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Hanceville City Council honors local historian Norman Boone

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Hanceville City Council on Thursday honored local historian and Hanceville High School class of 1969's Norman Boone. Boone single-handedly uploaded Hanceville High School's yearbooks from 1948 through 2018 to the internet, ensuring the school's online footprint for generations to come. The yearbooks can be viewed at www.hanceville-yearbooks.webs.com.

Brenda Carter of the Hanceville Civitan Club requested the usual street closures for Saturday, Dec. 3, and sponsorship from the City of Hanceville for the Cullman County Christmas Parade.

The council had $250 earmarked in the FY 2023 budget for the parade and approved its use.

An invoice was approved for the repairs of a fire truck's main boom lift hydraulic boosters.

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AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Hanceville Historical Preservation Commission members Margie Burkhardt and Pam Reed, Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail, Norman Boone and Hanceville Mayor Pro Tem Jimmy Sawyer are seen Thursday, Oct. 13.

'Spiders Aren't Scary'

Little Farmers program teaches preschoolers about spiders



SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Little Farmers Macie and Finley Richter play with fake furry tarantulas at the North Alabama Agriplex's "Spiders Aren't Scary" program Friday, Oct. 14.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The North Alabama Agriplex on Friday hosted a no-so-creepy-crawly Little Farmers program. Called "Spiders Aren't Scary," the event saw preschoolers ages 3-5 learning all about our eight-legged friends.

Agriplex Executive Director Rachel Dawsey said she didn't use real spiders in case any children were frightened, choosing to ease them into appreciating spiders with spider crafts and stories.

She read the children's books "Be Nice to Spiders" and "The Very Busy Spider" and taught the kids facts about spiders' usefulness to the ecosystem.

Dawsey said she wanted October's Little Farmers theme to fit Halloween, while also being mindful that many young children may not learn the usefulness of spiders until they are older, causing them to be afraid.

"My sister was always so scared of spiders so I was left to deal with them," she laughed.

Dawsey said she wanted the preschoolers to think about spiders in a more positive light.

She taught the Little Farmers that one of the ways spiders help the ecosystem is by providing insect population control.

Most spiders rely on insects as a source of food. Spiders get rid of the insects that are pests to people and crops. They eat insects like grasshoppers, beetles and caterpillars that feed on fruits, leaves and seeds.

The kids played several games, including spider-fly tag where the they got to act as spiders and catch their "fly" friends.

They also played in sensory bins with fake furry tarantulas and made take-home crafts.

Dawsey said the Little Farmers program has been very well attended. The program takes place at the Agriplex once a month and allows children the chance to get interested in the agriculture and animals in our area at a young age.

To get info on upcoming programs, go to https://agriplex.org/WPtest/.

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Paws for Mental Health coming Saturday, Oct. 29



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'A blessing': Colony receives $400K grant for road improvements



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 13-14

Cullman Tribune staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 13-14, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Oct. 11

- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65 NB MM 299
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 157
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs; Hwy 69 S
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 651
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Co. Rd. 1635
- violation of protection order; Co. Rd. 82
- trespassing; Co. Rd. 223
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437
- theft of property; Sportsman Lake Rd.

Oct. 12

- unlawful possession of controlled substance, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 437
- domestic violence; Hwy 69 N
- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 1291
- burglary; Co. Rd. 1174
- theft of property; Hwy 69 N
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 216

ARRESTS

Oct. 11

Aaron, Amos M; 36
- FTA-burglary-residence-force
- FTA-criminal mischief
- FTA-miscellaneous theft
- FTA-miscellaneous theft

Burton, Romello L; 27
- destruction of property by prisoner

Busby, William J; 52
- violation of domestic violence protection order

Holcomb, Crystal J; 40
- FTA-buying/receiving stolen property

Hollingsworth, Gregory R; 52
- probation violation-theft of property-1st degree

Jacobs, Aaron T; 20
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Llovera, Rafael; 52
- public intoxication

Price, Katlyn N; 34
- possession of dangerous drugs

Spain, Dalton L; 19
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of dangerous drugs

Sturgeon, Anthony M; 27
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Turner, Justin D; 40
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of marijuana

Whitt, Zachery I; 24
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Oct. 12

Bagwell, Kristi S; 33
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Boyd, Brandy L; 32
- FTA-public intoxication

Brannon, Thomas J; 36
- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Dial, Dolly F; 58
- FTA-failure to immunize dog/cat for rabies
- possession of methamphetamine

Dornan, Maxwell C; 23
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana

Evans, Sonya W; 51
- causing delinquency, dependency or need of supervision of minor

Figueroa, Daisy C; 28
- failure to bury livestock
- cruelty to animals

Fults, Tony D; 40
- probation violation-burglary-residence-force

Lamons, Christian L; 23
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense (2 counts)
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-attempting to elude police officer

Nash, Angela M; 28
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Odom, Michael D; 37
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Redmond, Amanda J; 34
- FTA-forged instrument

Roaden, Devan A; 24
- FTA-reckless driving

Sellers, Jacob D; 37
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Swindall, Emma R; 23
- possession of methamphetamine

Williams, Billy L; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- possession of marijuana

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 12
- domestic violence-3rd degree, theft of property-4th degree; 2nd Ave. N.W; cash
- burglary-3rd degree; Rausch Coleman Homes, LLC; Kilpatrick Ln. N.W; copper wiring
- theft of property-1st degree; Bill Smith Used Cars; Hwy 157; 2018 GMC Sierra; $78,331
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle, criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Cullman Overhead Door and Glass; 3rd Ave. S.W; cash
- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W; general merchandise; $268
- leaving the scene of an accident; 3rd St. S.E. and 6th Ave. S.E; damage to 2002 Ford Ranger; $500
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; 4th St. S.W; catalytic converter; $550

ARRESTS

Oct. 12

Moore, Corey A; 27
- FTA-driving without a license
- FTA-insurance violation (3 counts)
- FTA-expired tag
- FTA-driving while suspended
- FTA-failure to register vehicle

Stephens, Zachary L; 27
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Oct. 13

Dial, Dolly F; 58
- theft of property-4th degree
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree

Sandlin, Michael A; 38
- driving under the influence

Winfrey, Jessica S; 32
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Crash (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

DECATUR, Ala. — A Gadsden man was killed in a single-vehicle crash Wednesday, Oct. 12, at approximately 11:19 p.m. near Battleground.

Alabama State Troopers said Deangelo W. Ross, 37, was fatally injured when the 2014 Infiniti Q50 he was driving left the roadway and struck a ditch.

Ross was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Troopers said the crash happened on Alabama Highway 157, approximately 2 miles north of West Point in Morgan County.

Nothing further is available as Troopers with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division continue to investigate.

Hanceville (from Front)

ille Fire Department has insufficient funds to cover the entire $7,746 repair and the council voted to cover the remainder of the cost.

A new city street off Alabama Highway 91, to be named Progress Way Northeast, was approved with the council agreeing to seek funds from the Cullman County Industrial Development Board and the Cullman County Community Development Commission.

A public hearing was scheduled for Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. based on the Alcohol Review Committee's recommendation to issue a license to the new owners of Lupe's restaurant.

The new owners are required to seek their own alcohol license as the licenses are not site specific.

The much-discussed heavy hauling ordinance passed after its second reading with Councilwoman Kim Brown being the sole "no" vote.

The ordinance was put in place to add another layer of accountability for trucks hauling heavy loads which, in the summer months, damage secondary roads with repeated trips over the same roadways.

In other business, the following measures passed:

- Resolution 665 for hazard mitigation which allows FEMA reimbursement after natural disasters

- Reappointment of Shirley Burden to the Historical Preservation Commission for a three-year term

- Reappointment of Eddie Burkhardt to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for a three-year term

- First introduction of the vacation of Pine Street (Ordinance 650) with no action required

- Surplus of two 2021 Chevy Tahoes and the purchase of two 2023 Chevy Tahoes

Upcoming Hanceville events include:

- Mud Creek Arts & Crafts Festival- Saturday, Oct. 15, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

- Mud Creek Marching Festival- Saturday, Oct. 22, 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

- Fall Festival Trunk or Treat- Saturday, Oct. 29, 4-6 p.m.

The next council meeting will be held at Hanceville City Hall on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 5:30 p.m. The work session will be at 5.

Colony (from Front)

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COLONY, Ala. — Gov. Kay Ivey on Thursday announced she has awarded nearly $19.3 million to provide improvements in 49 Alabama towns, cities and counties. In Cullman County, the Town of Colony received a $399,827 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for road improvements.

Roadways in Colony that will be repaired are Colony Road, Johnson Circle and Ward Hill Road. Funds will be used to patch and overlay asphalt.

Colony Councilwoman Mary Parker, who oversees the Town's road department, said, "That should cover a lot on these roads. I know we're not the only community with bad roads, but other communities are able to get way more money than we can. So, that was a blessing."

The council applied for the grant about eight months ago. Parker said she was pleasantly surprised by how quickly they received the grant. "We've been needing them fixed for a few years now."

Parker estimated the roadwork will begin next spring.

The Colony Town Council meets the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. and will discuss the exact allocation of the funds at its next meeting when engineers can provide estimates for the repair of each road.

Ivey said in the press release, "Community Development Block Grants help communities address major needs whether it be supplying clean drinking water or eliminating dilapidated and unsafe structures. I congratulate the cities and counties who received grants in this keenly competitive process, and I wish them the best in improving their communities."

The CDBG program in Alabama is awarded annually on a competitive basis in several categories: small city (population 2,999 or less), large city (population 3,000 or more), county and community enhancement. Planning grants are also awarded to help local governments examine needs and provide a vision for the future.

The Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs is administering the grants from funds made available by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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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.
• Sunday, Oct. 16 - 8-9 a.m. Prayer Group - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby Sunday to pray for our church, nation and for those who need salvation and deliverance.
• Sunday, Oct. 16 - 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.

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.

Adult Programs
• 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 Fair
Through Oct. 15, at the Cullman County Fairgrounds. www.cullmanfair.org

Mud Creek Arts &Crafts Festival
Saturday, Oct. 15, from 8 a.m.-3 p.m., along Commercial Street in downtown Hanceville. Dozens upon dozens of vendors from all over the state will be lining the street, and shops will have open doors. Trinity Lutheran Church on Commercial Street will be serving a German lunch with bratwurst, German potato salad, sauerkraut or red cabbage, dessert and drink for $10. Children's plates will be available for $5. The menu in the more than 100-year-old church will be offered from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. or until plates run out.

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.

"Steel Magnolias" Cullman Community Theatre Auditions
Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 15-16, from 6-8 p.m. at The Little House at Art Park, 1031 Second St. SW, Cullman. This modern classic features a cast of six Southern women of all ages. Please help us bring to life this beautiful play about laughter, loss and resilience in the South. The play will be produced by CCT and directed by Rodney Basenburg and Nick Shabel. Dates and venues for rehearsals and performances will be announced in the coming weeks.

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.

Cullman Education Retirees Meeting
Thursday, Oct. 20, at 11 a.m. at Stone Bridge Farms. Sen. Garlan Gudger will be the guest speaker and lunch will follow.

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.

Swamp John's Dinner Benefiting Addison American Legion Post 106
Friday, Oct. 21, from 4-7 p.m. at the Addison Community Center, 16391 County Road 41, Addison

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!

31st Annual Mud Creek Marching Festival
Saturday, Oct. 22 at Hanceville High School. Local and other area marching bands will perform throughout the day, and there will be an exhibition performance by the University of North Alabama Marching Pride. Admission is $5 for adults and free for children 5 and younger. Parking is $5 per vehicle. Check www.mudcreekmarchingfest.weebly.com for times and a full schedule of events.

Hanceville High School Class of 1962 Reunion
Saturday, Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. at the Moody Center in Hanceville. The reunion will last all day. Please bring a covered dish and all your favorite pictures and memories of our school days together. For more information, call Becke McElroy Quick at 256-708-5392 or contact her on Facebook. Hope to see everyone there.

Backyard Grill-Off
Saturday, Oct. 22, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at The Butcher Meat Co., 149 Patton Drive in Vinemont. Competitors are asked to sign up by Oct. 14. A complete list of event rules and registration can be found at https://butchermeatco.com/backyard-grill-off. 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.

Victim Services of Cullman 2nd Annual Masquerade Ball
Tuesday, Oct. 25, from 6-10 p.m. at Brick Haven. 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 https://tinyurl.com/VSOCBall.

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.

Church Food Bazaar
Friday, Nov. 4, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, located on U.S. Highway 31 North, next to the Cullman Area Technology Academy in Vinemont. Baked goods for sale. Lunch will be served from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Carry-out meals available. Proceeds will benefit the Mt. Zion UMW women's group.

FALL FESTIVALS AND HALLOWEEN EVENTS
Below is a list of upcoming events. If you would like to have your event added, please email news@cullmantribune.com.

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS, OCT. 15, 21-22 AND 28-29

Nightmare in Vinemont - 7 p.m.-midnight at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center at 17645 U.S. Hwy 31 N, Cullman, AL 35058. Tickets are $20 for those 10 and older and $10 for those 9 and younger. Included is or a trip through the haunted house, followed by a haunted hayride that winds around the Cullman County Association of Volunteer Departments training center wooded area. Horror films will be shown outside of the Ag Center and the concession stand will be open. The attraction is a fundraiser for the Vinemont-Providence VFD's Fire Explorer Program.

SATURDAY, OCT. 15

Halloween Art and Oddities Market - Noon-6 p.m. at Dodge City Tattoo Company at 501 Alabama Highway 69 S, Suite E, Hanceville. Vendors will have Halloween-inspired arts and crafts made by local artists including jewelry, paintings, sculptures, crochet taxidermy and outsider art. There will be food trucks, costume contests and tattoo specials.

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

Kids Loving Kids Howlaween Dog Crawl - 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Heritage Park dog park in Cullman. Music, dog costume contest, dog snacks and dog prizes. Costume contest at 12:30 p.m. Entry fee: gently used or new toy.
Southside Baptist Church Fall Festival - 11 a.m.-3 p.m. 2003 Main Ave. S.W, Cullman. Live music from the Key family and Journey Worship. Kickball tournament, bounce houses, games, shaved ice and more. Call 256-590-7716 to register a kickball team or for more information.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 26

Cullman Police Department Trunk or Treat - 6-8 p.m. 601 Second Ave. NE, Cullman. Candy, police cars, fire trucks, a DJ and more. Presented by Merchants Bank of Alabama.

SATURDAY, OCT. 29

Johnston RV Center Trunk or Treat - 2-5 p.m. 273 Schwaiger Rd. Camper decoration contest. Interested community partners are asked to stop by the store or call 256-775-9011.

Victim Services Trunk or Treat - 4-6 p.m. 310 Third Ave. NE. Free event for the whole family with candy and games

Cullman Wellness & Aquatic Center 2nd Annual Trunk or Treat - 4-7 p.m. 1626 Field of Miracles Dr. SW. Those interested in setting up a trunk free of charge, contact 256-775-7946 or email adeboer@cullmanrecreation.org!

Jeepers Creepers Trunk or Treat and Cullman Caring for Kids Canned Food Drive - 5-8 p.m. at Depot Park in Cullman

Valley Spring Missionary Baptist Church Trunk or Treat - 6-8:30 p.m. 6679 County Road 437, Cullman

Fairview Fire and Rescue Truck or Treat - 6 p.m. 7555 Alabama Highway 69 N, Cullman. All ages welcome.

Berlin Trunk or Treat - 6-8 p.m. Berlin Farmers Market. The Berlin Volunteer Fire Department will be selling smoked chicken plates. Growers with Berlin Farmers Market will be set up and selling for the last day of the market season. Everyone will be giving out candy.

Hanceville Friends of the Festival Trunk or Treat – 4-6 p.m. in Downtown Hanceville. Kids lineup begins at the corner of U.S. Highway 31 and Commercial Street. Parking is at Hanceville City Hall or the adjacent lot. For trunk participant information or to sign up, visit Nolan Bradford's office on Commerical Street or Hanceville City Hall by Oct. 25.

Baileyton Halloween Drive Thru – 6-8 p.m. at the Baileyton Fire Department at 165 Fire Station Road

MONDAY, OCT. 31

Trick or Treat Drive Thru - 3:30-6:30 p.m. Nesmith Park Apartments, 207 McNabb Road SW, Cullman. Just drive thru and trick or treat...you don't even have to exit your vehicle.

Trunk-A-Treat - 6 p.m. at the Colony Educational Complex in Colony

COVID-19 BY THE NUMBERS

October 13, 2022 COVID-19 update from the Alabama Department of Public Health's COVID-19 Dashboard Hub (https://bit.ly/3iVJwXK)

ADPH COVID-19 dashboard changes
As of May 19, 2022, the Overall Levels of Community Transmission was removed from the Data and Surveillance Dashboard. We have added two tabs: Community Levels for the public and Community Transmission Levels for healthcare facility use only to the Dashboard Hub: arcg.is/0brSGj.

Case details* (Updated Thursdays)
• Positivity in tests in Alabama: 5.6%
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2020): 387,822
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2021): 538,459
• Confirmed cases in Alabama (2022): 602,225 (increase of 3,019)
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2020): 7,189
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2021): 9,558
• Total confirmed deaths in Alabama (2022) 3,751 (increase of 32)
• Positivity in tests in Cullman Co.: 1.8%
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2020): 7,567
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2021): 9,754
• Total confirmed cases in Cullman Co. (2022): 12,162 (increase of 45)
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2020): 128
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2021): 188
• Deaths in Cullman Co. (2022): 65 (no change)
• Total tested in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 711
• Total tested positive in Cullman Co. in the last 7 days: 13
• Total tested in Alabama in the last 7 days: 27,409
• Total positive tests in Alabama in the last 7 days: 1,532

Vaccine details (updated Thursdays)
• Doses delivered to Alabama: 10,300,795
• Doses delivered to Alabama providers: 5,196,965
• Doses administered: 6,451,950
• Additional doses administered: 950,974
• Number of people receiving one or more doses: 2,928,516
• Number of people who have completed vaccine series: 2,424,459
• Doses delivered to federal programs: 5,103,830

View the Alabama COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan at: www.alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/adph-covid19-vaccination-allocation-plan.pdf/.

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Good Hope sweeps Oneonta at home to win 4A, Area 12 Tournament

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – After capturing the Cullman County Championship a week ago, the Good Hope Lady Raiders were back on their home floor Thursday night hosting this year's Class 4A, Area 12 Tournament. Oneonta defeated Hanceville to advance to the finals and the Lady Raiders swept Oneonta 3-0 to claim the 4A, Area 12 title. With the win, Good Hope has punched its ticket back to the North Regional Tournament in Huntsville.

Good Hope 25 – Oneonta 20 (First Set)
The opening set between Good Hope and Oneonta was about as close as it gets. Neither team led by more than throughout most of the set until the Lady Raiders began to create some separation late. After falling behind the Lady Redskins 20-19 late in the first set, Good Hope answered with a 6-0 scoring run to pull away and take the set 25-20.

Good Hope 25 – Oneonta 14 (Second Set)
The second set was a little easier for the Lady Raiders. Oneonta scored the first point, but Good Hope scored five of the next six to take an early, 5-2 lead. That lead stretched to 10-4 as the set went on but Oneonta managed to trim the deficit to 14-10 at one point. The Lady Redskins wouldn't come any closer than that. Good Hope pulled ahead 21-12 to put things out of reach and cruised to a 25-14 win in set number two.

Good Hope 25 – Oneonta 17 (Third Set)
With one more win between them an area title, the Lady Raiders were locked in for the third set. Oneonta led the way 4-3 early but Good Hope answered quickly to move in front 6-5. The Lady Raiders extended their lead to 10-5 as the set went on and maintained a 15-8 advantage later in the frame. Oneonta cut the lead to 16-11 at one point but couldn't get any closer than that and Good Hope pulled away to take third set 25-17 and capture this year's 4A, Area 12 Championship.

Bailey Keef, Maddie McKenney, Ivey Maddox and Emma Bailey earned All-Area Tournament honors and Bailey was named Tournament MVP.

The Lady Raiders will play the runner up of the Area 9 Tournament at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 10:15 a.m.



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The Good Hope Lady Raiders swept Oneonta 3-0 Thursday night to win this year's Class 4A, Area 12 Tournament.

PREP VOLLEYBALL

Holly Pond knocks off Cold Springs to win 2A, Area 12 title



SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Holly Pond swept Cold Springs 3-0 Thursday night to win this year's 2A, Area 12 Tournament.

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HOLLY POND, Ala. – Holly Pond hosted this year's Class 2A, Area 12 Tournament Thursday night and the Lady Broncos knocked off the Cleveland Lady Panthers and the Cold Springs Lady Eagles to claim this year's area title and move on to next week's North Regional Tournament in Huntsville.

Holly Pond 25 - Cold Springs 18 (First Set)
Holly Pond jumped out to a quick 3-0 lead in the first set behind a pair of aces by Emma Earl, but Cold Springs answered with a run of their own as a point and an ace by Ciara Calvert made it 3-2. Later on, three straight points from the Lady Eagles, including a Cameron Baty ace, gave them a 5-4 lead. The Lady Broncos ended up getting the lead right back at 7-5, but an Alexis Tidwell kill tied things up at seven. Holly Pond scored five straight points as a point each by Ellie Burks and Blakely Baggett, and an Aliyah Ryan ace, gave them a 12-7 lead. The Lady Broncos added to their lead later on in the set as a kill from Kamryn Tankersley and an ace by Earl helped them push their lead to 20-11. The Lady Eagles made things a little interesting as Malaya Taylor and Tidwell each got a kill to help make it a 20-16 game. They later made it 22-17 on a Tidwell point, but Holly Pond was able to hold off Cold Springs at the end to take the first set, 25-18.

Holly Pond 25 - Cold Springs 19 (Second Set)
A kill from Tidwell gave Cold Springs a 3-2 lead early in the second set, but Kaylee Rohrscheib got an ace and that was followed by a point from Tankersley; that gave Holly Pond a 5-3 lead. The Lady Broncos pushed their lead to 7-4 on a point from Baggett, but a Tidwell kill cut it to 7-5. The second set was close as both teams traded leads and had several ties for a while. After a point by Tidwell tied things up at 15, Tankersley got an ace, which helped the Lady Broncos take a 17-15 lead. Holly Pond ended up pushing their lead to 23-16 on another point from Baggett. Once again, though, Cold Springs looked to make a late run as a Tidwell ace, followed by a point by Ciara Calvert, cut their deficit to just four at 23-19. The Lady Broncos ended up collecting the final two points of the second set as they ended up winning, 25-19.

Holly Pond 25 - Cold Springs 22 (Third Set)
A Tankersley kill, followed by an Earl ace, gave Holly Pond a quick 3-0 lead in the third set. Cold Springs tied things up at three on kills from Taylor and Tidwell, and an ace by Calvert. The Lady Broncos then proceeded to score the next five points, including a point each from Tankersley and Maycie Black, to take an 8-3 lead. Holly Pond later increased their lead to 11-5 on a point and ace from Tankersley and a Baggett kill. Cold Springs countered by scoring five straight points of their own as an Ellanora Slusser kill cut it to 11-10. The Lady Eagles would end up taking a 13-12 lead on consecutive aces by Tidwell. The Lady Broncos got the lead right back at 16-13 on a Black ace and a Tankersley kill. A Taylor kill tied things up at 16, but another Tankersley kill and a Baggett ace gave Holly Pond a 20-16 lead. Burks collected an ace to give the Lady Broncos a 23-18 lead, but Cold Springs looked to keep their chance of winning the title alive. Taylor got a kill and later on, another Baty ace made it a 23-21 game. It was 24-22 after Cold Springs collected a point, but Baggett ended up being the one to help clinch the area championship as her kill gave Holly Pond the 25-22 win in the third set to win the title.Holly Pond's Emma Earl, Maycie Black, and Kamryn Tankersley got All-Area and All-Tournament. For Cold Springs. Mary Warden, Alexis Tidwell, and Malaya Taylor got All-Area, while Mary Warden, Anna Stricklin, and Ciara Calvert got All-Tournament.

Holly Pond will take on the Area 16 runner-up on Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville and Cold Springs will take on the Area 16 winner at 12:45 p.m.



October teacher, staff member of the month

Ty Watwood
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Schools along with America's First Federal Credit Union recognizes a teacher and staff member each month.

"Mr. King runs our music programs with excellence and spends time making sure that our band is well prepared and conditioned to represent our school with excellence," said Robin Netherton, Vinemont High School Principal. "I have never seen an organization run better than our band," said Netherton.

Staff of the Month: Leah Sapp, CCBOE Elementary Curriculum Administrative Assistant:
A local school principal nominated Sapp, saying "She is the ultimate 'takes no credit' person who is behind the scenes at many events including the Cullman County Spelling Bee and the Cullman County Science Fair. She is organized, helpful, and efficient... however... her best quality is that she works with teachers and administrators and always tries to help them get what they need so the students of our county can be successful."

Cullman County Schools thanks America's First Federal Credit Union for donating a $100 gift card to each employee of the month. Congratulations Leah and Skylar!



CCBOE

Daniel Boggan/AmFirst Cullman Branch Manager, Leah Sapp/AmFirst Staff of the Month, Dr. Shane Barnette/Cullman County School Superintendent



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Daniel Boggan/AmFirst Cullman Branch Manager, Skylar King/ Vinemont Band Director/AmFirst Teacher of the Month, Dr. Shane Barnette/Cullman County School Superintendent, Todd Johnson/Vinemont High Assistant Principal

Wreaths Across America expands FREE TEACH program curriculum for educators

Amber Caron
Contributor

COLUMBIA FALLS, Maine — This year's theme for Wreaths Across America (WAA) is "Find a Way to Serve." In keeping with this, the organization launched a new TEACH program earlier this year. The program, which was put together by retired educator and Gold Star Mother Cindy Tatum, shares an established curriculum designed to teach the next generation about the value of their freedom. In the past few months, with consistent updates based on American holidays and other important events, this program has become wildly popular with professional educators and homeschoolers. Last month alone, this program received over 2,000 individual downloads.

The program, which consists of stories of courage and character, regularly introduces new educational materials – most recently you can find lesson plans specifically related to Veterans' Day – further focusing on character development and service projects for young people of all ages.

This program is FREE to download from www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/teach and is also available to all educators and homeschoolers on Teachers Pay Teachers. The program curriculum encompasses all grades starting at kindergarten through the senior year of high school.

This service-based curriculum is designed to share educational materials from philanthropic and patriotic organizations like The Unites States of America Vietnam War Commemoration, the American Rosie Movement, Random Acts of Kindness Foundation, The Congressional Media of Honor Society, and IKEducation at the Eisenhower Foundation. Additionally, WAA has developed a Veterans' Oral History Project for youth from 4th -12th grades that encourages young people to interview a veteran, service member or Gold Star Family member to learn about the sacrifices our military make on behalf of our country and teach the next generation the value of their freedom.

To learn more, or to download WAA's TEACH materials, please visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/teach.

"As a volunteer, founding family member, and mother of six kids and grandmother to nine, whose lives have been greatly impacted by the opportunity to meet so many in the military community, I know that the teaching aspect of our mission is the most important," said Karen Worcester, executive director, Wreaths Across America.

"Finally, this long-standing desire to develop a more robust education program took a giant step forward with the launch of this expanded program.

"I am thrilled to see that so many educators are already seeing value in the materials and hope that more will have the opportunity to utilize these important lesson plans in their classrooms."

Lesson plans for all grade levels and learning abilities have been designed by WAA's Education Liaison, Cindy Tatum. "Being a part of helping Wreaths Across America teach younger generations about the value of freedom and the importance of honoring those who sacrificed so much to protect those freedoms, is something I know I am supposed to be doing and I know my son Daniel would want me to do," said Tatum, a Gold Star Mother who lost her son who was serving in the USMC on Christmas Eve.

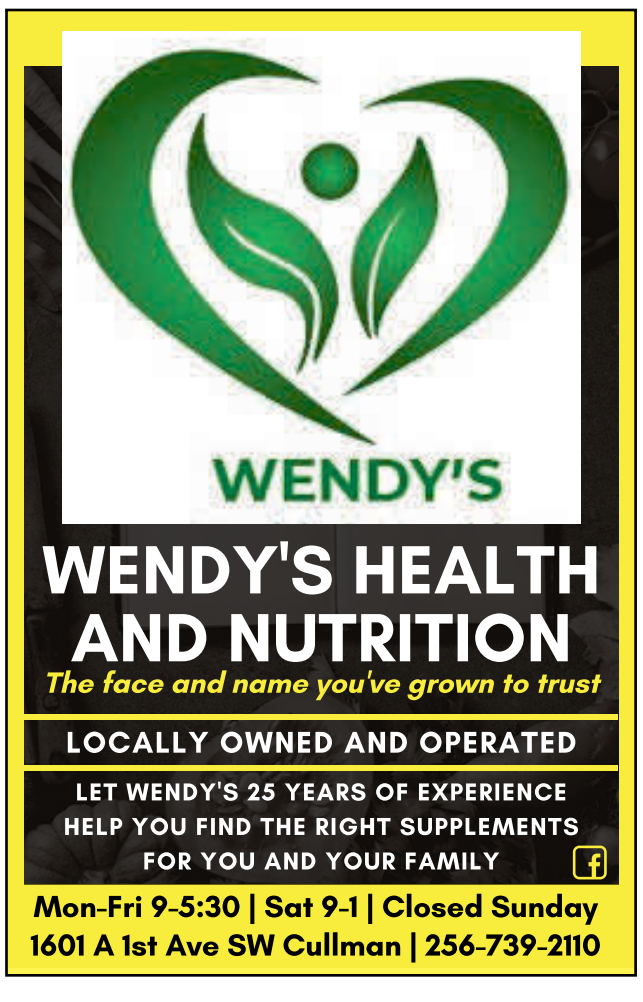
"I want America's youth to learn that as citizens of this world, there are things they can do to lift the human spirit, things that are easy, things that are free, things that they can do every day."

This year, National Wreaths Across America Day is Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022. It is a free event and open to all people. For more information on how to volunteer locally or sponsor a wreath for an American hero, please visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org. To follow stories throughout the year from across the country focused on this theme, please use the hashtag #FindAWay2022

Learn more at: https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/19520/News/832/?relatedId=0

About Wreaths Across America
Wreaths Across America is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath-laying ceremony at Arlington National Cemetery begun by Maine businessman Morrill Worcester in 1992. The organization's mission – Remember, Honor, Teach – is carried out in part each year by coordinating wreath-laying ceremonies in December at Arlington, as well as at thousands of veterans' cemeteries and other locations in all 50 states and beyond.









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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 *
RAYFORD JAMES MURRAY * CASE NO PC 2022-072
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary have been granted to **Becky J. Mullinax and Walter Glenn Murray** as Personal Representatives of the Estate of **Rayford James Murray** deceased, on the 13th day of October, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Becky J. Mullinax and Walter Glenn Murray
Personal Representatives

Alex J. Chaney
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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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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
JOSEPH DALE MCCLURE and CASE NO AD 2022-069
VANESSA NICOLE MCCLURE
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

A.F.S. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 4-1-2019

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: TYLAR SCOTT SELF, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD A.F.S. BORN TO KATELYNN MARIE LAWRENCE

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Joseph Dale McClure and Vanessa Nicole McClure, Petitioners. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 6th DAY OF October, 2022.

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

S. Wayne Fuller
Attorney for Petitioners
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Cullman, Alabama 35055

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IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of)
)
SHIRLEY V. DAVIS,) Case No.: PC-2022- 336
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Mark Anthony Parris as Administrator of the Estate of Shirley V. Davis, deceased, on the 13th day of October, 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.

Mark Anthony Parris
Administrator of the Estate of
Shirley V. Davis, deceased

TO: The Publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*

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

Beverly Paschal Poston,
Attorney for the Estate of
Shirley V. Davis, deceased.
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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CULLMAN * CASE NO.: AD2022-0990

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF DEBORAH ANN CHAMBERS TO ADOPT A.J.P., a minor child born on July 11, 2014.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS

Notice to: UNKNOWN FATHER OF A.J.P.
WHOSE IDENTITY, ADDRESS AND/OR WHEREABOUTS
ARE UNKNOWN OR UNDISCLOSED

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption of A.J.P., a minor child (born on July 11, 2014, to Chanda Leeann Pope), was filed on the 30th day of September, 2022, in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, by Deborah Ann Chambers. Please be advised should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of the last publication herein with the Clerk of the said Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama, 35055.

DONE this 6th day of October, 2022.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

To: *THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE*

PLEASE PUBLISH ONCE A WEEK FOR FOUR SUCCESSIVE WEEKS.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
NICHOLAS JOHN COLUMBUS MILLER, CASE NO.: PC2022-360

Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to DEBRIA ANN MILLER, as Personal Representative of the Estate of NICHOLAS JOHN COLUMBUS MILLER., deceased, on the 12th day of October, 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.

Debria Ann Miller
Personal Representative

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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

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-01

TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

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

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owner, City of Cullman, has petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioner, be annexed into the City of Cullman:

PPIN: 16195. Parcel No.: 09-09-30-0-002-020.000. Property Address: 0 Fairway Drive, Cullman, AL

Legal Description: Commencing at the Northwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama; thence East 90.42 feet to a fence corner found, the point of beginning for the property herein described; thence South 89°55'52" East, 450.71 feet to a concrete monument found; thence South 04°33'02" East, 429.26 feet to a "T" post found; thence North 89°41'59" Wes, 338.97 feet to an iron pin set; thence North 18°51'57" West, 450.89 feet to the point of beginning; containing 3.87 acres more or less.

PPIN: 58867. Parcel No.: 09-09-30-0-002-022.002. Property Address: 0 Fairway Drive, Cullman, AL

Legal Description: Beginning at the Northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 3 West; thence West along the North line of said forty acres a distance of 800.71 feet; thence South along a court ordered line a distance of 435.2 feet; thence East and parallel with the above mentioned North line a distance of 800.71 feet more or less to a point on the Eastern line of said forty; thence North along the East line of said forty a distance of 435.20 feet more or less to a point of beginning, containing eight (8) acres, more or less, situated lying and being in the Northeast corner of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter, Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama.

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as AG-1 Agriculture District.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the properties annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 10th day of October, 2022. /s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council

ATTESTED BY: /s/Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

APPROVED this the 10th day of October, 2022. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-32

TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 2021 – 53 DESIGNATING OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

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

1. That SECTION IV is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

SECTION IV. The following officers of the City, all of which have some level of authority over employees of the City, exercise some discretionary policy making authority, or a portion of their duties is the ability to discharge some portion of the sovereign power of the City, shall be appointed by the majority of the City Council:

A. Police Chief.
B. Fire Chief.
C. Director of Economic Development.
D. Sanitation Superintendent.
E. Street Superintendent.
F. Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent.
G. Water and Sewer Superintendent.
H. Garage Superintendent.
I. Chief Building Official.
J. Director of Risk Management.
K. Director of Information Technology.
L. ROW Maintenance Superintendent.
M. City Engineer.
N. Director (Operations) of Parks and Recreation.
O. Director (Executive) of Parks and Recreation.
P. Director of Human Resources.
Q. Court Clerk.

All officers set out in this Section shall serve for one year or until their successors are appointed. All officers set out in this Section shall be directed by the Mayor, and shall report to the Mayor and the designated Committee Chair to keep the Council informed of the operations of their departments. In addition to the normal duties of their respective departments, these officers shall set formal procedures for personal conduct of the employees within their departments not inconsistent with the policies set by the Council and Mayor. All officers set out in this Section are exempt employees (employees at will) and may be removed prior to their term of service without cause by the Council. The Mayor may temporarily suspend or remove any officer, superintendent, chief, or department head in this Section; the suspension or removal of any of the above officials, if sustained by a majority of the Council, shall be final. The Mayor may temporarily fill the vacancy of any office in this Section until a permanent replacement is appointed by a majority of the Council.

3. This Ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 30th day of September, 2022.. /s/ Jenny G. Folsom - President of the City Council

ATTEST: /s/ Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this the 30th day of September, 2022. /s/ Woody Jacobs – Mayor

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION PETITION OF
JOSEPH DALE MCCLURE and CASE NO AD 2022-070
VANESSA NICOLE MCCLURE
FOR THE ADOPTION OF

I.N.B.. A MINOR.
D.O.B. 07-23-2021

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: JUSTIN JAMES BARBEE, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD A.F.S. BORN TO KATELYNN MARIE LAWRENCE

The Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Joseph Dale McClure and Vanessa Nicole McClure, Petitioners. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 6th DAY OF October, 2022.

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

S. Wayne Fuller
Attorney for Petitioners
413 1st Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DYER ROY,)
DYER TERESA,)
Plaintiffs,)
)
V.) Case No.: CV-2022-900265.00
)
MCLEOD RANDY J.,)
MCLEOD PAM D.,)
Defendants.)

ORDER FOR PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF SUIT

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS, HEIRS OR DEVISEES OF RANDY J. MCLEOD OR PAM MCLEOD, claiming any right, title and interest to the following described real property, to-wit: **Parcel # 25-02-03-0-000-003.001**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 3RD day of October 2022, a Complaint in Rem to Quiet Title was filed by Plaintiffs Roy Dyer and Teresa Dyer, by and through their counsel of record, Seth B. Thompson, wherein all parties at interest were given notice and wherein it was alleged that said Complaint was filed against the property described above, and it was alleged that Plaintiffs were the owner in fee simple of said real property.

The parties at interest are further notified that Plaintiffs aver in said Complaint that they claim title to the real property by reason of the following chain of title, to wit:

(a)On the 5th day of March, 2018, a decree was rendered by the Revenue Commissioner of Cullman County for the sale of land herein described and conveyed for the State and County taxes of Randy J. McLeod and Pam McCleod, the owners of said land for the cost of expenses thereto and thereunder.

(b) On the 1st day of May, 2018, said lands were duly and regularly sold by the Revenue Commissioner of said county for taxes, costs and expenses and at said sale Plaintiffs purchased said lands at and for the sum of said taxes, costs and expenses and forthwith paid said sum to the Revenue Commissioner, and received from said Revenue Commissioner a certificate of said sale.

(c) The time of redemption of said lands has elapsed and said certificate of purchase had been returned to the Revenue Commissioner of said county.

(d) On or about the 18th day of May, 2021, Plaintiffs came forward and notified the Revenue Commissioner that they had taken lawful possession of the land and were due a deed pursuant to the Code of Alabama, specifically, but not limited to Title 40-10-29 and act number 84-493. Plaintiffs have met all requirements under these two statutes and other provisions of Alabama Law.

(e) Title to the real property described hereinabove stands upon the records in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, in the name of the Plaintiffs.

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to answer this Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from the 5th day of December, 2022, or on failure to do so, suffer a default judgment to be rendered against you.

DONE this 5th day of October, 2022.

CIRCUIT JUDGE

Cullman County leaves its mark at Alabama National Fair Goat Show



CONTRIBUTED

Senior Premier Exhibitor winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Emma Sanford of Elmore County, first place; Helen Gladney of Tuscaloosa County, second place; Mattie Wood of Cullman County, third place; Caedon Smith of Tallapoosa County, fourth place; and Caydin Green of Autauga County, fifth place. The Premier Exhibitor competition combines scores from a written exam, live animal evaluation and showmanship. The Senior Division is for ages 16-19. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Senior Showmanship winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Emma Sanford of Elmore County, first place; Caedon Smith of Tallapoosa County, second place; Mattie Wood of Cullman County, third place; Helen Gladney of Tuscaloosa County, fourth place; and Caydin Green of Autauga County, fifth place. Senior Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 16-19. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Intermediate Premier Exhibitor winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Ella Alldredge of Blount County, first place; Foster Ratliff of Tuscaloosa County, second place; Megan Crittenden of Elmore County, third place; Caleb Hornady of Autauga County, fourth place; and Nathan Brand of Tuscaloosa County, fifth place. The Premier Exhibitor competition combines scores from a written exam, live animal evaluation and showmanship. The Intermediate Division is for ages 13-15. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Intermediate Showmanship winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Ella Alldredge of Blount County, first place; Kaylyn Vadon of Cherokee County, second place; Tanner Truesdale of Autauga County, third place; Megan Crittenden of Elmore County, fourth place; and Foster Ratliff of Tuscaloosa County, fifth place. Intermediate Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 13-15. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Junior Premier Exhibitor winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, McKenna Manning of Autauga County, first place; Walton Epperson of Chambers County, second place; and Aiden Brice of Cullman County, third place. The Premier Exhibitor competition combines scores from a written exam, live animal evaluation and showmanship. The Junior Division is for ages 9-12. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Junior Showmanship winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Walton Epperson of Chambers County, first place; McKenna Manning of Autauga County, second place; and Aiden Brice of Cullman County, third place. Junior Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 9-12. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Beginner Premier Exhibitor winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Easton Elrod of Cullman County, first place; Rylie Mapes of Lee County, second place; Jaxon Stephens of Talladega County, third place; Luke Sexton of Autauga County, fourth place (not pictured); and Caleb Watkins of Elmore County, fifth place. The Premier Exhibitor competition combines scores from a written exam, live animal evaluation and showmanship. The Beginner Division is for ages 4-8. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.



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Beginner Showmanship winners in the Alabama National Fair Youth Goat Show Oct. 8 were, from left, Jaxon Stephens of Talladega County, first place; Easton Elrod of Cullman County, second place; Caleb Watkins of Elmore County, third place; Rylie Mapes of Lee County, fourth place; Luke Sexton of Autauga County, fifth place; and Levi Sexton of Autauga County, sixth place. Beginner Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 4-8. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored the youth livestock events at the fair.

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
OCTOBER 15, 2022

52 ODES TO JOY: RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY

Ben Johnson South
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RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY to add more sunny happiness and warm contentment to your world and to others. American literary legend, Edith Wharton, glowed with this luminous wisdom: "There are two ways to spread light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it."

"The S.U.N.S. (Smile-Making, Uniting, Neighboring, Spellbinding) Joyous Aging System" has been explained and illuminated in the many previous chapters of this series.

Now, I encourage you to spread the joy by letting these 50-plus easy, FREE or inexpensive ideas prompt you to create your own joy-giving radiance.

RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY (SMILE-MAKING)

1. SMILING IS FREE and CONTAGIOUS - Give one of yours to someone who truly appears to need one. You may start a SMILE-MAKING pandemic.

2. GIVE SOMETHING SOFT to SOMEONE HAVING A HARD TIME - A pillow? Fleece mittens?

3. MAIL SOMEONE SOMETHING SMILE-INDUCING - Let the U.S. Post Office help you make some smiles. Now that emailed thank you notes are acceptable etiquette for most folks, taking the time to mail even a handwritten postcard shows someone they matter.

4. COMPLIMENT SOMEONE - Simply let them know you sincerely admire or appreciate something about them. Sometimes we are in a "victory parade" and sometimes we can sit on the curb applauding.

5. SHARE A BOUNCY or CALMING YouTube SONG - How about "Always Look on the Bright Side of Life" by those jaunty Monty Python blokes? Another SMILE-MAKING earworm with surefire uplift is from the Broadway musical "Annie"—"You've got to S-M-I-L-E to be H-A-DOUBLE 'P'-Y."

6. GIVE A CANDLE to someone who is in the middle of something dark.

7. FIND OUT WHO SOME CELEBRITY JOY-GIVERS celebrating a birthday this month are. Share a joyful, meaningful quote from one of them with someone.

8. SHARE SOME "GOOD NEWS" - If you're struggling to think of some, explore the "Good News" sources online.

9. "MAY DAY" FLOWERS ARE WELCOME ANY DAY OF THE YEAR - When you buy a bouquet from the grocery store, leave a little bunch as a doorknob-hanger surprise for a neighbor or friend.

10. JUST DO IT - If you have the imagination and ability to make someone else smile, do it. Maybe you'll start a SMILE-MAKING movement.

11. TEXT SOMEONE A PHOTO of YOUR "HAPPY PLACE" and ask about theirs.

12. SHARE A JOKE - Here are a few to consider:

• Since this is an election year...A voter says to a politician, "I wouldn't vote for you if you were St. Peter himself." And the politician says, "If I were St. Peter, you wouldn't be in my district."

• Why do bagpipers always walk when they are playing? They're trying to get away from the noise.

• Did you hear about the skunk who came into the church? He had his own pew.

13. BABIES ARE SMILE-MAKING - If you see one, brag on it to the caring adult it is with.

14. HOLD A DOOR FOR SOMEONE - Let someone in a hurry go ahead of you in line.

15. THINK OF SOMEONE WHO DID SOMETHING SMILE-MAKING IN THE PAST and remind them of it. (For example: My smart, agile, 60-ish friend could walk across the gymnasium on his hands when he was in his teens and he's now a brilliant medical mind: Dr. Dan Williams.)

16. DRAW A "SMILEY FACE" or BAKE "SMILEY FACE" COOKIES and give them to some people. Draw an entire page of "Smiley Faces" and give that to someone who really, really needs more smiles.

17. GIVE YOUR UMBRELLA to someone who left theirs in the car and let them drive yours back to you.

18. MAKE A PLAYLIST of "SMILE-MAKING MUSIC" for yourself and share a copy with someone.

RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY (UNITING)

19. REFLECT ON SOMEONE WHO MADE YOU FEEL WARM As autumn brings cooler days, let that person know you think of them warmly and are thankful for them.

20. THINK OF THREE THINGS YOU LIKE ABOUT SOMEONE - Tell them.

21. CONSOLE a worried family member or friend by sincerely saying, "You will be fine."

22. CHILDREN NEED RESPECT and ADMIRATION, too. Think of some child and something you particularly admire or appreciate about them. Let them know. Many children will remember your joy-giving message for years.

23. INTERVIEW A FRIEND with the "Proust Questionnaire" and learn new things to connect you more deeply. Check online for a collection of these tried-and-true questions for your query.

24. PLAN A "FRIENDSGIVING"

25. GIVE SOMEONE A BIG HUG TODAY You could do this like a "Hugging Telegram" delivered to their house. (Note: This post-pandemic suggestion still might require asking for their consent prior to hugging.)

26. SEND YOUR COMPLIMENTS TO THE CHEF - Even corporate, fast-food workers have gone to some effort to please you with their food. I try to remember to say "Thank you" for any and all food including McDonald's, Chick-Fil-A or Cracker Barrel.

27. LOG OFF TECH and GIVE YOUR "FULL ATTENTION" to someone often.

RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY (NEIGHBORING)

28. CELEBRATE "MODEL CITIZENS of KINDNESS" - These souls do not always have their names in public places and they may not desire a lot of acclaim, but it is still good to let them know they are recognized and valued. You might tell them in person or send them a note of thankfulness.

29. "YOU DO A GREAT JOB and YOU ADD TO OUR PART of the WORLD!" Think of a deserving local person and let them know your appreciation this week.

30. COOKIES FOR OUR COPS would be great if you're a baker, and "store bought" cookies for our cops if you're not. #policelivesmatter

31. JOIN or START a "BIG SING" in your community. Joyful communal noises add joy to the world.

32. BUY ADVERTISING SPACE TO THANK A LOCAL DO-GOODER CAUSE - This doesn't have to be a full-page splash in a newspaper, it could be a small "want ad" size but it still radiates positive joy.

33. SPONSOR A MUSICAL or THEATRICAL "BUSKER" - Where you live may not have a subway or train station but pre-paying some banjo picker or kazoo wheezer could add a little surprising joy to some dull spot.

34. IF YOU SUDDENLY BECAME PRESIDENT OF THE U.S. what is something you would make a national priority on Day 1? (Please don't demand your face on a postage stamp.) What could you do today, where you are, to make a positive difference on this?

35. YouTube GLEN CAMPBELL SINGING "TRY A LITTLE KINDNESS" - Choose a version that shows you the simple but profound lyrics. The chorus is:

"You got to try a
little kindness,
Yes, show a little kindness.
Just shine your light
for everyone to see.
And if you try a
little kindness
Then you'll overlook
the blindness
Of narrow-minded
people on the narrow-minded streets."

36. CREATE A COMMUNITY "WALL OF KINDNESS" in a café' or courthouse and invite everyone to add kind words and thoughts.

37. EXPLORE JOYOUS IDEAS from JOYFUL PLACES that your spot on the map might adopt. A good place to start is the annual "Reader's Digest Magazine Nicest Places in America" series.

38. DONATE ANY CLOTHES or OBJECTS that AREN'T "SPARKING JOY" Thanks to professional "purge princess" Marie Kondo this is advice we all should remember at least once each season.

39. MAIL A "THINKING OF YOU" NOTE TO SOME "SHUT IN" THIS WEEK - Don't wait for February to send valentines. Every day of the year is a good one to let someone a bit isolated know they are not alone in the world.

RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY (SPELLBINDING)

40. RAKE SOMEONE'S AUTUMN LEAVES with them or for them. The repetitive action will transport you from your own little world as you get lost in a rewarding, SMILE-MAKING, NEIGHBORING task.

41. ARE YOU AN OBSESSING, FALL FOOTBALL FAN? This would be a good message for you to share with someone: "The days get shorter each Fall which makes us even more thankful for radiating sunshine. You and I will be fine. We and Bama football make ever autumn a winning season." Then, it's always in good taste to add a loud, boisterous—ROLLLLLL TIDE!!! (Just sayin'.)

42. DONATE SUPPLIES TO YOUR LOCAL, OBSESSIVE ARTISTS/ ARTISANS - Give chipped pottery and loose beads to a mosaic artist or crafter. Those of us who regularly enjoy being "makers" always want more materials to transform art which viewers/patrons may find SMILE-MAKING and we find SPELLBINDING during the creative process.

43. OCCASIONALLY INVITE SOMEONE TO SHARE YOUR PARTICULAR PASSION - If you go for a walk daily, ask a more sedentary friend if they might like to join you sometimes. As you are UNITING with a friend, you can still enjoy your walk but perhaps let them know that generally this is something you will want to do as a sort of meditative solitude—if that's your thing. We all need to "move" some regularly.

44. TEACH A MAN TO FISH or TEACH A KID TO TOOT a horn. Let your local schools know you have a skill you would love to share with a student. Woodworking? Sewing? Vocal coaching? Chess? Pickleball? Flower-arranging? Grammar policing? (Note to my delightful, eagle-eyed editor, Wendy Sack: You would be great mentoring grammar lessons thirty years from now when you retire. Take my editor, please.)

45. START A "WORD-A-DAY" BUDDY PROGRAM Build your vocabulary and activate different parts of your brain and heart by UNITING through a shared love of words.

46. COLOR SOMEONE'S WORLD a bit more beautifully by celebrating their "signature color." People who are "pink passionate" would find it joyful to be given some pink cupcakes or possibly pink grapefruit.

47. TAKE A DOG ON A "SNIFF-A-THON" WALK - You will find it SPELLBINDING to be out in nature UNITING with one of human's best friends and the dog will find it aromatically SPELLBINDING.

48. GET LOST IN YOUR HOMETOWN by corralling someone to join you as you roleplay being tourists wandering among the familiar sights and sounds and smells and hugs and eateries.

49. CREATE YOUR OWN VERSION OF A FAVORITE JOY-MAKING VIDEO - This may take some planning, practicing, patience and a willingness to look goofy, but it could be totally absorbing to do. When you share it online, many others could find your thoughtful creativity spirit-lifting and SMILE-MAKING.

50. "HOLIDAY COOKIE or CRUDITE' SWAP" - The planning and making could be SPELLBINDING in a mostly SMILE-MAKING way and the sharing could be both UNITING and NEIGHBORING. Christmas will be here before you can say "Bob Cratchit!"

50-plus Ways to RADIATE S.U.N.S. JOY are easy to think of once you get yourself in the habit of being a joy-seeker and joy-maker. Look for acts of kindness and graciousness this week. Write your observations down so you'll remember them. Tell the person who is adding joy to your week a hearty "Thank you." Look for "Everyday Heroes/ Heroines" in your local newspaper, then clip out the article and mail it with a "Thank you."

Select a day this coming week and get ready to write down everything you find SMILE-MAKING starting with a big

grin stretched across your face ear-to-ear before your head leaves your pillow. Be grateful for whatever weather welcomes you into your "One Radiant Day of S.U.N.S. Joy." This will be a terrific way to become more thankful for our blessings as we tootle toward Thanksgiving.

JOY-MAKERS CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Oct. 15—Penny Marshall
Oct. 16—Andre' Leon Talley
Oct. 17—Evel Knievel
Oct. 18—Chuck Berry
Oct. 19—Peter Max
Oct. 20—Snoop Dogg
Oct. 21—Carrie Fisher

PRUNE POWER BALLS—OREGON PRUNES
(Source: sunsweet.com)

Each week, "The JOYrontologist" shares a recipe saluting a healthy food produced in America. This nutritious and delicious collection is called "The S.U.N.S. Longevity Cookbook" and highlights vitamin B-3 (niacin) which many gerontologists believe holds the promise for a long, healthy, joyful life.

INGREDIENTS
- 3/4 cup whole almonds or walnuts
- 1 cup Sunsweet pitted prunes, chopped
- 1/4 cup chia seeds
- 2 tablespoons cocoa powder
- 2 tablespoons smoot peanut butter
- 1 tablespoon coconut oil
- 1/2 cup unsweetened shredded coconut

INSTRUCTIONS
1. Place nuts in bowl of food processor and pulse until finely ground. Add prunes, chia seeds, cocoa powder and peanut butter and pulse until combined. Add coconut oil and pulse until mixture forms ball and holds together.

2. Roll into 1 tablespoon balls. Place coconut in shallow dish. Roll balls in coconut to coat.

3. Refrigerate for 30 to 45 minutes to set. Store in airtight container in refrigerator for up to 1 week.

"The JOYrontologist" RECOMMENDS pairing German Rieslings with prunes and prune desserts. A good selection would be Schloss Vollrads 2018 Estate Riesling Kabinett with green apple and honeycomb notes. The enthusiasts at winemag.com called the 2018 German Rieslings "an epic romantic comedy that has an instantaneous international appeal and a heart-swooning finish. This vintage was marked by a long, dry and consistently hot summer that produced powerful, ripe wines with ample fruit and structure. They are sunny, charming wines..."

1,070 JOY-GIVING THINGS FROM MY FIRST 70 YEARS (continued)

891."Joy to the World" by Three Dog Night

892. Strobe lights

893. Lava lamps

894. Illuminated manuscripts from the 11th century onward at the V&A Museum (London)

895. "I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart"

896. Knowing the difference between Shinola and that other thing, occasionally

897. "Shine a Light" at a Rolling Stones concert

898. "Radiate Positive Vibes" hippie poster

899. "Radiate boundless love toward the entire world," Buddha

900. "Joy to the World" English Christmas carol based on the Jewish Psalm 98

HAPPY, SUNNY, RADIANTLY JOYFUL WEEK!

Read all the installments in this series at www.cullmantribune.com/tag/odes-to-joy-2022.

Paws (from Front)

Amy Leonard
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CULLMAN, Ala. – WellStone invites the community, including canine companions, to Paws for Mental Health at Heritage Park Saturday, Oct. 29, from 2-4 p.m. The free event will include treats for canine attendees, a mini parade, Halloween photo backdrop for fun pictures with pets and a costume contest for a $5 entry fee. Vendors and organizations throughout the community will be on-hand, including the Cullman Police Department's K-9 Unit.

"We wanted to celebrate one of the best tools used in treating people with mental illness: pets.

"Pets play a major role as a coping tool for people experiencing mental health issues and crises," said Zackery Moore, of WellStone's Mobile Crisis Team.

The National Institute of Health reports that caring for pets has been shown to decrease cortisol levels and lower blood pressure.

Cortisol is the primary stress hormone, the fight or flight hormone.

Interactions with animals reduce feelings of isolation and loneliness, increase feelings of happiness and increase feelings of support.

Melodie Parsons, LICSW, outreach coordinator at WellStone, shared, "Paws for Mental Health is about sharing with individuals the benefits of having a pet and supporting their mental health journey.

"The mental health journey does not end after taking medication or going to therapy, the individual has to continue on with the daily routines of life.

"A paw companion supports individuals in these daily routines of life. We are looking forward to seeing everyone come on out and join in the parade."

While support or therapy pets have many benefits to their owners, they do not have the same rights as service animals that receive specialized training for specific tasks and appropriate responses to particular situations.

Service animals hold special rights under the law to ensure their owners are allowed to always have them by their sides. This is not the case with support pets.

Event organizers request that all dogs attending Paws for Mental Health are leashed and respectful of other dogs' and dog owners' boundaries.

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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 13-14

Christopher Bruce Peak, 39
Memorial service for Christopher Bruce Peak, 39, of Athens will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Tim Aris will officiate. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Peak family. Christopher passed away Oct. 12, 2022, at Athens Limestone Hospital. He was born April 4, 1983, to Bruce Homer and Debra Campbell Peak. He was a hardworking man, dedicated father and loved his family. He was preceded in death by grandparents: Homer and Catherine Peak; grandmother: Joyce Stevens; aunt: Carolyn Godeke. Survivors include his parents: Bruce & Debra Peak; grandfather: James 'Dickie' Campbell; soul mate: Conner Garmany; son: Kevin Peak; brothers: Jeremy Peak, Nicholas Peak; uncles: Charles (Raceene) Peak, Benny (Joy) Peak, Brian Peak, Jimmy (Donna) Campbell, Randy Godeke, Tom Evans; aunts: Judy Steipp (Chuck Steipp), Rita (Ralph) Hancock, Holly Nigro, Linda Terry; and a host of cousins, family and friends. In lieu of flowers the family suggests making donations to CCCDD Inc., also known as Margaret Jean Jones, 1807 Beech Ave., Cullman, AL 35055.

Jerry Freddie Scott, 76
The funeral service for Jerry Freddie Scott, 76, of Cullman will be noon, Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, at the Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The visitation will be Sunday night, Oct. 16, from 5:30-8 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home. Rev. Cory Drummond, Rev. Johnny Freeman and Rev. Roger Hood will officiate the service. The interment will be at Crosses Chapel Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Scott family. Mr. Scott was born May 29, 1946, to Newman C. and Lizzie Bell Russell Scott. He loved restoring old cars and owned several and had many car show friends. Jerry loved to travel and loved playing with his great grandkids. He loved his family dearly. He was preceded in death by his parents: Newman C. and Lizzie Bell Russell Scott; his sisters: Betty Lorene Jones and Eunice Turner; and infant brother: Gary Scott; special friends: Diane and Dana Parker; and his brother-in-law: Earl Turner. Mr. Scott is survived by his wife of 50 years: Shirley Moore Scott; daughter: Melanie Scott Daugherty; brothers: Roy (Kay) Scott, Early Scott; brothers-in-law: Doyce Jones and Lamar Moore; sister-in-law: Carol Davis; grandchildren: Jonathan (Laura) Daugherty, Josh (Kristi) Daugherty; great-grandchildren: Gunner Daugherty, Cannon Daugherty, Aaliyah Daugherty, Riley Daugherty, Bea Shaw, Briece Buxton; special friends: Gary and Janet Sawyer; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. In lieu of flowers the family request donations be made to National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Rebecca Feltman Smith, 66
Rebecca Feltman Smith, 66 of Hartselle, entered into rest Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022, at Vanderbilt Hospital surrounded by her family. Rebecca was born on Feb. 29, 1956, in Winston County, Alabama. Visitation will be held on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, from 1:30-2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Double Springs, where services will be at 2. Burial will be at Burdick Cemetery in Houston. Rebecca is survived by her son: Chad (Melissa Hutto) McCay; daughter: Fallon McCay; sister: Kay (Donnie) Nix; grandchildren: Jaden McCay, Taylor McCay, and Elijah Martin; and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents: Ed "Jabo" and I.V. Feltman; grandson: Cooper McCay; and brother: James Feltman.

Felix Hadley, 72
Felix Hadley, age 72, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Wednesday, Oct. 12, 2022. Felix is survived by his sister: Foyce Gregory; his daughters: Crystal Chadwick (Randy Johnson), Valerie Hodges (Shane Freeman); and his grandchildren: Zachary Chadwick,Kaylob Chadwick, Kaiden Hodges & Kinsley Hadley. Felix was preceded in death by his parents: Isaac and Margaret Hadley; his brother: Eugene Hadley; his sisters: Frances Schlosser, Mary Smith and Faith Keaton. Funeral services will be Saturday, Oct. 15, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home with interment in Baileyton Cemetery. The family will receive friends Friday, Oct. 14, 2022, at 6 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home.

John Allen Sandlin, 90
John Allen Sandlin, 90, of Cold Springs, Alabama passed away at South Hampton Nursing and Rehab in Owens Cross Roads on Oct. 11, 2022. Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Oct. 14, 2022, at Moss Service Funeral Home in Cullman, Alabama. Pastor Allen Speegle, his nephew, will officiate. Visitation was from 10-11 a.m., prior to the funeral service. A military graveside service will follow at Bethany Cemetery in Crane Hill, Alabama. John joined the Air Force in 1953 serving as a flight engineer and flight line supervisor. He also worked for Civil Services in aircraft quality control and retired as Chief Master Sergeant from the Air Force in May 1992. John was the owner of the Country Mall in Crane Hill from 1980-1990. John considered one of his proudest accomplishments being ordained as a deacon in August 1994. He served at Bethany and Smith Lake Baptist Churches. He was preceded in death by his loving wife of 65 years: Hilda Perdue Sandlin; son and daughter-in-law: Anthony and Glenda Sandlin; and parents: Lacy and Olma Sandlin. John "Pop" is survived by his daughter: Tonya (Ben) Gilliland; grandchildren: Jonathan Suchey, Kynlie Pearson, Michael (Justin) Sandlin; sisters: Barbara Faye Speegle and Betty Sue (Tom) Pope; step-children and great granddaughter: Calrey (David) Croswell, Colin (Layna) Gilliland, Ellison Gilliland; and a host of special nieces, nephews, family and friends that he held dear to his heart. The family would like to say a special thank you to all of the staff at South Hampton Nursing and Rehab, Champion Therapy work family and Hospice of North Alabama for taking such good care of Pop. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to be made to the Smith Lake Baptist Church Building Fund or the Bethany Community Cemetery, both in Crane Hill, in his memory.

Bonnie Marie O'Conner, 72
Bonnie Marie O'Connor, 72 of Bremen, passed away Oct. 12, 2022, at her residence surrounded by her family. She was born March 2, 1950. She was a grandma to everybody, whether blood or not. She was a light for the family, and she had a smile to light a room. She laughed in her sleep. She was an amazing person. She was small but mighty, and strong and tough. Visitation will be held Monday, Oct. 17, 2022, from noon to 2 p.m. in the chapel at Nichols Funeral Home in Addison, Alabama, where the service will begin at 2 p.m. Burial will be held at Addison Church of God Cemetery in Addison, Alabama. Pastor Andy Heis will officiate. Bonnie is survived by her sons: Larry (Kathy) Martin and Christopher Michael O'Connor; daughter: Laura (Jimmie) Kathleen Johnson; grandchildren: Nick (Nikki) Martin, Ryan Martin, Heather (Dallas) Harrison, Nathan O'Connor, Brittney Sutherland, Carl Emerson, Travis Johnson, Caitlin O'Connor and Johnathan O'Connor; great-grandchildren: Hunter and Trustin Martin, Wesley Martin, Kairee Sutherland, Lilly Salazar, Mild Harrison and Xodi "Dodi" Sutherland; siblings: George Alleu (Annie) Johnson, Jim (Gayle) Nessmith, and Bob (Sandy) Johnson; nieces: Kareu, Cheryl, Ginny, and many more loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; her father: George Johnson; and her mother: Laura Mae Jackson; brother: Sam; sister: Sarah Raye; and daughter: Theresa Lynne Sutherland.

Shirley Ann BeShears, 68
A celebration of life will be held for Shirley Ann BeShears at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Jason Murphree officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Wife, mother, Mimi and the original Southern Starlet, Shirley BeShears's love of life did not come to an end with her death. Shirley passed away Oct. 12, 2022, at the age of 68 after a courageous battle with aplastic anemia and cancer, surrounded by loved ones who will continue to honor her legacy by living their lives to the fullest. Although her first love was her daughter Candy, Shirley fell madly in love with and married Mitch BeShears, the man who would love her in sickness and health. However, it may only be fair to add that the only man who could do no wrong in Shirley's eyes is her grandson, Grant Roland. Becoming a West Point High School majorette in the late 1960s was the spark that ignited Shirley's love of baton twirling. In fact, her name is synonymous with the Southern Starlets, the school she established to share her lifelong passion for baton twirling and dancing. She also devoted four decades to mentoring and coaching the Cullman High School majorettes and several other school teams throughout the state. In addition to winning national and world competition titles, many of her students have been chosen to be majorettes or dancers at colleges and universities throughout the country. Continuing her legacy of mentoring young women, some of Shirley's former Southern Starlets are currently head coaches at UAB, Auburn University and the University of Alabama. Clearly, Shirley has made an impact that is widespread and long-lasting, and she will be missed by so many students, who she inspired to chase their dreams. She chose the colors red, white and blue for her Southern Starlets because she has always been patriotic. In fact, she cast her last vote from her hospital bed by absentee ballot. However, what may have been her biggest strength was her unshakeable faith. She trusted God for a miracle as she battled her disease. Her doctors will tell you that she was the toughest lady they had ever seen. The fact that she surpassed the life-expectancy of most people with aplastic anemia is a testament to God giving Shirley her miracle. Each extra day with her was a miracle. She was preceded in death by her parents; brother: Dwight Johns; and brother-in-law: Donald Faulkner. Survivors include her husband: Mitchell BeShears; daughter: Candy Byrd Miller; son-in-law: Jason Miller; grandson: Grant Roland; mother-in-law: Ruth "Nana" BeShears; sisters: Doris Faulkner, Annette Brooks and Carol Striker; and a host of nieces and nephews. The family would like to give a special thanks to her medical teams and the staff at CRMC and Vanderbilt University Hospital. In lieu of flowers, please make a financial or blood donation to the American Red Cross.

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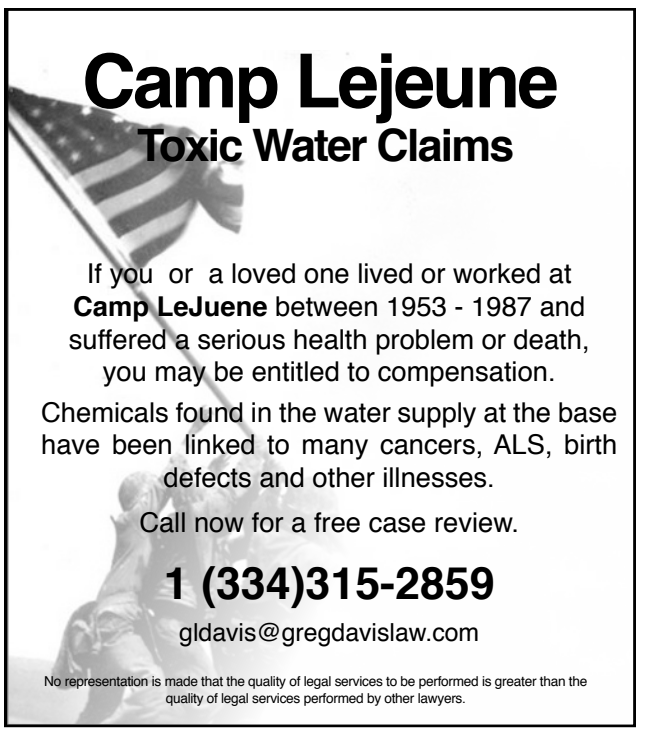
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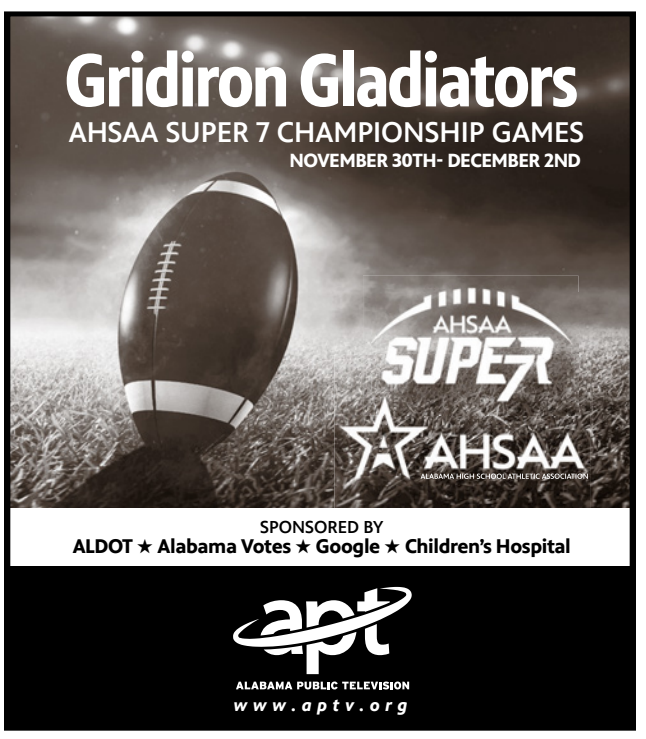
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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

What could be any better than biscuits?

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



When the server at any restaurant asks, "Biscuits or cornbread?" I always answer, "Biscuits." I don't even have to think about it. Yes, I know this is the South, and I am definitely a southern boy, but I don't particularly love cornbread. I do, however, LOVE a good biscuit! What could possibly be any better than biscuits? Not much! I can eat them without anything on them or in them, but they can be enhanced with a little butter, a piece of sausage, bacon, chicken, or cheese. I especially love them swimming in syrup. I'm not talking about a few measly drops sprinkled on top. I'm talking about the biscuit soaked in syrup and running off the sides and onto the plate. Be careful that it doesn't run off the plate and you waste some of that precious sweet stuff. Oh, and my syrup of choice is sorghum. That is pronounced like sore-gum.

Now that I have your mouth watering and your brain wondering where you might get this great delicacy of the South, I'll tell you. Saturday, October 22, is Syrup Sopping Day in Loachapoka, Alabama.

If you've never been to Syrup Sopping Day, or to downtown Loachapoka, you have missed one of life's great treats. If you have been, then no doubt, you want to go again.

They will bake more biscuits on that one day than your grandma made in a whole month of Sundays. You can get your syrup right there too, so you can baptize your biscuits on the spot. Be sure to bring a bib, or wear a shirt that you don't mind getting a few syrup stains on.

You can buy a jar to take home too. You can even watch as the sap is squeezed from the cane by a mule-drawn cane press and then the syrup is cooked right there before your eyes. In case you aren't a syrup loving kind of person, look me up and we'll have prayer for you!

Seriously, you can also get other homemade goodies like apple butter, jams, and jellies to spread on your biscuits... maybe even on sweet-potato biscuits.

There's even-more good news. Besides all the good stuff to eat, there will be numerous arts-and-crafts demonstrations on the grounds. These may include spinning, weaving, quilting, blacksmith forging, and rope making.

There will be a multitude of booths/tents set up where you may buy some of these and other items. On the Pioneer Park side of the road there are several old buildings to see and tour.

These include Dr. McClain's old medical office, the main museum building, a farm-implement collection, a blacksmith shop, a gin office, and the oldest-standing cabin in the state. There is also a wonderful vegetable and flower garden on the grounds that you may walk through.

Throughout the day, there will be music on the stage with plenty of covered seating. Yours truly will once again have the privilege of picking-and-grinning during that time.

My concert will be from 2:00 until 2:45. The first concert will begin at 8:00 with various artists performing each hour. These will include The Whistle Stop Pickers, String Fever, Rangers, Suzanne Scholtz, Webster's Wheel, Mutt Cooper, Fountain Gate Church Band, and myself.

Syrup Sopping began back in 1972. Although it has not always been called by that name, an event has taken place for 50 years this year, and this year the Syrup Sopping name has returned. I hope you will too. The event is located on Highway 14, in the heart of Loachapoka, 5-miles West of Auburn. I'll be looking for you there!

Bill King can be reached at bkpreach@yahoo.com or 334-745-0588 (office).

HISTORY

Files from yesteryear: 1900, 1930, 1950

From the files of 1900

M. Dickerman has purchased the sawmill, belonging to W. Turney, near Vinemont.

Doctor W.A. Barclift, of Hartselle, is having a cottage erected on the bluff, overlooking the Vinemont railroad station and will use it as a summer home.

Mrs. M.W. Howard stopped in Cullman, this week, on her return from Kentucky, where Mr. Howard has been making campaign speeches.

John F. Knight went to Birmingham on Wednesday to meet Mrs. Knight, who has just returned from Canada. They will reside here.

The length of public schools in this county will be increased this year from three to four and one-half months.

Probate Judge, S.L. Fuller has received warrants for 253 disabled Confederate soldiers and widows of deceased soldiers, which he will distribute.

From the files of 1930

Byron Ashwander, of Hanceville, purchased the first "A" automobile license in this county on October 1st, according to Probate Judge, Homer F. Mitchell. The tag is number A 103 -301 and will be used on a Ford coach.

George Ashwander, of Hanceville, purchased the first "B" tag for his Dodge sedan and Alton McBrayer purchased the first truck tag for his Ford truck.

At the B.P.W. benefit "Bug" party, on Thursday, Miss Mamie Hoelscher won first prize and Miss Margaret Schlosser and Miss Gertrude Ziegler second and consolation.

Mrs. M.J. Duke was seriously injured, on Friday morning, when she fell from the back doorstep at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J.S. Norton entertained on Friday evening, honoring their son, Willie, on the anniversary of his birth.

W.L. Guthrie and son, Thurman spent Sunday in Sipsey as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Johnson.

Among those attending the state fair in Birmingham this week were: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hill and Miss Gertrude Hill, Casper Mages and Miss Betty Mages, Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Rainey, Hartwell Speegle, Miss Sophie Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. W.S. Leeth and children and Miss Thelma Kinney.

The Cullman Bearcats won their opening game of the season, by defeating Fairview, 12 to 0.

Charley Bilgero, who underwent an operation in Birmingham last Thursday is reported to be resting well, at this time.

From the files of 1950

Charley Dewberry, age 3, was killed at Liberty Grove, when he fell into a neighbor's boiling pot of water, where they were killing hogs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fonzie Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Oran Holmes and Lowell Holmes were baptized at the John R. Holmes pond last week.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Aldridge, of Piney Grove, severely cut his leg on a pile of sawdust. It required several stitches.

Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Bontrager have a new daughter, Barbara Kay, born on September 26th.

Mrs. Lonnie Rice, of Hanceville, rode the Greyhound bus to Birmingham last Monday.

POET'S CORNER

With Wings as Eagles | Randy C. Hale

This morning, my father is calm.
One might think he is himself, except
the asked questions he should know.
His dementia has progressed the
past three years, requiring my sister
and I to always be nearby.
Sometimes his care is almost
unbearable and keeping him safe,
near impossible.

He has been the toughest man I've
ever known, hardworking and loyal, embracing a soft side towards his
family, and filled with humor and fun.

We continue for these moments
to see his face without confusion,
his playful smile, and to hear the whimsical sayings he is so capable
of rendering.

I read that when an eagle is old that
it flies toward the sun to rejuvenate
itself, to burn away the mist over its
eyes and free its old feathers, then plunging into the river to restore its
youth. We press forward each day
as if we might expect from our father
the same.



"But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." **Isaiah 40:31**

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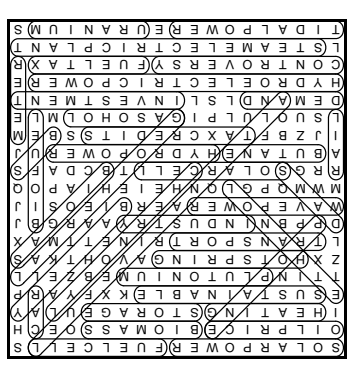
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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
OCTOBER 15, 2022

Holly Pond High School's Rex Harrison shines during Alabama National Fair Livestock Shows

Marlee Moore
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Just outside the ring where youth exhibit meticulously groomed livestock, family and friends cheer on their loved ones — and lend support when the showing gets tough.

"These kids think nothing about getting up and going again when they get knocked down," said Cameron Price, whose niece, Brooklyn, showed beef cattle during the Alabama National Fair Oct. 8-9. "You learn how to be tough. You learn about life and responsibility."

The Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance annually sponsor beef, dairy, goat, sheep and swine shows at the Alabama National Fair, one of many fairs supported by the state and county Farmers Federations each fall.

Before hitting the show circuit, families spend months preparing.

Take the Prices of Lee County.

Together, they select genetics for Brooklyn's livestock projects, a choice ultimately impacting their overall herd.

Decisions are made by patriarch State Sen. Randy Price, R-Opelika, and wife Oline; sons Cameron and Hunter; daughter-in-law Lisa; and 9-year-old Brooklyn. The fourth-grader at Beauregard Elementary School has a 3-year-old brother, Walton, who is destined for the ring, too.

"When our cows have calves, I'm happy because they could be my new show calves," Brooklyn said.

Brooklyn and fellow exhibitors spend months working with their cattle, getting comfortable with the animals and grooming them for peak performance.

Beef Cattle Show judge Taylor Farrer of Indiana commended Alabama exhibitors on their daily practice.

"The cattle project, in my opinion, is one of the hardest projects kids can undertake," Farrer said. "You can't skip a day when you have livestock at home. It shows when you haven't put time into these cattle."

An all-in, tag-team feeling flows through livestock barns outside Garrett Coliseum as youth and their support systems groom animals to enter the ring. In market or breeding animal shows, livestock are judged on structure, soundness and strength, while showmanship tests competitors' skills.

As youth and their livestock enter the ring, spectators flood the stands, where they anxiously watch for the judge's final line-up or give gentle guidance from afar.

Farm families split responsibilities during show season, often leaving members at home or dispersed across the state managing farm business.

"While we're here, we have guys at home feeding our cattle herd," Cameron said. "On one end of the state, we're in Montgomery showing cattle, and then we have family members selling cattle hours away. It does take a village."



ALFA FARMERS

Senior Premier Exhibitors during the Alabama National Fair Beef Cattle Show Oct. 8 in Montgomery are, from left, Victoria Thompson of Lee County, champion; MaryElliott Martin of Lee County, reserve champion; Rex Harrison of Cullman County, third; Gus Ashley of Montgomery County, fourth; and Abbeigh Jo Gibson of Washington County, fifth. The Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsor the contest. Winners are pictured with Federation President Jimmy Parnell.

Cameron showed cow-calf pairs with his dad, making Brooklyn, the Alabama National Fair junior reserve champion showman, the third generation of exhibitors. She's the seventh generation on their farm.

"We're trying to build a herd for her," Cameron said, nodding to his niece. "We want animals that are functional. Even our show cattle need to be functional and need to perform once they're done with the show."

View Alabama National Fair livestock show photos on the Federation's Flickr page at https://flickr.com/photos/alabamafarmers/albums.

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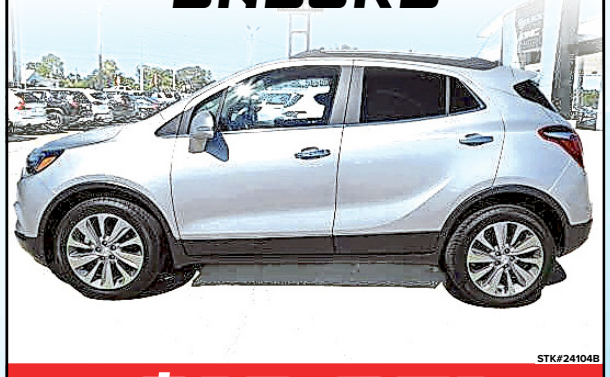
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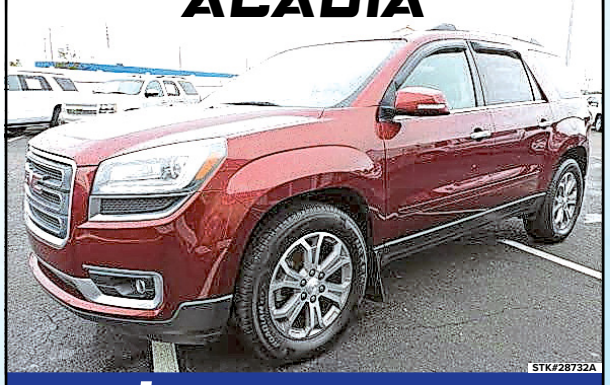
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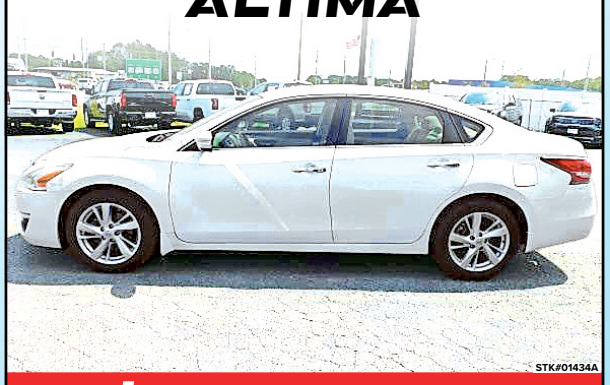
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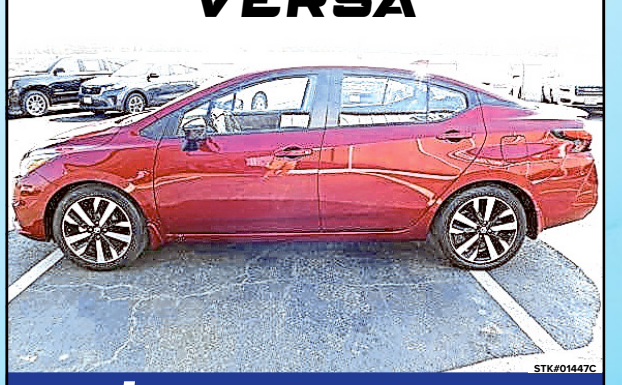
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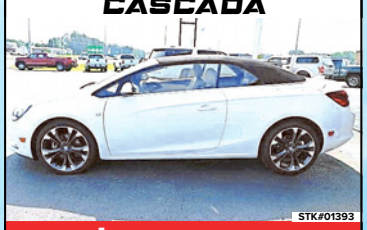
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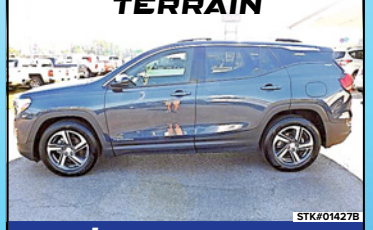
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