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Wrapping up Oktoberfest 2022

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Oktoberfest 2022 kicked off its final day Saturday with the 5K/10K and wrapped up almost 16 hours later with Chase Wright closing out the German heritage festival.

Downtown Cullman saw Oktoberfest celebrants arriving in the early morning to participate in the races. As spectators huddled under jackets and sipped coffee on the brisk morning, the runners took off along Second Avenue Northeast under the sunny sky. The races had a record 275 registrants, and the proceeds will benefit the Cullman Area Mental Health Foundation.

Soon after the runners made their way to the finish line, the Cullman Community Band took the stage and the plethora of vendors opened for the day in Depot Park. Bingo players assembled at Sacred Heart at the same time Oktofurfest with its pet costume contest and wiener dog races were underway. The crowd favorite saw dog lovers packed around the racetrack cheering on their four-legged favorites. » PAGE 3


SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
The stage was lined for the kids' stein hoisting contest Saturday, Oct. 1, at Oktoberfest.

The Butcher Meat Co. to host Backyard Grill-Off Oct. 22



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Karissa Thomas, Justin Smith and Kadi Smith at The Butcher Meat Co.

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VINEMONT, Ala. — The Butcher Meat Co. in Vinemont is welcoming competitors to enter its Backyard Grill-Off Saturday, Oct. 22. Competitors are asked to sign up by Oct. 14.

Kadi and Justin Smith opened the shop in July and decided to host the event to give back to their community. It will be a fundraiser for Vinemont parks.

To follow guidelines set by the Alabama Department of Public Health, all meat for the competition will be USDA certified and provided by The Butcher Meat Co. The cost for the meats will be included in registration fees. Competitors will be allowed to pick up meat on the morning of the competition at The Butcher Meat Co. from 5-8 a.m. All competitors will need to be set up by 8:30. Participants will have to bring their own cooking equipment. All meat must be cooked on the premises. A complete list of event rules and registration can be found at https://butchermeatco.com/backyard-grill-off.

Categories include:

- One-Category Entry (ribs or chicken)- Entry fee per team is $125
- Two-Category Entry (ribs and chicken)- Entry fee per team is $200
- Two-Category Entry Plus People's Choice (ribs, chicken and chicken wings)- Entry fee per team is $250
- People's Choice (chicken wings) Entry fee per team is $175

Judging will be blind. Entries will be judged on appearance, taste and texture. Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS) cooking and judging rules will apply. There will be tickets available to allow any visitors to vote on their favorite chicken wings for the People's Choice » PAGE 7

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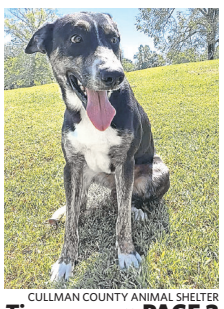
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AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Michael Sullins and Julie Burks guide the Oktoberfest Candlelight Walking Tour Thursday, Sept. 29. » PAGE 5

– PET OF THE WEEK –

Tigger(s) are wonderful things!


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Tigger » PAGE 3

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 3

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 3, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Sept. 30

- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 222
- burglary; Hwy 69 N
- burglary; Co. Rd. 728
- violation of protection order; Wesley Ave. N
- theft of property; Hwy 31
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1435
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1082

Oct. 1

- assault; Co. Rd. 1498
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1223
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1457
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 91
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1545

Oct. 2

- harassment; Hwy 69 S
- domestic violence; I 65 NB MM 306
- criminal mischief; Hwy 69 S
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1154
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437
- receiving stolen property; I 65 SB MM 312

ARRESTS

Sept. 29

Brown, Alexandria R; 31
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Duke, Kaitlyn R; 21
- FTA-assault-child abuse-simple-family
- FTA-driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Ford, David L; 44
- FTA-possession of methamphetamine
- FTA-driving while license suspended
- FTA-failure to register vehicle
- FTA-failure/refusal to display insurance
- FTA-no seat belt
- FTA-speeding above 45 mph on county road

Hann, Timothy M; 34
- FTA-driving under the influence (controlled substances)

Hudson, Danny R; 43
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Kilgore, Shelli A; 50
- FTA-illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

McAtee, Jessica; 31
- reckless endangerment

McClendon, Temple T; 57
- FTA-selling/distributing dangerous drugs

McCormick, Kenny L; 30
- burglary-residence-no force

Odell, Monica C; 41
- FTA-possession of methamphetamine
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-2nd offense

Overton, Joseph R; 31
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)

Pendergraft, Unique N; 30
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-disorderly conduct

Sellers, Van T; 36
- FTA-speeding

Shaffer, Dameon S; 25
- FTA-no seat belt

Smith, Christian X; 31
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-indecent exposure
- FTA-Violation of domestic violence protection order (2 counts)

White, Phillip J; 62
- FTA-operating vehicle without insurance

Oct. 1

Abbott, Kalyn W; 30
- FTA-driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Bell, Shontez A; 35
- receiving stolen property

Bradley, Jamie M; 26
- FTA-attempting to commit a controlled substance crime
- FTA-counterfeiting

Brown, David O; 35
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-driving while license suspended
- FTA-driving under the influence (controlled substances)
- Violation of release order-criminal mischief
- Violation of release order-shoplifting

Cavender, George W; 43
- attempting to elude a police officer

Cruce, Caleb E; 19
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-buying/receiving stolen property

Davis, Lucas D; 27
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana
- promoting prison contraband (drugs)

Dover, Janissa C; 29
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-driving while license suspended

Ellis, Adam T; 34
- Probation violation-selling/distributing dangerous drugs

Frazier, Ashley B; 33
- selling/distributing methamphetamine

Gandy, Ashley C; 60
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Green, Christian B; 31
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Grimmett, Larrydale D; 53
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of marijuana
- GJ-failure of sex offender to register with law enforcement (2 counts)
- FTA-failure of sex offender to register with law enforcement (3 counts)

Hale, Draven K; 23
- counterfeiting
- auto theft and sale

Harris, D'Koleman J; 21
- receiving stolen property
- possession of concealed weapon without permit

Holland, Graham E; 33
- FTA-illegal possession of prescription drug
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (3 counts)
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)

Hunt, Jimmie R; 46
- FTA-driving under the influence (alcohol)

Hunter, Courtez L; 21
- promoting prison contraband (drugs)
- possession of dangerous drugs
- receiving stolen property
- receiving stolen vehicle
- possession of concealed weapon without permit

McKenzie, Cameron B; 27
- FTA-criminal trespassing

Moctezuma, Kimberly L; 29
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Shelton, Jennifer M; 43
- possession of cocaine

Sivils, Amanda C; 40
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (3 counts)
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Sturgeon, Anthony M; 27
- Probation violation-receiving stolen vehicle

Tabb, Alexus B; 25
- possession of marijuana

Thompkins, Daniel; 23
- FTA-possession of marijuana

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 1

- assault-2nd degree, assault-3rd degree; 1st Ave. S.E.
- domestic violence-3rd degree; 3rd St. S.E.
- burglary-3rd degree; Adelsheim Cir. S.W.
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; damage to 2013 Nissan Rogue; $2,500
- domestic violence-3rd degree (harassment); Cobb Ave. S.W.
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Cleveland Ave. S.W; purse and contents, damaged window
- domestic violence-3rd degree (harassment)
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; 2nd Ave. N.W; damage to 2017 Nissan

Oct. 2

- criminal mischief-3rd degree; Catoma Dr. N.E; damage to 2014 Toyota; $200
- leaving the scene of accident; damage to 2015 Lexus

ARRESTS

Sept. 30

Brooks, Jacob W; 35
- public intoxication

Costantini, Anthony B; 41
- public intoxication

Fornefeld, Elsha C; 40
- driving under the influence (controlled substance)

Gant, Michael J; 47
- driving under the influence

Thornton, Gregory S; 33
- receiving stolen property-4th degree

Oct. 1

Brown, David O; 35
- theft of property-3rd degree
- FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)

Dover, Janissa C; 29
- FTA-driving while suspended

Olszowka, Dax M; 19
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Oct. 2

Millar, Ronnie R; 40
- FTA-driving while suspended
- FTA-insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No incidents or arrests reported.

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

LEGALS

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Planning Commission of the City of Good Hope, will hold a public hearing on October 17, 2022 at 6:00 pm at Good Hope City Hall, 135 Municipal Drive, Cullman, AL 35057. At this time anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 022-2022 (set forth in full below) to Re-Zone said property from R2 to GB, will be given an opportunity to be heard.

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 022-2022
TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN
ORDINANCE NO: 022-2022
RE-ZONE PARCEL FROM R2 TO B2

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOOD HOPE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Act and the city's general jurisdictional power and land use authority, it is therefore, provided:

For the purpose of rezoning the below parcel of property from R2 to GB, located in the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope, Cullman County, Alabama to General Business District.

A part of the Northeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 4, Township 11, Range 3 West, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Southeast corner of said forty; thence North 195 feet along East forty line to point on the South line of Good Hope City Street; thence West 818 feet along South line of said street to the point of beginning of the land herein conveyed; thence East 210 feet along South line of said street; thence south 195 feet to point on South forty line; thence West along South forty line 210 feet to a concrete monument; thence North 23° 56' East 212.5 feet to point on South line of Good Hope City Street and the point of beginning.

Source of Description: Deed Fiche 795 Frame E1

Parcel No: 22-02-04-0-001-041.000 PIN: 34136 Physical Address: 110 Cupp Road Cullman, AL 35055

Situated within the city limits of Good Hope, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, heretofore designated as R2 Business District on the Zoning Map of the City of Good Hope, Alabama, and is hereby changed from R2 to GB. You may review map at Good Hope City Hall.
2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for three consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the municipality, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being published on November 8, 2022.
3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 17th day of October, 2022 at 6:00 p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.
4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for Cullman County, Alabama.
5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Good Hope, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance be and are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.
6. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this ordinance.
7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

Christie Chamblee, City Clerk

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PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 023-2022
TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN
ORDINANCE NO: 023-2022
RE-ZONE PARCEL FROM R2 TO GB (B2)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOOD HOPE, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Act and the city's general jurisdictional power and land use authority, it is therefore, provided:

For the purpose of rezoning the below parcel of property from R2 to GB, located in the corporate limits of the City of Good Hope, Cullman County, Alabama to General Business District.

A parcel of land being in the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 11 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama. Described as: Commencing at a found capped 5/8" rebar accepted as the Northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence S0°31'21:W, 102.75 feet to a found capped 5/8" rebar on the Northwesterly right of way of New Chigger Ridge Road; thence S16°55'11"W 262.52 feet to a capped ½" rebar on the Southeasterly right of way of said New Chigger Ridge Road being the point of beginning; thence leaving said right of way S1°38'01"W 569.32 feet to a capped ½" rebar on the Northerly right of way of County Road #616; thence along said right of way a chord bearing and distance of S83°14'08"W 181.31 feet to a found capped 5/8" rebar; thence continue along said right of way N70°00'38"W, 116.20 feet to a found concrete right of way monument (said monument more particularly described as being 70 feet North of centerline station 35+00); thence continue along said right of way N75°05'18"W, 189.42 feet to a found concrete right of way monument at the intersection of the Northerly right of way of County Road #616 and the Southeasterly right of way of New Chigger Ridge Road (said monument more particularly described as bind 130 feet North of centerline Station 33+00, in the County Road #616 and 130 feet east of centerline station 201+00 in New Chigger Ridge Road); thence along said Southeasterly right of way N48°35'05"E, 201.06 feet to a found concrete right of way monument (said monument being more particularly as being 130 feet East of centerline station 203+00); thence continue along said Southeasterly right of way N27°44'44"E, 160.06 feet to a found concrete right of way monument (said monument more particularly described as being 70 feet East of centerline station 204+40); thence N49°11'12"E along a line 70 feet East and parallel to the centerline of the New Chigger Ridge Road for a distance of 347-79 feet tot the point of beginning. Being 3.44 acres more or less. Less and except all powerline right of ways and all other right of ways and easements of record. Description according to the survey of Kelly L. Whitfield, Ala. PLS. No. 19901.

Parcel No: 22-02-10-0-000-023.06 PIN: 83044 Physical Address: County Road 490

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Christie Chamblee, City Clerk

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to wendy@cullmantribune.com

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, Oct. 5 - 7 p.m. Adult - "RULES of ENGAGEMENT," 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.
• Thursday, Oct. 6-10 a.m. Prayer Meeting - Please join Bonnie Barrett for prayer for our church, nation, our leaders, special prayer requests, etc. Everyone welcome!
• Thursday, Oct. 6-7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - Fellowship and Testimonies. Hurts, habits and hangups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! For those who want to get together before class bring a dish, dessert or drink 6:30 p.m. for a potluck meal. Nursery provided.
• Sunday, Oct. 9 8-9 a.m. Prayer Group - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby and pray for our church, nation, and for those who need Salvation and deliverance.
• Sunday, Oct. 9 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 Pastor Bobby Dodd.
• Friday, Oct. 14 10 a.m. Adult Lunch - Adults meet at Spirit Life Church and leave at 10:15 a.m. to go to The Old Cookstove in Danville for an Amish buffet lunch. Please plan to bring $19 to cover the cost of the buffet, drink, tax and tip. We will use the van and private cars if needed. Please RSVP by contacting Marti at 256-507-3564 by Oct. 12.

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
• 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
• 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: 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.

Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation 3rd Annual Little Pink Dress Benefit
Tuesday, Oct. 4, from 5:30-9 p.m. at Loft 212. A fun night of food, music, live and silent auctions, and good times with some of your favorite people! Tickets are $60 and can be purchased at www.cullmanbosombuddies.com/little-pink-dress. The Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation supports local cancer patients while they are in treatment.

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

Holly Pond Homemakers Club Meeting
Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 1 p.m. at the Holly Pond Event Center. The program is dedicated to "techies." Hostesses are Lee Reid and Glenda Nail. Come and bring a friend.

Heartland Quilt Guild Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 13, at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Covenant Church on 1310 Saint Joseph Dr., in Cullman

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.

Pleasant View Homecoming
We will have our annual Homecoming service on Sunday, Oct. 16, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served. We will start back singing about 1:30. We will have singing featuring the Living Faith Quartet. Everyone is invited. All former pastors and members and their families have a special invitation to come. We will not have service that night. 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.

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, visit www.goodsamaritancullman.com to make a donation today.

1963 Fairview High School Class Meeting
Friday, Oct. 21, at 1 p.m. at Golden Corral, 1720 Cherokee Ave. SW, Cullman. The meeting will be held in a reserved room in the back of the restaurant. There will be no meetings in November and December 2022. The next meeting in 2023 will be on Friday, Jan. 20, weather permitting. For more information, call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

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
Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 29-30, from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at St. Bernard Abbey and Prep School. The event features some of the best artisans in the Southeast with their work including pottery, wreaths, door hangers, flowers, wood turned bowls, clothing, birdhouses, honey, jewelry, soap, brooms, metal art, glass art, freshly ground cornmeal and grits and more. While shopping, enjoy live music and the best pulled pork in the Southeast as well as ribs, hamburgers, brats and chicken. On Sunday at 4 p.m. St. Bernard will give away cash prizes totaling over $12,000. Bring the entire family for a weekend of fun on our 800-plus acre campus. Admission is a $10 requested donation. Children younger than 5 get in free. NO PETS, PLEASE. Festival guests can also tour our world-famous Ave Maria Grotto at a reduced admission of $5 all weekend.

Cullman High School Class of 1967 55th Class Reunion
Saturday, Oct. 29, at 6 p.m. at Pine Meadow, 739 County Road 1319, Cullman. For more information, call 256-739-0644.

Tigger (from Front)

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

Tigger is a 2.5-3-year-old tri-colored shepherd mix boy with a freckled snout. The charming gentleman understands leash etiquette and loves learning new tasks and tricks. Tigger plays well with others and is an eager boy with medium energy.

Already introduced to carrying a backpack and wearing it well, Tigger will make an excellent hiking friend and/or therapy dog with his willingness to learn. Tigger is just waiting for you to make his dreams come true!

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

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

Oktoberfest (from Front)

The Wallace State Singers and Wallace State Jazz Band were next on the stage followed by the Cullman High School Choir. In the afternoon and evening, the brat eating contest, kids' stein hoisting and best dressed competitions and adults' stein hoisting and best dressed contests were held between the music of Oompah-Calypse, Brez, Avenue G Band, The Overtones and Chase Wright.

Reflecting over the event, Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism Executive Director Nathan Anderson said, "This year's Oktoberfest is the most successful event that I can recall. As always, I am proud of the way our community comes together to make special things happen like Oktoberfest. We appreciate our sponsors, committee, vendors and CPRST team for the hard work and support."

Cullman played host to thousands of local residents and visitors from throughout the state and Southeast over the Oktoberfest weekend. The community involvement and support through corporate sponsorships, vigorous work from CPRST and the dedication of celebrants who attend each year continue to make Cullman Oktoberfest an event to remember.

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Cullman County Youth Football Week 7 scoring recap

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CULLMAN, Ala. — There are now only two more weeks left to go in the regular season and the playoff picture is getting more and more clear with each passing week. Saturday was packed with key games going around the local area. The Good Hope Raiders hosted the Holly Pond Broncos, the Cold Springs Eagles traveled to take on the Vinemont Eagles, the West Point Warriors hosted the Cullman Cyclones and the Cullman Bearcats traveled to take on the Fairview Aggies.

Holly Pond Broncos at Good Hope Raiders
- Fireplug: Raiders 20 – Broncos 8
- Wee-Wee: Raiders 16 – Broncos 6
- Pee-Wee: Raiders 34 – Broncos 0

Cold Springs Eagles at Vinemont Eagles
- Fireplug: Cold Springs 30 – Vinemont 22
- Wee-Wee: Vinemont 14 – Cold Springs 8

Cullman Cyclones at West Point Warriors
- Fireplug: Cyclones 36 – Warriors 0
- Wee-Wee: Cyclones 36 – Warriors 0
- Pee-Wee: Cyclones 38 – Warriors 14

Cullman Bearcats at Fairview Aggies
- Fireplug: Bearcats 20 – Aggies 6
- Wee-Wee: Bearcats 38 – Aggies 8
- Pee-Wee: Aggies 14 – Bearcats 0

Fireplug Records:
- Cullman Cyclones (6-0)
- Good Hope Raiders (5-1)
- Cullman Bearcats (5-1)
- Vinemont Eagles (4-2)
- West Point Warriors (3-4)
- Fairview Aggies (2-3)
- Cold Springs Eagles (1-5)
- Holly Pond Broncos (1-6)
- Hanceville Bulldogs (0-5)

Wee-Wee Records:
- Cullman Cyclones (6-0)
- Good Hope Raiders (5-1)
- Cullman Bearcats (5-1)
- Vinemont Eagles (4-2)
- West Point Warriors (4-3)
- Holly Pond Broncos (2-5)
- Fairview Aggies (1-4)
- Hanceville Bulldogs (0-5)
- Cold Springs Eagles (0-6)

Pee-Wee Records:
- Cullman Cyclones (6-0)
- Good Hope Raiders (5-1)
- Vinemont Eagles (3-1)
- West Point Warriors (3-2)
- Holly Pond Broncos (2-4)
- Hanceville Bulldogs (2-4)
- Cullman Bearcats (1-4)
- Fairview Aggies (0-4)

Week 8 Schedule (October 8th)
- Hanceville Bulldogs at Holly Pond Broncos (4 p.m.)
- Good Hope Raiders at Cold Springs Eagles (9 a.m.)
- Vinemont Eagles at Cullman Bearcats (4 p.m.)
- Fairview Aggies at Cullman Cyclones (9 a.m.)



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The Good Hope Raiders took Saturday's Wee-Wee matchup over the Broncos 16-6.

'I want to be someone the girls can look up to': Cold Springs' Madison Perdue looking to lead during senior year

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BREMEN, Ala. — Another cheer season is underway and for Cold Springs senior Madison Perdue, she's had a blast cheering with a great group of girls and has learned so much during her time as a cheerleader so far.

"It's been such a great experience. It has been so much fun, having such a variety of girls on the team. Everyone brings something different, and everyone serves a purpose. We have really grown as a team over the summer, and I am so excited to see how much progress we make by the end of the season," Perdue said. "I've been cheering since I was in first grade. The biggest thing I have taken away from cheering is the thought that we are a team. Everyone brings something different to the table and everyone matters. Cheerleading is supposed to be about leading the community in supporting our teams."

She added, "Cold Springs is lucky in the way that our community is so small. Because we are so close, everyone comes out to support each other. It has been a great environment, cheering in front of people who you know care about the cheerleaders as well as the players."

Cold Springs has a new cheer coach this season in Mrs. Adrian Dickerson and Perdue has already taken away so much from her so far.

"Mrs. Dickerson is so much fun. As a team, we have so much respect for her. We listen to what she tells us and the thing that she tells us the most is to have fun. One thing I have taken away from her coaching is if we are not having fun, no one else will. And while this heavily applies to cheer, I think this is true in everything. I have really taken everything to heart, and it has helped me in a multitude of things outside of cheer." Perdue said. "She has taught us several cheers and dances that she used to do when she cheered. My favorite thing that she has taught us so far is our new band dance, 'To Dump."

Cold Springs has a lot of experienced cheerleaders back this season and will have some new cheerleaders on the squad as well. Perdue and the rest of the upperclassmen have taught the younger cheerleaders so much so far and she'll be one of the leaders this year.

"The most important thing to teach the new cheerleaders is spirit. It is hard to be peppy and full of energy all the time, but it is key to be a good cheerleader. One of my main goals this year is to always be what I expect out of our team.

"I do not expect the girls to do something I am not doing. I really want to stay on top and that means be sharp, be loud, smile, and be peppy. If I am doing all of this stuff, it will push the other girls to be better."

Perdue worked on a lot of things during the summer, and she's set some goals for her and the team.

"I've been working really hard to get in better shape, so I do not get winded as easy. Yelling and moving all the time really takes it out of you. It has also helped me build muscle for stunts and jumps. I've been working on my projection and flexibility as well," she said.

"My goal this year is to be remembered as a team leader. I want to be someone the girls can look to, even after I graduate. I would love to be All-County.

"The team's goal this year is to bring the community closer together and to empower our players to keep going, even when the game is hard. We are also working really hard for the county championship, and we hope to win."

Perdue talked about what will make this cheerleading squad special to watch this year. She has soaked up so much from the upperclassmen before her and she talked about who her biggest inspiration was growing up.

"One thing I think is really special is that every girl is a leader in their own way. Of course, we have team leaders, but every girl works hard and that has helped them lead others outside the team. Everyone on this team goes out of their way to make sure that the crowd is having fun and that the players know they have a whole community supporting them," she said. "I have had the opportunity to cheer with some amazing girls. They all have different characteristics that make them unique as a cheerleader. The most important thing that my upperclassmen did for me was bring me out of my shell and really pushed me to be a better leader for our school."

She added, "Growing up, my biggest inspiration for cheerleading was my mom. She went to Cold Springs and was captain. My mom showed me her old routines and when she would tumble, it made me want to be just like her. She was my cheer coach from second-fifth grade and led us to two placements in the top three and a win my fifth-grade year. When I think of cheerleading, my mind immediately goes to her. She will always be the best in my mind."



MADISON PERDUE

Cold Springs' Madison Perdue

Whataburger (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The City of Cullman Planning Commission approved the site plan for a proposed Whataburger on Cherokee Avenue Southwest and Swafford Road Southwest, with few contingencies. The new location will provide seating for 76 customers. The burger chain, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, opened in 1950, has almost 900 locations across the country and is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Currently, the Decatur location is the closest to Cullman residents.

Public hearings and subdivisions were heard on two properties.

The first, a short-form subdivision, was held for a property on Talley Ho Street Southwest. The second, a preliminary subdivision, was heard for Kilpatrick Landing Phase II.

The project will add four lots near the entrance of the subdivision. No opposition was heard about either project, and both were approved.

A proposed site plan for Tidal Wave Car Wash to be located on Main Avenue Northwest between Katherine Street Northwest and Bruner Street Northwest was submitted.

The City arborist noted that the plan included landscaping including Chinese privet hedge, an invasive species in the area.

The arborist recommended the use of boxwoods or similar shrubbery.

Other concerns were noted by department heads including water drainage onto the right of way. After a representative from Atlas Engineering assured the commission that the water recirculation system will meet its standards, the site plan was approved with seven contingencies.

A new Pizza Hut location on Brantley Avenue Northwest has its site plan approved with contingencies. The last site plan, for a new convenience store on U.S. Highway 278 West and Ward Avenue Southwest, was also approved with contingencies.

An annexation request for two parcels off Fairway Drive Northwest, north of Alabama Highway 157 and west of Interstate 65 was approved.

The commission approved its 2023 calendar for deadlines and meeting dates.

Lastly, the building department was tasked with reviewing updated state codes and providing recommendations.

Concert (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman's Good Samaritan Health Clinic will hold its sixth annual Caring for Cullman Concert on Monday, Oct. 17, at Northbrook Baptist Church. Returning to help the clinic with its biggest fundraising event are gospel musicians Triumphant Quartet and comedian Mickey Bell.

Joining Good Samaritan every year, Triumphant Quartet is one of southern gospel's favorite groups, with numerous Singing News Fan Awards, and Cullman native Eric Bennett has won Favorite Bass Singer honors. Christian comedian and author Mickey Bell returns for his second year. Bell's wit and ability to speak to crowds of all ages have made him popular across the country.

Serving the community

Good Samaritan Health Clinic is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, relying on the support of the Cullman community to provide services at no cost to patients.

"We could not provide these services without the monetary support of businesses, individuals, churches, civic organizations and grants, as well as the many medical and non-medical volunteers who choose to serve our community through Good Samaritan Clinic," said Director Jolanda Hutson.

The Caring for Cullman Concert has become the clinic's signature fundraiser to assist in meeting the medical needs of Cullman County's uninsured.

Hutson shared, "Due to COVID, we have not been able to host our event for the past two years, so we couldn't be more excited to bring this event back once again to our community on Oct. 17. In 2019, over 800 people attended the event, raising funds to provide care for 390 patient visits. We are incredibly grateful to all of our event sponsors, many of which contributed to the clinic the past two years even in the absence of our concert."

What does Good Samaritan do?

Good Samaritan Health Clinic provides primary health and wellness care to uninsured adults in Cullman County. Once patients qualify, they have access to all the clinic's services including medications, referrals, dental extractions, hearing evaluations, mental health counseling and social services.

Hutson explained, "The clinic provides the uninsured an alternative to the local hospital's emergency room, thus keeping overall health care costs down while enabling the ER to provide more efficient care for true emergencies. Our patients are so thankful for the health care services they receive through Good Samaritan Clinic. We routinely hear testimonials from our patients that without Good Samaritan, they would have no place to turn for their ongoing health care needs.

"I encourage anyone who would enjoy an evening of fun and great music to join us. You won't be disappointed. Maybe you know someone who needs some encouragement, treat them by inviting them to come with you. During the event, you will not only be inspired by some amazingly talented entertainers but also learn more about the impact the clinic is having in our community."

For more on Good Samaritan Health Clinic, visit www.goodsamaritancullman.com. For more on the evening's entertainment, visit www.triumphantquartet.com and www.themickeybell.com.

At a glance
- Caring for Cullman Concert, supporting Good Samaritan Health Clinic
- 6 p.m., Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at Northbrook Baptist Church, 3691 Alabama Highway 157 in Cullman
- Doors open at 5 p.m.
- Tickets are $20, available at Good Samaritan Health Clinic, Yates-Chance Christian Bookstore, Borden Family Pharmacy and at the door. Tickets available online for $23 at www.goodsamaritancullman.com.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Cullman community in reference to 'Cullman Comes Out'

David Fanning and the congregation of Holly Pond Church of Christ

In times past Cullman was known as the "City of Churches," a religious community. People used to sing the song "I Believe Every Word in the Word." We realized that it doesn't matter what we think, but what matters is what God thinks and his word says.

Many are quick to say, "It is wrong to judge." They use Matthew 7:1, taking it out of context. What did Jesus actually say in Matthew 6 and 7? He said do not give as the hypocrites (Matthew 6:2), do not pray as the hypocrites (Matthew 6:5), do not fast as the hypocrites (Matthew 6:16) and do not judge as the hypocrites (Matthew 7:1-5). Jesus did not forbid us to judge, fast, pray or give. In John 7:24, Jesus tells us to judge righteous judgment. Righteous judgment is based on the truth (God's word) and what is right and wrong. Judging does not always mean to condemn. It means to make a determination, to discern, for the purpose of forming a conclusion. We make judgments every day. About what is best for us, what is wrong for us, what to invest in this or that, what is the best car, what is the best food. etc.

In making righteous judgments, they must be based on the truth (Gods word) (John 17:17).After all, we will be judged by Jesus' words at the last day (John 12:48 and John 5:22) Jesus will come back as our judge. His words were God's words. What does God's word say? In Genesis 19, God destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. Why did God destroy these cities? The reason was because of homosexuality. In Leviticus 18:22, it is an abomination to God (He hates it). In Leviticus 20:13, those who practiced it were to be put to death. The Old Testament describes this sin as an abomination, criminal and worthy of death. Homosexuality is always a sin in the Bible.

What does the New Testament have to say about this? The New Testament is more explicit. In Romans 1: 22-32, it says they dishonored their own bodies and describes the vile affections. In verse 32 those that approve of such practices are also condemned. 1 Timothy 1:8-10 gives a list of the ungodly and includes those that defile themselves with mankind. Another list is given in 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 of those who shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

God has his plan (Proverbs 14:12). Yes, you can show people that you can be anything you want to be. God has given us the freedom of choice. You can choose to attend Wallace State or you can choose not to. You can choose to be a child of the devil or you can choose to be a child of God. God's word only gives us two choices. It doesn't matter what we think. What matters is what God thinks and HIS word says, what God accepts and what pleases Him.

Only the truth (God's word) can set us free from sin (John 8:32). We invite you to listen to our radio program "IT IS WRITTEN" on WKUL 92 .1 FM each Sunday evening at 9:05 to 9:35 p.m. God's word says, "If you are not for me, you are against me" (Romans 2:8).

David Fanning and the congregation of Holly Pond Church of Christ

Ball (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Victim Services of Cullman's second annual Masquerade Ball will take place Tuesday, Oct. 25 from 6-10 p.m. at Brick Haven.

The innaugural Masquerade Ball was held in 2019. Due to COVID-19, the event was canceled the last two years.

VSOC Executive Director Carol Horstman said, "The inspiration for the Masquerade Ball was to bring the community together for a big event in October for Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

"It gives everyone a chance to play 'dress up,' and at the same time, show survivors of domestic violence that this community cares."

Proceeds from the ball go to VSOC's emergency shelter, which provides a safe and peaceful place for women and children to heal and rebuild their lives after abuse.

Tickets are $50. All donations are tax deductible. Tickets include a five-course meal, music, live auction and silent auction.

Tickets can be purchased at Peoples Bank of Alabama, Gateway Mortgage, VSOC and at https://tinyurl.com/VSOCBall.

October was established as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in 1987 to bring attention to the forms of domestic violence and the resources available for those who have experienced it.

According to the U.S. Department of Justice, "Domestic violence is a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one partner to gain or maintain power and control over another intimate partner. Domestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, psychological, or technological actions or threats of actions or other patterns of coercive behavior that influence another person within an intimate partner relationship.

"This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone."

Domestic violence can happen to anyone. It not only affects those who are abused, but also family members, friends, co-workers, other witnesses and the community at large.

VSOC was established in 1991 to provide crisis prevention and recovery programs for families impacted by domestic violence and survivors of sexual assault. All services are provided at no cost.

Horstman shared some of the signs that might suggest someone you know is in an abusive relationship: his or her partner doesn't like it when he/she spends time with family and friends, he or she starts abruptly canceling plans, he or she is noticeably unhappy more often, his or her partner often uses rough language or speaks down to her/him.

Victims should be approached about the subject of domestic violence with compassion.

Letting victims know that they are not to blame, and that help is available when they are ready, is important.

To find out more about VSOC, visit www.victimservices.online or call the administrative office at 256-775-2600.

If you are in a domestic violence situation, call the VSOC 24-Hour Crisis Line at 256-734-6100, Spanish Line at 256-708-4769 or the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 1-800-799-SAFE (7233).

Tour (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Julie Burks and Michael Sullins hosted the Oktoberfest Candlelight Walking Tour on Thursday evening beginning under the statue of Cullman founder John G. Cullmann. With well over 100 walkers hungry for local history joining the pair along the path, the tour guides weaved tales from the 1930s along Second Avenue Northeast and U.S. Highway 278.

Traffic lights are coming to Cullman

In April of 1931, six traffics lights, similar in type to those in the big city of Birmingham, are reported to be on their way to Cullman. The lights were placed at the intersection of Bee Line Highway and Second Avenue West and along east/west roadways. The lights were operational day and night until 11 p.m.

Filled with the spirit or with the spirits

In August 1934, church service was underway in west Cullman when a parishioner shouted an "Amen" from a back pew at the beginning of the sermon. As the pastor continued his sermons, the shouts of "Amen" grew louder. Church members investigated and found the lively member was intoxicated. Law enforcement was notified, and the spirited churchgoer was escorted to jail while still exclaiming, "Amen" as taken downtown.

All Steak Café opens

In April 1938, the All Steak Café opened under the leadership of local businessman Millard Buchmann. The restaurant was designed in compliance with the new state laws at the time which regulated sanitation and cleanliness. On the menu was the specialty Kansas City steaks, the finest to be found.

Cullman's second bank robbery

Cullman's first bank robbery occurred in 1932 by a local man named Willie Peek who was apprehended and served time for his offense.

With four banks in business by 1936 - Parker Bank and Trust Company, Leeth National Bank, Merchants Bank of Hanceville and Tennessee Valley Bank - it was a matter of time before another crime happened. In December 1936, Cullman's second bank robbery also ended in an arrest, but this time, a victim was shot at Tennessee Valley Bank.

23-year-old Roy Lee Crawford from the Berlin area was already familiar with a life of crime at his young age.

On Dec. 10, 1936, Crawford surveyed the bank, and, when noting only one occupant, entered the building and pulled out his pistol. He shouted for the teller, 22-year-old Catherine Clark Voss, to enter the vault.

Voss, the daughter of the bank's head cashier Rene Clark, defiantly refused to cooperate with Crawford's demands.

As Crawford made his second request for Voss to enter the vault, Voss put her hands on her hips and shouted, "No!"

The bank robber struck Voss over the head with the butt of the gun and a struggle ensued. Crawford dropped the gun, and both scrambled to retrieve it.

Crawford snatched the gun and scooped money from the cash drawer stuffing it into the pockets of his overcoat. He ordered Voss into the vault once more and again she refused.

Crawford fired his weapon at Voss and the bullet pierced her shoulder, passing through her body and ended up in the ceiling.

As Crawford ran for the door, Voss screamed for help. Crawford made his way through the streets of Cullman on foot with business proprietors and citizens in pursuit.

In the meantime, Voss' father returned from lunch and found his daughter on the floor of the bank bleeding. Voss was rushed to Cullman Hospital by Scheuing's ambulance. She was examined, bandaged and remained in the hospital under observation for a week.

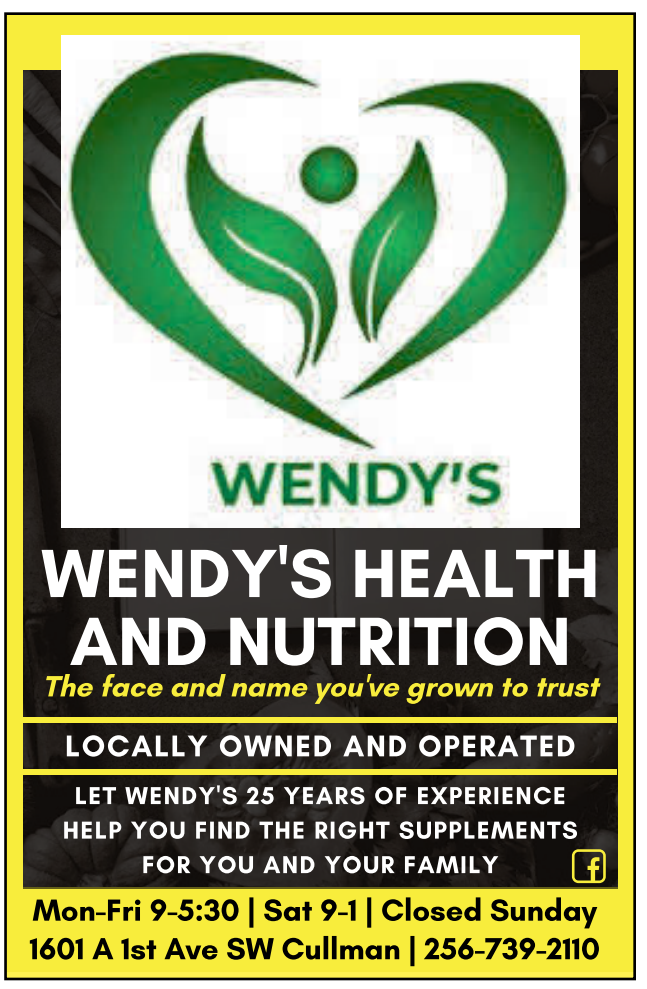
Crawford was apprehended after hiding in the basement of a local home and the money was later found in the shed of the home and returned to Tennessee Valley Bank.

Once released from the hospital, Voss identified her assailant from a police lineup and wished to return to work at the bank when the doctor released her.

Two months later, Voss was awarded a Gold Medal of Valor for bravery and service. The award was presented by a National Surety Corporation of Atlanta representative and Tennessee Valley Bank of Decatur President Clyde Hendrix attended along with many Cullman citizens.

Crawford was sentenced to 75 years in prison by Judge W.W. Callahan. He died on Dec. 31, 1979, and is buried near his parents at the Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church Cemetery.

Voss lived a full life and passed on March 24, 1979. She is buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery.







LEGALS

PB MIN BK 210 PG 497 - 09/30/2022 02:13 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC 2022-320

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CODY JOSEPH GRATTAN, DECEASED,

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATRIX

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to JENNIFER MILLER, as Administratrix of the Estate of CODY JOSEPH GRATTAN, Deceased, on the 30th day of September, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown.

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.

JENNIFER MILLER
Administratrix of the
Estate of
Cody Joseph Grattan, Deceased

PERRY D. KNIGHT
Attorney for the Estate of
Cody Joseph Gratton, Deceased
412 First Avenue SE
Suite 101
Cullman, AL 35055
256-734-4090

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

STATE OF ALABAMA
PROCLAMATION
BY THE GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Alabama Legislature at its 2021 and 2022 Regular Sessions enacted Act No. 2021-343 (HB622) and Act No. 2022-036 (HB86), which ordered an election to be held on two proposed amendments to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 relating to Cullman County, Alabama; and

WHEREAS notice of this election, together with the proposed amendments, is required by law to be given by proclamation of the Governor, to be published once a week for four successive weeks preceding the date appointed for the election in each newspaper qualified to run legal notices in the county affected;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kay Ivey, as Governor of the State of Alabama, do hereby give notice, direct, and proclaim that on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, an election will be held in Cullman County, Alabama, in the manner and form provided by law upon the following proposed amendments to the Constitution of 1901 of the State of Alabama:

AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY ACT NO. 2021-343

Beginning with the 2024 cycle, the Cullman County Superintendent of Education shall be elected for a four-year term by the qualified electors of the county zoned for the county school system, and the Legislature, by local law, may provide further for the election, qualifications, and powers of the county superintendent of education.

AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY ACT NO. 2022-036

Effective beginning the next term of office after the ratification of this amendment, the Revenue Commissioner of Cullman County shall take office on December 1 following the general election in November 2026, and every six years thereafter. In order to implement the change in the commencement of the term of the revenue commissioner provided above, the term of the Revenue Commissioner serving on the ratification of the amendment shall expire on November 30, 2026. The revenue commissioner shall continue to serve until a successor is elected and qualified.

PB MIN BK 210 PG 320 - 09/26/2022 11:05 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
DANNY RAY REEDER, * CASE NO.: PC 2022-273
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to DONNA SUE REEDER CHANDLER, as Administrator, of the ESTATE OF DANNY RAY REEDER, deceased, on the 26 day of September, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court.

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.

/s/Richard L. Collins
Richard L. Collins
Attorney for Administrator of the
ESTATE OF DANNY RAY REEDER
P.O. Box 669
Cullman, Alabama 35056
256-739-1962

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

DONE this 26th day of September, 2022.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court

PB MIN BK 210 PG 328 - 09/26/2022 11:25 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WAYNE BOBBY QUICK, * CASE NO.: PC 2022-258
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to MICHAEL R. BURLESON, as Personal Representative of the Estate of WAYNE BOBBY QUICK, deceased, on the 26th day of September, 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.

MICHAEL R. BURLESON
Personal Representative

Jerry L. Kilgo
Attorney for Petitioner
105 1st Avenue NE, Ste G
Cullman, AL 35055

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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 *
OPAL EDGAR VIA * CASE NO PC 2022-238
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: MARK E. VIA, LAURA L. VIA, AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

The Petition for Probate of Will for the Estate of Opal Edgar Via, Deceased, filed by Bradley L. Kirby, Petitioner, by and through Attorney, J. Bradley Wilson, has been scheduled for the **15th day of December 2022, at 11:30 a.m.,** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman, Alabama.

All persons having interest, residing or being without state are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055

DONE this the 16th day of September, 2022.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

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

J. Bradley Wilson
Attorney at Law
206 Ninth Street Southwest, Suite 102
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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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. CASE NO.: AD2022-058
D.O.B. 02/07/2019

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, 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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City of Cullman
Zoning Board of Adjustments

On Monday, October 17, 2022, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Zoning Board of Adjustments, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Variance request on setbacks and parking spaces at 1667 Cherokee Avenue SW

For further information contact Brian Landreth or Amber Duke at the City of Cullman Building Department at 256-775-7203.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUN

CASE NO.: CV 2022 - 900238

ROGELIO SOTELO,

Plaintiff,

v.

Commence at the intersection of the north margin of the Speegle Road and the east margin of the Hollow Road in Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 27, Township 11 South, Range 4 West, thence run east along the north margin of Speegle Road a distance of 125 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue east on the same line a distance of 60 feet; thence run north a distance of 150 feet; thence run west a distance of 60 feet; thence run south 150 feet to the point of beginning. Said tract of land lying and being in Cullman County, Alabama.
Parcel ID: 21-08-27-0-001-017.000; PIN: 17808; Account Number: 13468,

AND

Those Fictitious Parties A-Z, whose identities are currently unknown and who will be added to this Complaint by amendment when ascertained, including any persons claiming any present interest therein and including any persons claiming any present, future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in the above-described property,

AND

LEONARD R. PATTERSON and PHYLLIS PATTERSON,

AND

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF THE CIM TRUST 2017-3,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION

TO: Leonard R. Patterson, Phyllis Patterson, Amanda Barnett, U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for the Holders of the Cim Trust 2017-3, and all other persons claiming any present, future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in said lands, whose names and whereabouts are unknown.

You are hereby notified that on the 8th day of September, 2022, a Complaint to quiet title and foreclose the right to redeem the above-described real property was filed in the Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama, by Rogelio Sotelo against Leonard R. Patterson, Phyllis Patterson, Amanda Barnett, U.S. Bank National Association, as Indenture Trustee for the Holders of the Cim Trust 2017-3, and all other persons claiming any present, future, contingent, remainder, reversion, or other interest in said lands, whose names and whereabouts are unknown, whose names and whereabouts cannot be ascertained after exercise of due diligence and who are believed may claim some right, title, interest, or claim in and to the above-described real property. All persons having an interest in said lands or any portion thereof, claiming any title thereto or encumbrance or lien thereon, are hereby directed to plead, answer, demur, or otherwise respond to the complaint on or before the 11th day of November, 2022, else at the expiration of thirty (30) days thereafter suffer a judgment by default to be rendered against them, it being intended that this notice shall be used to perfect service against all parties who cannot be personally served with a copy of the Complaint.

Hon. Lisa McSwain
Clerk of the Circuit Court
of Cullman County, Alabama

Plaintiff's Attorney:
SHAY PERSALL LAW, LLC
700 2nd Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055
256-841-7800

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the foregoing notice once a week for four consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of publication to the Circuit Clerk.

Hon. Lisa McSwain
Clerk of the Circuit Court
of 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 *
MARY FRANCES HUNT * **CASE NO.: PC 2022-311**
Deceased. *

NOTICE
PETITION FOR SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION

Notice is hereby given that a *Petition for Summary Distribution* filed on the 31st day August, 2022, made court record the 1st day of September, 2022, by Jerry R. Hunt, Petitioner; and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Jerry R. Hunt
Petitioner

Rhonda D. Bruner
Attorney for Petitioner
410 County Road 413
Cullman, Alabama 35057

To: PUBLISHER OF ***The Cullman Tribune***

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

DONE this the 30th day of September, 2022.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

PB WIL BK 112 PG 290 - 09/30/2022 01:05 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
BETTY RUTH BAKER STEWART, * CASE NO.: PC2022-335
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Ancillary Letters Testamentary having been granted to JENNIFER ZAMORSKI, as Personal Representative of the Estate of BETTY RUTH BAKER STEWART, deceased, on the 30th 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.

Jennifer Zamorski
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Petitioner
200 First Avenue SE
Cullman, Al 35055
256-739-3970

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

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Grill-Off (from Front)

Award. Awards will be announced at 1:30 p.m.

Trophies will be awarded to the Grand Champion (the winner of all three categories) and first-place finishers in each category. The Grand Champion will receive $1,500, first place in each category will receive $1,000, second place will receive $500 and third place will receive $125.

Vendors will offer face painting, cotton candy and popcorn. Cha Cha's Shaved Ice will be on-site. Other vendors with barbecue-related products like cutting boards, sauces and spices are wanted. To fill out a vendor form, go to https://butchermeatco.com/backyard-grill-off.

Richard Neese of Tenax Enterprises helped organize the event to support the town's newest business.

Neese said, "We've got a lot of folks that say they're coming, but we need competitors. We want to make sure that we have the local guys. This isn't for the big-time competitors. If they want to come, they can, but it's really about celebrating our community, and we also want to give everybody a shot to win."

The net proceeds from the event will go into a town fund to be earmarked for use at Vinemont's new Art Park and Henry & Roe Wood Park.

Neese said, "There's a trust set up to take care of it (Henry & Roe Wood Park), but it doesn't make money every year, so there's nobody maintaining that park. That's why we wanted to donate the net proceeds to those two parks to help them get up and going."

Parking will be at the Community Center and Vinemont Christian Church. Attendants can walk along Roberson Street, or golf carts will be available for transport to the event. A handicap drop-off will be next to Beyond Dental on Patton Drive.

The Butcher Meat Co. is located at 149 Patton Drive in Vinemont.

Obituary Announcements: Oct. 1-3

Deborah Denise Brown, 65
Deborah Denise Quick Brown passed away at the age of 65. A Celebration of Life Service will be planned at a later date. Debbie was born in Cullman, Alabama April 14, 1957. At the age of two, Debbie was adopted into the family of Orbie and Lula Quick, lovingly known as Mom and Pop. At the age of 16, Debbie met her husband to be Dale Brown. They went on a date and have been together ever since. Some thought this would never last, but it lasted 48 years, "until death do us part." Debbie is survived by her husband; one daughter: Kerri Ann Brown Gamble; one son: Brandon Lee Brown (wife, Christy Brown); five grandchildren whom she loved dearly: Caelan Josef Carnes, Mackenzie Grace Brown, Maddison Kate Gamble, Marissa Lauryn Brown, Maci Lynn Brown; a special mention, almost grandson: Ryver Cohl Fowler; a host of nieces and nephews. Debbie also loved her fur babies. She was preceded in death by parents: Mom and Pop Quick; birth mother: Margaret Cantral; sisters: Georgia Sue Turner, Eulala Morrison, Charlotte Byrum; brother: Robert Perkins. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Brown family.

James Albert Abbott, 84
James Albert Abbott, 84 of Jasper, entered into rest Sunday, Oct. 2, 2022, at Walker Baptist Hospital. James was born Aug. 29, 1938, in Lynn, Alabama. Visitation will be held Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, from 2-3 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Double Springs, where services will be at 3 p.m. Burial will be at Walker Memory Gardens in Jasper. Brother Steve Kimbrough will officiate. James is survived by his daughter: Kay (Dale) Halbrook; sons: Harold (Tonya) Abbott, Wayne (Paula) Abbott, Bobby (Bridgett) Abbott and Kevin (Maria) Abbott; sisters: Odean (O'Neal) Taylor, Reba (Jerry) Maddox and Betty Wade; brother: Junior (Melissa) Abbott; grandchildren: Joshua (Autumn) Lane, Greg Abbott, Scott Abbott, Brianna (Aubrey Jones) Abbott, Ashley (Aaron) Hulsey, Allen Abbott, Amy (Travis) Fisher, Noah Abbott, Brittany (Joshua) Freeman, Nicholas Abbott, Aron West and Brandon West; 9 great grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife: Joy Christine Jackson Abbott; his parents: Orbin and Trannie Alexander Abbott; and his sister: Willodean Abbott.

Terrell Santana, 31 and Candace Glass, 31
Funeral Service for Terrell Santana Glass, age 31, and Candace S. Glass, age 31, of Warrior, will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rick Vision officiating. Visitation will be from 2 -3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9, 2022, prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. and Mrs. Glass passed away Friday, Sept. 30, 2022. He was born June 24, 1991, to T.J. and Kristi Glass. She was born Feb. 26, 1991, to Larry and Karen Purser. He was preceded in death by his mother: Kristi Glass; brother: David Camron Glass; and grandfather, Terrell Glass. She was preceded in death by her mother: Karen Jane Purser; brother: Braxton W Purser; grandparents: Travis and Sally Purser; and grandmother: Sue Smith. Survivors include their children: Austin Glass and Kristi Jane Glass; his father: T.J. and Jessica Glass; his brother: Steven Glass; her father: Larry Purser; her brother: Justin Purser; his grandmothers: Linnie Roberts and Robbie Jo Bellsnider; and their nieces: Rosalee Glass and Lexi Purser.

Larry Leroy Ragsdale, 81
Larry Leroy Ragsdale of Cullman passed away Sunday, Oct. 2, at Cullman Regional Medical Center of heart failure following a long period of illness and pain. He was born the second of three sons to Melda Ponder Ragsdale and Carlton Cornell Ragsdale on March 21, 1941, in Cullman, Alabama. He was preceded in death by his parents and his younger brother Ronnie Ragsdale. He attended East Elementary School and Cullman High School where he played varsity football for one year, receiving a busted nose from his old pal Eddie Peinhardt (quite by accident!). His lifelong high school friends have remained a vital part of his life and the tales of their lives back then certainly are fun-filled and entertaining. During his high school years, he worked at the old A&P grocery store as a bag boy, along with many of his other friends. He attended Florence State College, now University, for a year and a half, hitchhiking home with other Cullman friends each weekend. Finding college was not for him, he joined the National Guard where he served for four years as Supply Sergeant, under new friends Gen. Jim Berry and Shorty (Harold) Nix. The tales from those days, especially the summer camp escapades along the Gulf Coast, have been told many countless times, maybe with exaggeration and maybe not? Offered a job at the Cullman Power Board in 1963, Larry started out manually digging post holes for power poles, as the crew dropped him off at his job site at 7 a.m. and showed up at 4 p.m. for the 'end' of his workday. Moving up to Meter Reader (Manager Jim Call asked him if he wanted to transfer to the job of head meter reader, only failing to mention that he was the ONLY meter reader). Every month, he read every single meter in the city of Cullman. (Lotta walking and a lotta running from dogs!) After spending time traversing Cullman, he was offered the job of managing the Power Board Warehouse, a position he held until his retirement in 2004. Old friend Johnny Fricke, the Board's accountant, showed up every year for the annual inventory. Larry spent a month counting EVERY item in the warehouse and during his management years the inventories always ended up in the black. 'Course, Larry always had to pull Johnny's leg about finding snakes in the pile of power poles so Johnny would accept Larry's pole count as correct, staying far away from that part of the warehouse yard! Larry spent 41 years in his Power Board career before his retirement, working numerous weather storms, weekend standbys with dear friend Jack Seymore and sharing office space with Andrew Hoenig along the way. Even after his retirement, the warehouse crew could call and ask him the number of certain parts needed for work orders, and he could always rattle it off in no time. A dedicated fellow worker, he often rolled up the car/truck windows on rainy days when the crew was out on a job, and he never took any offered 'goodies' from salesmen who called on him for purchase orders. Rather, he'd tell them 'no,' but say if you can do something for the whole crew, that would be fine. Shrimp from Baldwin Pole and Piling and other incidentals showed up at the warehouse door from time to time. Larry ended up his career as the 'Father' figure for his fellas. During the late 1980s and early 1990s he was co-owner of Baseball Cards and Comics, a specialty shop located in Town Square Shopping Center. Mr. Roy Drinkard, owner of the rental space, became an even greater friend over the course of the seven years when the shop was open. Both Larry and his wife Barbara, son Joe Ragsdale and John Richter, shop managers, made numerous friends over the years, friendships which stand to this day. Hard to go into local stores and not meet someone from 'the good 'ol days' of 'Cards and Comics.' Following retirement, his next career was for the benefit of his grandson Carlton, as he ran a local website and Facebook page, called 'Cullman Life.' Under the auspices of son Mike Ragsdale, of 30A fame, he went out each day into Cullman searching for events and pictures of life in the area. Promoting local happenings, the website continued for six years with many followers. His greatest jobs, though, included raising two wonderful sons, Mike and Joe Ragsdale, and he always said that being able to send them to college (Auburn and Alabama) was his utmost achievement. Being industrious entrepreneurs, they both hired Larry as Vice-president of Marketing Director for Mike's 30A brand, and for Joe's Rock N Roll Sushi enterprise (no financial money involved! Free gratis, I suppose! – got lots of T-shirts, hats, mugs, etc. from both companies! Loved them and wore one of the t-shirts every day for the rest of his life! He was the biggest supporter of both of his sons' businesses! Every time we'd go out, he'd stop at every table and tell folks about Mike, Sean Michael and Scott Davis's AOL 'Hecklers on Line' website, handing out stickers and business cards. Then when Mike founded his 30A business, again the same – EVERY TIME, EVERY WHERE! THEN, along came Joe's Rock N' Roll Sushi business –once again the same! Proud Daddy to be sure! Larry is survived by his wife of 53 years, Barbara, whom he met when she went to work at the main office of the Cullman Power Board (Ruth Gasser, Barbara's friend, got her the job, but Larry always said he didn't hold grudges against her!) (AND all it took to win her heart was a cup of hot chocolate delivered to her in person on a cold, rainy night when Barbara was working in a ticket booth at the County Fair!). Larry always supported her school, scout, garden club and church work (two churches: Melda's beloved First Christian Church, Disciples of Christ, where he was baptized and Sacred Heart of Jesus, Barbara's church home), taking an active part when needed (even struggling through Tennessee's Cumberland Caverns caves, crawling on his stomach with Mickey McDowell and the Boy Scouts of Troop 321), teaching knots and going on campouts along the way. Survived also by sons: Michael and daughter-in-law Angela; Joseph and daughter-in-law Tanya; seven grandchildren: Jayne (Sean) Hurley, Kelsey (Dan) Ragsdale-Glaser, Carlton Ragsdale, Holly Ragsdale, Evie Ragsdale, Jessie and Jerrie Sue Godbee; brother: George; cousins: Suzy Ponder Eidson, Joyce Ponder Cahoon and G. W. Ponder. Numerous lifelong friends not previously mentioned include David McKoy and Bill Hendrix, and many others who meant the world to Larry and Barbara. Graveside service will be Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 11 a.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Cemetery, Rev. Robin Lambert officiating. In lieu of any memorials, please take time today to reach out to an old friend and reconnect, share memories and do this in observance of Larry's loving and giving spirit in this life. "May the angels lead you into paradise. May the martyrs come to welcome you and may they take you into the holy city, Jerusalem. May the choirs of angels welcome you, and with Lazarus, who once was poor, may you have eternal rest." Rest in peace, dearest Larry: husband, father, grandfather and friend. You will be greatly missed!

Elvy Calligaris, 92
Elvy Calligaris, age 92, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Saturday, Oct. 1, 2022. Elvy was born Aug. 12, 1930.

Linda Sue Ayers, 72
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Linda Sue Ayers, 72, of Blountsville, Alabama. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Ayers family. Mrs. Ayers passed away Sept. 29, 2022, at her residence. She was born Feb. 5, 1950, to Henry Edward and Mildred Ruth Lovell Nichols. She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother: Jim Nichols. Survivors include her son: Joe (Linda) Ousley; daughter: Josette Ousley (Quentin Smith); brother: Tom Nichols; grandchildren: Jon Whisenant, Cameron (Alex) Ousley; seven great-grandchildren; adopted daughter: Hope Acreman; family and friends.

Sally Sue Helring, 67
A graveside service for Sally Sue Helring, 67, of Cullman was 2 p.m., Monday, Oct. 3, 2022, at Spring Hill Baptist Cemetery. Father John Trough of St. Benedict Traditional Roman Catholic Church will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Helring family. Mrs. Helring, formerly of Scranton, Pennsylvania, was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother who loved lighthouses, seashells and gardening. She was born Oct. 13, 1954, to Marvin Ireland and Jane Myrtle Keith Smith. Mrs. Helring was preceded in death by her parents; her husband: Michael P. Helring; and her sister: Patricia. She is survived by her children: Amanda Helring, Patricia (Greg) Van Wert, Mary (Rashad) Christmas, Catherine Helring, Michael A. Helring and Bridget Helring; sister: Carolyn (Paul) Ritz; 8 grandchildren, Jared, Ethan, Hayden, Grace, Charles, Rory, Santino and August; several nieces, nephews, family and friends. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donation be made to of St. Benedict Traditional Roman Catholic Church in Lacey Springs, Alabama.

Hugh Earl Burks, 76
Funeral service for Hugh Earl Burks, 76, of Vinemont will be at noon, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Burning Tree Cemetery and Pastor Phillip Ashley officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Tuesday from 10 a.m. – noon. Cullman Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Mr. Burks passed away Friday, Sept. 30, 2022, at his residence. He was born March 30, 1946, to Earlie Hue and Effie Mae Sloan Burks. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters: Wanda Holcombe, Ann Bennett Graves; brother: Harold Allen Burks; daughter-in-law: Jennifer Duran Burks. Survivors include his wife of 51 years: Jackie Spradlin Burks; sons: Kevin Hugh Burks, Jason Lee (Michael Montgomery) Burks; brother: A.G. (Faye) Burks; sisters: Alice (Jerry) White, Imogene McClendon; grandchildren: Connor Hugh Burks, Hannah Laine Burks, Magdalen Claire Burks, Nora Olivia Burks, Emerson Rose Burks; nieces, nephews, family and friends.

James Preston Boren, 83
James Preston Boren, 83, of Haleyville, Alabama entered into rest on Sept. 30, 2022, at his residence surrounded by his family. James was born Jan. 20, 1939, in Fulton, Mississippi. Visitation was held Monday, Oct. 3, 2022, from noon – 1 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where services were held at 1 p.m. Brother Phil Kimbrough officiated. Burial followed in New Prospect Baptist Church Cemetery in Haleyville Alabama. James is survived by his wife: Barbara McKinney Boren; son: Rickey Boren; daughter: Debbie Cooke; grandchildren: Ben Boren, Amanda Thundershield, Nathan Boren and Gwen Cooke; three great grandchildren; step-sons: Keith Dolan and Daryl (Christy) Dolan. He was preceded in death by his parents: Ervin and Auline Boren; brothers: Dwight Boren, Charles Boren; sister: Robbie Woolridge; daughter-in-law: Tammy Boren.

Dennis Ladell Loyd, 62
Dennis Ladell Loyd, age 62, of Jasper, Tennessee passed away Friday, Sept. 23, 2022. Dennis was born March 4, 1960.

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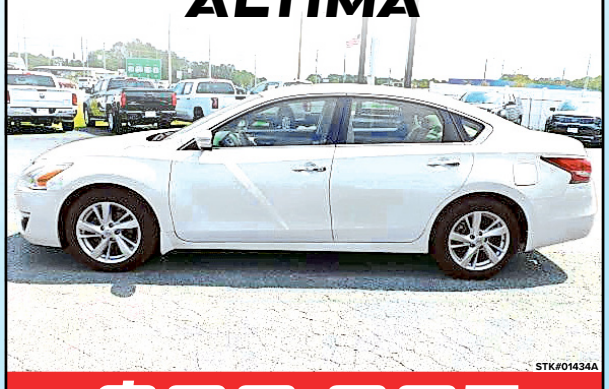
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