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'Dedication's what makes it'

Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department celebrates 50 years of service

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BAILEYTON, Ala. — The Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) on Saturday celebrated 50 years of service to the rural communities of northwest Cullman County. Members, families and visitors were treated to lunch, truck and equipment displays and live music by Jesse Priest.

According to Chief Zachary McGee, the Baileyton VFD currently has 28 members, including four emergency medical technicians, three emergency medical responders, eight firefighters and several auxiliary members.

McGee, a second-generation firefighter/EMT who followed his father into the Baileyton department, said, "I think a lot of people don't know the extent of what fire departments do- not just us, but any fire department. It's not just fires, you know, but we run everything.

"Any time you call 911, unless it's just a » PAGE 6



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Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department Chief Zachary McGee (left) and former Chief Joe Golden pose for a photo at Saturday's anniversary celebration.

Locust Fork firefighter climbs 110 flights to honor 9/11 first responders



ALIYAH ADERA

Tate Dyar climbs the equivalent of 110 flights of stairs in full gear at Planet Fitness in Cullman.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Holly Pond resident Aliyah Adera on Sunday, Sept. 11, posted to Facebook a picture of a firefighter in full turnout gear on the stair climber at the Planet Fitness in Cullman.

"Me and my sister-in-law were sitting in my car getting ready to go into Planet Fitness and noticed him getting out of his truck with all of his firefighter gear, and my sister-in-law told me that she had been seeing firefighters on TikTok going into gyms and wearing their gear while climbing 110 flights of stairs in remembrance of those who lost their lives in 9/11," said Adera. "I had to take a picture of the gentleman because it was so heartwarming and made me tear up. I had never seen this happen and seeing it in person made tears come to my eyes. After » PAGE 5

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Sept. 12

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Sept. 12, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Sept. 8
- stalking; Hwy 69 S
- burglary; Handley Ln.
- harassment; Co. Rd. 656
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 713
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 69 S
- harassment; Co. Rd. 656
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 704
- violation of protection order; Co. Rd. 832
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1444
- domestic violence; Hwy 31
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1225
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1141
- trespassing; Co. Rd. 247
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 532
- unlawful possession of controlled substances; Hwy 278 W

Sept. 9
- domestic violence; McAnnally St. N.W.
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 233
- attempting to elude law enforcement; Fairview Rd.
- harassment; Co. Rd. 19
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1583
- harassment; Hwy 91
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 72
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1866
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 62
- burglary; Co. Rd. 1092
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 260
- criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 1564
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 768
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 216

Sept. 10
- domestic violence; Fairview Rd.
- leaving the scene of accident; Co. Rd. 1223
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1605
- criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 1242
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 223
- theft of property; Hwy 91
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 278 E
- theft of property; Hwy 91
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 222
- domestic violence, menacing, discharging firearm in occupied vehicle; Co. Rd. 437
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia, attempting to elude law enforcement; 3rd St. S.E. Garden City

ARRESTS

Sept. 8

Darnell, Sherri L; 54
- public intoxication

Gowins, Angela F; 49
- assault-harassment

Hall, Whitney N; 35
- FTA-illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-operating vehicle without insurance

Moreno, Jonathan S; 28
- FTA-assault-child abuse-simple-family
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Perkins, Rusty L; 44
- FTA-violation of domestic violence protection order

Robbins, Anthony W; 40
- FTA-assault-domestic-harassment-family
- stalking

Sanford, Christopher L; 38
- Parole violation/revocation-possession of dangerous drugs

Walker, Joey V; 24
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Wren, Daniel R; 26
- possession of methamphetamine

Sept. 9

Barfield, Lexie M; 21
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Cone, Jimmy L; 53
- public intoxication

Cosby, Misty M; 36
- FTA-public intoxication

Curtis, Constance L; 38
- FTA-burglary

Davis, Huey M; 60
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Farley, Hannah A; 25
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-larceny/theft-shoplifting

Filyaw, Michael A; 37
- FTA-operating vehicle without insurance

Freeman, John S; 57
- Probation violation-possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

Green, Michael J; 39
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs

Gregory, Jesse D; 28
- GJ-forgery-checks
- GJ-forgery-possessing forged instrument

Griffith, Shannon R; 33
- FTA-obstructing police-obedience to police/firemen

Harland, James B; 57
- GJ-stolen vehicles-auto theft (2 counts)

Helms, Brittany L; 34
- fugitive from justice
- FTA-illegal possession/use of credit/debit card

Hill, Cade D; 23
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offence
- attempting to elude police officer
- larceny/theft-theft of article from auto

Horton, Jessica M; 37
- possession of barbiturates
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- Violation of release-possession of dangerous drugs
- Violation of release-possession of dangerous drugs

Llovera, Rafael; 52
- driving under the influence (alcohol)

Looney, Charles R; 48
- attempting to elude police officer
- driving under the influence (alcohol)

Lopez, Felipe T; 33
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

McKleroy, Justin W; 33
- non-support of child

Moore, John E; 43
- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- possession of methamphetamine

Moore, Ted F; 30
- Probation violation-possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)

Newman, James D; 40
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Powell, Jason R; 51
- driving under the influence (alcohol)

Roark, Jonathan C; 32
- GJ-sexual abuse of child less than 12-years-old

Robinson, Sarah A; 38
- FTA-speeding

Self, Cody L; 32
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia (3 counts)
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)
- FTA-non-support-parent
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-exposure or lewd act in public
- FTA-driving under the influence (controlled substances)

Shaffer, Dameon S; 25
- Violation of release order-burglary
- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-possession of concealed weapon without permit

Smith, Jonathan K; 48
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Victoriana, Eliseo L; 39
- driving under the influence (alcohol)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Sept. 9
- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $133
- burglary-3rd degree; Brunner St. N.W; battery, drill; $282
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W.

Sept. 10
- theft of property-2nd degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $1,569
- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $385
- harassment

ARRESTS

Sept. 9

Anthony, Marvin R; 60
- theft of property-3rd degree
- obstructing justice using false identify

Conley, Marcella J; 28
- theft of property-3rd degree

Gregory, Jesse D; 28
- unlawful possession and receiving controlled substance

Gregory, Steven D; 53
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree

Moore, Jermaine A; 29
- Grand Jury-indictment for theft of property-1st degree

Smith, Trenten D; 27
- FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree (5 counts)
- FTA-resisting arrest
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-failure to obey lawful order
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (7 counts)

Sept. 10

Richards, Jenna M; 35
- theft of property-2nd degree

Sept. 11

McClendon, Randy J; 41
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

Prevention (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Suicide Prevention Month outreach to the community continues Tuesday, Sept. 20, at The Link of Cullman as WellStone's Community Outreach team brings suicide prevention education to The Link's clients. The event will begin at 9 a.m. and run until noon.

WellStone's team will be on hand during The Link's community pantry day to offer information to clients on identifying suicidal behavior in family members, friends and even themselves. Personal experience in overcoming suicidality will be shared, along with coping tools for working through suicidal thoughts.

Additional resources will be available, including various methods of reaching WellStone's Mobile Crisis Team, which serves anyone in Cullman County in the midst of a mental health crisis, not limited to only suicidal ideations and behaviors.

Certified Peer Support Specialist and WellStone Mobile Crisis Team Member Zachary Moore said, "So far, we've intervened in more than 150 crises this summer in Cullman County, but many more crises go unreported. These include suicide attempts, episodes of schizophrenia and those experiencing substance abuse that desperately want treatment. Our goal is to get the right help, to the right person, at the right time.

"We work closely with the city police and sheriff's office to avoid involving law enforcement.

"Our staff includes peer support specialists that have lived experiences with suicidal thinking and substance abuse."

If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis, you are not alone and help is available. Please call 256-783-2014 in Cullman County or 988 immediately. Help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Again, you are not alone.

For more information on WellStone services, call 256-255-1020 or 256-734-4688. You can also visit www.wellstone.com.

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86TH ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, Sept. 17 @ Northbrook Church
(Registration & events from 8-11 a.m., with business meeting after)
• Free hot dogs, popcorn & drinks • Kids' games & rides
• Live music • Free health fair • Lineman photo booth
• NEW – Spark Talks: 8 thought-provoking speakers

Register & vote = Enter $500 bill credit drawing
Attend = $15 bill credit & enter door prize drawing*

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*Winners do not have to be present at time of drawing; bill credit prizes will be five $100, four $250 and one $500.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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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, Sept. 14 - 7 p.m. Adult - "THE BAIT OF SATAN," children, and youth Bible Study Classes. Free pizza for children at 6:30 p.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6 p.m. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Friday, Sept. 16 - 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, Sept. 17 - 9-11 a.m. - Drive Through Food Bank - Please bring your ID.
• Sunday, Sept. 18 - 8 a.m. Prayer group 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. Alabama Adult & Teen Challenge.

Alcoholics Anonymous
Sundays, 3 p.m. at Cullman First Church of the Nazarene, 5415 Alabama Highway 157. CLOSED literature study. Handicap accessible.

TOPS (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.

GriefShare Grief Support Group
• Sundays, 3-5 p.m., through 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.

North Alabama Agriplex Programs
The Agriplex is located at 1714 Tally Ho St. NW, Cullman, AL 35055. All programs require pre-registration and are non-refundable unless otherwise noted. Check www.agriplex.org for program times and to pre-register.

Children's Programs
• Sept. 29: Heritage Homeschool Elementary - Green Snake Reptile Show: Herpetologist Jay Eubanks will visit with his reptile and amphibian friends.
• Oct. 1: Farm Kids Club - Pollinator Garden: Kids will explore the Agriplex pollinator gardens and bring home plants of their own.
• Oct. 6: Heritage Homeschool Secondary - Growing a Tea Garden: From planting to harvesting, drying and tasting, students will learn all the steps to make their own perfect cup of tea.
• Oct. 13: Heritage Homeschool - Raptors 101: Alabama Wildlife Center will teach students to recognize raptors and learn about their behavior and conservation.
• Oct. 14: Little Farmers - Spiders Aren't Scary: We take the spooky out of spiders and learn all about how they are helpful friends on the farm, garden or yard.

Adult Programs
• Sept. 13: Beginning Farmer & Rancher - Discover the Key to Soil Health: Good soil management is the key to good production. Come and learn all about the latest soil improvement techniques. *LAST CLASS* To register, contact Tony Glover at gloveta@aces.edu or 205-568-0005.
• Sept. 19: Learn To Sew - Upcycling Clothing: Do you have a favorite clothing item that needs an update? Do you find items for cheap, but they need a little something to make them pop? Come learn how to make simples changes to create unique, more personalized items.
• Sept. 21: Lunch & Learn - Succulent Pumpkin Centerpiece How To: Come watch a demo on how to create your own centerpiece perfect for your fall table. Free program; registration required 256-297-1044.
• Sept. 27: Heritage Skills - Dried Flower Wreath: Create a stunning dried floral wreath to take home. Class will be taught by local business Wooden Crate Flower Farm out of Holly Pond.
• Oct. 4: Living Landscapes - Beginning Beekeeping: What's the buzz at the Agriplex? Alabama Beekeepers Association President Phillip Garrison will teach the basics of beekeeping.
• Oct. 13: Heritage Skills - Passalong Plants: Learn about the southern tradition of passalong plants, plants that many own, but are never purchased. We will cover propagation and indoor / outdoor care. Passalong plant swap!
• Oct. 17: Learn to Sew - Casserole Carrying Case: Just in time for those holidays meals, learn how to create your own carrying case for your favorite dish.
• Oct. 19: Lunch & Learn - Open Fire Cooking: Whether camping or in your own backyard, there is nothing quite as tasty as food cooked over an open fire. Free program; registration required 256-297-1044.

Monthly Weight Loss Support Group
• WHAT: Cullman Regional's Bariatric Center of Excellence is now offering a monthly support group for individuals who have had or who are considering weight loss surgery.
• WHEN: Sept. 22, 6-7 p.m., Oct. 27, 6-7 p.m., Nov. 17, 6-7 p.m., Dec. 22, 6-7 p.m.
• WHERE: Cullman Regional COE Conference Room – Professional Office Building 1, 1948 Alabama Highway 157
• WHY: The Bariatric Center of Excellence's support group provides a comfortable place to connect with people on the same weight loss journey. Bariatric team members will help facilitate a space where participants can share problems and solutions as well as encouragement to stay on the right path. For more information, call 256-735-5992.

Holly Pond Homemakers Club
Tuesday, Sept. 13 at 1 p.m. at The Holly Pond Event Center in Holly Pond. Ladies of the Club will serve refreshments. Please come and bring someone.

Cullman Education Retirees Association (CERA) Meeting
Thursday, Sep. 15, at Stone Bridge Farms. We will meet at 11 a.m. with a program by Alabama Securities and a brief business meeting, followed by lunch about noon. Retirees and friends of education are invited.

Hanceville Kids' Night Out
Thursday, Sept. 15, 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.

1963 Fairview High School Class Meeting/Luncheon
Friday, Sept. 16, at 1 p.m. at Golden Corral, 1720 Cherokee Ave. SW, Cullman. The meeting will be held in the reserved room in the back of the restaurant. For more information, call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

Sportsman Lake Park Fall Yard Sale
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Site reservations will begin Tuesday, Sept. 6 ta 7 a.m. Sites can only be reserved in person and are first come, first served. Pavilion sites are $35 and grass sites are $10. The kiosk, stage and gazebo can be rented for $15. Sportsman Lake Park is located at 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman.

2nd Annual Chambers Fall Festival
Saturday, Sept. 17, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at Chambers Farm and Garden Supply. Around 60 vendors will be on-site, including food trucks, shaved ice, a balloon artist and kids' games. The festival will feature live music, giveaways and in-store specials. Parking will be at the West Elementary ballpark.

Eva Frontier Days
• Sept. 17-24 at various locations in Eva, Alabama.
• Beauty Pageant: Saturday, Sept. 17 at 10 a.m. at Charlie's Vineyard at Frost Farm (1684 Frost Road Eva, AL 35621)
• Hayride: Tuesday, Sept. 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Eva School
• Community Singing: Thursday, Sept. 22 at 7 p.m. Eva Baptist Church
• Music on the Square: Friday, Sept. 23 at 6 p.m. The Band Another Town will be performing in downtown Eva under the Entertainment Tent at the Square.
• Festival (The BIG Day): Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in downtown Eva
• For more details and a full calendar of events, visit www.evafrontierdays.com.

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.

6th Annual Caring for Cullman Concert Benefiting Good Samaritan Health Clinic
Monday, Oct. 17, at 6 p.m. at Northbrook Baptist Church. After a two-year hiatus due to COVID, we are thrilled to host our signature event, and we invite you to be there for our best year yet! Once again, this great evening of entertainment and inspiration will feature fan favorites and award-winning Triumphant Quartet and Christian comedian Mickey Bell. During the evening, you will not only be entertained by these amazingly talented artists but also learn more about the impact the clinic is having in our community. Tickets may be purchased in advance online or at one of our ticket outlets: Good Samaritan Health Clinic, Borden Family Pharmacy and Yates Chance Christian Bookstore. If you are unable to attend this year's concert and would like to support the Clinic, please visit www.goodsamaritancullman.com to make a donation today.

Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County Murder Mystery Dinner
• Friday, Oct. 21, at Stone Bridge Farms with doors opening at 5:30 p.m.
• Enjoy a captivating dinner by the Murder Mystery Company and meet guest mystery authors before the show. Stay after dinner and enjoy a live band for the After Party. Tickets are now available at https://givebutter.com/midnightatthemasquerade or purchase a table for all your friends. Find a mask and wear it well!

6th Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ
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Hanceville (from Front)

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Hanceville's Kids' Night Out will return to C.W. Day Park this Thursday, Sept. 15, from 6-9 p.m., giving children the opportunity to meet their community's first responders. The yearly event provides games, rides and food and drinks for Hanceville's students, friends and families.

The special night is a Hanceville staple that allows area children to meet and socialize with the community's police officers, firefighters and first responders to develop familiarity and friendships.

Fireworks are scheduled to begin when the sun goes down.

The event was started almost 20 years ago by former Hanceville Police Chief Ed Potter to provide law enforcement and first responders a day to foster goodwill with the area's young people, to provide a name with the face for children to reach out to in times of need.

The funds raised during Kids' Night Out are donated each year to Hanceville schools.

It is reported that $6,000 has been given to Hanceville Elementary School this year for security upgrades.

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Cullman County Youth Football week 4 scoring recap

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Week four of the youth football season is now over and there were more great games played all over the county Saturday. The Aggies-Bulldogs games got postponed and will be played on a later date. The Good Hope Raiders hosted the Vinemont Eagles, the West Point Warriors traveled to take on the Holly Pond Broncos and the Cold Springs Eagles hosted the Cullman Cyclones.

Vinemont Eagles at Good Hope Raiders

- Fireplug: Raiders 12 - Eagles 0
- Wee-Wee: Raiders 32 - Eagles 6
- Pee-Wee: Raiders 36 - Eagles 6

West Point Warriors at Holly Pond Broncos

- Fireplug: Warriors 12 - Broncos 6 (OT)
- Wee-Wee: Warriors 20 - Broncos 0
- Pee-Wee: Warriors 22 - Broncos 0

Cullman Cyclones at Cold Springs Eagles

- Fireplug: Cyclones 32 - Eagles 0
- Wee-Wee: Cyclones 26 - Eagles 0

FOOTBALL RECORDS AFTER WEEK FOUR

Fireplug

- Cullman Cyclones (4-0)
- Cullman Bearcats (3-0)
- Good Hope Raiders (3-1)
- Vinemont Eagles (2-1)
- West Point Warriors (2-2)
- Holly Pond Broncos (1-3)
- Fairview Aggies (0-2)
- Hanceville Bulldogs (0-3)
- Cold Springs Eagles (0-3)

Wee-Wee

- Cullman Cyclones (4-0)
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- West Point Warriors (3-1)
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- Fairview Aggies (0-2)
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- Holly Pond Broncos (1-2)
- Fairview Aggies (0-2)
- Hanceville Bulldogs (0-2)

Week Five Schedule (Sept. 17)

- Cullman Bearcats at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)
- Cold Springs Eagles at West Point Warriors (9 a.m.)
- Holly Pond Broncos at Fairview Aggies (4 p.m.)
- Hanceville Bulldogs at Vinemont Eagles (4 p.m.)



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The Good Hope Raiders won Saturday's Fireplug game over Vinemont 12-0.

'I've loved growing with this group of girls': Vinemont's Carley Stephens preparing for upcoming season

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VINEMONT, Ala. – Last season was a huge step in the right direction for the Vinemont Lady Eagles basketball team as they reached double-digits in the win column. They finished as the area runner-up and made a trip to Sub-Regionals as well. Vinemont junior Carley Stephens was so happy to see this team take some huge steps last year and is excited for the new season to get underway.

"I love playing basketball with this group of girls. This has been my favorite year of basketball so far. We have some really great players and winning 10 games this past year felt great. Throwing water on our coach for going to the area championship game for the first time in forever felt great. We were a very young team this past season and this year, we only have three seniors: Faith Rusk, Savannah Keel, and Berkley Gable," Stephens said. "We are a very experienced and young team and I've loved growing with this group of girls."

Having everyone back from last season will be huge for Stephens and company this year and that definitely showed in their summer play-day games.

"It has been awesome so far and we went 17-6 in our summer play-day games. We played some very great teams from out of state at our basketball camp. I personally think we can be great this season, seeing the way we all work together so well. We have so much potential on our team," Stephens said. "The summer play-day games helped us grow and get used to playing together again after our season. Playing all of the good teams was all of us trusting in each other and being very competitive with the game."

Stephens has played for some great coaches so far during her time at Vinemont and has learned as much as she can from them so far.

"Coach James Brown has taught me to never give up on myself and push myself very hard. Our new JV coach, Emme Willoughby, pushed me when I was on JV for the first 10 games. She pushed me so hard. I worked hard and got my varsity spot," she said. "Our coaches are great, always pushing us to be as good as we can be, giving us confidence and our athletic trainer, Ashley, has helped me the most when I got down on myself."

Stephens has learned a lot from a trio of upperclassmen on the team as well.

"Raylee Quick, my favorite upperclassmen, has always been my go-to person when I wasn't on varsity. When I was on varsity, Raylee and I have grown together, and we have grown together, especially outside of basketball. Raylee has always been there to stop me from beating myself up. Another upperclassman I look up to is Katelyn Evans. She's a great team leader and has always been there for our team," she said. "Lastly, Berkley Gable taught me how to stay positive and taught me and the girls how to be like family and a real team."

Stephens and the rest of the team have been working on some things during the summer and feels blessed to be a part of a special team. She also set some big goals for herself and her team this season.

"We have been working a lot on correcting our mistakes and our defense during the off-season," she said. "We are a very quick team, and we communicate very well," she said. "Our goals are to make to the county championship game and to win area. Another goal I have is to grow more and more with my team."



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Vinemont's Carley Stephens.

'We will not give up, no matter the circumstance': Holly Pond's Lauryn Hoffman excited for junior season

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — The Holly Pond Lady Broncos had a young team last season, but they still finished as the runner-up in the area tournament and made another trip to Sub-Regionals. One of the juniors on this year's team, Lauryn Hoffman looked back at what all she learned during the season that will definitely help them this year and feels so blessed to be playing with a great group of girls.

"What I learned the most from last season was perseverance. It was a growing point for a lot of us. We all had to grow up pretty fast stepping in and playing varsity. We had a young team last year, which I think will be a great building block in the years to come," Hoffman said. "It is a privilege playing for such a great group of girls. I am so proud of how much we have all grown like family throughout the years. I love them all so much."

Holly Pond has a ton of experienced players coming back this year and Hoffman can't wait for their season to get started.

"I am very excited for the upcoming season. We have been putting in a lot of work during the summer under our new head coach and workouts with Steve Johnson. Maddi Ham is a great player and the most experienced. I really admire her and her work ethic. The majority of us have played together since youth league. Coming from that, we have learned each other's strengths," Hoffman said.

"We have some younger girls moving up to varsity that I think will be a great asset also. We have some huge shoes to fill from the seniors we lost last year. Their guidance and support meant a lot. They really pushed us to be our best."

Hoffman played for coach Andrew Kelley for three years and learned a lot from him and she's been working to learn as much as she can from new Lady Broncos Head Coach Mary Hartline as well.

"Coach Kelley was a great coach and taught me to believe in myself even when I didn't, not just on the court, but in life," she said.

"I'm very excited for coach Hartline's style of coaching. She is very vocal and passionate about the game. I can't wait to see how far we go this season with her as our leader. She brings a lot of experience, knowledge, and a new perspective. She has taught us that it takes time and effort to achieve our goals and if we want to be the best, we have to put in the work."

Hoffman has taken away so much from the upperclassmen before her and will look to teach the younger players the same things.

"The upperclassmen before me taught me to be there for my teammates, not only on the court, but off. We are like a big family. What I hope I can give the underclassmen is my commitment and dedication to the team and each individual player. They are the future of Holly Pond basketball and I want the best for them. They are an amazing group of athletes," she said.

Hoffman has been working a lot on her game during the summer and has set some big goals for herself and the team.

"I have spent a lot of time working on my shooting form throughout the years. I have had great outside coaches such as Branch Whitlock, Scott Broad, and Tristan Chambers, although I still have room for a lot of improvement," she said. "One goal I would love to hit before I graduate is to get my 1,000th career point. It has always been a dream of mine. I would also love for our team to make it to area and state."

Hoffman feels honored to be a part of a very special team at Holly Pond.

"We have a lot of talented girls. I feel like we are all developing into our roles, and we have a lot of heart. We all share a passion of the game. We will not give up, no matter the circumstance."



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Holly Pond's Lauryn Hoffman

The Link hosting $5K draw down at Goat Island Sept. 16

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CULLMAN, Ala. – With help from Goat Island Brewing's Brad Glenn, The Link of Cullman County will host a draw down fundraiser Friday, Sept. 16, from 6-9 p.m. at Goat Island. Tickets are $20 for a chance to win the grand prize of $5,000.

Tickets can be purchased through any staff or board member, or by calling The Link at 256-775-0028.

The Link accepts cash or check, or can email an invoice through PayPal for anyone unable to buy a ticket in person. Tickets will be sold at Goat Island Brewing from 5-6:30 p.m. the day of the event.

Executive Director of The Link, Melissa Betts, said, "Ticket profits will go towards our Annual Giving campaign numbers.

"During our typical campaign it is about raising money, but it is also about raising awareness - awareness in what we 'do' in our county, awareness of needs around us, awareness in how people can get involved.

"The Annual Giving campaign officially kicks off Monday, Oct. 31 with an in-person event held on Nov. 3 this year. Our theme is LEGACY. Legacy is not just what you leave – people, money or things - but it is about what we leave 'inside' people.

"We have some exciting plans for program growth happening in 2023 and we want to be prepared for the growth that will follow."

The Link offers a variety of services to the public, such as a food pantry, free literacy tutoring, supervised visitation and more. For more information, visit www.linkingcullman.org.

Cullman (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman City Council on Monday passed Resolution 2022-111, which rejected all current bids on the Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism's 130,000-square-foot multi-sports and events center project. The council said all submitted bids exceeded the project's budget.

With an expected debut date in 2024, the center will include eight tournament basketball courts, 16 tournament volleyball courts and a mezzanine and on-court seating capacity for more than 2,400. Now, the project will be redesigned with the same footprint.

Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism Executive Director Nathan Anderson said, "We will have the same footprint, the same layout and offerings available. It's the building shell that will change. That's it."

The council recognized the city's Wastewater Treatment Plant for winning the best treatment plant in its category in the state. Jake Calloway and Allen Brown were on-hand to accept the commendation from the City.

Laura Quick, partnering with Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce, presented a special event request from the chamber for a parade for charity Sunday, Oct. 30, 2022, from 3-5 p.m.

Councilman Clint Hollingsworth reminded the community of the upcoming Oktoberfest celebration which will take place Sept. 29-Oct. 1. Hollingsworth also recommended the reappointment of Judge Rusty Turner to the CPRST Board of Directors.

In other business, the following agenda items were approved:

- To set the public hearing on Oct. 24, 2022, at 7 p.m. for Ordinance No. 2022-31 to amend the definitions in the zoning ordinance
- A special event request from Rickey Foster Jr. for a concert in Depot Park on Saturday, Oct. 8, 2022, from 6-10 p.m.
- To award the bid for a bucket truck for the traffic department to Cullman Sales and Service, LLC in the amount of $79,499
- To authorize the mayor to purchase land for economic and industrial purposes
- First reading of Ordinance No. 2022-30 to annex property located 1742 Lake David Dr. NW as R-1 residential district, which received a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission

The Cullman City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month at Cullman City Hall.

Good Hope (from Front)

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – Good Hope's City Council held its first September meeting at Good Hope City Hall Monday night and had several new business items on the agenda to handle. The Council approved a pair of Resolutions, passed a new zoning Ordinance and held its first reading for an Ordinance to authorize the operation of medical marijuana dispensaries in the city limits. The Council will have the option to approve the Ordinance at its next meeting.

Up first was Ordinance No: 018-2022 – Amends Zoning Ordinance No: 009-2019 of the City of Good Hope as to section 2.04 planned development district and all the R zones in sections 3.02, 3.03, 3.04, 3.05.

The Council held the second reading for the ordinance Monday night and passed it.

Following the approval of Ordinance, No: 018-2022, the Council had the first reading for Ordinance No: 019-2022 – Authorizing the operation of a medical cannabis dispensary within the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope.

The Ordinance reads, "Whereas on May 17, 2021, the Governor for the State of Alabama signed Darren Wesley 'Ato' Hall Compassion Act into law (The Act); and whereas the act provides for the medical use of marijuana for patients with a qualifying medical condition and a valid medical cannabis card; and whereas a dispensary may only be operated in a municipality if the municipality has passed an Ordinance authorizing the operation of dispensaries within the municipality's corporate limits; and whereas the Act authorizes and requires the Medical Cannabis Commission to heavily regulate dispensary operations, thus addressing any health, safety or welfare concerns for the citizens of the City of Good Hope; and whereas the location of a dispensary within the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope will bring the potential of new employment opportunities for the City of Good Hope; and whereas a dispensary would be required to purchase a business license and pay sales tax to the City of Good Hope, thus increasing revenue.

Effective date: This ordinance shall become effective immediately in the entire City of Good Hope upon certification by the City Clerk, that it is legal to allow a medical cannabis dispensary in the City of Good Hope, has been authorized pursuant to provision of the laws of the State of Alabama.

Now, therefore be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Good Hope, Alabama that it authorizes the operation of dispensing sites within the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope subject to any applicable zoning restrictions the City of Good Hope may adopt pursuant to 20-2A-51(c)(3)."

The first of the Resolutions that were passed Monday night was Resolution No: 020-2022 – To renew the City of Good Hope's annual contract with the Cullman County Sheriff's Office.

The Resolution reads, "Whereas, the City of Good Hope has read the proposed agreement concerning law enforcement services provided by the Sheriff. Whereas the citizens of the City of Good Hope will benefit from the said agreement; Now therefore be it resolved that the City of Good Hope may enter into an agreement with the Cullman County Sheriff's Office; It is further resolved that Jerry Bartlett, acting as the mayor of the City of Good Hope is hereby authorized to enter into said agreement and the agreement will be made part of this resolution. Now, therefore, be it resolved, the agreement be executed in the name of the City, for and on behalf of the City of Good Hope, by its mayor and Council."

To wrap up Monday night's meeting, the Council approved Resolution No: 021-2022 – To execute a contract with GameTime Playground Equipment for a new playground.

"Whereas, the City of Good Hope has authority to oversee and expend duties; and whereas Good Hope does desire to keep citizens active in our community by adding entertainment for children; and wherefore GameTime has submitted a price and the city has procured a grant to help cover some of the expense; and now therefore be it resolved, the they Mayor of the City of Good Hope is hereby authorized to sign the agreement to move the project forward, as voted upon in a regular meeting of the city council on Monday, September 12, 2022."

The Good Hope City Council will hold its next meeting Monday, Sept. 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Good Hope City Hall.

Firefighter (from Front)

I was done with my workout, I went to the stairs and thanked him for his service."

The firefighter, Tate Dyar, is a member of the Locust Fork Fire Department. He started volunteering in 2019 and went to Wallace State Community College to become a paramedic.

He attended the Alabama Fire College for his professional certifications and has been a firefighter paramedic for a little over a year.

Dyar said the tribute is common among first responders as a way to honor those who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001.

The 110 flights of stairs is the same climb made by the 343 firefighters who lost their lives at the World Trade Center.

Rather than praise him, Dyar said, he would rather everyone remember the bravery of the men and women who voluntarily went to the World Trade Center during the chaos of 9/11 to protect others.



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Angel's Hope: Raising awareness of childhood cancer

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TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — September is National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. It is recognized annually around the world in an effort to raise not only awareness, but also funds for those affected by childhood cancer. According to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 43 children in the U.S. are diagnosed with cancer every day.

One of the organizations raising awareness about childhood cancer is Angel's Hope, an Alabama-based online support organization. Angel's Hope, a 501(c)(3), was created after 18-year-old Angel Eaton passed away due to Ewing's sarcoma, a rare form of bone cancer, in an effort to further her dream of bringing hope and smiles to children affected by childhood cancer.

Eaton's mother Kimberly Eaton said, "My daughter Angel loved the kids she met while going through treatment. She had a passion to help make their life a little easier. She always said she wanted to 'give hope and make smiles.' She wanted to give her young cancer warrior friends an opportunity to still be kids and have a reason to smile.

"Angel started doing little projects when she finished her first fight with cancer. She collected toiletry items and made toiletry kits for the families who would be admitted unexpectedly, held food drives for the Family Room at Children's, held toy drives and gift card drives for families and raised money for organizations that had helped her during her fight. It was her dream of starting a foundation of her own, but she died before she had a chance. So, her family and friends took on her dream and made it a reality. Our mission has always been to enrich the lives of children fighting cancer by offering various outreach programs within the pediatric cancer community."

The organization raises awareness of individual children's experiences with cancer and provides personalized gifts to children statewide through the Angel's Box of Hope program.

"The Angel's Box of Hope program was launched on Sept. 18, 2017 - the one-year anniversary of her death. This was definitely an Angel-inspired project. She wanted to provide a gift for any child going through treatment, but she wanted to make sure the gift was actually something the child would enjoy," Eaton said. "We used to joke about how many coloring books and crayons she received when she was in the hospital. People were so amazing and generous, but sometimes it felt like they forgot how old she was, and I've heard that from a lot of older patients. So, Angel's Box of Hope is just that. It's a box filled with goodies that are specific to the individual child receiving the box. Parents/guardians fill out a form with their child's specific interests, clothing size, favorite color, etc. Then, we go shopping. Every box typically contains some kind of outfit and lots of toys. Whether it's PlayStation games or art supplies or Barbie dolls, each box is packed with that individual child in mind. In addition, the Box of Hope contains a $25 gift card for the parents and a $5 Target gift card for each sibling. There's also a little memento of an anchor. The anchor was Angel's symbol. By including it in the box, it's our way of sharing a small piece of her hope."

Angel's Hope also provides a Hope & Healing Retreat to help bereaved families and provide a safe place for moms like Eaton who have lost a child to cancer.

For September, Angel's Hope has launched September Blessings in honor of National Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

"We wanted to bless families who were in the 'thick of it' or who were finished with treatment and have really gone above and beyond to help others or raise awareness," said Eaton. "We ask for nominations (it could be a mom, dad, cancer fighter or sibling) of someone who totally 'rocks' or just needs a bit of encouragement. We draw one name every day to receive a little something special."

Nominations can be made at www.facebook.com/kim.eaton1.



ANGEL'S HOPE
Kimberly Eaton and Angel Eaton

More information about the Box of Hope program, including how to apply, can be found at www.angelshope.org/angels-box-of-hope-1.

Information about Angel's Hope programs and how to get involved/donate can also be found at www.angelshope.org.

Baileyton (from Front)

sheriff's office matter, you're going to get the fire department on the dispatch."

McGee noted that volunteer firefighters and EMTs are just that: volunteers.

They do most or all of what they do without pay, and often come out of their own pocket for department expenses.

Of his volunteers, he said, "I would thank them all for the time they dedicate. There's no pay, so it's all up to whether they're dedicated enough to show up or not. Dedication's what makes it."

About 80% of the department's calls are medical calls, but it has seen plenty of other action as well, and not just around town.

Baileyton crews responded to the 2011 and 2020 tornadoes, assisted at the J.B. Pennington High School fire in Blountsville and helped combat a large warehouse fire in Atalla in addition to many local calls.

Thinking back over the department's history and recalling stories from previous chiefs, McGee pointed to technology as one of the biggest changes over the years.

"We had a big fire, and the only reason we knew about it was somebody saw it.

"He came back and got the truck, and had to stop down here at the store to call it in.

"They didn't have radios back then, so they called the sheriff's office, and they would call somebody and then they'd leave and their wife would call everyone else. I guess communications have improved vastly since then."

Former Chief Joe Golden, who has been with the Baileyton department for more than 34 years, told The Tribune, "I've been fortunate to be a part of the growth and expansion of the fire department and the equipment, and I think Zack's going to do a real good job in furthering the department in the years to come, too. Just very fortunate to be a part of this department."

Kidney (from Front)

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HELICON, Ala. — Helicon firefighter Lael Feist recently underwent transplant surgery to donate a kidney to UAH student Alex Jones, who has Alport syndrome, a condition which causes progressive loss of kidney function. Jones has type O blood and could only receive a kidney from someone with the same blood type. He had been on the Vanderbilt Medical Center waitlist since April.

Jones had just completed his first semester as a sophomore at UAH as an Aerospace Engineering major when he found out that he needed a transplant.

"I found out after a semester. I was in stage three, they said, and I actually went through the entire semester not knowing, and then after that, I found out and continued through school," he said. "I haven't had a semester off since."

Jones' family was informed by his doctor that if they did not have a confirmed surgery appointment by Aug. 12, he would have to be put on dialysis. Earlier that same week is when they received confirmation from Feist.

Feist shared her motivation for being a living organ donor, saying, "We lost a baby 20 years ago this month, so I was looking for a way to do something with the grief. In passing, I had talked with someone back in June that was in kidney failure, and it made me think, since we lost a baby that was born without kidneys, this was a good way to give back."

Feist began looking into kidney donation and learned of the toll that dialysis takes on a patient. Dialysis filters toxins out of the blood of people whose kidneys cannot complete the function. Patients have to undergo the process for three to four hours a few times a week.

"It a significant time commitment for the patient. It doesn't allow them to be active. They're tied to a dialysis center even if they want to go on vacation somewhere," said Feist.

She registered in June on the National Kidney Registry, an organization dedicated to increasing the number of kidney transplants from living donors, with no intended recipient. She began looking at nearby donation centers and selected Vanderbilt Medical Center in Nashville.

Feist said she searched Facebook for anyone local who had donated a kidney at Vanderbilt to find more information. Then she saw the Facebook post by Phillip Jones, Alex Jones' dad, asking the public for a donation by someone with type O blood and contacted the family.

When his family first learned of Lael's process, Jones said, "We didn't know who it was. So, my mom was like 'We'll see if this goes through. We'll see.' We were kind of skeptical because it was someone random on Facebook we never met. It kind of just came out of the blue and it was really an amazing shock."

Feist participated in a two-day evaluation to determine whether the transplant would negatively affect her. After an abdomen CAT scan, an EKG, lung X-rays and blood tests, all her of results indicated she was healthy and able to proceed with the transplant. Feist said, "It really shouldn't affect me. They said not to take NSAID pain relievers consistently, but overall, two kidneys in a healthy adult provides four times what a human needs."

Jones has been recovering quickly from the surgery. His doctor said he has high expectations that the new kidney will last around 30 years since Jones is so young. Jones will have to take anti-rejection medication for the rest of his life but will have the opportunity for a much more active life without the need for dialysis.

Feist shared, "I guess there were some little God signs along the way that showed that everything was right in our decisions. He's pretty close in age to what our child's age would have been. He has the same major as my daughter who just started college. It ended up being so meaningful for me because we lost a baby due to missing kidneys, so for me, I knew how his mom felt, and in particular wanted to prevent their heartache."

Feist would like to raise more awareness about the need for living donors. Organs donated by living donors last twice as long as those from deceased donors. As of January 2021, 1,259 people were on the waitlist at Vanderbilt for a kidney donation: 608 joined the list and 619 were removed. Out of those, 315 received a transplant, 93 deteriorated, one transferred, one recovered, 79 died and 130 were removed for other causes. At the end of December 2021, 1,248 people were on the waitlist: 66 received a transplant from a living donor and 249 received a transplant from a deceased donor.

Through kidney-paired donation (KPD), if someone wants to donate to a family member or friend, but does not have the same blood type, they can donate through the National Kidney Registry to someone else and get a voucher for a kidney elsewhere for their family or friend. For more information, visit www.kidneyregistry.org.

LEGALS

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Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF R.M.S.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 02/07/2019

CASE NO.: AD2022-058

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: ANY UNKNOWN FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD R.M.S., BORN FEBRUARY 7, 2019 TO KAYLEAH ANN SLOAN

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Hannah Christine Sloan, 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 9th DAY OF September, 2022.

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

Michele E. Pate
Attorney for Petitioner
901 Airport Road South
Jasper, AL 35501
205-275-1700

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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)
CHARLES NIMROD GLATTHAAR,) CASE NO.:PC2020-108
Deceased.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR FINAL DISCHARGE

TO: VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT, ST. JUDE'S CHILDRENS HOSPITAL AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTEREST PARTIES

Please take notice that a hearing on the Petition for Final Discharge filed by G. Edward Coey, Attorney for The Estate of Charles Nimrod Glatthaar, is set for hearing on the **13th day of October, 2022, at 10:00 am**. Before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Done this the 12th day of September, 2022.

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

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice three (3) successive weeks is said newspaper

G. Edward Coey
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
ELBERT A. PIRKLE, *
* CASE NO.: PC2021-457
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration with Will Annexed having been granted to ALLEN DANIEL PIRKLE, as Personal Representative of the Estate of ELBERT A. PIRKLE, deceased, on the 9th day of September, 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.

Allen Daniel Pirkle
Personal Representative

Melvin Hasting
Attorney for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 517
Cullman, AL 35056
256-736-2230

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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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CHARLOTTE ELAINE BYRAMS, * CASE NO.: PC 2022-248
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to STEVIE JO STUMP and LACY LANEY, as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of CHARLOTTE ELAINE BYRAMS, deceased, on the 26th 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.

STEVIE JO STUMP
LACY LANEY
Co-Personal Representatives

Michael R. Burleson
Attorney for Co-Personal Representatives
200 Second Avenue SE
Cullman, AL 35055
256-620-0007

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

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

New medical office building will add more services to Hartselle Health Park

Staff Reports
Contributor

HARTSELLE, Ala. — Construction is set to begin soon on a new medical office building at Hartselle Health Park. The facility will be located on the east side of U.S. Highway 31 across from the Health Park's Physician Specialty and Primary Care & Pediatrics clinics. The building will be home to multiple outpatient physician clinics including primary care and several specialists.

"Hartselle Health Park has been well received by the community and we are grateful for that," said Lisa Courtney, VP physician services at Cullman Regional.

"We're excited to build on what Hartselle Health Park already offers because we know that local access to healthcare is important."

Hartselle Health Park officially opened in January of this year, but some of the services including the Physician Specialty Clinic opened earlier in 2021.

Currently the Health Park offers imaging services, an urgent care clinic and two multi-physician offices.

A construction timeline for the new medical office building is being developed. To see updates on this project visit www.HartselleHealthPark.com.



CULLMAN REGIONAL

Cullman Regional welcomes rheumatologist Aesha Singh, MD, to Medical Group

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Regional recently welcomed rheumatologist Aesha Singh, MD, to the Cullman Regional Medical Group. Singh received her Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery at Smt. N.H.L. Municipal Medical College and her Diplomate of National Board in Internal Medicine from the National Board of Examinations. She then completed her residency in internal medicine at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in Amarillo, Texas, and her fellowship in rheumatology at Emory University in Atlanta.

Singh treats patients 18 and older for conditions such as:

- Lupus
- Rheumatoid arthritis
- Sarcoidosis
- Vasculitis and related disorders
- Osteoarthritis
- Crystalline arthropathies like Gout
- Tendonitis
- Fibromyalgia
- Carpal tunnel syndrome
- Spondyloarthropathies
- Other autoimmune rheumatic diseases including Scleroderma, Myositis, Sjogren's

Singh will be providing care for patients at Cullman Regional Medical Group – Multi-Specialty Clinic, located in Professional Office Building One – 1948 Alabama Highway 157, Suite 330B. Schedule an appointment with Singh by calling 256-798-0569.

For more information about Singh, visit online at www.CullmanRegionalMedicalGroup.com.



CULLMAN REGIONAL

Obituary Announcements: Sept. 10-12

Katherine Marie Cosper Tucker, 88
Katherine Marie Cosper Tucker, age 88, loving mother of Cynthia (Cindy) M. Tucker and adoring wife of Luther Gerald Tucker and grandmother to a large number of dogs through the years, passed away in the early morning of Sept. 9 after a courageous battle with esophageal stomach and pancreatic cancer in Maumelle, Arkansas. Katherine was born on June 15th of 1934 in Cullman, Alabama and grew up surrounded by her large family. She had 11 siblings. Katherine was influenced by her family to be a loving and caring woman, always giving her time to others, and being a remarkable mother and wife. She met her husband, Luther, when she was in junior high school, and he was in high school. It was love at first sight and they both told their friends they had met the person they would marry. They wed in March of 1953, and they knew they both shared a love for family and decided to start one of their own. Katherine loved to sew, sing, and garden. She loved Crimson Tide's football and watched Alabama play football up until her death. As a mother, Katherine was generous, loving, and kind. She loved and spoiled her daughter, Cindy, whenever she could. They instilled in her a love of family and God and gave her opportunities to grow with both. She and her daughter were incredibly close, and her love was a blessing to Cindy in so many ways. Her daughter described her as the closest thing to an angel she had ever known, and she said her mother was an example of what a lady should be. She takes comfort in the fact that she is no longer in pain or suffering. Cindy finds peace knowing her mother is resting in the arms of Jesus and is having a Heavenly reunion with her dad. Katherine was a homemaker until her husband retired from the Army. Later in life, she was the head of Volunteers at the Crestwood Baptist Mission Center in Jackson, Mississippi where her husband was the director. She loved to witness to people and share her love for Jesus Christ. Her daughter described her as the Queen of her Heart when she said she always forgave people and never held a grudge and was truly a Godly woman. She was very healthy and active up until the end. She will be greatly missed by her family - especially her daughter Cindy, who adores her with all of her heart. "I know that I can't have you but I'm happy knowing that the angels have finally got you back. Goodly to a remarkably strong and wonderful woman and a beautiful mother." Katherine is survived by her daughter: Cindy; and her brother: Jessie Cosper. She is preceded in death by her parents: Thomas J. Cosper and Nellie Webb Cosper; her husband: Luther Gerald Tucker; her sisters: Helen Brock and Bessie Scott; half-sisters: Deanie Scruggs and Fearn Bates; her brothers: Howard, Gilbert and Herchell Cosper; half brothers: I.C. Priest and Edward Priest. Visitation will be at the Cullman Funeral Home in Cullman, Alabama on Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 12:30 p.m. with the service at 1:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Graveside Services will immediately follow at Valley Springs Cemetery. The family wishes to thank Hospice Home Care in Little Rock, AR especially Mariah, T.J., and Suzette, and all the phenomenal people there who touched her life with love, compassion, and dignity.

Lillie Ann Graves, 75
Funeral service for Lillie Ann Graves, 75, of Hanceville will be at 2 p.m., Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Johnson Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be Friday at the funeral home from 1-2 prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mrs. Graves passed away Sept. 3, 2022, at CRMC. She was born August 6, 1947, to Thomas and Edna Argo Russell. Ann loved making her own flowers and participating in yearly decorations. She loved playing with her granddaughter. She loved helping others. She was an avid bargain hunter, and she was known for her cathead biscuits. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Derial Graves; son: Ray Wilder; a sister; and her brothers. Survivors include her sons: Shannon (Mindy) Graves, Wendall Graves; grandchildren: Willow Catherine Graves, Wyatt James Branaman, Justin Wilder, Nicholas Wilder; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Allie Belle Yarbrough, 89
Allie Belle Yarbrough Owens passed away Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, at Cullman Regional Medical Center after a long illness. Visitation for Ms. Owens will be from 1-3 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 12, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with funeral services following at 3 p.m. Allie Owens was born on Nov. 28, 1932, in Falkville, Alabama, to Eugene and Rosie Yarbrough. The family ultimately settled in Vinemont, where Allie and her brother, Charles, and her sister, Joyce, were raised with lots of cousins, lots of love, and lots of faith in God. Like many of her generation, Allie grew up poor and learned how to work to help support the family from a young age. Her parents were sharecroppers whom she helped to pick cotton in the Tennessee River Valley region, alongside her siblings. Later as a teen, Allie spent a memorable summer with her Falkville cousins and worked in a food canning plant. Another summer found her working in a local dry cleaner to help support her family. Together with her sister, Allie worked and saved as much money as she could for the girls to paint their childhood home before their brother came home with his new bride from New Mexico. Allie landed her first job in the medical field as an assistant to a local physician while still in school at Cullman High. She later became a dental hygienist, a job she loved, working locally and in Birmingham at the Alabama Cast Iron Pipe Company, or ACIPCO, before marrying Walter Owens and beginning her full-time life job of mother to five children: Andy, Brent, Lyn, Darren and Darla. Raising her five kids in Cullman, Allie epitomized the busy mom who chauffeured her kids-and often many others-to and from band practices, sports practices, skating rinks, swimming pools, movie theatres, and every parade, concert, graduation, and football performance imaginable. She also lovingly sewed many a dress, blouse, or outfit for Darla, since money was always tight, and sewing was cheaper than retail. When new drapes or a bedspread were needed, out came the sewing machine. Allie's love of sewing and fabric caused many a tortuous afternoon for her boys as she went to fabric shops to find new patterns or fabric. Allie logged countless miles for field trips, riding the bus for one or more of her kids at a time, touring every field-trip worthy venue a mama can visit. She made it her mission in life to show her children how much she loved them, and many "I love you's" were exchanged between them all daily. As her children were baptized into Christ one by one, her joy was complete. Allie also took care of her parents, who never drove, making sure they were well cared for while managing and raising her five kids. Allie made sure they had groceries, assisted with biweekly laundromat runs, drove them to every doctor's appointment near or far, ensured they were in attendance for graduations, plays, and concerts, and when Rosie could no longer walk to church, she made sure her mama was at worship service. Allie and the whole family enjoyed many nights sitting on Yarbrough front porch, telling stories and listening to the sounds of God's creatures talking to one another. At the age of 56, Allie entered college at Wallace State Community College, studying medical records science. As with everyone of her generation, she proved herself capable and was the proverbial "curve buster" who studied hard for every test, much to the dismay of her younger student counterparts, and she graduated with honors. Though ultimately, she did not continue her work in the medical field, Allie worked for Cullman County's Commission on Aging where her compassion, intelligence, style, and humor were a welcome part of the everyday for her co-workers and guests. She believed everyone deserved to be heard by an advocate for their needs, and she believed in their work there before retiring at age 80. To the chagrin of her children, Allie turned down recognition as Cullman County Senior of the Year several years ago because she didn't like to be the center of attention and accepting the award would mean her photo gracing the cover of the Cullman senior magazine. It also meant a trip to Washington, D.C., to meet then-President Bush. She didn't feel her story was any different from anyone else's story. She was wrong. Allie overcame a lifetime of continued hardships but always found a way for her kids to laugh and to grow despite those hardships. She was, is, and will always be beloved for being the one and only Allie. Allie was preceded in death by her parents: Eugene and Rosie; her brother: Charles Yarbrough; and her son: Lyn Owens. She is survived by her sister: Joyce Pulse; her adoring sons: Andy (Lisa) Owens, Brent (Angela) Owens, and Darren Owens; her adoring daughter: Darla (Blake) West; as well as her grandchildren: Jonathan (Whitney) Cross, Wade Owens, Glenn Owens, Loren Owens, and Brooks West; and great-grandchildren: Keylee and Andi Cross. Allie deeply loved and is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was beloved by her co-workers, including her special "adopted" children: Becky Faulk, Kelly Wheeler, and Randall Shedd, whom she loved like her own, and a host of others whom she loved and missed after retirement. Special and heartfelt thanks go to the nursing staff at Cullman Regional who were so kind and precious to Allie during her illness and passing. Their kindnesses will be remembered and treasured always.

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Jacobs proclaims Constitution Week in Cullman

Leanne West
City of Cullman



CITY OF CULLMAN

Pictured, left to right, are Athelia Gibbs, Pat Kahler, Cathy Martin-Shallal, Mayor Woody Jacobs, Rhonda Van Zandt, Linda Kuykendall and Linda Schgier.

CULLMAN, Ala. — On Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, Mayor Woody Jacobs proclaimed the week of Sept. 17-23, 2022, "Constitution Week" in the City of Cullman. On-hand from the Dripping Springs Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) to accept the proclamation from Jacobs were Athelia Gibbs, Pat Kahler, Cathy Martin-Shallal, Rhonda Van Zandt, Linda Kuykendall and Linda Schgier.

Created in 1787 and consisting of 4,400 words (4,543 including signatures), the U.S. Constitution is the shortest and longest-surviving written Constitution of any major government in the world. Sept. 17, 2022, marks the 235th anniversary of the signing of this document.

In 1787, over the course of less than four months, a diverse group of men ranging in age from 26 to 81 devised a document that established our federal government with three equal branches of government and a system of checks and balances among those branches, divided power between the federal government and the states, and continues to protect the individual liberties of its citizens.

"It is vital that everyone reads and understands the U.S. Constitution," said Jacobs. "The wonderful ladies of the DAR, along with other groups, such as the Liberty Learning Foundation, help preserve the history of our country and ensure that future generations understand what the Constitution is and what it means."

Constitution Week was started many years ago by the Daughters of the DAR. In 1955, the DAR petitioned Congress to set aside Sept. 17-23 annually to be dedicated for the observance of Constitution Week. The resolution was adopted by U.S. Congress and signed into Public Law no. 915 on Aug. 2, 1956, by President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

The purpose of Constitution Week is to emphasize citizens' responsibilities for protecting and defending the Constitution in order to preserve it for posterity; to inform the people that the Constitution is the basis for America's great heritage and the foundation for our way of life; and, to encourage the study of the historical events which led to the framing of the Constitution.

"During 'Constitution Week,' I urge our citizens to read the Constitution again and to learn more about how and why it was created," said Jacobs.

To read the Constitution and other founding documents, or to find out more about the documents and the history of the United States, visit www.archives.gov or ask a DAR member.

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