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Cullman County Youth Football set to kick off Saturday

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Multi-department Rock the South debriefing held

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CULLMAN, Ala. — A multi-department Rock the South (RTS) debriefing was held Monday morning, with representatives from local and statewide law enforcement, emergency medical services and emergency management agencies ready to hash out what went well and identify areas for improvement going forward with the annual event.

Cullman Fire Rescue Chief Brian Bradberry reported that having added personnel and physicians on-site made a positive impact; however, he said the lack of signage on the event side of the sponsor row tents made deciphering where assistance was needed difficult. He recommended tents on one side being labeled with even numbers and the other side with odd numbers.

Bradberry concluded that having a plan a, plan b and plan c would be advantageous for RTS representatives.

Having dispatch located on the hill overlooking the crowd was a favorable move for law enforcement, as was having two medical tents located by the Misting Forest.

Reports came in that the Misting Forest was helpful for those who could locate it. Unfortunately, signage for it was not received by RTS, therefore the cooling station was underutilized by festivalgoers looking to beat the heat. The water bottle filling station was located inside the Misting Forest but was also reported to be difficult to find.

In total, 688 medical contacts were made during the two-day event, including those who were in the cooling tent to those who needed treatment, ranging from IV fluids to aspirin. Of those medical contacts, 200 needed treatment or monitoring, and 10 patients were transported to local hospitals.

Shane Quick of Rock the South said, "Overall, our medical numbers dropped significantly based on the percentage of attendees. Rock the South » PAGE 6

'We're here for the entire community'

VFW hosts events year round



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Local scholars enjoy some fun in the sun at VFW Post 2214 before their first full week of school.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — On Saturday, members of Cullman's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2214 hosted a back-to-school bash for not only post members' children, but also all students in Cullman and the surrounding areas. Children played on water-filled inflatables and ran freely while eating cotton candy. The post served hot dogs to 120 attendees.

Post Commander Brian Monk shared, "We're happy with the results. We had about 35-40 kids here.

"They got to come out, have fun, play in the water, jump in the bounce house and play some cornhole.

"They get to run around before their first full week of school next week. The kids get to hang out and have fun with each other while the parents have the chance to look at all that we do at the veterans auxiliary.

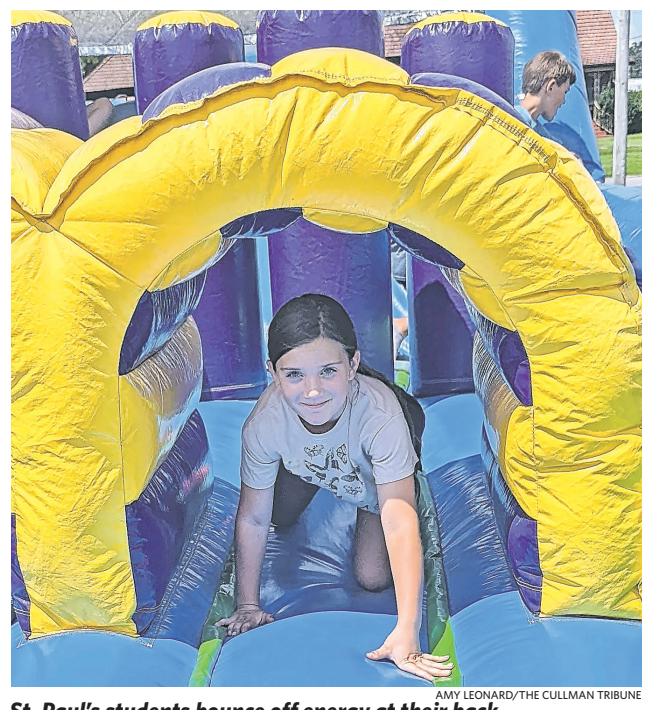
"We're here not just for us veterans but for the whole community, too. That's the big thing. We're here for the entire community."

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St. Paul's celebrates students, new year



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– PET OF THE WEEK –

Trouble – he's no trouble at all!



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 15

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 15, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Aug. 11
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437
- burglary; Co Rd. 535
- harassment; Co. Rd. 703
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 436
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 940
- burglary; Co. Rd. 622
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 531
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 431
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 701

Aug. 12
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 308
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1505
- criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 535
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 508
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1223
- burglary; Co. Rd. 1352
- harassment; Co. Rd. 535
- burglary; Co. Rd. 653
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1107
- domestic violence; I65 NB MM 299
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; I65 SB MM 310
- harassment; Co. Rd. 502

Aug. 13
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 747
- assault; Co. Rd. 1107
- trespassing; Co. Rd. 437
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of dangerous drugs; Co. Rd. 386
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1107
- domestic violence; Morgan Ave.

Aug. 14
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 157
- harassment; Co. Rd. 587
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 248
- burglary, unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 566
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 426

ARRESTS

Aug. 11

Cole, Eric D; 57
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument (2 counts)

Dingler, Michelle A; 58
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument

Edwards, Rolandas D; 36
- FTA-operating vehicle without insurance

Garrison, Treasa L; 43
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Gibson, Maegan F; 34
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Larue, Jessica L; 40
- possession of heroin
- giving false identification to law enforcement

Moore, Kelsy B; 25
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of marijuana

Nickens, Shannon D; 35
- FTA-theft
- FTA-theft
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument (2 counts)
- FTA-illegal possession/use of credit/debit card
- FTA-violation of domestic violence protection order

Parker, Jordan B; 27
- FTA-DUI (controlled substance)

Sutton, Demetrius J; 32
- possessing forged instrument

Swafford, Christopher J; 45
- FTA-assault-domestic-simple assault-family
- FTA-possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)
- promoting prison contraband
- attempting to elude police officer
- FTA-driving while suspending, revoked or cancelled (2 counts)

Swafford, Cutessa G; 39
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument

Aug. 12

Batemon, Jimmie R; 54
- possession of dangerous drugs

Bigbee, Travis C; 29
- FTA-theft

Crosby, Derrick D; 32
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Green, Brittney L; 28
- FTA-counterfeiting
- FTA-passing forged instrument

Pennington, Christopher C; 61
- FTA-drug trafficking
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

White, Christian H; 20
- FTA-illegal possession/use of credit/debit card

Aug. 13

Bumpus, Blake R; 30
- FTA-possession of marijuana

Hill, Christopher S; 46
- public intoxication
- criminal trespassing

Hunter, Sasha D; 18
- DUI (alcohol)

Lucas, Aneta M; 49
- FTA-assault-domestic-harassment-family
- harassment

Lucas, Spencer A; 22
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Marks, Jordan A; 26
- FTA-shoplifting

Norris, Brandon S; 32
- criminal mischief
- criminal trespassing

Smith, Billy D; 60
- FTA-permitting dogs to run at large

Smith, Christopher A; 49
- FTA-assault-aggravated assault-family-knife
- FTA-fail stop sign

Thrasher, Benjamin J; 26
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-possession of concealed weapon without a permit

Aug. 14

Gaddis, Tyler J; 28
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs

Goudeau, Stephanie D; 49
- sell/distribute methamphetamine (2 counts)
- possession of opium or derivative

Miles, Jeffery R; 43
- FTA-assault-domestic-simple assault-family (2 counts)
- FTA-open container
- FTA-driving while license suspending
- FTA-switched tag

Quick, Carliea; 50
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Sivley, Tara L; 51
- DUI (alcohol)

Tucker, Tracey F; 41
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Weaver, Donnie R; 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)
- possession of dangerous drugs

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Aug. 9
- domestic violence-3rd degree; Olive St. S.W.

Aug. 12
- domestic violence-3rd degree; 4th St. S.W.
- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $110
- theft of lost property-3rd degree; Olive St. S.W; purse and contents
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; damage to 2012 Chevy Traverse

Aug. 13
- theft of property-4th degree, criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $72
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Hwy 157
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W.

Aug. 14
- identity theft

ARRESTS

Aug. 12

Anders, Shaun D; 31
- FTA-driving while suspended

Baumgartner, Leonce A; 60
- public intoxication

Gean, Clifford W; 26
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Nixon, Bradley A; 36
- theft of property-4th degree

Oglesby, Brenda N; 31
- unlawful possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- obstructing governmental operations
- providing false information to law enforcement

Aug. 13

Auston, Kera L; 22
- public intoxication

Beasley, Terra C; 27
- DUI

Clowers, Brianne H; 30
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree

Hill, Christopher S; 46
- FTA-domestic violence-3rd degree (harassment)
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree

Marks, Jordan A; 26
- theft of property-4th degree
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree (2 counts)
- providing false information to law enforcement

Smith, Christopher A; 49
- FTA-running stop sign

Aug. 14

Weaver, Donnie R; 32
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

1 killed in Hwy. 31 wreck south of Cullman

Contributed
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CULLMAN, Ala. — A Cullman woman was killed in a single-vehicle crash on U.S. Highway 31 south of the city Saturday evening at approximately 7:25.

A press release from Alabama State Troopers said Dana Quick West, 51, was fatally injured when the 2015 Chevrolet Equinox she was driving left the roadway, struck a median and overturned.

West was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The crash occurred on U.S. Highway 31 near the 322 mile marker, approximately 2 miles south of Cullman.

No further information is available as Troopers with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's Highway Patrol Division continue to investigate.

FAITH

Daystar Church launches 'Choose Life Fund'

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Daystar Church recently announced a new initiative directed at parents who choose to have children in spite of hardships, or who need help when fostering or adopting children. The church issued this statement:

Daystar Church is launching a bold new initiative called The Choose Life Fund. In a time when there is so much acrid debate surrounding politics and abortion, Daystar has focused on helping those (who) have chosen life but need a helping hand.

Lead Pastor Jerry Lawson described the mission, "This fund is for families who want to adopt or be foster parents, moms who want to choose life but don't think they can do it alone or for single moms who did choose life and just need some help.

"Basically, if you're choosing life, we want to stand with you."

Support from the church community was immediate. The Choose Life Fund was announced in July and was flooded with donations of over $35,000 within the first few days of opening.

"If you are choosing life and need someone to come alongside you, know that you do not have to do this alone," said Outreach Pastor Chris Hopper. "We are here to help."

Daystar Church has a robust track record of community service. So far this year, the church has held 46 outreach events in which 1,225 volunteers have served for over 5,000 hours. The focus and manpower (have) reached 10,127 people thus far.

"Daystar Church exists to further its mission of Community transformation through the love and power of Jesus Christ," Pastor Jerry stated. "The Choose Life Fund is already doing just that."

Daystar, which has campuses in Cullman, Hartselle and Madison, would love to see other churches and organizations get involved or launch Choose Life Funds of their own.

If you would like to help families (who) have chosen life or if you need a helping hand, contact Daystar Church at outreach@daystarchurch.tv.

St. Paul's (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — St. Paul's Lutheran School on Saturday hosted a back-to-school bash for students. Young scholars enjoyed snacks, lunch and bouncing about on inflatables.

Pastor Richard Gaub, a new addition to the St. Paul's family, shared, "This was our back-to-school bash. It's our way of welcoming everyone back to school. We started school this past Wednesday, and we're looking forward to a full week next week."

While students filled up on hamburgers and hot dogs and played with friends, new and old, Gaub continued, "I'm new. I'm brand new to the school. I'm brand new to the area. I moved here from Houston.

"We were at a school in Houston for eight years. I was recently called to be the headmaster here to bring the idea and concept of classic Lutheran education to St. Paul's, and ultimately, to Cullman. I arrived at the end of June."

The tenets of classical Lutheran education are grammar, logic, rhetoric, arithmetic, music theory, geometry and astronomy, while including Martin Luther's "Luther's Small Catechism" guidance on the six parts of Christian faith. Those include the Ten Commandments, the Apostle's Creed, the Lord's Prayer, baptism, confession and communion.

Gaub surveyed the school grounds and surmised, "It's a whole lot different here – and in a good way – than Houston. I very much enjoy the slower pace of life and the community, definitely. You meet people and feel like you've known them forever."

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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, Aug. 17 - 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. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Friday, Aug. 19 - 6:30 p.m. Friday Night Lights - Bring a dish for our potluck supper. Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits and hangups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Nursery provided.
• Saturday, Aug. 20 - 9-11 a.m. Drive Through Food Bank - Bring ID
• Sunday, Aug. 21 - 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 Evangelist Dr. Arvin D'Silva.
• Monday-Wednesday, Aug. 22-24 - 7 p.m. "Release & Freedom" Revival by Dr. Arvin D'Silva

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 cullmancounty-casa@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.

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!

Heartland Quilt Guild
The Heartland Quilt Guild will meet Thursday, Sept. 8, at Christ Covenant Church, 1310 Saint Joseph St., at 6:30 p.m. All are welcome.

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.

Superhero Fire
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 4-6 p.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center, 902 Commercial St. Free admission. Free food. Wal-Mart heart and Hanceville Fire & Rescue trucks will be on-site. Daryl Nethery with Kozmic Sound. Opening prayer by Carl Cooper from The Hedge Ministry in Arkansas. Guest speaker will be Lacy Tolar from Rescue 1 Global in Tennessee. Domestic violence, human trafficking, recovery center and suicide prevention and awareness vendor advocates.

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!

Cullman County Fair Parade
Saturday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. along U.S. Highway 31 from Cullman First Baptist Church to McGriff Tire. www.cullmanfair.org/fair-parade

Cullman County Fair
Oct. 6-15 at the Cullman County Fairgrounds. www.cullmanfair.org

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.

LEGALS

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF)
)
) Case No.: JU-2022-000180.03
)
BINGHAM GABRIELLA RENEA)
)

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION

The Petitioners, J.C. and I.C., having made a Motion for Service by Publication supported by an Affidavit, stating that the whereabouts of the alleged father, C.B., are unknown; and that the whereabouts of any unknown father are unknown; it appearing that the Petitioners have filed a Petition to Terminate Parental Rights; it is

ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the alleged father, C.B. as well as any unknown father, answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights by the 6th day of September, 2022, or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against him.

It is further ORDERED that this Order and notice be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Cullman Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation in Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this 27th day of July, 2022.

/s/ WELLS R. TURNER III
JUVENILE JUDGE

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE MATTER OF:) CASE NO. JU-2022-180.03
G.R.B.,)
a minor, DOB: 3/11/2022)

Notice

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

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Dated this 28th day of July, 2022.

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Cullman County Youth Football set to kick off Saturday

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The 2022 Cullman County Youth Football season is upon us once again and nine local teams will tee it up and kick things off Saturday morning. They'll compete for two months before the regular seasons concludes and the top four teams in each division advance to the postseason. Check below for this season's schedule.

Week One (August 20):
- Holly Pond at Cold Springs (9 a.m.)
- Hanceville at Cullman Bearcats (4 p.m.)
- Good Hope at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)
- Vinemont at West Point (4 p.m.)

Week Two (August 27):
- Cullman Bearcats at Holly Pond (9 a.m.)
- Fairview at Vinemont (4 p.m.)
- West Point at Good Hope (4 p.m.)
- Cullman Cyclones at Hanceville (9 a.m.)

Week Three (September 3):
- Cold Springs at Cullman Bearcats (9 a.m.)
- Holly Pond at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)
- Hanceville at West Point (4 p.m.)
- Good Hope at Fairview (4 p.m.)

Week Four (September 10):
- West Point at Holly Pond (4 p.m.)
- Cullman Cyclones at Cold Springs (4 p.m.)
- Vinemont at Good Hope (9 a.m.)
- Fairview at Hanceville (9 a.m.)

Week Five (September 17):
- Cullman Bearcats at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)
- Cold Springs at West Point (9 a.m.)
- Holly Pond at Fairview (4 p.m.)
- Hanceville at Vinemont (4 p.m.)

Week Six (September 24):
- Vinemont at Holly Pond (4 p.m.)
- Fairview at Cold Springs (9 a.m.)
- West Point at Cullman Bearcats (9 a.m.)
- Good Hope at Hanceville (4 p.m.)

Week Seven (October 1):
- Cullman Cyclones at West Point (9 a.m.)
- Cullman Bearcats at Fairview (4 p.m.)
- Cold Springs at Vinemont (9 a.m.)
- Holly Pond at Good Hope (4 p.m.)

Week Eight (October 8):
- Hanceville at Holly Pond (4 p.m.)
- Good Hope at Cold Springs (9 a.m.)
- Vinemont at Cullman Bearcats (4 p.m.)
- Fairview at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)

Week Nine (October 15):
- West Point at Fairview (4 p.m.)
- Cullman Cyclones at Vinemont (9 a.m.)
- Cullman Bearcats at Good Hope (4 p.m.)
- Cold Springs at Hanceville (9 a.m.)



KATIE DRUMMOND/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

This year's Cullman County Youth Football season will kick off Saturday morning.

'Practice doesn't make perfect, it makes improvement': Good Hope's Addyson Burgess preparing for upcoming season

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — The Good Hope Lady Raiders finished as runners-up in the area tournament and clinch a spot at the North Regional in 2022 and sophomore Addyson Burgess is excited to build on the momentum from last year and help her team make another run in 2023.

"To be such a young team and have so much room for improving, I feel like we all left our heart on the field every game and were dedicated to the game. The thing I learned the most from the 2022 campaign was that we need to trust each other in order to play as a team and do greater things as we improve. Although we were young, that is no excuse to our work effort and how we apply ourselves on and off the field. Altogether, we need to trust each other, work together, and take responsibility. I believe this team will do big things as we grow."

Addyson has played for some great coaches during her years with the varsity and has soaked up so much from them so far.

"Tim Tucker is a stern coach with undeniable dedication who believes that if you work hard, you'll get where you want to be, but you get out what you put in. He has taught me that when things get tough, you ride it out with your game face on. Another thing that coach Tucker has taught me is punctuality. People are watching how you act now to see how you act later."

She added,

"Coach (Phillip) Keef has taught me to laugh a little along the way and give it my all to go far. He is always there for me and the girls. He is always the first one there and the last one to leave by helping and always make sure the facility looks the best it can.

"I love the relationship he has built with the girls and especially his daughter through a sport. Coach Skylar Tucker is a mini-me to coach Tucker and is following in his footsteps to be a great coach. She has a bit of a softer side and has ways to relate to the girls on a different level but can always get the point across. These coaches are a great trio."

Burgess sees this team doing great things in 2023 and feels blessed to play alongside a great group of young players.

"I believe that if we work hard enough, we can win county and go far in regionals, but we will have to give it our all and work as a team," Burgess said. "Playing with these girls has been so much fun because I have grown up playing with most of these girls and we have all grown together. I want to be a better role model for the younger girls, so they have someone to look up to as a leader and be the person they want to be like. What I really look forward to is seeing us in two to three years."

Addyson has improved her game the past two seasons, but she's still working on getting better every day.

"I feel like I'm a totally different athlete from my first year of playing varsity. My batting average has definitely improved tremendously and I'm super proud of the three home runs I hit this year. When I pitch, I can go through the game hitting my spots to help my defense get the easy outs," Burgess said. "The things I need to work on is getting more consistent with my change-ups, getting more speed with my pitches, and keeping a positive attitude. There is always room for improvement in everything. Practice doesn't make perfect, it makes improvement."

Addyson has spent a lot of time trying to learn from the team's lone senior, Bailey Keef and she's excited to get back on the field with her in the spring.

"I've learned a lot physically from Bailey. She definitely leads by example. I feel like she is a great leader to the team because she avoids conflict and pushes everyone to be better by giving it her all. During the Cold Springs game, she got hurt and still finished out the game for her team. She is one of the most selfless people and so sweet. She's an amazing athlete with a lot of hustle. She always brings a good attitude and hard work ethic to the team," Burgess said.

Burgess is excited about the upcoming season and talked about what she thinks will make this year's team special.

"I've learned the real definition of there is no 'I' in team and it takes a family to work together and be better. I feel like I've also learned that people are always going to talk about you; you just have to smile and focus on improving yourself. I've also learned that there are coaches that put their all into something, even when they don't have a kid on the team. They are the reason I give it my all because I know they give it their all as well. What makes us so special to watch is watching everyone grow and learning how to work together and do the bigger things in the game. We really love the game, and we display it when we play."



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Good Hope's Addyson Burgess

'Share Jesus with my teammates': Cold Springs' Tucker Philbeck ready for senior season

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BREMEN, Ala. — The Cold Springs Eagles have been hard at work preparing for the upcoming football season and senior quarterback Tucker Philbeck has already seen some positive momentum being to build within the team during the preseason.

"I thought it went great. It was a great opportunity for some of our underclassmen to gain varsity experience. We have a lot of ninth and 10th graders starting and that was the first time that most of them got to see live varsity action.

"I thought they handled it great, and I can't wait to see what the future has in store for them. We will clean up some mistakes that we made in the game, but it was a great night though and it pumped everyone up.

"The younger guys learned a lot. It was a physical game and they played great. Varsity and JV is a lot different. It's a lot faster on varsity and the guys did a great job adapting to it.

"The biggest thing I think they learned was the mental part of it. You have to be very mentally tough to play varsity football. I told them that night to just go have fun, and they did."

Cold Springs will have a new head coach this season in Brendan Voce and Tucker has already learned a lot from him in his short tenure with the Eagles.

"He's awesome. His coaching style is a great combination of strategy and pure strength. During the spring, he preached three yards a play. If we could get just three yards a play, we couldn't be beat.

"That simplified things for us, but it worked," Philbeck said. "He coached his heart out during the spring game and he's done a great job for us this summer, getting us stronger, faster, and ready for the season.

"He's such a hard worker and there's no doubt in my mind that he isn't asking us to do anything that he wouldn't do himself. I wholeheartedly believe that he's a state-championship caliber coach."

Tucker talked about the experience that will be coming back this season and he took away as much as he could the upperclassmen before him.

"We only have five seniors, but we have a pretty good amount of experience coming back, primarily in the backfield. We have five stellar running backs, four of which are upperclassmen, who I think could all go somewhere else and start. They're going to be tough on defenses," Philbeck said.

"I've learned so much from the upperclassmen before me. The guys before me did such a good job setting an example for me. Watching Brodi Williams my 10th grade year and Seth Williams last year was so beneficial to me.

"Those guys taught me how to lead and be a voice in the locker room, while also being humble and treating other people right. I couldn't be more grateful for all the upperclassmen that have come before me."

Tucker soaked up so much last year under Head Coach Justin Cornelius, who is now going to be the defensive coordinator at West Point, and he knows that experience will help prepare this team for a bounce back season.

"I learned a lot from him. Coach Cornelius played a huge spot in shaping me into the player and person I am today. He taught me a lot last year about perseverance and how to bounce back from adversity.

"He fully wanted what's best for me and I'm forever grateful for that and the lessons I learned from him. I wish him nothing but the best in the future," Philbeck said.

"We just want to win football games. I think we have all the talent and coaching we need to be a playoff team. Despite a lot of people doubting us, we believe in us and there's a lot of energy and confidence in that locker room right now.

"I know coach Voce has a good shot to take this program somewhere it's never been before and we as seniors just want to lay the foundation for what is to come in the future.

Tucker and his teammates are playing to win this fall, but he also has his mind on some even bigger goals for the Eagles.

"My biggest goal personally this year is to just set the example for the younger kids and share Jesus with my teammates.

"I want to use football as a platform to share my faith. If we don't win a game this season, but somebody comes to know Christ, that's a bigger victory than any scoreboard could show."



LIFETOUCH PHOTOGRAPHY

Cold Springs' Tucker Philbeck

Lunch (from Front)

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CRANE HILL, Ala. — Larry and Sandy Harris, owners of the scenic Smith Lake RV and Cabin Resort in Crane Hill, recently hosted a community appreciation event for area firefighters, first responders, EMTs and military personnel. Lunch was provided by residents of the community and Johnny's Bar-B-Q.

This was the second year the resort has hosted the event, and the Harrises say it will be an annual celebration for the residents to show their appreciation for the emergency personnel who travel to the resort to help the private lakeside community in times of crisis.

"We did it the first time two years ago and it was a huge success. We love, honor and respect all of our first responders and military. We were raised to respect, and we still do," said Sandy Harris. "They do help us. We've had a few calls in here lately. We see different services come in here and help us, so we just want to say thanks."

Resort resident Karen Marlar said, "We appreciate them when they come out. We're a community of mostly senior citizens, and they had to airlift a lady out of here about a month ago. We do appreciate our first responders."

Larry Harris, developer with Edgewater Land, LLC, said he bought the land to build the resort in 2005. He has 170 lots and has sold around 150.

"I thought we might have a few small little buildings, but then about four or five years ago it took off," he said.

The Harrises now rent to people from all over the country, including New York, Las Vegas, Washington and Texas.

Larry Harris is former military, as are many of the resort's residents. He said he places a high value on service to one's community.

"Everybody here loves their country," he said, "and we appreciate what people have done in service."

Learn more about the resort at www.smithlakervresort.com.

Benefit (from Front)

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CULLMAN COUNTY CORNHOLE CLUB/FACEBOOK

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Cornhole Club will host a benefit cornhole tournament Saturday, Aug. 27, in the Cullman Middle School gymnasium to raise funds for Victim Services of Cullman. Registration will be from 10:30-11:30 a.m. and bags will fly at noon.

The Social Division is $30 for entry and players will use provided house bags. The Competitive Division is $40 for entry and players can bring their own bags. These are followed by the Blind Draw, held after the tournaments, and is $10 a player, double elimination.

Cash payouts will go to winning teams. Donations can also be made straight to Victim Services.

Club Co-Founder Robert Haddix said the benefit came together when Gwen Parker reached out and asked if the group could host a fundraising tournament for the organization. Victim Services of Cullman provides crisis prevention and recovery programs for families impacted by domestic violence and survivors of sexual assault.

"This was a perfect fit because we love to do benefits. Benefits just bring the community together and do so much good. Victim Services was a no-brainer for us. They do so much for our community and their service is so important. When something like this comes to us, we find a date on the calendar and just make it happen," said Haddix.

Haddix shared the history of the cornhole club, saying, "We got our start in 2019 after we attended a tournament in the Birmingham area as players for the first time and we were addicted to the game. The only problem was back in 2019 there wasn't any place to throw north of Birmingham.

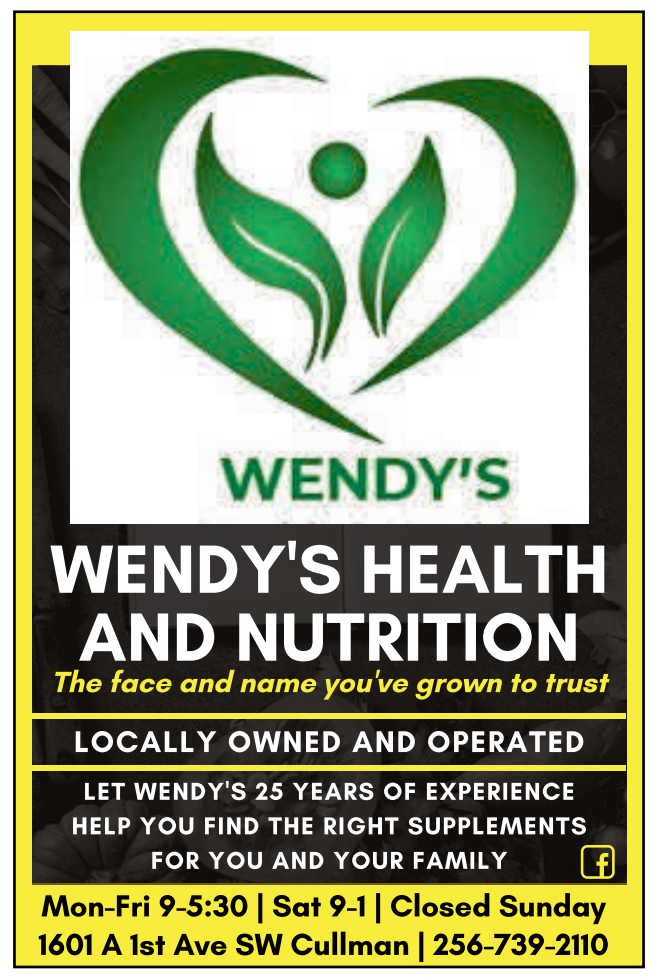
"The gentleman who ran the event we attended told us if we were to start something in north Alabama it would do really well as far as people participating. So, we rented some equipment from him and held our first event in mid-2019. It was a success and so we decided to purchase some equipment from him and do a few more Saturday benefit tournaments. It grew from there to where we started hosting a weekly tournament as well as our Saturday benefit events. Now in north Alabama there are numerous clubs that host weekly events too. The sport has exploded."

Saturdays are typically reserved for the club's fundraiser events, and league play blind draw-type games are played Tuesdays. The club hosts Tuesday night events at The Refuge Church on U.S. Highway 278 East which gives the players a chance to compete weekly and helps raise money for the church ministry.

"We started the club to give a place for people to play, but it really is the cornhole community of players in Alabama and surrounding areas that make it all happen. They travel far distances to compete. It is a great community of people. We found out they love to participate in fundraisers as much or more than any other events because they know the money is going to great things and will make a difference. The cool part is anyone can play this game. You don't have to have some special skill set. We supply the equipment unless you have bags of your own you want to throw," said Haddix.

He continued, "Our area has many pro players. We are actually an American Cornhole League, ACL for short, regional club. We host 10 Saturday events – Regionals- and numerous Tuesday events -Locals- every season. The ACL is the league you see on ESPN. Now our events are just regional events. The ones on ESPN are the national events. Our players that attend our ACL events gain points to work their way into gaining a chance at pro status and invitations to the national events. So, in short, we love our community and love to do as much good as we can while enjoying playing the sport we love. We appreciate all the support we get from all the players around here, and we hope to continue to do this for a long time and keep raising money for great causes."

To become a member of Cullman County Cornhole Club, visit the group on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/380015529612330/.









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‘Lessons from an Invisible Child’

St. Bernard welcomes keynote speaker Jenny Nolen

Joyce Nix
St. Bernard

CULLMAN, Ala. — In preparation for the 2022-23 academic year at St. Bernard Prep, all teachers and staff members recently spent three days in meetings, professional development and their classrooms, anticipating the arrival of more than 130 students.

Cullman’s nationally known speaker, Jenny Nolen, traveled from her home in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, to deliver a fun-loving, funny message recanting her life story, titled “Lessons from an Invisible Child.”

Nolen finds plenty of humor in everyday living and told those in attendance that sometimes all we have to do is sit back, observe and listen. However, when it comes to children, adult roles must change to become caring, loving and selfless.

Her young life experiences were less than perfect; Nolen experienced trauma and hard knocks that most couldn’t imagine. From living in a children’s home and returning to a home with a mom who suffered physically and mentally, Nolen used humor as a way to overcome her many obstacles. She shared several examples of people in her life who had a great impact on her.

The are many ways to influence young minds by just being observant. Teachers have a special gift and can detect when something is going on with a child just simply by listening.

“You impact the life of each child by what you say, what you do, what you wear and how you respond. Time is precious, and it carries a sense of urgency in everything we do,” Nolen said. “We can’t waste one minute doing anything other than helping them.”

The presentation touched on the role of social media in the lives of children. Often children/students share everything digitally, which has the potential for many challenges. When mishaps happen in this digital world, it may have a negative impact on our children and their sense of worth. Social media interactions create digital footprints and must be monitored by loving and caring adults.

“Be role models for students by being leaders through faith and scholarship,” she said.

Following the presentation everyone gathered in the Abbey Church for Mass. Lunch was served in the dining hall, followed by group sessions dealing with bullying, harassment and re-recruiting students.

Thursday’s sessions included topics of student discipline, role of leadership teams, volunteerism, student/teacher relations and mandatory reporting. Other housekeeping reviews included the faculty/staff handbook and emergency “red bag” procedures.

CEO Jim Miller and President Fr. Joel Martin, OSB, presided over the meetings.

Saint Bernard greeted students Sunday, Aug. 14, and began classes Monday morning.



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St. Bernard Prep School CEO Jim Miller and St. Bernard President/Headmaster Fr. Joel Martin, OSB, thank Jenny Nolen for her in-service presentation.

AGRICULTURE

The poultry technology revolution

Cole Sikes
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AUBURN UNIVERSITY, Ala. — The modern poultry farmer has many new pieces of technology to raise birds humanely, efficiently and sustainably. These tools are the result of many years of research and technological advancement. Created through science, collaboration and experience, the future of poultry production is now.

In today’s poultry industry, less resources are required to feed the growing population thanks to the adoption of improved technologies. Over the last five decades, poultry farmers have seen technology immensely improve their capabilities. Data can now be displayed – on the fly – in technologies such as your smart phone. A half-century of revolution has allowed producers to go from raising a few hundred birds to more than 100,000 at one time.

Poultry technology research

Sustainability is at the core of all research in the poultry industry. Tremendous amounts of time are spent educating famers and industry professionals on how to operate their farm using new technologies.

These new technologies are becoming a staple of poultry farm design. At Auburn University’s National Poultry Technology Center (NPTC), data is collected every day to develop best management practices. This data will help poultry producers become more efficient by utilizing tech catered to their farm’s individual needs.

“Our mission is to improve the sustainability of poultry farmers in Alabama and beyond,” said Jeremiah Davis, an Alabama Cooperative Extension System associate professor. “We strive to research new technologies that will help farmers stay up to date.”

Davis, who is also NPTC director, says we rely on the success of new technologies because they are critical to animal and, in turn, human life. This relationship between sustainability and feeding the world means new systems must be bullet proof.

Research entities such as the NPTC conduct numerous field trials every year using state of the art tech. Very few technologies make the cut, but when they do, word travels fast among the industry.

“One flock of great data is not enough to prove a new technology works,” Davis said. “New technologies have to work for the company, birds, farmer and the environment.”

The latest and greatest

Once tech makes its way out of stress testing, they are gradually introduced into poultry operations. Again, every piece of newly designed technology must make sense for each poultry farmer for them to adopt it. A sampling of today’s technologies is listed below.

• Electronic controllers – These modern control systems have transformed the poultry industry. At least 80 percent of United States commercial poultry houses use this equipment. They can control poultry house environment, adjust lighting systems and collect other equipment data, ultimately helping farmers make efficiency decisions.

• Infrared cameras – Infrared technology allows poultry farmers to survey their houses for air leaks, saving time and power.

• Static pressure gauges – Static pressure in poultry houses affects air ventilation. These gauges come in handy, especially during cold months, so birds will have sufficient external air entering the house.



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Keeping up with the times

People may assume that simply because a technology is new, it is the best solution. Jesse Campbell, an Alabama Extension assistant professor, said poultry producers are continuously improving when it comes to tech. The NPTC does their best to help farmers make good business decisions based on scientific data.

“Technology changes every day,” Campbell said. “A poultry house that is built today will not have the exact same equipment if it is built a year later.”

Farmers must weigh cost and benefit of adopting new technologies to make their livelihoods easier. Therefore, scientific research at Alabama’s land grant institutions are imperative for sustainability.

Looking to the future

Campbell said that the future goal of poultry production is to be a leader in inexpensive consumer proteins. Feeding a world population that has more than doubled in half a century is the driving force behind scientific research.

Research stations across the country such as the NPTC provide crucial assistance for famers. This working relationship ensures they will always have the most efficient forms of equipment to do their jobs every day and for generations to come.

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Trouble (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: Trouble.

Trouble is a 2.5-3-year-old Jack Russell terrier mix who was previously named. Despite his name, he is only known to be a precious companion dog.

Trouble is a people dog who delights in attention and gaining his person’s approval.

Known to be upbeat and hard workers, Jack Russells are known for their alertness, intelligence and confidence. Trouble is the perfect boy for a retiree, veteran or someone in need of dedicated companionship.

As Trouble is already an expert on his leash, he is ready for walks around your neighborhood and to the dog park.

Trouble’s adoption fee includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet and microchip.

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

Debriefing (from Front)

grew over 10,000 people per day this year. Our team worked very hard, adding free water stations, shaded picnic areas, Misting Forest and air-conditioned VIP tents. We believe these things, along with the hard work of our local responders, made Rock the South one of the safest festivals in America. We’re excited to continue this progress working to get these numbers to zero.”

One medical contact was due to a 13-year-old child being hit in the head by a thrown beer bottle. Medical personnel transported the child out of the crowd and provided medical treatment.

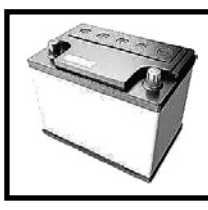
Law enforcement voiced concerns over glass beer bottles being sold this year instead of only cans. Reports of festivalgoers urinating in empty bottles and throwing them into the crowds were received by law enforcement who could see the bottles flying from the slightly elevated Front Porch area of the event. Despite witnessing the unsanitary disruptions, law enforcement officers were unable to identify the culprits nor were they able to make their way through the crowds.

Also lost in the mail was RTS’ signage for the medical tents, which remained largely unidentifiable throughout the weekend, causing difficulties for country music fans.

The Cullman County Sheriff’s Office (CCSO) brought up what it said was a lack of communication regarding traffic on Friday night, stating that the staff overseeing parking in Lots A, B and C was not decided by RTS until Thursday night, and it was never communicated to CCSO. The CCSO also recommended that more than one officer would be helpful overnight for the RV park, where there were almost 400 passes sold with most RVs holding several concertgoers.

Parking issues were discussed, including the need for color-coded parking lots to make attendees’ treks to their vehicles at the end of the evening easier. Approximately 28 private parking lots were open in various yards around the event with some being as far away as Fromhold Road, which brought up the concerns of golf carts being used to transport concertgoers across U.S. Highway 278 where the speed limit is in excess of 45 mph.

Said Quick, “We consider Rock the South 2022 our most successful year on many fronts. One area of major improvement was the communication with city, county and state first responders. We are already making improvements for next year, including new signage specific for emergency calls, shade for patrons, etc. We have the best first responders in the land and we appreciate them greatly.”



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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 13-15

Dwaine "Parks" Duke Jr., 36
Dwaine "Parks" Duke Jr., age 63, moved to Heaven on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022. He was born March 5, 1959, in Birmingham, Alabama. Visitation will be Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. at Vinemont Baptist Church. Celebration of Life service follows at noon at Vinemont Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Vinemont Baptist Church Cemetery. Parks graduated from Banks High School in 1977. He was a guitarist, songwriter, artist, carpenter, son, brother, dad, and friend. He enjoyed traveling, skiing, and kayaking with friends, and loving people through music. His greatest love the last few years has been memorizing the Bible via his favorite, Shepherd's Chapel, reading of God's Word. His family wants to thank Pastor Joey and Vinemont Baptist Church for all the prayers and assistance; his close friends, Mark Covin, Billy Strahan, Kewana, and Peggy Brown for the months of love and encouragement to Parks in the most difficult of times. The very best friend and caregiver, Mr. Bill Smith, is an angel sent from God, who was like a father to Parks and by his side each and every day. Thanks to the many other friends and family for all your prayers and calls to Parks. Thank you to UAB care team who treated him and loved him through it all. The greatest thanks is to Jesus, his Savior, who rescued him and taught him through His Word that salvation is a gift that cannot be earned, but must be received by faith. He is survived by his mother: Jeanette Tingle Duke; his sister: Carmen Duke Moss (Chris); his children: Jonathan Duke, Maggie Duke and Sarah Duke. Parks was preceded in death by his father: Dwaine Parks Duke, Sr.; and grandparents: Welcome Parks and Ruth Wilhite Duke, and Lester and Zella Tingle.

Nelda Codean Meigs, 76
Nelda Codean Meigs, 76 of Sardis Community, entered into rest on Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, at her home surrounded by her loving family. Codean was born on March 31, 1946, in Summit, Alabama to Cody and Mattie Gossett. She was a member of Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church for many years and had been a member of the Eastern Star for 30 years. She loved her family and she loved how it grew. Her church and neighbors were family too. Visitation will be held Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, from 6-8 p.m. at Sardis No. 2 Baptist Church where services will be held Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at 11 a.m. Brother Mackey Watts and brother William McClellan will officiate. Codean is survived by her husband of 59 years: Glen Meigs; children: Teresa Meigs (Toy), Mike (Karen) Meigs, Nelda (Jon) Williams, Ken (Lisa) Meigs, and Mattie Lynn (Greg) Hudson; 13 grandchildren: Kayla, Cody, Melissa, Yolanda, Forrest, Presley, Brooke, Amber, Danielle, Levi, Caleb, Joshlyn, and David; 19 great-grandchildren; sister: Shirlene Whisenant; and two nieces. She was preceded in death by her parents: Cody and Mattie Gossett; brother: Jr. Gossett; and great-grandson: Asher Jenson.

Timothy David Martin, 63
Timothy David Martin, 63 of Thach Community, formerly of Double Springs, entered into rest on Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022. Tim was born April 22, 1959, in Pompano Beach, Florida. He loved life and had a passion for gardening, especially vegetable and flowers. He was an avid sports fan, but most particularly for the game of football. No public services are planned at this time. Tim is survived by his parents: James L and Betty J. Martin; sister: Debra Barnett; brother: James R. Martin; niece: Amanda Ward and her husband Curt; nephews: Adam Schrader, Todd Martin, David Martin and Sawyer Martin; several great nieces and great nephews; and aunts: Billie Tucker, and Maxine Chambers and her husband Morris. He was preceded in death by his grandparents: Ida and Luther Tidwell, Belva and Walter Martin; his beloved companion: Cindy Woods; and several aunts and uncles.

Dalis Keith Barton, 83
Dalis Keith Barton, 83 of Lynn, passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, at his residence. Keith was born Aug. 17, 1938, in Lynn, Alabama to Alton Lee Barton and Lola Ethel Pendley Barton. He was a member of Lynn First Baptist Church. Mr. Barton was a devoted husband, father, and Paw Paw. He enjoyed talking to and spending time with his children and grandchildren. He loved the Lord and his family. Visitation will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, from 6-8 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home – Double Springs. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at the funeral home. Interment will follow in Lynn City Cemetery. Brother Kim Byram will officiate. Keith is survived by his wife: Minnie Mae Barton; his children: Byron Barton and wife Tracey, Tammy McCleese and husband Roy, Connie Hayes, and Allen Traylor; grandchildren: Kesha Anderson and husband Garrett, Katie Mobley and husband Cody, Tessa Traylor, Lindsey Williams and husband Jarius; Lane Yancey and wife Brooklyn, Lexie Barton, and Rachel McCleese; great grandchildren: Tony Franks, Anlee Franks, Kenley Dooley, Hudson Mobley, Mason Mobley, Aurora Mobley, Ally Anderson, Caroline Anderson, Jace Williams; and on the way baby girl Yancey and baby girl Williams. He was preceded in death by his parents: Alton Lee Barton and Lola Ethel Barton; brother: Oscar Lee Barton; and sister: Margaret Marie Barton.

Billy Ray Fanning, 85
Billy "Cotton" Ray Fanning, age 85 of Hanceville passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, at his home. He was born Oct. 26, 1936, in Cullman to Herman and Annie Whaley Fanning. He was preceded in death by his wife: Gearldine Young Fanning; son: Ricky "Rick" Fanning; parents: Herman and Annie Fanning; sister: Jean Mayfield. He leaves to cherish his memory by his daughter: Sherry (Dewayne) McClure; grandchildren: Kaylee Hasting, Dean Fanning, MaLeah Hunt, Meagan (Kevin) Yarbrough, Warren Fanning, Nathan Fanning, Jonathan Fanning, LeAnn Miller and Josh (Brianna) McClure; great grandchildren: Paxleigh, Landon, Charlee, Preston, Savanna and one on the way; sisters: Kathryn Watson and Norma Greer; a host of nieces, nephews and many other loving family/friends that will miss him tremendously. Funeral services will be held Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel with Reverend Paul Rivers officiating. Burial will follow in the Fairview West Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from noon until service time on Tuesday. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Fanning Family.

James Henry Adcox, 91
Funeral Service for James Henry Adcox, age 91, of Bremen, will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at Cullman First Baptist Church with Tom Richter officiating. Visitation will be from 9:30-10 a.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Adcox passed away Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022, at his residence. He was born June 13, 1931, in Simpson County, Kentucky, to J.D. and Mayzell Adcox. He served his country in the United States Army during the Korean War. While in service, he received the Korean Service medal, U.N. Service Medal, and the NDSM Good Conduct Medal. He also loved to read, woodworking, and watching western and military movies. James also was an ad compositor for the Gannett Newspaper for 49 years. He was preceded in death by his parents; and son: Timothy Adcox. Survivors include his wife of 69 years: Evona Adcox; son: Stephen (Irma) Adcox; daughter: Susan (Whit) Nelson; brother: Kenneth (Rowena) Adcox; six grandchildren: Nathan (Tracey) Adcox, Brittney Adcox, Joshua (Heather) Nelson, Jordan (Rebecca) Nelson, Thomas Adcox, and Michelle (Gene) DiBetta; and eight great-grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the building fund for Cullman First Baptist Church, 501 Second Ave. SW, Cullman, AL 35055.

Reverend Brady Kilgo, 84
Reverend Brady Kilgo, age 84 of Hanceville, entered the Heavenly Gates on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022. He was born Feb. 21, 1938, in Cullman to Ottis Frank Kilgo and Minnie Leonia Phillips Kilgo. Rev. Kilgo was a minister of the gospel for 42 years serving in churches in Blount and Cullman Counties. He retired from Hays International after 38 years and enjoyed working his farm as a pastime. He was a member of the Trimble Masonic Lodge and had just received his 50-year pin. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather. He is preceded in death by his parents, Ottis and Minnie Kilgo. He leaves to cherish his loving memory by his wife of 66 years: Glenda Freeman Kilgo; children: Michael (Cathy) Kilgo, Jerome (Kathy) Kilgo, Miranda (Tee) Williams and Kimberly Kilgo Frink; grandchildren: Wesley (Rhonda) Kilgo, Amber (Michael) Payne, Crystal (Jassen) Anthony, Cynthia (Richie) Penn, Chris (Erin) Kilgo, Shawn (Rebecca) Kilgo, Tyler (Stephanie) Kilgo, Samantha (Grant) Banks, Todaisha (Hannah) Williams, Joshua Stephen Woodard and Sarah Denise Osborne; great grandchildren: Whitley Evon and Barrett Case Kilgo; Blake, Danielle and Dustin Payne, Noah Andrew Vickers, Grace Anthony, Adilee Kay, Mary Beth and Henry Kyle Penn, Mariah Williams, Emma Grace and Christopher Lane Kilgo, Triston Alexander and Brylee Kaytlin Kilgo, Amanda Jade, Helana Rose and Madeline Rae Kilgo, Kaylee Anne and Alyssa Faith Banks, Sage Lavender Woodard; great-greatgrandchildren: Carter Payne, Easton and Selena Castro, Paisley and Kinsley Payne.; brothers, Loyal (Jenell) Kilgo and Delwin (Francis) Kilgo; sister, Leonia Johnson. Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Aug. 17, 2022, at noon at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel with Brother Earl Harper officiating. Burial will follow in the Johnson's Grove Cemetery in Bremen. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday from 10 a.m. until service time. Serving as pallbearers will be Chris Kilgo, Shawn Kilgo, Tyler Kilgo, Richie Penn, Joshua Woodard and Grant Banks. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Kilgo Family.

James Edward Hornsby, 82
Funeral service for James Edward Hornsby, 82, of Baileyton will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Vinemont First Baptist Church Cemetery, Rev. John Garrison and Bro., Keith Whitley officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday at the funeral home from 12:30-2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Hornsby family. Mr. Hornsby passed away Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022, at UAB Hospital. He was born Dec. 29, 1939, to Cornelius and Clara Light Hornsby. He was employed 40 years at American Protein. He was a member of Lystra Baptist Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife: Fay Hornsby; brothers and sisters: Irene Hornsby, Della Fletcher, Villa Dean King, Nellie Ruth Walker, Noel Hornsby, Gene Hornsby, Katie Brown, Dianne Powell; son: Jamey Hornsby; daughter, Kelly Berry; grandchildren: Jacob and Adam Hornsby. Survivors include his wife: Mellicha Hornsby; daughter: Suzy Hale; stepson: Darin (Teresa) Phillips; stepdaughters: Terri Parrish, Elaine (Keith) Whitley; brother-in-law: Mickey Brown; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Betty Hood, 73
Betty Hood, age 73 of Haleyville, Alabama, entered into rest Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Columbus, Mississippi Betty was born June 18, 1949, in River Rouge, Michigan. Betty had a servant's heart and was a care giver who loved her family. A visitation will be held Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, from 11 a.m. to noon at Nichols Funeral Home - Haleyville, where the service will be held at noon. Burial will follow at Liberty Grove Baptist Church Cemetery. Brother Ronnie Marbutt and Brother C.R. Hood will officiate the service. Betty is survived by her husband: Terril Hood; daughter: Bryanna (Scott) Tidwell; brother: Robert (Judy) Frazier; step-sister: Sharon (Steve) Spiller; granddaughters: Savanna (Seth) Tidwell, Molly (Ryan) Ingram; great grandchildren: Loryn Ingram, Sade Hayes, Skye Hayes, and Calvin Ingram; and nephews: Wayne (Gina) Frazier and Paul Frazier She was preceded in death by her father: John Hyde; mother: Josie Hyde; and step-brother: Johnny Hyde.

Bennie Wayne Cornelius, 72
Bennie Wayne Cornelius, 72 of Double Springs, passed away Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022, at his residence. Bennie was born April 26, 1950, in Haleyville, Alabama. He enjoyed spending time with his granddaughters and loved Alabama Football, hunting, fishing and cutting timber. Visitation was held Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, from noon – 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home – Double Springs, where a funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Burial followed at Cornelius Cemetery. Brother Larry Dyar officiated. Bennie is survived by his wife: Rita Cornelius; son: Derek Wayne Cornelius; granddaughters: Presley Hope Cornelius, Maci Faith Cornelius (daughters of Derek and Carrie Nicole Cornelius); brothers: Harlan (Frances) Cornelius and Harold Bruce Cornelius; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his son: Aaron Scott Cornelius; parents: Aaron Benny Cornelius and Bonnie Bell Cornelius; and brother: Johnnie Ray Cornelius.

Kenneth Terry White, 59
Kenneth Terry White, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Aug. 11, 2022, at the age of 59. Ken was born in Marshall County, Alabama, to Jerry and Alice Burks White on March 19, 1963.Ken was a truck driver and welder for many years, and he was a member of Center Point Baptist Church. He loved to be outdoors and enjoyed being at the Duck River Dam. Ken tinkered with everything! He adored his children and grandchildren and spent many hours riding with his babies on the tractor or lawnmower. He enjoyed gardening, and until his health prevented him from planting one this year, Ken had a large vegetable garden each summer. Mr. White was an uncomplicated man, and he loved his family and many friends with a loyal and true devotion. Ken will be missed greatly. Mr. White is survived by his wife: Tina White; children: Shane White (Liz) and Shauna Folds (Jeff); grandchildren: Alaina Folds, Maci Folds, Abigail Folds, J.T. White; parents: Jerry and Alice White; brother: Phil White; mother-in-law: Doris Leathers; brother-in-law: John Leathers (Ellavee); niece and nephews: Ciarra White, Collin Leathers, James White; and many close friends. Funeral services for Ken were 4 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, at Center Point Baptist Church, Jeff Folds officiating. Burial followed in the adjoining cemetery where Mark Howard, Brody Howard, Randy Folds, Phil White, John Leathers, and Jamie Harris served as pallbearers, with Collin Leathers as honorary pallbearer. Friends were invited to join the family for a time of visitation at the church an hour prior to service time, from 3 p.m., until services began. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the White family.

Dorothy Elaine Maclin, 70
Dorothy Elaine Maclin passed away Friday, Aug. 12, 2022, at Brookwood Medical Center. She was born Friday, March 7, 1952. in Spokane, Washington to Edward (Ruth) Parmenter and Rachel Parmenter in a military family. When her mother passed away, at a young age Elaine went to live with her maternal grandparents in South Ryegate, Vermont. She had many stories of growing up on the farm, and when her father remarried to Ruth Parmenter, she was soon joined by lots of siblings. Elaine was a florist by trade, and she loved painting as a hobby. She loved pets, and always had a cat, a dog, or a bird while her kids were young. One thing, among many, that she passed to her daughters was perseverance and resilience. She was preceded in death by her husband: Johnny Maclin; mother: Rachel Parmenter; and grandparents: the Homeister's, and the Parmenter's. Survivors include her daughters: Rachel (Jeffery) Graves, and Naomi Reynold; father: Edward (Ruth) Parmenter; siblings: Lily Parmenter, Sarah (Joe) Fennell, Patrick (Jen) Parmenter, Sandy (Bob) Theisen, Rosalis (James) Beaulieu, Clayton Parmenter, Carol (Jim) Tucker, Deborah (Bill) Graves, Danielle Parmenter, Tymothy (Kay Ann) Parmenter; grandchildren: Kristopher "Krittur" (Jessica) Morrison, Ducky Hillard, Elizabeth Hillard, Hannah (Jordan) Hillard, Elliot Hillard; and a host of nieces and nephews who were loved, even from so far away. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations to your favorite animal shelter, women's shelter or The American Heart Association.

Iris Isabell Warner, 84
Iris Isabell Warner, age 84, of Union Grove, Alabama passed away on Friday, Aug. 12, 2022. Iris was born May 24, 1938. Iris is survived by her brothers: Charles Wikle, Calvin Wikle; her daughters: Peggy Phillips (Dusty), Debra Klotz; her grandchildren: Bobby Phillips, Melissa Montgomery (Sean) Sarah Richards (Alex) Jeremy Klotz,Laura Klotz, Katie Klotz,; her great grandchildren: Owen Montgomery, Ryan Montgomery, Charlie Richards; her friends: Gayle and Shirley; and her Diversicare of Arab staff caregivers. Iris was preceded in death by her daughter: Eretta Meckes; her parents: Everette Wikle and Edith Slagle Wikle; her sisters: Robie Sue Neary, Joyce Brannon; and her grandchildren: Natasha Meckes, Michael Meckes. A visitation for Iris was held Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, from 3-4 p.m. followed by a celebration of life service at 4 p.m. Iris was laid to rest in New Friendship, 2150 New Friendship Road, Union Grove, AL 35175.

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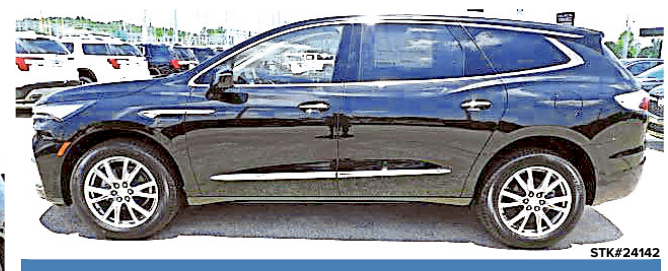
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