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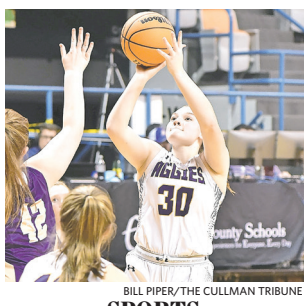
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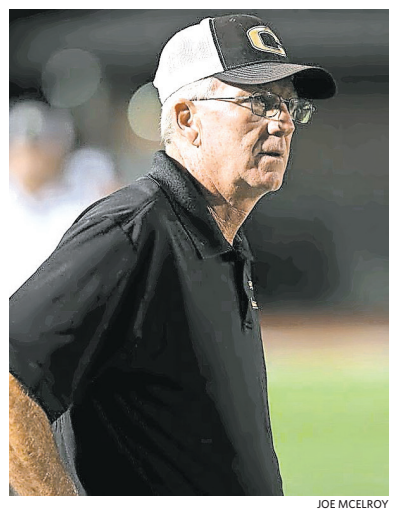
CHS Football field named in honor of Coach Mark Britton

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CULLMAN, Ala. — After helping lead the Bearcats to a school-record 137 wins, two undefeated regular seasons and the most successful seven-year run in program history (2007-13) during his 17-year tenure, former Cullman High School Head Football Coach Mark Britton was recognized and honored for his accomplishments and contributions to the Bearcat football program at Tuesday night's City School Board Meeting. Starting this season, the Bearcats will play their home games in Oliver Woodard Stadium on the newly named Mark Britton Field. The field will be formally named at Cullman's varsity home opener against Jasper Aug. 26. There will be a recognition ceremony prior to kickoff at approximately 6:45 p.m. A reception will be held in the south end zone beginning at 5:45 p.m.

"I couldn't » PAGE 4

The field at Cullman High School's Oliver Woodard Stadium has been named in honor of the Bearcats' all-time winningest coach, Mark Britton. »



JOE MCELROY

'Bees are just fascinating'

Meet backyard beekeeper Bill Grimmett



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Beekeeper Bill Grimmett poses beside one of several hives containing bee colonies

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Amateur beekeeper Bill Grimmett started beekeeping in 2017 as a way to fill his time after retirement. Now, he wants to share his passion for honeybees. His 26 colonies are scattered in hives along the edges of his property along with his wife's chicken coop and garden. The pair stays occupied with plenty of hobbies that enhance their self-sustainability.

Grimmett began his hobby as an apiarist after watching his brother-in-law work with bee colonies. He acquired some of his own, and his brother-in-law gave him a colony.

"Bees are just fascinating," said Grimmett. "They are fascinating creatures, so the more I got into it the more interested I was, and the more I wanted to learn about them."

He is a now a member of the Alabama Beekeepers Association, Cullman County Beekeepers Association and Blount County Beekeepers Association.

Grimmett loves teaching about multifaceted honeybees. He recently assisted with a Little Farmers beekeeping class at the North Alabama Agriplex and said he expects to give more presentations next year. He also recently became a Cullman County Master Gardener. He said his fellow gardeners often visit his property to learn the basics of beekeeping.

One of the main questions he's asked, according to Grimmett, is "Do » PAGE 4

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West Point making improvements to ballpark

Council accepts bid for retaining wall repair, approves LED lights



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 16-17

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 16-17, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Aug. 11

• unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Olive St. S.W; backpack and contents

• theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; bedding; $118

Aug. 15

• theft of property-4th degree; The Foundry; 2nd Ave. S.W; vacuum cleaner; $45

• domestic violence-3rd degree-harassment; 9th St. N.E.

• unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Woodland Village Healthcare Center; Olive St. S.W; vehicle parts; $500

• theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; air compressor and air conditioner; $329

• theft of property-4th degree, criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $37

Aug. 16

• forgery-3rd degree; forged checks

• unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Olive St. S.W; medication

Arrests

Aug. 15

Davis, Joshua D; 33

• theft of property-4th degree

Leak, Amanda J; 36

• possession of drug paraphernalia

• resisting arrest

• obstructing governmental operations

• promoting prison contraband

• FTA-public intoxication

• FTA-theft of property-4th degree (4 counts)

• FTA-criminal mischief-3rd degree

• FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree

Taylor, Anthony W; 37

• FTA-driving while suspended

• FTA-switched tag

• FTA-insurance violation

Aug. 16

Cable, Stacy R; 38

• theft of property-4th degree

Morgan, Isaiah D; 20

• theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Commission (from Front)

Amy Leonard
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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Commission on Tuesday went into executive session with Cullman County Attorney Emily Johnston to discuss "possible or pending litigation." Upon returning from the session, the commission voted to approve the recommendation of outside attorney Hope Hicks. Details of the recommendation will be provided by the commission when the meeting minutes are released. They had not been released by press time Wednesday evening.

The commission recognized Melodie Parsons, LICSW, for Outstanding Service to the Citizens of Cullman County, and the County proclaimed Suicide Prevention Awareness Month recognizing that suicide is the 12th leading cause of death in U.S. and 13th in Alabama.

The following resolutions were approved:

• Adopt the revised Title VI Program for CARTS and authorize Chairman Jeff Clemons to sign all related paperwork

• Authorize the agreement with Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) relating to CARTS with partial funding by the Federal Transit Administration for FY 2023-2025 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Change speed limit to 25 mph on County Road 34

• Apply for state and federal matching funds for airport improvement projects for the Cullman Regional Airport during fiscal year 2023 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Modification of per diem meal allowance for County employees traveling in the State of Alabama

In additional business, the following agenda items were approved:

• Authorize chairman to sign Certificate of Compliance with the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer and Citizen Protection Act for CARTS

• Approval to order seven high-top transit vans for CARTS in the amount of $599,991 with local match funds of $120,001 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Renewal of employee/retiree health insurance with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama. Cullman County maintains a self-insured policy that is administered by Blue Cross. No change in funding levels for FY 2023 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork.

• Consider the renewal of stop-loss insurance with UnityRe, lnc./Gerber Life Insurance Company. No change in rates for FY 2023 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Renewal of life, short-term disability, long-term disability and critical illness insurance with Mutual of Omaha. No change in rates for FY 2023 and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Addition of AirMedCare to benefits package effective 10/1/2022 for all active Cullman County employees eligible for employee benefits. Expected costs to be $55/per person annually or $27,500 for 500 employees and authorize chairman to sign all related paperwork

• Changing current vision provider from Canopy Southland to VSP, to be administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama effective 1/1/2023. This would be an enhanced vision plan with better benefits and ease of use. Increased cost of approximately $12,000 would be offset by reduced administrative effort by having only one provider for the administration of the county health plan, including medical, dental, vision and prescription drugs

• Approval of lease agreement with Enterprise for seven (7) 2022 RAM 1500 Tradesman 4x4 Crew Cab trucks for Animal Control and Road Department $43,696.00 each

• Installation of porch piers for stabilization (Porch A) from Deep South Construction Pros for the Water Department in the amount of $9,600

• Approval of the County Transportation Plan per requirements of the Rebuild Alabama Act – County Road 1807 and County Road 1813

• Recommendation by the Sanitation Department for new sanitation rate schedule and annual increase by CPI effective Oct. 1, 2022 (Look for a full article on the new rate schedule.)

• Surplus of the following items from Stony Lonesome OHV Park to be auctioned on GovDeals: Eight HMMWV tires and two sets of HMMWV tops and doors

• Surplus of the following items from the Probate Office to be scrapped: Canon Image Runner 4035 (Serial# HPR13729) and Canon Image Runner C250 (Serial# QNT00507)

• Surplus of the following CARTS buses to be transferred to other Section 5311 agencies:

• 2013 Star Craft Ford E450 (Vin# 1FDFE4FSXDDA75651)

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• Award Bid no. 1405 for Rail Track Construction Project for Sportsman Lake Park to SDAC Rail Services in the amount of $58,142.72

• Award Bid no. 1407 for pest control to American Pest Control

• Award Bid no. 1408 for service for the sheriff's office and other County departments to BERCO INC OBA Havoline Xpress Lube

The next commission meeting is scheduled for Sept. 20. The work session will begin at 4 p.m. and the regular meeting is at 6. Meetings are held at the courthouse and are open to the public.



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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.
• 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
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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.
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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!

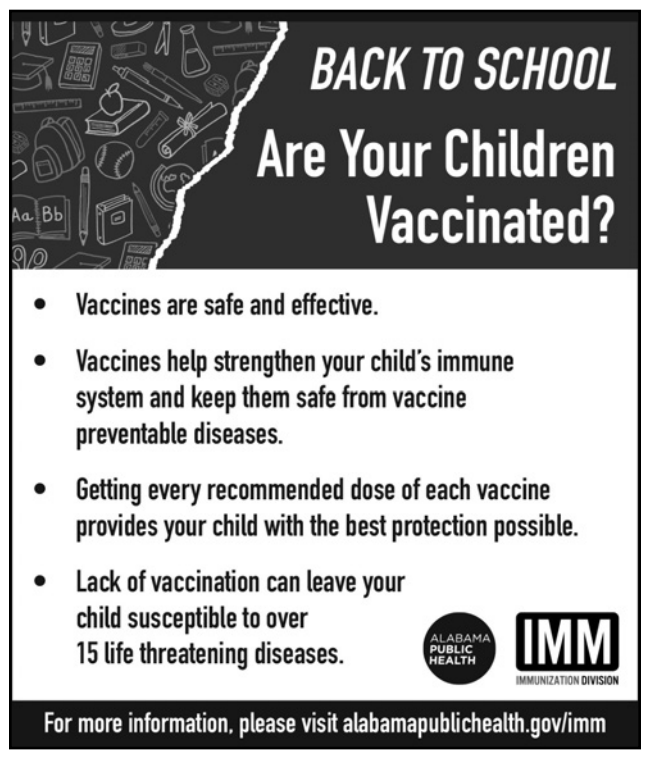
Cullman County Fair Parade
Saturday, Oct. 1 at 2 p.m. along U.S. Highway 31 from Cullman First Baptist Church to McGriff Tire. www.cullmanfair.org/fair-parade

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.

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U.S. Sniper Seth Swalve signs with Hemel Storm

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HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, HERTFORDSHIRE — Hemel Storm are delighted to announce that we have completed the signing of US guard Seth Swalve from Gtuni, a Georgian A-League side.

Swalve arrives in Hemel following a successful season in Georgia, he averaged 12.5 points a game, shooting 53.2% from 2, an incredible 53.7% from 3 whilst dishing out 5.2 assists per game. Swalve was awarded for his efforts by being selected as one of the best players in the league featuring within Eurobasket's second team for the A-League season.

Swalve will be remembered by the Storm faithful for representing USA Select. Seth produced a truly brilliant performance against us last year, scoring 32 points, pulling down 8 rebounds and recording 4 assists.

His scoring ability was truly on display, making 14 of his 18 field goal attempts and scoring 4 out of 5 3-point attempts!

Seth will feed into our up-tempo style of play, has excellent shooting range and has great playmaking abilities.

Storm fans should be excited to be able to see Seth play in front of them, he is a high character role model and will fit perfectly into the Hemel Storm family.



UAH ATHLETICS

Former Cullman and UAH standout Seth Swalve has signed to play for the Hemel Storm this season.

'Enjoy every moment': Fairview's Emma Garcia ready for senior season

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. — Last season was another solid one for the Fairview Lady Aggie basketball team as they finished with an 18-13 record. They clinched the runner-up spot in the area championship game and added another trip to Sub-Regionals to their resume. Emma Garcia is one of two returning seniors on the team and talked a little bit about last season and how blessed she feels to play with this group of girls.

"I think last season went good, but not as good as we anticipated. Last year was a learning tool for this upcoming season," Garcia said. "It was great playing for that group of girls last year. We were very close last year and we're even closer this year with us only losing two seniors and adding Darby Nichols to the varsity team. Before and after every game and practice, we break it down by saying, 'Family', because we are. I think each year we get closer and closer as a unit."

Fairview will have a lot of experience coming back this year and Garcia thinks that will be a big help in 2022-2023.

"Experience will be a big help in this upcoming season. This year, everyone (except Darby) will have played on varsity for a year or more. We were young last season, but this year, our team is made up of juniors and seniors with a lot of experience and one freshman who played on JV last year. I think this year, everyone knows we have to do as a team to be successful."

Garcia has played for head coach Justin Billings for her whole basketball career and has soaked up so much from him so far.

"Coach Billings is one of the best coaches I have ever played for. I've been playing for him ever since his first-year coaching at Fairview when he pulled me up to varsity when I was in the eighth grade. He's only a great basketball coach, but a great life coach as well. He only ever wants the very best for us. He has not only helped me on the court, but also in setting plans for my future.

"He has helped me decide what I want for my future and how to pursue it. Without coach Billings, I wouldn't have the amount of confidence in myself that I do now. He's taught me the in's and out's of basketball. I think one of the biggest reasons we have been successful is because of our basketball IQ. He has made our program very successful in the last four years and will continue to do so.

"The biggest takeaway I have from him is although we all fail, it's how you come back from that failure that makes you great."

Garcia has learned a lot from the upperclassmen before her and that has helped her become the leader that she is for the younger players.

"I have definitely learned a ton from the upperclassmen before me. My first year, Isabella McGukin was the one who took me under her wing and guided me through my first year playing at the varsity level. Next would be the 2021 seniors (Molly McKelvy, Daisy Manasco, and Maddie Yeager), who made my sophomore year probably the most amazing, enjoyable, and fun year so far. That was the year we won the county championship," she said.

"They taught me how to have fun with basketball and enjoy every moment and most of all, don't take yourself so serious. They also taught me being a team means playing for one another. That means going to war for one another. I think the level of fight and passion they had set the standard we hold today.

"These upperclassmen have been the biggest influencers on me. They have also shown me how important is to guide and set a great example for the younger girls. I will help the younger players by guiding them through whatever they need help with like the upperclassmen have done for me."

Garcia has spent her summer improving every facet of her game and has set some big goals for herself and her team this season.

"After last season, myself and another teammate, who only plays basketball like me, started to do training sessions with coach Billings and his lessons have been a really big help in improving my game more. Another big thing is I've joined a travel ball team this year and coach Cook has been helping me as well. He has me doing a ton of drills too that will help me better my game and shoot the ball a lot more consistently," she said.



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Fairview's Emma Garcia

"Besides them helping me, working by myself has been a big part as well, pushing myself when no one is around and studying film from past seasons. My goals this year are to better myself and the people around me, as well as helping our team make it to state. As a team, our goals are to win county, win area, and make it to Birmingham. We know what it'll take to achieve these goals and the sacrifices we will all have to make, but these goals are very achievable in our eyes. Our expectations are to better ourselves as a whole, which means having a better record than last season and each player contributing and believing they have an important role in the success of our team."

Grimmett (from Front)

you ever get stung?"

He said bees will only sting if they feel like the hive is threatened. "Honeybees are not aggressive. If they are just out flying around, they're not looking for somebody to sting."

Grimmett said, "I think honeybees are important. I've seen several reports that said that we get a third of our food supply from honeybees, and of course honeybees are not the only pollinators, but they are the most important."

Grimmett maintains 26 colonies of bees, and he said colonies can contain 40,000-60,000 bees. He joked, "Somebody will say, 'Well, I've got 20 head of cattle now,' and I'll say, 'Well, I've got a million and a half head of bees.'"

He claims he is no expert as continued education about beekeeping is always required. But Grimmett knows a wealth of information, always ready to talk about pollination, honey collection, bee behavior and even the plants that are the best to have around honeybees.

He has planted his own sourwood trees that help bees produce better-tasting honey.

Grimmett said his affinity for honeybees also comes from a realization of the complex workings inherent in each colony.

He shared his personal belief, saying, "I think that honeybees show there is a creator.

"That's the way I think about it, and the more I look into it I say, 'How in the world could this come about by accident?' It just shows so much design, and that's one thing that I think I enjoy about it.

"The Lord created man with the ability to think and make decisions.

"He didn't program them on what to do. Honeybees- he programmed them with what to do.

"They know what to do. They don't have to figure it out. It's just amazing to me."

For anyone who wishes to begin keeping their own bees, Grimmett recommends getting in touch with one of the Beekeeper Association groups.

The Alabama Beekeepers Association offers Master Beekeeper courses, which Grimmett is currently involved in.

The Master Beekeepers classes teach about honeybee biology, the hive as a society, honey collecting and more.

While Grimmett noted the importance of education, he said, "It doesn't matter how much studying you do; you're not really going to start learning until you get bees.

"So, if you're pretty brave, I'd say go ahead and learn a little bit and then get some colonies in the spring."

Grimmett does recommend getting some education to make sure you can responsibly take care of the bees before purchasing.

He explained that the bees will not always behave exactly the way you expect, but to not get discouraged.

"The bees don't always read the books," he laughed.

To learn more about the Alabama Beekeepers Association and future Master Beekeeper classes, visit www.alabamabeekeepers.com/join.

Field (from Front)

begin to estimate the number of students and student athletes that Coach Britton had a positive impact on. Coach Britton was so many things to many different people, in terms of a coach and mentor," Cullman City Schools Athletic Director Mark Stephens said of his impact.

"Coach Britton had a way of tough love, but I cannot remember a day that his players left without him telling them he loved them. Coach Britton also held his players accountable both academically and for their behavior in school. He was always a phone call, text message or email away from helping our teachers and administrators with a student who might need guidance."

Britton feels honored and blessed to receive this recognition but wants to make sure all those who worked with him and all those who played for him know the part they played in his legendary career at Cullman. Britton mentioned four things he is most proud of from his time on the sidelines with the Bearcats.

"I may get credit for our record during my tenure, but I had great assistant coaches and I had great players during my career. There are four things that I am happy to be associated with during my years as head coach of CHS.

1. CHS has had 4 undefeated regular season teams in school history

- 1962 team 10-0-Coach Woodard
- 1985 team 10-1 Coach Cook
- 2007 team 13-1–SCHOOL RECORD FOR WINS IN SINGLE SEASON and
- 2009 team was 12-1–second highest single season wins—Coach Britton's Staff.

2. From 2007-2013 (7 seasons) our record was 70-20–We averaged 10 wins a year—best run in school history for 7 consecutive seasons.

3. Coach Woodard's 1972 team finished 11-2 and was state runner-up. The 11 wins at the time was a single season school record for wins. Our staff was able to tie the 11 wins with the 2008 team (11-3), we went (12-1) in 2009, and the 2007 team went (13-1) for the Current School Record for most wins in a single season.

4. CULLMAN HIGH FOOTBALL has a 24-30 record in playoff games in school history and our staff had 16 of those wins. Those are very difficult wins to obtain, and I am very proud of our players and staff for those wins."

Britton feels humbled seeing his name next to Coach Oliver Woodard's and had a lot of people to thank when thinking about his 17 years at Cullman. Most of all, he wanted to thank his family for the sacrifices they've made, their contributions to the program and the support they've shown him.

"I am very moved and humbled for putting my name next to Coach Woodard. There are many folks that are involved in our past success. I benefited from great administrators during my tenure along with great booster club leaders and members—but more importantly I had great players and great assistant coaches that sacrificed personally for our teams during my tenure.

"I believe that I had some of the best coaching staffs in the state—from our middle school staff that gets our players in the program and teach those young players the fundamentals—to our offensive and defensive staffs that had our student-athletes prepared every week. We had a great video staff that prepared films of our games and practices which was invaluable. Last group but extremely important group was our trainers—very dedicated and kept our players safe during our seasons.

I personally benefited from the contributions from all of these great, great people whose combined efforts allowed us to be successful for my 17 years as head football coach.

Lastly, I would like to thank my wife Patti and my children—Patrick, Matthew, and Meaghan that were all involved in the program through the years—but all gave me great support through the years—good times and bad times. I have been very blessed!!! Thank you, Cullman, for your support through the years."

East Elementary wins 1st-place Cullman County PALS Clean Campus Award

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CULLMAN, Ala. — East Elementary School (EES) recently earned a first-place Cullman County People Against a Littered State (PALS) Clean Campus Award. The Clean Campus program includes city and county schools and involves not only keeping a campus clean, but also beautification and environmental education. The awards honor school campuses that excel in remaining litter free and environmentally conscious.

East's efforts were led by PALS sponsor and fourth-grade teacher April Dean, who emphasizes green living in her classroom and schoolwide.

Principal David Wiggins shared, "We teach much more than ABC123 in Cullman City Schools and at East Elementary School. The CCS Character Education curriculum lists 'Respect for Environment' as one of the traits to be taught during the school year. She sponsors the Recycled Art projects, supervises our student Recycle Rangers, schedules guest speakers and even organizes events for campus beautification. Her influence on our students and school extends far beyond the classroom."

Alabama PALS programs center on litter prevention, litter cleanup and litter control in attempts to keep Alabama beautiful. In addition to statewide Clean Campus, statewide programs include Adopt-A-Mile, Adopt-A-Stream, Spring Cleanup, Governor's Awards and the yearly Alabama Coastal Cleanup.

For more information on PALS programs, call 334-263-7737 or visit www.alpals.org.



EAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
East Elementary PALS Sponsor and fourth-grade teacher April Dean accepts the school's first-place Cullman County PALS Clean Campus Award.

West Point (from Front)

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WEST POINT, Ala. — The West Point Town Council on Monday approved the allocation of up to $85,000 for the installation of LED lights at ball fields one, two and four. LED Capital installed lights at field three as a preview. The lights can be powered on and off with the flip of a switch unlike the current lights, which need time to power up.

LED Capital's Muntingh Hamman said the lights are guaranteed to only lose 3% of their brightness to depreciation over 10 years. Shipping will take 30-45 days. Once the lights are delivered, installation will take a week to 10 days.

The council accepted a bid for the repair of a long-time issue – the West Point Ballpark retaining wall – from Burks Brothers Pools & Spas, which bid $78,000. Burks Brothers specializes in pools in addition to concrete work.

Mayor Gerald Schafer said the council discussed that Burks Brothers is detailed and attentive, which contributed to the decision to accept the company's bid.

"They've been in business a long time. There has to be some kind of credibility there because they are still going," said Councilman Timmy Smith.

"He (Chad Burks) is from West Point, so he does care," added Councilwoman Ashlee Phillips.

New playground equipment for the town park will be delivered Sept. 1.

The council voted to annex the site of the old Crooked Creek Civil War Museum into town limits. Fred's LLC, named after the late Fred Wise, who created and tended to the museum for more than 25 years, will occupy the site. It will remain a museum displaying local history.

The council approved the Town's transportation plan for the new fiscal year, required by the Rebuild Alabama Act of 2019. The plan includes the paving of County Roads 1246 and 1218.

West Point's last movie night of the summer will be held Saturday, Aug. 20 at West Point Ball Park located 3990 County Road 1141.

Guests can enjoy the movie "Jumanji" free of charge. The movie starts at 8:15p.m.

On Sept. 2, members of the West Point Senior Center will be taking their first trip to the Cook Museum of Natural Science in Decatur.

There is room for 14 seniors to attend. Seniors can sign up at West Point Town Hall Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-1 p.m., or by calling 256-734-0006.

The West Point Town Council meets on the third Monday of the month at 6 p.m. The public is welcome to attend.

Board (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City School Board ran through a lengthy agenda late Monday afternoon at its regular board meeting. The robust agenda brought no discourse among the board members, with all items passing unanimously. The highlight of the meeting was the proclamation naming the football field at Cullman High School's (CHS) Oliver Woodard Stadium in honor of retired head coach Mark Britton, whose tenure at CHS is legendary.

Board member Chris Branham, who played for Britton at CHS, shared, "Coach helped to shape me into who I am. He was hard on me, but when I did something great, he showed me so much love and appreciation. That helped me become who I am today. It's about working hard in the trenches, making mistakes and getting a pat on the back when doing it right. He would chew on me when I messed up because he knew I could do better, so he pushed me. He knew what our potential was before we did and helped us to meet it."

See The Tribune's separate, feature article on Britton on page 1.

The following action items were approved:
- Financial report with monthly financial statement and cash balance/bank reconciliations for June 2022
- Final approval of Board Policy 6.26-Opt-in for mental health services by parent or legal guardian
- Approval of CNP operations associate job description and salary schedule
- Naming of CHS football field to the Mark Britton Field

The following contracts were approved:
- Encore Rehabilitation, Inc. for physical and occupational therapy consultation services
- Lisa Martin for hearing and visually impaired services
- Yenny Laney and Arleen Solis-Dominguez for translation/interpretation services

The following stipends were approved:
- Cullman City Primary School (CPS) Leadership training
- Neuhaus Science of Reading and Reading Readiness training
- Second-grade West Elementary ELA and Math pacing guides
- Cullman High School ELA pacing guides and grading parameters
- CCS mentors for mentoring duties while preparing for new school year
- CHS teacher to attend ELA A+ training
- CHS Math pacing guides and grading parameters
- CCS New Employee Orientation for one day of training for non-certified personnel
- CCS New Employee Orientation for two days of training for non-certified personnel
- CCS New Employee Orientation for two days of training for teachers
- Half-day and full-day medication trainings
- Full day BCBA (Milestones) training
- Crisis prevention training
- Mental health/guidance counselor planning and opt-in meeting
- Participation in IEP/eligibility meetings
- Participation in MEGA conference and mental health planning
- Attendance in professional development training for Head Start certified and non-certified employees
- Exploring Planetary Systems training
- Attendance in Science Foundational training for teachers
- Attendance in AMSTI 6-12 Foundational training for teachers
- Attendance in AMSTI K-5 Math Foundational training and K-5 Numbers Talk training
- Attendance in AMSTI K-2 Operations with Numbers: Base Ten training
- Attendance in AMSTI 3-5 Fractions with Operations training, Meaning of Tractions training and Exploring Multiplication and Division training

The following consent agenda items were approved:
- July 2022 Head Start fiscal report
- Head Start Performance Progress Report (PPR) for ARP and CRRSA funds
- CHS baseball additional seating project funded by the CHS Baseball Boosters
- Amend Head Start salary schedule
- Head Start-Cullman City Child Development Center 2022-23 Continuation application
- CHS Choir and Theater to attend spring break trip to New York City March 27-30, 2023
- East Elementary students and teachers to attend Space Camp at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville May 14-19, 2023

The following items were approved to be salvaged:
- Outdated textbooks from Cullman Middle School
- 30 Grammar and Composition Handbook Glencoe Language Arts textbooks from CHS
- 30 Everyday Use: Rhetoric at Work in Reading and Writing Pearson Education textbooks from CHS
- 30 Language Composition textbooks Bedford/St. Martins from CHS
- Miscellaneous weight equipment from CHS
- Glencoe World Mythology textbooks from CHS
- Outdated textbooks from East Elementary

The next called meeting for the first hearing of the school system's budget will be Sept. 1 at 4 p.m. and will be followed by the next called budget hearing Sept. 8 at 4 p.m. The next regular board meeting will be held Sept. 20 at 5 p.m. All meetings will be at the central office.









LEGALS

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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)
PHYLLIS ELAINE WATWOOD) CASE NO PC 2021-037
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION OF ADMINISTRATRIX FOR DECLARATION OF INSOLVENCY AND FINAL DISCHARGE

TO: REGIONAL FINANCE, K.C. PAYNE, WILLIAMS PAYNE, LINDA JOINER, DANIEL PAYNE, KENNETH PAYNE, FRED STROUP, RONNIE STROUP, KENNY STROUP, ANGELA HOCUTT, PAM THOMAS, PATTY ELLIOTT, ROBERT ELLIOTT, CATHY ELLIOTT ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN OR INTEREST PARTIES

Please take notice that a *Petition of Administratrix for Declaration of Insolvency and Final Discharge,* was filed on the 27th day of July, 2022, made court record the 29th day of July, 2022 by Tina R. Miller, Administratrix of the Estate of Phyllis Elaine Watwood, by and through her Attorney Shay Persall. A hearing on said Petition has been **SET FOR THE 20th day of SEPTEMBER, 2022, AT 10:30A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 8th day of August, 2022

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

Shay Persall
Attorney at Law
108 3rd Street, SE
Cullman, AL 35055

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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 *
MADDELLE E. ASHWANDER, * CASE NO.: PC2022-052
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to JOSEPH E. WARD, as Personal Representative of the Estate of MADDELLE E. ASHWANDER, deceased, on the 16th day of August, 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.

Joseph E. Ward
Personal Representative

Michael E. Sparkman
Attorney for Petitioner
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Hartselle, AL
256-773-2556

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

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

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

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC 2022-180

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SENORA MAE WARD DECEASED

AMENDED NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Althea Levena Williamson on the 24th day of June, 2022, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Althea Levena Williamson
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
ROGER DALE ANDERSON,)
DECEASED.) CASE NO. PC 2022-126

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Terry Allan Bates, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Roger Dale Anderson, deceased, on the 16th day of August, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

Terry Allan Bates
Personal Representative of the Estate of
Roger Dale Anderson, deceased

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

Beverly Paschal Poston,
Attorney for the Estate of
Roger Dale Anderson, deceased.
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama, 35055
(256) 739-3970

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2022-189

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF THELBERT D. PHILLIPS, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Nina Phillips Moyer on the 8th day of August, 2022, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Nina Phillips Moyer
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
BOBBY LENO BROOKS, * CASE NO.: PC 2022-257
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to PAMELA E. NAIL, as Personal Representative of the Estate of BOBBY LENO BROOKS, deceased, on the 3rd day of August, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

PAMELA E. NAIL
Personal Representative

Pamela E. Nail
Personal Representative
200 Second Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
WILSON P. HENDERSON, * CASE NO. PC 2022 - 149
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE: Letters Testamentary having been granted to Jared Grisom as Personal Representative of the Estate of Wilson P. Henderson, deceased, on the 16th day of August, 2022, all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Jared Grisom
Personal Representative

Shay Persall

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Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

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ORDER

MOTION FOR PUBLICATION filed by SWAVELY BRIAN AND REGINA is hereby GRANTED.

DONE this 1st day of August, 2022.

/s/ WELLS R. TURNER III
JUVENILE JUDGE

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF)
A.G.,)
Date of Birth: 12/02/2009) CASE NO. JU-2020-138.02

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NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

JOSE LUIS GUERRERO, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the below listed Petitioners in regards to the above referenced children by the 22 day of September or thereafter a judgement terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 16 day of August, 2022.

Lisa McSwain (Circuit Clerk)

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 16th day of August, 2022
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONERS
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF J.A.G.
A minor child. CASE NO.: AD2022-065
D.O.B. 10/17/2007

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: RANDALL CRAIG GARRISON, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, J.A.G. BORN TO LATASIA NICHOLE TAYLOR

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

DONE THIS 1st DAY OF August, 2022.

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

Jerry L. Kilgo
Attorney for Petitioner
105 1st Ave. NE, Ste G
Cullman, AL 35055
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
MARK CLAYTON RODEN, II CASE NO AD 2021-083
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

C.J.A. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 05-29-2012

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: JOHN HARLAN ADAMS, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD C.J.A., BORN TO EMILY JEAN HAMPTON

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Mark Clayton Roden, II, Petitioner. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said 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 15th DAY OF August, 2022.

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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AMENDMENT TO NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

The sale date under the above mentioned Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale has been postponed until August 25, 2022, and public notice thereof having been given, the above notice is hereby republished with this amendment.

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ORDER

MOTION FOR PUBLICATION filed by SWAVELY BRIAN AND REGINA is hereby GRANTED.

DONE this 1st day of August, 2022.

/s/ WELLS R. TURNER III
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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

JOSE LUIS GUERRERO, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the below listed Petitioners in regards to the above referenced children by the 22 day of September, or thereafter a judgement terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 16 day of August ,2022.

Lisa McSwain (Circuit Clerk)

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 16th day of August, 2022

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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 16-17

Johnnie Kimbrough, 59
Johnnie Kimbrough, age 59 of Haleyville, passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022, at Lakeland Community Hospital. He was born on July 23, 1963, in Haleyville, Alabama to Kenneth Kimbrough and Barbara Jean Kelly Kimbrough. Visitation will be held at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville from noon until 2 p.m. on Friday Aug. 19, 2022, where the service will be held at 2p.m. Burial will follow in Ireland Cemetery. Pastor Ricky White will officiate. Johnnie is survived by his daughter: Hailey (Austin) Adair; sons: Zachary Kimbrough, Jared Kimbrough and Jacob Gann; sisters: Cindy Kimbrough, Karen (Jeff) Hyde, and Kathy Kimbrough; brother: Kenny Kimbrough; grandchildren: Isabella Adair, Brianna Adair, Jaxon Adair, Chloe Kimbrough, Abby Kimbrough, and Zachary Kimbrough; and a host of cousins, nieces, and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Kenneth and Barbara Jean Kimbrough; and his brother: Buddy Sutherland.

Rosemary Mann, 60
Memorial Service for Rosemary Mann, age 60, of Vinemont, will be at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. Samuel Tucker officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Mann passed away Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, at Cullman Regional. She was born April 26, 1962, in Alabama. She was preceded in death by her mother: Virginia Thomas; and son: Joshua Smith. Survivors include her son: Justin Mann; father: Charles Thomas; brother: Chris Thomas; sister: Tammy (Anthony) McClanahan; brother: Joseph Thomas; daughter-in-law: Spuranandra Smith; grandchildren: Alexis Frost, Kaid Broom, Kenyn Mann, Mirra Smith, Kiya Smith, Alyssa Smith, and Jakoda Smith; nieces: Emily (Jasper) Napoles, Reese Thomas, and Olivia Thomas; nephews: Derek McClanahan, Ryan Thomas, and Matthew Thomas; friend: Lemuel Mann; and a host of family and friends.

Frances Marie Smith, 66
Frances Marie Smith sadly passed away July 12, 2022, at her home after a short battle with CNS lymphoma. Francie was born Dec. 9, 1955, in Bridgeton, New Jersey. She and her parents moved to Michigan shortly after, where Francie lived a full, loving, family-filled upbringing which included three younger siblings, grandparents, many aunts and uncles, and 19 cousins. Francie graduated from Pinckney High School in 1974 and graduated with honors with an associate degree in Business Administration from Tri-County Community College in 2002. Francie was a "beautiful, gentle soul" who always thought of others, never forgetting a birthday or taking the time to call just to say hello. Francie's life was full of adventures, including motorcycle trips, camping, owning and operating a T-shirt store and later a bait/tackle shop in North Carolina. Francie was a foster parent and often received Mother's Day cards from her much loved foster son, John Phillips. In 2013, she moved to Huntsville, Alabama, to be close to her mother, Betty Behr, where she enjoyed swing dancing, line dancing, painting, travel, and any opportunity to enjoy life with family and friends. She was preceded in death by her father: Jack Viars. She is survived by her mother: Betty Behr; husband: Mark Smith; two sisters: Debbie (Dave) Vanatta and Lisa (Doug) Richardson; brother: Ronald (Jeorge) Emerson; niece: Michelle Martin; nephews: Brandon (Holly) Holliday and Aaron Richardson; great-niece: Shayla Chebbi; and great-nephews: Jordan Merlin, Ashton Holliday, and Angelo Holliday. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Aug. 20, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Laughlin Service Funeral Home, 2320 Bob Wallace Ave. SW, Huntsville, AL 35805. Visitation will be from 1-2 p.m. prior to the service.

Sarah Diane Calvert, 78
Sarah Diane "Ann" Calvert, age 78, of Cullman passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022. She was born Nov. 5, 1943. She is survived by her brother, Dan Calvert. No services are planned at this time.

Jimmie Ray Rodgers, 82
Funeral service for Jimmie Ray Rodgers, 82, of Odenville, formerly of Cullman will be at 11 a.m., Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Duck Creek Cemetery, Rev. Steve Rodgers officiating. Visitation will be Thursday evening at the funeral home from 5:30-8 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements Mr. Rodgers passed from this life Monday, Aug. 15, 2022. He was born April 12, 1940, to Athel E.V. and Magalene Skinner Rodgers. Jimmie was a hard worker and was employed with Vulcan Materials for 25 years. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend. He loved his family. He will be missed. He was preceded in death by his parents; a son: Timmie Rodgers; brother: Dwight Rodgers; sister: Wanda Gail Rodgers. Survivors include his wife: Carolyn Prince Rodgers; son: David (Christy) Rodgers; daughter: Gelene (Scott) Tipton; daughter-in-law: Donna Rodgers; brother: Lavon (Rhonda) Rodgers; half brother: Roger Dale Rodgers; sister-in-law: Brenda Rodgers; half-sisters: Martha Sue Henderson, Mary Lou Mann; step-mother: Blanche Rodgers; sister-in-law: Brenda Rodgers; grandchildren: Amber Freeman, Jordan Rodgers; step-grandchildren: Brooklee Coffee, Destanee Coffee, Zeta Coffee, Renea Standridge; several great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Michael Loren Carr, 58
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Michael Loren Carr, 58, of Crane Hill. Mr. Carr passed away Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, at CRMC. He was born June 1, 1964, to Paul and Barbara Ann Tompkins Carr. He was a retired welder. He loved animals. Michael was a giving person and helped so many people. He was preceded in death by his father. Survivors include his mother: Barbara Tompkins; mother-in-law: Juanell Girard; wife: Joy Bailey; step-son: Mace Tanner; step-daughter: Kassy Boulier; brother-in-law: Rex Bailey; sisters: Lydia Szajko, Sara, Adcock, Mary Carr; step-grandchildren: Isaiah Boulier, Ashlyne Tanner, Abigail Tanner, Anna Tanner; nieces, nephews, family and friends. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Fayrene H. Chambers, 91
Fayrene H. Chambers, 91 of Double Springs, passed away Monday, Aug. 15, 2022, at her residence. Fayrene was born Sept. 18, 1930, in Moulton, Alabama to Arthur Edward Harris and Lillie Leola Folsom Harris. She was a member of The Rock Family Worship Center where for many years she was involved with the children's ministry, as well as other areas. Through her church involvement and the 25 years she owned her home day care she touched the lives of more than 100 children. She was "Nanny" for numerous children. Visitation will be held Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, from noon–2 p.m. at The Rock Family Worship Center, with funeral services at 2 p.m. Interment will follow in Double Springs Memorial Gardens. Pastor Drew Robbins and Rev. David Nelson will officiate. Fayrene is survived by her son: Jim Chambers and wife Karen; daughter: Donna Estes and husband Wayne; grandchildren: Deonna Hanley and husband Alan, Shane Chambers and and wife Tia, Amy Adkins and husband Keith, Nakia Lester and husband Jeremy, Justin Estes and wife Lauren; great grandchildren: Jamison Hanley, Parker Hanley, Sydney Chambers, Luke Chambers, Maddie Adkins, John Garrett Adkins, Josiah Lester, Jebediah Lester, Elise Estes, and Jaden Estes; great great grandchildren: Kenna Traynom, Branson Traynom, Paisley Lester, and Declan Lester; brothers: Bill Harris, Rayburn Harris, Donald Harris, Russell Harris, and Ronnie Harris; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband: Leonard S. Chambers; father: Arthur E. Harris; mother: Lillie Leola Harris; sisters: Louise Overton, Marjorie Bailey, Nadine Tucker, Helen Brown, and Wanda Holland; and brothers: William R. Harris, Roland Harris, and Roy Harris. Pallbearers will be Shane Chambers, Justin Estes, Jamison Hanley, Parker Hanley, Josiah Lester, Luke Chambers, John Garrett Adkins, and Jebediah Lester.

Dana Quick West, 51
Dana Quick West, age 51 of Cullman, passed away Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022. She was born in Cullman, Alabama on Jan. 4, 1971. She was a member of Eastside Baptist Church; the owner of Betty's Janitorial Services and was known to many as the "Coupon Queen." Dana was preceded in death by her parents: Leon and Wanda Creel Quick. She is survived by her son: Levi Turner; grandson: Gunner Turner; siblings: Brenda (Keith) Rasco, William E. (Sabrina) Quick, Danny (Heather) Quick and Scott (Sonia) Quick; mother and father-in-law: Frankie and Kathey Turner; a host of nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel with Brother Tommy Graves officiating. Burial will follow in Hopewell Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Wednesday evening from 5:30-8 p.m. at the funeral home. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the West Family.

Vernon Lee Whittier Jr., 92
Vernon Lee "V.L." Whittier, Jr., year, died Thursday, Aug. 11, 2022, in Cullman, Alabama. He was born Sept.17, 1929, in Leesburg, Florida, the son of Vernon Lee Whittier, Sr. and Cornelia Pearl (Conner) Whittier. V.L. graduated from Vero Beach High School, Class of 1947. As a senior, he was on the football team, when they had an undefeated season and went on to win the State Championship. Following graduation, he served in the National Guard, Air Force, and the Army. After being honorably discharged as a Sergeant from the Army in 1954, he attended Florida State University, where he received his B.S. in Psychology in 1957 and later received his Juris Doctor in 1972. While at F.S.U., he joined the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and became the Chapter President in 1957. In 1963, V.L. married his beloved - Terrie Carol Jones. They celebrated 54 years of marriage before her passing in 2017. V.L. served in many different capacities in the Florida State Government. He was a lawyer for the Florida Department of Transportation. After a successful career, he retired in 1993. V.L.'s family was always his top priority. As a devoted husband, loving father, and doting grandfather, he cherished the moments he spent with them. In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his wife: Terrie Carol (Jones) Whittier; his precious young granddaughter: Elizabeth Ann Whitesell; a brother and sister-in-law and two of their children: Dr. Robert "Bob" P.C., Marty, Kevin Whittier, and Maura (Whittier) Baughman; brother-in-law: David Berggren; his sister-in-law and her husband, and one of their daughters: Leontine, Reverend Dabney, and Diana Carr, MD. He is survived by his son: Lee Whittier of Huntsville, Alabama; daughter and grandchildren: Tiffany (Rob), Jonathon, Madeline, Lillian, and David Whitesell of Cullman, Alabama; daughter: Tamara (John) Houle of Brooklyn, New York; sister: Peggy Berggren of Vero Beach, Florida; brother: Reverend Dr. Peter (Paula) Whittier of Apopka, Florida; as well and many nieces, nephews, and their children. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Children's Ministry at Cullman First Baptist Church, 501 Second Ave. SW, Cullman, AL 35055. This is to honor his memory as well the memory of his beloved wife, with whom he taught children's Sunday School. It is also in the memory of his beloved granddaughter, Elizabeth Ann Whitesell, who was a member of CFBC with her family. There was a Celebration of Life Funeral Service on Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, at 5 p.m. with a visitation from 4 until 5p.m. There will also be a Celebration of Life Funeral Service on Thursday, Aug. 18, 2022, at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Tallahassee. He will lie in state at the church from 1 until 2 p.m. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery. Moss Service Funeral Home Directing.

Armando Anthony DeMarco Sr., 91
Armando Anthony DeMarco Sr. of Cullman, Alabama passed peacefully in his home surrounded by family on Sunday, Aug. 14, 2022. Armando best known as Mony, was a beloved husband, father and grandfather. Armando was born Oct. 29, 1931, in Cleveland, Ohio where he resided for many years with his Italian immigrant parents and siblings. Armando became a Golden glove boxer finalist in the state of Ohio and turned pro for a few years, he then served in the U.S. Army for four years and graduated Armored School in 1954 while stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky Armando continued to further his education by graduating Mechanical School and later started several mechanic and repair businesses. In 1979 Armando moved his family to Cullman, Alabama where they have resided for 47 years. Armando is proceeded in death by his father: Giuseppe DeMarco, his mother: Mary Immaculate Garreffa; along with his brothers and sisters; and his granddaughter Katrina Wilson. He is survived by his wife: Leona Mary Maughn (Sally) of 60 years; his 6 children: Mary Chambers, Sharon DeMarco Lee, Armando (Mony) DeMarco Jr., Tina Wilson, Traci Goodwin and Mary Kathryn Campbell; 15 grandchildren: Maria Chambers, Timothy (Tim) Chambers, Anthony Chambers, Christina Rimes, Christopher (Chris) Chambers, Alison Campbell, Missy Campbell, Samantha Bolser, Amanda Carter DeMarco, Daniel Skinner, Amber Skinner Lotero, Terra Skinner, Rebecca Cloer and Ana Wilson, along with a host of Great Grandchildren. Funeral Services for Armando (Mony) Anthony DeMarco Sr. will be held at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in Cullman, Alabama on Aug. 18, 2022, at 10 a.m. followed by a burial at the Catholic Cemetery.

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Task Force (from Front)

Sara Gladney
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Victim Services of Cullman's newly formed Sexual Assault Task Force (SATF) held its first official meeting recently. The mission of the task force is to facilitate and support a collaborative, victim-centered approach to the prevention and response to adult sexual assault for the service area of Cullman and Winston counties.

The SATF opens a channel of communication between representatives from law enforcement, prosecutors, medical professionals and victim services providers whose collaboration will help ensure adult victims of sexual assault receive a coordinated response.

Victim Services Executive Director Carol Horstman said, "These meetings help keep each agency up to date on best practices and provide opportunities to identify and eliminate any barriers a victim might experience in receiving medical care and ongoing support through the justice system. During their first meeting, the task force established that victims of sexual assault are not required to go to the hospital for treatment or file a police report."

The SATF will also play an active role in educating the community on what to do following sexual assault.

Through the utilization of its Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Clinic, first opened in October of 2021, Victim Services offers medical examinations and evidence collection for adult survivors of sexual assault at no charge. A 24-hour Crisis Line (256-734-6100) is available for immediate medical care and support. The Victim Services SANE Nurse is on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Medical care for strangulation and other injuries due to domestic violence are also provided at no charge.

Horstman explained, "Victims can go to the SANE Clinic for services without contacting police. They just need to call our 24-hour Crisis Line (at) 256-734-6100. The window to have an exam is within 72 hours after the event. Victims of domestic violence or sexual assault are not required to report the crime to law enforcement and may remain anonymous. Since October, we have provided SANE services for 25 survivors of sexual assault and/or strangulation."

If the patient decides to report the event to law enforcement, Horstman said, a law enforcement officer will be called to the SANE Clinic to take the report, which reduces additional trauma to the victim.

A trained SANE Advocate is present throughout the process to offer support to the patient and provide information about follow-up services to enable long-term recovery.

Benefits of SANE programs, based on a study published by the Journal of Emergency Nursing:

1. Patients are treated faster. Rape victims are treated more quickly by SANEs than those who go to the ER, and with fewer interruptions.

2. It's a current standard of care. SANE programs are the current standard of care for victims of sexual assault.

3. The patient is treated by dedicated staff. Sexual assault examinations typically last two to five hours. With a SANE program, the patient is treated by staff who have a desire to do this work and have received training to provide the specialized, trauma-informed care that survivors need. A trained SANE Advocate is present to offer support throughout the process as well as information about VSOC services to help ensure long-term recovery such as counseling and court advocacy.

4. There is better evidence collection. The SANE program has specialized equipment that greatly improves the quality of evidence obtained during the forensic examination and is better equipped to maintain the chain of custody.

5. Patients receive more consistent care. With the SANE program, everything is standardized, including documentation, training, collection, and method of treatment.

6. There is a higher conviction rate. Clinics work very closely with the prosecutor's office to improve court presentation, and eventually, higher convictions.

For information about becoming an on-call SANE nurse or to volunteer as a SANE Advocate, call 256-775-2600 or visit www.victimservices.online.



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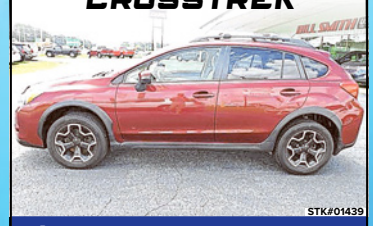
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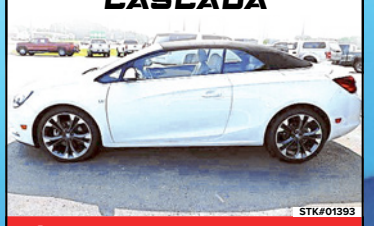
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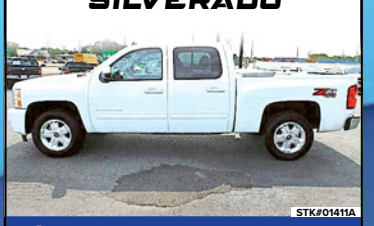
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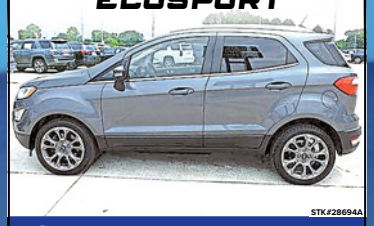
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