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Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force welcomes new chairperson, secretary

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force recently named a new chairperson and new secretary. At its last meeting, Chairperson Kathy Wilson and Secretary Blakely Hopper stepped down. Wilson asked current members if anyone was willing to step into the roles, and Ashley Dover and Carol Horstman did so readily.

Dover, who is the new chairperson, said, "Kathy felt confident in what she knew of us both personally and in the work we were already doing to bring awareness within the community. The decision was easy and informal and that's exactly the way we want everything in the task force to be so that anyone with a desire to help bring change can do so."

Dover first joined the task force at the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, which limited her initial involvement, but she still worked to bring awareness to the cause by starting her » PAGE 6


CONTRIBUTED
Carol Horstman, left, and Ashley Dover, right

2nd Fridays come to a close for 2022



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Friday, Aug. 12, saw the last 2nd Fridays event of the season in downtown Cullman.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The August edition of 2nd Fridays, hosted by the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce, Cullman Downtown Merchants Association and Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism (CPRST), closed out this year's series of events Friday evening. With thousands of visitors filling First Avenue to partake in the celebration, the community shindig was a roaring success as always.

Avenue G Band and Sipsey Falls were featured on the two stages on First Avenue and had toes tapping and people dancing in the streets, while Sacred Heart Church on Second Avenue hosted bingo and bunco games in its Family Life Center where people dabbed for cash and prizes.

"This one is my favorite of the year since it's not as hot. The kids are running all over the place and having a blast. They went back to school this week and need to run off some energy after being couped up in school," chuckled Jamie Green as her little ones bounced around.

The cruise-in car show saw many cars and motorcycles shining in the late afternoon sun along Arnold Street and in parking lots on the north perimeter » PAGE 12

United Way Stuff the Bus campaign deemed record-breaking success

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Beginning farmers invited to tour J. Calvert Farms



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Resource event for special needs families Aug. 20

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 11-12

Cullman Tribune staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 11-12, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Aug. 8

- domestic violence, trespassing; Co. Rd. 1082
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hickory Ave. S.W.
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 625
- harassment; Co. Rd. 384
- menacing; Co. Rd. 130
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1709

Aug. 9

- illegal possession of prescription drugs; Co. Rd. 437
- unlawful possession of controlled substances; Co. Rd. 700
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 264
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437

Aug. 10

- unlawful possession of controlled substances, giving false name to law enforcement; Hwy 69N
- trespassing; Co. Rd. 1492
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 704
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1224

ARRESTS

Aug. 8

Addison, Byron T; 47
- FTA-burglary
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)
- FTA-promoting prison contraband
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)
- FTA-attempting to elude police officer
- FTA-driving without license

Budweg, Ashley A; 42
- GJ-receiving stolen vehicle

Fulenwider, Ashley M; 35
- FTA-public intoxication

Terrell, Pashinz D; 21
- public intoxication

Williams, Ralph P; 35
- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassing communications

Aug. 9

Anders, Shaun D; 31
- unlawful breaking and entering a vehicle
- auto theft

Batemon, Dusty C; 39
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Flanigan, George L; 45
- illegal possession of prescription drugs

Jackson, Timothy R; 42
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Lawson, Garrett B; 20
- FTA-DUI

Mays, Erika R; 29
- FTA-assault-child abuse-simple-family

Sapp, Jacquelyn F; 47
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Sheppard, Dorothy L; 38
- Probation Violation-possession of dangerous drugs

Aug. 10

Golden, Kate M; 28
- assault-child abuse-aggravated-non-family
- promoting prison contraband
- sell/distribute dangerous drugs

Imler, Sheyenne M; 22
- disorderly conduct
- public intoxication

Jackson, Amanda L; 37
- public intoxication
- criminal trespassing

Stewart, Mary E; 37
- Probation Violation-possession of dangerous drugs

Vincent, Justin D; 36
- Motion to Revoke-unlawful breaking and entering vehicle

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Aug. 5
- assault-3rd degree; Co. Rd. 469

Aug. 6
- harassment; Co. Rd. 469

Aug. 9
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Ave. B S.E.

Aug. 10
- identity theft
- leaving the scene of an accident; 3rd Ave. S.E.
- forgery-3rd degree; Citizens Bank & Trust; 2nd Ave. S.E; forged check
- theft of property-4th degree, criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $412

Aug. 11
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Timberlane Dr. S.E; camera, binoculars; $2,900
- theft of property-2nd degree; Birmingham St. S.W; medication

ARRESTS

Aug. 10

Alexander, Thomas; 56
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Golden, Kate M; 28
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substances
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-insurance violation
- FTA-expired tag

Jackson, Jeremy N; 44
- theft of property-3rd degree

McLeod, Natalie N; 41
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Pullium, James L; 37
- FTA-driving without a license

Trivette, Christopher A; 51
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-driving without a license
- FTA-insurance violation
- FTA-expired tag

Aug. 11

Dean, Michelle L; 45
- theft of property-4th degree

Farley, Joseph D; 21
- FTA-speeding

Garrison, Treasa L; 43
- FTA-unlawful possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Nickens, Shannon D; 35
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle

Parker, Jordan B; 27
- theft of property-4th degree

Swafford, Christopher J; 45
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Bessemer 'kingpin' sentence to life in prison plus 120 months

Stacy Crane
Contributor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A federal judge sentenced a Bessemer man charged under the "Kingpin" statute for leading a continuing criminal enterprise and large-scale drug trafficking conspiracy, announced U.S. Attorney Prim F. Escalona, Federal Bureau of Investigation Special Agent in Charge Johnnie Sharp Jr. and Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation (IRS-CI) Atlanta Field Office Special Agent in Charge James E. Dorsey.

United States District Judge Annmarie C. Axon sentenced Rolando Antuain Williamson, aka "Baldhead" and "Ball Head," 37, of Bessemer, to life in prison plus 120 months for leading a multi-million dollar continuing criminal enterprise; conspiring to distribute or possess with intent to distribute heroin, fentanyl, cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana; distributing or possession with intent to distribute heroin, fentanyl, cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana; using, carrying or possessing a firearm during or in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime; and using a communication facility to commit a drug trafficking crime.

Two co-defendants in the drug conspiracy were also sentenced by Judge Axon. Ishmywel Calid Gregory, also known as "C," 38, of Mulga, Alabama, was sentenced to 480 months in prison, and Hendarius Lamar Archie, also known as "Hen," 33, of Bessemer, was sentenced to 169 months.

Gregory and Archie were convicted of conspiring to distribute or possess with intent to distribute heroin, fentanyl, cocaine, methamphetamine and marijuana. Gregory and Archie were also convicted of distributing or possessing with intent to distribute cocaine and marijuana.

Archie was also convicted of using, carrying or possessing a firearm during or in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime.

On April 18, 2022, after a week-long trial, a jury convicted Williamson, Gregory, Archie and a fourth co-defendant of the charges.

A total of 18 people were charged in the indictment returned on Oct. 29, 2019. The indictment was the result of a three-year Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) investigation into the drug-trafficking enterprise based in western Jefferson County. The task force identified acts in furtherance of the conspiracy committed by members of the organization over a period of six years. Fifteen of the defendants have now been sentenced, and three remaining defendants await sentencing later this month.

The OCDETF agencies involved in this investigation are the FBI, IRS, member agencies of the FBI North Alabama Safe Streets Task Force, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and the Bessemer Police Department.

The North Alabama Safe Streets Task Force arrested Williamson the morning of Aug. 22, 2019, in the parking lot of a grocery store located in Homewood, Alabama. Williamson was driving a 2016 Dodge Hellcat worth $80,000.

At the time of arrest, Williamson was armed with two loaded pistols and additional loaded magazines, and was carrying almost $14,000 in cash. All other members of the conspiracy were arrested on or about Nov. 13, 2019.

At the time of Williamson's arrest, law enforcement officers seized from him and three of his stash houses 366 grams of heroin/fentanyl, 109 grams of suspected cocaine, 573 grams of pure methamphetamine, 52 kilos of marijuana, over $97,000 in cash, multiple firearms and over 1,700 rounds of ammunition.

"As a result of the sustained and extensive investigation by our many law enforcement partners, this drug kingpin will spend the rest of his life in prison," said Escalona.

"It is difficult to imagine the harm to the community caused by this criminal enterprise. The addictions and other adverse health consequences, the economic harm and the associated violence of drug trafficking will hopefully come to an end after these prosecutions.

"We are grateful and proud of the excellent work of this team of law enforcement professionals."

"With this term of imprisonment, Williamson's days as an international drug kingpin are over, and it is a decisive blow against the drug trafficking network.

"This was a team effort with our law enforcement partners, and I am proud of the work of the FBI's North Alabama Safe Streets Task Force to bring members of this drug enterprise to justice," said Sharp.

"Great job by the investigators. These criminals were responsible for a major amount of drugs flowing through Jefferson County. These convictions are huge in our fight against illegal drugs," said Sheriff Mark Pettway.

"First, I would like to take this opportunity to say thanks to all agencies involved in the investigation and ultimate convictions of those involved in this major drug distribution criminal enterprise. This is an example of what can be accomplished when agencies work together. It is our hope that these convictions will send a strong message to others that are committing or thinking about committing like crimes in Bessemer and surrounding areas.

"The Bessemer Police Department will remain committed to working with our federal, state and local law enforcement partners to apprehend and convict other drug traffickers that attempt to operate in the City of Bessemer and surrounding areas," said Bessemer Police Chief Michael Roper.

Forfeiture was obtained for two of Williamson's high-end vehicles: a $46,000 Ford F-250 King's Ranch and $37,000 Cadillac Escalade; over $100,000 dollars in cash; $45,000 in jewelry; and all firearms and ammunition used to facilitate the drug trafficking enterprise. Additionally, the United States proved $36,615,000 in gross proceeds against Williamson, and $4,000,700 in gross proceeds against Gregory.

This investigation is part of the OCDETF, an independent component of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Established in 1982, OCDETF is the centerpiece of the attorney eneral's strategy to combat transnational-organized-crime and to reduce the availability of illicit narcotics in the nation by using a prosecutor-led, multi-agency approach to enforcement. OCDETF leverages the resources and expertise of its partners in concentrated, coordinated, long-term enterprise investigations of transnational organized crime, money laundering, and major drug trafficking networks.

The FBI and IRS investigated the case, along with the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Bessemer Police Department. Assistant U.S. Attorneys Jonathan S. Cross and Gregory R. Dimler prosecuted the case.

WSCC Occupational Therapy Assistant program hosts pinning ceremony

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Graduates of the Occupational Therapy Assistant program at Wallace State Community College were recognized at a pinning ceremony during the final days of the summer semester.

Program director Laura Smith noted this was her first cohort in her three years at the college that was able to take all their classes in person. "Prior to the class of 2022, those classes were impacted by COVID and required some classes to be completed virtually, but this cohort made it through entirely in person."

"We did it," said class member Ella Denes, chosen to speak as the OTA program award recipient. She described the last year as "simultaneously the longest yet quickest year of our life."

One of their first assignments at the start of year was composing an elevator speech to describe what occupational therapy is.

"To be honest, a true definition is hard to come by," Denes said. "We've chosen a beautiful but complex health care profession. A career that provides therapeutic interventions to a variety of populations and diagnoses. Occupational therapy is like, in my opinion, the Swiss Army knife of patient care. We'll be what you need us to be. It's a commitment to helping people find meaning and motivation in all of life's stages all the way from birth to the end of life."

In her elevator speech, Denes compared it to an actual elevator where the passenger isn't sure where they need to go once it arrives.

"In walks an occupational therapy practitioner and sees that someone needs help," Denes said. "So, it's our job at that point to help determine where that passenger needs to go and how they need to get there. And we ride with them, and we learn about them, and we build rapport, and we build competence and we're with them every step of the way until it's time for them to get off the elevator."

As for the traits an occupational therapy assistant needs, Smith referred to the popular Harry Potter series, which she used to divide lab groups based on the Hogwarts houses from the books and movies.

"Each house has specific character traits," Smith said. Gryffindors are brave, chivalrous, confident and courageous. Hufflepuffs are loyal, tolerant, patient, hardworking, friendly and dedicated.

"Slytherins are cunning, determined, ambitious, resourceful, innovative and accomplished. And Ravenclaws are wise, intellectual, clever, sharp and creative. These characteristics are needed to be a successful OTA and our program works hard to recognize, develop and foster them into our students.

"An OTA must be friendly and professional in order to interact with new people every day," Smith added. "Be hardworking and resourceful to meet productivity standards.

"Be patient and flexible with dealing with unplanned situations and sometimes hostile people. Be innovative and creative when developing optimal treatment plans. Be wise enough to know that you don't know everything and might need to look back in a textbook or two. And be confident and brave enough to advocate for the needs of our patients and for our profession. Students, I hope that as you leave this program, you keep these characteristics in mind as you make choices in your career."

"I know everyone in this class will do great," said instructor and clinical coordinator Kelly Krigbaum.

"You have huge, caring hearts, and I believe each of you came into this profession for the right reason and are ready to change people's lives. You've certainly changed mine, and I will always remember this class for your big hearts and your big personalities. I can't wait to see what your future holds."

The Wallace State Occupational Therapy Assistant program is a one-year associate degree program. Two semesters of prerequisite classes are required before applying to and entering the program. Applications are accepted each year from March 1 to June 1 for entry in the fall semester. Students interested in applying for next fall can take any needed prerequisite courses in the next fall and spring semesters.

For more information visit www.wallacestate.edu/ota or call 256-352-8307.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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

Alcoholics Anonymous
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) 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.
• Saturday, Aug. 13 - 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast and Community Outreach - Join our men for a free breakfast; help prepare and distribute sack lunches in the 5 Points area. All men are welcome!
• Sunday, Aug. 14 - 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. 11 a.m. message by Eric Milligan

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.

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.

Sinyard Family Reunion
Join us for good fellowship and good food at 10 a.m., Aug. 13, at the Moody Center in Hanceville.

Holly Pond Homemakers Club
Tuesday, Aug. 16, at the Event Center in Holly Pond. Please be there at 1 p.m. and bring a friend. We will discuss "Ole Time" methods of doctoring. Refreshments will be served.

1963 Fairview High School Class Meeting/ Luncheon
Friday, Aug. 19, at 1 p.m. at the Golden Corral, 1720 Cherokee Ave. SW, Cullman. The meeting will be held in a reserved room in the back of the restaurant. For more information, call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

West Point Movie Night
• 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.

GriefShare Grief Support Group
• Sundays, 3-5 p.m., Aug. 21-Nov. 20 at First Baptist Church Cullman, 501 Second. Ave. SW
• Help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member or friend- GriefShare is a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help you through the difficult days ahead. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Call 256-734-5632 for more information.

Pleasant View Singing
Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church will have its regular third Sunday night singing Aug. 21 at 5 p.m. with "New Ground" from Scottsboro. 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.

Swamp John's Dinner
Monday, Aug. 22, from 4-7 p.m. at 2659 County Road 1545 (Gold Ridge Road). Eat in or carry out. $13 a plate. Call C.H. Loyd at 205-706-2556 for more information.

Holly Pond Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, Aug. 27 from 6-9 a.m. at the Lions Club building at Holly Pond Lions Club Park. All-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage and bacon. Admission is a donation. The proceeds benefit local sight projects. We hope to see you there!

Cullman Downtown Merchants Association Bluegrass Festival
Saturday, Sept. 9 from 5-10 p.m. at Depot Park. Featured guests are Cotton Pickin' Kids, Barefoot Nellie and Cottonmouth Creek. Food, fun, music for all. For more information, email atog218@aol.com.

Hanceville Kids' Night Out
Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022, from 6-8 p.m. at C.W. Day Park. This yearly event provides the community's children a chance to get to know local police officers, fire personnel and community leaders while enjoying family fun.

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.

Oktoberfest
Sept. 29-Oct. 1 at the Festhalle. Join us for the 41st Annual Cullman Oktoberfest to celebrate Cullman's rich German heritage! This festival features a Biergarten with German and local craft beers, live music, food, kids and adult activities and some fun events for your furry members of the family!

Peinhardt Farm Day(s)
The Peinhardt Living History Farm Foundation will host Peinhardt Living History Farm Day over an unprecedented two-day span this year: Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15-16, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This hands-on fall festival teaches all ages what farm life was like in the 1930s and 1940s in north Alabama. Free for ages 2 and younger and $10 for all others. The farm is located at 1711 Talley Ho St., Cullman.

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

Aug. 12, 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 Thursdays)
• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 26.9%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,822
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,459
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 523,611 (increase of 13,362)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,558
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 3,276 (increase of 52)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 8.9%
• 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): 10,013 (increase of 265)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 57 (increase of 2)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 1,305
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 116
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 31,875
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 8,581

Vaccine details (updated Thursdays)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 10,145,595
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 5,122,565
• Doses administered: 6,281,109 (increase of 14,052)
• Additional doses administered: 922,920 (increase of 3,220)
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,906,081 (increase of 3,001)
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,404,209 (increase of 2,948)
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 5,023,030

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‘We are all family’: Cullman’s Emma-Claire Wilson preparing for senior season

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CULLMAN, Ala. — After a memorable 2021 season in which the Lady Bearcats made a deep run in the postseason and got to within one game of going to the state tournament, Cullman’s Emma-Claire Wilson will be one of three seniors on this year’s team and feels blessed to have been a part of their amazing season.

“Our group of teammates is the best team I’ve ever been with. They made it so much fun and we all supported each other. Even if one of us wasn’t doing good, we always supported each other. We are all family. It was so much fun celebrating the huge accomplishment of making it that far,” Wilson said. “It was an unbelievable feeling because we had never been that far, but with them, even though I couldn’t play, I’m happy I got to experience that with them.”

Wilson came to Cullman as a sophomore and Head Coach Lawayne Morton has been there for her every step of the way. She has tried to learn as much as she can from him on the field.

“He is so supportive. He’s been so supportive through everything. He’s been there for me whenever I wanted to work a little bit on pitching, hitting, or fielding. He’s been so supportive through this whole entire process,” Wilson said. “I’ve learned respect. Your personality is what truly matters. Talent can only get you so far. You have to learn how to be a great sport and a great person on and off the field.”

Wilson got to learn so much from last year’s senior class, Savannah Davis, Carlie Burnham, Dayln Phillips and Faith Guest.

“They were the best leaders I could’ve ever imagined for me and my team. They were the best people that you will ever be around, and we will miss them so greatly this year,” she said.

“I learned how to be a great leader and person in general. I learned how to treat the younger players on the team. We had to bring up two girls because we lost a couple of players, and they were so welcoming. They just loved everyone with our whole entire heart, and it was amazing.”

Wilson, along with Olivia Britton and Haley Shannon, has tried to help out the younger players a lot over the summer.

“We helped them out a lot. We try to make them feel as welcomed as possible, as welcomed as the seniors last year did. We’re trying to help them work. If they ask for help, we give it to them and we make them feel welcomed and loved as best as we can,” she said. “I have learned a lot, not just about softball, but about what a real team looks like, how to be a family, the connections we make on the team on and off the field, and how great it is to be a part of something like this. Cullman softball is the best family I could’ve ever asked for.”

Wilson missed her junior season because of a torn ACL and has set some goals for herself and the team once she gets back to 100% and back on the field.

“My goal is to work as hard as I possibly can, do the best that I can, be the best I can possibly be for myself, and keep having a positive outlook on everything,” she said.

“I’m looking to set some school records for home runs, strikeouts, things like that. I’m excited just to get back.”

Wilson has been working hard to recover since her injury and she’s received a lot of support from her teammates and her family during the process.

“This has been the hardest moment of my life because I’ve been playing softball since I was four. Dealing with something like this was mentally and physically draining and I didn’t know how to deal with it, but my parents and my teammates, they have been the best people and I never want to go through this without them. I don’t know what I would do if I went through it without them. They’ve been the best people and they’ve supported me through this whole entire process.”



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Cullman’s Emma-Claire Wilson

The team’s expectations this season will be sky-high, and Wilson hopes to help the Lady Bearcats bring home a state title in 2023.

“I think we will do really well. I think we will make it as far or further than we did last year because all of the girls are working. The team chemistry is great, and I think it will be a very good season for all of us this year because we show a good work ethic through the whole entire year. Our ultimate goal is to win state. If we made it there, we would be so excited and so unbelievably happy.”

‘I just want to become the best cheerleader I can be’: Cold Springs’ McKinna Duke looking forward to senior year

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BREMEN, Ala. — Senior cheerleader McKinna Duke is ready for her final cheer season at Cold Springs, and she feels blessed to be able cheer alongside a great group of girls. She has helped the younger cheerleaders get better every day and has enjoyed being one of the leaders on the squad.

“We all definitely have our highs and lows, but at the end of the day, being on a team with a great group of girls is amazing. Everyone works hard and tries their best to make us look great as a squad and to support our school in the best way possible,” Duke said.

“I feel like all of the older girls have helped the younger ones on the squad and the girls that were interested in coming up in future seasons tremendously. We all try to make everyone feel equal on the team. We have helped them with many things such as cheers, chants, band dances, motions, jumps, stunts, and how to yell correctly without hurting their throat. We also go over anything they think they need help with. I personally love being one of the leaders on the squad. I love being able to help the younger girls and see them grow and mature with the rest of us.”

Duke feels lucky to have worked with a pair of amazing cheer coaches during her time at Cold Springs and has learned so much from them so far.

“April Burgess was my first cheer coach. She pushed me to the best of my abilities and helped make me the cheerleader I am today,” Duke said.

“Mrs. Adrian Dickerson just became the cheer coach this year and she’s been working with the girls’ athletic program the whole school year. She’s been amazing so far. She’s a hard worker and she’s dedicated to helping us be the best we can be. She is the whole reason I am cheering my senior year and I couldn’t be happier to have her as my coach. I have learned so much from her about cheer.

“She helps us to be peppy and actually enjoy our time out on the field instead of us just going through the motions. She put the fun back in cheer for me. She also has a summer workout program that I attend that have helped me with my jumps, stunts, and my overall athletic ability and made me overall better at cheer.”

Duke learned a lot from some of the veteran cheerleaders that came before her and she has set some big goals for herself and the team this season.

“My biggest influences were Breanna Bell, Emma McClendon, and Katie Salley. They helped me so much when I was starting out. Whether it was with my uniforms, learning cheers, or any questions I had, they were always there. I was so intimidated at first, but I looked up to them completely,” Duke said. “My goals are to become the captain or co-captain. I would also like to perfect my jumps and become a stronger back spot for stunts.”

She added, “I just want to be able to help make our team better in any way possible and be able to help my teammates as much as I can. I would love to make all-county as well. I just want to become the best cheerleader I can be while helping my teammates be the best they can be as well. The team goals are to grow closer as a team, work really hard for county competition, improve our stunts and jumps, and just all-around, be the best team we can be so we can support our school.”



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Cold Springs’ McKinna Duke

‘Be the best version of you that you can be’: Jayda White discusses her time at Hanceville

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to former Hanceville volleyball and softball player, Jayda White. White was able to make a lot of great memories on and off the field and the court in her time at Hanceville.

“My favorite sports memories were the practices and seeing our improvement on the court and on the field. I loved to see my teammates try their hardest and give 110% into the sports. Senior Night for softball will always hold a very special place in my heart. Mrs. Hurter, Coach Hurter, and Coach Davidson made sure everything was perfect and made sure every little detail was in place.” White said.

“My favorite high school memories were going to football games, pep rallies, meeting new friends, all of the practices, and helping others around the school.”

White feels lucky to have played for some great coaches at Hanceville and learned a lot during her playing career.

“Mrs. Bartlett stepped up and helped with the fundraising. She was very important for softball. Coach Davidson joined the team last season and picked our team up. He is one of my personal favorite coaches. He spent so much time with us and made sure we were ready for this season,” White said.

“I learned to never let the negative put you down. You’re always going to have something you’re not going to be strong in during your sport. Coach Davidson taught us that if you’re not strong in it, put the work in to make yourself better.”

White learned some great lessons at Hanceville. She feels very blessed to be a Bulldog and will deeply miss being there next year.

“I’ve learned to stay positive and just put God first with wherever life takes me,” White said.

“The encouragement at Hanceville is something else. Whenever there is someone or something negative coming your way, there is always someone there to pick you up with positivity. I will miss all the friendships I made throughout the years and the teachers/coaches. Hanceville has made a big impact in my life and I’m glad to say I will forever be a Bulldog.”

White wanted to be a great leader for the younger players in their respective sports and taught them so much. She also gave some advice to the students that will be starting high school this year.

“It was very important for the younger girls to have someone be there to help them if they didn’t understand something or if they just needed help. To me, it was very important for them to know if you make a mistake, that is okay. Nobody’s perfect; that will make you want to work harder. For Hanceville softball, we’ve had a young team for two years now, but I believe they improve every season and I’m proud of every one of them.”

She added, “My advice to them would be to stay positive to yourself. In the rough times, it’s okay to be frustrated, but to just work hard and be the best version of you that you can be.”



JAYDA WHITE

Hanceville’s Jayda White

Shots from Thursday night's Jamboree matchup between Cullman and Arab at Oliver Woodard Stadium

The Bearcats defeated the Knights 30-14. Arab will open the season next Thursday at Albertville and Cullman will kick off its regular season at Mars Hill next Friday.



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Event (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — TheraPlay Pediatric Sensory Gym of Cullman will host an event that brings therapeutic service providers together for an informational session for children with mental or physical disabilities and their parents or caregivers. Connect Cullman County will be held at The Little House at Art Park on Saturday, Aug. 20 from 9 a.m.-noon.

Tables will be set up where families can interact with, receive information from and make connections with representatives from local organizations that aim to assist those with disabilities.

"Each of these businesses and individuals has volunteered their time to help us at TheraPlay provide beneficial resources to our community," said owner Janelle Britt. "We are so thankful to be making connections to better serve the children and families of Cullman County."

Participating organizations include Flourish of Cullman, Hope Horses, Imagine ABA, Legacy Salon's Dynea Boyd (who will provide sensory haircuts), Tiny Day Creative Play (which will provide sensory bins) and T.O.D.D.'s Club (Toddlers Overcoming Developmental Delays).

Britt shared, "Connect Cullman County will be a family-friendly event, and everyone is welcome. We are focusing on providing information to family members and caregivers, but there will be activities for the children as well.

The location at Art Park offers a family-friendly playground; we will have coloring stations, bubble fun and other activities to give a glimpse into the fun services we offer at TheraPlay!"

The first 50 attendees will receive a free treat from Fro'Z Shaved Ice.

About the inspiration for the event, Britt said, "We wanted to create a space where families can have a 'one stop shop' to see what resources are offered locally. We have so many individuals and businesses in Cullman who truly want to help the special needs community, and our hope is that families will leave knowing they are cared about and valued."

TheraPlay provides pediatric speech and occupational therapy services for children birth through age 19.

Its therapists' specializations include feeding and swallowing, augmentative and alternative communication (AAC), articulation disorders, handwriting, fine motor delays and overall language delays.

Services are provided in a private setting, allowing children and families to receive the best care possible. TheraPlay also has a 2,000-square-foot sensory gym.

The Little House at Art Park is located at 1031 Second St. SW, in Cullman.



THE LITTLE HOUSE AT ART PARK/ FACEBOOK

Connect Cullman County will be held at The Little House at Art Park Saturday, Aug. 20.

Task Force (from Front)

own Facebook page and publicizing the group's efforts until meetings resumed.

"My transition into the group is still relatively new, but I'm excited to see what we can do together as a team and a community to bring much-needed awareness," she said.

Before this role, she said, her main focus was homeschooling her youngest and finishing ministry school at Desperation College with the purpose of bringing hope, healing and awareness to others.

Dover said she decided to join the task force because of her own trauma and her desire to speak out for others that might not be able to yet.

"My focus is on more of the sex trafficking side and how we can recognize those at risk so we can prevent further stories of trauma," she said.

"I'd love to get into some local group/teen homes, shelters, schools and even juvie (juvenile detention center) to share my story and just open a door of communication and knowledge on the subject."

Dover encourages any group that would like to hear her tell her story and share facts about human trafficking at their workplace, school, shelter or church to email her at endtrafficking25@gmail.com.

Horstman, the task force's new secretary, is also the longtime executive director of Victim Services of Cullman, which has participated with the task force since it was founded.

"As a provider of emergency shelter and services for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, our agency has been on the front lines of responding to trafficking victims.

"Because we have such a vested interest, I decided it was time that I volunteer to serve in some capacity," she said.

Victim Services offers medical examinations and evidence collection for adult survivors of sexual assault at no charge for residents of Cullman and Winston counties. Its 24-hour hotline is 256-734-6100.

Human trafficking can be more accurately understood as human exploitation and encompasses a variety of situations.

Victims are induced through force, fraud or coercion to work in various forms of exploitation including debt bondage, forced marriage, labor and commercial sexual exploitation of adults and minors. The majority of human trafficking victims are pre-teens or teenagers. Young victims are often lured into traps by people they consider friends, or even by family members.

Trafficking can happen anywhere at any time but with greater probability at large sporting events, kids' hangouts and schools.

"Cullman is not fighting these crimes as much as other bigger cities, but we still fight it, and my biggest mission is knowing and identifying the ones most susceptible – runaways, displaced and/or homeless, latchkey kids, physical or sexual abuse victims – to these crimes and how we can help make them and their caregivers aware," explained Dover.

The task force will have an informational booth set up at the Cullman County Fair this year and will have packets of information and goodies to hand out that will help spread the word.

Its next meeting is Wednesday, Sept. 14 at noon in Cullman County District Judge Chad Floyd's courtroom, which is located on the second floor of the Cullman County Courthouse. The meetings are open to anyone looking to learn more.

"Bringing knowledge to a community about hard subjects will create a place for prevention and a place of healing for those that need it the most," added Dover.

If you see or know anyone at risk, call the National Human Trafficking Hotline at 1-888-373-7888.

To learn more about the Cullman County Human Trafficking Task Force, visit www.facebook.com/Cullman-County-Human-Trafficking-Task-Force or email endtrafficking25@gmail.com.

More information on human trafficking in Alabama can be found at www.endtrafficking-alabama.org/ or https://stnow.org/.



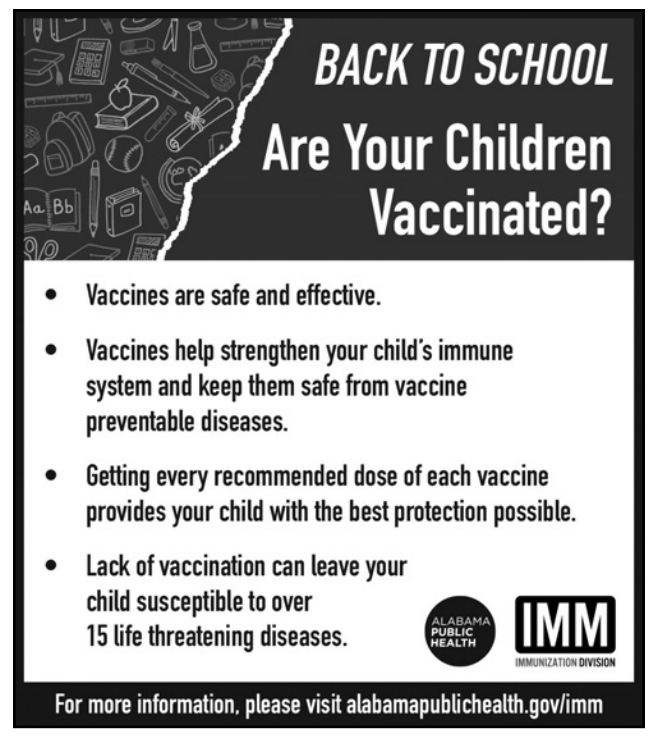
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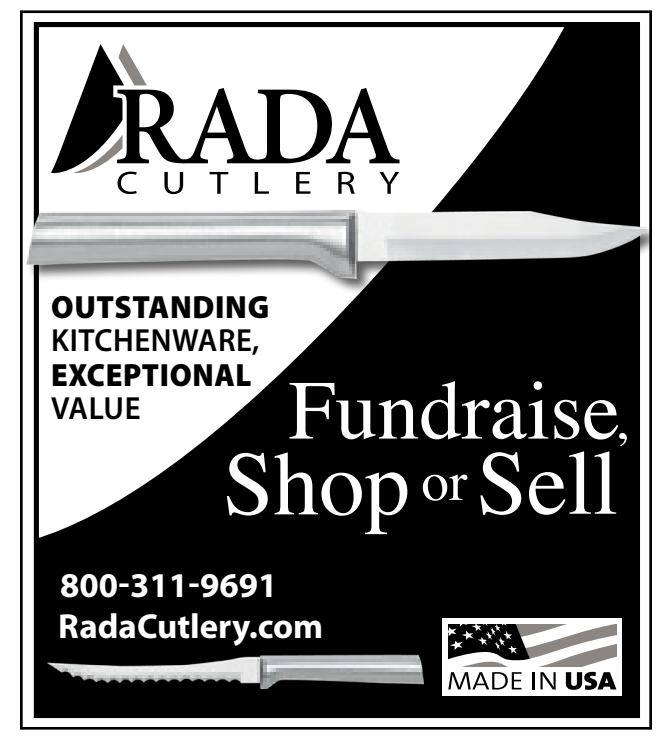














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Campaign (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — With over 24,000 school supplies donated and $250 donated to both the city and county school systems, the United Way of Cullman County's 2022 Stuff the Bus campaign broke previous records through the generosity of donors throughout Cullman.

United Way Executive Director Waid Harbison shared, "It was a fantastic response from Cullman this year. Last year we collected 15,000-16,000 school supplies, and this year we had well over 20,000 supplies donated. That was amazing. Desperation Church heard that we were running low and brought supplies on the last day of the drive. REHAU donated $500, and we were able to give $250 checks to the city and county schools on Tuesday.

"It was the most we've ever collected before. We want to thank the community for coming out and supporting our kids in need."

Over at The Link of Cullman County, 150 backpacks filled with school supplies donated during the campaign were distributed on Saturday, Aug. 6 during the partner agency's Family Food Box Giveaway.

In total, locations across town stepped up as drop-off locations for the campaign, and volunteers put in more than 100 hours.

Edith (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Volunteer Donna Ruttkay of the Cullman County Animal Shelter shares this week's Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week: Edith

Edith is a trim 1.5-2-year-old terrier mix who does not understand why she is at the shelter and appears lonely. The quiet, shy girl relishes in the company of people and is confused as to why she doesn't have her own person.

Edith just wants to love and be loved.

She is well-behaved on her leash and her medium energy makes her an excellent walking and hiking buddy.

Edith is also a wonderful candidate for a therapy dog. At the end of the day, she just wants to be by your side.

Edith's adoption fee includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet, microchip and free 30-day health insurance policy issued by 24 PET Watch.

Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or cullmancountyanimalshelter@gmail.com or visit the shelter at 935 Convent Road NE.

Farms (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Alabama Cooperative Extension System's Beginning Farmer Series serves to help new producers develop knowledge and critical skills so they can sustain and grow their farms using technical information, learning networks and other resources.

The series has many programs for increasing confidence and knowledge of farming. One of the latest events in the series will be a farm visit and market tour of J. Calvert Farms at 30 County Road 260, Cullman.

The tour was organized through a joint effort of the North Alabama Agriplex and Cullman County Extension Office. The tour group will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 16, at the J. Calvert Farms Market. Tony Glover of the North Alabama Agriplex said, "This is a very diversified fruit and vegetable farm that has an innovative farmer.

"Arnold Caylor, who is the retired director of the Cullman Research Station, will lead the tour as an employee of Calvert Farms. He will talk about no-till vegetable farming and the use of plasticulture and drip irrigation. Also, we will tour the farm market."

J. Calvert Farms is a family-run operation. Its crops include strawberries, peaches, tomatoes, pumpkins and a wide variety of vegetables.

During the tour, Caylor will talk about the crops grown on the farm, as well as proper marketing. He will also be taking questions from attendees. The North Alabama Agriplex and the Cullman County Extension Office invite anyone interested to join the free tour. Email TonyGlover@auburn.edu for more information or to sign up. For more information on upcoming classes and events for beginning farmers, visit https://agriplex.org and www.aces.edu/counties/cullman.



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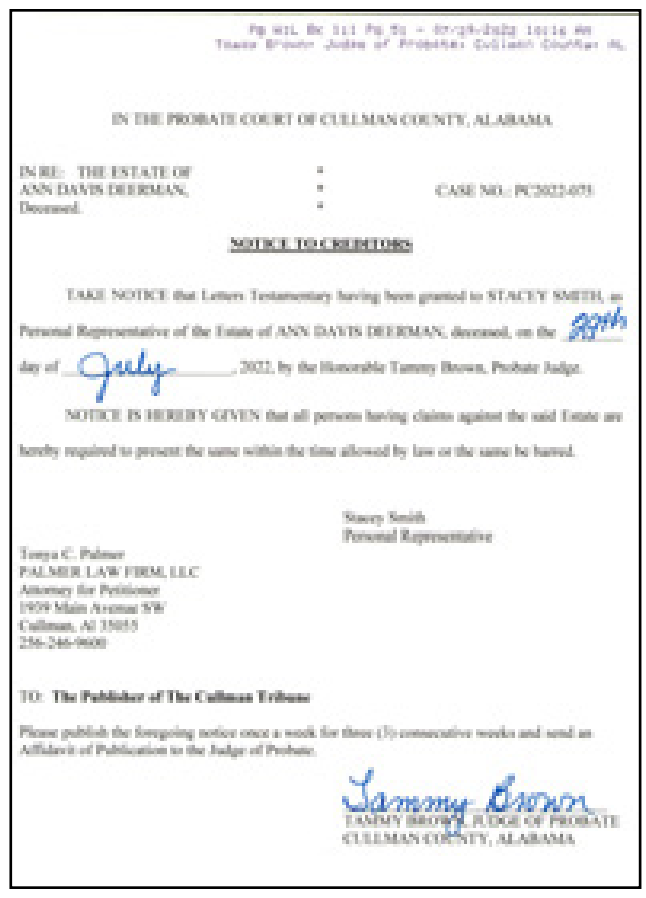
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ANN DAVIS DEERMAN, Deceased. CASE NO.: PC2022-070

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to STACEY SMITH, as Personal Representative of the Estate of ANN DAVIS DEERMAN, deceased, on the 28th 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.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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M.D.T., JR.
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NOTICE OF PETITION FOR NAME CHANGE OF MINOR

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, M.D.T., JR., BORN TO DASHA LATRICE ROBERSON NUAL

The Petition to Change Name was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Dasha Latrice Roberson Nual, Biological Mother. If you should contest, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 28th DAY OF July, 2022.

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
RAYFORD JAMES MURRAY, CASE NO PC2022-072
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NOTICE OF STATUS HEARING

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Please take notice that a status hearing is set on the **13th day of October, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.**. Before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alahama 35055.

Done this the 4th day of August, 2022.

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF
CECIL COLEMAN PIGG, CASE NO.: PC-2022-203
An alleged incapacitated person.

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP

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Please take notice that a Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship has been filed by Angela Netherton, Petitioner, by and through Attorney, Alex J. Chaney. A hearing on said Petition for Letters of Guardianship and Conservatorship has been **SET FOR THE 18th day of October, 2022, AT 10:00 A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, Probate Office Room 101, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 5th day of August, 2022.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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52 ODES TO JOY: S.U.N.S. JOY JAUNTS

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For the last several years, I've enjoyed leading an April-in-Alabama history walking tour through Cullman. Like Martina McBride sang, "word gets around in a small, small town," and I've been fortunate to attract some positive, fun buzz and good-sized crowds.

To keep it interesting for any repeats and myself, I try to give things a new twist each tour. This year, the hills came alive with the sound of music and a wee salute to Germany, recognizing that my north Alabama town was created in the 1870s to be a consummate "German colony in America." We added some giggles with dachshunds and Deutschland donuts.

Creating a half-mile "cake walk" one year proved to be a sweet success, and that good-sized crowd grew some. We walked a half-block and sampled cannolis at Carlton's Italian, walked another half-block for made-from-scratch orange rolls at the All-Steak Restaurant, walked another half-block for homemade strawberry cake at Southern Accents, walked another half-block for Duchess Donuts and rounded it off with apple crumb cake at Karma's Coffee House.

I know what you're thinking: WOWZA, that's a lot of sugar-propelled, sidewalk schlogging! You're right. So, next April, The JOYrontologist wants to create a joy-giving tour that will combine some fun, history facts, cakes and other pleasures to delight walkers and non-walkers.

JOY JAUNT TO CELEBRATE 150 YEARS

Cullman was founded in April 1873, so the "JOY JAUNT" I'm proposing would have 150 "joyful moments" in 150 minutes. We will commence at 9:30 a.m. at the statue of city founder, Colonel John Cullmann, on the lawn of the history museum. Then, we head east on the sidewalks (no roadblocks necessary, though we will have volunteer safety patrols). You will traverse at your own speed having fun and guides along the route and return for German Riesling-ish toasts and birthday cake at noon at the museum gazebo. (Note: Next year is also the 200th birthday of Colonel Cullmann, born in Frankweiler, Germany, on July 2, 1823.)

JOY JAUNT IN YOUR NECK OF THE WOODS

Whether you're in Paducah, Pittsburgh or Paris – wherever you are – let's plan on adding more smiles with a site-centric, uniquely designed "JOY JAUNT" where you call home. Plan to meet some strangers and enjoy some FREE HUGS and UNITING with some of the most joyous folks around. Please contact The JOYrontologist, I'd love to brainstorm and have some NEIGHBORING joy with you.

S.U.N.S. ACCESSIBLE-TO-ALL JOY JAUNT SIDEWALK STROLL (no roadblocks)—The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines a "jaunt" as: "a short journey or excursion undertaken especially for pleasure." A jaunt allows for some randomness and entertaining disorder and "happy surprises;" it's not an overly orchestrated parade excruciatingly scripted by the local authorities. With that in mind, I put on my jaunty "thinking cap" and have these ideas to consider for next year's "JOY JAUNT" designed for my town with 150, joy-giving things we might explore on our celebratory ramble.

S.U.N.S. JOY JAUNTS IDEAS

1—JOY-GIVING JOLLITY AT THE HISTORY MUSEUM—We can save the somber events and solemn pronouncements for another day. On the "JOY JAUNT" in my town, we want to step into the size 16 footprints of Governor "Big Jim" Folsom, see the beer keg tap invented by the German, beer-guzzling founding father, Colonel Cullmann, and wink at the smiling photo of Mr. Speegle who fathered 26 children. The country comic character, Minnie Pearl, was created in these here parts, so I reckon we'll have some fun from the ladies, too. If your stomping grounds can match our town for fun, we're rolling there next.

2—PUPPIES and KITTENS shown by the Humane Society—in our town, this could salute "Toby," the Thompson's, an early founding family, famous hound dog. We might also have some Auburn Tigers but not sure about Georgia Bulldogs.

3—FREE NECK MASSAGE from a local masseuse/masseur

4—FREE BOOKMARKS and a "one-minute, once-upon-a-time" children's story from the public library

5—JAW-DROPPING JOY AT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH—This is what God would have created if He had more imagination and cash. The heavy wood doors on the front make the Sacred Heart of Jesus building feel like a fortress but all are welcomed to come pray, worship and gawk. Try to time your "JOY JAUNT" for a time Barry Stoner is playing something grand like Bach or Beethoven's "Ode to Joy" on the powerful pipe organ. Feast your eyes on the gilded sculptures of "The Stations of the Cross," and the masterfully faux marble of the main altar. This is where I've experienced the most joyful funerals. Even on a gray day outside the loftiness of the architecture and grandeur lifts one's spirit to the heavens.

6—SPORTS HEROES and HEROINES at THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE—Take yourself to the best ballgame memories in your area. In our town, we could include stories from the nearby Jesse Owens Sports Museum.

7—ACCORDION/CONCERTINA LESSON and MINI-CONCERT; an organ grinder with monkey could really send this over-the-top if the monkey is having a good time, too.

8—FUN COSTUMES TO RENT from the "It's My Party" store and the joy of chatting with owner, Judy Nelms, who can match me for "zaniness" almost any day of the week. Don't let the October calendar dictate your joy, wear your funnest, Halloween costume on a "JOY JAUNT."

9—AFRICAN JOY from Kenya Relief; this group does serious, humanitarian work but they also have fun on their own transcontinental "JOY JAUNTS"

10—SCENTED OILS from a health food store at the sight of a former, oil derrick in our downtown.

11—CANNOLIS at CARLTON'S ITALIAN, a popular stop on our "History Cake Walk"

12—THE SOUND of the U.S.S. ALABAMA foghorn at the mural

13—ANTIQUE SCHOOLBOOKS and ABC FLASHCARDS—German language ones in our town at Village Furniture the site of our high school

14—ROLLER SKATER/SKATEBOARDER at Village Furniture site of skating rink

15—BLESSING BY A PRIEST at Catholic Social Services with a St. Christopher message for travelers

16—SAFE HAVEN BOMBING DRILL PRACTICE at nuclear bomb shelter (basement of Sacred Heart church)

17—WAVING SANTA—Did your town have a "Waving Santa" display in some Christmas window? Ours' was at Kessler's Florist (site of Happy Homes Real Estate) and it was a mid-century tradition for parents to drive by so kids could wave back. Since it would be "Christmas in April," Wes Warren's crowd-pleasing "Elf" character could run away from the Christmas parade and "flash bomb" the JOY JAUNT.

18—OPERA SNIPPET—The Esther Opera House in our town was named for the mayor's daughter. It was more "horse opera" than "grand opera" but the site is good for some German Wagner "Brunhilde" aria-ette; Virginia Goodall, Smith Lake diva, and Cullman's "Hello Dolly" dame, Kim Trelles, would be gloriously grande. Wayne Cook and some of his summer music theatre chums could make it a "TRADITION" to delight with a few tasty morsels from "Fiddler on the Roof." "TO LIFE, L'CHAIM!!"

19—CHALK DRAWING the word "JOY" near handicapped access sidewalk ramps. Also, enjoy the NEIGHBORING of "pressure washing" another sidewalk.

20—SIP OF SASSAFRAS TEA—new, joy-gulped taste to savor for "sweet tea-swiggin'" Southerners

21—"JOYFUL COLOR PALETTE" selected by a local paint store, Richter's in our case. Maria Richter Schultz, a lady of German ancestry who married a gent with German ancestry, is the most-knowledgeable paint color professional I've ever known. Research shows the color "BLUE" is the most joyful, and Maria can help you choose "THE MOST JOYFUL BLUE FOR YOU!"

22—MASTER GARDENERS "JOY BASKET"—Plant Sale "teaser" and reservations for particular plants. "Dig in the dirt" in a raised bed garden. Get some FREE Rx for an ailing houseplant.

23—MAGIC 8-BALL ANSWERS—where pool hall was/is

24—KARAOKE—Ask Danny from Goat Island Brewery to be the "master of ceremonies." Blaine Corbin, this is your chance to bring your mellow sound and turn Downtown Cullman into Conway Twitty City.

25—LOCAL FASHION DESIGNER in SHOP WINDOW—We could proudly have world-class, Charles Kleibacker designs at former Stiefelmeyer's Department Store location

26—BEEHIVE HAIRDO at LOCAL BEAUTY SHOP—in our town, a classic is the Vogue Beauty Salon on Second Avenue. Also, "BEST 1970s SHAG" and "BEST 1980s MULLET."

27—MUSIC BOX at ANTIQUE STORE—Christmas tune at Margo's where the holiday is magnificently celebrated almost year-round. Enjoy some "RETAIL THERAPY" in this maximalist emporium.

28—JOYFUL SWEETS at a REAL, PASTRY SHOP—Anything and everything at Flavors

29—VALENTINE JOY for EVERYONE at the former post office site. Also, THANK A POSTAL WORKER, heroes and heroines of the COVID pandemic.

30—MAKE A WISH IN FOUNTAIN—Local bank could provide pennies at the Frankweiler "Sister City" fountain. Be aspirational for yourself, others, your town.

31—BIRTHSTONES—at site of current/former jeweler

32—LUCKY POKER DRAW at site of former saloon. Many historic saloon sites to choose from in Cullman

33—CLASSIC RADIO PLAYING LOCAL TALENT—Linda Manning songs at WKUL. Hank Williams, Jr. used to live in our town. Ron Moseley, please play "All My Rowdy Friends Have Settled Down."

34—VINTAGE LOCAL PACKAGING—King Pharr Canning, Deep South Creamery, King Edward Cigars

35—VINTAGE FOOTWEAR at site of former shoe shop; include white rubber boots from Golden Rod Broiler chicken plant

36—1960s HIPPIES with tambourines and guitar--If you're going to Cullman, be sure to wear some flowers in your hair

37—TOOTH FAIRY BALLET DANCER—sponsored by a dentist (Signature Smiles, Dr. Marecle?) and Brooke Desnoes Ballet Academy

38—CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CLOWN at doctor's current/former site in what was formerly our town's "medical center." Who will be Cullman's "Patch Adams?"

39—HISPANIC DANCE—involve those who attend the Spanish-speaking mass at Sacred Heart Church.

40—MARIACHI MUSIC BAND—involve Pastor Raul at the Spanish-speaking service at First United Methodist Church.

41—CHARLESTON DANCE EXHIBITION at a 1920s "speakeasy" location

42—THREE TENORS, every town has at least three great ones

43—THREE STOOGES, every town has more than three

44—HOMEMADE CHOCOLATE KISSES—Cathie Abbott who sells delicious, fresh bread and desserts at the Festhalle Farmers Market would be superb for this

45—MINI-POPCORN BALLS—Kernel Kullman Popcorn Shop

46—BLUEBIRDS of HAPPINESS/LOVEBIRDS/PARROTS/CANARIES sponsored by a local veterinarian or PetSmart, Pet Depot

47—JAZZ COMBO like the 1940s with some "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" Andrews Sisters wannabees at the train depot

48—RED CARPET PHOTOGRAPHERS with tiaras and top hats

49—PIRATE DAY PROMO with TREASURE CHEST... Aaaaaargh!

50—BOCCE DEMONSTRATION at some grass area, maybe the turf next to Carlton's Italian

51—CROQUET DEMONSTRATION at some grass area near sidewalks

52—CORNHOLE CONTEST – Only 1 throw allowed; winners get two trophies, but everybody gets a trophy because this is a..."JOY JAUNT"

53—MINI-MOVIE at the POWER COMPANY—Cullman-inspired "BIG FISH" would be a great, cinematic choice; maybe just a movie trailer on the "JOY JAUNT" and an invitation for a full screening

54—FREE BLOOD PRESSURE from the health department and a pat on the back for trying to take better care of yourself. For better mental health, SHOWER YOURSELF WITH SELF-LOVE in a confetti fountain.

55—BUTCHER FRYING BACON—enticing "surround smell" supplied by local butchery

56—MOONSHINE STILL and JUG BAND

57—BABY VEGGIES at FARMER'S MARKET—Festhalle "Power of Produce (POP)"

58—SEEING FROM A NEW, ASLANT PERSPECTIVE—playground, slant board

59—"HIDDEN MESSAGE" POLICE DETECTIVE SEARCH sponsored by the community outreach officer at Cullman Police Department

60—FREE COUPONS THIS DAY ONLY for all kinds of things around town (good for a full week)

61—BANJO MUSIC pickin' and grinnin' from some local yokels

62—FA-SO-LA a cappella from the Cullman Courthouse singers

63—APPLE CIDER promoting Peinhardt Farm Day

64—ROCKABILLY MUSIC at CAFÉ "POP-UP"—involve the 18 guitars of the Vinemont High School Band

65—WAITRESS/COOKS/BARTENDERS HALL OF FAME—new inductees and vintage photos

66—BARBERSHOP SHAVING TONIC SCENT—roster



of all the Cullman barbers from 1873 to 2023

67—LOCAL POET—Will Drake, a future Alabama Poet Laureate and current Cullman High School literature teacher elevates the written word

68—CHURCH BELLS PEALING—My town which once had more saloons than religious sanctuaries, is known by some as "The City of Churches." We could pray to get many of the churches to ring their bells at some given day/time.

69—COMMEMORATIVE ORNAMENTS at Leldon's in the Cullman Warehouse District with a specially designed 150th Cullman anniversary salute scrolled in wood

70—LOCALLY MADE FURNITURE—Dreher's Furniture Manufacturing

71—SIGNATURE MOCKTAIL—Dreher's Cocktail Bar

72—BEEKEEPERS' BUZZ with local honey tasting (see recipe below)

73—TUMBLING OFF A TURNIP TRUCK—Local gymnasts, tumblers and acrobats safely performing from the bed of a vintage pick-up surrounded by gym mats

74—YODELING and HOG-CALLING at the FARMER'S MARKET—Swiss and German settlers brought yodeling to these Appalachian Mountain foothills and we will revive the nearly lost art at our German architecture, Festhalle

75—WEIGHTLIFTER/BODY-SCULPTING POSES by pre-Olympians

76—SOUTHERN EATS taste tradition samples like "fresh takes" on pimento cheese

77—CREATE AN ORIGINAL, 2-MINUTE FRISBEE ART PAINTING with Bo Shirey and his local, "Disc Golf" teammates

78—BELL-RINGING RETIRED SCHOOL MARMS/MASTERS with DUNCE-CAP WEARERS. Dot Gudger, Jethro Harbison and all the Cullman retired school professionals, please call the roll of your throngs of former students.

79—PIN-ON MINI-POSIES or DISCOUNT COUPONS from local flower vendors like Burke's Florist, Cullman Florist or Fairview Florist

80—RAGTIME PIANO or JAZZ BAND with Cullman Community Band

81—BELL CHOIR

82—BADMINTON on a LAWN/HANDBALL on a WALL

83—FREE "VISIT HERE" TOURISM POSTCARDS

84—EMBOSSED LETTTER-PRESS by local printing group

85—"CUTE AS A BUG" PHOTOS with mascot from Cook's Nature Museum

86—"I WILL VOTE in 2024" STICKERS and voter registration information

87—FOUR PRAYERS CIRCLE with REQUEST FORMS for "THANK, GIMME, OOPS and WOW" and a troubadour singing that locally written prayer song

88—YOU'RE A STITCH COMMUNITY QUILT--add a hand touch with a local quilting guild

89—PUPPET THEATRE with an 1870s "Punch and Judy" show

90—"MOVE MORE" Alabama Cooperative Extension Systems exercise/nutrition campaign

91—FEEL THE COLOR BRAILLE MURAL sponsored by the Lions Club

92—MORNIN' DEER VENISON SAUSAGE BALLS by local game-hunters

93—FROM HERE TO THE MOON with NASA Space Camp information

94—SUPERMAN IN A PHONE BOOTH and maybe Marilyn Monroe being blown by a fan

95—ELVIS IMPERSONATOR—our town has both a medical doctor and a dentist who could rival "The King" performing "All Shook Up" and "Suspicious Minds"

96—"BIG FISH" TAXIDERMY from BassMasters at Smith Lake

97—HARRY POTTER and FICTION CHARACTERS from local used bookstore, Camelot Books, or from corporate store Books-A-Million

98—COLLECT RUBBER BRACELETS from lots of nonprofits and for-profits groups

99—SHRINE OF THE BLESSED SACREMENT safe tours for the handicapped information

100—CHRISTMAS CANDLE PYRAMID announcement for Holiday, 2023

101—"ENCHANTED FOREST" information about the Wildflower and Woodlands Garden at SPORTSMAN LAKE which has recently had a renaissance thanks to the Cullman County Master Gardeners. FREE WILDFLOWER SEED PODS.

102—THE HAUK FAMILY BAND—Every town worth its salt had a group of musicians who added joy to gatherings of the early days. In Cullman, the talented Hauk family entertained on one of the boats carrying German immigrants which Colonel Cullmann cajoled to sail the Atlantic and settle in North Alabama. The Colonel also enjoyed the Hauks' performances at his grand home on Sunday afternoons. I personally know the present-day Cullman Hauks. Both Ernest and Betty play piano, Susan can play a radio and Addison is already accomplished on the spoons. I'm doing my darnedest to set the stage for the band's reunion concert.

103—FREE WATER BOTTLES from the Cullman Water Department, also view framed images of early waterworks blueprints and drinking water springs

104—VINTAGE CARS ON EVERY BLOCK from the 1920s to the latest "electric car" sponsored by Cullman Electric Cooperative

105—POODLE SKIRTS and POODLES salute the classic cafes like The Globe Drive-In and the Mug & Cone

106—CONTRA DANCE DEMONSTRATIONS of early, "line dance" traditions English, Scottish and French immigrants brought to the Appalachian area

107—AUDUBON SOCIETY IS FOR THE BIRDS—local birders share updates on the Guntersville Lake Eagle Watch Weekend and the annual Christmas Bird Count

108—"ROCK THE SOUTH" 2023 ANNOUNCEMENT and 2022 PHOTOS—this hugely successful "outdoor concert" is one of the most popular, entertainment events in the American South. Come shake Shane Quick's hand, the local hero who imagined "Rock the South" and continues to make it rock.

109—YOGA & PRETZELS—This demonstration would combine the good, body-twisting health benefits of Asian yoga techniques with the good taste of German pretzels. My "go to" gurus for this twistin' party are yoga instructor, Fabian Holland (celebrating her 70th birthday next February), Tina Culpepper, also Sister Mary McGehee and other yoga-instructing nuns at the local Sacred Heart convent and spiritual retreat; pretzels could be made by a home baker with a "cottage license" or at the Kernel Kullman's popcorn shop in the Cullman Warehouse District.

110—DOO WOP STREET CORNER A CAPELLA SINGING is a must for any "JOY JAUNT," and longtime performer, Rodney Basenburg of The Diptones and now Cullman Community Theatre would make Frankie Valli and The Four Seasons wish they could sing as well

111—VIDEO GAMING at the "Tech Village" sponsored by Cullman Economic Development would be the one time during the "JOY JAUNT" when phone-addicted nerds are encouraged to stare at their screens. Plan for a specially designed "video treat"

112—HERITAGE MUSIC, SQUARE DANCING and CLOGGING could be sponsored by the North Alabama AGRIPLEX

113—"ALABAMA'S MOST SOUGHT AFTER STUD" could be proudly admired in an area sponsored by the Alabama Cattleman's Association. VOW TO EAT MORE STEAK and HAMBURGERS—research shows that people who eat less than the recommended amount of red meat are twice as likely to feel depressed and joy-starved

114—SCHERENSCHNITTE, the German of art of paper cutting design, could be exhibited/demonstrated and orders taken for 2023 Christmas cards »

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115—SILHOUETTE ARTIST CRAFT popular in 1870s would be demonstrated and sittings arranged for children of all ages to be celebrated by an artist accomplished in this technique

116—THE MOST-STUBBORN, MULEHEADED MULE could be viewed near the former site of Kinney's Mule Barn

117—PUT THE "FUN" IN "FUNERAL" with "dearly departed" stories at the site of Cullman's first undertaker

118—NATIVE PLANT CUTTINGS "PASS-A-LONG" and propagation techniques from the North Alabama Native Plant Society. Take home

119—EAT THESE/NOT THOSE foraging identification from the Alabama Mushroom Society

120—THE PERSONALITY OF PLACE—local photography exhibit by Frank Brower

121—CLASSICAL STORYBOOK BALLET with dancers from Brooke Desnoes Ballet Academy (Cullman Warehouse District) and the Dance4All "diversity in dance," non-profit initiative

122—JELLO WRASSLIN'/MUD WRASSLIN'/INDIAN LEG WRASSLIN'/ARM WRASSLIN'—Come on, y'all...it's a JOY JAUNT, we must have some good-natured wrasslin'

123—SHOW CHICKENS—Cullman is Alabama's 1 county for poultry and eggs

124—BUSKERS—Our town nor your town may have any subways for sleeping but we have plenty of Bob Dylan and Joni Mitchell devotees ready to strum and sing at the drop of a coin. Austin Archer and Ace Hamilton, you budding music producers could line up talent and also perform

125—BAKING CONTEST WINNERS and TASTINGS at the local appliance dealer, Bob Wallace Appliance gets my vote for this tasty stop

126—BELLY DANCERS sponsored by TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

127—RENAISSANCE FAIR sword-fighting and jousting

128—KEYSTONE COPS by local comedy actors like Justin Weygand and Levi Strickland

129—OSCAR MAYER WIENERMOBILE

130—LAUGHING COW CHEESE DIP and local veggies. I'll share my sister-in-law's recipe for LAUGHING COW CHEESE "Put Da Lime in Da Coconut" DIP

131—SUGARBABIES tap-dancing grandmothers troupe from nearby Birmingham

132—BATON TWIRLERS FLUFF UP YOUR POM POMS and Grab Some DERVISHES

133—FREE BALLOONS by some sponsor with a helium tank

134—ZAMORA SHRINE CLUB CLOWN CARS from nearby Birmingham

135—LAUGHING GAS FILLIN' STATION sponsored by a petrol company

136—HARLEY DAVIDSON and "FONZIE" IMPERSONATOR PHOTO station

137—CABARET PERFORMERS-- in our town with a German "Kit Kat Club" vibe

138—CONGA DRUMS and CONGA LINE DANCE led by Linda Holland and the contemporary musicians of First United Methodist Church

139—JUDO WRESTLING and KARATE DEMONSTRATIONS

140—APPRECIATE SOME ART and GET FREE MUSEUM TICKETS to "Cullman Day" at the Birmingham Museum of Art

141—AFRICAN AMERICAN ARTS SALUTE by Colony Day volunteers from Colony, Alabama

142—LAKE-LIVING COMMUNITY SALUTE—ideal for Smith Lake fishing and boating enthusiasts

143—ICE-CREAM BIKE PEDALING for others by Alabama Cooperative Extension System

144—STEEL DRUMS CARIBBEAN CALYPSO MUSIC and dancers

145—HOROSCOPE OF THE DAY for your particular "sun sign"

146—GRATITUDE WALL to write something for which you are thankful.

147—HARMONICA BLUES both Appalachian Country and from the Delta

148—HULA DANCING that makes you ready for a luau

149—GO-GO CAGE DANCING from the 1960s doing The Twist, The Monkey, The Swim—any dance that has a name

150—BIERGARTEN REST STOP even if you don't drink beer, this "outdoor picnic" area is an open-to-all, embracing, VERY GERMAN way to end your sidewalk strolling "JOY JAUNT"

S.U.N.S. (Smile-Making, Uniting, Neighboring, Spellbinding) JOY JAUNTS reflect each of four, basic elements of "The S.U.N.S. Joyous Aging System." Many are SMILE-MAKING just seeing them like floating balloons and "Beehive" hairdos. Some are UNITING like the valentines at the former post office building. "Others-centered" NEIGHBORING is definitely joyous like stitching a community quilt or pedaling the ice cream bicycle knowing you are helping create a treat someone will enjoy after you are blocks away. Literally "stepping out of your routine" and experiencing new things like the wood-scrolling and the German paper-cutting art of Scherenschnitte is SPELLBINDING and the joyous essence of the happy, sidewalk stroll of a personalized JOY JAUNT.

JOY-GIVERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Aug. 13—Annie Oakley

Aug. 14—Steve Martin

Aug. 15—Julia Child

Aug. 16—Madonna

Aug. 17—Mae West

Aug. 17—Roberto Clemente

Aug. 18—Ogden Nash

JOY JAUNT PINE NUT POWER BARS- NEVADA
(Source: foodandwine.com)

Each week, "The JOYrontologist" shares a recipe saluting a healthy food produced in America. This 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 1/2 cups pine nuts (8 oz.)
- 1 stick unsalted butter, plus more for greasing
- 3/4 cup local honey
- 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar
- 2 cups old-fashioned oats, preferably thick cut
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
- Pinch of salt
- 4 oz. white chocolate, chopped
- 1/2 teaspoon canola oil

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Preheat the oven to 325F. Butter an 8-inch square baking pan. Line the bottom and two sides with parchment paper.

2. In a large saucepan, melt the butter with the honey and sugar and cook over moderate heat, stirring constantly, until an amber caramel forms, about 5 minutes. Sir in the oats, pine nuts, pepper and salt and cook, stirring constantly, until the pine nuts just begin to brown, about 2 minutes. Scrape the mixture into the prepared pan and smooth the surface. Bake for about 20 minutes, until bubbling and browned around the edges. Let the bars cool completely in the pan.

3. Run the tip of a knife around the edge of the pan and lift the square from the pan. Cut the square in half, then cut each half into 6 bars. Discard the parchment paper.

4. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper. In a microwave-safe bowl, melt the white chocolate at high power at 30-second intervals, stirring in between. Stir in the oil and let cool slightly. Dip the bottom half of each oat bar into the white chocolate and set the bars on the baking sheet. Refrigerate just until the white chocolate is set. If the chocolate looks thin, dip the bars a second time.

MAKE AHEAD—The bars can be refrigerated for one week or kept at room temperature for up to three days.

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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 11-12

Bobby Elam Billings, 67
Bobby Elam Billings, 67, of Cullman passed away Thursday, Aug. 11, 2022, at St. Vincent's Hospital in Birmingham, Alabama. He was born Feb. 28, 1955, in Tuscaloosa, Alabama to Philmon Eugene and Mamie Ruth Smith Billings. Bobby is survived by his sister: Diane (Robert) Graveman; and his brother: Philmon Eugene (Sue) Billings Jr.; and a host of nieces, nephews, and dear friends. Bobby was preceded in death by his parents: Philmon Eugene and Mamie Ruth Smith Billings; his brother: William David Billings. A celebration of life graveside service for Bobby will be held Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, at 1 p.m. at Memory Hill Gardens, 2200 Skyland Boulevard E, Tuscaloosa, AL 35405

Manuel Renteria Perez, 58
A Funeral Mass for Manuel Renteria Perez, 58, of Cullman will be Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, at Sacred Heart of Jesus Christ Catholic Church. P. Raul Ramirez will officiate the service. The visitation will be Sunday Night, Aug. 14, 2022, from 5-7 p.m. at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Manuel Renteria Perez. Mr. Manuel Renteria Perez was born Feb. 20, 1964, to Alejandro Renteria and Belen Perez. He passed from this life Aug. 11, 2022, at the UAB Hospital. He was a great husband and father who will be greatly missed. He was preceded in death by his father: Alejandro Renteria; and his sister: Maria Socorro Renteria. He is survived by his mother: Belen Perez; his wife: Higinia Lemus; son: Juan Renteria; daughters: Viridiana Orozco, Usi Orozco, Myra Renteria, Mireya Renteria; brothers: Alejandro Renteria, Fracisco Renteria; sisters, Guadalupe Renteria, Yolanda Renteria, Graciela Renteria, Velia Renteria; grandchildren: Irma Renteria, Alicia Renteria, Elizabeth Rivera, Emma Rivera, Atonio Rivera, Alexa Orozco, Liliana Aguilar, Kaylee Aguilar, Freddy Romera, Rafael Mora, Anthony Orozco, Manuel Mora, Melanie Mora; and a host of family and friends. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy can be posted to www.cullmanfuneralhome.com. for the family.

Thomas Edward Greenhaw, 87
Funeral Service for Thomas Edward Greenhaw, age 87, of Vinemont, was at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 10, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mr. Greenhaw passed away Thursday, Aug. 4, 2022, at The Folsom Center. He was born Sept. 27, 1934, to Charlie Edward and Annie Greenhaw. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Anna Marie Turner; and brother, Wayne Greenhaw. Survivors include his wife: Gertrude Greenhaw; son: James (Sabrina) Greenhaw; daughter: Teresa Clements; grandchildren: Tina Isbell, Cody (Brittnee) Greenhaw, Todd Hester, Kyle Hester; seven great-grandchildren; and a host of family and friends.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

George Jetson has finally had a birthday

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



When I was a kid, we didn't have computer games, cell-phone games, or social media. We did have television...but even that was in black and white. Well, a few shows were beginning to be in color, but not on my television set. Saturday mornings were filled with one cartoon after another, mostly created by Hanna Barbera. There was Huckleberry Hound, Quick Draw McGraw, Yogi Bear, Top Cat, Wally Gator, Magilla Gorilla, Johnny Quest, The Flintstones, and The Jetsons. Two of my favorite shows were completely opposite in their settings. The Flintstones featured Fred and Betty Flintstone and their neighbors Barney and Wilma Rubble. The time setting took us backwards to the Stone Age. Their theme song said, "They're a page right out of history."

The Jetsons, on the other hand, were the complete opposite. George Jetson and his family didn't live in the past, but in the future. Instead of the Stone Age, they lived in the Space Age. The time setting was 100 years from when the show aired, so that would have been 2062. Ironically,

The Jetsons premiered 60-years ago this year, yet patriarch George Jetson was not born until one-week ago. Somewhere along the way, someone figured out that his birthday would have been July 31, 2022.

Back in 1962, when the show premiered, that seems like light-years away. Yet, here we are living in the future of 2022. It's kind of like those who read George Orwell's 1984 way back when and were still alive when the year 1984 rolled around.

The Jetsons had items on that show we had never seen or imagined. Even the show itself was futuristic in that it is said to have been ABC's first colorized program. Strangely enough, many of those things seen in the show have come to pass. Only 6 years after the show aired for the first time, we landed on the moon. While no one has ever actually lived on the moon, there are currently 7 astronauts living on the International Space Station. The Space Station has continuously been occupied since November of 2000, with a total of 244 individuals who have lived there. The International Space Station is closer in its nature to Orbit City, where the Jetsons lived, than the moon. The Jetsons had a robot named Rosie who cleaned their house. We have Roomba that cleans ours. While we watched The Jetsons on those curved screen televisions that were as deep as wide, the Jetsons watched in color on a flat screen tv, much like the ones we all have now. George read his daily news from a screen. I'm not sure how that worked, because the internet had not even been invented yet. Actually, I'm still not completely sure how the internet works, but many of us do get news from it today. George had a wrist watch that he could make calls on, and see the person he talked to. That must have been a smart watch.

When we saw all those gadgets back in 1962, we never imagined we would have many of them in our own homes and offices by the date of George's birth. Isn't it amazing that the writers of a cartoon seemed to see into the future? What's even more amazing is that the writers of the Bible did see into the future, and some of it was still thousands of years away. Of course, they were divinely inspired. Much of what they saw and wrote about has happened, but the best is still yet to come. By the way, happy birthday George Jetson.

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: 1920, 1934

From the files of 1920

Mr. Conrad Howard spent Saturday night with Professor J.D. Knight.

Mrs. Ella Doss and children spent Sunday with Mrs. James Sargent.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Canant spent Sunday with Mrs. T.J. McCombs.

Reverend Lewis Hall and wife, of Decatur, attended the funeral of little Odelle Hall Tuesday at Longview.

Miss Lena Wilhite was the charming guest of Miss Rosa Bradford Friday night, and they attended the ice cream supper of Mr. Clemie Burks.

Misses Belle and Etta Heatherly were visitors of Miss Jennie Cook on Sunday.

Misses Ida Hudson and Bertha McAfee spent Saturday night and Sunday with Misses Ethel and Elvie Williams at Harmony.

Mr. Carl Hudson visited his cousin, Clinton Sharpton, Saturday night.

Mrs. C.W. Sharpton has been visiting her brother, Mr. Luther Hudson, of Good Hope.

From the files of 1934

Among the students going to college this fall are Eloise and Melvin Hyatt and Frances Foust to Howard, Kathryn Herrell, Virginia Grob, Opal Lee, Betty Stiefelmeyer and Lillie Akers to Judson, June Oldacre, Dorothy Fuller, Grace Martin, Elbert Ponder, John Bright and Alvin Camp to the University of Alabama, Wynelle Taylor to Athens College, Jessie Keller and Carl Stiefelmeyer to Birmingham Southern, Emily Lou Callahan to the Woman's College, Montgomery, Nell Hurston, Evelyn Grey McAdory, Gladys Murphree to Montevallo, Oneita Sterling, Ruth Fuller, Sarah Lillian Richter, Jean Vick, Jane Dodson, Mona Harvey, Adelia Vandiver, Marie Klein, Helen Leigeber, Venetia Hauk, Annie Mae Norton, Elizabeth Martin, Elenor Wachter, Melda Ponder, Lee Carroll, Ruby Lewis, Vernie Edmondson, Marie Clark and Anna M. Karter to Sacred Heart Academy, Hazel Reid and Charlotte Dorrough to Florence, Leroy Bledsoe to Atlanta Dental College and Warner Stanley to George Military Institute.

Miss Myrtle Wise has accepted a position with Parker Bank.

Miss Thelma Rimel is now employed at W.O. Kelley's Store.

Miss Elizabeth Otwell is teaching Dramatics at Ramsey High in Birmingham.

POET'S CORNER

Morticia and Gomez | By: Randy C. Hale

I first met these two,
disrupting, unaware.
Perturbed, at me, until I left
and resume the mating affair.

Not long it was, in the loft
of the old abandoned house,
a baby hatched and grew
and through a window
long broke out,
they carried in their food.

My daughter named them
Morticia and Gomez, and tried
a friendly chat,
but they ignored her in a huff,
so not so use to that.

Their wings move slow
as a hearse,
a fitting travel in the air,
pick up the dead before the rot,
a gift from this strange pair.

No need to fear when they are near,
no interest in your flesh,
It's much too pink, too much alive
and very much too fresh.

They like their home,
the old dead oak,
this old abandoned house
to raise their young,
with hiss and thrum,
dark shadows in the sun.

They won't be friends,
no need of that,
just leave them on their own.
They have a place on earth you see,
and wish be left alone.



KAYLA HAMLIN

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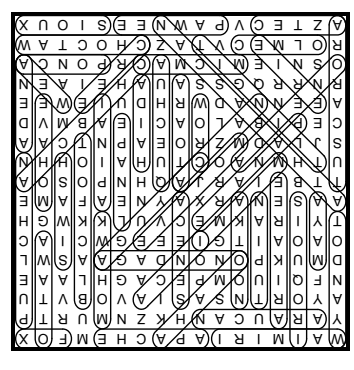
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2nd Friday (from Front)

of the event.

Further south along First Avenue, the Kidz Zones were a popular destination for young ones celebrating the first weekend of the new school year.

CPRST Executive Director Nathan Anderson said, "We want to thank everyone in Cullman and the surrounding areas for making this summer's 2nd Fridays the best ever.

"We especially want to thank the Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Merchants Association who always do an amazing job with 2nd Fridays.

"We look forward to next summer and can't wait to see everyone at Oktoberfest next month."

Cullman's 41st annual Oktoberfest is scheduled to begin in late September, as is Oktoberfest in Germany, and runs into October. It will run from Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Stay tuned for more details.



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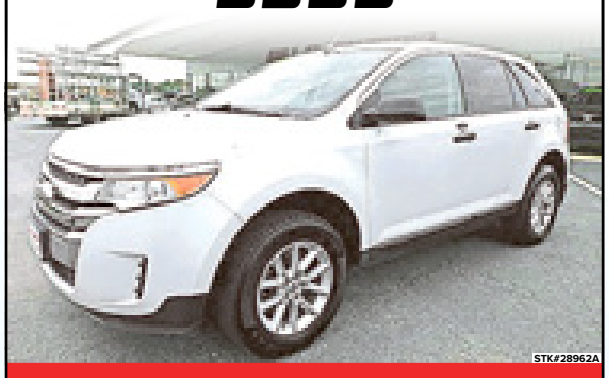
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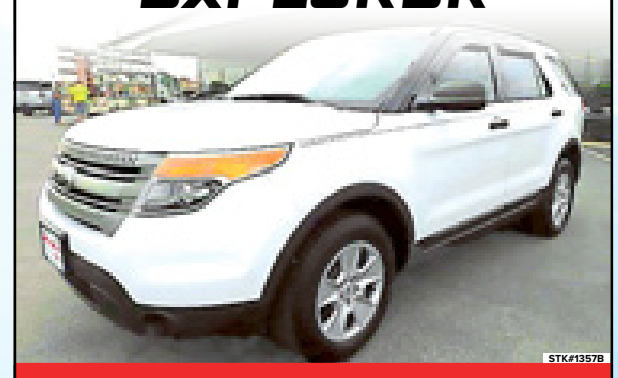
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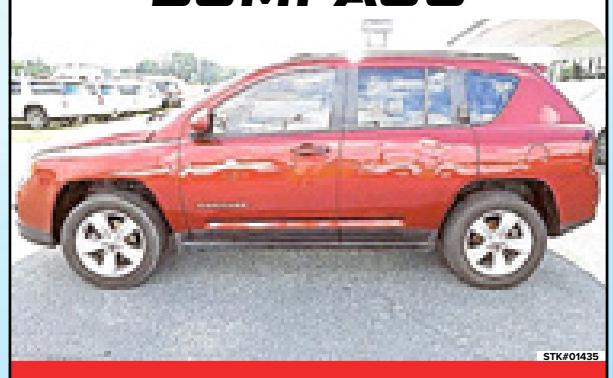
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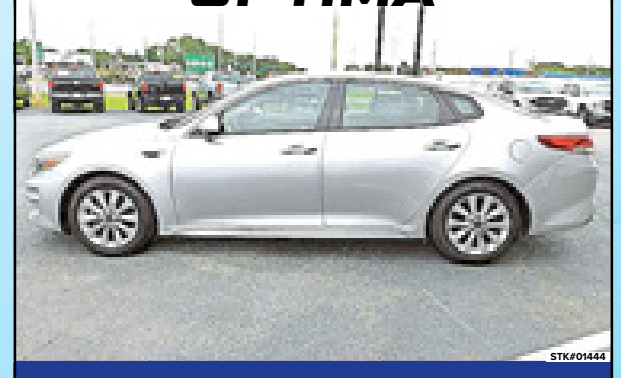
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