 35540
- Trimble Station 1 - 7744 County Road 813, Cullman, AL 35057
- Vinemont - 60 Ridgeway St., Cullman, AL 35058
- Walter - 4411 County Road 781, Cullman, AL 35055

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

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

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

Church Services-Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Drive NW, Cullman
• Prayer meetings- Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.
• Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.
• Sunday, July 3, 7 p.m.: Cookout followed by fireworks at 8:30 p.m. Join Pastor Bobby and Pam Dodd at 197 County Road 220, Arley, AL 35541. Learn more about the new Spirit LIfe Church! Bring your own lawn chair and join us for food, fun, and fellowship.
• 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 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

Master's Hand Food Pantry at The Link
• 708 Ninth St. SE, Cullman, AL 35055
• Tuesday and Thursday 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
• Closed for lunch noon – 1 p.m.

Free Kindergarten Readiness Camp
• Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. - noon
• Week of July 18 and Week of July 25
• To register for one of the six sites located across the county contact Dakotatrammell@linkingcullman.org to register

West Point Movie Nights
• July 24 – "Zootopia"
• Aug. 20 – "Jumanji"
• Will be held at the ball field at West Point Town Hall (3990 County Road 1141 Vinemont, AL 35179). Concessions will open at 7 p.m. with cheeseburgers, hot dogs and regular concession food. The movie begins at 8:15 p.m. and ends at 10:45 p.m. Please bring blankets and chairs. Adults are $5 and kids are free. Popcorn supplied by Kernel Kullman.

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.

Joyful Hearts 30th Anniversary Homecoming
July 9 – Bring a friend and come help us celebrate this great event! Featuring special guests, The Old Paths from Atlanta, Georgia and ClearVision from Oxford, Alabama. Ten dollar donation taken at the door. Saturday, July 9 at 6 p.m., with doors opening at 5 p.m. at Cross Baptist Church (23654 U.S. Highway 31, Falkville, AL). for more information, call Brenda Foxx at 256-775-0103.

"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!

David Speegle Family Reunion
July 10 - The annual reunion of the David Speegle Family will be held Sunday, July 10, at the Speegle Family Point (334 County Road 321, Crane Hill, AL 35053) beginning around 10:30 a.m.. Please join us and bring a covered dish for lunch at noon. Contact Judy Shannon (256-734-3460) or Norman Calvert (256-734-0389) if you need additional information. Come eat and enjoy the day with us!

Holly Pond Homemakers Club
July 12 - The Holly Pond Homemakers Club will meet July 12, at the Brandin' Iron in Fairview. Everyone please be there by 11:30 a.m. This is a "meet and eat" meeting. Bring someone with you. We'll have fun!

Pleasant View Singing and Summer Revival
July 10 and 18 - Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have a singing with the Dixie Echoes from Pensacola, Florida on Sunday, July 10 at 5 p.m. We will kick off our summer revival the third week in July beginning with a singing Sunday night July 17 at 5 p.m. The Kelly's from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee will be guest singers. Services will run day and night, Monday, July 18 – Friday, July 22. Morning services will begin at 10:30 a.m. and evening services at 7 p.m. Brother Andrew Allred will be the evangelist. Lunch will be served each day after the morning service. Everyone is invited. If you can't come, pray for us. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986.

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) 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, July 1, 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, 2022, 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 healthcare facility use only to the Dashboard Hub: arcg.is/0brSGj.

Case details* (Updated Monday, Wednesday and Friday)
• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 24.6%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,822
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,462
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 432,767 (+3,732 since Wednesday)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,558
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 3,012 (+18 since Wednesday)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 8.3%
• 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): 8,271 (+83 since Wednesday)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 53 (+0 since Wednesday)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,018
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 85
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 32,155
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 7,918
• Currently hospitalized in Alabama: 472

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 9,792,295 No update available
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 4,971,365 No update available
• Doses administered: 6,168,460
• Additional doses administered: 896,771
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,884,919
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,385,534
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,820,930 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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‘Never take anything for granted’: Stella Smith discusses her Cullman career

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CULLMAN, Ala. -- In this interview, I talked to Cullman basketball player Stella Smith. Some of Stella’s best basketball memories actually happened off of the court and she made a lot of great memories in school as well.

“Although I made tons of memories with my girls playing basketball, some of my favorite memories happened off the court. Coach Hembree, coach Hartline, coach Shelton, and the girls are family to me, and they’ll all hold a very special place in my heart,” Smith said. “Some of my favorite memories include going to Huntsville and staying at a hotel for our Christmas tournament, which we won, updating each other on what’s happening in our lives every morning with coach Hembree in Bearcat enrichment, and going to eat with each other and just enjoying each other’s company before every home game. Senior Night was also a very special night because Jaden and I were reminded of just how much this team means to us and coach Hembree went above and beyond to make us feel loved.”

Smith added, “Some of my best high school memories were being in the front of the student section at football, indoor pep rallies, and sophomore homecoming week. I’ll definitely miss Cullman High School!”

Smith feels blessed to have played for Head Coach Josh Hembree for her whole high school career and learned a ton of things from him.

“I’m beyond thankful for all the years I’ve had with coach Hembree. He’s made a tremendous impact on my life, and I couldn’t be more grateful for him,” Smith said. “He treated all of us as if we were his own daughters and taught us lessons that go beyond just basketball. He taught me about hard work, sacrifice, and pushing myself past my limits. He always pushed me to be the best version of myself and never let me settle for anything less. He always taught me the importance of family and surrounding yourself with good people. He was a listener. It didn’t matter what we had to talk about, whether it was girl drama or problems at home, coach Hembree was always there to listen and never let us feel alone. He’s helped me in more ways than he’ll ever know, and I could never thank him enough for all he’s done for me.”

Smith learned a lot during her time playing for the Lady Bearcats and will definitely miss being at Cullman.

“During my time at Cullman, I learned the importance of fellowship and being kind to everyone because you never know their circumstances,” Smith said.

“Everyone could use a friend, no matter who they are or what they believe in. I think I’ll miss my teachers and classmates the most. I’m so thankful for all the teachers I’ve had throughout my years at Cullman.

“I’ve never had a bad teacher. I’m also so thankful for my classmates. I’ve loved being able to learn and grow with them and I can’t wait to see what the future holds for all of them.”



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Cullman’s Stella Smith

Cullman High School will definitely hold a very special place in Stella’s heart, and she talked about some funny memories that she made in her time there.

“Cullman is such a special place. There are so many different opportunities for students and the community aspect is unlike any other. I wouldn’t trade my years at Cullman for anything and I’ll definitely miss it,” Smith said. “Some of my funniest memories would definitely have to be during homecoming week. You never know what you’re going to see on costume day. The lip sync battles were really funny, especially when we got booed off the stage my sophomore year (laughs).”

Stella gave some advice to the students that will start high school in August.

“Step out of your comfort zone and don’t be afraid to try new things. COVID took so much away from me and taught me to never take anything for granted,” Smith said. “Take advantage of today and step out of your comfort zone.”

‘Don’t back down’: Colby Miller recaps his playing days at Vinemont

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VINEMONT, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to one of Vinemont’s multi-sport standouts, Colby Miller. Colby made a long list of school and sports memories during his years as an Eagle.

“One of my favorite football memories that comes to mind was when I was a sophomore. My older brother was a senior and that was the first time I started at quarterback. It was homecoming against Locust Fork and to win the game, I threw him a 40-yard touchdown and he caught it to win the game,” Miller said. “Everyone was going crazy. That was probably the loudest that I’ve ever heard the crowd at the stadium, so that was probably my favorite. Another one was last year when we played Oakman and we went into overtime with them. That was the first time that we went to the playoffs since 2012. That was a big moment. In basketball, one of my favorite memories was when I was a sophomore and we made it to the state playoffs. Last year, we didn’t have the season that we wanted to have, but honestly, getting to play the games with all of my buddies, I’m going to miss that. After the games, going out to eat with the friends, going to hang out at each other’s houses after the games, I’m going to miss that a lot.”

Miller continued, “My favorite high school memories were just being able to show up. I co-opted in and out, so I showed up around second period. I come in and I got to talk to all of my friends. I was really good buddies with the teachers and most of them were coaches, so that was really nice. Being a senior, you wouldn’t basically really be able to do what you want to do, but the teachers really didn’t care or get on you that much. That was really nice.”

Miller feels lucky to have played for some amazing coaches at Vinemont and learned so much from them.

“I love coach (Stephen) Robinson. He’s a good guy. He loves me too. He’s a good Christian dude and he’ll get after you. He was hard on me a lot because he knew what I could do,” Miller said. “I appreciate that. That drove me to play better and do better in the games and be a leader on the field. When times got tough, he’d come to me and tell me to buck up and do it. I listened to him. I loved playing for coach Robinson. I learned to be a leader and don’t back down. Sometimes, you’ve got to bow up and be a man about it. If you take a hit, give a hit back. Be tough. Act like you’re the man on the field. I learned to be who I am and do what I do. Me and Coach Boyd, we’ve got a good relationship. Coach Boyd’s a good dude, great Christian man. I love him to death. We liked picking on each other a good bit and coach Boyd would tell me to be who I am and do what I do during the game. He would always tell me to push myself, even when I’m tired. I learned not to give up. Don’t look at the scoreboard. Keep pushing through the tough points.”

Miller continued, “Coach (Hunter) Cornelius is an awesome dude. I really like him. He’s cool and young, so he knows what we’re thinking. He can jive with us pretty good, and he was really chill. But he would chew us out when we needed chewing. We didn’t have the season that we wanted, but we still won some games. He pushed us a good bit and he knew what we were capable of when we would go into a game. He was a really good dude and he actually played college baseball, so he knew a lot about baseball. Towards the end of the season, he’d want to go eat with us and have a little team bonding. He’d open up the lounge up for us on Sundays. There was a really good group of guys this year and I feel like we jived good this year because of coach Cornelius. I thank him for stepping in for my senior year and being a good coach to me. Coach Collins knew me since I was little.



NICK GRIFFIN AND CHRISTY PARKER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Vinemont’s Colby Miller

We went to church together. Coach Webb’s known me since I was in kindergarten. He was my P.E. coach when I was in elementary. I love those dudes. I worked my tail off and they gave me a spot my freshman year and I actually got to start at either shortstop or second base. We made it to the second round of the playoffs that year, so that was really awesome. Those are some good dudes and they kind of let us flow with it during practices and let us do what we wanted to do. My high school baseball career worked out good.”

Miller learned a lot during his time at Vinemont and gave some advice to the students that will be starting high school in August.

“Get out of your comfort zone a little bit, get involved in different things, and talk to a bunch of people. Don’t be afraid to talk to people,” Miller said. “You’ll learn some things from people if you talk to them. Don’t regret it. Just have fun with high school. I’m going to miss it for sure, so just have fun with it, because you’ll miss it one day. That’s one of the best years of your life.”

Miller added, “I know they will be a little nervous coming into high school because I was a little bit. Don’t be afraid to go up and talk to people. Be good friends with people.

“Don’t be afraid to go out and do stuff. Have fun and if you want to go with the flow, go with the flow. Do whatever you want to do and be who you want to be.”

Makeovers (from Front)

a wonderful call.”

Programs offered by CAPNA include foster grandparents, energy assistance, children’s services, home weatherization, senior companionship, homeownership services, rental assistance and affordable housing.

CAPNA’s home office is located in Decatur and a satellite office is located at 107 Second Ave. NE in Cullman. For more information, please visit their website at https://capna.org/ or reach out to the Cullman office at 256-734-5170.

Endeavors (from Front)

mation. Brian does a great job listening and taking notes so please provide all the feedback that you can.”

Looking to develop a 10-year strategy which relies heavily on the community members’ input, Trusty’s interactive presentation sought the attendees’ input on what they appreciated about current offerings and where they would like to see CPRST head in the future.

In the first of several public forums to be held, feedback keywords from the participants on the parks and programs already in place included “variety,” “well maintained,” “fun for the whole family” and “clean.”

When looking to the future of what the citizens wish to see CPRST grow toward, prominent keywords included “family-oriented,” “funding” and “diversity of activities.”

After the presentation concluded, an open dialogue was encouraged to ascertain what specific activities and sports the public is hoping to see supported by CPRST in the future.

Representatives from the Cullman County Library Systems Main Branch, located on Clark Street, and the Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County attended, speaking out and asking for CPRST to provide assistance to their branch. Despite its location within the city limits, the Main Branch falls under the umbrella of the Cullman County Commission.

Library Main Branch Director Sharon Townson said, “We need space. We need more space to have more activities. We need more space to offer more programs with children who may or may not be more athletically inclined. The building we’re in was built in 1968. We have about a little less than 10,000 square feet.”

Cullman Community Theater was represented by Cindy Pass. Requesting more support from CPRST in the future, Pass suggested a “combination building of performing arts and literacy arts as they have in Hoover, Alabama and one being built in Jefferson County around Warrior right now.”

Feedback was heard from Jennifer White regarding the lack of a civic center, the pricing of WildWater and the filling in of Nesmith Pool which was replaced with a splashpad.

“We just don’t have a public facility to replace what we’ve had for years and accustomed to for years and that was scattered throughout, you know, kind of tailored to the neighborhoods and those populations of people who just don’t have those services anymore.”

Coming to talk about pickleball, the fastest growing sport in the United States for the second year in a row was representatives from the Cullman Pickleball Facebook Group.

Pickleball player and enthusiast Josh Olszowka said, “Pickleball is doubling in size and participation every year. I have a church group that plays inside every week, and we see more participation all the time.

“It’s something that’s growing and growing. If we had a great place where we could have both indoor and outdoor opportunities that would draw a lot of attention for tournament possibilities.

Olszowka also thanked CPRST for their current programming and how their services enhance the City of Cullman.

“I would just love to commend Cullman Parks and Rec for what they’ve done in recent years. I think they’ve done a phenomenal job really putting Cullman on the map so to speak, drawing a lot of attention to the city and generating a lot of revenue especially with the newly added water park. A lot of people from other areas will be drawn to that because it’s a clean, safe place to be.”

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Mopars by the Lake car show raises funds for Secret Meals for Hungry Children

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Many children in Cullman rely heavily on free and reduced breakfasts and lunches five days a week; however, the weekend creates a nutritional gap leaving many children hungry when they return to school on Monday. Nonprofit Secret Meals for Hungry Children fills the gap these children experience by discreetly slipping vitamin-fortified and nutritional meals into their backpacks on Fridays.

Alabama Credit Union created the Secret Meals for Hungry Children program in 2008 with one goal in mind—decreasing the number of children in Alabama and Florida facing hunger over the weekend.

Each year on the second Saturday in June, Mopar Clubs come together with Pentastar South Car Club to raise money for Secret Meals for Hungry Children with the Mopars by the Lake Car Show. The show was previously held at the Cullman Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram dealership, then at Depot Park once it outgrew the dealership lot. Now, the show is held at Sportsman Lake Park.

Brenda Allison with Pentastar South stated, "We have all seen the commercials asking to send a small monthly donation to adopt a child to feed in other countries. Well, that problem is also here in Cullman County. We have children that just come to school to eat.

"That's where we come in. Pentastar South has adopted Secret Meals for Hungry Children because we want to be a small part in feeding our children on the weekend. As a teacher, I sadly see this every day at my school."

This year the car show raised $4,000 and still has money coming in from donations. Allison said that the money raised at the show stays in Cullman County to feed local children.

"Even though it's a statewide thing and a lot of money goes in the same pot. That is one thing that we did request is that our money stays in Cullman County," she explained.

Anyone who would like to donate to Secret Meals can do so at https://www.alabamacu.com/ or drop a check off at Alabama Credit Union at either the South or North branch. Allison shared, "If it were not for our major sponsors, Cullman Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram, Alabama Credit Union and Pepsi, the show would not be able to raise as much money as it does."



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Brenda Allison, Cullman Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Manager Scott Spitzer and Alabama Credit Union Representative Laure Legg

LEGALS

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-20
TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS OF STREETS IN SUBDIVISIONS
IN THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA,

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

SECTION I. Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to modify, amend or delete portions of Ordinance No. 2021-24, of and concerning the requirements of public street dedication and acceptance by the City of Cullman into the City's public street and thoroughfare system.

SECTION II. Section IX, Dedication of Streets, of Ordinance No. 2021-24 of the City of Cullman, Alabama, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

The Owner/Developer seeking to dedicate a road(s) for the benefit of the public to the City of Cullman streets and thoroughfares system shall follow this Section of the Ordinance, in accordance with Chapter 48 "Streets, Sidewalks, and other Public Places" Section 48-107 of the City of Cullman Code of Ordinances, and the Subdivision Regulations Section 6.03, or as amended hereinafter.

A. Following the completion of the road work, roads shall be inspected to show that the improvements are free from defective workmanship or material and free from sinkholes or other settling in the following order.
    1. Owner/Developer shall first request a preliminary inspection of the fully completed work, which shall be done by either the Street Department or Engineering Department, who shall make the determination, in writing, if the work may be deemed as satisfactory work as described above in order to proceed.
    2. The Owner/Developer shall then post with the City Clerk a Maintenance Bond in an amount equal to ten percent of the total street and utility improvement cost for the road(s). The bond will guarantee the City (or County, if applicable) that the road(s) has been installed free from defects caused by faulty material or workmanship, and that the road(s) will remain in acceptable condition for a period of at least one year. If at the end of the one-year period, the road(s) is found to have settled or be otherwise unacceptable because of faulty workmanship or material, the defective road(s) must be repaired at the cost of the Owner/Developer considering the amount of the Maintenance Bond and any and all costs in excess thereof, and upon failure or refusal to do so within ninety (90) days after demand is made by the City Council, then the City (or County, if applicable) may make repairs as reasonably necessary and recover the costs thereof.
    3. At the end of the one-year period, the Owner/Developer shall thereafter request a primary final inspection to be done by the Street Department and the Engineering Department.
        i. If the City finds the work to be in satisfactory condition, the City shall issue a Letter of Satisfactory Completion to the Owner/Developer and Building Department for the records of the City.
        ii. If the Owner/Developer fails to request the inspection for a Letter of Satisfactory Completion, then the City may require the Owner/Developer to renew the bond, begin the process of dedication anew or proceed with this Ordinance.
    4. If a road is a part of a multiple phase development, the maintenance bond must remain on file with the City Clerk, and said bond shall be kept renewed as needed and in good-standing by the Owner/Developer, until completion of all subsequent phases of the subdivision are built and when the entire road system is constructed to the standards of the City.
    5. The Owner/Developer, upon receipt of the Letter of Satisfactory Completion, shall then issue a Letter of Dedication to the City, dedicating the road(s) as a part of the City's street and thoroughfare system.
        i. The Owner/Developer shall be responsible to provide a legal description of the entire road(s), describing each road in a multiple phase development individually, being dedicated to the City.
        ii. All roads from a multiple phase development must be submitted once, as a collective whole, upon completion for dedication to the City, unless the City finds it in the interest of the public welfare to accept any road(s) of a multiple phase development separately.
    6. The City Council may then accept the road writing through a Resolution.

SECTION III. Severability Clause.

Each and every provision of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void or invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provisions which might have been invalid.

SECTION IV. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 27th 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 27th day of June, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022 – 21
TO AMEND CHAPTER 22, ARTICLE V, SECTION 22-109
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

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

SECTION I. Purpose. The purpose of this Ordinance is to modify, amend or delete portions of Chapter 22 (Fire Prevention and Protection), Article V (Fireworks), Section 22-109 (Definitions) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cullman of and concerning the terms and definitions regarding pyrotechnics and their prohibition within the city limits.

SECTION II. Chapter 22 (Fire Prevention and Protection), Article V (Fireworks), Section 22-109 (Definitions) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Cullman, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 22-109. As used in this Chapter, the term "pyrotechnics" means any:

1. Aerial devices – Any type of Department of Transportation Class C Consumer Fireworks listed in the *American Pyrotechnics Association*, ("APA") 87-1, Sections 3.1.2 and 3.5;
2. Audible ground devices – Any type of Department Class C Consumer Fireworks listed in the APA 87-1, Sections 3.1.3;
3. Novelties – Any device listed in APA 87-1, Section 3.2, including without limitation, "Party poppers," "Snappers," "Toy smoke devices," "Snake, glow worms," and "Wire sparklers/dipped sticks;"
4. Sparkling devices – Handheld or ground based sparkling devices that are non-explosive and non-aerial and contain 75 grams or less of chemical compound per tube, or a total of 500 grams or less for multiple tubes and other sparkling devices which emit showers of sparks and sometimes a whistling, spinning or crackling effect when burning, but does not include aerial devices, audible ground devices, or anything that will detonate or explode;
5. Squib;
6. Rocket;
7. Firecracker;
8. Roman Candle;
9. Fire Balloon;
10. Signal Light;
11. Fireworks; or
12. Other device or composition used to obtain a visible or audible pyrotechnic display.

SECTION III. Severability Clause. Each and every provision of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void or invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provisions which might have been invalid.

SECTION IV. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective on July 5th, 2022 following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 27th 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 27th day of June, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

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TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to PHYLLIS HAIN a/k/a PHYLLIS B. HAIN as Personal Representative of the Estate of TIMOTHY SCOTT NALER, deceased, on the 1st day of July, 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.

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

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Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by Walter M. Turney and Sarah L. Turney to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, dated November 25, 2003 said mortgage recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, in Book 1361, Page 143. Said mortgage was subsequently sold, assigned and transferred to Bank of America, N.A.. Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned, Bank of America, N.A., will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse in Cullman County, Alabama on July 28, 2022, during the legal hours of sale, all of its right, title, and interest in and to the following describe real estate situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit: COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 118 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE SOUTH AND NORTH ALABAMA RAILROAD IN VINEMONT, ALABAMA, THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG SAID RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 681 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N- 40 DEGREES -00 MINUTES E A DISTANCE OF 103.46 FEET TO A POINT AND THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE CONTINUE N-40 DEGREES -00 MINUTES E A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE S-37 DEGREES -01 MINUTES E A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE S-40 DEGREES -00 MINUTES W A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE N-37 DEGREES -01 MINUTES W A DISTANCE OF 150 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. SITUATED, LYING AND BEING IN CULLMAN COUNTY, STATE OF ALABAMA. ALSO AN EASEMENT FOR PURPOSES OF INGRESS AND EGRESS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 9 WEST, THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 118 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE SOUTH AND NORTH ALABAMA RAILROAD IN VINEMONT, ALABAMA, THENCE IN A SOUTHEASTERLY DIRECTION ALONG SAID RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 681 FEET TO A POINT, A DISTANCE AND THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE N-40 DEGREES -00 MINUTES EAST A DISTANCE OF 103.46 FEET TO A POINT, THENCE S-37 DEGREES 0 MINUTES E A DISTANCE OF TWENTY FEET, THENCE SOUTHWEST A DISTANCE OF 103.46 FEET TO A POINT TWENTY FEET SOUTHEAST OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING, THENCE NORTHWEST A DISTANCE OF TWENTY FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID LAND LYING AND BEING IN THE NW 1/4-NW 1/4, SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 9 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. Property Street Address for Informational Purposes: 412 County Road 1341 Vinemont AL 35179 Said property will be sold "AS IS". NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, IS MADE AS TO THE TITLE OF SAID PROPERTY. Said property is subject to any title deficiencies including but not limited to: any outstanding ad valorem taxes - including taxes which are a lien but not yet due and payable, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments liens, encumbrances, zoning ordinances, restrictions, covenants, and matters of record superior to the Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold subject to the right of redemption of all parties entitled thereto. The highest bidder must tender a non-refundable deposit of five thousand dollars ($5,000) in certified funds at the time and place of sale. The highest bidder must tender the remainder to the ALAW Law office within 24 hours of the sale. Should the winning bidder fail to tender the total amount due within 24 hours, ALAW reserves the right to award the sale to the next highest bidder. Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand the rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process. This sale will be made for the purpose of paying the same and all expenses of this sale, as provided in said Mortgage and by Alabama law. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation. **This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose.** Bank of America, N.A., Mortgagee or Transferee Jonathan Smothers ALAW One Independence Plaza, Suite 416 Birmingham, AL 35209 Attorney for Mortgagee/Transferee 22-005078 A-4752427 06/25/2022, 07/02/2022, 07/09/2022

LOCAL BUSINESS

Vinemont welcomes new business The Butcher Meat Co. with grand opening

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The Butcher Meat Co. welcomes first customers after ribbon is officially cut

SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

VINEMONT, Ala. — The Town of South Vinemont has gained its newest addition in The Butcher Meat Co. on Friday morning. The business, owned by Kadi and Justin Smith, will be bringing fresh cut meats including angus choice steaks and roasts, bone-in and boneless porkchops, spareribs, county style ribs, a full variety of chicken, as well as shrimp steamed every day.

All the basic cuts of beef, pork and chicken will be kept in stock, and there will be a butcher on-site daily.

Justin has been in the meat cutting business for 16 years, with most people who know him calling him "the grill master."

The meats currently come from a distributor based in Birmingham, but Justin says that they plan to offer some local raised beef in the future.

The Smiths are looking to hire members to join their team.

The available positions are Full-time Meat Cutter and Part-time Cashier. Interested parties can call 256-708-9944 to schedule an interview.

The Vinemont Town Council visited the shop with a big crowd of interested customers for the grand opening and ribbon cutting on Friday morning.

The butcher shop is a welcome addition to the town with many excited about a place close by to purchase fresh meat.

Mayor Radginal Dodson gave a short statement before the ribbon cutting, "Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

"To the town of South Vinemont, thank you for all the help you've been. Everybody put forth a lot of effort, and I'm real proud of this establishment."

The Butcher Meat Co. is located at 149 Patton Drive, 35058. They can also be found on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/thebutchermeatco.

Grants (from Front)

ADECA
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Gov. Kay Ivey has awarded nearly $130,000 in grants to help agencies investigate and prosecute domestic violence and related crimes while providing services for victims.

"There is no excuse for domestic violence and those who commit that atrocious act need to be held accountable," Gov. Ivey said. "I commend and support these agencies for the work they do to obtain justice for victims by arresting and prosecuting offenders."

The Lauderdale County District Attorney's Office was awarded $61,750. Funds will support One Place of the Shoals Family Justice Center which provides services to victims of domestic violence and sexually related crimes in Colbert, Franklin, Lauderdale, Lawrence, Marion and Winston counties.

The Marion County Commission was awarded $53,200 to support the Marion County Domestic Violence Recovery Program. The program investigates and prosecutes domestic violence cases in Marion and Winston counties.

Victim Services of Cullman Inc. was awarded $14,300 and will use funds for its community outreach and education programs in Cullman and Winston counties. The goal is to teach people about domestic violence, sexual harassment and other related crimes.

The agency also helps train law enforcement officers on common domestic violence issues.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the awards from funds made available by the U.S. Department of Justice.

"Gov. Ivey understands and appreciates the dedication and sacrifice that these agencies provide in handling domestic violence issues and providing support for families," ADECA Director Kenneth Boswell said.

ADECA administers a wide range of programs that support law enforcement, victim programs, economic development, water resource management, energy conservation and recreation.

Daugherty (from Front)

Ted Feeley
UAB Athletics

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Director of Athletics Mark Ingram has announced the hiring of A.J. Daugherty as new head coach of the UAB Softball program.

A lifelong Alabama native and the 2022 NJCAA National Coaching Staff of the Year, Daugherty comes to Birmingham after a tremendously successful six seasons at Wallace State Community College.

Daugherty coached Wallace State to an overall record of 260-58 (.818) in his six seasons, including a record of 111-10 over the last two.

The team's recent success resulted in Daugherty being named the back-to-back Alabama Community College Conference Coach of the Year and NFCA South Regional Coaching Staff of the Year in 2021 and 2022.

"I am humbled and honored to be selected to lead a program as special as UAB Softball," Daugherty said.

"The support from the administration, alumni, and fans and the opportunity to build on the foundation here is very exciting.

"I'd like to thank Dr. Ray Watts, Mark Ingram, Dan Carlson and the entire athletic department staff for entrusting me with this opportunity.

"We plan to get right to work creating an environment conducive to producing champions on and off of the field. Go Blazers!"

Daugherty led Wallace State to the NJCAA National Tournament four times in five seasons (excluding 2020 due to COVID-19).

The Lions also won the Alabama Community College Conference/NJCAA Region XXII Championship four times in 2017, 2018, 2021 and 2022.

Under his guidance, Wallace State had the 2019 ACCC/NJCAA Region XXII Player of the Year, along with the 2021 and 2022 ACCC/NJCAA Region XXII Player and Pitcher of the Year.

"We had a great deal of interest in our position from a number of head coaches and top assistants from around the country," Ingram said.

"A.J.'s incredible track record of success and his vision for our program at UAB made him a clear and easy choice. I couldn't be more excited for our team, alumni and fans, and look forward to the future under his leadership."

Prior to his time at Wallace State, Daugherty started the James Clemens High School program and coached there from 2012-16.

In his final season, James Clemens was the No. 1 ranked 7A team for the majority of the season and captured the program's first Area and Regional Championship en route to finishing fourth overall in the state.

Daugherty spent two seasons as the head softball coach (2010-11) at American Christian Academy before serving as an assistant baseball coach at the same school in 2012.

He was also the head softball coach at Holy Spirit Catholic High School in 2009.

Daugherty graduated from the University of Alabama in 2008 with a degree in secondary education – social sciences and served as a student manager for the Crimson Tide softball team from 2006-08.

He and his wife Allison have two kids, son Connor (10) and daughter Caroline (4).

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52 ODES TO JOY: FUN FREEDOMS

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Remember when America was all about freedom-loving fun and people fought for "The Right to Party?" Even in 1773 (evening of Dec. 16), our royal-bashing, founding parents were dressing up like their Native American neighbors on a warpath; whoopin', hollerin' and tossin' boxes of inflation-pricey, not-made-in-the-USA tea into the Boston harbor.

Every Independence Day celebration, I write seriously about the rights and responsibilities of being an American patriot. But this year, yet another of mucho unrest and unfun for our country, I want to add to the pursuit of happiness with suggestions for enjoying 15 FUN FREEDOMS:

1. THE FREEDOM TO GIVE SOMEONE THE BIRD—is a very American form of free speech and is nationally understood sign language which communicates "UP YOURS!" Giving the American bird does not mean a literal gift of an eagle but is a gesture expressed by pointing the middle finger upward while keeping the other fingers down. In the U.S., we are free to "flip someone a bird" if we are offended by them cutting us off in highway traffic, or when some jerk/jerk-ette sashays into a parking space we've already indicated we plan to occupy.

"Double birds" are a bit rara avis but occasionally employed by someone who is super-miffed. In retrospect, I could imagine the actor, Will Smith, might wish he'd flung "double birds" at comedian Chris Rock at this year's Oscar awards instead of strutting onstage and resorting to a physical attack.

According to the Merriam-Webster dictionary, the British "offer someone a bird" not by lifting a finger but lifting their plummy voices to shout at, "loff" at or boo someone (such as a theater or sports entertainer) in order to show disapproval.

FUN FREEDOMS LAFF: "I bought a rotisserie for my July 4 cookout to celebrate American freedoms, but may return it because it keeps flipping the bird."

2. THE FREEDOM TO LAUGH AT LAUGHABLY AWFUL CUSTOMER SERVICE—See if you get a chuckle from the irony that while I'm writing this "Gerontologist of Joy" chapter for my upcoming book, AT&T flipped me "THE WORST CUSTOMER SERVICE" I've experienced in 70 years. As a writer, I had relied on their cellphone and internet systems to communicate with each of the 67 counties in Alabama and all U.S. states for 30 years. AT&T thrice blamed their "network enhancements" for blocking my email. This month, I spent two workdays in face-to-face meetings with AT&T workers who were never able to unblock my email and I ultimately changed providers. (By the way, the AT&T assistant-manager told me they do not recommend AT&T customers use AT&T email but choose better companies like Google's "Gmail.") It was a frustrating trial but also such a calamitous cluster-clunk comedy of errors and customer disregard—it was hilarious.

For instance, AT&T spends many millions promoting how secure they are from "identity theft" but in this big beautiful showroom, they had no private room for customers to discuss passwords and other sensitive info. The manager offered me the use of their employee toilet to talk with AT&T customer service reps. Yes, an idea that stinks, but they gave me no other option. I was sharing sensitive data in the "echo chamber" of the AT&T employee toilet for maybe 20 minutes which may have forced some of the AT&T sales hustlers to use the commoners' privy.

During those hourslong visits I witnessed several AT&T customers leave because the wait times were ridiculous while employees prioritized sales over correcting customer problems. One couple said they had driven to the store from 30 miles away using $5 a gallon gasoline because they had been "on hold" with AT&T for five hours. They left unserved, as did others. (No surprise, a 2021 survey of 4,000 Americans by "Reader's Digest Magazine," voted Verizon the most-trusted brand for wireless provider, not American Telephone and Telegraph.)

Over the hours in-store, I got to know in person: John, Desi, Cyril, Jonathan, the manager and later, their district manager, Jon Lauer (Birmingham, AL), via speakerphone in the showroom. After hours of this hassle, I learned Jon Lauer's boss is named, DIAMOND FRIERSON.

Feeling like everyone locally was unconcerned and ineffectual, I asked repeatedly if we might get DIAMOND FRIERSON involved to correct this problem which I believe is negatively impacting thousands of AT&T customers. The mere mention of him/her—DIAMOND FRIERSON!!!—was like throwing a snake into the room or the goofy hilarity of "Young Frankenstein" when Frau Blucher's name is merely whispered and it scares the horses.

End of story, AT&T gave me zero/zip/nothing/nada to fix my problem and allow me to do my work, but they did give me so much "laughably awful customer service" that I'm writing a stand-up comedy routine about it which I hope to tour. Here's two sample jokes:

"Why didn't Adam buy Eve an iPhone at the AT&T store? Because AT&T has terrible, horrible, laughable customer service and they overprice their Apples."

"Alabama Governor Ivey could end the drug crisis in the state if she simply required all drugs to be purchased through AT&T customer service."

3. THE FREEDOM TO SPEAK PIG LATIN—America is becoming increasing multi-lingual, which is creating a rich, fun, diverse mix of words and sounds to delight our ears. For instance, since 1980, there is a 599% increase in Vietnamese speakers in the U.S., and a 233% increase in Spanish speakers. However, while I've enjoyed studying both French and Spanish, no language has given me, and I think most Americans, more fun than Pig Latin. It's some lingual joy for all. PLSL (Pig Latin as a Second Language)? Ello-Hay erica-Amay.

Remember how the international auxiliary language, Esperanto, was created to help connect the world? Well, what about Pig Latin as a fun, universal tongue?

Pig Latin is what linguists consider more a "language game" or "ludling." (Hmm, ESL - English as a Second Ludling). The two, simple rules of Pig Latin are: 1. If a word begins with a vowel, just add "yay" to the end. For example, "out" is "outyay." 2. If a word begins with a consonant, take all the consonants before the vowel and put them at the end of the word. So, "which" becomes "ich whay."

Pig Latin burst into pop culture in 1919 through a Columbia Records album song, "I-Yay Ove-Lay Oo-Yay Eerie-day" performed by Lionel Fields. The blues icon, Lead Belly, had a Pig Latin hit and The Three Stooges (who likely had upid-say day jobs at AT&T) made Pig Latin a fun freedom of speech with "ix-nay" and "am-scray."

FUN FREEDOMS Pig Latin for American Independence Day:

- Food = oodfay
- Fun = unfay
- Eat = eatway
- Swimming = immingsway
- Ice cream = iceway eamcray

4. THE FREEDOM TO GO COMMANDO—which is defined by the Urban Dictionary as "to dress without underpants/knickers but be otherwise normally attired."

"I'm afraid I can't lower my trousers your honor, as I have gone commando today." Relatedly, our Declaration of Independence doesn't specifically mention the right to pull one's panties out of one's crack, but it seems some hero/heroine is doing just that in the famous painting of "Washington Crossing the Delaware" by German-American immigrant, Emanuel Leutze. It's a free and freeing action.

The term, GOING COMMANDO, possibly comes from Scottish soldiers who were at times reluctant to give a tilt of the kilt if they had gone "regimental." (Note: Soldiering in skirts ended with the advent of chemical warfare which can ravage tender parts.) Gents sometimes refer to "going commando" as "free-balling" and ladies may use the phrase for the freedom of being braless.

5. THE FREEDOM TO NAME YOUR KID SOMETHING ENTERTAINING—Roll over Beethoven Newton, Honey Boo Boo Thompson, John Jacob Jingleheimer Schmidt, Apple Blythe (Paltrow) Martin, Bear Winslett (his British mom is actress, Kate, and he is not yet as furry as Paddington), Moon Unit Zappa and Blue Ivy Carter; there's some new kids in town with even funner monikers.

Psychiatrists may be suggesting these whimsical names for future job security. That theory aside, we get kiddos for entertainment, so why not start some of that by naming a fun fetus?

RHOSHANDIATELLYNESHIAUNNEESHENKKOYAANISQUATSIUTH WILLIAMS—this is a child in Texas who is going to come home from kindergarten a bit peeved when she's struggling to spell her name.

SUMMER RAIN—the current heat wave across American is making this name seem particularly pleasant.

CHOW TOW—though banned as a birth certificate name in Malaysia because it translates in English to "smelly head," America still defends the right to choose.

RAZOR SHINES—is the "for real" name of an American basketball entertainer.

HEAVENLY HIRAANI TIGER LILY—the lovely flower from celebrity, Paula Yates.

NORTH WEST—is it ever not about Kim and Kanye? I may father another child, just to have fun with North South. North By Northwest South?

MOXIE CRIMEFIGHTER—the legal birth name Las Vegas magician Penn Jillette gave his bunny in a top hat.

6. THE FREEDOM TO NOT HAVE BABY-MAKING SEX—Last week, the U.S. Supreme Court reminded us the popular "missionary position" for enjoying sexual intimacy remains the primary cause of most babies in America. The nation's highest court wants us to consider other FUN FREEDOMS for intimacy. Let these tease your imagination:

ADULT NAPTIME, BEDROOM RODEO, DANCING IN THE SHEETS, DISAPPOINTING THE SPOUSE, DOING THE WILD THANG, FORBIDDEN POLKA, EXTREME FLIRTING, AMOROUS U.S. CONGRESS, SAFE NOONER, AFTERNOON DELIGHT, WRAP SONG, WRAPPED ATTENTION, GRINDING YOUR CORN (my Native American kinfolks call this MASHING THE MAIZE), BOUNCY-BOUNCY, BOW-CHICK-A-WOW-WOW, HANKY PANKY, HOT YOGA, KNOWING SOMEONE IN THE BIBLICAL SENSE, KNOCKING BOOTS, MAKING WHOOPEE, COMPLETING THE JIGSAW PUZZLE, JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS and the ever popular FEELS LIKE MAKING LOVE.

A PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE FOR JULY 4: "Don't drink and boink. Accidents cause people."

7. THE FREEDOM TO ORDER FREEDOM FRIES WITH FRIES





"I was ecstatic they renamed 'French Fries' as 'Freedom Fries.' Grown men and women in positions of power in the U.S. government showing themselves as idiots."—Johnny Depp

8. THE FREEDOM FOR MEN AND WOMEN TO GROW A MUSTACHE—Tickle your fancy or someone else's fancy. (Dear Reader: I mustache you a question but I'll "shave" it for later.)

9. THE FREEDOM TO SWING YOUR FIST (until it meets someone's nose), SWING DANCE, SWANG ON THE PORCH

10. THE FREEDOM TO CHEW BUBBLEGUM and WALK SILLY AT THE SAME TIME—America is a "free country," you have the right to act sensibly but you don't have to.

FUN, FREE YouTube Suggestions: "How to Blow Bubble Gum with Hubba Bubba/tutorial" and "The Ministry of Silly Walks—Monty Python's Flying Circus"

11. THE FREEDOM TO BE SHALLOW AS A PIE TIN—I'm proud to be the LeBron of this.

12. THE FREEDOM TO PREEN AND STRUT YOUR STUFF—Be Kardashian-inspired and fun. You could get your stuff inflated.

13. THE FREEDOM TO DRESS TACKY AS ALL GIT OUT—Yes, hon, that stars-and-stripes bikini does make your butt look big. That said, Sir Mixalot and I like big, American butts, and saluting George Washington, we cannot lie.

14. THE FREEDOM TO ROCK CLIMB AND COOK S'MORES NEKKID (restricted to certain, American parts)

15. THE FREEDOM TO ACT SOLEMN as a Puritan, SMUG as a Vanderbilt, SUPREME as a judge, UPPITY as last month's cryptocurrency rich, FOLKSY as Dolly Parton, TRASHY as an "internet troll"...

S.U.N.S. (Smile-Making, Uniting, Neighboring, Spellbinding) FUN FREEDOMS—Being an American patriot almost insists on regular, joyous, SMILE-MAKING pursuits of happiness. Double your fun freedom by UNITING with someone you love. Help build a community of fun freedoms by NEIGHBORING for pleasure. Share a picnic basket and a blanket to watch the Independence Day fireworks. Enjoy the particular passion of your own personal, fun freedom and you'll find it to be STAR-SPANGLED SPELLBINDING.

ODES ON FUN FREEDOMS FROM OTHERS:

"You offer a sincere compliment on a mustache and suddenly she's not your friend."—Marty Feldman

"It occurs to us that so-called 'Freedom Fries' kill more Americans than terrorists do."—Terry Mosher

"New Rule: Don't name your kid after a ballpark. Cubs fans, Paul and Teri Fields, have named their newborn son, Wrigley. Wrigley Fields. A child is supposed to be an independent individual, not a means of touting your own personal hobbies. At least, that's what I've always taught my kids, Panama Red and Jacuzzi."—Bill Maher

"The first comedians I became fascinated with were the Marx Brothers. Later in life, I thought maybe they were so rebellious and just flipping the bird to society and all the rules we're supposed to follow. They were saying that none of that is fair."—Judd Apatow

Here's some advice for AT&T from corporate marketing strategist and author, Tom Peters: "It never ceases to amaze me that companies spend millions to attract new customers (people they don't know) and spend next to nothing to keep the ones they've got!"

"Whenever I'm sad, I just imagine if babies were born with mustaches."—Liam Payne

FUN FREEDOMS LAFF

Freedom of and from Religion has been enjoyed/endured in America since the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock and Plymouth Rock landed on some of them. All the religions across the nation have their own wink-wink, insider laffs as this sample joke heard on National Public Radio's "Prairie Home Companion" illuminates:

A Catholic priest and a Jewish rabbi had been friends for many years. One evening over a cup of coffee, the priest turned to the rabbi and said, "My friend, we've known each other for a long time, and there's something I've always wondered. Have you ever tasted ham?"

"Well," said the rabbi, looking a little sheepish, "I must admit, when I was a very young man and curious, I tasted some ham. Now, tell me, my old friend," the rabbi said, "there's something I've always wondered. Have you ever been with a woman?"

"My friend," answered the priest, "I must confess, when I was a young man, before I entered the priesthood, yes, I was with a woman."

The rabbi smiled at the priest and said, "It's better than ham, isn't it?"

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

- July 2—Larry David
- July 3—George M. Cohan
- July 4—Neil Simon
- July 5—P.T. Barnum
- July 6—Kevin Hart
- July 7—Tasha Cobbs
- July 8—Anjelica Huston

AMERICAN ASPARAGUS ICE CREAM—MICHIGAN
(Source: wagrown.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 ½ pounds fresh asparagus with leaves, washed, sliced 1/4 inch thick
- 6 cups milk
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 2 ¼ cup sugar
- 24 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- Pinch of salt

INSTRUCTIONS

Combine 2 cups of milk and all sugar and heat to dissolve sugar. Add balance of milk and sliced asparagus. Puree with hand blender, add heavy cream and vanilla and bring to 180 degrees. Check for bright green color and pronounced asparagus flavor. Pass mixture through a strainer, return to heat and make anglaise-pass through fine-meshed strainer. Cool. Churn to freeze.

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

596. "Free Bird," our unofficial anthem by Lynyrd Skynrd was written in four minutes.

597. "Freedom's just another word for nothing left to lose," wailed by Janis Joplin.

598. Free public education and the right to remain ignorant.

599. "There's no such thing as a free lunch!"

600. "Free to Be You and Me."

601. Freedom Fighters.

602. Free to disagree.

603. Free as a breeze.

604. "Freedom" performed by George Michael.

605. "Free Falling" by Tom Petty.

606. "Free Jazz" by Ornette Coleman.

607. Free Masons like my father.

608. Free-wheeling on my banana-seat bike all over creation.

609. "Philadelphia Freedom" by Elton John.

610. "The Four Freedoms" paintings by Norman Rockwell.

611. My friend, Father Francis Walter and the Freedom Quilting Bee.

612. Free Willy.

613. God as voiced by Morgan Freeman.

614. Working with the Alabama Department of Archives to identify the names of 160 former slaves from the Cullman, Alabama area who registered to vote in the U.S. in 1867 as free men.

615. "Freedom" the novel by Jonathan Franzen.

616. The freeing of Nelson Mandela.

617. "Freedom Writers," the movie.

618. Free fireworks shows on July 4 to celebrate freedoms.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Despite rising food insecurity, the pandemic-era federal aid that made free school meals available to all public-school students came to an end June 30, but Cullman County Schools have offered a solution for those still requiring aid.

Before the pandemic, students had to meet specific criteria to qualify for USDA's free and reduced-price lunch program. Households whose annual income fell within 130% of the federal poverty threshold were eligible for free meals, while those that made between 130 and 185% of the federal poverty threshold received discounted ones.

In March 2020, as the economy contracted and unemployment soared, the USDA issued regulatory waivers permitting all schools to serve free breakfast and lunch to all children, including those not of school-age or enrolled in private institutions. School nutrition officials welcomed the move, which allowed many districts to serve as hunger relief organizations within their communities.

The waivers were possible thanks to a boost in funding from the Families First Coronavirus Relief Bill; however, the USDA did not have the funds to extend them past their expiration date on Thursday.

During the 2021/22 school year, about 30 million kids a day were receiving free meals, compared to 20 million before the pandemic. In Cullman County, 56.52% of students as of school year 2020 qualify for free and reduced lunches.

Cullman County Child Nutrition Director/Wellness Coordinator Emily Blankenship stated, "We encourage parents or guardians to send lunch with their child; however, if a student does not have the funds in their account, we will NOT deny a student access to a school meal if they chose to eat." The daily school lunches will cost $3 pending board approval.

Though Cullman County schools are no longer allowed to serve free meals to all students, parents are encouraged to fill out the free and reduced lunch application, now open.

The information received from the applications is also directly tied to some of the district's grant funding which can result in discounts for fees associated with college application processes, discounted fees for SAT, ACT, AP test opportunities and additional funding for technology and internet access. Applications can be completed at https://www2.myschoolapps.com/.

Obituary Announcements: June 30 - July 1

Philip Keith Davis, 64, of Logan
A memorial service is incomplete at this time for Philip Keith Davis, 64, of Logan. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Davis family.Mr. Davis passed away Friday, July 1, at Cullman Regional Hospital. He was born Dec. 27, 1957, to Theron Jackson and Sarah Ellen Dobbins Davis. He served his country in the United States Army. He was preceded in death by his father and a brother: Randall Davis. Survivors include his mother: Sarah Ellen Postalwait; daughter: Melanie (Torsten) Wunsch; sisters: Sharon (Ronald) Preston, Karla (Harry H.) McAllister and Connie (Don) Fortner; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Scotty Dewayne Griffin, 69, of Cullman
Funeral service for Scotty Dewayne Griffin, 69, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, July 5, at Blair Congregational Methodist Church with interment in the adjoining cemetery, and Rev. Larry Duke officiating. The family will receive friends at the church Tuesday from noon - 2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Griffin family. Scotty passed away Thursday, June 30, at Cullman Regional Hospital. He was born Dec. 23, 1952, to Chester Arthur and Leoma Harris Griffin. He loved to watch football, hunt and fish. He loved to talk about church and Jesus and pastored churches for many years. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers and sisters. He is survived by his wife of 52 years: Brenda Griffin; brothers: Horace (Wanda) Griffin and Monroe (Clara) Griffin; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Lena Belle Speer Henderson, 88, of Double Springs
Lena Belle Speer Henderson, age 88, of Double Springs, passed away Thursday, June 30, at Princeton Baptist Medical Center in Birmingham. She was born Houston, Alabama to James Speer and Dora Burdick Speer. Lena was a fantastic cook. She enjoyed gardening and sewing and made homemade clothes for her family. For many years, Lena and her sisters and later, her children, traveled all over and sang for hundreds of funerals and special church services. Visitation will be Sunday, July 3, from 2-3 p.m. at Fairview Missionary Baptist Church in Double Springs, where the service will be held at 3 p.m. Burial will be in the adjoining cemetery. Brother Bill Frank Wilson and Pastor Benny Knight will officiate. Lena is survived by her loving husband of 70 years: Parnell Henderson; children: Boyd (Regina) Henderson, Bonnie (Benny) Knight, Bradley (Jennifer) Henderson and Bentley (Debbie) Henderson; grandchildren: Shaunda (Jamie) Pounders, Maile (Lionel) Reese, Malia (Joel) Henson, Jonathan (Anieca) Henderson, Jamie Knight, Courtney (Jessie) Boyd, Damara Henderson, Riley Henderson, Stephanie Henderson and Tucker (Erin) Henderson; 11 great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents: James Sam Speer and Dora Lovenia Burdick Speer; brothers: Jim Speer, Burdick Speer and Jack Speer and sisters: Tommie Rowe, Cee Carter and Georgia Belle Speer. Pallbearers will be Jonathan Henderson, Tucker Henderson, Riley Henderson, Reggie Henson, Nicholas Pounders and Matthew Riddle. Honorary pallbearer is Brent Henson.

Vera Mae Harbison, 92, of Cullman
Funeral Service for Vera Mae Harbison, age 92, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, July 5, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home burial at Emeus Cemetery. Visitation will be from noon - 2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Harbison passed away Friday, July 1, at Hanceville Nursing Home. She was born March 27, 1930, in Cullman, Alabama, to Grady and Maudie Guthrie. She was preceded in death by her husband: Chalmer Harbison; son: Charles Harbison; parents; seven brothers and one sister. Survivors include her daughter: Charlene (Dennis) Jordan; daughter-in-law: Pattie Harbison; grandchildren: Chris (Sarah) Jordan, David (Laura) Jordan, Jeremy (Lindsey) Jordan, Hollie (Brandon) Elliott and Patrick (Candace) Harbison; 13 great-grandchildren; sisters: Vida Harbison, Ruth Johns, Louise White and Betty Jones and many nieces, nephews and friends. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Cullman Caring for Kids (402 Arnold St. NE, Cullman, AL 35055).

Mr. Charles "Ken" Sparks, 94, of Albertville
Mr. Charles "Ken" Sparks, age 94, of Albertville, passed away Thursday, June 30. A graveside funeral service will be held Wednesday, July 6 at 11 a.m. at Memory Hill Cemetery, with Brother Chris Johnson and Brother Mike Johnson officiating. He is survived by his wife: Rachel Sparks; daughters: Candy Moore (Gary), Joan Moore (Pete), Diane Pratt (Dennis Marker) and Julie Chandler and grandchildren: Josh Moore, Win Chandler and Melib Marker. He was preceded in death by his parents: Ernest and Velma Sparks; first wife: Elizabeth Pritchett Sparks and sister: Polly Sparks McCarver. In lieu of flowers the family asks for donations to First Baptist Church of Albertville, or any charity of your choice.

Shirley Mae Lovell, 81, of Hanceville
Shirley Mae Lovell, age 81, of Hanceville, passed away June 29 at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born Dec. 4, 1940, in Tennessee to Arley Love and Flora Geneva Dial Love. Shirley worked as a CNA at Hanceville Nursing Home for many years. Mrs. Lovell is preceded in death by her husband: Charles Lovell; parents: Arley and Flora Love and siblings: Hank and Elizabeth Love. She is survived by her children: Ferrell (Jennifer) Reynolds and Barbara Ann Ward; stepchildren: Tommy (Cindi) Lovell and Ronda (Ken) Burnham; grandchildren: Samantha Reynolds, John Ward and Heather Ward; step-grandchildren: Savannah, Charlie, Taylor and Bradley; 10 great-grandchildren; brothers: George, Wayne and Tommy Love and sisters: Geraldine Broyles and Florence Jones. Funeral services will be held Saturday, July 2, at noon from the Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Barbara Trussell officiating. Burial will be in Hopewell Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home Saturday from 11 a.m. until service time. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Lovell Family.

Darrell Dean Taylor, 65, of Vinemont
Darrell Dean Taylor, age 65, of Vinemont, passed away Wednesday, June 29, at Cullman Regional. He was born Oct. 10, 1956, in Hartselle, Alabama, to J. D. and Ruby Taylor. He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers: Keith Taylor, Ronnie Taylor, Douglas Taylor and Phillip Taylor. Survivors include his wife: Judy Frenchko Taylor and stepsons: Harry Frenchko and Clint Frenchko.

Christopher Michael Joslyn, 67, of Cullman
Christopher Michael Joslyn, age 67, of Cullman, passed away Thursday, June 30, at Cullman Regional. He was born Oct. 10, 1954, in Wyoming to Jack and Jo Joslyn. He was preceded in death by his parents; sister: Mary Joslyn; nephew: J.J. Joslyn and wife: Cheryl Joslyn. Survivors include his children: Burton Joseph (Lisa) Joslyn, Danielle (Ryan) Burtis, Troy Joslyn and Eli (Lexi) Joslyn; grandchildren: Sadie Eddy, Lizzie Parker, Zachary Joslyn, Ben Raley, Kaylee Joslyn, Scarlett Joslyn, Siena Joslyn, Zeke Joslyn, Joseph Joslyn, Hunter Joslyn, Jac-Jac Joslyn, Karsyn Joslyn and Jasper Joslyn; sister: Linda Poirier; nephew: Casy Joslyn and niece: Marie Gordon.

Rayfield Bernard Kreps, 84, of Hanceville
Rayfield Bernard Kreps, age 84, of Hanceville, Alabama passed awayThursday, June 30. Rayfield was born Sept. 12, 1937, in Cullman, Alabama to Aloysius F. "Butch" and Ommie Estella Dewberry Kreps. He is preceded in death by his parents: Aloysius F. "Butch" and Ommie Estella Dewberry Kreps; sister: Mary Ruth Kreps Shoemaker and brothers: Louis "Buck" Kreps and Edmond Kreps.Funeral services are Sunday July 3, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Freddie Moehring officiating. Interment will follow services at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Survivors are wife: Christine R. Griffin Kreps; daughters: Karen (Michael) Pannell and Melinda (Tim) Sutton; son: Steven (Sylvia) Kreps; brother: Kenneth (Charlotte) Kreps; 12 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Visitation is Sunday July 3, at Moss Service Funeral Home from noon until service time at 2 p.m. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

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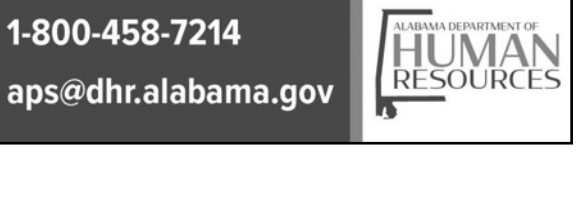
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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Even liberty has its limits

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



We live in "The Land of the Free," but certainly not at the gas station or grocery store these days! Well, actually, I don't think it means things are free, but we are free. For that matter, even our freedom was not free. It has been bought and paid for with the lives of those who fought for it. Even with inflation and soaring prices which seem to be competing with our rising crime rate, I still love living in the land of liberty.

In the 246 years since our independence was declared, we've come a long way. Great strides have been made to make this into a great nation. In some ways, however, we have done more than come a long way. We have gone too far. When we can't turn on the evening news, or read the daily newspaper, without hearing about another mass shooting, or some other heinous act, we have a serious national problem. We do have the right to defend ourselves, but taking up arms against innocent people, whom we may not even know, is not what that right is about.

Exactly what did the Declaration of Liberty win for us? Does our liberty come without limits? Are we completely free, without restraint, to do whatever we please? I think not! Even liberty has its limits, and rightfully so. A land without limits is certainly headed for disaster, perhaps even doom. If everyone who lives in any nation does whatever they please, chaos is bound to follow. Liberty must be balanced with limits. Privileges must be coupled with responsibilities.

Limits serve a great purpose. We have speed limits on our highways to help prevent us from killing ourselves and others in accidents. Speed limits in parts of the West are higher than ours, because they have fewer people on their highways. I have vacationed and been part of missions' teams to Wyoming and South Dakota numerous times. Right above Wyoming, is the great state of Montana. I had always heard that Montana does not have speed limits on their interstate highways. I discovered that they do not have "posted" speed limits, or set speed limits, but they do, in fact, have limits as to how fast you may drive. If an officer there determines you are driving at a speed that is reckless, unsafe, and could cause an accident, guess what. He can pull you over and issue you a ticket.

Free-range farming has become a popular choice for many farmers. Many consumers want to buy meat, or eggs, that comes from animals or birds that were not confined. In the old West, open range was common before we began putting up fences. But, even with free-range farming there are limits. A farmer in Alabama can't have his cattle wandering off to Arkansas to graze on someone else's property. We must practice some amount of restraint, while at the same time respecting the rights of others. We are not free to infringe on them simply because we can.

If none of us practice the art of restraint to go with our liberty, eventually, none of us will be able to live freely. We will be held captive by a constant state of fear. I sincerely celebrate our independence, and I encourage each of you to do the same, but please join me in praying for our nation. Let's pray for our spirituality, morality, integrity, and economy. Let's pray for our rights, but for respect the rights of others as well. Please enjoy your freedom this weekend, and have a safe and happy holiday!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1937, 1954

From the Files of 1937

On Tuesday, August 17, the W.C. Griffith Gin at Hanceville had the privilege of processing Cullman County's first bale of cotton for this season. The cotton was grown by A.R. Russell on D.D. Price's farm on Warrior, Route One. Mr. Clark Griffith states this is the earliest bale to be ginned in the past 17 years. It's a week earlier than last year.

The county will permit traffic on the new concrete bridge over Tedder Creek on the Hanceville, Arkadelphia Road. They expect to have this project completed next week, according to Mr. Rube Aldredge.

From the Files of 1954

Births for July: Eighty-three babies were born in Cullman County during July. Boys were born to Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Sinyard, J.E. Weissend, Carl Teichmiller, Spencer Howard, M.C. Cleghorn,, C.L. Jerrolds, Alton F. Ray, T.R. Segroves, O.J. Latham, J.H. Fitzgerald, B.D. Williams, G.R. Ransom, T.A. Crutchfield, A.E. Marsh, W.W. Parker, L.L. Shoemake, Milton McGriff, Charles R. Ryan, Marvin Henderson, Junior Hines, C.C. Kilpatrick, J.A. Swann, M.L. Harris, Hancle K. Hampton, L.L. Guthrie, A.C. Poole, R. Ottis Holaway, Raymond Harris, Lecle O. Sellers, C.O. Grund, R.C. Chumley, Hoyt Causey, Jack Tankersley, H.A. Owen, W.H. Hill, N.W. Chambers, T.N. Givens, C.A. Griffin, J.C. Gregory, W.H. Schultz, William Smothers, G.J. Chaney, B.E. Hale and Bernis Sams.

Girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. G.L. Self, L.V. Huckaby, Clifford K. Burney, D.A. Mann, V.L. Couch, V.O. Boone, S.J. Vinson, John T. Poole, Louis Evans, Junior, W.J. Whitehorn, Sterling Pruett, H.W. Makemson, R.C. Gardner, T.G. Merrill, W.W. Smith, Frank Schwaiger, J.B. Hill, E.L. Kent, Melvin Brummett, B.J. Suite, Clarence Harris, C.W. Thomas, Robert Hanson, S.E. Barnett, W.H. Long, Cecil Romine, A.E. Parks, G.D. Cates, L.E. Rreidrick, H.R. Biggs, J.A. Willingham, W.S. Russell, John L. Lindsey, E.L. Trammell, Fred Nickens, C.W. Nash, B.M Parrish and Chart Byram (twins).

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I hear America singing, the varied carols I hear,

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The carpenter singing his as he measures his plank or beam,

The mason singing his as he makes ready for work, or leaves off work,

The boatman singing what belongs to him in his boat, the deckhand singing on the steamboat deck,

The shoemaker singing as he sits on his bench, the hatter singing as he stands,

The wood-cutter's song, the ploughboy's on his way in the morning, or at noon intermission or at sundown,

The delicious singing of the mother, or of the young wife at work, or of the girl sewing or washing,

Each singing what belongs to him or her and to none else,

The day what belongs to the day—at night the party of young fellows, robust, friendly,

Singing with open mouths their strong melodious songs.

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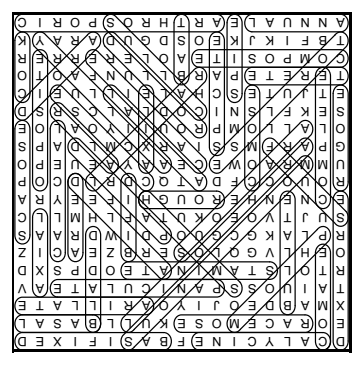
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