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Competitors get their grill on at Butcher Meat Co.

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VINEMONT, Ala. — Vinemont residents on Saturday no doubt smelled something delicious in the air. The Butcher Meat Co. hosted its innaugural Backyard Grill-Off, and several barbecue teams strapped on aprons and fired up the grills for a good cause and some bragging rights. All proceeds from the event will benefited Vinemont's Art Park and Henry & Roe Wood Park.

In all, 14 teams, including locals and groups from Hartselle, Birmingham, Athens, Florence and Tennessee, competed. Competitors were required to bring their own equipment, but the meat was provided by The Butcher Meat Co. and covered by registration fees.

Organizer Richard Neese said providing the meat helped the event stand out in contrast to similar competitions. "The competitors love it here because » PAGE 2



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Zebco33, led by team captain Zeb Jones, is presented with the Grand Champion award by Justin and Kadi Smith.

Library group hosts 'real-life' whodunit



TANYA ALLCORN

"Suspects" pose for a photo at the Midnight at the Masquerade dinner Friday night, Oct. 21, at Stone Bridge Farms.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Stone Bridge Farms was the site of a "real-life" whodunit Friday, when The Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County (FPLCC) hosted Midnight at the Masquerade. The murder mystery dinner was a fundraiser to support library projects.

During dinner, guests were entertained and intrigued by an immersive experience provided by six actors from Birmingham's Murder Mystery Company. The actors set the scene, and the crowd watched as actor "Sal Fee" "died" a dramatic death by poison.

Then preselected guests from the audience were invited to the floor to participate in the fun by taking on the roles of characters and "suspects." Any of the local characters could have been "the killer."

The audience was given clues and the chance to interrogate suspects for motives. Teams were made up of those sitting together at the same tables.

Each group worked individually or with other tables to solve the mystery. At the end of the night, awards were presented to those who were among the best "detectives" and actors in the room.

Junior Detective awards were presented to Natalie Freeman, Ellie Freeman, Anna Kate Allcorn and Clara Haynes. Best Actor awards were presented to Jacob Calahan and Paige Clabo. The killer of the night was character "Ella Vader," portrayed by Brittany Clements.

FPLCC President Tanya Allcorn said she hopes to make the dinner an annual event.

"The Friends of the Library were so thankful for the great turnout and support for our local libraries," she said.

"We hope this mysterious event will return next year to add even more fun to our community. We would also like to thank everyone who attended the Murder Mystery Dinner in making it a wonderful success."

Find out more about the FPLCC at www.facebook.com/fotplocc and the Cullman County Public Library System at www.ccpls.com.

Historical preservation underway at Ave Maria Grotto



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Birmingham artist Allison Bohorfoush, Amy Jenkins of the Alabama Arts Council and local blacksmith Allan Kress pose in front of Die Wald Kapelle on the grounds of Cullman's Ave Maria Grotto.

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On Sunday, the witches will ride

Inaugural Witches Ride will take place Oct. 30



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'A family that scares together sticks together'

Terror reigns on Woodland Street » PAGE 7

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 24

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 24, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Oct. 20

- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 895
- domestic violence, criminal mischief; Co. Rd. 946
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 388
- theft of property; Hwy 278 W
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 747
- theft of property; Hwy 31
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 1742
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1059

Oct. 21

- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 699
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 1386
- harassment; Co. Rd. 1545
- criminal mischief; Hwy 91
- theft of property; Hwy 69 S
- burglary; Hwy 31
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; I-65 NB MM 305
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 895

Oct. 22

- domestic violence, menacing; Co. Rd. 558
- using false identity to avoid arrest; Co. Rd. 1196
- permitting dogs to run at large; Co. Rd. 703
- permitting dogs to run at large: Co. Rd. 699
- domestic violence; Co. Rd. 587
- unlawful possession of controlled substances, unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 278 E

Oct. 23

- assault; Co. Rd. 162
- unlawful possession of dangerous drugs, unlawful possession of marijuana; Hwy 278 E
- unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy 91
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437
- assault; Co. Rd. 222
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 437
- theft of property; Co. Rd. 359
- burglary; Co. Rd. 747
- unlawful possession of marijuana, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia; Co. Rd. 1838

ARRESTS

Oct. 20

Bagwell, Dachery D; 30
- FTA-possession of methamphetamines
- FTA-criminal trespassing

Clarke, Justin L; 42
- Probation violation-possession of dangerous drugs

Cockrell, Rusty D; 26
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Graves, Damon K; 29
- Probation violation-burglary-residence-force

Harris, Darrell N; 56
- domestic violence-3rd degree
- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- criminal mischief-3rd degree

Linn, Rachel A; 38
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-public intoxication

Moore, David L; 59
- FTA-sex offense-failure of sex offender to register with local law enforcement

Oden, Hannah F; 26
- Probation revoked-burglary-residence-force
- Probation revoked-robbery-residence-strong arm
- Probation revoked-receiving/buying stolen property

Stewart, Nichole L; 42
- larceny/theft

Williams, Byron W; 39
- financial exploitation of the elderly-2nd degree
- larceny/theft

Williamson, Gary L; 49
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Oct. 21

Adkins, Jamie R; 37
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument

Bomberry-Wright, Dylan J; 28
- sex offense-sexual abuse of child less than 12-years-old

Connell, Jeanie A; 51
- negotiating worthless instrument (2 counts)

Davis, Michael C; 33
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Gamble, Oliver C; 26
- FTA-public intoxication

Guthery, Trey B; 28
- burglary-non-residence-force
- FTA-burglary-residence-force
- FTA-illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA-possession of methamphetamines (3 counts)
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia (3 counts)
- FTA-possession of burglary tools
- FTA-possessing stolen property
- FTA-buying/receiving stolen property

Kratz, Jesse P; 41
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Lee, Lydia; 38
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Meyer, Damon P; 26
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-attempting to elude police officer
- FTA-resisting arrest

Van Keuren, Heather L; 21
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Willmon, Cacee C; 54
- assault-harassment

Wynn, Gregory P; 46
- FTA-driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Young, Jimmy L; 50
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Oct. 22

Burrows, Amber L; 38
- possession of methamphetamines
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Carden, Clayton W; 34
- receiving stolen property

Dingler, Erica L; 36
- FTA-larceny/theft-shoplifting
- obstruction of justice-using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution
- FTA-criminal trespassing

Ingram, Bridget N; 25
- FTA-assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Robinson, Vanessa M; 41
- forgery-counterfeiting
- forgery-forged instrument

Sandlin, Isaac J; 21
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Smith, Micah S; 39
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Oct. 23

Black, Shannon I; 36
- possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- possession of dangerous drugs

Brasher, Ronald A; 38
- FTA-drug trafficking
- FTA-possession of methamphetamine
- FTA-possession of methamphetamine
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-attempting to elude police officer

Cooper, David A; 52
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana

Davis, Michael G; 58
- FTA-driving under the influence of alcohol

Gill, Christopher A; 33
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs

Hook, Samuel J; 33
- FTA-fraud-impersonating peace officer
- FTA-promoting prison contraband (weapon)

Mickle, Daniel J; 39
- FTA-assault-child abuse-simple-family (2 counts)
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA-fugitive from justice
- FTA-expired tag
- FTA-improper lane usage
- FTA-leaving the scene of an accident
- FTA-operating vehicle without insurance
- FTA-switched tag

Pride, Jon E; 24
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Simmons, Kristy M; 36
- FTA-negotiating worthless instrument

Turrentine, Cricket L; 49
- FTA-sell/distribute methamphetamines
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-possession of marijuana
- FTA-possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)
- FTA-obstruction of justice-using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution

Weldon, Freddie D; 51
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 18

- theft of property-1st degree; Hickory Ave. S.W; cash; $2,800
- identity theft, theft of property-1st degree; Peoples Bank of Alabama, person; Woodvale Dr. N.W; cashed checks
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; Five Star Food Company; Cherokee Ave. S.W; cash; $2,000

Oct. 19

- forgery-3rd degree, identity theft; cashed checks

Oct. 21

- domestic violence-3rd degree; 3rd St. S.E.
- theft of property-2nd degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $2,232
- domestic violence-3rd degree; Hoeppner Ln. N.E.

Oct. 22

- theft of property-3rd degree; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; general merchandise; $745

Oct. 23

- criminal mischief-3rd degree; Morgan Ave. S.W; damage to 2022 GMC Sierra; $250
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree; Walmart; Olive St. S.W.
- theft of property-4th degree; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; shoes; $65

ARRESTS

Oct. 21

Bagwell, Dachery D; 30
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA-driving while revoked (6 counts)
- FTA-insurance violation (3 counts)
- FTA-driving without license (3 counts)
- FTA-failure to register

Jerrigan, Coby D; 21
- domestic violence-3rd degree
- theft of property-4th degree

Kratz, Jesse P; 41
- theft of property-4th degree

Massey, Corina L; 21
- FTA-insurance violation

Walker, Teresa L; 58
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree

White, Thomas F; 24
- theft of property-4th degree

York, Kodi V; 27
- FTA-insurance violation

Oct. 22

Dingler, Erica L; 36
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree
- theft of property-4th degree
- FTA-theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA-expired tag (2 counts)

Gamble, Matthew G; 25
- FTA-failure to register
- FTA-failure to move over
- FTA-driving while suspended

Monroe, Jason T; 44
- FTA-driving while revoked

Young, Andrew C; 27
- theft of property-4th degree

Oct. 23

Burrows, Amber L; 38
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Gaddis, Jennifer A; 38
- FTA-public intoxication

Hook, Samuel J; 33
- theft of property-4th degree
- unlawful possession of controlled substances
- possession of drug paraphernalia

White, Thomas F; 24
- criminal trespassing-3rd degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Vinemont Jack's to open late this month

Staff Reports
Contributor

VINEMONT, Ala. — Jack's Family Restaurants (Jack's) on Monday announced it will open its new location in Vinemont late this month. Located at 680 Patton Drive, right off U.S. Highway 31 North in front of Vinemont Schools, the restaurant has been under construction since June 2022 and marks the 169th Jack's location in the company's home state of Alabama.

"We are ready to soon serve the community of Vinemont with our fresh, quality Southern food and look forward to opening in the coming weeks," said Jack's Family Restaurants CEO Todd Bartmess.

"We have our roots in the great state of Alabama and are excited to serve our home state in an added location."

The Vinemont Jack's will feature the newly launched Jack's Southern Charm architecture design that features a large dining room for dine-in guests to enjoy, a large interior window for customers to watch their biscuits being made from scratch and large porch seating areas outside.

A drive-thru will also be a highlight of the location.

To celebrate another successful opening of an Alabama-based Jack's, the restaurant will be delivering biscuits to local schools the morning of the grand opening.

Additionally, Jack's will offer 12 weeks of online-exclusive giveaways, prizes and promotions accessible by downloading the Jack's app.

Individuals in and around the Vinemont community are encouraged to apply for available part- and full-time positions.

All Jack's employees receive benefits, such as health and dental insurance, flexible hours and weekly pay.

Interested job seekers can apply at www.eatatjacks.com.

For more information on Jack's Family Restaurants, visit www.eatatjacks.com. For exclusive offers and promotions, download the Jack's app.

Grill (from Front)

we have a butcher shop in-house, so everybody has the same quality meat," he said.

Grill-Off categories included Ribs, Chicken and People's Choice in which guests could purchase tickets to vote on their favorite team's chicken wings.

Judges were local faces, including Vinemont High School Principal Robin Netherton, Wallace State Community College President Dr. Vicki Karolewics, Rep. Corey Harbison (R-Good Hope), Cullman County Commissioner Gary Marchman, Vinemont Town Councilwoman Charlotte Cosper and Matt Townson of Cullman Savings Bank. Butcher Meat Co. Owner Justin Smith served as head judge and tie breaker.

Trophies were awarded to the Grand Champion and first-place finishers in each category. The Grand Champion received $1,500, first place in each category received $1,000, second place received $500 and third place received $125.

WINNERS

Chicken
- 1st- All Smoked Up; Captains - Tammie Scott and Bonnie Edmondson
- 2nd- Secondhand Smoke; Captains - RJ McKee and Donyale Wooten
- 3rd- Bright Future BBQ; Captain- Alex Boike

Ribs
- 1st- Wynn's BBQ; Captain- JD Wynn
- 2nd- Bright Future BBQ; Captain- Alex Boike
- 3rd- Wee Daddy's BBQ; Captain- Don Byford

People's Choice
- 1st- Firehose BBQ; Captain- Tim Martin
- 2nd- BCS Grill Masters; Brother's Concrete Supply LLC
- 3rd- Smoking Goat BBQ; Captain- George Gibson

Grand Champion

Zebco33; Captain- Zeb Jones

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Baileyton Bargain Days
• First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park
• Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items
• A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted.
• Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Alcoholics Anonymous
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Mondays and Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Church Services- Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Drive NW, Cullman
• Prayer meetings- Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.
• Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.
• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m.- noon, Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m.-noon. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.
• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthdays. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pick up is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478. Registration through Nov. 15 online only! Go to https://forms.gle/QmTtTVBUiTxTPZdZ9 Kids Loving Kids Facebook page and click on the registration form. NO late registrations can be accepted.
• Wednesday, Oct. 26 - 7 p.m. Children, youth, and adult "RULES of ENGAGEMENT," Bible Study Classes. Free pizza for children at 6:30 p.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6 p.m. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Thursday, Oct. 27 - 10 a.m. Prayer Meeting - Please join Bonnie Barrett on Thursday to pray for our church, nation, our leaders, special prayer requests, etc. Everyone welcome!
• Thursday, Oct. 27 - 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! For those who want to get together before class bring a dish, dessert or drink 6:30 p.m. for a potluck meal. Nursery provided.
• Sunday, Oct. 30 - 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. 30 - 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.

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.

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.

Cullman County Master Gardener Training – Information Session
Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 2 or 5 p.m. at the Cullman County Extension Office, 402 Arnold St. NE, Cullman. Do you like to garden or work with plants? Would you like to meet others who share this interest? Do you want to be involved in the community and volunteer your time? Registration for the Spring 2023 Master Gardener class will open in November, but information sessions are being held to provide an overview of the course and answer any questions. If you cannot make one of the information sessions and would like more information, please call the Extension office to speak with Kira Sims at 256-737-9386.

Estate Planning Workshop
Thursday, Oct. 27, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Rock Springs Community Center, 1095 County Highway 6, Blountsville. The Estate Planning workshop for landowners is a great opportunity for farmers, ranchers and other landowners to come learn about wills, trusts, advance directives and powers of attorney. The program will be taught by an experienced professional in this field and include Q&A. The workshop will be offered in-person, with a light supper provided. Registration is free, but you must call the Blount County (205-272-2129) or the Cullman County (256-737-9386) Extension Office to register for the in-person workshop. Deadline to register is Oct. 25. Participants can also attend via Zoom – email kira.sims@auburn.edu for the Zoom registration link.

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.

Colony Community Center Historical Marker Unveiling Ceremony
Saturday, Nov. 5, at 2 p.m. behind Colony Town Hall

Annual Welti Chicken Supper
Saturday, Nov. 5, from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at Welti Elementary School. Drive-through only. $10. Menu: chicken and dressing, gravy, green beans, potato salad, slaw, cranberry sauce and dessert. All proceeds benefit the Welti PTO and are used to purchase classroom supplies and materials.

Chambers Family Reunion
Sunday, Nov. 6 at 11 a.m. at the Berlin Community Center, located on Highway 278 East. All members of Chambers families and friends are invited to bring a covered dish and share dinner, fellowship and family information and stories. Due to COVID-19 there has been no reunion since 2019. For more information call Rodger Walling at 256-734-8235.

Hometown Hospitality
Monday, Nov. 7, from 9-11 a.m. in the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce's Wal-Mart Room. Hometown Hospitality is customer-service training designed to help frontline service industry professionals provide excellent service capable of attracting and retaining customers. Participants in this engaging and fun training will learn and practice excellent customer service skills and how using these skills benefits businesses. The training also features tourism customer service tools to help service industry professionals support their communities. Registration is free. Call the Cullman County Extension Office at 256-737-9386 or visit www.aces.edu/go/HHCullman.

American Legion Auxiliary Craft Sale
Saturday, Nov. 12, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at American Legion Post 4, 181 Reid Road, Cullman. Be sure to come buy some fine hand-crafted items from us or one of our vendors. Vendors may rent a table for $10 each. Call 256-620-1334 for more info.

"The Nutcracker"
Friday-Sunday, Nov. 18-20, 7 p.m., 7 p.m. and 2 p.m., respectively, at Wallace State Community College's Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre. Presented by Ballet South, directed by Brooke Desnoes and Wallace State Community College present The Nutcracker. Mrs. Desnoes was the first artistic director to bring this Christmas tradition to Cullman. Her stunning choreography performed by her outstanding company dancers brings more magic to the stage every year. Children and adults will love it! Tickets are $15 for adults and $10 for children 12 and younger. Purchase online at https://tinyurl.com/NutcrackeratWSCC.

HALLOWEEN AND FALL FESTIVAL EVENTS

FRIDAYS AND SATURDAYS, OCT. 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. 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 Road. 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 Commercial 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

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Cullman County Youth Football semifinals scoring recap, championship games set for Oct. 29

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CULLMAN, Ala. –The 2022 Cullman County Youth Football Playoffs officially kicked off with this year's semifinal battles at Cullman High School Saturday and the table is now set for next week's county championship games. The top four teams in each division competed to see who would get in their respective championship games. The fireplug games saw the Cullman Cyclones defeat the Vinemont Eagles 30-0 while the Cullman Bearcats edged out the Good Hope Raiders 6-0 in overtime. In the Wee-Wee matchups, the Cullman Cyclones got by West Point 30-0 and the Cullman Bearcats pulled away to top Good Hope 20-12. In the Pee-Wee matchups, the Cullman Cyclones topped the Vinemont Eagles 36-0 and the Good Hope Raiders handled West Point 44-6.

Fireplug
- Cyclones 30 - Eagles 0
- Bearcats 6 - Raiders 0 (OT)

Wee-Wee
- Cyclones 36 - Warriors 0
- Bearcats 20 - Raiders 12

Pee-Wee
- Cyclones 36 - Eagles 0
- Raiders 44 - Warriors 6

County Championship Game Schedule (Oct. 29 at Cullman High School)
- Fireplug: Cullman Cyclones v. Cullman Bearcats – 9 a.m.
- Wee-Wee: Cullman Cyclones v. Cullman Bearcats – 10:30 a.m.
- Pee-Wee: Cullman Cyclones v. Good Hope Raiders - Noon



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The Cullman Bearcats took Saturday's Wee-Wee semifinal game over Good Hope 20-12.

PREP FOOTBALL

6 local teams earn big wins in week 9

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The postseason is fast approaching, and some teams wrapped up their regular season slates with wins Friday night while others prepare for their regular season finales next week. Vinemont got the week started with a 47-0 win over Asbury Thursday night and on Friday, Cullman downed Etowah 31-7 on the road, Arab raced past Hazel Green 49-21, Hanceville routed Fultondale 35-3, Addison handled Phillips 45-12 and Meek improved to 9-0 with a 69-8 win over Cherokee.

Cullman 31 – Etowah 7
A big run by Tyler Owens and a big gain on a screen pass to Wyatt Buchanon moved the 'Cats deep into Etowah territory on their first possession and took a 3-0 lead early in the first quarter after Garrett Mobley knocked through a 24-yard field goal. After forcing a Blue Devils, Cullman wasted no time adding to its lead. Ryan Skinner took a QB keeper off right tackle and sprinted 81 yards all the way to the end zone for a touchdown, putting the Bearcats in front 10-0 with just over five minutes remaining in the opening quarter.

The 'Cats picked up big chunks of yardage on the ground with the option on their next possession and a 20-yard completion from Skinner to Nate Zills got the Bearcats down to the 1-yard line. One play later, Owens punched it into the end zone from a yard out to make it a 17-0 game with 30 seconds to play in the first. Cullman's next drive was a methodical one. The 'Cats held the ball for most of the second quarter and capped off the drive with a 28-yard touchdown pass from Skinner to Zills. Mobley's extra point gave the black & gold a 24-0 advantage with about six minutes left to play in the first half.

The Bearcats maintained that 24-0 lead going into the halftime break.

Etowah was finally able to get some points on the board with a touchdown pass early in the third quarter that made it a 24-7 game but the 'Cats defense kept the Blue Devils out of the end zone the rest of the night. A touchdown run by L.J. Turner was called back by a penalty and a touchdown reception by Zills was ruled out of bounds so at the end of three, Cullman led Etowah 24-7.

The Bearcats forced the Blue Devils to turn the ball over on downs early in the fourth quarter and after a deep pass to Zills was caught inside Etowah territory, Owens scored from a yard out to stretch the lead to 31-7 with just over seven minutes remaining in the game. The Blue Devils threatened to score again late in the fourth quarter, but Cullman held them out of the end zone once again to secure a 31-7 victory over Etowah.

Arab 49 – Hazel Green 21
Hazel Green extended its opening drive with a fake punt and eventually finished things in the end zone to take an early, 7-0 lead over the Knights. However, Arab answered with a long, methodical drive that capped with a 2-yard touchdown run by Drake Franklin and with just over a minute left to play in the first, the score was knotted at 7. The Knights took their first lead of the night on their next possession when Drew Puccio took a handoff on a jet sweep and ran it into the end zone from 19 yards out. Following Aiden Wooten's extra point, Arab led 14-7 with about eight minutes remaining in the first half.

The Trojans responded with another scoring drive to tie the game at 14 with three minutes on the clock in the second quarter but the Knights were able to retake the lead before the half. Big runs by Franklin moved the chains quickly for Arab and quarterback Aidan Cox finished the drive with a 1-yard QB sneak into the end zone to put the Knights back in front 21-14 with 36 seconds to play in the half. Arab held onto that lead going into the locker room at the break.

The Knights began to create some separation in the third quarter. A touchdown pass from Cox to Strickland made it 28-14 early in the third and a fumble forced by Will Caneer and recovered by Caleb Perkins gave the ball back to the offense with a short field.

A few plays later, Hayden O'Reily ran it in for a 4-yard touchdown and put the Knights on top 35-14. The next Arab possession ended with a 9-yard touchdown pass to Dakota Nesmith and gave the Knights a commanding, 42-14 lead going into the fourth quarter.

Following another Trojans score, O'Reily ran in another touchdown from 6 yards out to make it a 49-21 game midway through the fourth and those were the final points of the night as Arab wrapped up its regular season with a 49-21 win over Hazel Green.

Hanceville 35 – Fultondale 3
Hanceville forced a three and out to start the game to set their offense up with good field position, after a first down a sack put them behind the chains, they had to punt the ball back to the Wildcats. Both teams swapped punts until Zach Campbell connected with Marquies Leeth for a 52-yard touchdown to put the Bulldogs ahead 7-0 early in the second quarter.

On the ensuing kick-off the Bulldogs attempted an onside kick, but Fultondale picked up the ball and ran it all the way down to the 1-yard line, but the defense stepped up to force a field goal which cut the led to 7-3 with 8:20 remaining until halftime. Hanceville quickly answered thanks to a 43-yard touchdown burst by Brosnan Ward with 6:54 remaining until halftime to extend the led to 14-3.

Keiton Whatley put an end to the next possession for the Wildcats with an interception at midfield, five plays later Ward capitalized with a 2-yard run to push the led to 21-3 with 2 minutes remaining in the second quarter. Fultondale was driving looking to cut into the led before halftime, Marquies Leeth put Hanceville on board with a 93-yard pick six, extending led to 28-3 at halftime. Midway through the fourth quarter Brosnan Ward found the endzone from a yard out to put the Bulldogs up 35-3. After a turnover on downs the Bulldogs got the ball back and drove the ball down to the 1-yard line, all the Bulldogs needed to run out the clock and secure a homecoming victory was three kneel downs.

Vinemont 47 – Asbury 0
Vinemont forced a fourth down on Asbury's first possession, Vinemont's Chayce Sandlin intercepted the pass to set Vinemont up at midfield. On the first play from scrimmage Rush Sandlin found Chayce Sandlin for a 50-yard touchdown to put the Eagles up 6-0 with 8:31 remaining in the first quarter.

Vinemont forced a three and out, eight plays later Rush Sandlin found Isaac Moody for a 16-yard touchdown to put the Eagles up 13-0 with just under three minutes remaining in the opening quarter. Vinemont got the ball back after a three and out and on the second play of the drive Diego Rodriguez raced 34 yards to put the Eagles up 20-0 just a few seconds into the second quarter. After forcing another three and out Vinemont added to their lead when Kayden Henderson scored from 7 yards out to make the score 26-0 with 6:16 remaining until halftime. Vinemont's defense stepped up to stop the Rams on fourth down, 4 plays later JT Wilhite scored on a 30-yard run to extend Vinemont's lead to 34-0 with 1:36 remaining until halftime.

Vinemont received the second half kick-off and pounded the ball capped off by a 14-yard touchdown run to put the Eagles up 40-0 with 3:44 left in the third quarter. Vinemont got the ball back thanks to a turnover on downs, they capped off the drive and the game with a 41-yard touchdown run by JT Wilhite with two minutes remaining in the game.

Addison 45 – Phillips 12
It didn't take long for Jed "Wizard" Wilkins to go 35 yards untouched for the first Bulldog touchdown. Wilkins then connected on a two-point pass to Briley "Snake" Hayes for the conversion and at the 9:05 mark of the first quarter, Addison led 8-0.

Addison forced a punt and got the ball back at the Bear 45-yard line. Addison drove down to the 13-yard line but had to settle for a Peyton "Rudi" Holland 30-yard field goal. This was a rare field goal attempt for the Dawgs, much less with the kick being good. Holland's solid kick put the Dawgs up 11-0 with 4:15 left in the first.

On the Bears' next possession, Briley "Hit Man" Holt picked off a screen pass and got it down to the Bear 26-yard line. Three plays later, Wilkins went in from 16 yards out for his second touchdown of the night to up the lead to 17-0. Berry hit Holt for the two-point conversion attempt and Addison led 19-0.

On Addison's next possession, in the second quarter, the Bulldogs went 94 yards in 10 plays for the touchdown. Brian "Boo Boo" Berry galloped in from 24 yards out for the touchdown. The two-point attempt was no good and the score was 25-0 with 4:09 to go in the half.

Phillips Lathen Burton returned the ensuing kickoff 44 yards to get the ball down to the Dawg 31-yard line. Burton had a 60-yard return negated by penalty earlier in the game. Six plays later, Phillips was facing a fourth and 8 from the Dawg 14-yard line when QB Nevin Elkins hit Brayden Ricketts on a beautiful fade pass for the touchdown. The Bear two-point play was no good and the half ended with Addison holding a 25-6 lead.

Phillips took the second half kickoff and facing a 3rd and 9 from their own 47-yard line, Elkins threw a bomb to Ricketts again. This time Ricketts made an outstanding catch between two Bulldog defenders and took it to the house 53 yards for the touchdown. The extra point was no good and Phillips had made a game of it cutting the Dawg lead to 25-12.

A Wilkins touchdown pass, and a pair of touchdown runs from Holt and Luker allowed Addison to pull away and wrap up a 45-12 win over Phillips.

Meek 69 – Cherokee 8
A 50-yard touchdown pass from Bradigan Farmer to Jarrett Benson put the Tigers in front 7-0 just one minutes into the game and not long after that, Blake Miller punched one into the end zone from a yard out to make it 14-0. Meek continued to pour it on, extending its lead to 26-0 midway through the first with a 1-yard touchdown run by Ory Frith and a scoop-and-score from Ethan Pounds.

Touchdown runs of 55 and 32 yards by Cam Deaver put the Tigers in front 38-0 late in the opening quarter and his third touchdown of the night made it a 44-0 game with a minute left to play in the first. Frith scored on a 20-yard run early in the second to stretch the lead to 50-0 and Deaver's fourth touchdown of the game, this time from 12 yards out, gave Meek a 56-0 advantage with seven minutes to play in the half. Carsen Davenport then found the end zone from 28 yards out and the Tigers went into the locker room with a commanding, 63-0 lead at the halftime break.

With the quarters shortened and the clock running in the second half, both teams were scoreless in the third, but Meek's final touchdown of the night came in the fourth quarter on a 17-yard run by Brady Baxter, wrapping up a 69-8 win for the Tigers.





High school musicians put their best feet forward at Mud Creek Marching Festival

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The stands were filled Saturday, and Cullman-area bands scored big at the 31st annual Mud Creek Marching Festival at Hanceville High School's (HHS) Ray Talley Stadium. The annual marching competition opened its gates early to eager spectators who enthusiastically cheered for their favorite regional bands. The competition was capped off with exhibition performances by the hosting HHS marching band, as well as the University of North Alabama marching band.

Below are the scores for the Cullman County, Meek and Falkville bands (a 1, or a "superior," is the highest score):

CLASS A

Meek
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Color Guard 1
- Overall 1

Holly Pond
- Percussion 2
- Band 2, 2, 2
- Color Guard 2
- Overall 2

Vinemont
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Majorettes 1
- Color Guard 1
- Overall 1

Falkville
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 2
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Color Guard 1
- Overall 1

Good Hope
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Majorettes 1
- Color Guard 1
- Overall 1

Cold Springs
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Color Guard 1

CLASS AA

Fairview
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Color Guard 1
- Feature Twirler1

West Point
- Drum Major 1
- Percussion 1
- Band 1, 1, 1
- Majorettes 1
- Dance Line 2
- Color Guard 1

BEST IN CLASS A WHITE DIVISION
- Drum Major - Meek
- Color Guard - Vinemont
- Majorettes - Vinemont
- Band - Meek

BEST IN CLASS A PURPLE DIVISION
- Percussion - Cold Springs
- Majorettes - Good Hope
- Band - Cold Springs

BEST IN CLASS AA
- Feature twirler - Fairview

BEST IN CLASS AAA
- Color Guard - West Point
- Majorettes - West Point

See videos of each band's performance, along with the awards ceremony, at www.facebook.com/mudcreek-marching.

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Cold Springs High School



Fairview High School



Falkville High School



Good Hope High School



Hanceville High School



Holly Pond High School



Meek High School



UNA



Vinemont High School



West Point High School



Ride (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The witches will ride in Cullman soon. On Sunday, Oct. 30, from 3:30-5:30 p.m., to be exact. That's when Les Dames Cullman will host the inaugural Witches Ride in the Warehouse District. Live music by Avenue G, food trucks and children's activities will be available at the event, which will raise funds for feminine hygiene products for students ages 9-19 in Cullman-area schools.

According to Les Dames Cullman, one in four Cullman County students lives below the poverty line, "making it difficult to acquire simple necessities like feminine hygiene products, pads, tampons, panty liners, new underwear in case of accidents, body and face wash, deodorant and other items."

The group said, "The rate of young girls experiencing their periods without proper preparation or education is on the rise. The reaction to this is hyper embarrassment and many young women across the nation miss up to 20% of the school year due to not having essential products during their periods," and estimated the average student uses 300 feminine hygiene products per year.

Les Dames Cullman encourages the women of Cullman to ride their bicycles, brooms or golf carts to participate in the cause. Participants who choose to walk are also invited to register. Described as family-friendly, the event is also open to spouses, children and friends of all ages.

The values near and dear to Les Dames Cullman are:

- Our members believe in always having a seat at the table for another lady.
- Our members are generous and believe in building bridges between the "have" and "have nots" of our community.
- Our members believe we can always learn something from another woman if we are bold enough to ask thoughtful questions and kind enough to really listen to her story.
- Our members are passionate about blazing a trail for the generations of ladies who will come behind us.

In April, Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey signed a bill allocating $200,000 for feminine hygiene products available to 5th-12th-grade students at Alabama Title I schools.

To register for Cullman's Witches Ride, go to www.witchesridecullman.com. Registration is $50, and the fee is tax deductible.

Grotto (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman's Ave Maria Grotto recently received a grant from the Alabama State Council on the Arts to begin the historical preservation of the works of Brother Joseph Zoettl, beginning with Die Wald Kapelle. The Grotto is filled with miniatures buildings, shrines and monuments handcrafted by Brother Joseph, a Benedictine monk who was born in Landschutt, Bavaria-Germany in 1878 and came to Cullman in 1892 to "pursue monastic life at Alabama's only Benedictine Abbey." Until he was 80 old, Brother Joseph crafted famous parts of the world in miniature on the grounds of what is now the 4-acre Grotto.

On Friday, members of the Alabama State Council on the Arts and the Cullman Tourism Bureau were welcomed to tour the Grotto and hear about the restoration work.

"This park was opened in 1934, but a lot of the structures are older than that. There was another grotto close by in the woods, but it was moved here in 1934. It is Cullman's oldest tourist attraction by far. The youngest structures are probably 60-65 years old. The last one Brother Joseph built was in 1958," said Ave Maria Grotto Director Roger Steele.

The miniature figures are mostly made of cement, and due to weather over the years, many of the structures have deteriorated. "We've gone through and identified probably 30-40 structures, some are in desperate need of preservation, others are in various degrees of need," Steele explained.

The restoration of the replicas will be done by Birmingham artist Allison Bohorfoush, who has been identifying cracks and foundational issues in the structures she will work to repair. Local blacksmith Allan Kress will construct handrails to line the walkways of the Grotto.

Renee Welsh, who volunteers as a grant writer and landscape facilitator at the Grotto, began the process of finding those who could help to repair the 125 sculptures. She first reached out to Rachel Dawsey of the North Alabama Agriplex, who put her in contact with Kress and Bohorfoush.

Die Wald Kapelle is one of the few replicas Brother Joseph made of a building he saw in person. Many were built after viewing postcards and photos.

The structure had major structural issues and large cracks. Wire reinforcement inside the mortar of the structure had begun to rust away, leaving nothing to hold it up. The cracks were so deep that the back wall was in danger of collapse.

Bohorfoush injected siliconized concrete adhesive into the cracks and colored it with sand. "What we're trying to do is seal it, make it structurally sound and also restore it visually. We're trying to honor Brother Joseph and what his vision was in the first place," she said. "We don't want to change it." The Chapel in the Woods is the first of many the artist hope to repair.

The process to replace the handrails is being taken on by Kress. The old rails have rotted. Kress' constructed handrails are forged in his shop. The ends of the rails are crafted to resemble the Pope's staff. The style is made to resemble the forged metal of Europe where Brother Joseph was from. "You don't see forged metal work here in the U.S. that much where in Europe it is quite common," he said. "It's a very humble looking handrail, but it has function and form." The finish is natural linseed and beeswax. As the rails rust, they can be repolished with the natural oils to look new again.

The handrails add protection for the approximately 35,000 visitors of every age who visit the Grotto each year.

Find out more about the Ave Maria Grotto at www.avemariagrotto.com.



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TO: ALL CULLMAN COUNTY VOTERS

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The public test will be held Tuesday, October 25, 2022, between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm at the Cullman County Court Referral Building, 2051 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

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IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF D.A.B.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 05/30/2019

CASE NO.: AD2022-092

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: JORDAN LEE BROOKS, BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A CHILD D.A.B. BORN MAY 30, 2019, TO MAKENZIE CHEYENE PERKINS

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Amber Alana Perkins and James Kevin Beasley, 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 petitioner, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 17th DAY OF October, 2022.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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Deceased *

CASE NO PC 2022-356

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Randy Lee Graves
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
PATSY WILHITE FARLEY, *
Deceased. *

CASE NO.: PC2022-095

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to CYNTHIA FARLEY SAMS as Personal Representative of the Estate of PATSY WILHITE FARLEY, deceased, on the 10th 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.

Cynthia Farley Sams
Personal Representative

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On Monday, November 7, 2022, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Short form subdivision – North Ridge Subdivision Phase II – Lot 141 & Lot 142
2. Short form subdivision – North Ridge Subdivision Phase II – Lot 102 & Lot 103
3. Short form subdivision – 8th Street SW between Main Avenue SW & 8th Avenue SW
4. Short form subdivision – Lee Avenue SW
5. Short form subdivision – Hays Drive NW / Old Highway 157 NW
6. Short form subdivision – 4th Street SW (Highway 278 SW) between Hickory Avenue SW & Austin Avenue SW
7. Rezoning request at 1106 2nd Avenue NW – M-1 to B-2
8. Adoption of the 2021 I-Codes and 2020 National Electric Code

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

Family (from Front)

Amy Leonard
amy@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — Zach and Jessica Lee began with a jack-o-lantern 13 years ago, as a way to celebrate their daughter's Nov. 1 birthday, leaving their porch light on for Halloween night. Zach Lee dressed up and sat motionless in a chair yielding a chainsaw, giving the effect of a decoration. That is, until a visitor would come to the porch, and Lee came to life as a real-life terror.

That first year they had seven trick or treaters. Fast forward to last year when the family welcomed approximately 4,000 visitors and handed out 2,500 bags of candy.

The Lee family's home on Woodland Street Northwest in Cullman offers more than a jack-o-lantern these days. The decorations and attractions have progressed over the years to include many zombies, a themed area for photographs and more than one blood-curdling fright.

"It's our family project each year," shared Lee, "We work together as a family and with our neighbors to give the kids that come by the best Halloween they can imagine. When we started, we were just about the only house on the street that had their lights on. The second year, we had two neighbors with lights on and handing out candy. Now, we have most houses on the street and other streets in the neighborhood have joined in. It's awesome that kids have the chance to trick or treat like we did when we were young."

Lee's daughter is now a college student, a time when many young adults scoff at the thought of spending time with their families. That's not the case with the Lee's daughter Kayleigh, who still works alongside her dedicated parents each year helping put together the thousands of individually wrapped bags of candy, construct the yard décor and scare the wits out of trick or treaters on Halloween night.

A favorite aspect of the yearly event for the family are the return visitors who make a point to visit the Lees' home in northwest Cullman each Oct. 31. Many even travel from other counties just for the Halloween experience. The sweetest visitors are those who were once trick or treaters at the Lee house who now bring their small children to join in the tradition.

Trick or treaters are welcome at the home on Woodland Street Northwest Monday, Oct. 31, beginning at 5 p.m.



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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 22-24

Melvaleen Roseberry, 84
A private graveside service will be held for Melvaleen Roseberry, 84, who passed from this life on Oct. 23, 2022, at Woodland Village Nursing and Rehab. Mrs. Roseberry was born April 7, 1938, to Melvin and Vennis Stidham McClendon. Melvaleen was the kind of person who never met a stranger and she loved everyone she met. She was a good mother and a great grandmother. "The best great grandmother you could ever have," according to her grands. Melvaleen was the 2018 Mrs. Woodland Village and was also the first alternate for the Alabama State Senior Pageant. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Roseberry family. Mrs. Roseberry was preceded in death by her parents; sisters: Sherry Stephens, Evon Nix; brother: Derrell McClendon. Melvaleen is survived by her son: Keith (Jann) Heatherly; daughter: Tammy Gipson; grandchildren: Haley (Corey) Barnett, Lindsay (Brandon) Mallory, Matt (Sheena) Holmes, Wes Shavel; great grandchildren: Payton McCombs, Mason Barnett, Emelia Mallory, Hattie Mallory, Jax Holmes. The family wishes to express their thanks to the staff of Woodland Village Nursing and Rehab and ComfortCare Hospice for their service to Mrs. Roseberry. In lieu of flowers the family request that donations be made to Woodland Village Nursing and Rehab or to Comfort Care of Cullman.

Odie Davis Curvin, 85
Funeral service for Rev. Odie Davis Curvin, 85, of Hanceville will be at 11 a.m., Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Flint Creek Baptist Cemetery, Rev. Steve Rodgers and Rev. Michael Smith officiating. Visitation will be Tuesday evening at Cullman Funeral Home from 5-8 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Curvin family. Bro. Curvin passed away Sunday, Oct. 23, 2022, at his residence. He was born May 5, 1937, to William M. and Gertrude Vaughn Curvin. He was a member of Pleasant Hill Free Will Baptist Church and served in the ministry for over 55 years, including a jail ministry. He owned his own trucking business, and his family was very important to him. He served his country in the United States Army. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Robert James Curvin and Albert 'Doug' Curvin; sisters: Sara Ella Curvin, Princess Weeks; and an infant son. Survivors include his wife of 63 years: Earlene Curvin; children: Vernon Curvin, Randal Curvin, Melodie Thomason; brother: Billy Curvin and Hilda; sister: Jennie Jones and Rayburn Jones; grandchildren: Brad and Alicia Curvin, Christy and Anthony Kimbril, John Curvin, Angel Curvin, Joshua Lee Thomas, Matthew Thomason, Ashley Harris, Joshua Curvin, Kaylie Curvin, Austen Cadiere; a host of great grandchildren, nephews, nieces, family and friends. Pallbearers will be Brad, Buddy, Josh, Matt, Anthony, Kenny.

Clara Mae Hollingsworth, 82
Clara Mae Hollingsworth, 82, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away Oct. 23, 2022. Clara, or Jitter as she was lovingly called by her father from childhood, was born to Oscar and Florence Baird Hollingsworth on August 14, 1940. Ms. Hollingsworth was a member of New Home Missionary Baptist Church. Before retiring, Clara worked many years for Bell South. She loved Alabama football, and she enjoyed tending her plants and garden, as well as cooking for those she loved. Clara adored her many nieces and nephews as though they were her own children. Jitter will be missed greatly by many. Clara is preceded in death by her parents: Oscar and Florence Hollingsworth; as well as her brothers and sisters: Calvin Hollingsworth, John Hollingsworth, Mary Clark, and June Shedd. She is survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral services for Clara are 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022, at New Home Missionary Baptist Church, with Bobby Murphree and Mike Clark officiating. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery. Friends are invited to join the family for a time of visitation, at the church, two hours prior to service time, beginning at 11 a.m. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Hollingsworth family.

Gloria Cano-Duffie, 76
A Mass of Christian Burial for Gloria Cano-Duffie of Hanceville will be 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 28 at St. Boniface Catholic Church in Hanceville. Burial will follow the service at St. Boniface Catholic Cemetery. Visitation for the public will be Thursday, Oct. 27 at the church from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. with the Rosary beginning at 7:30 on Thursday. Mrs. Duffie was born on Oct. 5, 1946 to the late Guadalupe Cano Sr. and Olivia (Sendego) Cano in Victoria, Texas. She died at the age of 76 on Oct. 22, 2022 at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman, Alabama. Survivors include her children: Bobby Joe (Kim) Duffie Jr., Olivia Duffie, Sylvia (Dennis) Edmondson and Lottie (Tim) Nuss; grandchildren: Sabine Duffie, Frazier Edmondson, Shauni Nuss, Sara Campbell, Ryan Duffie, J.L. Duffie, Mariah Duffie, Celine Duffie, Luke Duffie and Mandi Nuss; 6 great grandchildren; siblings: Lupe Cano Jr., Thomas Cano and Paula Cano; and a host of many nieces, nephews and extended family. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Duffie was preceded in death by her husband: Bobby Joe Duffie Sr.; brothers: Salvador Cano and Jessie Cano; and sisters: Rachel Cano Martinez, Frances Cano and Ramona Cano. Serving as pallbearers will be Frazier Edmondson, J.L. Duffie, Luke Duffie, Michael Cano, James Smelcer and Joey Bare. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Duffie family.

Annie Mae Harris, 88
Annie Mae Harris, 88, of Hanceville and formerly of Blountsville passed to her eternal reward on Sunday, Oct. 16, 2022. Annie Mae was born July 26, 1934. As an only child, she devotedly cared for her parents, Benjamin Odia and Cordia Harris until their deaths. An excellent caregiver, Annie Mae had the "gift of helps" as evidenced by the many relatives and neighbors she assisted as long as her health enabled her to do so. She was a faithful member of Mt. Zion Nazarene Church for decades. In her final days she was lovingly watched over by her devoted friends, Linda Kay Kuykendall, Kenneth and Marie Terry and Joe Terry. There will be a visitation at Blountsville Funeral Home on Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2022, from 1 until 2 p.m. followed by a Graveside Service at 2:30 p.m. at Mt. Zion Cemetery with Brother Kenneth Terry officiating.

Patricia Patterson Miller
Patricia Patterson Miller, of Canton, passed away Oct. 22, 2022. Loving wife of William S. Miller Sr. for 53 beautiful years. Cherished mom of William Miller Jr. (Shannon), and Jennifer (Robert) Gammons. Proud grandma of William Miller III, Abigail Gammons, Emily Miller, Logan Gammons, Caitlin Miller, and Madison Gammons. Dear sister of Shelby (the late Tommy) Parker, Elizabeth Patterson, Buddy (Faye) Patterson, Barbara (Larry Sr.) Allred, and Larry Patterson. She is survived by many nieces, nephews and other loving family members. She is preceded in death by her parents: Ervin G.W. and Dorothy Patterson; and her sister: Sharon Dill. Patricia was born in Alabama and moved to Michigan. She loved to cook, it would bring her family together and no one left hungry. She was a dedicated wife, mother and grandma. She loved her family, especially all of her grandbabies. She proudly attended Woodhaven Free Will Baptist Church. Visitation will take place Tuesday Oct. 25, at The Martenson Family of Funeral Homes – Allen Park Chapel, from 2 until 6:30 p.m. A funeral service will take place at 6:30 p.m. Memorial Contributions can be made in honor of Patricia to Woodhaven Free Will Baptist Church or St. Jude Children Research Hospital.

Howard Lee Miles, 70
Howard Lee Miles, 70 of Haleyville, Alabama passed away Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at Princeton Baptist Medical Center. Howard was born on May 14, 1952, in Memphis, Tennessee to Luther Riley Miles and Lilley Pearl Tidwell Miles. He loved to play music and sing. He also loved his family, especially his grandchildren. No services are planned at this time. Howard is survived by his wife: Juanita Miles; son: Lee Miles; daughter: Tonya Gunter and husband Joey; grandchildren: Malachi Gunter and wife Carmella, Lily Pearl Miles Tidwell and Katie Cummins; and great grandchildren: Levi Gunter, JJ Gunter and Matthew Thompson. He was preceded in death by his parents: Luther Riley Miles and Lilley Pearl Tidwell Miles; and his grandchildren: Rebecca Faith Gunter and Melody Sharlene Gunter.

Saundra Kay Harbison, 57
The Funeral Service for Saundra Kay Harbison, 57, of Cullman, will be 2 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from noon - 2 p.m. prior to the service on Wednesday. Reverend Steve Rodgers will officiate the service. The interment will be in the Cullman City Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Harbison family. Mrs. Harbison was born Feb. 5, 1965, to Bill and Sheron Baggett Lovell. She passed from this life Oct. 21, 2022. She loved her family, especially her granddaughter, Emma. She was preceded in death by her husband: Tim Harbison; father: Billy Lovell; sister: Alesia Lovell; grandparents: Flora and Buford Baggett, Harley & Pauline Lovell; aunt: Kathryn Jeffries. Mrs. Harbison is survived by her mother: Sheron Baggett; son: Jason (Emily) Sellers; her granddaughter: Emma Sellers; her aunt: Jeanine Robinson; and a host of family and friends.

Sonya DeAnne Leonard, 57
Sonya DeAnne Leonard, 57, of Vinemont, Alabama, (previously of Holly Pond, Alabama) passed away Friday evening, Oct. 21, 2022. Sonya was born in Blount County, Alabama, to Joseph Franklin and Carol Opa Lee Waters Privett, on Jan. 28, 1965. Ms. Leonard worked many years in the farming industry. She was a chicken farmer and she loved selling fruits, vegetables and other wares because of the many friendships she made with those who stopped to buy her goods. Sonya never met a stranger, and she was a very loving and outgoing person. Sonya also enjoyed crafting, yard sales, antiques, and going out. Ms. Leonard was an adopted Nanny and Mimi to several sweet babies, and she will be missed by them, as well as the friends and loved ones who had become family to her. Ms. Leonard is preceded in death by her parents: Joseph Franklin and Carol Opa Lee Waters Privett. Sonya is survived by her husband: James E. Hooper; son: Joseph Snow; daughter: Tonya Leonard; brother: Sammy Waters; sister: Shelia Wilhite (Jimmy); dear friends: Jessica Lamons, Belinda Mann, Jeffery Holmes, Matthew James; and several adopted at heart grandbabies. Funeral services for Ms. Sonya are 2 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel. Jeff Holmes, Dakota Lamons, Danny Talley, Matthew James, James Hooper, and Rebel will serve as pallbearers. Friends are invited to visit with the family on Monday evening, Oct. 24, 2022, at the funeral home, from 6 until 8 p.m. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Leonard family.

Jerry Tyrone Leeth, 68
Jerry Tyrone Leeth, age 68 of Colony, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at his home. He was born in Cullman, Alabama on Dec. 10, 1954, to John Stanford Leeth and Floraline Ellen Byars Leeth. He is survived by his mother: Floraline Leeth; sisters: Frances Green and Patrice Leeth; brothers: Rufus K. Leeth, John S. Leeth Jr. and Andre Leeth; a host of nieces and nephews. The family has chosen cremation and will have a memorial service at a later date and time. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Leeth Family.

Ynetta Hudson, 69
Funeral Service for Ynetta Hudson, age 69, of Vinemont, was at 1:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Visitation was from 12:30-1:30 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Hudson passed away on Thursday, Oct. 21, 2022, at her residence. She was born Aug. 29, 1953, in Cullman, Alabama, to Jack and Jean Dollar. She was preceded in death by her parents: Jack and Jean Dollar. Survivors include her husband: Buddy Hudson; sons: Matt (Krista) Davis and Luke Davis; stepdaughter: Shanna (Jason) Drinkard; stepsons: Joshua Hudson and Zachary Hudson; grandchildren: Jesslyn Davis, Eli Drinkard, Lucas Drinkard, Johnathan Stewart, Cash Hudson, Hallie Hudson, Reid Hudson, and Gunner Hudson; brother: Larry (Geneva) Dollar; brother-in-law: Larry (Rebecca) Hayes; and niece: Robin Dollar.

Sandra Kay Aderhold, 67
Ms. Sandra Kay "Sandy" Aderhold, age 67, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Friday, Oct. 21, 2022. Sandra loved spending time with her family and friends, especially her only grandchild Connor and her only child April. Sandy had spent several years of her life living out of state and in other areas but had moved back to the Cullman area to be near her family. Sandy was preceded in death by her parents: Raymond Aderhold and Julia Faye Calvert. Sandra is survived by her daughter: April Conn Cochran and grandson Connor Cochran, both of Cullman, Alabama; her brother: Gregory (Belinda) Aderhold of Montevallo, Alabama; one nephew: Seth (Blair) Aderhold; and one niece: Rosa Lee (Alex) Esseman. A chapel funeral service for Ms. Aderhold will be held Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home with burial to follow at Cullman City Cemetery.

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Jordan McCurdy
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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Louisiana-Pacific Hanceville, along with the Alabama Association of RC&D Councils, recently donated a pallet of paper to Hanceville Elementary School in celebration of the Alabama Forestry Association’s Alabama Woods to Goods Week.

Keith Plott, Lora Gilliand and Erin Walker from Louisiana- Pacific presented the donation to Hanceville Elementary School Principal Stacie Olinger. Kelly Crawford, owner and operator of K&K Logging, was also in attendance and donated copies of “Lucy Meets a Logger” to the school library. While visiting the school the representatives also read the book to first-grade students. The donation is one of many that happened across the state as part of AFA’s Alabama Woods to Goods Week celebrations. The donations are designed to provide schools with the forest products that are essential to the work that they perform daily to educate Alabama’s future workforce.



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These donations are made possible by the generosity of Alabama Woods to Goods Week partners and sponsors. Alabama Woods to Goods Week is a week-long promotional event to celebrate forestry’s professionals, products and industry. This year’s celebration is sponsored by the Alabama Association of RC&D Councils.

Gov. Kay Ivey proclaimed the third week in October Alabama Woods to Goods Week, which coincides with National Forest Products Week. Celebrations across the state included mill tours, log site visits, forest product donations and other educational events to highlight the industry’s environmental, community and economic impact.

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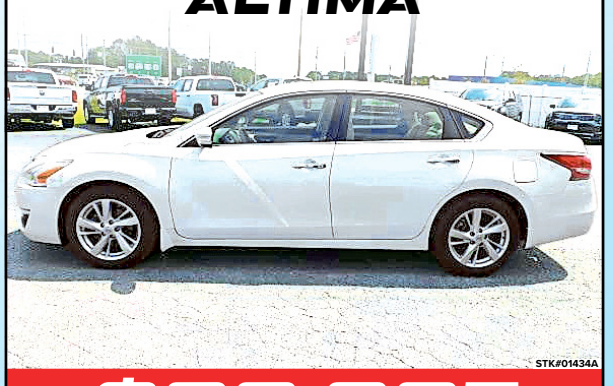
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