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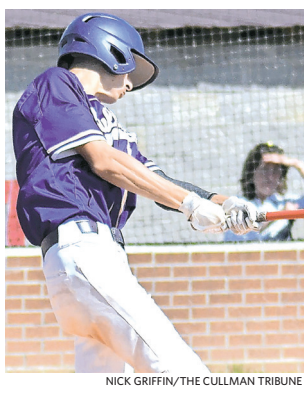
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Cannabis coming to Cullman?

Commission paves way for local farm to apply for medical licensing

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Commission on Tuesday evening approved Resolution 2022-61, authorizing the operation of medical cannabis dispensing sites within unincorporated areas of the county.

Joey Robertson from Wagon Trail Hemp Farm near Dodge City plans to move forward with applying to be one of five of the state's integrated medical cannabis licensed facilities. Of those five facilities within the state, one must be awarded to a minority. On Sept. 1, 2022, the Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission will begin accepting applications for licensing to be "an integrated facility or for a license as a cultivator processor, secure transporter, state testing laboratory or dispensary."

Expecting to provide "no less than 30 good-paying jobs," Robertson said he will also be utilizing off-duty law enforcement on the farm.

Speaking to the commissioners, resident Leonie Shaw took to the podium to discuss her concerns regarding the conditions on County Roads 151 and 154 in the Ryan's Creek Baptist Church area. Shaw provided photographs and documentation on the state of the roads near her home which she attributes to heavy loads from trucking hauls along Smith Lake. County Engineer Bryan Cheatwood and Commissioner Garry Marchman addressed Shaw's concerns and said they will be looking into solutions for the neighborhood.

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Rock the South 2022 update

Information from founder Shane Quick



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York Farms is being prepared for the 2022 Rock the South music festival.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Shane Quick, founder of Cullman's premier music event Rock the South (RTS), has lived and learned with each of the festival's passing years, seeking to improve the "Biggest Party in the South" with the experience gained through the successes and the failures.

RTS 2022 will be held Aug. 5-6 at 1872 County Road 469, known locally as the York Farm property, its home since its migration from Heritage Park in 2019. Traffic plans are unchanged from 2021.

Quick took time to address some of the concerns from last year's two-day event, including the dust storms and muddy mayhem potential.

In an effort to prevent another dustup driven by high winds and little to no rain, Quick said, "Starting last week we have been running water trucks over the property to fight the dust."

Additionally, the "Rock the South Misting Forest" will make a return to give attendees an area to cool off from the August Alabama heat.

To prevent the return of mud pits this year in the event's sponsor row, Quick said, "We've added a stable layer of packed rock to cut down on the potential of mud."

Expecting well over 60,000 guests to see Friday night's headliner, country music icons Alabama, and Saturday night's main attraction, Morgan Wallen, Quick promised nothing but "the best of Southern food and hospitality" for concertgoers.

Jimmie Allen, Kolby Cooper, Colt Ford, Hardy, Jamey Johnson, Pecos and the Rooftops, Dee Jay Silver, Matt Stell, Koe Wetzel and Anne Wilson round out the weekend's ticket.

RTS originated as an intended one-year anniversary celebration of the community joining together and rebuilding after the devastating April 27, 2011, tornadoes that rocked Alabama.

After its initial success, the concert became an annual event that has benefited many organizations in Cullman including Cullman Caring for Kids, Curt's Closet, The Link of Cullman County and Cullman City Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism.

Quick summed up his thoughts with, "Number one, I'd say 'thank you' for being a loyal supporter of RTS and we're committed to improving the RTS grounds each and every year. » PAGE 2

Smith steps down as Chamber president



CULLMAN AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported July 20

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported July 20, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

July 15

• burglary – 3rd degree, criminal mischief – 3rd degree; Hickory Ave. S.W; copper wiring, damaged property; $4,000
• theft of property; McNabb Rd. S.W; medication
• theft of property – 4th degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $129
• harassment; 2nd Ave. N.W.

July 16

• counterfeit $20s; State of Alabama; Hwy 278W
• theft of property – 4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $340
• theft of property – 4th degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $139

July 17

• theft of property – 4th degree; 4th St. S.W; wallet and contents
• theft of property – 4th degree; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $70

July 18

• unlawful breaking and entering of motor vehicle; Old Bolte Rd. S.E; pistol; $1,400
• criminal mischief; Oak Ridge Apts; Donauer Dr. S.W; damaged property
• theft of property – third degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $625
• theft of property – 4th degree; Olive St. S.W; cash
• harassing communications

July 19

• harassing communications

ARRESTS

July 15

Akers, Tonia D; 42
• possession of drug paraphernalia

Evans, David E; 42
• attempting to elude

Gurganious, Sarah B; 25
• FTA – criminal trespassing – 3rd degree

Leak, Amanda J; 36
• theft of property – 4th degree (3 counts)
• criminal trespassing – 3rd degree
• criminal mischief – 3rd degree

Pigg, Zackary S; 35
• FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA – unlawful possession of marijuana – 2nd degree
• FTA – failure to signal
• FTA – insurance violation

Williamson, Shelldon D; 56
• public intoxication

July 16

Puckett; Logan I; 21
• unlawful possession of marijuana – 2nd degree
• unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

July 17

Martinez, Jose F; 21
• rape – 1st degree
• enticing a child
• unlawful possession of marijuana – 2nd degree
• unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia

July 18

Willingham, Kayla L; 28
• FTA – theft of property – 4th degree

July 19

Campbell, Kim M; 48
• theft of property – 4th degree

McCormick, Jeffery S; 33
• FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Rock the South (from Front)

"Once again, the biggest entertainers in the world will be in our hometown, drawing fans from all 50 states and several countries around the world."

For more information on Rock the South or to purchase tickets, visit www.rockthesouth.com.

Smith (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday announced Peggy Smith will step down as president.

The Chamber has had unprecedented growth and success over the last three years under Smith's leadership.

Over the last 12 months, the Chamber has been working collectively with Smith to develop a succession plan for continuing the growth and services provided to the Cullman community and surrounding areas.

Smith will transition to an advisory role with the Chamber with a focus on special projects, including an updated housing and demographic study, Cullman Tourism Bureau and assisting with a search for the new Chamber president.

The transition will begin Monday, July 25, and Keith Varden will serve as interim president while the search for the new president is conducted.

Stephen Parker, Chamber chair, shared with the Chamber Board that the goal is to have the search completed and a permanent president in place by Jan. 31, 2023.

Creative (from Front)

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — Holly Pond High School seniors have something special planned before the beginning of the school year. Aug. 1-2, they will personalize their parking spaces by painting them.

Principal Janet Turner talked about how the idea came about, and said she is excited to see the seniors do something special before the school year gets started.

"I got the idea off of Pinterest and I thought it would be something really fun for our students to do. I sent out the information over email and Facebook. I got a lot of positive responses," Turner said. "We'll be painting on the 1st and the 2nd. All of the seniors will come here together. It'll be a group project, something good for the school and something good for the seniors to do as a group. We are all going to help each other."

Seniors Samantha Giles and Aliyah Ryan said they are excited to show off their artwork.

"We went to Mrs. Turner's office the next day and (were) like, 'Thank you so much. We've been wanting to do this forever.' We've seen it all over TikTok," Giles said. "It'll be something we'll take with us as we get older, and it will be something special. I hope that everyone in the future (is) able to do something like this."

Added Ryan, "It'll be really fun getting to do it as a class and we will get to do this with all of our friends. We'll definitely have a lot of memories from painting our parking spaces when we grow up, seeing what everybody does and what their personalities are like."

Turner said she has seen everyone work really hard to be able to do something they will always remember.

"This is the first time that the seniors have gotten to do this. There's been a lot of thought and a lot of work hand drawing the designs," she said. "They've been sending them to me through email. A lot of the parents have helped the students get what design they want, and it represents each child's personality."

And what are Giles and Ryan planning for their parking spaces?

"I dressed up as Sam I Am on homecoming. I get told a lot that I look like Sam I Am, so I thought it would be cool to draw that on my parking space," Giles said.

Ryan added, "I'm doing a sunset and a quote from Zach Bryan: 'Something in the orange tells me we're not done.'"

"Hopefully, this can start being a tradition. Hopefully, it inspires the other schools in the county to do it. It will maybe inspire their principals to let the students do some fun activities," Giles said.

"We've got a great group of kids out here," Turner said. "I'm happy to be offering this to our seniors, and hopefully, the other students will be motivated to be thinking about what their spot will look like in the years to come. I think we'll beautify the campus and I'm really excited to be out here joining them when we have painting day."

Production (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Community Theatre will stage a production of "Junie B. Jones the Musical Jr." in September, and the group is holding auditions for kids ages 8-15 Friday and Saturday, July 29-30. The auditions will take place from 9 a.m.-noon at The Little House at Art Park located at 1031 Second St. SW in Cullman.

The musical is an adaptation of four of Barbara Park's best-selling books and created by Marcy Heisler and Zina Goldrich.

Director Cindy Pass shared, "This piece was chosen because of the curriculum connection with reading. The Junie B. Jones series by Barbara Park has been a favorite for young children and teachers for many years. The opportunity to produce this show with young actors for young children is very special to me. We will be in rehearsals for about two months before our performance in late September. It's a great after-school project for the kids in the cast."

Auditions are open to all kids Cullman County ages 8-15. Those auditioning must be accompanied by a parent and be prepared to sing a song of their choice and read from a script.

The musical will join Junie B. on her first day of first grade, where she faces many new challenges. Junie will have to grapple with her best friend Lucille finding new best friends and having to make new friends for herself.

While in Mr. Scary's class, Junie has trouble reading the blackboard and discovers she may need glasses. Add in a friendly cafeteria lady, an intense kickball tournament and a "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal," and first grade has never been more exciting.

Featuring many lovable characters and fun-filled songs, "Junie B. Jones the Musical Jr." is a great opportunity for young actors to have their debuts in community theater.

Performance dates are Sept. 29-30, 2022.

Get more information at https://tinyurl.com/JunieB-JonesJr.

Cullman Community Theatre is sponsored by Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism.

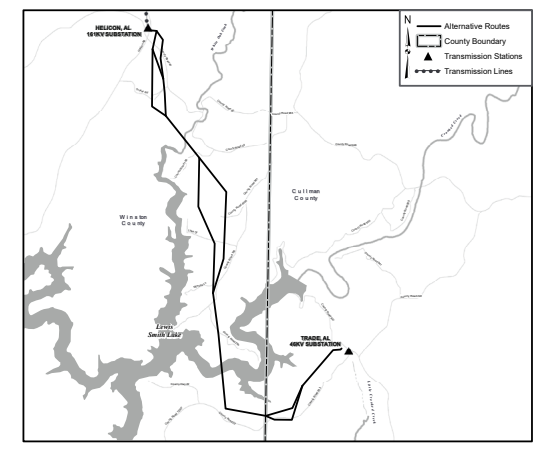


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TVA TO HOLD VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE ON PROPOSED TRANSMISSION PROJECT

TVA will hold a virtual open house on their website for public input on plans for a proposed transmission project in Winston and Cullman Counties in Alabama.



The proposed project consists of seven and a half miles of new single-circuit transmission line to connect two Cullman Electric stations – the existing Helicon Station in Arley and the Trade Station currently underway in Crane Hill. This project would allow for growth and provide more reliable power for the area.

The map shows the alternative locations of the proposed transmission routes TVA is considering. More detailed maps and additional information are available now at https://www.tva.com/transmissionprojects. A link to the virtual open house will be available from this web page between July 7 and August 8, 2022.

Property owners and members of the public can submit questions and comments online, by telephone or in writing.

TVA is interested in receiving comments concerning how this project may affect the environment, historic properties or any other issues associated with this proposal. Comments will be considered in reaching a decision on location of the new transmission facilities. Any written comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative record.

If you are not able to access the virtual open house but have questions or comments, please contact Spencer Whittier. All written comments on this proposed action should be sent to TVA at the address below no later than August 8, 2022.

Contact
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newtransline@tva.gov
Project information: https://www.tva.com/transmissionprojects

Virtual Open House
July 7 through August 8, 2022
http://www.tvavirtual.com/helicon

TVA TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to wendy@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) Mondays and Thursdays 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.
• 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 birthdays. 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.
• Wednesday, July 20 - 7 p.m. Adult - "THE BAIT OF SATAN," children, and youth Bible Study Classes. Free pizza for children at 6:30 p.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6 p.m. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Friday, July 22 - 6:30 p.m. Friday Night Lights - Bring a dish for our potluck supper. Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits, and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Spirit Life Church. Nursery provided.
• Sunday, July 24 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults 10 a.m. Adult class by Pam Dodd. 11 a.m. message "DANIEL, A MAN OF FAITH!" by Pastor Bobby Dodd.
• Sunday, July 24 – 8-11 a.m. Bake Sale - All proceeds go to the youth ministries.

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.

Pleasant View Singing and Summer Revival
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.

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

Loss of a Spouse Seminar
• July 21, 6-8 p.m. at First Baptist Church Cullman, 256-734-5632
You'll hear: Practical advice from others who've been there; What to expect in your grief; How to cope with life without your spouse; Why it won't always hurt this much

2nd Annual Art in the Warehouse District
Friday, July 22 from 4-8 p.m. at Leldon's, 117 First Ave. NE. Artists will be on hand to show off their work, and food and drinks will be served. Attendees can peruse the store, mingle with the artists and purchase artwork on display. Part of the event's proceeds will benefit the United Way of Cullman County.

West Point High School Class of 1967 Reunion
July 23, 4-6 p.m. at the Brandin' Iron Steakhouse in West Point

Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Banquet
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.

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.

Cullman High School Class of 1956 Reunion
The Cullman High School Class of 1956 will be having a class reunion at Brandin' Iron Steakhouse in West Point, July 28 at 11 a.m. Please plan to attend. Call Jerry Smith at 256-734-1797 if you have any questions.

Holly Pond Volunteer Fire Department Innaugural Day in the Park
• July 30, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Rain date Aug. 13
• Meet Holly Pond's local volunteer fire department and watch them draft water. This is a great opportunity to try on firemen's gear, see a firetruck work and look at fire engines up close. A smoke trailer will be available for demonstration. There will be bouncy houses. There is something for every age group.
• Sign up for a free smoke detector to be put into your home by professional firemen.
• Weather permitting, there will be appearances by ambulances, the sheriff's office and perhaps even look for a local celebrity. There will be hot dogs and drinks while supplies last.
• A special thanks to Temple Baptist Church, Pepsi Corporation and the Town of Holly Pond for their assistance.

Free Quilt Show at Flat Rock Church
Sunday, July 31, 2022, from 2-4 p.m. Bertha Mae Waldrep is 92 years old and has been sewing since the age of 5. She will have several quilts displayed in the church. If anyone would like to bring a quilt to display, we would love that! We would like to pin a note card with information about the quilts and the owner's name. We would love for you to join us in seeing the beautiful display of quilts! For more information, contact Teresa Mauldin at 256-347-2173 or Jayne Waldrep at 256-339-1713. The address to the church is 1670 County Road 933, Crane Hill, AL 35053.

Freedom Fest
Vinemont Schools will host their annual back-to-school event, the second annual Freedom Fest, on school grounds Friday, Aug. 5 from 5-8 p.m. The free event will include food, school supplies, inflatables, face painting, games, live music and a car show. Teachers, band members, football players and cheerleaders will also be on hand to meet and mingle with students, their families and community members.

White City Jr. High School Reunion
Saturday, Aug. 6. It has been moved to the first Saturday in August from now on. Meet at the Johnson's Crossing Fire Dept. at the site of the old school (1542 County Road 617, Hanceville) any time after 9 a.m. We will furnish ice, tea, plates, cups, cutlery, etc. This reunion is for anyone who ever attended the school, not just certain classes. Bring your favorite dish and join us for the fun and fellowship.

86th Annual Sandlin Reunion
• 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.

Swamp John's Dinner
Tuesday, Aug. 9, 4-7 p.m. at St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, 615 Main Ave. SW, Cullman, eat in or carry out

Oktoberfest German Dinner at Sacred Heart
The annual Oktoberfest German Dinner will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church's Family Life Center on Wednesday, Sept. 28, from 4-7 p.m. Sponsored by the women's Altar Society, the event this year is drive-thru only -follow signs at church. The meal consists of bratwurst and German-style kraut, (meat by Brickyard Meats), German potato salad, green beans, applesauce, bread and dessert for $15. There are NO children's meals this year. All proceeds raised go toward the sponsoring Altar Society's church upkeep projects. Everyone welcome to enjoy this yearly meal celebrating our German heritage!

Harvest to Home Dinner & Silent Auction
Sept. 29 at 5:30 p.m. This will be a locally-sourced dinner starting with a menu curated by Chef Nichols, department chair of the Wallace State Culinary Arts Program. This is the North Alabama Agriplex's largest yearly fundraising effort. More details coming soon.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Wednesday, July 20, 2022 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: 30.1%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,822
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,459
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 475, 675 (increase of 5,067)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,558
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 3,089 (increase of 8)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 10.2%
• 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): 9103 (increase of 88)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 54 (no change)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,377
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 140
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 36,158
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 11,037

Vaccine details (updated Tuesday and Thursday)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 9,978,495
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 5,053,265
• Doses administered: 6,217,318 (increase of 18,564)
• Additional doses administered: 907,878 (increase of 3,731)
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,894,001 (increase of 4,366)
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,393,193 (increase of 2,705)
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 4,925,230

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

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‘Make the most of your time’: Adam Cooper discusses his time at Hanceville

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. -- In this interview, I talked to one of Hanceville’s standouts on the baseball field, Adam Cooper. Cooper made a lot of great memories on and off the field during his Bulldog years.

“My favorite memory while playing at Hanceville would definitely have to be my last game when I broke the school record for the most hits in a season. It was something my grandfather was really excited for me to do, but unfortunately, he lost his battle with cancer that morning. So, for me to be able to do that is something that will always be special to me,” Cooper said.

He added, “One of my favorite memories from high school has to be getting to see my friends every day. Throughout my years of high school, I’ve built friendships that will last a lifetime. Another memory for me would be graduation because all my years of high school finally paid off.”

Cooper feels fortunate to have played for Head Coach Michael Chandler and learned so much from him during his baseball career.

“Coach Chandler is an awesome coach, and he’s a great person to be around. He has played a huge role in my success on the baseball field,” Cooper said. “I couldn’t have asked for a better coach in my years of playing for Hanceville. There’s one thing he has always said while I’ve been playing for him and that was, ‘Fake it until you make it.’ That has really stuck with me, and I find myself telling myself that in everyday life. Coach Chandler means a lot to me and I’m thankful for the relationship we have and to have had him as a coach.”

Cooper learned quite a bit during his time at Hanceville and feels very blessed to be a Bulldog.

“The biggest thing I learned is that life comes at you fast. High school feels like it flew by for me, so you can’t take your time for granted because it will all be over before you know it,” Cooper said. “The thing that makes Hanceville a great school is the teachers and coaches because they put so much time and effort into their students. They were all so good to me and they would help me with anything I needed help with. They are some of the greatest people you will ever meet.”

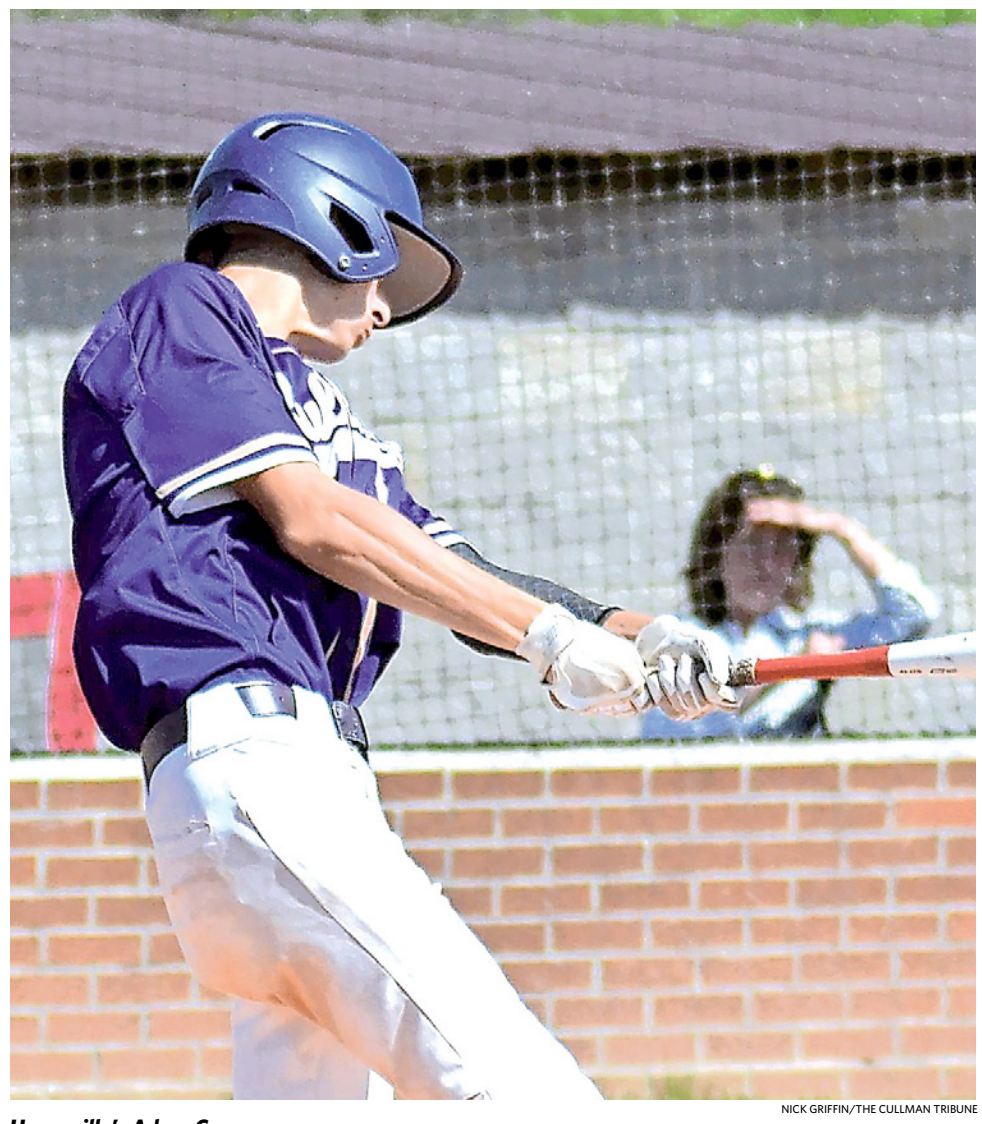
Cooper will miss going to Hanceville in the fall and will also miss being a great leader to the younger players.

“I’m going to miss playing baseball a lot. It’s been a big part of my life. I’m also going to miss getting to have fun with my friends every day,” Cooper said.

“Being the captain was something that was very important. It was a role I always wanted because I wanted to be the guy to set the bar for everyone else, whether it be having energy at practice and games or putting in extra work on off days. Something I always taught the younger players was to work hard and to always be a good teammate.”

Cooper gave some advice to the students that will be starting high school next month.

“Life comes at you fast. Don’t go to school dreading it because once it’s over, you can’t go back. Make the most of your time because one day, you will look back and realize that high school was some of the best days of your life.”



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Hanceville’s Adam Cooper

West Point (from Front)

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WEST POINT, Ala. – The West Point Town Council on Monday evening had a first reading of an ordinance to annex the Fred’s LLC property into town limits. Fred’s, which has not yet opened, will occupy the site of the old Crooked Creek Museum named after the late Fred Wise who created and tended to the Civil War Museum for more than 25 years. The property will remain a museum displaying local history.

The council will vote on the annexation at its next meeting. The council hopes to annex even more properties into the town limits.

Mayor Gerald Schafer said, “We’d love to get more people in. People think their taxes are going to go up. Their taxes are not going to go up. We’ll get a percentage of what’s already being paid by our population, which we use to keep up the park and the roads.”

One of the benefits of annexation is free Air Evac medical flights for town residents; individuals who reside within town limits will be automatically covered for emergency pickups. Owners whose properties adjoin West Point town limits who are interesting in learning more about the benefits of annexation or looking to start paperwork on annexation are asked to call West Point Town Hall at 256-734-0006.

In other business

West Point’s Family Movie Night at the park Saturday, July 23 will feature “Zootopia.” Kids get in free, and adult admission is $5. Concessions open at 7 p.m., and the movie starts at 8:15. The park is located at 3990 County Road 1141.

On July 27, Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry and his office will be grilling hamburgers and hotdogs for the seniors at the West Point Senior Center. Any seniors 60 or older are invited to join for lunch and fellowship.

Park Director Mike Wray reported that 106 kids will be playing fall baseball on 11 teams this year.

He said the cost of hats and jerseys is covered. Parents are responsible for additional uniform costs. He said several parents reported having trouble finding some pieces of the uniform for the fall, including socks, pants and maroon belt.

Said Wray, “I talked to parents about for in the spring - and they actually like the idea - if we just did full uniforms for the kids: pants, socks, everything. They don’t mind a bump in price if they don’t have to go out and try to hunt all that stuff down.”

The council will decide at its next meeting whether to approve the purchase of full uniforms for the spring ball teams.

The West Point Town Council meets the third Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at West Point Town Hall.



LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

MARY JANE KEEFE
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2022-000185.00**

JESSICA TANNER,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Jessica Tanner, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Mary Jane Keefe’s Complaint for Divorce by September 6th, 2022 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against her in Case Number 25-DR-2022-000185.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 29th day of June, 2022.

Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER:
Mary Jane Keefe
365 County Road 1515
Cullman, AL 35058

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE:)
E.M.H.)
A Minor Child, 05/19/2020)

CASE NO. JU 2020-280.02

NOTICE

The Petitioner having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the father of E.M.H., born on or about 05/19/2020 to Esmeralda Hernandez-Alday, respond to the Petition by the 18th day of August, 2022, or thereafter a judgment may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: Attorney for Petitioner: J. Bradley Wilson, 206 Ninth Street SW, Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 737-0740 or Clerk of Court: Lisa McSwain, 500 2nd Ave SW Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this the 30th day of June, 2022.

WELLS R. TURNER, III
JUVENILE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 6th day of July, 2022.
Clerk of Circuit Court

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
CAROLYN JOYCE WHITE,
Deceased.

CASE NO.: PC2022-254

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to TINA RENEE SMITH as Personal Representative of the Estate of CAROLYN JOYCE WHITE deceased, on the 19 day of July, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

TINA RENEE SMITH
Personal Representative

ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Donald W Shedd, Jr And Sonya Diane Shedd Husband And Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Countrywide Bank, FSB, its successors and assigns dated November 2, 2007; said mortgage being recorded on November 9, 2007, in Book 1543, Page 927 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Mr. Cooper by assignment recorded in Deed Book 346, Page 564 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.

The undersigned, Nationstar Mortgage LLC, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 11th day of August, 2022 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

Commence at the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 4 West, thence N 1 degree 26 minutes 35 seconds W 449.09 feet to an iron 1/2" capped rebar set and the point of beginning; thence N 1 degree 26 minutes 35 seconds W 130.00 feet to an existing capped iron; thence N 88 degrees 31 minutes 10 seconds E 210.14 feet to an existing iron; thence N 1 degree 28 minutes 50 seconds W 210.00 feet to an existing capped iron; thence N 88 degrees 31 minutes 10 seconds E 60.00 feet to an iron 1/2" capped rebar set; thence S 1 degree 26 minutes 35 seconds E 340.00 feet to an iron 1/2" capped rebar set; thence S 88 degrees 31 minutes 10 seconds W 260.00 feet back to the point of beginning, containing 1 acre, more or less. Said land lying in the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 4 West, Cullman County, Alabama.

Also, a 20 foot right of way, the centerline of which is described as follows:

Commence at the SW corner of the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 5, Township 10 South, Range 4 West, thence S 88 degrees 31 minutes 10 seconds W 280.00 feet to an iron 1/2" capped rebar set and the point of beginning of the centerline of said 20 foot right of way; thence S 83 degrees 47 minutes 53 seconds E 202.34 feet to a point in the center of an existing gravel road; thence S 36 degrees 45 minutes 27 seconds E 91.72 feet to a point in the center of an existing gravel road; thence S 38 degrees 07 minutes 29 seconds E 66.97 feet to a point in the center of an existing gravel road; thence S 49 degrees 31 minutes 24 seconds E 63.57 feet to a point in the center of an existing gravel road; thence S 54 degrees 47 minutes 03 seconds E 165.00 feet along the center of an existing gravel road to a point on the West right of way of a County Gravel Road and the point of ending of the centerline of said 20 foot right of way.

Said property is commonly known as 263 County Rd 1134, Cullman, AL 35057.

Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.

Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.

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

The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

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Cannabis (from Front)

Smith of Sound Mind TMS Therapy presented information to the commission on transcranial magnetic stimulation. More information is available at www.cullmantribune.com/2022/04/26/sound-mind-tms-offers-cullman-new-solutions-in-mental-health-treatment. In the public comments portion of the meeting, the commission's policy of only allowing two residents to speak to one issue was disregarded, and many former Cullman Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) workers, dissatisfied with the work environment under director Joyce Echols, aired their grievances to the commission.

The commission recognized Good Hope students Breanna Arnold and Conner Clark for their accomplishments. The pair were named B.A.S.S. Nation High School Anglers of the Year earlier this summer. Additionally, Nona Moon was honored for her 31 years of volunteer work at the Sportsman Lake Wildflower Garden.

The following resolutions were approved:

- Authorize Cullman County to join the State of Alabama and other local governments as participants in current and future opioid settlements and authorize Chairman Jeff Clemons to sign all related paperwork
- Tax abatement for Project Build in the amount of $500,309
- Airport to apply for FAA grant funding to design and perform environmental investigation of airport property for development
- Authorize Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham to sign TransUnion Agreement for the Cullman County Revenue Office
- Authorize county engineer to sign and approve Adopt-A-Mile applications by Zelda Phillips for County Road 57
- Extending the lease agreement for two months with Warrior Tractor for a 2019 John Deere 624XlT wheel loader for the Road Department until Oct. 24, 2022, in the amount of $2,569.55
- Access plan for county roads associated with the Rock the South event

Approved the following surpluses to be auctioned on GovDeals:

- 2018 GMC Sierra SLT 1500 pickup (Vin # 3GTU2NECSJG498270) from the sheriff's office
- 2018 GMC Sierra pickup (Vin # 3GTU2NEC-1JG286594) from the sheriff's office
- 1987 AM General Hummer (Serial # 027690) from the OHV Park
- 1991 AM General Camouflage Hummer (Serial # 116760) from the Road Department
- 1986 AM General Model# M1038 Camouflage Hummer (Serial# 006965) from the OHV Park
- 2013 Yamaha Raptor 4-Wheeler 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y8DC010635) from the OHV Park
- 2011 Yamaha Raptor 350 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y-0BC009248) from the OHV Park
- 2011 Yamaha Raptor 350 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y-2BC008263} from the OHV Park
- 2010 Yamaha Raptor 350 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y-3Ac008092) from the OHV Park
- 2012 Yamaha Raptor 350 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y-2BC009249) from the OHV Park
- 2012 Yamaha Raptor 350 2WD (Vin # JY4AH32Y-8DC010666) from the OHV Park
- 2013 Polaris Ranger 4X4 (Vin # 4XAWH50A0A0DE222787) from Sportsman Lake Park
- Lathe with bench (asset # 1352) from CARTS
- Diagnostic equipment (asset # 1466) from CARTS
- Drum lathe (assest # 1718) from CARTS
- Solar 8140 A/C service (asset # 1719) from CARTS
- Two tire balancer ARRA (asset # 2690 and 2691) from CARTS

In other business, the following were approved:

- Purchase of a 2017 Ford Expedition from the Alabama Department of Transportation Equipment Bureau for the Safety Department in the amount of $25,350 and authorize Clemons to sign
- Purchase of a 2020 Peterbilt 367 from Ingram Equipment Company on Sourcewell contract for the Sanitation Department in the amount of $178,700 and authorize Clemons to sign all related paperwork
- Purchase of seven 30-yard containers on Sourcewell contract for the Sanitation Department in the amount of $46,403 and authorize Clemons to sign all related paperwork
- Purchase of eight 40-yard containers on Sourcewell contract for the Sanitation Department in the amount of $60,080 and authorize Clemons to sign all related paperwork
- Purchase of a 2015 Xpeditor front end loader engine from Nextran Truck Center for the Sanitation Department in the amount of $18,999.23 and authorize Clemons to sign all related paperwork
- Approve repair work at Animal Shelter to be completed by Craft and Associates in the amount of $13,969 to be reimbursed by the City of Cullman from insurance proceeds
- Correction to Item L from June 23, 2022 meeting to read approval for grant in the amount of $25,000 with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency for the 22 FIL Grant instead of Alabama Department of Public Health
- Proposed plat Pan Creek Estates, a minor subdivision containing 14 lots located off County Road 1725
- Bid #1400 for jail supplies-Reject all bids
- Award Bid #1401 for metal pipe to Twin Oaks Environmental, ADCO Pipe & Supply, LLC and Fallin Farms OBA Harvey Culvert (purchase will be based on vicinity and availability of materials)
- Award Bid #1402 for aggregate to Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc, Vulcan Materials Company, Whitaker Contracting and C.A. Langford Company, Inc. (purchase will be based on vicinity and availability of materials)
- Award Bid #1403 for modular steel bridge for OHV to Banner Industrial Construction, Inc
- Award Bid #1404 for gas and diesel to B&B Petroleum Products, LLC
- Award Bid #1357 ratify extension for lawn care and maintenance to Pro Lawn

The next commission meeting will be Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, with the work session beginning at 4 p.m. and the meeting following at 6. Meetings are held at the Cullman County Courthouse in the commission meeting room.







Obituary Announcements: July 19-20

Raven Nicole Wall Burks, 34
Raven Nicole Wall Burks, 34, of Cullman passed from this life on July 19, 2022, at her residence in Cullman. She was born Nov. 24, 1987, to Shelia Whited. She was a great daughter and a loving mother and sister. She was preceded in death by her great-grandmother: Helen Wheeler; grandparents: Joann & Daniel Bobicz & Helen Campbell; and her aunt: Lilly Stroughton. Mrs. Burks is survived by her husband: Cornelius Burks; mother: Shelia Whited (Philip Paolucci), father: Heath Whited; husband: Cornelius Burks; sons: Tristen Thompson, Eli Wall; daughter: Nevaeh Wall; sisters: Stephanie Whited Miller (Philip), Kimberly Whited; niece: Anecca Haris; nephew: Izaih Harris; and a host of family and friends.

Dorothy Marie Yarbrough, 86
Dorothy Marie Yarbrough, of Blountsville, Alabama, passed away on Wednesday morning, July 20, 2022, at the age of 86. Mrs. Yarbrough was born in Blount County, Alabama, on Sept. 26, 1935, to Richard Augustus and Sophia Gertrude Vanzant Woods. Mrs. Dorothy worked in the sewing plant for many years, and her love for sewing continued long after her job at the sewing plant ended. Mrs. Yarbrough also loved to read, and she was known by many as the librarian at the Blountsville Public Library. Dorothy dedicated many years to her work at the library and she enjoyed it greatly. Mrs. Yarbrough was also a loving and dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother. Dorothy was loved by many, and she will be missed greatly. Mrs. Yarbrough is preceded in death by her parents; sister: Martha Smith; and brother-in-law: Rodney Bradford. Dorothy is survived by her beloved husband: Leamon Yarbrough; son: Lance Yarbrough and wife Rita; granddaughters: Kari Holmes and husband Josh, Bethany Scott and husband Ty; great-grandchildren: Kylie Holmes, Brooklyn Holmes, Lillian Holmes; brothers: Elton Woods and wife Glenda, Welton Woods and wife Janice, Ervin Woods and wife Dorothy; sisters: Barbara Gilliland and husband Roger, Shirley Bradford; sister-in-law: Shirley Eubanks and husband Ted; and a host of nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Mrs. Dorothy are noon, Saturday, July 23, 2022, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel, David Poole officiating. Friends are invited to visit with the family prior to the service, from 10 a.m. until noon. Mrs. Yarbrough will be laid to rest in Rock Springs Cemetery immediately following services where Lyle Gilliland, Jason Woods, Dale Woods, Ty Scott, Josh Holmes, and Loren Gilliland will serve as pallbearers. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Yarbrough family.

Norman "Terk" Eugene Browder, 65
Norman "Terk" Eugene Browder, age 65, of Cullman, passed away on Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at UAB Palliative Care. He was born Sunday, July 22, 1956, in Ohio to Paul and Bonnie Browder. He was preceded in death by his wife: Virginia Browder; parents; five brothers; and one sister. Survivors include his daughter: Shandra (Justin) Compton; granddaughter: Eden Compton; brother: Tyke Browder; adopted daughters: Kristan Turney and Tesla Norwood; nephew: Scott Browder; niece: Annette Russell; sister-in-law: Becky Browder; and a host of family and friends.

Steven Eugene Kent, 52
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Steven Eugene Kent, 52, of Cullman. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Kent passed away July 16, 2022. He was born Sept. 27, 1969, to Howard Eugene Kent and Karen Elaine Bailey Kent. He is survived by his mother, Karen (Larry) Hagemore; father: Howard Kent; special friend: Joanie Riggs; aunt and uncle: Kenneth & Melissa Bailey; cousin: Melissa Bailey; family and friends.

Danny Joe Mickle, 64
Danny Joe Mickle, 64, of Hanceville, passed from this life on July 18, 2022 at the Cullman Regional Medical Center. He was born Oct. 17, 1957, to Chester Pete & Shelba Jean Fowler Mickle. A memorial service will be planned and announced by the family. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Mickle family. Mr. Mickle was preceded in death by his parents: Chester Pete & Shelba Jean Fowler Mickle; and his brother: Doug Mickle. He is survived by his daughters: April Imler & Amber Wallace; his son: Daniel Mickle; stepchildren: Chuck Langseth and Kemberlee Johnson; sister: Dana Mickle Willingham; brothers: Dwayne Mickle and David Mickle; nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; and a host of family and friends.

Elsie H. Brewer, 81
Elsie H. Brewer, age 81 of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Tuesday, July 19, 2022, at North Alabama Medical Center. Elsie was born June 24, 1941, in Miami, Florida. A visitation will be held on Thursday, July 21, 2022, from 5-8 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will be held on Friday, July 22, 2022, at 1 p.m. Burial will follow in Littleville Cemetery. Elsie is survived by her daughters: Robin Frazier, Suzette Johnson (Hardy), Jackey Guyton, Pennie Mitchell (Reece); son: Buddy Edwards (Rhonda); grandchildren: Jason Moody, Matt Moody, Candice Edwards, Justin Edwards, Christy Defoor, Keela Hopson, "Bubba" David Hopson, Brandon Edwards, and Wesley Johnson; great grandchildren: Jayden Hopson, Dexter Taylor, Conner Defoor, Camber Defoor, Dean Liam Hopson, Zetta Edwards, Kimber Edwards, Tyler Moody, Haley Moody, Hannah Moody, Maddie Brooke Moody, and Brodie Scott Moody. She was preceded in death by her parents: Warren William Holt and Elsie Nancy Davis Holt; husband: Buddy Stevens Edwards; sisters: Wanda Stephens, Hazel Goddard, Helen Wood, and Lois Smith; great grandson: Bubba David Wayne Hopson Jr.; and son-in-law: Jimmy Frazier.

George Edward Gunter Jr., 34
Funeral services for George Edward Gunter Jr. originally from Bremen, Alabama will be 2 p.m. Thursday, July 21 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Reverend Daniel Gann will be officiating. Burial will follow the service at Dorsey Creek Cemetery in Bremen. Visitation for the public will be from noon to 2 p.m. on Thursday prior to the service at the funeral home. Mr. Gunter was born on May 6, 1988, in Jasper, Alabama to George Edward Gunter Sr. and Sheila Busby-Gunter. He died at the age of 34 on July 17, 2022, at North Alabama Medical Center in Florence, Alabama. George had one of the most loving and outgoing personalities. He always had a smile on his face. To know George, you would quickly learn the love he had for his family and Auburn Football. Survivors include his fiancé, John Tolbert; father: George Edward Gunter Sr. (Rachel); brothers: Roman Gunter and Mikeal Lanier; sisters: Kimberly Gunter (Briana) and Miranda Gunter; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles and cousins. He was preceded in death by his mother: Sheila Gunter; brother: Draik Lanier; grandparents: Virginia and Thomas Gunter, Wayne and Edna Busby, and step-grandmother: Linda Busby.

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Schools (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette announced at the last meeting of the Cullman County Board of Education (CCBOE) that the district's open houses will be held Monday, Aug. 8 from 4-7 p.m. The first day of school for students whose last names end with A-K will be Wednesday, Aug. 10, and the first day for students with last names ending in L-Z will be Thursday, Aug. 11.

The CCBOE recognized Ellanora Slusser of Cold Springs High School for earning gold in Fashion Design at the FCCLA National Leadership Conference in San Diego, California several weeks ago. At the conference, Slusser was awarded the highest honor achievable in the organization by being inducted into the FCCLA Hall of Fame.

The following resignations were accepted:
- Tiffany H. Monk - Central Office - Middle School Social Worker
- Jessica L. Pankey - Central Office - Human Resource Secretary
- Ashley N. Jolley - Child Development Center - Behavior Support Assistant
- Stacey R. Lawson - Cold Springs High School - High School Counselor
- Barbara H. Hendrix - Fairview Middle School - Teacher
- Phillip R. Key - Harmony School - Teacher
- Susan E. Willingham - West Point High School - At Risk Supper Program Worker

The following leaves of absence were accepted:
- Brittney P. Calvert - Good Hope Primary School - Teacher
- Mary G. Pinyan - Holly Pond School - Nurse
- Anna Lee West - West Point Intermediate School - Teacher

The following voluntary transfers were accepted, pending state certification documentation provided by the individuals:
- Tammy Griffith from Hanceville Elementary School (HES) teacher to Care Physical Education (PE) teacher to replace Rodney Terry
- Anna Pace from Central Office Learning Support Secretary to Central Office Learning Support Administrative Assistant
- Gracie Thomas from Central Office Human Resources Secretary to Central Office Human Resources Administrative Assistant
- Jon Short from Parkside School Bus driver to Fairview High School (FHS) School Bus driver to replace Deloris D. Weldon
- Becky A. Edge from CDC School Bus driver to FHS/Parkside School Bus driver to replace Phyllis J. Harris
- Mattie L. Barringer from Holly Pond K-8 School Counselor to Good Hope Primary School Counselor to replace Jennifer Gay
- Candice Grochowalski from Holly Pond High School Counselor to Hanceville High School Counselor to replace DeeAnna Key
- Rachael L. Howze from Parkside Elementary Teacher to Harmony Elementary Teacher to replace Phillip Key
- Hannah Tolbert from CDC Special Education Pre-K Teacher to Harmony Special Education Pre-K Teacher
- Jennifer L. Gay from Good Hope Primary Elementary School Counselor to Holly Pond High School Counselor to replace Candice Grochowalski
- Destry S. Stone from Good Hope High School Bus driver to Parkside School Bus driver to replace Jon Short
- Lindsay M. McKenney from Harmony Social Science/Science Teacher to Vinemont Middle School Science Teacher to replace Robert Gingrich
- Mackenzie W. McKoy from Fairview Elementary Teacher to West Point Elementary Teacher to replace Lauren Rainwater
- Justin M. Cornelius from Cold Springs High Social Science Teacher to West Point High Social Science Teacher to replace Vicki Cornelius
- Trett A. Hardman from CDC Special Education Testing Coordinator to West Point High School Assistant Principal to replace Wesley Black
- Joshua B. Davis from Holly Pond K-8 Assistant Principal to West Point Middle Assistant Principal to replace Shanda Garner

The following appointments were accepted, pending state certification documentation provided by the individuals:
- Abigail D. Bennett as CDC Behavior Support Assistant to replace Elizabeth Young
- Laura Johnson as CDC School Bus Driver to replace Becky A. Edge
- Joshua A. Howell as Child Nutrition Program Maintenance Technician to replace Joshua Coffey
- Keneiath S. Campbell as Cold Springs Elementary Temporary, as needed, Bookkeeper (new position)
- Neva C. Hite as Cold Springs Elementary Temporary Part-Time, as needed, Elementary Intervention (rehire)
- Rachal B. Johnson as Cold Springs Elementary Temporary Pre-K Auxiliary Teacher to replace Kinley Campbell
- O.L. Kilgo as Cold Springs Elementary Part-Time Career Preparedness Teacher (rehire)
- Joy S. Kilgo as Cold Springs High/Elementary School Bookkeeper to replace Keneiath Campbell
- Jack B. Capps as Cullman Area Technology Academy Part-Time, as needed, Maintenance Worker (rehire)
- Jon P. Short as Fairview Station Head to replace Tammie Hudson
- Savanna L. Dutton as Fairview Elementary Teacher to replace Alice Dutton
- Amanda S. Vincent as Fairview Elementary Teacher to replace Shae Elrod
- Elizabeth S. Lockhart as Fairview High Science Teacher to replace Bridget Whitehead
- Amy E. Nation as Good Hope High School Bus Driver to replace Destry Stone
- Teresa L. Vines as Good Hope Primary Pre-K Auxiliary Teacher (new position)
- Kerry D. Price as Hanceville Elementary Teacher to replace Christy Brown
- Tracy Armstrong as Hanceville High School CNP Worker to replace Tara Twilley
- Melissa D. Freeman as Hanceville High CNP Worker to replace Mary Kimbril
- Christina D. Watson as Hanceville High School Science Teacher to replace Norma J. Dodd
- Amber L. Jones as Hanceville Middle School Secretary to replace Kelly Taylor
- Rebecca W. McCay as Holly Pond Elementary Middle School Science Teacher to replace Marcella Creel
- Donna L. Heptinstall as Holly Pond High Temporary, Part-Time, High School Math Teacher to replace Russell Walker
- Carrie B. Ferrell as Parkside Elementary Teacher to replace Rachel Howze
- Hobson M. Hite as Systemwide Part-Time Homebound Teacher as needed (rehire)
- Vikki F. Lemley as Systemwide Part-time Homebound Teacher (rehire)
- Lisa C. Balderrama as Vinemont Elementary Pre-K Auxiliary Teacher to replace Kyleigh Merring
- Harvey C. Moss as West Point High Summer School Driver's Education Teacher as needed

The following substitutes were approved, pending state certification documentation provided by the individuals:
- Deloris D. Weldon - Bus Driver
- Phyllis J. Harris - Bus Driver/Office
- Caragan R. O'Neil - Teacher

The following long-term certified teacher substitutes were approved, pending state certification documentation provided by the individuals:
- Sarah K. Miller
- Roger L. Pierce

The following contract/pay upgrades were approved:
- Joshua L. Anders - upgrade to master's degree
- Mary K. Brewer - upgrade to master's degree

The following non-faculty coaches were approved pending the completion of Board Procedures Athletic Regulations requirements:
- Justin T. Chafin as Cold Springs High School baseball supplement
- Henry W. Harrison as Cold Springs High School Varsity Football supplement
- Matthew J. Negron as Cold Springs High School Varsity Football supplement
- Jason D. Hurt as Fairview High/Middle School Baseball (varsity, junior varsity and middle school) volunteer
- Nathan B. Finley as Holly Pond Middle School Girls Basketball supplement
- Jonathan Reid as Holly Pond Middle School Boys Basketball volunteer
- Tanya S. Veres as West Point High Cheerleading volunteer

The following summer worker was approved:
- Jeffery C. Aspinwall at Holly Pond High School

The board also approved:
- Paying Jessica Pankey for five unused leave days per policy
- Kerrie McCluskey to work the Summer Feeding Program
- Paying $2,532 to Leah Drauch for managing districtwide Math Teams during the 2022-2023 school year
- Paying $2,532 to Christine O'Leary for managing districtwide Scholars' Bowl Teams during the 2022-2023 school year
- Paying for the additional hours worked by districtwide social workers who provide support to students and families in need
- Cold Springs High School's request for $2,000 to pay Adrian Dickerson for summer workouts
- Good Hope Elementary's request to pay Jenna Lamber $500 for attending AMSTI training
- Good Hope Primary School request for $1,200 to pay Blake Flynt for refinishing gymnasium floors
- Vinemont High School's request for Preston Boyd ($1,100), Michael Williams ($1,030) and Lance Lay ($1,140) for extra work with summer basketball to be paid by Vinemont Basketball Booster Funds

A stipend of $1,500 each for managing Library Media Specialist software, professional development and other LMS support as needed during the 2022-2023 school year, paid by the curriculum general fund was approved for:
- Mark Adams, Hanceville High Library Media Specialist – Hanceville Middle and High Schools
- Kimberly Whitman, West Point Intermediate Library Media Specialist – West Point Elementary and K-8

The following personnel were approved for Summer Learning/Reading Camps for K-5th grade for June 7 to July 12, 2022:
- Amber Thornton
- Abbey Wren
- Quinton Posey

The following appointments of probationary principals were approved:
- Wesley Black at West Point High School
- Shanda Garner at Good Hope Primary School
- Kellie Tanner at Hanceville Middle School

The following contract principal appointments were approved in accordance with the adopted salary
- Eric Dickerson - Cold Springs High School
- Christopher Gambrill - Fairview High School
- Lesley Hembree - Good Hope Middle School
- John Hood - Good Hope High School
- Beverly Jenkins - Good Hope Elementary School
- Michael Jones - West Point Intermediate School
- Kevin Sullins - Harmony School
- Kim Brown - Vinemont Elementary School
- Christopher Chambers - Child Development Center
- Marty Hardman - Fairview Elementary School
- Robin Netherton - Vinemont High School
- Micah Rice - Cold Springs Elementary School
- Blake Thompson - West Point Middle School
- Trina Walker - Fairview Middle School
- Caleb Elrod - Parkside School
- Michael Lindsey - West Point Elementary School
- Stacie Olinger - Hanceville Elementary School
- Susan Patrick - Cullman Area Technology Academy
- Cynthia Roden - CARE
- Karen Sparks - Holly Pond School K-8
- Janet Turner - Holly Pond High School
- Daniel Wakefield - Hanceville High School
- Gina Webb - Welti School
- Johnny Whaley - Vinemont Middle School

The following TEAMS contracts were approved:

Advanced – 1 year
- Paige P. Adams - Cold Springs High School
- Andrea F. Bates - Cold Springs K-8
- Cheryl W. Mangum - Fairview High School
- Kathryn A. Taylor - Fairview Middle School
- Justin T. Aby - Good Hope High School
- Tristan R. Goodwin - Good Hope High School
- Natasha L. Holder - Good Hope High School
- Noah A. Holder - Good Hope High School
- Lisa A. Hold - Good Hope High School
- Alan M. Scott - Good Hope High School
- Rebecca J. McSpadden - Good Hope Middle School
- Lenny K. Seymore - Good Hope Middle School
- Megan A. Stripling - Good Hope Middle School
- Jennifer E. Swann - Good Hope Middle School
- Shaunna L. Aker - Hanceville High School
- Mary K. Brewer - Hanceville High School
- Arianna S. Chandler - Hanceville Middle School
- Kimberly M. Kanaday - Hanceville Middle School
- Joshua W. Lambert - Hanceville Middle School
- Jacy N. Douglas - Parkside School
- James J. Brown - Vinemont High School
- David M. Stokes - Vinemont High School
- Samantha R. Whisenant - Vinemont High School
- Emily B. Davis - Vinemont Middle School
- Rebecca T. Drummond - West Point High School
- Candice D. Harbison - West Point High School
- Rebecca D. Harper - West Point Middle School
- Emily L. Oldacre - West Point Middle School

Preliminary – 1 year
- Brittany W. Martin - Cold Springs Elementary School
- Nicholas F. Feldner - Fairview High School
- Treyla S. Kessler - Fairview High School
- Roy C. Alexander - Fairview Middle School
- Gregory M. Thomas - Good Hope High School
- Brittany L. Peak - West Point High School

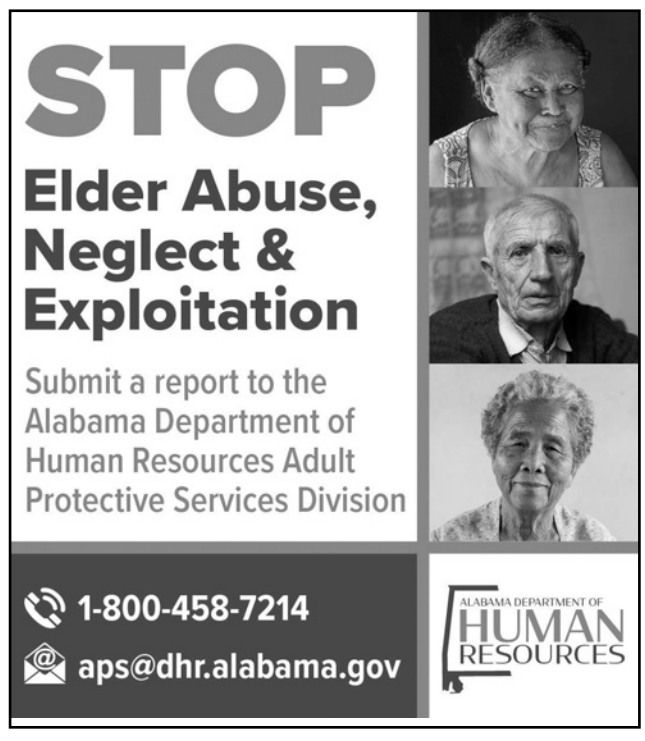
Advanced – 5 year
- Tracey R. Jones - Parkside
- Shannon W. Bridges - Vinemont High School
- Lance W. Lay - Vinemont High School
- Leah W. Cochran - West Point High School
- Lucretia A. Smith - West Point High School
- Joan M. Bryant - Fairview High School
- Leslie A. Arnold - Fairview Middle School
- Carol J. Cline - Good Hope High School
- Paul L. Derrick - Good Hope Middle School
- Jamie N. Martin - Good Hope Middle School
- Dana M. Lisle - Hanceville High School
- Amy W. Whaley - Hanceville Middle School
- Mark A. Cornelius - Holly Pond High School
- Scotty L. Cofer - Vinemont Middle School
- Joseph W. Hicks - West Point High School
- Gerrita T. Cleghorn - West Point Middle School
- Joquitta M. Posey - West Point Middle School

Approval of the May 2022 financials was given as was paying bills which, for the month, totaled $15,558,891.26, including payroll.

The following requests were approved:
- Child Nutrition Department to continue partnership contract with PACA purchasing cooperative July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023
- Child Nutrition Department to provide contract meals for Community Action
- Child Nutrition Department of the meal pricing increase from $2.75 to $3 for lunch
- Child Nutrition Department for universal breakfast at Harmony and Welti
- Transportation Director to accept the bid from Virgil B. Fowler Insurance Company for Automobile/Fleet Insurance for the 2022-23 school year
- Transportation Director to accept the bid from Insurance and Investment Consultants, Inc. for School Day/Athletic Insurance for the 2022-23 school year
- Transportation Director to accept and board approved the bid from The McPherson Companies, Inc. for gasoline and diesel fuel for the 2022-2023 school year

The following bids for the maintenance department were approved:
- CATA- Cosmetology Department- Cosmetology Equipment Federal Grant- $101.656.50- Salon Equipment USA
- Vinemont High- Fencing Projects-$135,690- Parris Fence

The next capital planning committee meeting will be held Tuesday, Aug. 16 at 8 a.m. The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, Aug. 18 with the work session beginning at 3:30 p.m. and the regular meeting scheduled to follow immediately. Meetings are held at the CCBOE Central Office.





Vinemont (from Front)

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VINEMONT, Ala. — Vinemont Schools will host their annual back-to-school event, the second annual Freedom Fest, on school grounds Friday, Aug. 5 from 5-8 p.m. The free event will include food, school supplies, inflatables, face painting, games, live music and a car show. Teachers, band members, football players and cheerleaders will also be on hand to meet and mingle with students, their families and community members.

Vinemont High School Principal Robin Netherton gave a little history on Freedom Fest.

"This will be our second year hosting this event. It evolved from one of the needs of the community, which was to have more events that involved our entire community, and allowed the churches and different organizations to get involved in serving the community," he said.

"We wanted to increase community engagement, so people from the high school talked and came up with the idea of having a fest to kick off the school year.

"We wanted to invite the entire community to come in and we gave all of our students free T-shirts. We want to make everyone feel included."

Netherton said he feels Freedom Fest will help bring the community closer together year by year.

"The goal is just community involvement. Everybody at Vinemont has a sense of community, to feel like they've got a place, and to be connected.

"The churches are going to come out and host the majority of the event; they'll invite people to the church and feed them and love them," he said.

"The whole idea is we've got to go back to what small communities used to be.

"They used to be about the people and serving each other, so this event, along with some other ones, will help build the Vinemont community up to a place where people want to live and where they'll send their kids to school. We appreciate what a great community we have."

He added, "From the founding of America, the churches have been instrumental in all of the good that is happening in America.

"In our community, the churches pour a lot into the people and they're not charging a dime.

"They make sure that everybody can come eat free and get free school supplies, play games.

"The churches take care of that, and I have to give praise to them in the area. They don't ask for anything in return; they just come out to serve and to love our people."

This will be the first time a car show will be part of the event.

"It was one of the things that was an idea last year. I've never hosted a car show before.

"We wanted to have one this year at the middle school because there's a lot of people in our community that have classic cars and that's something that they usually enjoy seeing. The older crowd will enjoy seeing it," Netherton said.

He added, "We will have our mascot here for a while. We will have live music and we will try to have most of our teams introduce themselves on the stage so that the community can put a face to the name and know who's representing our community."

If your organization would like to volunteer, or if you are a musician or own a classic car and would like to be a part of the event, contact Rnetherton@ccboe.org.

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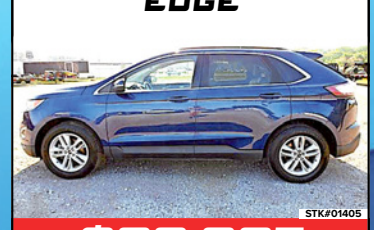
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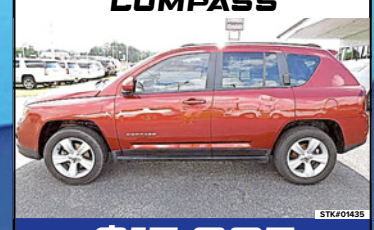
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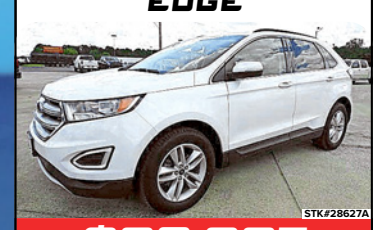
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