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‘A total surprise’

Fairview Aggie Band’s Kilgo honored for 25 years of dedication

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. — Fairview High School Band Director Nathan Kilgo recently reached and was celebrated for a big milestone: 25 years as head of the school’s band program.

During the Aggies’ Oct. 21 football game, the Aggie Band held its first alumni night in over 10 years in honor of former Fairview Band Director Kevin Yates, who passed away in August. With more than 70 in attendance, Kilgo was surprised when he was called to be recognized and awarded a plaque to commemorate his 25 years of dedication.

“We were happy to come together to honor Kevin Yates, our former director, who passed away earlier this year.

“I was very humbled and honored that they recognized me for my 25th year as director. It was a total surprise,” he said. “I had no idea until they called me to the field. I am thankful to all who had a part in that.” » PAGE 2



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Fairview High School Principal Chris Gambrill, Fairview Band Director Nathan Kilgo and Kilgo’s mom, Sherry Kilgo are seen Oct. 21, 2022, when the director was honored for 25 years leading the band.

West Point fans show support for Brewer student diagnosed with leukemia



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The West Point fans who traveled to Brewer for the Warriors’ game on Oct. 21 wore orange to show their support for Brewer student Lincoln Kallas who was recently diagnosed with leukemia.

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SOMERVILLE, Ala. — The West Point Warriors traveled to Brewer to take on the Patriots Oct. 21 and there was a play-off spot was on the line, but what happened in the stands was far more impactful. That was certainly the case for Brewer student Lincoln Kallas, who was diagnosed with leukemia a week before the game. The West Point fans who traveled to the game were there to show the support for their Warriors, but they also wanted to show their support for Kallas and his family.

Kallas’ mom, Andrea, quickly got emotional when she saw the West Point crowd wearing neon orange in support of her son. » PAGE 4



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‘Jason’s legacy will live on’



KRYSTAL MCCOLLUM WRIGHT/FACEBOOK

Jason McCollum with his sister Krystal Wright before his illness » PAGE 2

Hanceville Fire Department receives new truck



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On Tuesday, Nov. 1, Hanceville Fire and Rescue’s James Kincade, Assistant Chief Bart Absher, Rev. James Fields, Hanceville Mayor Kenneth Nail, Senator Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman, Rob Werner and Alabama Dept. of Conservation Deputy Commissioner Edward Poolos unveiled Hanceville’s new fire truck, purchased with funds from the Tyson settlement.

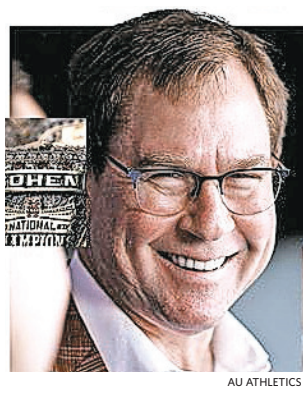
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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 1-2

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 1-2, 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. 27

• unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; St. Joseph Dr. N.W; cash

Oct. 31

• unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; 2nd Ave. S.W; purse with contents

Nov. 1

• burglary-3rd degree, criminal mischief; Katherine St. N.W; damage to window; $100

ARRESTS

Oct. 31

Bandy, Litina; 47

• FTA-unlawful possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Long, Michael E; 42

• FTA-improper tag
• FTA-improper muffler
• FTA-insurance violation

Skinner, Paul L; 48

• FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia
• FTA-failure to stop at stop sign
• FTA-improper lane usage
• FTA-driving while revoked (2 counts)
• FTA-insurance violation

Nov. 1

Hale, Draven K; 23

• providing false information-1st degree

Loggins, Ashley N; 36

• FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Overton, Wesley L; 36

• FTA-insurance violation

Smith, Alexis G; 25

• FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

Washburn, Jodie R; 41

• FTA-theft of property-4th degree

Wigginton, Jason S; 40

• FTA-shoplifting

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Competition (from Front)

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BREMEN, Ala. — Pair O' Docs Farm, a horse lesson farm located in Bremen, is hosting its first competition on Nov. 12. The Fall Competition will be full of Pair O' Docs' own students and outside riders from other lesson barns who will be competing in Beginner and Intermediate divisions in Horsemanship Pattern, Trail Course and Timed Event.

The youngest competitor will be 7 and the oldest 12. The cost of entry for audience members is $5. The farm is owned by Lucy Andrews and husband Trygve Tollefsbol, who both have doctorate degrees, hence the name, Pair O' Docs. Pair O' Docs offers pasture boarding, trail riding and training classes for English and Western riding. When students advance, they are taught some dressage, jumping, barrel racing and pole bending skills. The farm is currently looking for new students. Beginner lessons and beyond are offered at the farm for students as young as 6. Guided trail rides are also available.

Instructor and manager of Pair O' Docs, Gabriella Brown, spoke about the benefits of horse riding, saying, "I know a lot of people find peace and happiness in it. They find that confidence that comes with being able to control an animal that is much bigger than them and it also teaches them to create a bond and work as a team with the horse."

Find out more about Pair O' Docs Farm at pairodocsfarm.godaddysites.com.

Kilgo (from Front)

Kilgo was a student at Fairview High School, graduating in 1991. He went on to attend Wallace State Community College before heading to the University of North Alabama where he earned a Bachelor of Arts in Music Education.

He also earned a master's in Instructional Systems from Florida State University.

Kilgo told The Tribune that while he had thoughts of being a band director in middle school, it is not what he first decided to pursue in college, instead focusing on engineering.

However, he was required to take music classes for his scholarship at Wallace and discovered a new passion for the subject and changed his major.

In his time directing, he said, his style has been influenced by all his previous directors.

"I am so thankful for the impact Steve McLendon, Kevin Yates, Robert Bean, Ricky Burks, Mark Neal, Dr. Edd Jones, Tom Risher and Dr. Rick Mason had on me."

Kilgo sees his students when they start out in band in as sixth-grade rookies and gets to watch them grow into young leaders.

"I am the only teacher that these students see consistently from middle school through high school. If they start as beginners and stay through graduation, I have them for seven years straight," he said.

"It is always a joy seeing them hit their milestones – first concert, first ball game, first parade, first contest – and mature into young adults."

He said the numbers of students in band were pretty consistent up until 2020.

"With the inconsistent schedule over the past two years, the numbers dropped off, but I believe they are turning around and back on the upswing."

He is proud of another successful season. At competitions, the Fairview Aggie Band has received superior ratings and Best in Class awards for color guard and feature twirler.

Kilgo added, "My favorite part of being the director is seeing students work on things they don't think they are capable of and succeed at those things through a strong performance."

McCollum (from Front)

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Clarification: Due to conflicting information, Jason McCollum's status is unclear at this time.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Jason McCollum, 49, is a Cullman man who fought a valiant 15-month-long battle against COVID-19 and its aftereffects,

A post shared on social media on behalf of his wife, Winafred McCollum, by the Tracie Shadeck said:

Jason suffered a devastating neurological event after his surgery that he could just not come back from.

Jason's legacy will live on....

It's going to live on in the recipients of his organ donations....

It's going to live on in Winafred...

It's going to live on in his three boys....

It's going to live on in his family....

And friends...

And his testimony...

It's going to live on in Cullman and beyond...

His legacy will live on in all the nurses, doctors, and medical staff....

It will live on in everyone that learned about him through social media.

When arrangements are made, we will get the posted.

Please keep praying for the family as this is such a difficult time but we are going to celebrate Jason's life. Keep his future donors in mind as he gets to share the gift of organ donation with future recipients. Also please be respectful of the family and their time with each other right now.

Winafred loves each of you, she has appreciated all the prayers, texts, and phone calls.

#jasonstrong"

Initially hospitalized for COVID-19 in July 2021, McCollum spent the last 15 months fighting for his life after the virus ravaged his lungs, leaving him dependent first on a ventilator and then on extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO). ECMO is typically used for a matter of days or weeks, but for McCollum, it was a staggering 14-plus months.

McCollum underwent a double lung and heart transplant on Friday, Oct. 28.

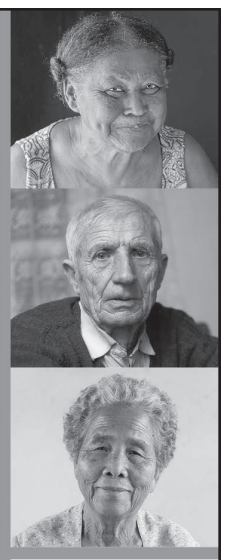
Please join us in thoughts and prayers for McCollum's wife, Winafred, his three sons and his family and friends as they mend their broken hearts.

Arrangements will be provided when available.

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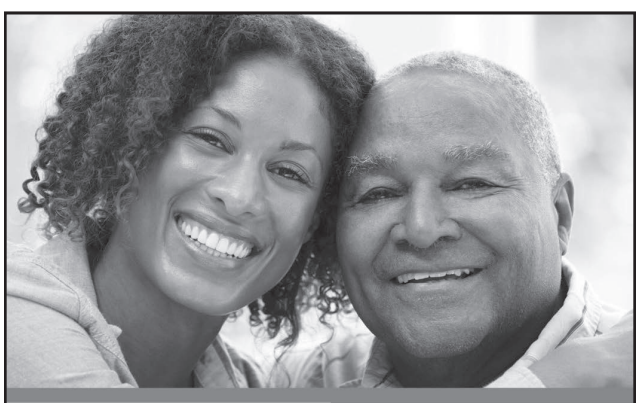
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Colony Town Council
The Colony Town Council will hold its first regular meeting for the month of November on Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022, due to Nov. 8, 2022, being Election Day. Workshop at 5:40 p.m. and regular meeting beginning at 6 p.m.

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.

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.

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: 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.

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.

Fairview Lions Club Veterans Celebration
• Saturday, Nov. 5, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Randall Shedd Park, 605-649 Wesley Ave. N, Cullman. Veterans Day celebration, car, truck, motorcycle show and parade. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and is $20. Awards will be given out at 1 p.m. Parade starts at 11 a.m. with lineup starting at 10 a.m. at Clinton Barbee Field (old pool field).
• Everyone is welcome to participate. We encourage vendors to join us (no ready-to-eat food, please), and booth rent is $10.
• Someone will collect it that morning. We will have activities for the kids. For more info, call William at 256-385-5596 or Kita at 256-385-8805.

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.

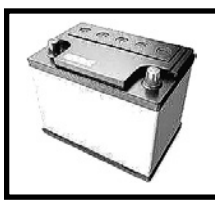
Heartland Quilt Guild Meeting
Thursday, Nov. 10, at 10, at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Covenant Church on 1310 Saint Joseph Dr. in Cullman. All are welcome.

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.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Singing
Sunday, Nov. 20, at 5 p.m. The Unity 4 Quartet from Iuka, Mississippi will be featured guests. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information call 256-796-5986. Everyone is invited.


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John Cohen named Director of Athletics at Auburn

Kirk Sampson
AU Athletics

AUBURN, Ala. — John Cohen, who has more than two decades as a coach and administrator in the Southeastern Conference, has been named the 16th Director of Athletics at Auburn University, President Dr. Chris Roberts announced Monday. Cohen has spent the previous 14 years at Mississippi State in various capacities, most recently as the athletic director the past six years.

"John has a wealth of experience in college athletics, particularly in the Southeastern Conference and his resume and references are impeccable," Roberts said. "His leadership and success as a head coach and an athletic director speak for themselves. John will embrace Auburn and be a tremendous leader for our athletics program as we move forward."

Cohen's career in college athletics began as a baseball player at Mississippi State before entering the coaching ranks for 25 years that included being a two-time SEC Coach of the Year at State. Named director of athletics at MSU on November 4, 2016, Cohen led the Bulldog program to record-breaking success athletically, academically and in facilities enhancement during his tenure.

"I'm extremely grateful to President Roberts for the opportunity to be the next director of athletics at Auburn University," Cohen said. "Auburn is an incredibly special place as is demonstrated by the hall of fame coaches and athletes that have been a part of its storied history. I understand the traditions and values at Auburn and look forward to continuing those traditions. I'm humbled and honored to be joining the Auburn family."

Cohen's first directive as athletic director was to elevate Rich McGlynn to deputy athletics director where the two will work together to further elevate the Auburn Athletics Department.

Athletically, Cohen oversaw arguably the greatest era in Bulldog athletics history, highlighted by a 2021 College World Series Championship for the school's first team national title in any sport. A total of five Bulldog programs turned in a program-best season with Cohen at the helm of the department, including softball (2022), baseball (2021), volleyball (2021), soccer (2018) and women's basketball (2017, 2018).

A nationally respected leader within intercollegiate athletics, Cohen serves on the prestigious 10-member NCAA Division I Baseball Committee as part of a four-year term that began on September 1, 2019. Cohen is one of 16 individuals have played and coached in the College World Series and one of just two among that elite group, who have played, coached and later served as director of athletics for a participating school. He is one of three active SEC athletics director to hire an eventual national championship winning head coach in any sport.

Cohen, who spent more than two decades coaching college baseball, was named MSU's head baseball coach in July of 2008. Nine years later, Cohen's official role in administration began when he assumed the role of associate athletic director in addition to head baseball coach.

Success shouldn't come as a surprise as it was never far removed from him during his 12-year run as a head coach in the SEC. His teams were successful both on the field and in the classroom.

At MSU, he led the Bulldogs to a College World Series finals appearance, an SEC regular season championship and a SEC Tournament championship. In the classroom upon his arrival in 2009, 133 players were selected to the SEC Academic Honor Roll, including three straight SEC Scholar Athlete of the Year winners from 2013-15.

As a baseball player at MSU, Cohen was a key player on the Bulldogs' 1989 SEC championship team and 1990 College World Series team. He graduated from MSU with a degree in English in 1990 and received a master's degree in sports management from the University of Missouri in 1994.



AU ATHLETICS

Following a six-year stint with Missouri as a graduate assistant and assistant coach, Cohen was the head coach at Northwestern State University from 1998-2001. Cohen spent two seasons as an assistant baseball coach at the University of Florida before becoming the head coach at the University of Kentucky in 2004, a position he held for five seasons before returning to his alma mater. Cohen guided the Wildcats to the program's first SEC championship in 2006 with a remarkable worst-to-first finish in his third season.

While winning 284 games as a head coach at MSU, Cohen demonstrated a keen ability to develop players and coaches. During his tenure, 138 MSU baseball players were selected in the Major League Baseball Draft. His influence can be seen throughout the SEC as four of his former assistants are now or have been head coaches — Brad Bohannon (Alabama), Gary Henderson (Kentucky/Mississippi State), Nick Mingione (Kentucky) and Butch Thompson (Auburn).

Cohen is the only coach in SEC history to win an SEC championship, SEC tournament championship, and advance to the College World Series both as a player and head coach. He and Ron Polk are the only two baseball coaches in SEC history to lead multiple schools to SEC titles. His 2013 Bulldog club advanced to the CWS championship series for the first time in MSU history. Cohen also had the privilege of being a part of a College World Series as a player, head coach and three times as an athletic director (2018, '19, '21).

Professional Experience

- 1992-94: Graduate Assistant, Missouri
- 1995-97: Assistant Coach, Missouri
- 1998-2001: Head Coach, Northwestern State
- 2002-03: Assistant Coach, Florida
- 2004-08: Head Coach, Kentucky
- 2009-16: Head Coach, Mississippi State
- July 2016-November 2016: Associate Athletic Director, Mississippi State
- November 2016-October 2022: Director of Athletics, Mississippi State

4 Crimson Tide players named to semifinalist lists for Bednarik, Maxwell Awards

Josh Maxson
UA Athletics

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. – Alabama had two players apiece selected as semifinalists for the Bednarik and Maxwell awards, the Maxwell Football Club announced on Tuesday morning.

Linebacker Will Anderson Jr. and defensive back Kool-Aid McKinstry were part of a list of 20 semifinalists for the Bednarik Award. Former Crimson Tide standouts Minkah Fitzpatrick (2017) and Jonathan Allen (2016) have each laid claim to the Bednarik. The award is presented annually to the top defensive player in college football as chosen by the Maxwell Football Club. Running back Jahmyr Gibbs and quarterback Bryce Young were named semifinalists for the Maxwell Award, part of a 20-player group of semifinalists. Alabama has had five Maxwell winners, including Young (2021) a season ago. The Tide's current signal-caller is joined by DeVonta Smith (2020), Tua Tagovailoa (2018), Derrick Henry (2015) and AJ McCarron (2013) to make up UA's list of previous winners. The Maxwell is presented each season by the Maxwell Football Club to the College Football Player of the Year.

Both lists will announce a group of three finalists on Nov. 20. The winner for both the Bednarik and Maxwell will be announced on Dec. 8 as part of the ESPN Home Depot College Football Awards Show.

Bednarik Award
Will Anderson Jr., Linebacker

- One of the most feared defenders in college football
- Leads the SEC and is tied for seventh nationally with 12 tackles for loss (-49 yards), including six sacks (-32 yards)
- Totaled 36 tackles on the year while also contributing a team-high 10 quarterback pressures
- Added one blocked field goal and an interception which he returned 25 yards for a touchdown

Kool-Aid McKinstry, Defensive Back

- A consistent contributor at both corner and punt returner
- Posted 23 tackles, including two for loss (-16 yards) and one sack (-12 yards)
- Broke up a team-high 11 passes while adding a fumble recovery on defense
- Paces all Division I punt returners with 319 yards and a 17.7 yards per return average across 18 punts

Maxwell Award
Jahmyr Gibbs, Running Back

- A big-play threat with the ball in his hands
- Recorded a team-high 1,137 all-purpose yards on the season to rank third in the SEC and 10th nationally
- Averaging 6.9 yards per carry to lead the league and rank fifth in the country
- Alabama's rushing leader with 672 yards and six touchdowns on a team-high 98 carries
- Logged a team-best 31 receptions for 301 yards and three scores as a receiver
- Also returned seven kickoffs for 164 yards with a long of 57

Bryce Young, Quarterback

- The reigning Maxwell Award winner and one of the nation's top passers
- Ranks 19th in Division I and third in the SEC for passing touchdowns with 18 despite missing 1.5 games
- Accumulated 1,906 yards on 146-of-221 passing with 18 touchdowns compared to three interceptions
- Added 26 rushes for 137 yards and three scores on the ground

Get all the latest information on the team by following @AlabamaFTBL on Twitter and Facebook and AlabamaFBL on Instagram. General athletic news can also be found at UA_Athletics on Twitter and Instagram and AlabamaAthletics on Facebook.



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Alabama Quarterback Bryce Young.



UA ATHLETICS

Alabama Linebacker Will Anderson (31).

Support (from Front)

"I stay with Lincoln Sunday through Friday and my husband takes over on the weekends. I came home a little early on Friday to surprise my two other kids at the pep rally, then we went to the game. When I walked into the game and saw all of the orange on the West Point side, I just started crying. The fact that the West Point parents/fans put the competition of the game aside and showed support for my son meant the world to us! When Lincoln saw the pictures on social media, he cried. He said, 'Mom, I didn't know I was this loved,'" she said. "This has been one of the most difficult times in our lives. My heart just breaks for my son. But seeing all of the orange and the support of others who do not even know our family lifted our spirits. And I am so thankful, knowing we have so many people praying for my sweet Lincoln and our entire family."

Kallas' mom talked about her son's condition and how's he doing right now.

"He was diagnosed with T-Cell Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia at Huntsville Hospital on Oct. 14. He was taken via ambulance to St. Jude, and we got there at 4 a.m. two days later. He had his port placed and spinal chemotherapy done on Oct. 18 (along with more chemotherapy done that night and, on the 19th). By the next day, he had Tumor Lysis Syndrome, where a large number of cancer cells were dying within a short period of time and were releasing their contents into the blood. They took him into emergency surgery to have a groin catheter placed; he was moved to ICU and put on dialysis because his kidneys were not looking good. He was taken off of that machine on the 23rd," she said. "We got out of the hospital four days ago and got moved to the Ronald McDonald House about three minutes away. We come in about every day during the week for blood work, transfusion, spinal chemotherapy, IV chemotherapy, etc. We have been here today since 8:15 a.m. and he is getting his last chemotherapy now. He is doing well overall. His kidneys were looking better after dialysis. They will watch to see if there is any permanent damage. Right now, he is just dealing with bad reflux and some neuropathy from the chemo."

One of Kallas' friends is hosting a very special fishing tournament, and some other students are helping design shirts and some other merchandise to help support him.

"I don't even have the words to express how blessed we are with the support we have received. I took my two other kids to the local gas station on the 22nd.

"The lady there was talking about Brewer and West Point in their orange, and she said she had never seen communities coming together like this. The support and prayers are what's holding us together right now," his mom said. "One of his friends, Cody Brooks, is on the Brewer fishing team with Lincoln and he's putting on a Pond Fishing Tournament on Nov. 5. Southern Sophistication does lots of uniforms and shirts for Brewer; they've been selling 'Lincoln Strong' shirts with some of the students' help making them. A member of the community is also selling 'Lincoln Strong' bracelets."

She added, "There are also several fishing groups that are putting on events for him. His ag teacher, Josh Melson, who is a youth pastor, had a prayer meeting the night he got diagnosed at our church. There were so many students there. I have had many teachers give me some of their vacation days to help me so I can be paid while off with Lincoln the remainder of the year- such a blessing! Some of the most special things that he's received are a large homemade card signed by his fellow 10th graders. The FBLA at our school also made a large binder full of letters from students from all grades. He loved those! They have also made care packages of his favorite things."

Andrea Kallas offered advice to other parents of children fighting cancer.

"I knew that having hope and faith are what would guide us through this journey," she said. "We've had some lot of prayer warriors out there and they bring us peace. I would also tell them to find those parents going through your journey and hold close to them."

Cullman County Bosom Buddies receive $3K donation



AMY LEONARD/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

On Wednesday, Nov. 2, Sherry Boatright and Stephanie Neal of the Cullman Active Adult Center presented the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation's Judy Grissom with $3,067 raised at the third annual Kicking Cancer event held Saturday, Oct. 29.

Graduation (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The latest class of the Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) Citizens' Academy graduated Tuesday, Oct 25.

The academy is a nine-week journey that provides an up-close and inside look at law enforcement. According to the CCSO, participants hear from various speakers, participate in ride-alongs, spend a day at the range, tour the detention center facility and take part in numerous other elements of law enforcement life.

"As I have said many times, the office of the sheriff does not belong to me- it belongs to the citizens of this great county," Sheriff Matt Gentry said. "I am so grateful for our participants and for all those who took part in providing this unique opportunity."

Those who graduated included: Cody Adams, Katie Adams, Jon Allcorn, Ashley Ball, Douglas Bates, Robbie Cain Bates, Jennifer Beck, Tim Beck, Gregory Bishop, Matthew Blackwood, Amber Blade, Aaron Chandler, Darren Clarke, Tracie Clarke, Jackie Ann Drake Donovan, Charlotte Ecklund, Austin Franklin, Tiffany Garrison, Glena Susan Gay, Roland Gay, Ida Lee Greer, Charles Harrison, Burean Huff, Gerald W. Johnson, Melissa Johnson, Robin Karkosh, Roberta C. Lader, Stephanie Lawson, Mark Lecroy, Connie Mize Maner, Maurice L. Maner, Bruce McLaughlin, Jim Metz, Wesley Parrish, Matthew Piper, Mary Ann Potter, Joey Ray, Charles "Glyn" Robinson, Suzanne Scheetz, Shanea Shipp, Melissa Smith, Rickie Arley Smith, Jerry C. Smith, Sr., Cynthia (Cindy) Stricklin, Mary Thomason, Kim Timmons, Alexis Wallace, Mitchell Ward, Ashley Whaley, Jamie Whaley, Tommy Wilkinson and Pam Willingham.

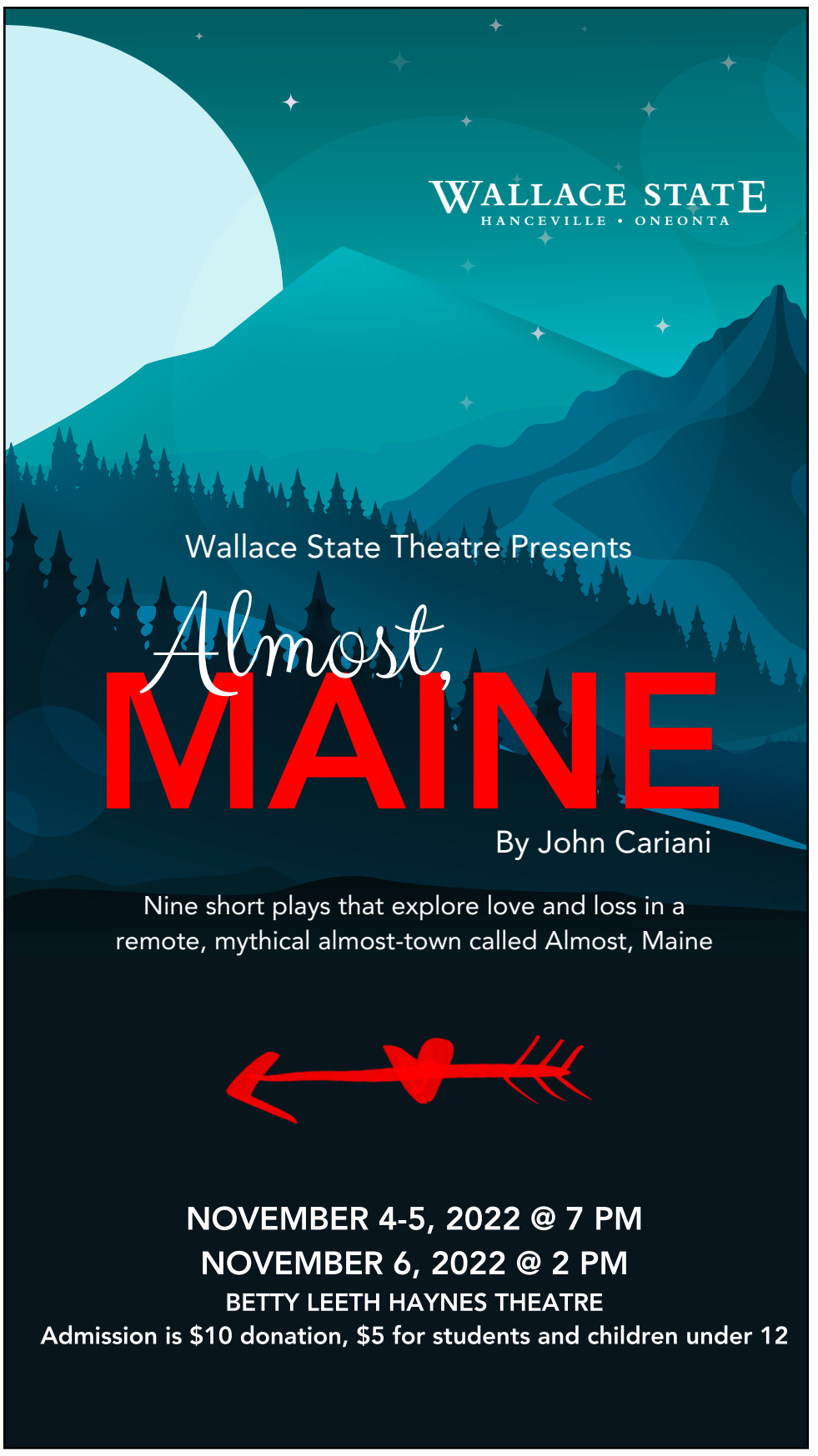


CCSO

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry assists a Citizens' Academy participant at the shooting range.









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McKenna Grace Sharpton Centromere dedicated at Wallace State

Kristen Holmes
Wallace State



WALLACE STATE

On-hand for the dedication of the McKenna Grace Sharpton Centromere in the School of Nursing and Center for Science at Wallace State Community College were, from left, John Riley and T'aira Ugarkovich of Cullman Savings Bank; Emily Mathis, the first recipient of the McKenna Grace Sharpton Memorial Endowed Scholarship; and Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) instructors Tracy Smith and Adriann Basch.

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College recently named the central lobby in the School of Nursing and Center for Science the McKenna Grace Sharpton Centromere. A centromere is a central connector of a chromosome. The design of the building is in the shape of a chromosome, with four wings branching off from the central lobby, or centromere.

Sharpton was a student of the Wallace State Department of Nursing Education who tragically passed away in 2021 at the age of 20 after battling COVID-19. A dedication was held recently, with members of her family in attendance.

The Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) Health Science program, which Sharpton attended throughout high school, established the McKenna Grace Sharpton Memorial Endowed Scholarship, committing to raise $12,500 over the next four years, with that amount to be matched dollar for dollar through the U.S. Department of Education Strengthening Education Tittle III grant.

The opportunity to name the centromere was granted to the Cullman Savings Bank Foundation in appreciation for its commitment of $100,000 over the next 10 years to support Wallace State students via scholarships through the Wallace State Future Foundation.

Sharpton was a two-time recipient of a Cullman Savings Bank Foundation scholarship, and its board elected not only to name the centromere in her memory, but to support the first scholarship to be granted in her memory until CATA's scholarship reaches full endowment.

Cullman Savings Bank President John Riley said Sharpton stood out among the hundreds of students he's met over the years during interviews for scholarship applicants. He described her as humble, genuine and a person who exhibited pure love.

"She showed it to me as she spoke about other people, and she showed it to me as she talked about her grandmother and her grandmother's friends and how they motivated her to become a geriatric nurse," Riley said. "After the interview she got up and left my office and I turned to the other interviewers and said, 'What a precious soul that is.' And they all agreed with me that this was the kind of person that we were looking for, the kind of person we needed to help do whatever we could do because she was going to make a difference in lives."

He went on to add that Sharpton's impact on those she encountered was like the ripples left by a pebble dropped into water. "The pebble never gets to see these ripples," he said. "Talking with people she worked with, the people she studied with, I know that she positively affected many, many people. McKenna's name, McKenna's legacy, will be on this building for a long, long time — as long as this building stands —but the ripples of McKenna's love will go on forever. It's been a blessing to have known her in my small way." The McKenna Grace Sharpton Memorial Scholarship will benefit students who studied Health Science at CATA, where Sharpton studied while a student at West Point High School.

CATA instructors Tracy Smith and Adriann Basch spoke of Sharpton's legacy.

"She was a remarkable young lady with a brilliant smile and giving spirit," said Basch. "We cannot think of a better way to honor the life of McKenna. It is only fitting that in this beautifully bright, welcoming area her lovely name will be seen for all to see. McKenna was all of these things; she was always a light in this world. She was friendly, inviting and welcoming to everyone."

"McKenna always put others before herself," Smith said. "How fitting that this area is being dedicated in McKenna's memory, an area where students will gather in preparation for that next big test or skills check off, or to have a quick break with friends between classes, and a place where tomorrow's health care professionals will discuss for years to come the ever-changing industry and how COVID has affected it. All the while, McKenna will be here with us helping others through her scholarship."

The first recipient is Emily Mathis, a fourth-semester nursing student at Wallace State, who had classes with Sharpton when she attended CATA. She's thankful and honored to be chosen as its first recipient.

"McKenna was a great student and was one of the kindest people I ever met," Mathis said. "I never saw her without a smile on her face and she worked so hard. She really loved nursing and she really loved taking care of people, so to get this award, it means a lot."

Sharpton's parents, Rhonda and Bobby Sharpton of Crane Hill, are proud of the recognition their daughter has received. "It's bittersweet for us, of course, but we were honored that our daughter had touched so many lives," Rhonda Sharpton said.

During the dedication ceremony, Deborah "Pepper" Hoover, chair of the Department of Nursing Education, presented the Sharptons with the lamp their daughter would have received at her pinning ceremony. Her classmates also set aside a chair for her during their pinning ceremony in August.

Wallace State President Dr. Vicki Karolewics said, "We are honored that McKenna's life will be permanently remembered here and hopefully influence the lives of thousands of future nurses who will graduate from Wallace State Community College and provide excellent nursing care for your families and friends."

Donations to the McKenna Grace Sharpton Memorial Scholarship can be made at www.wsccfuturefoundation.org. Call 256-352-7808 for more information.

Wallace State hosting Veterans Day Celebration featuring Concert Band, Jazz Band

Kristen Holmes
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE , Ala. — The Wallace State Concert Band and Jazz Band will hold a Veterans Day Celebration on Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Burrow Center for Fine and Performing Arts. The concert will be held at 7 p.m. Admission is free and is open to the public.

This performance will be the directorial debut of Dr. Derek J. Molacek, Wallace State's newest faculty member in the Fine and Performing Arts program.

Molacek is a trombonist, euphoniumist, composer and arranger. He previously was a member of The USAF Band of the Golden West, where amongst other performances, performed in a joint concert with the San Francisco Symphony under Michael Tilson Thomas as well as the 2011 and 2012 Monterey Jazz Festival. Coming from Omaha, Neb., he was an active composer and performer in the Omaha-Lincoln-Southwest Iowa Region.

He has also previously performed trombone with the Omaha Symphony, and former The Voice contestant Josh Hoyer. Molacek previously served on the faculty of Iowa Western Community College

Molacek earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Denver, and his master's from the University of North Texas.

During his time at Denver, he studied jazz trombone with Darren Kramer, classical trombone with Dr. Jos32eph Martin, and jazz theory and composition with Malcolm Lynn Baker, Dave Hanson, and Eric Gunnison. He also had the opportunity to perform with Terrell Stafford in 2004.

He completed his doctorate at the Glenn Korff School of Music at the University of Nebraska in the spring of 2017 in Music Composition, Jazz emphasis. During his first year, he studied jazz composition and arranging extensively with Dr. Eric Richards and completed his studies under Thomas Larson.

Other upcoming events offered by the Wallace State Fine and Performing Arts program include the Wallace State Theatre's production of "Almost, Maine!" Nov. 4-5 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 6 at 2 p.m.; The Nutcracker – Clara's Dream by the Allegro Dance Theatre and Ballet South, Nov. 18-19 at 7 p.m. and Nov. 20 at 2 p.m.; and the program's annual Christmas Spectacular Dec. 8 at 7 p.m.

For more information, visit www.wallacestate.edu to see the calendar of events or contact Melissa Lawler at 256.352.8277 or melissa.lawler@wallacestate.edu.



WALLACE STATE

Run (from Front)

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — The Stash House restaurant in Good Hope is holding its inaugural Alabama Fall Rod Run, a three-day sell, swap or trade event, Nov. 4-6, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. each day. The Rod Run will allow anyone to drive in or pull their vehicle in on a trailer to park in a designated spot for the three-day period for a $200 donation to 2nd Chance Ministries. One-hundred spots are available.

Patrick "Katdaddy" Watson, owner of The Stash House, explained, "We're asking for a $200 donation if someone wants to park a classic, a hot rod, parts, etc. in a designated spot for three days, kind of like a vendor, and then they would be able to sell, swap, trade their vehicles."

While the event is predominantly for classic cars, any are welcome. Owners can buy a spot and advertise that their car is for sale. 50 vendor spots are also available.

To register, call 256-590-1484. Admission is free to for the public and free to those who wish to simply cruise in during any of the three days.

Watson was inspired by visits to the Pigeon Ford Rod Run events to put his own twist on the classic event. "I've been visiting Pigeon Forge my whole life and they have one up there, and I love old cars and old trucks and so does everybody in the South," he said.

The donations will go to 2nd Chance Ministries, a ministry in its infant stages, founded by Watson's daughter Hannah Lane McClendon and general managers of The Stash House Jennifer Jordan and Penny Lee Self. The ministry is run by women for displaced women and children.

Watson, who also acts as a minister for the group, said, "We're trying to establish 2nd Chance Ministries as a church, but our end goal is to get housing for women so they can get back on their feet."

He shared, "We've had several employees in the past that are single moms with children or someone who's transient and trying to get back on their feet."

After learning of several past employees' struggles to find housing either after a disaster or domestic violence, Stash House members created 2nd Chance Ministries to offer support to women in need.

The Alabama Fall Rod Run is the first fundraising effort to go toward a house that will function as a women's shelter.

Watson said he plans to host the Rod Run each year in the fall and spring. However, he also hopes that other groups in need of fundraisers will reach out and request use of the space. "I want more people to contact us and let us host an event because we have 6 acres of land here. Plenty of parking."

He added, "This is a big place. We're working toward growing this place so we can reach out and do more things."

The Stash House is located at 123 Lindsey Road, Cullman, AL 35055. Find out more at www.facebook.com/TheStashHouseAl.

Holly Pond native Jason Simpson named WVTM 13 chief meteorologist

Staff Reports
Contributor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — WVTM 13 on Tuesday announced that Jason Simpson has been named chief meteorologist. The news follows longtime Chief Meteorologist Jerry Tracey's announcement that he plans to retire in early December. Simpson will assume the leadership role after Tracey's departure.

"We understand the importance of accuracy in forecasting and coverage, as weather impacts everyone in our community on a daily basis," remarked WVTM 13 President and General Manager Susana Schuler.

"We intend to continue our commitment of excellence in weather coverage, serving our community and providing life-saving information with Jason Simpson's promotion to chief meteorologist. His hometown knowledge and 20-plus years of experience covering Alabama weather have prepared him well to lead our team. It is wonderful to see Jason following in the footsteps of Jerry Tracey, who helped motivate him to become a meteorologist during an elementary school visit to Holly Pond, Alabama, years ago."

Before joining WVTM 13 earlier this year, Simpson was most recently a principal scientist for Dynetics, Inc. in Hunstville, where he tested and analyzed radar systems. Prior to Dynetics, Simpson was the chief meteorologist at WHNT, the CBS affiliate in Huntsville, for more than a decade. Simpson has also worked as a meteorologist at WBMA, the ABC affiliate in Birmingham, in addition to stations in Meridian, Mississippi, and Columbia, Missouri.

"I am so pleased that my successor as chief meteorologist here at WVTM 13 is Jason Simpson," commented Tracey. "Jason grew up in central Alabama and has been following the weather here pretty much his whole life. He knows the different patterns that we experience, from severe storms to tropical cyclones.

"Jason is a man of great character and serves as an elder in his church. Most of all, he is a devoted husband to his wife and a wonderful father to their three children."

"I grew up watching Jerry on WVTM 13," said Simpson. "Tag teaming weather with a mentor, friend and legend in central Alabama has been a dream come true these past few months. I am so blessed to become the next chief meteorologist at WVTM 13 and will continue to uphold Jerry's high standards for accuracy and the station's mission for delivering pertinent weather information to the people of central Alabama that helps them prepare for the future and protect their families."



WVTM 13

Jason Simpson

Cullman Regional to build north Alabama's 1st freestanding emergency department

Jennifer Malone
Contributor

HARTSELLE, Ala. — Cullman Regional is taking steps to build north Alabama's first freestanding emergency department at Hartselle Health Park, a multi-service outpatient facility opened by the hospital in 2021.

"We've learned a lot about the Hartselle community and its health care needs over the last several years," said Lisa Courtney, vice president of physician and outpatient services at Cullman Regional.

"We're proud to be able to add quality emergency care to the services offered in Hartselle."

Hartselle Health Park had nearly 14,000 patient visits since opening its urgent care clinic, diagnostic imaging center and two physician clinics last year.

The new freestanding emergency department will be constructed where the urgent care clinic is currently located. Urgent care services will relocate to a different area in the same building.

"Freestanding emergency departments are especially important for communities without a hospital," said Dr. Bill Smith, chief medical officer at Cullman Regional.

"This project means Hartselle residents will not have to leave their community for life-saving emergency services."

There are several freestanding emergency departments in Alabama including in Mobile, Auburn and the Birmingham area.

Like hospital-based ERs, freestanding emergency departments operate 24/7 and are staffed with board certified emergency medicine physicians capable of caring for patients in critical medical conditions.

Hartselle Health Park's ER will offer on-site imaging including MRI and CT, lab capabilities and pharmacy services.

The facility will also be equipped with an ambulance bay and a helipad.

In Alabama, hospitals must seek state approval to build or add certain health care services including freestanding emergency departments. On Monday, Cullman Regional initiated the approval process by submitting a Letter of Intent to Alabama's Certificate of Need (CON) Board.

"In our application review the CON Board will look at many factors including community support, and the most effective way for a community to demonstrate its support is through letters," said James Clements, Cullman Regional CEO.

"We're encouraging Morgan County residents who agree that this is a needed health care service in Hartselle to let the CON Board know."

A construction timeline for the new Hartselle Health Park ER will be announced once the CON application is approved, which may take several months.

Information on submitting letters of support and updates on the project can be found on Hartselle Health Park Facebook page and at www.HartselleHealthPark.com.

Jacobs proclaims November Home Care and Hospice Month in Cullman

Leanne West
City of Cullman

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs on Tuesday proclaimed the month of November Home Care and Hospice Month in Cullman, urging citizens to recognize and appreciate home care and hospice professionals in our community. Emily Price Hall, Jennifer Harbin and Justin Gollott from ComfortCare Hospice accepted the proclamation from Jacobs.

"Many of us know someone who has used the services of a home health care or hospice program," said Jacobs. "We hope we never need home health or hospice care, but when we do need these services they are a great comfort to us."

November is set aside each year in the United States as National Home Care and Hospice Month to honor all professionals who work in home care and hospice. Both home health care and hospice providers strive to provide access to individualized services based on a patient's unique care needs and wishes.

Home health care is a wide range of health care-related services provided for patients in their homes. Registered nurses (RNs), under the direction of an attending physician, assess and monitor health care needs and provide a variety of skilled nursing services including medication management and education, wound and post-surgical care, pain management, nutritional support, dressing changes, diabetic care and more. The home health care team also generally includes social workers who help patients and families manage and alleviate the stress that medical conditions often create; home health aides who assist patients with the tasks of daily living and personal care; and therapists who help patients regain functional mobility, speech, fine motor and other skills.

Hospice care is focused on improving the quality of life for people experiencing a terminal illness and their caregivers. The hospice care team generally consists of an attending physician who coordinates care, RNs who cares for the patient and offers family support, aides who assist with bathing and dressing and other everyday activities, a social worker who gives emotional support and financial guidance, a chaplain who provides spiritual support to the patient and his or her family and other professionals or volunteers who coordinate services or offer non-medical care and support.

According to recent statistics, about 12 million people in the United States require some form of home health care for conditions such as diabetes, heart failure, chronic skin ulcers, osteoarthritis and hypertension. Home health care offers security, dignity and the ability for patients to maintain as much independence as possible.

Approximately 1.6 million people in the United States receive care by hospice providers each year. The majority of hospice care takes place in the home, allowing patients to spend their final months at home with loved ones. Hospice care is covered under Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurers.

"I am grateful to all of the hospice agencies that serve patients in our community," said Jacobs. "I am proud to proclaim November Home Care and Hospice Month in Cullman and want to encourage everyone to recognize and appreciate all of those in our community who provide these services."

To find out more about home care and hospice services, visit the National Association for Home Care & Hospice at www.nahc.org.



CITY OF CULLMAN

Left to right are Jennifer Harbin, Justin Gollott, Mayor Woody Jacobs and Emily Price Hall.

Hometown Hospitality training coming Monday

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Customer service has the power to make or break a company, be it a small business of a handful of employees or an international conglomerate. Employees who work directly with consumers are often the first voice or face the public encounters when engaging with the business.

On Monday, Nov. 7, a Hometown Hospitality training will be provided at the Cullman Area Chamber of Commerce from 9-11 a.m. for those front-line employees to hone their skills in customer engagement and retention. Participants will be given the valuable opportunity to network with representatives from a variety of local businesses. Cullman County Extension Office Coordinator Kira Sims shared, "The free training can help employees strengthen their customer service skills and build loyal customers for the business. Because Cullman is an interstate town and tourism is flourishing, the Cullman County Extension is trying to provide a service to local business to enhance the customer experience. The training is engaging and allows employees to meet people from other industries." To register for the workshop, call 256-737-9386 or visit www.aces.edu/go/HH-Cullman.

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- ⬭ ALABAMA DEMOCRATIC PARTY
- ⬭ ALABAMA REPUBLICAN PARTY
- ⬭ LIBERTARIAN PARTY OF ALABAMA

FOR GOVERNOR (Vote for One)
- ⬭ YOLANDA ROCHELLE FLOWERS — Democrat
- ⬭ KAY IVEY — Republican
- ⬭ JAMES "Jimmy" BLAKE — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR (Vote for One)
- ⬭ WILL AINSWORTH — Republican
- ⬭ RUTH PAGE-NELSON — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR UNITED STATES SENATOR (Vote for One)
- ⬭ WILL BOYD — Democrat
- ⬭ KATIE BRITT — Republican
- ⬭ JOHN SOPHOCLEUS — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, 4TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT (Vote for One)
- ⬭ RICK NEIGHBORS — Democrat
- ⬭ ROBERT ADERHOLT — Republican
- ⬭ JOHNNY C. COCHRAN — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR ATTORNEY GENERAL (Vote for One)
- ⬭ WENDELL MAJOR — Democrat
- ⬭ STEVE MARSHALL — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE SENATOR, DISTRICT NO. 4 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ GARLAN GUDGER — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. (Vote for One)
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE 5 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ ANITA L. KELLY — Democrat
- ⬭ GREG COOK — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT, PLACE 6 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ KELLI WISE — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR SECRETARY OF STATE (Vote for One)
- ⬭ PAMELA J. LAFFITTE — Democrat
- ⬭ WES ALLEN — Republican
- ⬭ JASON "Matt" SHELBY — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE TREASURER (Vote for One)
- ⬭ YOUNG BOOZER — Republican
- ⬭ SCOTT HAMMOND — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE AUDITOR (Vote for One)
- ⬭ ANDREW SORRELL — Republican
- ⬭ LEIGH LACHINE — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE AND INDUSTRIES (Vote for One)
- ⬭ RICK PATE — Republican
- ⬭ JASON CLARK — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ JEREMY H. ODEN — Republican
- ⬭ RON BISHOP — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, PLACE NO. 2 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ CHIP BEEKER — Republican
- ⬭ LAURA LANE — Libertarian
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT NO. 6 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ MARIE MANNING — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, 32ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT (Vote for One)
- ⬭ CHAMP CROCKER — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, CULLMAN COUNTY, PLACE NO. 1 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ CHAD FLOYD — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR CULLMAN COUNTY CORONER (Vote for One)
- ⬭ JEREMY L. KILPATRICK — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT 1 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ KERRY WATSON — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT 2 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ GARRY MARCHMAN — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT 3 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ KELLY DUKE — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION, DISTRICT 4 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ COREY FREEMAN — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF (Vote for One)
- ⬭ MATT GENTRY — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, / DISTRICT NO. (Vote for One)

"Shall the following Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901 be ratified?"

PROPOSED CONSTITUTION TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT STATEWIDE

CONSTITUTION OF ALABAMA OF 2022

Proposing adoption of the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, which is a recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, prepared in accordance with Amendment 951, arranging the constitution in proper articles, parts, and sections, removing racist language, deleting duplicated and repealed provisions, consolidating provisions regarding economic development, arranging all local amendments by county of application, and making no other changes. (Proposed by Act 2022-111)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

CONTINUE VOTING ON BACK

THESE OFFICES RUN BY DISTRICT

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. 11 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ RANDALL SHEDD — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. 12 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ JAMES C. FIELDS, JR. — Democrat
- ⬭ COREY HARBISON — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVE, DISTRICT NO. 14 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ TIMOTHY (Tim) WADSWORTH — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, FAIRVIEW / DISTRICT NO. 2 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ SHANE RUSK — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, HANCEVILLE / DISTRICT NO. 4 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ KENNY BROCKMAN — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, VINEMONT / DISTRICT NO. 6 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ MIKE GRAVES — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

FOR MEMBER, CULLMAN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, GOOD HOPE / DISTRICT NO. 7 (Vote for One)
- ⬭ KERRY NEIGHBORS — Republican
- ⬭ Write-in

"Shall the following Amendments to the Constitution of Alabama be adopted?"

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT STATEWIDE

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 1

Proposing an amendment to Section 16 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 16 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, as amended, to create Aniah's Law, to provide that an individual is entitled to reasonable bail prior to conviction, unless charged with capital murder, murder, kidnapping in the first degree, rape in the first degree, sodomy in the first degree, sexual torture, domestic violence in the first degree, human trafficking in the first degree, burglary in the first degree, arson in the first degree, robbery in the first degree, terrorism when the specified offense is a Class A felony other than murder, and aggravated child abuse of a child under the age of six. (Proposed by Act 2021-201)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 2

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the state, a county, or a municipality to grant federal award funds or any other source of funding designated for broadband infrastructure by state law to public or private entities for providing or expanding broadband infrastructure. (Proposed by Act 2022-117)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 3

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to require the Governor to provide notice to the Attorney General and to the victim's family prior to granting a reprieve or commutation to a person sentenced to death, and to void the reprieve or commutation if the Governor fails to provide notice. (Proposed by Act 2022-256)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 4

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to provide that the implementation date for any bill enacted by the Legislature in a calendar year in which a general election is to be held and relating to the conduct of the general election shall be at least six months before the general election. (Proposed by Act 2021-284)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 5

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to delete a provision giving the probate court of each county general jurisdiction over orphans' business. (Proposed by Act 2021-202)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 6

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, each municipality authorized under Amendment No. 8 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing Section 216.01 of the Recompiled Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to levy and collect the ad valorem tax pursuant to Amendment No. 8 for the purpose of paying bonds and the interest thereon, and may also levy and collect such ad valorem tax and utilize such funds for capital improvements on a pay-as-you-go basis at a rate not exceeding the rate then lawfully permitted for the municipality to directly pay the costs of public capital improvements, as well as to pay the principal and interest on bonds, warrants, or other securities issued to finance or refinance the costs of the improvements; and to ratify, validate, and confirm the levy and collection of such tax levied and collected for any of these purposes prior to the ratification of this amendment. (Proposed by Act 2021-327)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 7

Proposing an amendment to revise Amendment 772 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to specify that all counties and municipalities may exercise the authority and powers granted by Amendment 772 to provide for economic and industrial development; to permit notice for Amendment 772 projects to be published in any newspaper in circulation in the county or municipality; and to ratify all actions and agreements of any county or municipality done under Amendment 772 unless subject to pending judicial proceedings on the date of adoption of this amendment. (Proposed by Act 2022-286)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 8

Relating to Shelby County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to bring certain privately owned sewer systems that use public rights-of-way of public roads under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission under certain conditions. (Proposed by Act 2021-199)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 9

Relating to Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to bring certain privately owned sewer systems that use public rights-of-way of public roads in the city limits of Lake View under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027. (Proposed by Act 2022-288)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 10

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Code Commissioner, contingent upon the ratification of an official Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to renumber and place constitutional amendments ratified before or on the same day as the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, based on a logical sequence and the particular subject or topic of the amendment, and to provide for the transfer of existing annotations to any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022. (Proposed by Act 2022-177)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS OF LOCAL APPLICATION TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT IN ONLY THE COUNTY OF APPLICATION

LOCAL AMENDMENT 1

Relating to Cullman County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that the county superintendent of education shall be elected by the qualified electors of the county in 2024 for a four-year term. (Proposed by Act 2021-343)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

LOCAL AMENDMENT 2

Relating to Cullman County; proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to provide that the term of office of the Revenue Commissioner would commence on December 1 following the general election in 2026, and every six years thereafter; and to provide that the term of the office of the incumbent revenue commissioner would expire on November 30, 2026. (Proposed by Act 2022-36)

- ⬭ YES
- ⬭ NO

END OF BALLOT

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR THE CONSTITUTION OF ALABAMA OF 2022:

Alabama's voters will have the opportunity to vote on a reorganized state constitution at the November 8, 2022, general election. Alabama's current constitution has been in effect since 1901. It contains outdated language and has been amended nearly 1,000 times. If approved, the reorganized state constitution will be titled the Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

In 2022, all members of the Legislature agreed to this proposed reorganized constitution and put it on the ballot for voters to consider.

The Constitution of Alabama of 2022 will only do the following: (1) rearrange the constitution so that similar subjects are located together; (2) remove racist language; (3) delete repeated or repealed portions/language; (4) place all amendments which deal with economic development together; and (5) arrange local amendments by county.

The reorganized constitution will make no changes other than those listed above and will not make any changes relating to taxes.

If the majority of voters vote "yes" on the reorganized constitution, the Constitution of 2022 will replace the Constitution of 1901 as the governing document for the State.

If the majority of voters vote "no" on the reorganized constitution, the Constitution of 1901, as amended, will remain the governing document for the State.

There are no costs to adopting the reorganized constitution.

The authority for the adoption of this reorganized constitution is in Amendment 951 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, which was approved by voters on November 3, 2020. Amendment 951 set out the process for a committee, with public input, to draft this proposed reorganized constitution. In Act 2022-111, the Legislature approved the committee's proposed draft and placed it on theNovember 2022 general election ballot for final consideration by voters to become the reorganized Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

More information on the reorganized constitution can be found at: https://alison.legislature.state.al.us/proposed-2022-constitution

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 1:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2021-201 (House Bill 131, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Brown (C)

Cosponsors: Representatives Stringer, Wilcox, Lovvorn, Estes, Oliver, Robertson, Simpson, Sells, Treadaway, Collins, Sullivan, Ellis, Blackshear, Whitt, Moore (P), Kitchens, Pettus, Ball, Wheeler, Marques, Gaston, Sorrells, Baker, Reynolds, Allen and Shedd

"Proposing an amendment to Section 16 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing as Section 16 of the Official Recompilation of the Constitution of Alabama 1901, as amended, to create Aniah's Law, to provide that an individual is entitled to reasonable bail prior to conviction, unless charged with capital murder, murder, kidnapping in the first degree, rape in the first degree, sodomy in the first degree, sexual torture, domestic violence in the first
degree, human trafficking in the first degree, burglary in the first degree, arson in the first degree, robbery in the first degree, terrorism when the specified offense is a Class A felony other than murder, and aggravated child abuse of a child under the age of six."

Proposed by Act 2021-201.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the first constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 1."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment will change Section 16 of the Alabama Constitution. Currently, Section 16 provides that before a person is convicted they shall be granted bail, except for a capital offense, and that a person shall not have to pay excessive bail in any case.

This amendment will change Section 16 to add crimes for which bail can be denied, to include murder, kidnapping in the first degree, rape in the first degree, sodomy in the first degree, sexual torture, domestic violence in the first degree, human trafficking in the first degree, burglary in the first degree, arson in the first degree, robbery in the first degree, terrorism, and aggravated child abuse of a child under the age of six.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 1, Section 16 of the Alabama Constitution will be changed.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 1, Section 16 of the Alabama Constitution will not be changed.

There are no costs to Amendment 1.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 1 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 2:

(1) The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2022-117 (House Bill 255, 2022 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Shedd

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the state, a county, or a municipality to grant federal award funds or any other source of funding designated for broadband infrastructure by state law
to public or private entities for providing or expanding broadband infrastructure."

Proposed by Act 2022-117

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the second constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 2."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment will make clear that the state, a county, or a city/town may grant federal funds or other state funding to any public or private organization to expand access to high-speed Internet (broadband).

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 2, it will be clear that the state, a county, or a city/town will be allowed to grant federal funds or other state funding to any public or private organization to expand access to high-speed Internet (broadband).

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 2, the state, a county, or a city/town may not be allowed to grant federal funds or other state funding to any public or private organization to expand access to high-speed Internet (broadband).

There are no costs to Amendment 2.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 2 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 3:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2022-256 (Senate Bill 196, 2022 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Livingston

Cosponsor: Senator Givhan

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to require the Governor to provide notice to the Attorney General and to the victim's family prior to granting a reprieve or commutation to a person sentenced to death, and to void the reprieve or commutation if the Governor fails to provide notice."

Proposed by Act 2022-256.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the third constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 3."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

Currently, the Governor has the power to postpone or reduce a death sentence to life in prison.

This amendment will require the Governor to notify the Attorney General and the victim's family before postponing or reducing a death sentence. Failure of the Governor to provide notice will void the Governor's action and allow the Attorney General to seek a new execution date from the Alabama Supreme Court.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 3, the Governor will be required to provide notice to the Attorney General and to the victim's family prior to postponing or reducing a death sentence to life in prison.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 3, the Governor will not be required to provide notice.

There are no costs to Amendment 3.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 3 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 4:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2021-284 (House Bill 388, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Carns

Cosponsor: Representatives Mooney, Drake, Standridge, Wingo, Garrett, Faulkner, Farley and Treadaway

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended; to provide that the implementation date for any bill enacted by the Legislature in a calendar year in which a general election is to be held and relating to the conduct of the general election shall be at least six months before the general election."

Proposed by Act 2021-284.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the fourth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 4."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment requires any bill passed by the state legislature during an election year which affects how a general election is held must take effect at least six months before the general election.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 4, any bill passed by the state legislature during an election year which affects how a general election is held must take effect at least six months before the general election.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 4, any bill passed by the state legislature which affects how the general election is held can take effect any time before the general election.

There are no costs to Amendment 4.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 4 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 5:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2021-202 (Senate Bill 68, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Barfoot

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to delete a provision giving the probate court of each county general jurisdiction over orphans' business."

Proposed by Act 2021-202.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the fifth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 5."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 5, the outdated words "orphans' business" will be removed from the Alabama Constitution.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 5, the outdated words "orphans' business" will remain in the Alabama Constitution.

There are no costs to Amendment 5.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 5 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285 and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 6:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2021-327 (House Bill 178, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Ball

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, each municipality authorized under Amendment No. 8 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, now appearing Section 216.01 of the Recompiled Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to levy and collect the ad valorem tax pursuant to Amendment No. 8 for the purpose of paying bonds and the interest thereon, and may also levy and collect such ad valorem tax and utilize such funds for capital improvements on a pay-as-you-go basis at a rate not exceeding the rate then lawfully permitted for the municipality to directly pay the costs of public capital improvements, as well as to pay the principal and interest on bonds, warrants, or other securities issued to finance or refinance the costs of the improvements; and to ratify, validate, and confirm the levy and collection of such tax levied and collected for any of these purposes prior to the ratification of this amendment."

Proposed by Act 2021-327.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the sixth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 6."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment provides that cities/towns already allowed to collect a special property tax may use those tax dollars to directly "pay-as-you-go" for construction projects instead of going into debt.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 6, "pay-as-you-go" will be allowed.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 6, "pay-as-you-go" will not be allowed.

There are no costs to Amendment 6.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 6 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 7:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2022-286 (House Bill 458, 2022 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Sorrells

"Proposing an amendment to revise Amendment 772 to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, as amended, to specify that all counties and municipalities may exercise the authority and powers granted by Amendment 772 to provide for economic and industrial development; to permit notice for Amendment 772 projects to be published in any newspaper in circulation in the county or municipality; and to ratify all actions and agreements of any county or municipality done under Amendment 772 unless subject to pending judicial proceedings on the date of adoption of this amendment."

Proposed by Act 2022-286.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the seventh constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 7."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

Currently, the Alabama Constitution provides that some counties and cities/towns may use public funds to sell public property, lend their credit, or become indebted for economic development purposes.

Amendment 7 will give all counties and cities/towns those same powers.

Currently, the governing body is required to give notice of its proposed action in the newspaper having the largest circulation in the county or city/town.

Amendment 7 will allow the public notice to be given in any newspaper in circulation in the county or city/town.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 7, the Alabama Constitution will be changed.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 7, the Alabama Constitution will not be changed.

There are no costs to Amendment 7.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 7 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 8:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2021-199 (Senate Bill 74, 2021 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Senator Waggoner

"Relating to Shelby County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to bring certain privately owned sewer systems that use public rights-of-way of public roads under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission under certain conditions."

Proposed by Act 2021-199.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the eighth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 8."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment applies only to Shelby County.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 8, certain privately owned sewage treatment plants in Shelby County will be regulated by the Alabama Public Service Commission.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 8, certain privately owned sewage treatment plants in Shelby County will not be regulated by the Alabama Public Service Commission.

There are no costs to Amendment 8.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 8 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 9:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2022-288 (House Bill 148, 2022 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Wingo

"Relating to Jefferson County and Tuscaloosa County, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to bring certain privately owned sewer systems that use public rights-of-way of public roads in the city limits of Lake View under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission, beginning January 1, 2023 and ending December 31, 2027."

Proposed by Act 2022-288.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the ninth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 9."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment applies only to the Town of Lake View in Tuscaloosa and Jefferson Counties.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 9, certain privately owned sewage treatment plants in the Town of Lake View in Tuscaloosa and Jefferson Counties will be regulated by the Alabama Public Service Commission.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 9, certain privately owned sewage treatment plants in the Town of Lake View in Tuscaloosa and Jefferson Counties will not be regulated by the Alabama Public Service Commission.

There are no costs to Amendment 9.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 9 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284 and 285 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

BALLOT STATEMENT FOR STATEWIDE AMENDMENT 10:

(1)The text of the statewide ballot measure, including sponsors, cosponsors, and the text of the question that will appear on the statewide ballot:

Proposed by Act No. 2022-177 (House Bill 319, 2022 Regular Legislative Session)

Bill Sponsor: Representative Coleman

Cosponsors: Representatives McCutcheon, Daniels, Garrett, Robbins and Drummond

"Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to authorize the Code Commissioner, contingent upon the ratification of an official Constitution of Alabama of 2022, to renumber and place constitutional amendments ratified before or on the same day as the Constitution of Alabama of 2022, based on a logical sequence and the particular subject or topic of the amendment, and to provide for the transfer of existing annotations to any section of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901, to the section as it is numbered or renumbered in the Constitution of Alabama of 2022."

Proposed by Act 2022-177.

This description shall be followed by the following language: "Yes ( ) No ( )."

(2) A summary of and the text of any implementing legislation directly related to the statewide ballot measure:

There is no implementing legislation directly related to this statewide ballot measure.

(3) The placement of the statewide ballot measure on the statewide ballot:

This proposed Constitutional Amendment will appear on the Ballot after election of federal offices, statewide offices, local offices, the Proposed Constitution of Alabama of 2022 and will be the tenth constitutional amendment for voter consideration. The proposed Constitutional Amendment will be listed as "Statewide Amendment 10."

(4) A plain language summary of the statewide ballot measure, which shall include, at a minimum, the legal or constitutional authority for its passage, the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is passed, including its cost and source of funding, and the effect of the statewide ballot measure if it is defeated.

This amendment depends upon the approval of the official Constitution of Alabama of 2022.

This amendment provides that any new amendments will be properly organized.

This amendment will not change any court decision related to any provision of the previous Alabama Constitution.

If the majority of the voters vote "yes" on Amendment 10 and the Constitution of Alabama of 2022 is approved, any new amendments will be properly organized into the new state constitution.

If the majority of the voters vote "no" on Amendment 10, any new amendments on this ballot will not be automatically added to the new state constitution.

There are no costs to Amendment 10.

The Constitutional authority for passage of Amendment 10 is set forth in accordance with Sections 284, 285, and 287 of the Constitution of Alabama of 1901. These sections outline the method a constitutional amendment may be put to the people of the State for a vote.

Obituary Announcements: Nov. 1-2

Glendel Lyvoid Hale, 82
Glendel Lyvoid Hale, of Gardendale, Alabama, passed away Oct. 31, 2022, at the age of 82. Mr. Hale was born in Blount County, Alabama, on March 19, 1940, to John William and Reba Wood Hale. Mr. Hale was a man of many accomplishments. Glendel served his country honorably in the United States Navy, was a 33rd Degree Mason and a Shriner. Mr. Hale holds a Master's in Business Administration from the University of Montevallo and was a member of the first graduating class of Emergency Medicine in the state of Alabama. In addition to his Business and Emergency Medicine diplomas, Glendel also obtained a degree in Fire Science. A founding member of Homeland Security, Mr. Hale not only traveled to New York in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks of 9/11 but was actively involved in the search and rescue of his fellow Americans during one of the darkest times in American history. In addition to his many honorable achievements, Mr. Hale served as a professional firefighter and paramedic for 25 years in the Birmingham area. Mr. Hale was also a proud member of UCAN, a Cherokee nation of Guntersville, Alabama. Glendel married his sweetheart, Virginia Phillips, 62 years ago, and together they raised two daughters. Mr. Hale loved his family dearly and he will be missed greatly. Mr. Hale is preceded in death by his parents; brothers and sisters: Wendel Hale (a twin brother who died at birth,) Tommy Hale, Virginia Chafin, Barbara Crow, Brenda Crow, Linda Cason and Doris Hale. Glendel is survived by his wife, Virginia Phillips Hale; daughters: Tammy Smith (Adam) and Rhiannon Hale (Scott); grandchildren: Gabriel Smith (Ken), Hannah Smith (Dillon), Cora Hale, Iris Hale; great-grandchild, Ashton Dickinson; brothers and sisters: Fred Hale, Randy Hale (Lori), Sue Barnett, Sandra Manion (Kevin); and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Funeral services for Mr. Hale are 2 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel, Keith Whitley officiating. Burial will follow in Duck Creek Cemetery. Friends are invited to visit with the family on Sunday, at the funeral home, an hour prior to service time, beginning at 1 p.m.

Doris C. Holt, 91
Funeral Service for Doris C. Holt, age 91, of Cullman, will be at noon Monday, Nov. 7, 2022, at Horis A. Ward Fairview Chapel in Stockbridge, Georgia; entombment at Fairview Memorial Gardens. Visitation will be from 11 a.m.-noon prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Holt passed away Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022, at Hanceville Nursing Home. She was born June 13, 1931, in Georgia to William and Eula Coussons .She was preceded in death by her parents; husband: Bob Holt; son: Michael Adams; brothers: W. T. Coussons and Charlie Coussons; and sisters: Lena Thompson, Alma Nicholson, Mildred Thompson and Ruth Thompson. Survivors include her daughters: Lynda (Ferris) Oakley and Terrie Brown; grandchildren: Paige (Chad) Hart, Scotty (Stephanie) Kinsler, David (Gail) Brown, Blair (Joey) Adams, Brooke (Nate) Wilcox and Corrie Adams; great-grandchildren: Elizabeth, Emma, Kate, Jameson, Kendall, Kenzie, Joshua, Brayden, McKinley and William; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Jimmy Wayne Yeager, 73
Funeral Service for Jimmy Wayne Yeager, age 73, of Baileyton, will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with John Garrison and Jerry Harper officiating; interment in Corinth Baptist Cemetery in Joppa. Visitation will be from 1-3 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Yeager passed away Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022. He was born Oct. 26, 1949, to Harold and Vercie Yeager. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Walter Yeager. Survivors include his wife: Judy Yeager; daughter: Jordan Yeager; son: Justin Yeager; brothers: Jerry Yeager and Jackie (Patricia) Yeager; sisters: Carolyn (Roger) Pope, Susan Widner, Debbie (Marty) Vaughn and Vicky (Bobby) Jackson; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Raymond Foster Clarke, 84
On Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2022, Raymond Foster Clarke, a beloved husband, father, grandfather and brother, passed away at the age of 84. He was preceded in death by his father, Foster Gates Clarke and his mother, Nellie Ethel Jones Clarke; his brothers, David Raleigh Clarke and William Franklin Clarke; one sister, Ethel Virginia Clarke Moore; a special nephew, David Charles Willis; and his brother-in-law, Charles Edward Evans. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Mary Anne Evans Clarke; son, Joseph Foster Clarke, granddaughter, Sofie Addelyn Clarke; daughter, Ginger Collette Quick (Chad Eric Quick); grandsons Ian Asa Quick and Michael Sebastian Quick; and sisters-in-law, Ruth Marie Evans Willis and Syble Evans. Raymond was a retired school administrator, having served as a classroom teacher, an elementary school principal, a secondary school principal and an administrative assistant to the superintendent of the Cullman City Schools. The elementary school, where he served as principal for approximately 15 years, earned the National Pace Setter Award presented by the Department of HEW for innovative practices in public schools. He served as the state secretary of the Alabama Department of Elementary School Principals, the state president of the Alabama Department of Elementary School Principals, on the Cullman City Council, on the Cullman City School Board and on the Cullman Gas Board. He also served for 10 years as the operational director of Rolling Hills Nazarene Camp in Calera, Alabama. He is an award-winning published author who has also written 15 Christian booklets. Over 20,000 copies of these booklets have been distributed nationwide at no cost to the recipients. Visitation begins at 10 a.m. and services begin at 11 a.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home this Saturday, Nov. 5.

Bobbie Dale Hunt, 78
Bobbie Dale Hunt, 78, of Joppa, passed from this life Oct. 30, 2022, at his residence. No services are planned for Mr. Hunt at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Hunt family. Mr. Hunt was born Nov. 16, 1943, to Paul and Creado Bell Hunt. He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother: Dub; and three sisters: Connie, Bonnie and Darlene. Mr. Hunt is survived by his son, Bob (Norma) Hunt; his daughter: Sharon (Bryan) Wayne; his granddaughter: Heather Hunt; a great granddaughter, Cora Hunt; his dog: Daisy; and several nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Lamarr Gordon Moore, 71
A private gathering of family and friends to celebrate the life of Lamarr Gordon Moore, 71, of Cullman will be held at a later date. Cullman Funeral Home was honored to handle the arrangements for Mr. Moore. Lamarr passed away Saturday, Oct. 29, 2022, at his residence. He was born Aug. 11, 1951, to Bradford Gordon and Della Jane Zollman Moore. He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his sisters: Carol Davis and Shirley Scott; a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Darian Keith White, 56
Darian Keith White, 56 of Arley, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2022, at Lakeland Community Hospital. No services are planned at this time. Darian was preceded in death by his parents: Hubert Theo White and Madge Lee Brown White; and his wife: Danita White. Darian is survived by his sister: Teresa Elliott; sons: Dylan Henson and Levi Henson; grandsons: Liam Henson and Kayden Henson; nephew: Michael Bowen; and nieces: Shannon Hill and Tracey Bowen.

Kendra Leigh Green, 25
Memorial Visitation for Kendra Leigh Green, age 25, of Arab, will be from 2-5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, at Guntersville Senior Center, 1500 Sunset Drive, Guntersville, AL 35976. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Green passed away Friday, Oct. 28, 2022. She was born March 24, 1997, in Alabama to Kim Story and Michael James Green. She was preceded in death by her grandmother, Debra Green. Survivors include her mother: Kim (Paul) Story; father: Michael Green; son: Stephen Walls; sister: Tristen White; brothers: Clay Coltrain, Paul Story II, Andrew Story, Christopher Story, Kaiden Story and Braxton Green; sister: Ivy Green; stepbrother: Hunter White; stepsister: Brianna White; grandfather: Bobby Green; grandmother: Linda (Johnny) Feemster; and grandfather: Jimmy (Brenda) Selvage. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to her son's trust fund.

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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
Attorney for Petitioner
200 1st Avenue SE
Cullman, AL 35055
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
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
RUSSELL GLENN WALKER,
Deceased

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA
CASE NO. PC-2022-353

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that Petition for Summary Distribution of Small Estate has been filed by ERIC R. WALKER, Petitioner, on the 30th day of September, 2022, and that thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of the State of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Eric R. Walker
Petitioner

S. Wayne Fuller
Attorney for Petitioner
413 1st Ave., S.W.
Cullman, AL 35055
256-734-2023

To: PUBLISHER OF **The Cullman Tribune**

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

DONE this the 31st day of October, 2022.

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

PB MIN BK 211 PG 488 - 11/02/2022 10:41 AM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF L.M.M
A minor child.
D.O.B. 11/02/2011

CASE NO.: PC2016-263

NOTICE OF PETITION AND DECLARATION FOR MINOR NAME CHANGE AND AMENDED PETITION AND DECLARATION MINOR NAME CHANGE

TO: ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF A CHILD BORN TO HANNAH MARIE WARREN KNOWN AS L.M.M.

A Petition to Change Name of Minor was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Hannah Marie Warren, Petitioner. If you should contest this name change, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioners, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 2nd DAY OF November, 2022.

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

Thomas E. Drake, II
Attorney for Petitioner
419 2nd Avenue SW, Suite B
Cullman, AL 35055

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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
RETHA S. PARKER,
Deceased.

Case Number: PC2022-358

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama

In the matter of the Estate of Retha S. Parker, Deceased

Letters Testamentary upon last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 2nd day of November, 2022, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from the above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Laurie Gail Cash
Personal Representative

Tonya C. Palmer
Attorney for Personal Representative
1939 Main Avenue SW
Cullman, AL 35055

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of
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

Shay Persall
SHAY PERSALL LAW, LLC
700 Second Avenue SW
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Attorney for Petitioner

TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Probate Judge

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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
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

TRENT LOWRY (LOW034)
Attorney for the Estate of Rhonda W. Aderhold
Griffith, Lowry & Meherg, LLC
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To: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

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Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
PROBATE JUDGE

DOCUMENT 4

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.

Lisa McSwain
CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT

JERRY L. KILGO
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER
105 1ST AVE NE, SUITE G
CULLMAN, AL. 35055

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.
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

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Planning Commission

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.

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.

Lisa McSwain
CLERK OF JUVENILE COURT

JERRY L. KILGO
ATTORNEY FOR PETITIONER
105 1ST AVE NE, SUITE G
CULLMAN, AL. 35055

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
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Witness my hand and official seal, this 25th day of October, 2022.
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court

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CULLMAN COUNTY

ORDINANCE NO. 2022 – 31
TO AMEND THE CITY OF CULLMAN ZONING ORDINANCE

SECTION I. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Ordinance is to modify, amend, or delete portions of the current Zoning Ordinance. The Planning Commission of the City of Cullman entered a motion for a favorable recommendation of this Ordinance on September 6th, 2022, to submit to the City Council.

SECTION II. The following definitions are hereby added to Chapter 62, "Zoning," Section 23, "Definitions," of the *Code of Ordinances City of Cullman, Alabama*, as follows:

Dispensing Site- means a site operated by a dispensary licensee (an entity licensed by the Alabama Medical Cannabis Commission under Section 20-2A-64 of Act 2021-450) or an integrated facility licensee.

Event Venue - means a building used for the hosting of weddings, conferences, galas, and other similar events. Such uses may include an area for catering preparation and incidental storage. The indoor Event Venue may also include the outdoor use of an attached deck or area adjacent to the building.

Gym (health club, fitness center) - means an indoor, for-profit facility for health, recreational, and social activities involving physical exercise and other physical activities.

Kennel - means an indoor facility for harboring, training, or boarding cats and dogs. A kennel facility may also provide animal grooming services. Outdoor boarding shall not be permitted.

SECTION III. Table 5-1: Uses Permitted in Nonresidential Districts (Article V) of Section 62 of the Code of Ordinances City of Cullman, Alabama, is hereby deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Table 5-1: Uses Permitted in Nonresidential Districts

P —The use is permitted by right.

E —The use is permitted by right, if existing as of the effective date of the ordinance from which this chapter is derived. New construction of the use is prohibited.

SE —Special exception, requires approval by the ZBA per section 62-184.

C —Conditional use, requires approval by the commission per section 62-172.

A blank cell indicates the use is prohibited in the district.

Uses	B-1	B-2	B-3	CBD	INST	M-1	M-1P	M-2
Commercial Uses								
Ambulance service	P	P	P	C				
Alternative financial service (with no outdoor storage), see section 62-91	P	P	P	P				
Alternative financial service (with outdoor storage), see section 62-91		P	P					
Automobile repair, major	C	P	P					
Automobile repair, minor	P	P	P	P				
Business or professional office	P	P	P	P				
Business support service	P	P	P	P				
Car wash	P	P	P					
Construction service, major		P	P			C	C	C
Construction service, minor		P	P			C	C	C
Dispensing Site		C	C	C				
Event Venue	C	P	P	P				
Farm support business	C	P	P					
Funeral home	C	P	P	C	C			
Gym	C	P	P	P				
Home occupation	P	P	P	P				
Kennel	C	C	C					
Maintenance service	C	P	P					
Medical clinic	P	P	P	P	C			
Mini-warehouse		C	C			C		
Outdoor storage			C			P	P	P
Parking, commercial	P	P	P	P	C	P		P
Pawn shop	P	P	P	P				
Printing service	P	P	P	P				
Repair service		P	P	P				
Research laboratory	C	P	P	P		P	P	P
School, commercial		P	P	P	C			
Studio	P	P	P	P				
Truck stop			C					
Wholesaling, beer or wine			P			P	P	P
Wholesaling establishment		P	P	P				
Day Care Facilities								
Child or adult day care center	P	P	P	P	P			
Child day care center accessory to a permitted business	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Adult day care home	P							
Child day care group home	P							
Child day care home	P							
Institutional Use								
Low intensity	P	P	C	P	P	C	C	C
Medium intensity	P	C	C	C	P	C	C	C
High intensity	C	C	C	C	P	C	C	C
Place of Worship	P	P	P	P	C	C	C	C
Animal shelter			C		C			
Cemetery		C	C		C			
Hospital		C	C	C	C			
Lodging Uses								
Bed and breakfast, subject to section 62-95	P			P				
Hotel		P	P	P				
Motel		P	P					
Short-term rental, subject to section 62-103	P	P	P	P				
Manufacturing and Industrial Uses								
Bakery, major						P	P	P
Heavy industry						C	C	C
Industrial training center						C	C	C
Junkyard, subject to section 62-100		C	C					
Laundering plant						C	C	C
Manufacturing, general						C	C	C

Manufacturing, light						P	P	P
Recycling center		C	C					
Recycling plant						C	C	C
Warehousing and distribution center						P	P	P
Personal Services								
Laundry services	P	P	P	P				
Personal services	P	P	P	P				
Tattoo facilities, subject to section 62-104			P					
Veterinary hospital, with no outside boarding	C	P	P	C				
Recreation and Entertainment								
Entertainment, indoor	P	P	P	P				
Entertainment, outdoor	C	C	C	C				
Golf course	P	P	P					
Parks, playgrounds and nature preserves	P	P	P	P	P			
Recreation, commercial	C	C	C	C				
Recreation facility, public	C	C	C	C	C			
Residential Care Facilities								
Assisted living facility	P	P	P		C			
Independent living facility	P	P	P					
Nursing care facility	P	P	P		P			
Residential Uses								
Caretaker dwelling	C	C	C	C				
Duplex	E	E	E	E		E		E
Multifamily dwellings (more than 4 units per bldg.)	C	C	C	C				
Quadplex	E	E	E	E		E		E
Single-family attached, subject to section 62-93	E	E	E	E		E		E
Single-family detached	E	E	E	E		E		E
Triplex	E	E	E	E		E		E
Upper-story dwellings, subject to section 62-106	P	P	P	P				
Restaurant								
Brew pub, see chapter 4, City Code, Alcoholic Beverages				P				
Fast food restaurant	P	P	P	C				
Pick-up and delivery only restaurant	P	P	P	P				
Standard restaurant	P	P	P	P				
Standard restaurant with accessory alcohol sales, see chapter 4, City Code, Alcoholic Beverages	C	P	P	P				
Retail								
General, up to 10,000 s.f.	P	P	P	P				
General, larger than 10,000 s.f.	E	P	P	P				
Bakery, minor	P	P	P	P				
Bank	P	P	P	P				
Building supply	C	P	P	C				
Gas station	C	P	P	C				
Heavy equipment and vehicle sales, rental and service						C	C	C
Liquor sales for off-premises consumption, see chapter 4, City Code, Alcoholic Beverages	C	P	C	C				
Specialty beverage store, see chapter 4, City Code, Alcoholic Beverages	P	P	P	P				
Specialty wine and beer establishment, see chapter 4, City Code, Alcoholic Beverages	P	P	P	P				
Tobacco, vape store	P	P	P	P				
Unenclosed retail		C	C					
Vehicle and equipment sales, rental and service		C	P	C				
Vehicle sales, rental and service	C	C	P	C				
Telecommunications and Utilities		C						
Public utility facility	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Small cell facilities	P	P	P	P	P	P		P
Telecommunication tower, see section 62-105	C	C	C	C	C	P		P

SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE. Each and every provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and that holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid. This Ordinance repeals any prior Ordinance in conflict therewith.

SECTION V. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 24th day of October, 2022. /s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council

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

APPROVED this the 24th day of October, 2022. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 – 02
TO AMEND CHAPTER 48, ARTICLE VII, SECTION 48 OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN CODE OF ORDINANCES

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

SECTION I. **Purpose**. In order to preserve and protect the rights guaranteed under the First Amendment of the United States and Alabama Constitutions and to provide for the safe and orderly use of public property, for both First Amendment activity and activity that is not protected by the First Amendment, this article is intended to establish reasonable time, place, and manner regulations for the use of public property characterized as traditional public forums. The regulations are designed to be content-neutral, narrowly tailored to serve significant governmental interests, and to leave open ample alternative channels for communications of information. The regulations are also intended to coordinate multiple uses of limited space; assure preservation of public facilities and improvements; prevent dangerous, unlawful, or impermissible uses of public property; protect the public safety; ensure that City resources are deployed efficiently and effectively; provide for fees and cost recovery; address secondary harms; and authorize and establish objective standards in the administration of this article.

SECTION II. Chapter 48, Article VII, Section 48 ("Parades, Processions and Public Assemblies") of the *Code of Ordinances City of Cullman* is hereby deleted in its entirety, re-titled "Parades, Processions, Public Assemblies and Special Events," and replaced by the following:

Sec. 48-191. - Definitions.

"Appropriate and required City official" means the representative, whether one or more, of the City in which the organizer must receive written approval from in the special event permit application.

"Assembly" means a gathering of individuals organized by an event organizer for a common purpose, which is intended to remain in the same general location.

"Basic event" means an organized event requiring a permit which:

(a) Does not require or include for the conduct of the event the use of an enhancement;
(b) Does not require approval, licensing, or permitting pursuant to other City laws, including the city's alcoholic beverage laws, technical and fire codes, and business license code, and laws administered by the health department;
(c) Does not require City services in excess of the standard complement; and
(d) Is not expected to have more than five-hundred (500) participants at any one time during the event.

"*Capacity limit*" means the capacity limit for the public space upon which an assembly is to be conducted, as follows:

(a) The stated capacity of a given public space established by code, policy or practice;
(b) If there is no stated capacity, then the capacity of the public space based on a formula of not less than nine (9) square feet per participant, which is arrived at by taking the square footage of the public area generally available for occupancy by participants and dividing the number by nine; or
(c) An adjusted increase or decrease in the capacity limit mutually established by the Fire Chief or his/her designee at the time of permitting or during the event conduct, should the Fire Chief or his/her designee determine that such adjustment is warranted considering the public safety and event conduct.

"*City services*" means City services provided or required by the City of Cullman as a result of event conduct. City services are those services which are generally available services of the city, including labor and materials, which are provided by the City for an organized event, including public safety services such as safety, traffic and crowd control, public works services, and the use of public structures, instrumentalities, or equipment. The term does not include services provided under a contract with the City or an employee of the City on an extra-duty or off-duty status, including traffic control or security.

"*Conditional approval"* means an approval of an application for a special event permit that is complete in all respects except for required approval, licensing, or permitting pursuant to other City laws or laws administered by the health department, and is conditioned upon meeting the requirements stated.

"*Enhancements"* include facilities, structures, equipment, instrumentalities, or animals used in the conduct of an event that require permitting under the city's technical or fire codes or are reasonably likely to create a secondary harm, such as stages, fencing, generators, barricades, pyrotechnics, inflatables, motorized vehicles, utility poles, floats, booths, canopies, and tents. The term does not include small objects that can be accommodated within the public space used for the event without implicating the foregoing requirement or concern, such as coolers, signage, folding chairs or tables, small tents or canopies, accommodation for the handicap, or small portable equipment that does not require electricity.

Enhanced event means an organized event which:

(a) Requires or includes the use of an enhancement;
(b) Requires approval, licensing, or permitting pursuant to other City laws, including but not limited to the City's noise ordinance, alcoholic beverage laws, technical and fire codes, and business license code, and laws administered by the health department;
(c) Requires City services in excess of the standard complement; or
(d) Is expected to have more than five-hundred (500) participants at any one time during the event.

"*Event conduct* or *conduct of the event"* means the time, place, or manner in which an event is conducted by or for participants, including event set-up and take-down, and which has nothing to do with the content of protected forms of speech, or the conduct of non-participants including counter-protesters or hecklers.

"*Event venue* " means any contiguous or connected area of property located within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Cullman, including privately owned property, (improved or unimproved or both and including parcels separated by a street or other public way but coordinated as a whole for the event) under common or coordinated control and used for a special event. An event venue may consist of one (1) or more patron gathering spaces, in particular indoor and outdoor spaces but also other types of spaces with different occupancy limits.

"*Event organizer* or *organizer"* means a person organizing, sponsoring, initiating, coordinating, promoting, or holding an organized event. The term does not include a person who provides only incidental funds or support for an organized event and who does not otherwise have responsibility for the event.

"*Notice*" means the sending of any notice or notification required under this article to the appropriate address, by personal delivery, facsimile, electronic mail, first class mail, or certified mail return receipt requested; and the receipt thereof within the time specified in this article, which receipt shall be deemed to occur as follows: upon delivery in the case of personal delivery, upon confirmation of delivery in the case of facsimile and electronic mail, three days after mailing in the case of first class mail, and as indicated in the return receipt in the case of certified mail.

"*Organized Event*" means an assembly, event, parade, procession, demonstration or a combination thereof.

"Parade" means any march or procession of persons or vehicles organized for marching or moving on the public streets or sidewalks in an organized fashion or manner or any march or procession of persons or vehicles represented or advertised to the public as a parade.

"Park" means public park grounds and facilities under the control of the City which are dedicated, designed, or intended for specific uses, including recreation centers, senior citizen centers, park buildings, nature preserves, nature centers, sports facilities, model airplane fields, tot lots, lakes, and picnic shelters. This shall include the sidewalks within but not immediately adjacent to the park, unless expressly permitted otherwise.

"Participants" mean only those persons actually taking part in the event, including those organizing the event, those invited to attend, those paying to attend, or those for whom the event is organized including the general public.

"*Public facilities"* mean those municipal buildings, structures, facilities, or improvements dedicated, designed, or intended for specific uses which are not considered to be traditional public forums, including civic centers, sports facilities, park facilities, cemeteries, public garages, parking lots, museums, or other such municipal buildings, structures, facilities, or improvements.

"*Restoration and reimbursement costs"* mean those losses, damages, costs, or expenses that are incurred or suffered by the City as a result of event conduct for which the City is due to be reimbursed or compensated.

"Secondary effect/harm" means the effects, danger, damage, injury, or unreasonable inconvenience, interference, demand, or annoyance, to or on adjacent or nearby uses, the general public, public property, the use of public space, other organized events, City resources, or public safety, resulting or likely to result from event conduct.

"*Special event* " means any assembly of persons or an enhanced event which is required to obtain a permit which also meets one or more of the following seven criteria. Each of the first four criteria define a planned event. Each of the last three criteria define a "pop-up" event.

(a) ATTENDANCE ANTICIPATED TO EXCEED VENUE CAPACITY (Planned event). It is reasonably anticipated that the number of persons who will attempt to attend the event at any point in time will exceed the number of persons permitted within the event venue. Event venue capacity shall be the aggregate of the capacity of all patron gathering spaces within the venue. The capacity of each gathering space shall be determined (i) by building, life safety code, State Fire Marshal regulations or other law applicable to that space, and (ii) for each other space at the rate of not less than one (1) person for every nine (9) square feet of horizontal space. Parking lots and driveways and pedestrian ingress and egress routes used as such during the event shall not be considered gathering spaces.
(b) EVENT HELD WOULD VIOLATE A CITY ORDINANCE WITHOUT APPROVAL. (Planned Event). It is reasonably anticipated and foreseeable that the event would lead to the violation of a City ordinance which would require permitting and approval to otherwise not be subject to said violation.
(c) VEHICLE PARKING ANTICIPATED TO EXCEED ON-SITE CAPACITY (Planned event). It is reasonably anticipated that the number of persons anticipated to attend the event by vehicle will exceed on-site event parking based upon an average factor of five (5) persons per vehicle.
(d) CITY SERVICES ANTICIPATED TO BE REQUIRED (Planned event). The gathering is reasonably anticipated to require for its safe and successful execution the provision or coordination of City services by the City or by the event organizer to a material degree above that which the City routinely provides under ordinary, everyday circumstances. City services include, but are not limited to fire and police protection, crowd control, traffic control, parking control, street closure, emergency medical services, garbage or trash facilities or clean-up and sanitation facilities or other public works' services.

(e) ACTUAL ATTENDANCE EXCEEDS CAPACITY OF THE VENUE (Pop-up Event). The number of persons attending and attempting to attend an unpermitted assembly of persons exceeds at any point in time the number of persons permitted within the event venue or within any gathering space within the event venue.
(f) ACTUAL VEHICLE CONGESTION (Pop-up Event). The number of vehicles actually parked and attempting to park to permit the occupants to join an unpermitted assembly exceeds at any point in time on-site parking available.
(g) CITY SERVICES/RESOURCES ACTUALLY REQUIRED (Pop-up Event). The City services required for an unpermitted assembly exceed at any point in time the level of City services typically available from the City for that time and season after taking into consideration the similar, municipal-type services provided by the person or persons, if any, encouraging the assembly.

All special and enhanced events are divided into three (3) classes:

(a) A "small event" being an event with an anticipated, maximum attendance at any point in time of five hundred (500) persons or less.
(b) A "medium event" being an event with an anticipated, maximum attendance at any point in time of more than five hundred (500) but less than five thousand (5,000) persons.
(c) A "large event" being an event with an anticipated, maximum attendance at any point in time exceeding five thousand (5,000) persons.

Any planned event to be held in/on any City owned property is presumed to be a special event unless the event organizer shows clear and convincing evidence to the contrary. This presumption can be rebutted only by the event organizer providing clear and convincing evidence that, based upon the nature, location, time and season of the event it is almost certain that the event will not draw a spontaneous crowd in excess one (1) person for not less than every nine (9) square feet of City owned property, and no enhancements will be used. Only then may the City classify the event as a basic event for purposes of this article.

"Special event permit or *event permit"* means a permit issued pursuant to this article.

"*Sidewalk"* means that portion of a public right-of-way under the control of the City that is generally between the curb line or lateral line of the street and the adjacent property line, or public easements located on private property, which portion is dedicated or intended for use by pedestrians.

"Street" means any public road, thoroughfare, avenue, boulevard, parkway, drive, or other public way dedicated or used primarily for purposes of vehicular traffic that is under the control of the City.

Sec. 48-192. – Permit required; purpose.

It shall be unlawful to promote, organize, stage or hold, or to assist in organizing or holding, or to take part or participate in, any event, parade, procession or other demonstration in the streets or other public ways of the City, or that is in violation of any City Ordinance, including but not limited to noise ordinances, pyrotechnic ordinances, etc., unless a permit therefor has been secured from the City Council. The purpose of this law is to ensure that special events do not endanger public health or safety and to permit the City to understand and prepare for known collateral and secondary effects and/or harms of special events in the community. The permitting process is not intended to control or regulate special events based on their content, the nature or type of speech involved, or any speaker's viewpoint.

Sec. 48-193. – Application; approval and issuance.

(a) To secure such permit, written application shall be filed through the City Clerk's office to the governing body of the City pursuant to section 48-198 of this article.
(b) The event organizer must first obtain the written approval of the appropriate and required City officials through his/her/their signature and/or any comments or conditional approval on the permit application pursuant to the requirements in section 48-198.
(c) Upon approval by the appropriate and required City officials, the governing body of the City, at its next regularly scheduled meeting, shall grant a written permit for such assembly, event, parade, procession or other demonstration, prescribing the parks, streets, sidewalks, other public ways which may be used therefor, or the private property located within the City limits which through enhancements would otherwise be in violation of the laws, ordinances or regulations of the City, unless in its judgment the health, safety and general welfare of the public would be adversely affected.

Sec. 48-194. - Exception for funeral processions.

This article shall not apply to funeral processions.

Sec. 48-195. – Suspension of permit; remedy of excess.

(a) Each plan included in the special event permit application, and any conditions imposed by the City pursuant to its ordinances and regulations, shall be continuously implemented during the special event, and any failure to do so shall result in the automatic suspension of the permit and suspension of the event until full implementation is made.
(b) Should the actual attendance in the event venue or any gathering space within the event venue and including persons attempting to enter the event, or the actual number of vehicles or the City services actually required at a permitted event exceed for a period of one (1) hour the number or level anticipated by the application and permit, it shall become the duty of all persons owning or able to control the event or the event venue to take reasonable, diligent, and constant measures to reduce the excess until achieved. The failure of any such person to immediately, after notice from the City, make a reasonable, diligent and constant effort to reduce the excess shall be a violation of this law punishable by civil penalties specified in this Article and criminal. The Chief of Police or his/her designee, and/or Fire Chief or his/her designee is authorized to approve actions to partially or slowly reduce the excess as compliance if he/ she finds (i) that such person is acting in good faith after notice of the excess, (ii) that full and immediate elimination of the excess will not be feasible and (iii) that it would be safer to taper down the event rather than to abruptly close the venue or stop the event.
(c) Conversely, should actual attendance fall below the permit estimates for a sustained period and appear likely to continue at reduced levels, the Chief of Police or his/her designee, and/or Fire Chief or his/her designee shall be authorized, but not required, to allow the applicant to reduce staffing to the minimums reasonably required.

Sec. 48-196. – Spontaneous unpermitted assembly (pop-up events).

The City has found and determined that some special events occur spontaneously, without a permit, especially if attendance is promoted through instantaneous, social media.

(a) If an assembly develops into a special event spontaneously (and therefore without a permit) in either a commercial or non-commercial venue, it shall become the duty of all persons or entities owning or able to control the event venue or who is providing entertainment encouraging the assembly, to take reasonable, diligent and constant measures to reduce the activity or circumstances which caused the assembly to become a special event - that is for example but not limited to, reducing occupancy to the permitted capacity of the venue or providing transportation to eliminate off-site parking or vehicular or pedestrian congestion, or to provide the additional City type services needed to regulate event traffic, maintain the peace and protect the public health and safety. The failure of any such person or entity to immediately after notice from the City make a reasonable, diligent and constant effort to reduce the event below the applicable criteria threshold shall be a violation of this law punishable by civil penalties specified in this Article and criminal penalties. The Chief of Police or his/her designee is authorized to approve actions to partially or slowly reduce the event below the applicable criteria threshold as compliance if he or she finds (i) that such person is acting expeditiously and reasonably to employ feasibly available resources to address the issues after notice that the assembly has become a special event, (ii) that full reduction to the criteria threshold will not be feasible and (iii) that it would be safer to taper down the event rather than to abruptly close the venue or stop the event.
(b) Whether a spontaneous assembly has developed into a special or basic event based upon attendance, vehicle congestion or a need for City services (as those services are defined in this Article), or any combination of those three (3), shall be determined by an objective and reasonable examination of the totality of the circumstances at hand, including but not limited to the following factors:
    1. With respect to attendance and attempted attendance:
        i. The size of the venue.
        ii. Whether the attendance is ticketed.
        iii. Actual attendance at prior, similar events.

iv. The extent of commercial promotion and advertisement of the event, especially promotion outside of the City of Cullman, by traditional or digital means, but excluding spontaneous social media not initiated, encouraged or orchestrated by a commercial event producer or any person acting on behalf of the event producer or any person with a financial or other personal interest in the event ("spontaneous social media").
v. The extent of spontaneous social media encouraging attendance at the assembly.
vi. Whether the location and configuration of the venue, and the nature and presence (sight and sound) of the event, will be likely to draw attendees or observers from the public at large.
vii. The number in attendance and attempting to attend ("Capacity Limit") shall be determined by the Fire Chief or his/her designee based upon the criteria established by the State of Alabama Fire Code and Life Safety Code, per the Event Organizer's submitted and approved site layout taking into account Enhancements to the site, if any.

2. With respect to City services actually required:
i. Repeated pedestrian trespass.
ii. Repeated vehicular trespass.
iii. Illegal parking.
iv. Traffic congestion.
v. Apparent need for sanitation facilities as evidenced by public urination or other bodily functions.
vi. Repeated and flagrant instances of illegal activity.
vii. Repeated noise ordinance violations after notice, including differing offenders.
viii. Unusual amount of trash being abandoned with no apparent resources available to clean up after event.
ix. Unusual or repeated need for medical assistance.

Sec. 48-197. – Public conduct.

(a) No person, including participants in another organized event, shall unreasonably hamper, obstruct, impede, or interfere with an organized event or with any person, vehicle, or animal participating or used in the event.
(b) No driver of a vehicle shall drive between the event's units, participants, or vehicles that are in motion and conspicuously designated as being a part of the event, unless otherwise directed to do so by law enforcement personnel.
(c) The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall have the authority, when reasonably necessary and after any needed consultation with other City departments, to prohibit or restrict the parking of vehicles along a street constituting a part of the route or location of an organized event. When necessary, the Chief of Police or his/her designee shall see that signs are posted to such effect, and it shall be unlawful for any person to park or leave unattended any vehicle in violation of such signs.
(d) The Chief of Police or his/her designee shall have the right to remove any person or object that is found to be in violation of this article.

Sec. 48-198. – Application for permit.

Each application for a special event permit required by this Article shall contain the information described below and must be filed, and the permit fee paid, during normal business hours no less than the following number of days before the opening of the event to the public:

(a) At least ninety (90) calendar days prior to the date of any large special event to be held.
(b) At least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the date of any medium special event to be held.
(c) At least fifteen (15) calendar days prior to the date of any small special or basic event to be held.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall accept a tardy application and if (i) City staff has the capacity to conduct an ordinary review of the application without causing material neglect of other staff duties or, (ii) the event promoter stands willing and able to pay and deposits a sum of money to cover any overtime for City staff to conduct an ordinary review of the application, and staff volunteers such overtime, then the City will use reasonable efforts to process a tardy application in time to allow the event to be held. Applications shall be reviewed in the order received and priority shall be given to timely filed applications.

(d) All applications for a permit under this Article must contain the following (within or attached to):
1. The name and address of the applicant and if not a natural person the names and addresses of all persons controlling or owning interest in the applicant or a parent company of the applicant.
2. The dates, times and location of the event.
3. A list of the names and addresses of all vendors, independent contractors or other persons or firms which will be engaged by or associated with the applicant to offer goods or services during the special event, including a description of the goods and services offered by each and the name and address of the person who will have on-site responsibility, if different. The names and addresses of such persons shall be used only for the purposes of (i) identifying the source of good or services after the event, if necessary, (ii) allowing the City to collect all business license taxes due, and (iii) contacting such persons or firms as necessary in the normal course of City business. The information may not be used to grant or deny a permit. Should such a list not be available at the time application is made, applicant shall give a written statement to that effect and agreeing to furnish such a list no later than thirty-six (36) hours before the event and acknowledging that failure to timely provide such a list will result in termination of the special event permit.
4. The names and addresses of all entertainers. This information shall be used for the sole purpose of the City, first, investigating whether sufficient adverse secondary effects/harms have accompanied the entertainer's performance(s) at past performances to raise an objective and reasonable concern that a performance at the event could require planning for and provision of extraordinary City services and precautions due to a special or enhanced danger to public health, safety or welfare, and then, second, to allow the City to contact such entertainers as necessary in the normal course of City business.
5. Whether (i) patrons will be permitted to bring alcoholic beverages into the event, or (ii) patrons will not be permitted to bring alcoholic beverages into the event but patrons will be offered alcoholic beverages within the event, or (iii) alcoholic beverages will be prohibited within the event.
6. An estimate of the largest number of persons anticipated to be in attendance in the event venue at any point in time, a statement as to how such attendance was estimated (i.e., such as historical events, ticket sales, etc.), and a plan for: (i) determining the actual number of persons in attendance at the event venue as the event progresses; (ii) keeping the City informed in real time of that number; and (iii) a plan to manage and control or disburse the persons desiring to enter the event after capacity is reached. The name, address, telephone number and a description of any prior experience in estimating attendance at previous events shall be included for all persons participating in the attendance estimation.
7. A plan for sanitation facilities and sewage, garbage and litter collection and disposal (during and after the event) generated by the event or by its patrons (wherever such garbage or litter may be located), water supply and food service. A plan submitted under this section is presumptively a danger to public health and safety if it violates, any rules promulgated by the Health Department or other executive department, or similar laws.
8. A plan for parking facilities and plans for transporting or conducting patrons from said facilities to the special event venue.
9. A plan for the adequate provision of crowd control, security, on-site and off-site traffic control, communications, fire protection and emergency services, including ambulance service, and emergency vehicle access in and around the event venue, and the general background of the training and ability of the personnel to be used in implementing the plan.
10. A plan for adequate medical and first aid equipment, infrastructure and services to be provided at the special event having five-hundred (500) or more participants.

(e) The governing body of the City may approve a plan that does not meet these criteria if it is reasonably shown that public health and safety can be secured through alternative means or that such staffing is not reasonably required for the proposed event, or alternatively the governing body of the City may require additional staffing reasonably shown to be required to secure the public health and safety during the proposed event.

(f) The foregoing presumption is intended to address an event presenting a moderate hazard. The staffing guidelines set forth above may be decreased or increased as may be reasonably required to secure the public health and safety during the event depending upon whether the event objectively presents a lower or higher hazard. By way of illustration, the staffing guidelines set forth above are intended for moderate hazard events which include, but are not limited to, concerts, carnivals and fairs. Similarly, low hazard events include, but are not limited to, car shows, flea markets, local festivals, craft shows, local sporting events, and organized sporting tournaments. High hazard events include, but are not limited to, an event with stunts or having the potential for special danger to participants or spectators, or the potential for sustained exposure to extreme ambient temperatures. A low or moderate event may present a higher hazard due to extreme temperatures. Higher hazard events may be required to provide additional medical and first aid equipment, infrastructure and services with transport capability. Staffing shall be equipped with customary supplies necessary to treat injuries and illnesses commonly associated with outdoor activities or similar events.

1. A submitted and approved plan for assuring that all stages, booths, tents, scaffoldings or structures of any kind on, under or within which persons may congregate, will conform to applicable building and construction codes in effect within the City, and that any entertainment stage erected on City owned property in connection with a special event will be guarded by a certified law enforcement officer, a licensed security guard, or an in-house security professionally trained according to recognized standards and authorized and instructed to prevent unsafe, public use or activity on or about the stage twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.
2. A submitted and approved site plan showing the location and size of the event venue and all parking areas (including required handicap parking), and the location of all other features required by this section. The site plan shall show a cleared and adequate passage for emergency vehicles.
3. A submitted and approved plan to provide and control safe pedestrian access between parking area(s) and the event venue which will minimize adverse impacts upon surrounding properties and businesses.
4. A submitted and approved plan to enclose, restrict or control access to all parking at the event venue and to limit the number of persons within the event venue to the maximum number anticipated, and a contingency plan to deal with persons in excess of that number to minimize adverse impacts upon surrounding properties and businesses.
5. For a large event out of doors, a submitted and approved plan to provide sufficient elevated viewing platforms to permit event security and, upon request, City police and fire to oversee the crowd and be able to identify and respond to a disturbance or unusual activity before it escalates.
6. A submitted and approved plan of event evacuation and traffic.
7. A submitted and approved plan addressing public safety regarding potential weather and non-weather-related events.
8. A list of all live animals to be used in connection with the event and a plan for the care and safe keeping of such animals.

(g) The plans required by this Article are designed to allow the City to evaluate and assure that the proposed event will not pose an unreasonable danger to public health and safety and will not excessively burden City resources without adequate planning so as to create such a danger.

(h) Late applications received after the application deadlines noted above shall be accepted and processed by the City prior to the date of the event if reasonably practicable under the circumstances given the proposed conduct of the event.

(i) Conditionally approved events may be submitted in order to meet the application deadline, subject to the obtaining and of the required approval, license, permit, and meeting any other noted requirements of the City at least five (5) business days prior to the start date of the event, evidenced in writing by the appropriate City official.

(j) Completed or conditionally approved applications will be processed in order of receipt. An application shall not be considered complete until all required information is provided. Where the City cannot reasonably determine order of receipt, the City Clerk may conduct a random drawing to determine priority of use.

(k) The City may waive any requirement herein if it is reasonably shown that public health and safety can be secured through alternative means or that such a plan is not reasonably required for the proposed event.

Sec. 48-199. – Fees.

(a) Fees for permits issued under this article shall be as provided in the City fee schedule. Any City resources requested and/or required for the event shall be given to the applicant on an itemized invoice for the actual amount of services (including equipment) and expenditures of City resources incurred by the City.

(b) If the applicant does not accept the type and extent of City services listed and the amount of the City services fee, the City shall nonetheless proceed in ordinary course to complete the application process and either deny the permit through the process contained in this article without consideration of the applicant's objection to the fee, or if the applicant is entitled to the permit then grant the permit upon the condition that the City services fee be paid before the permit becomes valid or effective. The applicant shall have the right to appeal to the governing body the type and extent of services required and the amount of the fee by letter filed with the City Clerk within three (3) business days after the City shall provide the applicant the itemization and amount of the fee which notice shall state that the applicant may appeal within three (3) business days. The governing body shall uphold or lessen the fee based upon information about the extent of services to be rendered by the City directly related to the event and the cost of those services as presented by the required City departments and the applicant in a de novo, quasi-judicial hearing held as soon as may be practicable. The governing body's decision, including its reasons therefore, shall be announced at the conclusion of the hearing and entered onto the record thereof which shall constitute the governing body's final order in any subsequent proceedings. The hearing may be continued from time to time in the sole discretion of the governing body. If the governing body is unable to timely conduct or conclude the hearing in time for the event to be held pursuant to an otherwise valid permit, the applicant may pay to the City the disputed fee under protest, and the permit shall become effective so that the event may be held, in which case the hearing shall be held and concluded after the event at a mutually convenient time. If the fee is upheld, it shall be accepted by the City; if it is reduced the reduction shall be refunded to the applicant.

Sec. 48-200. – Processing application; grounds for denial.

(a) The appropriate and required City officials whose required signatures are required on any permit application shall decide on a completed application consistent with this article and as expeditiously as possible given the scope of the conduct of the event. The appropriate and required City officials shall provide the organizer with notice of its decision, and if the appropriate and required City officials must deny the application, it shall state in the notice the basis for denial.

(b) The application for a permit for the special event shall be granted unless one or more of the following conditions are found to exist:

1. *Application requirements*. The application:
   i. Is incomplete in a material respect;
   ii. Has been fraudulently completed;
   iii. Is for an organized event that is not regulated by this article; or
   iv. Is for a special event the proposed conduct of which does not comply with applicable law, including this article or other City laws.
2. *Prior conduct of organizer or organized event*. The application is for an event organizer or organized event that:
   i. Has on a prior occasion made a material misrepresentation in an application for a special event that has resulted in a significant secondary harm; or
   ii. Has on prior occasions failed to restore the public space or restore or replace damaged public property, or pay to the City the restoration reimbursement costs or other costs or fees due the City under this article.
3. *Location limitations*. The proposed public space, or a portion of the space, cannot reasonably accommodate the proposed event due to:
   i. Insufficient space or capacity;
   ii. A prior use of some or all of the same public space or a public space in reasonably close proximity to the space; or
   iii. Unavailability because of fire, casualty, acts of God, or public emergency.

4. *Non-curable secondary effects/harms*. The proposed conduct of the event would have secondary effects/harms that cannot reasonably be cured, including unreasonable hardship to adjacent or nearby uses due to repeated or prolonged street closure; unreasonable interference with the use of the public space by other persons or organized events; or unreasonable demands on the City's resources because of unusual, extraordinary, or burdensome costs or expenses.
5. *Use of parks*. The likely detrimental impact of the proposed event on the use and physical integrity of the park and its facilities or amenities taking into account such factors as:
    i. The ability of the park to accommodate the conduct of the event;
    ii. The physical condition of the park;
    iii. The existence of reasonably available alternatives;
    iv. Conflicting uses of the park;
    v. Secondary harms; or
    vi. The number of prior uses already scheduled for the park and the ability of the park to accommodate repeated uses without suffering material damage.
6. *Public safety*. The proposed conduct of the event will be likely to have an impermissible impact upon public safety because it will:
    i. Substantially interrupt the safe and orderly movement of traffic in the area of its route or location and there are insufficient public safety services available at the time to mitigate the disruption;
    ii. Require the diversion of so great a number of first responders of the City to properly protect and serve the area or route that will be occupied by the special event and contiguous areas so as to prevent normal police protection to the City;
    iii. Require the diversion of so great a number of ambulances and fire rescue units as to prevent normal ambulance and rescue service to portions of the City other than those areas or routes that will be occupied by the special event and contiguous areas;
    iv. Involve the concentration of persons, animals, floats, or vehicles at the assembly points of the event that will unduly interfere with proper fire and police protection of or ambulance service to areas contiguous to such assembly areas;
    v. Interfere with the movement of firefighting equipment in route to a fire;
    vi. Fail to provide proper sanitation services; or
    vii. Otherwise pose an unreasonable risk to the public safety.
7. *Major arterials*. The location requested is for a street that is a major arterial within the City limits, unless the magnitude of the event requires it and such an event cannot reasonably be accommodated elsewhere. This subsection (7) shall not apply to processions that merely cross a major arterial and that are not otherwise prohibited according to the terms of this article.

(c) *Alternative to denial*. Should the appropriate and required City officials have to deny a permit pursuant to this section and there are reasonable alternatives to the conduct of the event that are available and that would eliminate the basis for denial, the appropriate and required City officials shall propose the alternatives to the organizer who must accept those alternatives by providing a notice of its acceptance by the next business day following the organizer's receipt of the appropriate and required City officials' decision notice, otherwise the denial shall stand.

(d) *Conditional approval*.

1. In the case of completed or conditionally approved applications that have been filed within at least thirty (30) days in advance of the event, the appropriate and required City officials may issue conditional approval for the event if the event is due to be approved except for one or more of the following pending items:
    i. Action being taken with regard to required approval, licensing, or permitting pursuant to other City laws or laws administered by the health department or other State agency;
    ii. Confirmation of the availability of City services; or
    iii. Confirmation that the public area requested for the event has not been scheduled for a state or city public building or works project, including improvement or infrastructure maintenance, repair, or construction.
2. Issuance of a conditional approval shall mean that, except for the pending items, there are no conditions that are known to exist that would constitute a ground for denying the permit.

Sec. 48-202. – Appeal of denial.

(a) *Right of appeal*. An organizer denied a special event permit may ask for a review of the decision by filing a written notice of appeal, stating the reason the denial should be overturned, with the governing body of the City within five (5) business days following receipt of the appropriate and required City officials' decision notice denying the permit. The appeal shall be heard and decided by the governing body who shall schedule a hearing on the request at the next regularly scheduled meeting following receipt of the notice of appeal. The organizer shall be given at least twenty-four (24) hours' advanced notice of the hearing.

(b) *Conduct of hearing*. The organizer, or a representative designated in writing by the organizer to act on the organizer's behalf, shall appear at the hearing in person, and may be represented by counsel. Failure of the organizer, or the organizer's designee, to appear at the hearing shall be deemed to be a withdrawal of the appeal. The appropriate and required City officials shall attend the hearing. The appropriate and required City officials and the organizer, or the organizer's designee, shall have the right to be heard on the matter and present evidence in support of their respective positions. The governing body shall uphold the decision of the appropriate and required City officials if a ground for denial exists and, where appropriate, offer an alternative option to denial. The decision may be made at the conclusion of the hearing stating orally the reasons for the decision, or, by written notice within two (2) business days following the close of the hearing and shall state the reasons for the decision. Failure of the governing body to render a decision by the close of the next business day following the close of the hearing shall operate as an automatic upholding of the denial.

(c) *When review not available*. In no event will a review lie under the provisions of this section for the denial of any permitting or licensing that is not issued under the authority of this article, including alcoholic beverage licensing, business licensing, technical and fire code permitting, and fireworks permitting.

(d) *Appeal to Circuit Court*. The organizer denied a permit may, within ten (10) days after the decision of the governing body of the City, appeal to the Circuit Court of Cullman County from any decision from the governing body by filing such appeal with the Court and causing a copy of such notice to be served on the other affected parties or officials. The governing body shall furnish the court with a certified transcript of proceedings which it had before with respect to the appeal and its decision in the matter. No bond shall be required for such an appeal and the cost of such appeal shall be taxed against the unsuccessful party or as the judge may direct. Review by the Court shall be without jury and be confined to the record and to a determination of the questions of law present. The governing body's findings of fact shall be final and conclusive. Appeal may be taken from the judgment of the Circuit Court as provided by law

Sec. 48-203. – Permit amendment.

(a) A special event organizer who wishes to materially modify the conduct of the event as authorized by the special event permit shall file a permit amendment application with the City Clerk on a form provided by the City within a reasonable time. The permit amendment application shall describe the proposed change in the conduct of the event with the same detail required by section 48-198 for the initial permit application and shall otherwise comply with the provisions of this article. The City Clerk shall take action on the special event permit amendment application in accordance with the terms of this article and submit the amendment to the appropriate and required City officials. The notice of decision and hearing provisions set forth in this article also shall apply to applications for permit amendments.

(b) A non-material change to the event conduct of permitted special event that complies with this article may be made at any time prior to the start of the event by notifying the City Clerk of the proposed change who shall then notify the appropriate and required City officials.

Sec. 48-204. – Additional information.

Before denying a permit or conditioning a permit upon things not included in the application or agreed to by the applicant, the responsible City department shall give the applicant written notice of the deficiencies in the application or the need to add conditions to the permit and provide the applicant an opportunity to present additional written information addressing those deficiencies or needs. The responsible City department shall make a reasonable effort to facilitate the applicant's addressing the deficiencies in time to hold the event, but also taking into consideration the City's resources and other matters at hand. The City is expressly prohibited from denying any permit based upon the identity of any speaker or entertainer or the viewpoint, content, or type of speech or expression to be displayed so long as such speech or expression is lawful.

Sec. 48-205. –Vendor contacts provided to City Clerk's office.

If the permit is granted, the applicant shall provide to the City Clerk (the name, mailing address and telephone number of each vendor, artist, or other person offering goods, services, or entertainment at the special event, including if different, the name, mailing address, email address and telephone number of the individual with on-site responsibility for the vendor, artist or other person. Such form shall be provided no later than fifteen (15) days prior to the permitted event. The applicant shall assist the City in collecting all license required by the City prior to the event.

Sec. 48-206. –Enforcement and penalties.

(a) The City finds that a violation of any section of this Article presents a serious threat to the public health, safety and welfare which is irreparable and irreversible and of an itinerant or transient nature.

(b) Each violation of this Article shall constitute a separate, civil infraction, punishable by a civil penalty in the amount specified below unless a different amount is specified in accordance with the laws of Alabama.

First violation of this Article: $100.

Second violation of this Article: $200.

Third and all subsequent violations of this Article: $500.

Unless otherwise specified, a person who does not contest the citation for violation of this Article shall be subject to a civil penalty in the following amount:

First violation of this Article: $50.

Second violation of this Article: $100.

Third and all subsequent violations of this Article: $250.

The penalty for uncontested civil citations may be paid directly to the City Clerk.

(c) This Article may be enforced by the issuance of a citation by a sworn police officer of the City who has reasonable cause to believe that a person has violated any section of this Article. All sworn police officers of the City shall be considered code enforcement officers for the purpose of enforcing every section of this Article. A citation issued under any section of this Article may be contested in the municipal court for the City of Cullman, Alabama. In addition to the penalties specified in this Article, a person voluntarily paying a citation or convicted of a citation shall be required to bear all costs and fees imposed by the Municipal Court of the City of Cullman.

(4) The civil penalties provided here are cumulative to any other civil or criminal penalties available for violation of this the City of Cullman Code of Ordinances or State law, including the criminal penalties set forth in City Code, Chapter 34.

(5) Each day (any 24 consecutive hour period) that a continuing violation of this Chapter occurs or continues shall constitute a separate, civil infraction punishable by a civil penalty in the cumulative amount specified above. Repeat violations by a single person or entity may relate to different requirements imposed by this law and in different circumstance and still constitute a repeat violation for the purpose of determining the civil penalty due.

Sec. 48-207. – Property and activities not covered.

(a) *Property not covered*.
1. Unless the organized event requires for its successful execution the provision of City services in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, this article is not intended to regulate organized public or private events that are conducted on private property located within the City that does not violate any law, Ordinance, rule or regulation and does not place a foreseeable and potential adverse impact on public safety, including but not limited to the following:
   i. Private property in which the event does not violate the laws of the City or place a potential adverse impact on public safety;
   ii. Property which is under the control or jurisdiction of the federal government or any agency or instrumentality of the federal government;
   iii. Property which is under the control or jurisdiction of the state or any agency or instrumentality of the state unless the state has specifically authorized the City to control the use of such property for organized events; or
   iv. Property which is under the control or jurisdiction of municipal boards or agencies.
2. *Public facilities for City sanctioned events*. Unless the organized event requires for its successful execution the provision of City services in accordance with subsection (d) of this section, this article is not intended to regulate organized City sanctioned events which are conducted upon or within public facilities in which the event organizer is acting as an agent on behalf of the City.

(b) *Activities not covered*.
1. This article shall not apply to funeral processions, programmed activities provided or managed by the City such as recreational programs, military or other official convoys or motorcades, or other activities upon public property which are regulated or permitted by other provisions of this Code.
2. This article is not intended to regulate or allow the use of public property solely for the conduct of a commercial enterprise including the sale, demonstration, advertisement, or promotion of products, goods, or services. Such uses of public property shall be regulated by applicable laws including zoning and franchising/licensing laws.

(c) Exclusion from the terms of this article pursuant to this section does not relieve the person responsible for an event from the responsibility of obtaining permission or authorization from the appropriate person for the use of property or conduct of activities that are not covered by this article.

(d) *City services*. Where special event otherwise excluded from the requirements of this article in accordance with subsection (a) of this section requires for its successful execution the provision of City services, the event organizer must make application for a special event permit in accordance with this article. The event organizer may be required to pay for the City services costs, including the standard complement, provided for the event.

Sec. 48-208. – Remedial purpose and severability.

(a) This Article will promote the public good by establishing necessary standards to define special events in the digital age and creating incentives and mechanisms to promote the public welfare by fostering preparation for, and curbing the excesses of, those assemblies, and also to employ those same standards to require persons owning or controlling property upon which a spontaneous, unplanned event occurs to use their best efforts to immediately control the event if feasible and provide an incentive to better secure their property in the future. Therefore, even though this Article contains civil penalties, it is adopted for the remedial purposes set forth here and in the lengthy recitals to the adopting ordinance, and if challenged the Article should nonetheless be given an equitable construction in order to achieve the clear and remedial purposes determined by the governing body.

(b) If any part or provision of this Article is held to be unenforceable for any reason, the remainder shall remain in full force and effect to the fullest extent possible under as liberal construction as may be needed to achieve its remedial purposes.

Sec. 48-209. – Indemnification.

The organizer of a special event shall, at the time of making application for a special event permit and on forms provided by the City, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents, contractors, and volunteers performing authorized City functions, from and against any and all claims, costs, losses, expenses through appeal (including reasonable attorneys' fees, and costs or expenses incidental to the investigation of claims and lawsuits), demands, payments, suits, actions, recoveries, penalties, fines, liabilities, and judgments, of any nature and description, resulting from or arising out of the acts or omissions of the event organizer, its officers, servants, agents, contractors, or employees, or event participants, in connection with the conduct of the event.

SECTION III. **Severability Clause.** Each and every provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and that holding of any provision hereof to be void and invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provision which might have been held invalid. This Ordinance repeals any prior Ordinance in conflict therewith.

SECTION IV. **Effective Date**. This ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY this the 24th day of October, 2022. /s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council

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

APPROVED this the 24th day of October, 2022. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
NOVEMBER 3, 2022

FCCLA holds County Sweet Potato Cook-Off



STEPHANIE BLAIR

Breads: Raelee Stinson, Sierra Crawford, Lydia Twilley, Ruby Hudson



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Casseroles: Lauryn Hoffman, Allison Miligan, Shelby Thompson, Kendall Bussman



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Desserts: Macey Garmon, Ally Brannam, Ella Harris, Dakota Barnett



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Pies: Taylor Tolbert, Aiden Helms, Emilie Hoffman, Chamarie ArringtonCold Springs High School

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CULLMAN, Ala. — On Nov. 1, 2022, students from the various city and county schools met at the Alabama Farm Credit headquarters in Cullman for the FCCLA County Sweet Potato Cook-Off. The Cullman Sweet Potato Growers Association, Farm-City, Pat Floyd, Doris Patterson and the Alabama Farm Credit sponsored the event. The sweet potato cook-off had four categories, including casseroles, bread, pies and desserts.

Casserole winners:
1. Lauryn Hoffman from Holly Pond
2. Allison Milligan from West Point
3. Shelby Thompson from Vinemont
4. Kendall Bussman from Cullman

Bread winners:
1. Raelee Stinson from Cullman
2. Sierra Crawford from West Point
3. Lydia Twilley from Cold Springs
4. Ruby Hudson from Cullman

Dessert winners:
1. Macey Garmon from West Point
2. Ally Brannam from Cullman
3. Ella Harris from Holly Pond
4. Dakota Barnett from Good Hope

Pie winners:
1. Taylor Tolbert from West Point
2. Aiden Helms from West Point
3. Emilie Hoffman from Vinemont
4. Chamaaria Arrington from Hanceville

The sponsors and schools that participated were Stephanie Blair from Cold Springs High School, Amie Veal from the Cullman Area Technology Academy, Carin Rains from Cullman High School, Caitlyn Bowling from Cullman High School, Whitney Haynes from Fairview High School, Amanda Williams from Good Hope High School, Amy Chambers from Hanceville High School, Amelia Burke from Holly Pond High School, Renee Lee from West Point High School and Tammy Whittle from Vinemont High School.



