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City school board taps Harrison, Orr to lead, recognizes best of West

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City School Board on Tuesday named Cheryl Harrison board president and Joey Orr board vice president.

Harrison, elected to the board of education in 2020, said she is "ready to hit the ground running" for the advancement of the city schools.

Orr has served on the board since 2016 and shared, "I'm honored to have the opportunity to continue to serve our students and faculty as we carry out the mission of helping our schools reach their highest potential."

The board recognized the best of the best at West Elementary, selecting its Student of the Month, Teacher of the Month and Support Staff Member of the Month from the abundance of worthy candidates at the Rosemont Avenue school.

Fourth-grader German Ventura was » PAGE 2



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman City School Board President Cheryl Harrison, left, and Vice President Joey Orr, right

– PREP VOLLEYBALL –

Addison tops Covenant Christian to capture 3rd straight state title



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Addison Bulldogs defeated Covenant Christian 3-0 (25-9, 25-20, 25-18) Wednesday to win their third straight state championship.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The Addison Lady Bulldogs were back in familiar territory Wednesday, seeking their ninth state championship in 10 years. The defending state champions faced off against the Eagles of Covenant Christian in this year's 1A State Finals and they swept their way to their third straight state title and their 14th in school history.

Abby Waldrep, Bailee Ory, Dacey Baker and Gracie Manley each earned All-State Tournament honors and Manley was named Tournament MVP.

Addison Head Coach Kaydi Woodard was proud to see all of her team's hard work pay off with another state championship, but she's especially proud of the way they've bonded throughout the season.

"I'm extremely proud of them, they've worked very hard. This summer they worked out at 5 a.m. three days a week and then had practice. So, it's been a lot of work put in this year. For most of my seniors this was their third state championship in a row, so it was extremely special for us to get a three-peat. That's what they were working for," Woodard said. "With this team there has been almost no stress the whole season. They get along like sisters and sometimes they fight like sisters too, but they are there for each other. It has been stress free, drama free and they are just the happiest little team I have ever been on or coached. So, they made it easy, » PAGE 4

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SARA GLADNEY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

"Celebrity" waiters, including Cullman County Commission Chairman Jeff Clemons (front, right), pose for photo at the Victim Services of Cullman Masquerade Ball Tuesday, Oct. 25.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Oct. 25-26

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 25-26, 2022. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No arrests or incidents reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 22

- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; crossbow; $354

Oct. 24

- domestic violence-3rd degree; 12th Way S.W.
- domestic violence-3rd degree; Marie St. N.E.

Oct. 25

- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $112
- identity theft, fraudulent use of debit/credit card; misc. charges; $170

ARRESTS

Oct. 24

Gilley, Christopher J; 31

- receiving stolen property-1st degree
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle
- theft of property-1st degree
- criminal mischief-3rd degree
- FTA-unauthorized use of motor vehicle

Wynn, Serena R; 41

- unlawful possession of controlled substances
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- unlawful possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Oct. 25

Castle, Kimberly M; 37

- unlawful possession of controlled substances

Checkon, William E; 79

- conditional release violation

Criscoe, James M; 35

- attempting to elude law enforcement
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA-public intoxication
- FTA-criminal trespassing-3rd degree (2 counts)

Flick Jr, Ronald W; 48

- FTA-attempting to elude law enforcement

Mann, Jacob C; 26

- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

School Board (from Front)

named Student of the Month. His dedication and excellent attitude while learning English were noted. School Nurse Dori Porter was named Support Staff Member of the Month for her compassion and diligence when caring for the school's students. Lastly, Alabama Reading Initiative Coach Lindsay Harris was named Teacher of the Month.

Whorton Engineering provided an update on West's extensive HVAC project. While almost 30 new dehumidifiers are operational and more are being installed, the outside HVAC units are on backorder until approximately March 2023. Many of the project's goals are already being met with humidity and odor issues in the classrooms being resolved with the permanent dehumidifiers opposed to the noisy, portable ones which were being used.

In other business, the following agenda items were approved:

- Alabama Association of School Boards 2022 Annual Convention and Delegate Assembly, Birmingham, on Dec. 1-3, 2022. Board voting delegate and an alternate delegate to attend convention.

- Financial Report which includes monthly financial statements and cash balance/bank reconciliations for August 2022 as presented by the Chief School Financial Officer

- Cullman City Schools Revised Facility Rental Agreement Stipend for Diane Law for the position of Project Assistant to Cullman City Schools Foundation from October 2022-September 2023

- Contract with Communication & Reading Therapies, Inc. to conduct individual evaluations from Oct. 1, 2022-Sept. 30, 2023

- Contract with Kalysha Whihle to provide nursing services from Aug. 7, 2022-May 23, 2023

- Contract with the following teachers to provide after school reading and math tutoring:
  - Rachel Carden, Tamika Powell, Lindsey Howard, Heather Doyle, Courtney Speciale, Sarah Martin, Laurel Waddle, Leslie Pouliot, Sashari Caretti, Sharyn Hollingsworth, Melany Edwards, Kristie Noblett, Tayler Daniel, Lindsay Harris, Hali Marquette, Misty Murphy, Mary Beth Cleveland, Tonya Trammell, Carrie Byrd, Kassey Cox, Jenny Helton, Maeghan Long, Jenna Bates

- Cullman FFA to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, IN where they will be recognized as a 1-star chapter from Oct. 25-28, 2022

- Head Start Financial Report for September 2022

- Head Start Health/Nutrition/Disabilities/Enrollment Report for September 2022

- Head Start - ACF Notice of Award No. 04CH010704-04-02

- Surplus obsolete ELA books

- Recommendation on Addendum to the Student Code of Conduct: Vaping at school or school sponsored event.

The following personnel report was approved:

Resignations

- Vanessa Bagwell - Cullman City Head Start

- Jennifer Aguilar-Contreras - Cullman City Primary School

- Deborah Garner - West Elementary School

- Kim Shelton - West Elementary School

- Jennifer Wray - Cullman City Primary School

- Raegan Stephens - Cullman City Primary School

- John Drake - Baseball Video Coordinator

Transfers:

- Jenna Bates - Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Primary School to Family Services Manager at Cullman City Head Start

Conditional Employment - Under the terms of the Child Protection Act of 1999, Act No. 2022-457, pending certification and paraprofessional requirements as applicable:

- Alexandria Anderson - Special Education Instructional Assistant with Cullman City Schools

- Jana Grimes - Special Education Instructional Assistant with Cullman City Schools

- Vanessa Chamblee - Child Nutrition Program Worker at Cullman City Schools

- Makensi Arnold - Extended Day Assistant Teacher at West Elementary School

- Mitch Maddox - Part-time Special Education Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Schools

Supplement

- Branch Whitlock - Supplement (12%) to Coach and Coordinate the Archery program for 2022-2023 school year

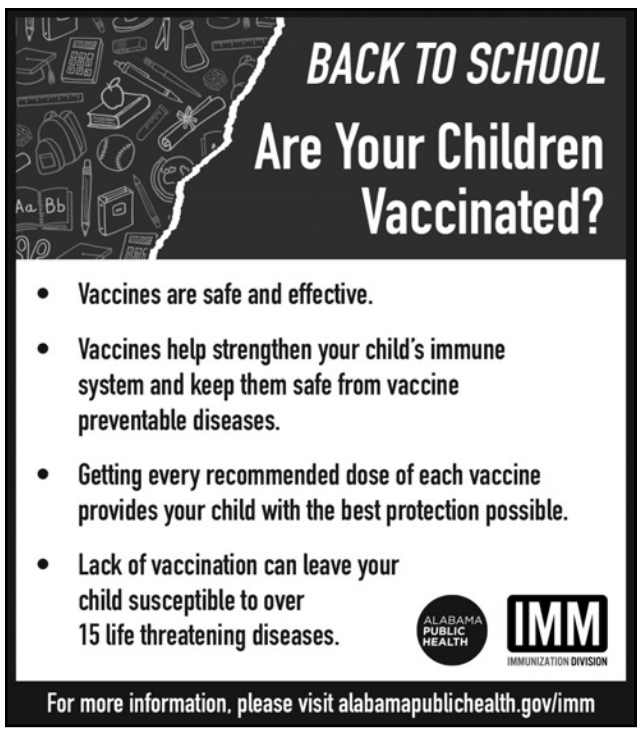
- Donna Brunehi - Forgo receiving LEO Club supplement (will continue sponsorship)

Athletic

- Shannon Fondren - Volunteer community baseball coach

The next regular board meeting will be held at East Elementary School on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at 5 p.m.

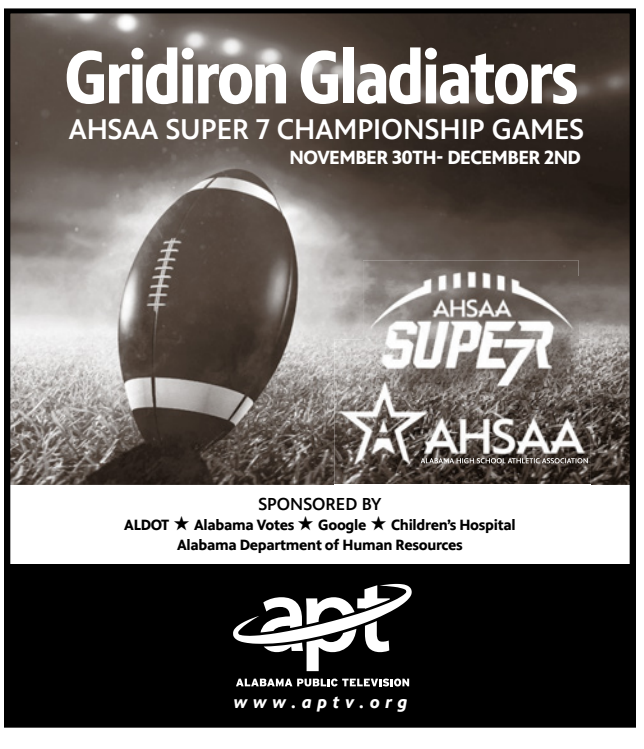
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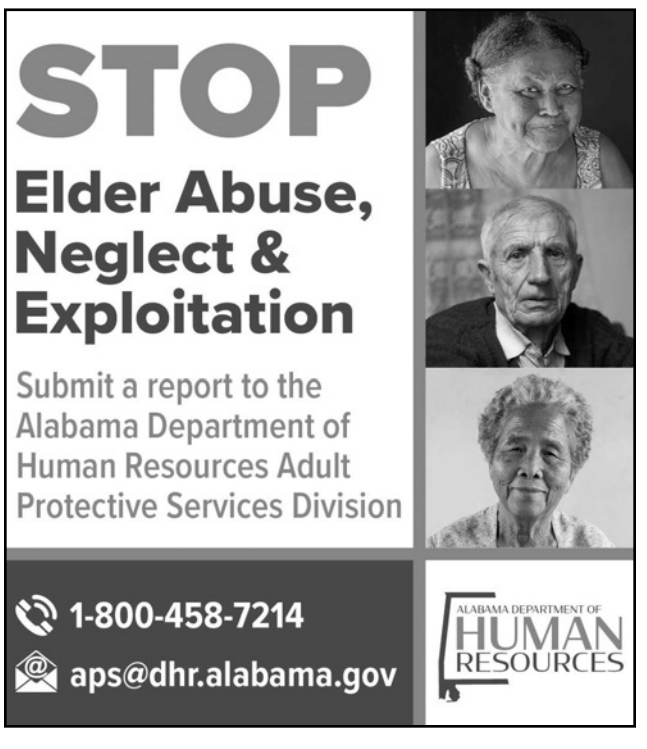












COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Colony Town Council
The Colony Town Council will hold its first regular meeting for the month of November on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022, due to Nov. 8, 2022, being Election Day. Workshop at 5:40 p.m. and regular meeting beginning at 6 p.m.

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.
• 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.

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.

Holly Pond Homemakers Club Meeting
Monday, Nov. 14, at 1 p.m., at the Holly Pond Event Center. We will be honoring our veterans! Ladies of the Club, Tavia Smith and Louise Scott, will supply refreshments. Please come and bring someone who is interested inworking with the Holly Pond Cemetery.

"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. 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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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Arab falls to Westminster Christian in 5A State Finals

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The Arabian Knights were back under the lights inside Bill Harris Arena Wednesday morning, seeking their first ever state title against the defending champion Westminster Christian Wildcats. After Westminster took the first two sets by a combined four points (25-23, 26-24), the Wildcats pulled away to take the third and final set over Arab 25-13.

Head Coach Amy Hudson is proud of the stellar season her team put together this fall and credits their success to how close the Knights are on and off the court.

"First of all, I just want to say how proud I am of this group of girls. They're a special group for sure. They love each other unconditionally; they are best friends on and off the court and I couldn't ask for a better group. That's why we made it so far. It goes beyond skill and all the volleyball things that happen on the court. They're just close knit and it shows when they play."

Arab senior Anna McFerrin talked about the run she and her teammates have been on this season and is proud that her final season with the Knights was spent playing with this team.

"It was amazing, I wouldn't have wanted to go out any other way, win or lose," McFerrin said. "I was just so proud of this team, and we have an amazing coach who led us so well. I just couldn't be prouder of us."

Both McFerrin and junior Laney Kelley earned All-State Tournament honors.

Westminster Christian 3 – Arab 0 (25-23, 26-24, 25-13)

The Wildcats led most of the opening set, pulling ahead of Arab 7-4 early on. Westminster maintained a 15-11 lead midway through the set but that's when the Knight began to chip away. Arab trimmed lead to 17-15 and managed to pull ahead 18-17 to take its first lead of the set.

The Arabian Knights stayed in front 20-19 and after the Wildcats moved back in front 23-20, Arab battled back to tie the set at 23. Unfortunately, the next two points came from Westminster and gave the Wildcats a 25-23 win in the first set and a 1-0 lead in the match.



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Arabian Knights fell to Westminster Christian 3-0 (25-23, 26-24, 25-13) in Wednesday morning's Class 5A State Finals.

Westminster Christian got off to a hot start in the second set, taking a 5-0 lead right out of the gate. The Wildcats held onto a 10-5 lead as the set went on and Arab trailed 18-9 at one point before rallying to erase the deficit. The Knights cut the lead down to 19-12 and then 21-16 later in the set.

After trimming the lead to 2, Arab was able to tie the set at 22 and the score remained locked at 24.

However, Westminster was able to score the final two points of the set once again and edged the Arabian Knights in a thrilling second set 26-24.

Arab trailed just 4-3 early in the third set but the Wildcats began to create separation and moved ahead to take a 12-7 lead midway through the set.

Westminster jumped ahead 15-8 and led the Knights 19-9 at one point before pulling away to take the set 25-13 and completing the sweep over Arab.

Kelley led the Knights with 16 kills in the match, followed by Bennett Elrod and Karli Walker with eight. McFerrin racked up 37 assists and Sami Kate Hudson led Arab with 13 digs in the loss.

Addison (from Front)

I can't say that enough, they made it easy."

Manley is a senior on this year's Addison team and this is the fourth blue map she's been able to get her hands on as a Lady Bulldog. She already had three state titles under her belt coming into Wednesday's match but claiming this one with her fellow seniors and going out on top meant a lot to her.

"I couldn't do it without all my teammates and I'm really grateful to be MVP. In my eyes, I don't really think its any one person, I think its all of us. I think everyone does their part and we couldn't have done it without anyone on our team. I think everyone on our team does such a great job and we work together so well. I've lost a state championship before and this is definitely better," Manley laughed.

"It's just the best way to go out honestly and I'm very proud that we could do that together."

Addison – Covenant Christian (25-9, 25-20, 25-18)

The Lady Bulldogs dominated the opening set against Covenant Christian, taking an early, 6-0 lead and pulling ahead 14-2 at one point midway through the set. Addison maintained an 18-8 advantage later in the set and went on take the opening frame over the Lady Eagles 25-9.

The next set was a little more interesting. Addison got off to a 4-0 start to build another early lead, but Covenant Christian responded and came back to trim the lead 6-5.

The Lady Bulldogs led just 9-8 midway through the set but put together a scoring run to move out in front 15-10. The Lady Eagles cut the lead to four at one point but couldn't get any closer than that and Addison cruised to a 25-20 win in the second set.

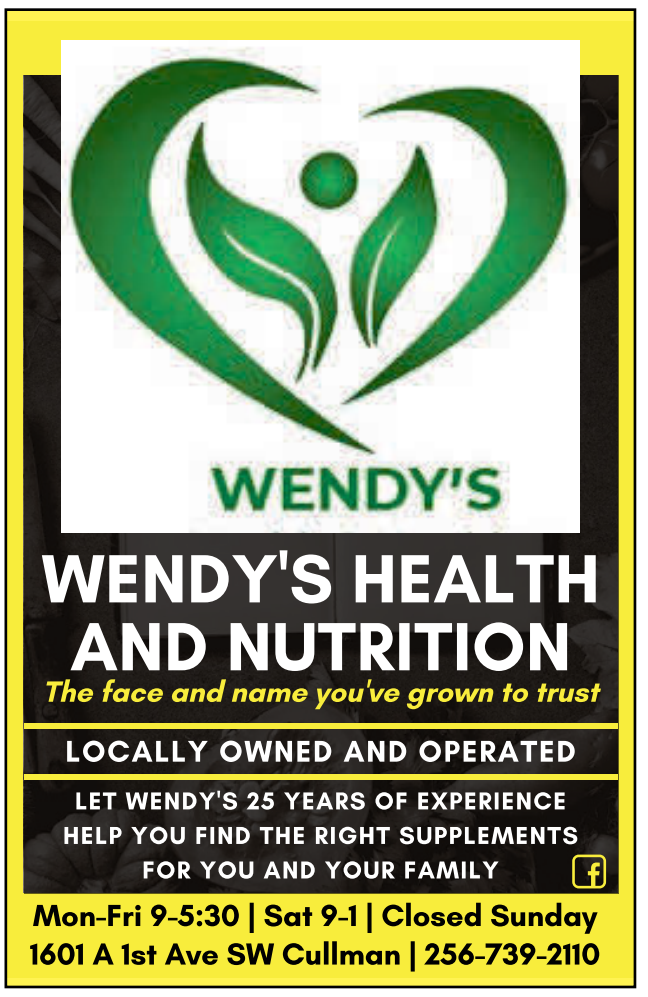
The third set was a battle for the Lady Bulldogs. Covenant Christian led the way 7-3 early and maintained a 10-7 advantage as the set went on.

However, Addison began to come back, chipping away at the lead until the set was knotted at 13.

The Lady Bulldogs pulled ahead to take a 16-13 lead and held on to a 20-17 lead late in the set. Addison finished the set strong, outscoring the Lady Eagles 5-1 the rest of the way to secure a 25-18 win and its third consecutive state championship.

Baker led the Lady Bulldogs with 13 kills in the win, followed by Katie Barrett with nine and Waldrep with eight. Manley led the way with 29 assists for Addison and Ory finished with 12 digs.







Wallace State hosting PULSE

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College held its first day of PULSE 2022 on Tuesday, kicking the day off with Big Oak Ranch's Brodie Croyle as the keynote speaker.

PULSE (Pathways United for Learning, Service, and Excellence) is a two-day, conference-style event offering students the opportunity to attend workshops and volunteer in service projects.

Rather than attending their regular classes, students can choose from hundreds of workshops and dozens of serve projects, allowing them to branch out into other areas of campus, learn about other programs, meet new people and more.

Events on the first day included a workshop on the History of Jazz featuring live music, a demonstration on how to make sushi, discussions on topics such as sex trafficking, disabilities, identity theft, learning how to get along with others, how to overcome anxiety when taking a test, resume and interview skills and more.

More workshops and events will continue Wednesday, including a wide range of workshops geared toward diversity, equity and inclusion, as well as tours of the Criminal Justice programs crime scene house, Adulting 101 teaching basic life skills, a Fatal Vision Driving Course set up by the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency and more.

A full schedule of events can be found at www.wallacestate.edu/pulse. Students could register in advance but can attend workshops they did not sign up for if space is available.



WALLACE STATE

Students get a demonstration about balance exercises used in physical therapy in the Hands-On Healthcare workshop Tuesday, Oct. 25, at Wallace State Community College during the PULSE 2020 event.

Every vote counts, even when it's for cookies

Cullman City Schools
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — With the real-life midterm elections coming up, second graders at West Elementary School (WES) had a chance to learn about voting a bit early — and it even included some delicious snacks as research.

WES second-grade teacher Tayler Daniel held a vote in her class to allow students to determine the students' favorite cookies, following a taste test between chocolate chip, sugar cookies and Oreos.

"Every student was encouraged to try all three cookie options; however, some students only tried one or two of the cookie options due to preference," she explained. "Each student was given a ballot where they were able to record their vote. These votes were submitted to our ballot box anonymously and were counted by myself after all the votes were in. The findings were that the sugar cookie was the most popular vote, by far."

The voting lesson is an early step toward opening up civics and citizenship curriculum for young learners, as part of the Super Citizen Program through the Liberty Learning Foundation. The program addresses some social studies standards along with engaging students in learning about history, civics, character, financial literacy and career readiness.

"The goal of this lesson was to teach students about the importance of thoughtful consideration behind voting and the importance behind the whole election process," Daniel said.

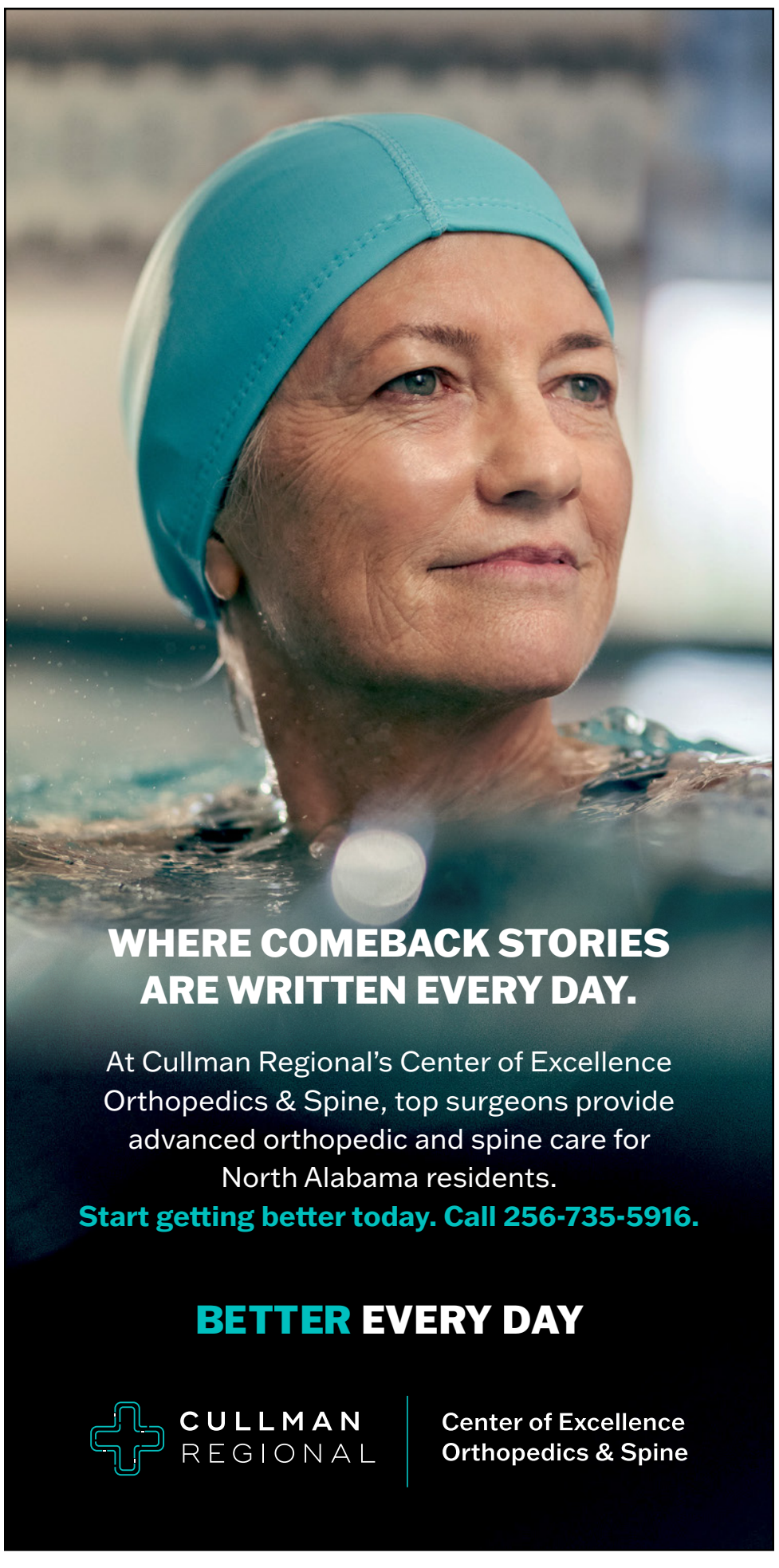
"These values were taught to the students before our mock election. They understood that their vote held value because they tried all of the options in order to make an informed decision. I also loved that my students were very engaged in the voting process, as they were contemplating their options seriously."

Daniel noted mock elections, especially around times of real-life voting at the local, state and national level, can be an incredibly useful way to connect those sometimes complicated concepts with notions young students can understand.

"It is a great way for students to learn about their duty as a citizen to vote and how important it is that their vote is informed, and not based on someone else's opinion," she said.









Accident (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — A man and wife from Crane Hill were killed Wednesday afternoon in an automobile crash along Alabama Highway 157 in Cullman County. Cullman County Coroner Jeremy Kilpatrick identified the victims as Charles Johnson, 71, and Connie Johnson, 74. The crash happened at approximately 1:30 in the eastbound lanes of Hwy. 157 near R.E. Garrison Trucking, west of the city of Cullman. Kilpatrick said the Johnsons, who were in a 2018 Chevrolet Cruze, were pronounced dead at the scene. Information on the other vehicle and its occupants was unknown as of press time.

Volunteers (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Many senior citizens in Cullman County have the opportunity to visit their local full-time senior centers to enjoy companionship, programs and warm meals. Others use the CARTS service for transportation while others drive themselves. Unfortunately, these are not options for hundreds of homebound elderly Cullman County residents.

Homebound seniors benefit from warm, nutritious meals delivered by volunteers through a program facilitated by the Cullman County Commission on Aging. Currently, the centers are in desperate need of the community's help with the delivery service. While these are volunteer opportunities, mileage is reimbursed to the driver. All centers need volunteers, but the greatest need is at the Cullman, Crane Hill and Holly Pond centers. If you are willing to serve Cullman County's seniors in this capacity, please contact the Commission on Aging at 256-734-1241.

Ball (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Victim Services of Cullman (VSOC) hosted its annual masquerade ball fundraiser Tuesday at Brick Haven, after a two-year hiatus due to the pandemic. The local nonprofit's goal for the night was $20,000. It exceeded that, bringing in $27,558.13.

Masked guests enjoyed a five-course dinner and drinks served by "celebrity waiters," including local leaders and law enforcement personnel who volunteered their time.

Guests were treated to music by local band Brez and had the opportunity to bid on extravagant silent auction items such as a four-night stay at Tide Water Beach Resort in Panama City Beach and a fishing trip for six in Destin.

Tips made to the volunteer waiters, the auction, monetary donations and ticket sales made up the total raised at the event, which saw around 230 attendees.

Proceeds will fund VSOC's services such as emergency and transition shelters, sexual assault services and community outreach programs.

"This will support all of our work that we do for sexual assault and domestic violence victims," said VSOC Executive Director Carol Horstman.

Established in 1991, the nonprofit's mission is to lead Cullman and surrounding counties in the prevention of and recovery from domestic and sexual violence by providing shelter, crisis response, education and advocacy.

Visit www.victimservices.online for more information.

Teddy Bear (from Front)

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

Teddy Bear is an Akita Shepherd mix who is approximately 2 years old. He is a playful and happy boy with medium energy. Teddy Bear loves going for walks and hikes on his leash.

Teddy Bear enjoys running through a large yard and likes to be by your side. He's a bit of a jealous guy and prefers to be the only male dog in the house. Teddy Bear is a very good boy and is ready to spend the holidays with a family of his own. Teddy Bear's adoption fee includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet and microchip. All animals are spayed or neutered prior to adoption.

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

Former Pet of the Week, Effie, has a new family and is living large with all the love she receives.

DAR (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Each December, on National Wreaths Across America Day, wreath-laying ceremonies are carried out at Arlington National Cemetery, as well as at more than 3,400 additional locations in all 50 states, at sea and abroad.

The Dripping Springs chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will support Wreaths Across America's mission to remember fallen veterans at the Cullman City Cemetery as part of the national organization's Group Sponsorship Program.

Alabama has 71 DAR chapters and only six or seven were involved in Wreaths Across America last year. This year the program hopes to gain several more DAR chapters.

Dripping Springs DAR is proud to support efforts that help unify the community and celebrate freedom by thanking the more than 300 veterans laid to rest at Cullman City Cemetery with the placement of live, balsam veteran's wreaths this December.

Local Boy Scout troops will be laying the wreaths on Saturday, Dec. 17. Any member of the public is welcome to join at 9 a.m. to participate or watch the ceremony. Athelia Gibbs of Dripping Springs DAR said, "One of our main objectives is patriotism, and it's also historic preservation and education. Those are the three main objectives. So, we feel like this project fulfills all three of those. We're remembering those veterans that served our country."

Dripping Springs DAR will also be set up in a booth at the Cullman County Veterans Day Celebration at Cullman Regional Airport Saturday, Nov. 5, to sell wreaths for $15.

Those interested in volunteering for Wreaths Across America or sponsoring a wreath to support Dripping Springs DAR are invited to contact Athelia Gibbs at 256-502-2040 or awgibbs@centurytel.net, or visit www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/AL0134 to learn more.

LEGALS

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF: WAYLON DAVID WEIBERG, A Minor Child. * CASE NO. JU-2022-494.01

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

JUSTIN DAVID WEIBERG, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Verified Petition to Terminate Parental Rights filed by Vanessa Venner and/or other relief by December 1, 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in regard to case number JU-2022-494.01, Juvenile Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 25 day of October, 2022.

CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT

JERRY L. KILGO
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TO PUBLISHER: PLEASE PUBLISH ONCE A WEEK FOR FOUR (4) SUCCESSIVE WEEKS IN THE **CULLMAN TRIBUNE**. BEGINNING: 10/27/22

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 25th day of October, 2022.
Clerk of Circuit Court

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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 BERTIS LEE BANISTER, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC2022-352

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to MARY SUE BANISTER, as Administrator of the Estate of BERTIS LEE BANISTER., deceased, on the 18th 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.

Mary Sue Banister
Administrator

Beverly Paschal Poston
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256-739-3970

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, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Pursuant to Alabama code 32-13-1, Earl's Body Shop, Inc, will offer for sale at Public Auction the following vehicles on November 29, 2022, at 7:00 a.m.

2006 Chevrolet Impala, Vin.#2G1WU581069152568
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF CHARLES FIELDEN HENSLEY, Deceased. * CASE NO.: PC2022-243

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration with Will Annexed having been granted to CHARLES SHANNON HENSLEY and JASON ERIC HENSLEY, as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of CHARLES FIELDEN HENSLEY, deceased, on the 11th 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.

Charles Shannon Hensley
Jason Eric Hensley
Co-Personal Representatives

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IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF: ELIJAH K. THORNE, A Minor Child. * CASE NO. JU-2019-179.02

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

BROOKE E. MAPLES, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer the Verified Petition to Terminate Parental Rights filed by James T. Thorne and/or other relief by December 1, 2022, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against her in regard to case number JU-2019-179.02, Juvenile Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 25 day of October, 2022.

CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of F. KAYLEE MCCONNELL, Deceased. * CASE NO. PC 2022 - 369

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE: Letters Testamentary having been granted to Joseph Brett Alldredge as Personal Representative of the Estate of F. Kaylee McConnell, deceased, on the 18th day of October, 2022, all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Joseph Brett Alldredge
Personal Representative

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Attorney for Petitioner

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

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Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of RHONDA W. ADERHOLD, Deceased. Case No.: PC2022-319

NOTICE

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to Mark Alan Aderhold on or about 18th 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.

Dated this the 18th day of October, 2022.

Mark Alan Aderhold
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Rhonda W. Aderhold

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Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
PROBATE JUDGE

Obituary Announcements: Oct. 25-26

Bobby Ray Cooper, 68
Bobby Ray Cooper, age 68, of Falkville, passed away Tuesday, Oct. 25, 2022, at his residence. He was born Tuesday, June 1, 1954.

Edna Laura Calvert Graves, 107
Edna Laura Calvert Graves, age 107, of Jasper, Alabama passed away Monday, Oct. 24, 2022. She was born Sept. 12, 1915, in Cullman to James Jackson and Sarah Jane Livingston Calvert. She is preceded in death by her husband of 64 years: Eulas Ronmon Graves; son: Blair Graves; her parents; six sisters and two brothers. Funeral services are Saturday Oct. 29, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow services in Johnson Grove Cemetery in Bremen. Survivors are son: Donald (Barbara) Graves of Jasper; daughter-in-law: Frances Graves of Jasper; three grandchildren; five great grandchildren; three great great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Visitation is Saturday Oct. 29, 2022, from noon until service time at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home.

Charles Roy James, 90
CMSGT USAF Ret. Charles Roy James passed away at his home in Montgomery, Alabama surrounded by his caring family Oct. 17, 2022. CMSGT James was born on Aug. 27, 1932, in Cullman, Alabama to Isom and Ellen James. He grew up in Cullman, Alabama with his parents, brother and sisters. In 1948, he joined the U.S. Air Force where he was stationed in Europe and North Africa. He served for four years and returned home to Cullman. He reentered the USAF in 1955, served and eventually retired at Maxwell AFB at the rank of CMSGT in September 1977. During his service, he obtained his undergraduate and master's degrees in education. After retiring from the USAF, he began his career with the State of Alabama and retired again 20 years. In 1954, Charles married Barbara Johnson of Cullman, Alabama. During his military service, he and his family were stationed in Texas, Georgia, Florida, Hawaii, Illinois, England and Germany. Charles and Barbara enjoyed the military life were happily married over 60 years. He is survived by his sons: Charles Jr. (Valerie) and John (Christina); his grandchildren: Allison Daugherty (Shawn), Cade James, Collen James and Cooper James; his great grandchildren: Avery Daugherty and Marshall Daugherty; his nieces and nephews; and his sister-in-law: Amanda Johnson Williamson. He is preceded by his wife: Barbara; parents: Isom and Ellen James; brother: Wallace; and sisters Pauline and Christine. He will be interred at the National Cemetery in Montevallo, Alabama.

Steven Duane Elkins, 61
Steven Duane Elkins, 61, of Haleyville, Alabama entered into rest Oct. 23, 2022, at his residence. Steven was born Nov. 27, 1960, in Aurora, Illinois. He was avid deer hunter, fisherman and collector of arrow heads. Steven was also a big cut up with his family. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, at 1 p.m. at Mountain Home Cemetery Bear Creek, Alabama. Jason Williams will officiate. Steven is survived by his sisters: Teresa Dobbins, Evelyn (Kevin) Crown and Sonya Harris; nieces and nephews: Amanda (Logan) McBroom, Daniell Dobbins, Mandy (Matt) Moody, Jared (Ashlie) Crown, Chris (Yvonne) Frye, Eric Mills and his special nephew Tylan. He was preceded in death by his parents: Broadus and Mae Elkins; sister: Angela Frye; brother-in-law: Jeff Dobbins; grandparents: Lenny and Alice Elkins, and Cecil and Mildred Davis.

Melvin Timothy Purvis, 59
Funeral service for Melvin Timothy Purvis, age 59, will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 27, 2022, at Cullman Funeral Home. Visitation will be from noon-2 p.m. prior to the service. Mr. Purvis passed away on Oct. 21, 2022 at his home in Crane Hill, Alabama following a long illness. Born March 3, 1963, in Birmingham, to Melvin Purvis and Frances Blackwell Purvis, he was preceded in death by both parents. Survived by his daughter: Jessica Coursey of Atlanta (CJ Coursey); granddaughter: Addilyn Coursey; sister: Karen Harris (Ed Harris); brother: Craig Purvis; and a host of nieces and nephews: John Harris, Heather Harris, Eric Harris, Brooke Harris, Brittany Purvis and Candice Purvis. A carpenter by trade, Tim was a devoted Alabama fan and the first to call "Roll Tide" regardless of game time or location. Passionate about music, he enjoyed challenging friends and family with music trivia. Grilling T-bone steaks for friends and family, whether at home or one of his favorite destinations – Smith Lake, Warrior River or Panama City, brought him immense joy. Over the course of many health issues, he maintained a laid-back perspective and rarely complained. The family is forever grateful to the dedicated love and attention shown to him by his niece Brittany. Cullman Funeral Home, located at 461 U.S. Highway 278, Cullman, AL, has been entrusted with arrangements. Burial will be at Cullman City Cemetery immediately following the service.

Donna Kay Adams Dudley, 82
Donna Kay Adams Dudley, age 82 of Hayden, passed away Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born July 2, 1940, in Detroit, Michigan to Donald and Etha Parker Adams. Donna was the office manager of a nursing home in California before moving to Alabama after retirement. Donna is survived by her son: Richard Dudley of Oregon; sisters: Lucy Kuhl of Michigan and Diane Smith of Hayden, Alabama; three grandchildren; three great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband: Bob Dudley; son: Bobby Faron Dudley; parents: Donald and Etha Adams; brothers: Gary, Robert, James and Richard Adams. The family has chosen cremation and no services are planned at this time. Hanceville Funeral Home and Crematory is honored to serve the Dudley Family.

Henry Alan Bailey, 63
Memorial visitation for Henry Alan Bailey, of Eva, will be Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022, from 10 a.m.- noon, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mr. Bailey passed away at his residence Oct. 24, 2022. He was born Aug. 23, 1959, in Illinois to Charlie and Alice Mae Bailey. He proudly served in the United States Navy and retired from Golden Flake. He will be missed by many. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers: Thomas Earl Bailey and Marshall Lee Bailey; and sisters: Marie Bailey and Mary Bailey. Survivors include brothers: Jerry (Cindy) Bailey and Lynn (Kim) Bailey; sisters-in-law: Tammie Bailey and Kathy Bailey; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is assisting with the arrangements.

Mary Frances Brooks, 83
Mary Frances Brooks, age 83, of Vinemont, Alabama passed away Saturday, Oct. 22, 2022 surrounded by her loving family. Mary was born in Cullman, Alabama to Freda Irene Hafer and Everett Vermon Burks. Frances is survived by son: Paul Brooks; son: Alton Brooks Jr.; son: John Eubanks; son: Tim Eubanks; daughter: Becky Eubanks; daughter: Karen Eubanks; her grandchildren: Mandie Begley Kyker, Jarrod Eubanks, Jonathan Eubanks, Lindsey Hale, Adam Marsh. Frances was preceded in death by her father: Everett Vermon Burks; mother: Freda Irene Hafer Burks; brother: Dwight Burks; and granddaughter: Candy Bedley Hargrove. A celebration of life visitation for Frances will be held Wednesday, Oct. 26, 2022, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Ave., NW, Cullman, AL 35055, followed by a celebration of life service at 5 p.m.

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WildWater staff and Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism board members Nathan Anderson, Kyle Clem, Ashley Dye, Dianne Evans, Aurie Ramirez, Taylor Yarbrough, Rusty Turner, Mark Aderholt and Herbert Arnold

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City Council on Monday commended Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism (CPRST) and its WildWater staff for earning the Leading Edge Award from the World Waterpark Association. WildWater is the only publicly owned park on the top six waterparks in the world list and one of only two on the list located in the United States. The other is in Irvine, California.

More than 40,000 non-Cullman County residents visited WildWater during a 12-week period this summer, increasing tax revenue for the community.

City residents who wish to speak during the public comments portions of council meetings will now be required to show a valid photo ID, which will be scanned. This procedure will provide City officials with the speaker's information for follow-ups.

Council Member Johnny Cook announced that the City's Hazardous Waste Disposal Day will be held on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 8 a.m.-noon in the WildWater parking lot. It will be free for city residents, and proof of residency, such as a photo identification with current address, is required.

Ben Harrison, general manager of Cullman Regional Airport, reported that the ribbon was cut on runway 2/20 after a complete refurbishment.

The runway can now support the weight of larger and heavier aircraft, which will make Cullman more accessible to existing and potential future industries. Harrison thanked the City and all of the City departments for the team effort during the project.

CPRST Executive Director Nathan Anderson noted a 35% increase in attendance at this year's Oktoberfest and said he expects next year to be even larger. Upcoming events include the grand opening of the new skate park, Skate Depot, on Saturday, Nov. 12, at noon. Renowned professional skater Jake Wooten will provide a demo and the party will continue until 3 p.m. The Christmas in Cullman Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting will be Friday, Dec. 2. The tree lighting will take place at Depot Park. Look for more information in a coming article.

Cullman County's unemployment rate is the second lowest in the state for September, behind Shelby County.

The following agenda items were approved:

- A special event permit request from Greg Speegle of the Cullman Moose Lodge for their annual turkey shoots every Saturday in November and December starting at 8 a.m.
- A special event permit request from Sheila Haynes for a Pray, then Vote event on the courthouse sidewalks on Nov. 7, 2022, from 4-6 p.m., to encourage citizens to pray and vote in the election the following day.
- Resolution No. 2023-04 to support the Cullman City Schools ongoing Capital Improvement Plan by contributing $600,000 a year over the next 10 years. Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff reported the district's growth in academics is attributed to its students, teachers and families. He noted that, during Principal Appreciation Month, he feels that school principals have the hardest but the most rewarding jobs in education.
- Ordinance No. 2022-31 to amend the definitions in the zoning ordinance to include dispensing sites for medical cannabis, event venues, gyms and kennels.
- Ordinance No. 2023-02 to permitting special events located in the city of Cullman.

The Cullman City Council meets at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Monday of each month at Cullman City Hall. Meetings are open to the public and livestreamed.

Look for more information on the new ordinances in Saturday's edition of The Cullman Tribune.

