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Cullman City School Board honors Teachers of the Year

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City School Board on Tuesday honored the Teacher of the Year from each of the system's schools.

Honorees included:

- Amanda Stidham – Cullman City Primary School
- Beth Collins – East Elementary School
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Cullman City Schools Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff; instructors Amanda Stidham, Beth Collins, Mary Beth Cleveland, Katie McGee and Lori Andrews; and Cullman City School Board President Cheryl Harrison and Vice President Joey Orr

Home Builders to welcome Santa Sunday



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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Home Builders Association will host Santa Claus on Sunday, Dec. 18, from 2-5 p.m. at St. John's Church Christ Hall. Santa will be available for free photographs, and monetary donations on behalf of the Jason McCollum family will be accepted.

The organization will be selling raffle tickets for a playhouse built by carpentry students at the Cullman Area Technology Academy for $1 each or six for $5.

Sunday will be the last day raffle tickets are available for purchase before the drawing on Monday, Dec. 19.



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Tickets will also be available for the Jan. 1 virtual drawdown raffle with a grand prize of $10,000.

Tickets are $100 each and the proceeds will go donated to the McCollum family. McCollum passed away in November after a more than year-long hospitalization due to complications from COVID-19.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Dec. 14

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported December 14, 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

Dec. 13

• burglary-2nd degree; Hospital Discount Pharmacy; 4th Ave. NE; damage to door; $2,000

• theft of property-4th degree; WalMart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $18

• theft of property-4th degree; WalMart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $30

• theft of property-4th degree; WalMart; Hwy 157; general merchandise; $69

ARRESTS

Dec. 13

Armstrong, Jason E; 47

• FTA-possession of drug paraphernalia

• FTA-speeding

Knowles, Michael K; 50

• possession of drug paraphernalia

• unlawful possession/receiving controlled substances

Peterson, Ashley S; 40

• unlawful possession/receiving controlled substances

Pugh, Jamie B; 42

• criminal trespassing-3rd degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

CCSO arrest roundup

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) made several arrests over the last several days, including:

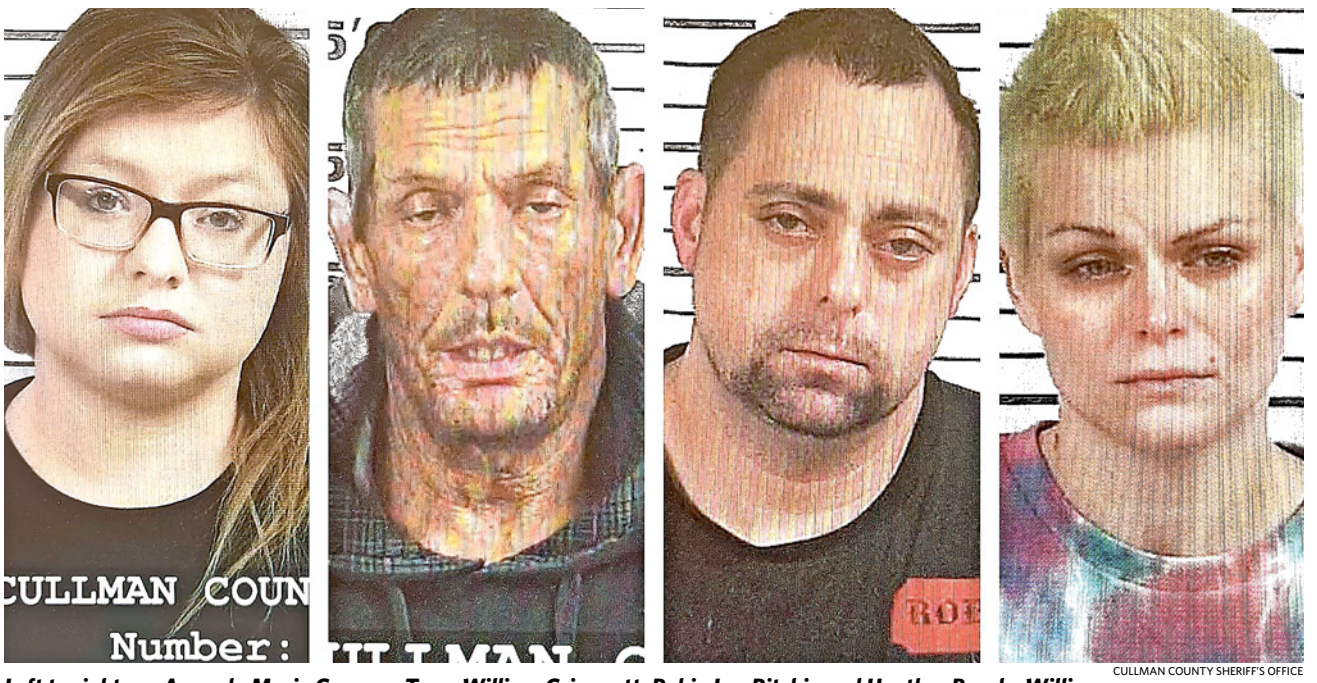
On Thursday, Dec. 8, deputies arrested Amanda Marie Garmon, 31, of Crane Hill, on warrants for animal cruelty and failure to bury livestock.

On Friday, Dec 9, deputies arrested Terry William Grimmett, 59, of Hanceville, on a failure to appear warrant for failure to register as a sex offender.

On Saturday, Dec. 10, deputies went to a residence in the Trimble area to serve multiple warrants on Robin Lee Ritchie, 42, of Cullman. Ritchie was allegedly hiding but was located at the residence and arrested. While on scene, deputies also allegedly located narcotics and paraphernalia.

Ritchie was charged with unlawful possession of methamphetamine, unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia and obstructing police. His warrants included credit card fraud, two counts of negotiating a worthless negotiable instrument (failure to appear), two traffic violations (failure to appear), three counts of forgery (failure to appear), counterfeiting (failure to appear), two counts of Illegal possession or use of a credit card (failure to appear), larceny (failure to appear) and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia (failure to appear).

On Sunday, Dec. 11, deputies responded to the Jones Chapel area in reference to a suspicious vehicle. The vehicle in question was located, and Heather Brooke Williams, 25, of Arley, was identified as the driver. A subsequent search of the vehicle allegedly yielded narcotics and paraphernalia.



CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Left to right are Amanda Marie Garmon, Terry William Grimmett, Robin Lee Ritchie and Heather Brooke Williams.

Williams was arrested and charged with unlawful possession of methamphetamine, illegal possession of prescription medication and unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia.

Nutcracker (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – The Cullman Ballet Theatre School will present "The Nutcracker" Saturday, Dec. 17, at 6 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 18, at 2:30 p.m. at Wallace State Community College's Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre.

The holiday classic was originally performed 130 years ago, choreographed by Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov and scored by Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky. It was adapted from an 1816 short story "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" by E.T.A. Hoffman.

Elaine Willingham founded Cullman Ballet Theatre School 49 years ago after a storied ballet career of her own. Willingham's choreography will include nuances of her own flair.

The story of "The Nutcracker" follows the events of an enchanted Christmas Eve night when a young German girl befriends a wooden nutcracker, a gift from her godfather, who is also a magician. As everyone is tucked into bed, Clara makes her way back to the parlor to see her new nutcracker who springs to life as the clock strikes midnight.

"A battle is waged between the Mouse King and his army of mice and the gingerbread soldiers along with toys who have sprung to life. The end of the first act sees the nutcracker transforming into a handsome young prince.

The second act opens with Clara and the prince returning to his Land of Sweets, which has been governed by the Sugar Plum Fairy in the prince's absence.

Clara is showered with gifts from around the world for her pivotal role in saving the prince. A celebration ensues while the beloved and memorable waltzes are danced.

Willingham began her dance career at the age of 11 in Cullman before training at the Birmingham Civic Ballet Company and Alabama Ballet Company only three years later. Performing leads in renowned classics such as "The Nutcracker," "Swan Lake," "Romeo and Juliet" and many more, Willingham continued her studies in New York City with a full scholarship for three years.

From there her ballet career led her to dance and teach all over the world. In 1973, Willingham opened Cullman Ballet Theatre School and Cullman Ballet Company in 1995.

Her students have continued their dance journeys with the Alabama Ballet, Oklahoma Ballet, HARID Conservatory, on Broadway and have performed with the New York Theatre Ballet touring company and Montgomery Ballet.

Tickets for this weekend's performances are available for $15 at www.etix.com/ticket/o/10033/cullmanballettheatreschool.

Balcony seat tickets will be available at the door for $20 (cash only). No other tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

BOE (from Front)

Cullman Middle School

• Lori Andrews – Cullman High School

Several of Cullman Middle School (CMS) Band Director Linda Bean's piano lab students performed holiday music for the board, including "Jingle Bells," "Jingle Bell Rock" and "Christmastime is Here." Bean noted that all 35 piano students opted to participate in a recent optional recital, a choice she said made her proud.

She thanked CMS Principal Jake Johnson and Assistant Principal Chad Shannon for their continued support of the CMS band and always being "right there ready to help."

The following items were approved:

• Financial Report for October 2022

• Approval of Job Description for Cullman High School (CHS) Head Varsity Football Coach and Football Operations

• Reimbursement to Lee Wayne Morton for energy costs at personal facility for up to $2,500. The indoor facility is used for softball practice and the funds are paid by the boosters and not out of the school budget according to Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff.

• Contract with Kelli Hughes to provide CPI training from Jan. 3-June 30, 2023

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• Cullman Theatre to attend the SETC Conference in Lexington, Kentucky, March 1-5, 2023, after winning the Best in Show at The Walter Trumbauer Festival. Cullman Theatre has been invited and encouraged to represent the state of Alabama at this regional theater festival.

The following personnel report was approved:

Resignations

• Bobby Hill-Custodian at CHS, effective Jan. 10, 2023

• Brooklyn Browning -Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Schools, effective Dec. 16, 2022

• Oscar Glasscock -Head Varsity Football Coach and Teacher at CHS, effective June 1, 2023

• Karla Rodriguez -Interpreter and Family Service Worker at Cullman City Primary School (CCPS), effective Dec. 20, 2022

Transfers

• Leigh Anne Combs -Special Education Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Schools to Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Head Start, effective Jan. 3, 2023

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

• Emily Steele -Extended Day Instructional Assistant at CCPS, beginning Jan. 3, 2023

• Ivy Loosier -Extended Day Instructional Assistant at CCPS, beginning Dec. 14, 2022

• Tiffany Johnson -Special Education Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Schools (Itinerant), beginning Jan. 3, 2023

• Paula McPherson -Special Education Instructional Assistant at Cullman City Schools (Itinerant), beginning Jan. 3, 2023

Athletic

• Lauren Shelton -Cullman Middle School Boys' Soccer Coach

Miscellaneous

• Jessica Lowry -Unpaid leave for Jan. 26-27, 2023

Informational

• Kristen Brown -FMLA beginning Feb. 27-May 27, 2023 (subject to change based on physician's certification)

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held at the Cullman City School Board Central Office on Jan. 17 at 5 p.m.



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Baileyton Bargain Days

• First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park

• Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items

• A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted.

• Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

Church Services-Spirit Life Church of GOD

• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Drive NW, Cullman

• Prayer meetings-Tuesdays at 10 a.m. Come and pray with us or come to receive prayer.

• Ladies' exercise classes- Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Children welcome.

• Mondays-Fridays-Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m.-noon. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.

• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthdays. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pickup 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.

• Thursday, Dec. 15 - 10 a.m. Prayer Meeting - Please join Bonnie Barrett on Thursday to pray for our church, nation, our leaders, special prayer requests, etc.

• Thursday, Dec. 15 - 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery - Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits, and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! For those who want to get together before class bring a dish, dessert or drink @ 6:30 p.m. for a potluck meal. Spirit Life Church. Nursery provided.

• Saturday, Dec. 17 – 9-11 a.m. Drive-through food bank.

• Sunday, Dec. 18 - 8 a.m. Prayer - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby Sunday to pray for our church, nation, for those who need healing, salvation and deliverance. 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. You can call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast 9:30 a.m. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Children's Christmas Play "Seeking the Savior", followed by Christmas lunch. Everyone invited!

• Wednesday, Dec. 21 - 6:30 p.m. We will be having a Christmas Candlelight Service. All invited and welcome!

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). The 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.

20th Annual Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland Christmas Light Display

Now through Dec. 30. Guests can drive through the magical display from 5-9 p.m. on open dates: Dec. 15-23, 26-30. Admission is $10 cash per vehicle. Returning this year will also be the Christmas train, horse and carriage rides, snow machine, photo booth, hot chocolate and more. The last day for train rides is Dec. 23. The park will be closed Christmas Eve and Day. Dec. 26-30 will be drive-through only. Sportsman Lake Park is located at 1544 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman. Find out more at www.facebook.com/SportsmanLakePark.

4th Annual Christmas at the Grotto

Come and experience the beauty of Br. Joseph's work at night surrounded by lights and music! We have expanded this unique holiday experience throughout the grounds and have added several dates, including more horse carriage rides! On Dec. 16,17,23 we will expand the event to include live musical performances, food trucks, kids' rides around St. Bernard's campus and horse-drawn wagon rides along a beautiful, decorated path in the woods! Refreshments will be available every night. Make your plans to visit now!

Dates:

• Dec. 15 – 5-9 p.m.

• Dec. 16-17 – 5-9 p.m. (wagon rides)

• Dec. 19,20,21,22 – 5-9 p.m.

• Dec 23 – 5-9 p.m. (wagon rides)

• Dec 26 – 5-9 p.m.

Admission:

• Adults – $10

• Seniors – $8

• Military/Veterans/First responders – $7

• Teens (13-17) – $8

• Children (5-12) – $7

• Children younger than 4 – free

• Wagon rides Dec. 16,17,23 – $10

• Kids' rides Dec. 16,17,23 – $5

The Ave Maria Grotto is located at 1600 St. Bernard Dr. in Cullman.

Free Food Boxes

Thursday, Dec. 15, at 2 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Cullman at 615 Third Ave. SE. Drive up to the trailer and we will put the box into your car. Only one box per car. Follow us on Facebook. Find us online at www.cullmanfpc.org.

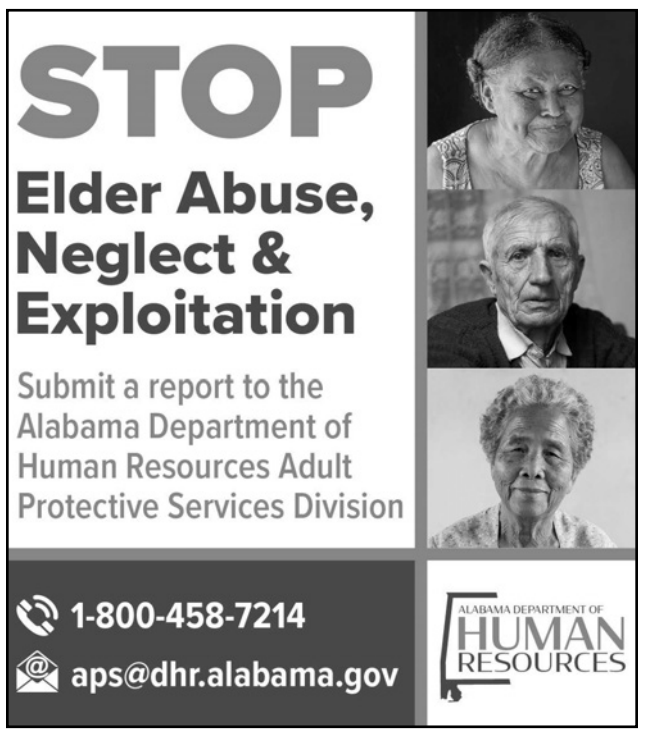
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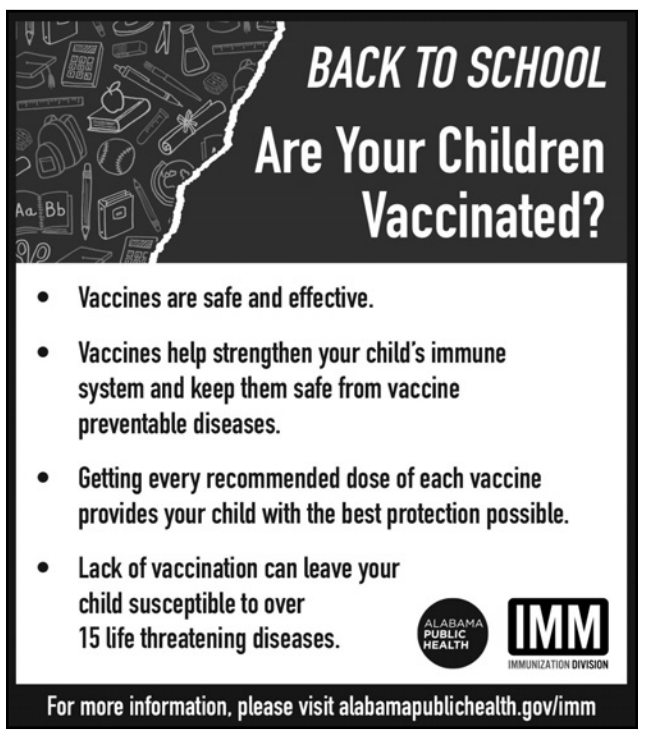
Thursday, Dec. 22, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center. There is no charge for the meal, but the City of Hanceville is limiting it to 250 people. So please RSVP at 256-352-9830 ext. 123.Senior Outreach will be providing entertainment, and we will have guest speakers and door prizes! The event starts at 10:30 and food will be served at 11:30. To donate money or door prizes, please contact the number above! Thank you to everyone involved in the planning, donations, preparation of food and spreading the word about this lunch for seniors. We want to make sure nobody goes without a Christmas meal.

Weight Loss Support Group

Thursday, Dec. 22, 6-7 p.m. in the Cullman Regional COE Conference Room – Professional Office Building 1, 1948 Alabama Highway 157. 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.









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PREP BASKETBALL

Lady Raiders race past Priceville 79-62 to remain unbeaten, Raiders edge Bulldogs 64-59

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. – The Good Hope Raiders and Lady Raiders were back home at D.E. Ryan Gymnasium Tuesday night to host a pair of matchups with the high-powered Priceville Bulldogs and both home teams came away with big wins. The Lady Raiders led Priceville by just three at halftime but pulled away in the second half to collect a 79-62 win and improve to 11-0 while in the nightcap, the Raiders fought tooth and nail with the Bulldogs down to the wire before outscoring them 8-2 in the final three minutes of the game on their way to a 64-59 win.

Good Hope 79 – Priceville 62 (Varsity Girls)

The Lady Raiders got off to a fast start in their game battle with Priceville. Three-pointers from Ivey Maddox and Bailey Tetro made it a 6-0 game less than a minute into the opening period. The Lady Bulldogs responded with some baskets on the other end but following three Charly Johnson free throws and another score by Maddox, Heather Tetro turned a steal into an easy bucket to keep Good Hope in front 13-7 midway through the first quarter. However, Priceville took control for the final two minutes of the period and was able to take a 16-15 lead into the second quarter.

A Rudi Derrick basket and a pair of free throws from Bailey Tetro put the Lady Raiders back ahead 19-18 early in the second and Derrick buried a three to keep them in front 22-21. Priceville reclaimed a 24-22 advantage later in the period, but Maddox dropped in a hook shot to tie the game at 24 and she chased it with another three-pointer to take a 27-24 lead for Good Hope. Derrick and Jolee McHan each scored in the final two minutes of the half and the Lady Raiders went into the locker room leading Priceville 31-28 at the break.

Heather Tetro converted an and-one play at the line to make it a 34-28 game at the start of the third and another three-pointer from Derrick stretched the lead to 37-30. That's when everything started to fall for Good Hope. Three-pointers by Bailey Tetro, Maddox and Emma Thompson gave the Lady Raiders a 48-39 lead with three minutes remaining in the period and Heather Tetro added a three of her own in the final moments of the third to make it a 55-41 game going into the final frame.

Good Hope continued to pour it in from beyond the arc in the fourth quarter and led by 29 at one point in the fourth quarter. Priceville was able to make up some ground in the final two minutes but couldn't overcome the big second half from the Lady Raiders and they held on to win it 79-62, improving to 11-0 on the season. Good Hope knocked down 14 three-pointers in the win, 10 of which came in the second half.

Maddox led the Lady Raiders with 23 points in the win. Heather Tetro finished with 19, Derrick added 13 and Bailey Tetro posted 12.

Lady Raiders Head Coach Justin Aby was happy to see his team turn big plays on the defensive end into scoring opportunities on the offensive end in the second half and wants them to build on tonight's performance going forward.

"For us, everything starts on the defensive end. I thought in the first half we were playing sluggish. They were getting open looks, we weren't sliding back to our spots, our help defense was terrible and then we adjusted in the second half. Yes, I do feel like we hit more shots in the second half but that came from our defensive pressure. Making things happen on the defensive end led to easy points," Aby said. "Another thing that I really saw in the second half was a group of girls that really wanted to play together. They were turning down a good shot looking for a better shot and it wasn't just one or two possessions; it was the whole second half. In the first half I thought we were stagnant; we weren't making the extra pass but in the second half they started playing for each other and it clearly showed."

Good Hope 64 – Priceville 59 (Varsity Boys)

K'mal Bell drilled a pair of three-pointers to help put the Raiders on top 10-5 early in the first quarter. Bell netted a pair of free throws to maintain a 5-point lead later in the period, but Priceville outscored Good Hope 11-3 in the final three minutes of the first to take an 18-15 lead going into the second.

Weston Hancock scored the next four baskets for the Raiders to trim the Bulldog lead to 27-24 midway through the second quarter and Jacob Haynes followed him with back to back threes to retake a 30-27 advantage for Good Hope. Colton Lindsey laid one in to stretch the lead to five and after another Haynes three-pointer made it a 35-29 game late in the period, the Raiders went into the locker room leading Priceville 36-31 at the break.

Lindsey sank a pair of free throws and Tyler Cone scored inside to keep the Raiders in front 40-36 and Hancock drained a three



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The Good Hope Lady Raiders improved to 11-0 with a 79-62 win over Priceville Tuesday night.

to make it 43-36 midway through the third. However, an 8-0 scoring run from the Bulldogs put Priceville back on top 44-43 with two minutes remaining in the period. That's when Good Hope really started to heat up from long range, and three-pointers by Dakota Overton, Hancock and Ace Stricklin gave the Raiders a 52-45 lead going into the fourth quarter.

The Bulldogs were able to tie the game at 52 early in the fourth and even pulled ahead 55-52 at one point but Good Hope kept coming back. Lindsey and Cone each scored to trim the lead to 57-56 and Cone's next basket put the Raiders back in front 58-57 with less than two minutes to play. The Bulldogs moved back ahead 59-58 but Overton buried a three with 50 seconds on the clock to give Good Hope a 61-59 lead. The Raiders got a stop on the other end and with just over 10 seconds on the clock, Bell drove to the basket and scored through a foul to put the Raiders up 63-59. Bell drilled the free throw to wrap up an impressive, 64-59 win for Good Hope.

Bell and Hancock each finished with 14 points in the win. Haynes posted nine, Cone added eight, Lindsey scored seven and Overton finished with six.

Good Hope will be back in action Friday night at Hanceville.

Leach (from Front)

Brandon Langlois
MSU Athletics

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Mississippi State University Head Football Coach Michael Charles "Mike" Leach passed away Monday, Dec. 12 at the University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi, following complications from a heart condition. He was 61.

In a statement, the Leach family said: "Mike was a giving and attentive husband, father and grandfather. He was able to participate in organ donation at UMMC as a final act of charity. We are supported and uplifted by the outpouring of love and prayers from family, friends, Mississippi State University, the hospital staff and football fans around the world. Thank you for sharing in the joy of our beloved husband and father's life."

Mississippi State University President Mark E. Keenum said: "Coach Mike Leach cast a tremendous shadow not just over Mississippi State University, but over the entire college football landscape. His innovative "Air Raid" offense changed the game. Mike's keen intellect and unvarnished candor made him one of the nation's true coaching legends. His passing brings great sadness to our university, to the Southeastern Conference, and to all who loved college football. I will miss Mike's profound curiosity, his honesty, and his wide-open approach to pursuing excellence in all things.

"Mike's death also underscores the fragility and uncertainty of our lives. Three weeks ago, Mike and I were together in the locker room celebrating a hard-fought victory in Oxford. Mike Leach truly embraced life and lived in such a manner as to leave no regrets. That's a worthy legacy. May God bless the Leach family during these days and hours. The prayers of the Bulldog family go with them," Keenum said.

MSU Interim Athletics Director Bracky Brett said: "We are heartbroken and devastated by the passing of Mike Leach. College football lost one of its most beloved figures today, but his legacy will last forever. Mike's energetic personality, influential presence and extraordinary leadership touched millions of athletes, students, coaches, fans, family and friends for decades.

"Mike was an innovator, pioneer and visionary. He was a college football icon, a coaching legend but an even better person," said Brett. "We are all better for having known Mike Leach. The thoughts and prayers of Mississippi State University and the entire Bulldog family are with his wife Sharon, his children and the entire Leach family."

Leach, who was named Mississippi State's 34th head football coach on January 9, 2020, was finishing his third season in Starkville and 21st as a head coach. Forever a college football icon, he leaves an incredible legacy as a husband, father, friend and leader of young men.

The oldest of six siblings, Leach and his wife Sharon shared four children: Janeen, Kimberly, Cody and Kiersten.

Born in Susanville, California to Frank and Sandra Leach, Mike was raised in Cody, Wyoming. After graduating with honors from BYU in 1983 where he played rugby, Leach earned a master's degree from the U.S. Sports Academy and his Juris Doctor from Pepperdine University, where he graduated in the top one-third of his class.

For nearly four decades, Leach had an unmatched impact on the game of football including thousands of student-athletes, coaches and staff. He was a two-time national coach of the year, three-time Power 5 conference coach of the year and the mastermind behind the NCAA record-setting "Air Raid" offense.

The accomplishments for Leach in his 21 years as a head coach were long and distinguished. A proven winner who established a culture of excellence at every stop of his career, Leach compiled a 158-107 (.596) record, guided his squads to 19 bowl games, produced seven seasons of at least nine victories, captured two conference division titles, became the winningest coach in Texas Tech history and set school records for bowl appearances at both Texas Tech (10) and Washington State (6). During 10 of those 21 seasons, Leach's passing attack led the FBS – six at Texas Tech and four at Washington State.

One of the most successful coaches in the history of college football, Leach's 158 career wins as an FBS coach are the second-most among active SEC coaches and the fifth-most among active Power 5 coaches. Of the 50 most productive passing yardage seasons in FBS history, 10 came from quarterbacks coached by Leach since his hiring as head coach at Texas Tech in 2000. That included one season by Kliff Kingsbury, one by B.J. Symons (2003), one by Sonny Cumbie, three by Graham Harrell (2006-08), one by Connor Halliday, one by Luke Falk (2015), one by Gardner Minshew II (2018) and one by Anthony Gordon (2019).

A passionate educator, mentor, historian and lifelong learner, Leach had great admiration for academics. He instilled that in his players, as his teams routinely set records for GPA and graduation rate. A masterful storyteller, Leach authored a New York Times best-selling autobiography in 2011 titled Swing Your Sword: Leading the Charge in Football and in Life. He later wrote Geronimo: Leadership Strategies of an American Warrior in 2014.

Leach built arguably the greatest coaching tree in college football, giving countless coaches their start in the profession. His historic tree includes former and current head coaches Lincoln Riley, Dave Aranda, Sonny Cumbie, Dana Holgorsen, Seth Littrell, Art Briles, Ken Wilson, Neal Brown, Josh Heupel, Eric Morris, Sonny Dykes, Kliff Kingsbury, Ruffin McNeill and assistant coaches Wes Welker, Bill Bedenbaugh, Robert Anae, Alex Grinch, Brandon Jones, and more.

Leach began his coaching career in 1987 as an assistant at Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo before coaching stops at College of the Desert in 1988 and as a head coach in the European Football League in Pori, Finland, in 1989.

Leach teamed up with Hal Mumme at Iowa Wesleyan College in 1989, where the duo developed the renowned Air Raid offense. From 1989 to 1991 Leach served as offensive coordinator and line coach for a unit that led the NAIA in passing yardage one season and finished second the other two. Iowa Wesleyan quarterbacks passed for more than 11,000 yards in Leach's three seasons and broke 26 national records.

Leach and Mumme went on to spend five seasons at Valdosta State (1992-96) and then two seasons at Kentucky (1997-98). Named 1996 Division II Offensive Coordinator of the Year by American Football Quarterly magazine, Leach helped Mumme lead Valdosta State to a 40-17-1 record. The 1993 Blazer offense smashed 66 school records, 22 conference records and seven national records. In 1994, Valdosta State advanced to the Division II playoffs with Leach's offense shattering 80 school records, 35 conference records and seven more national marks.

As Kentucky's offensive coordinator, Leach coached the Wildcat offense to six NCAA records, 41 Southeastern Conference records and 116 school records in 22 games.

Leach joined Bob Stoops' Oklahoma staff as offensive coordinator in 1999. He directed a Sooner offense that went from one of the worst in the Big 12 Conference to one of the best. In just one year, OU's total offense numbers improved from 293.3 to 427.2 yards per game. Under Leach, the Oklahoma offense set six Big 12 Conference and 17 school records.

Leach went on to spend 10 seasons as head coach at Texas Tech (2000-09) where his squads produced bowl appearances all 10 years. He compiled a school-record 84 victories, a school-record five bowl wins and eight consecutive seasons of at least eight victories.

The architect of the most prolific passing offense in the country, Leach received three national coach of the year awards in 2008 - the Woody Hayes Award, Howie Long/Fieldturf Coach of the Year and George Munger



MSU ATHLETICS

Coach Mike Leach (1961-2022)

Award. Leach's offense captured six NCAA passing titles and three total offense titles during his 10 seasons in Lubbock.

Leach led Texas Tech to one of the most memorable seasons in school history in 2008 as the team set a program record with 11 regular season wins en route to an 11-2 record. The win total tied the mark, set previously by the 1953 and 1973 Red Raider squads.

Numerous accolades poured in from across the country as an unprecedented four players earned first-team All-America status, in addition to Leach's three coach of the year honors. Harrell, offensive tackle Rylan Reed and offensive guard Brandon Carter each garnered first-team honors, while wide receiver Michael Crabtree was honored as a unanimous All-American and the Biletnikoff Award winner for the second-straight season.

A total of 18 players were drafted at Texas Tech under Leach's watch and 21 others signed free agent contracts. In the spring of 2009, four players were selected among the first four rounds of the NFL Draft, marking the most successful draft for Texas Tech in the Leach era.

The program made strides academically as well under Leach. During his 10 years, Texas Tech was recognized as one of the nation's top institutions for consistently being above a 70 percent graduation rate, according to the AFCA.

Following his tenure at Texas Tech, Leach spent eight seasons at the helm at Washington State where he compiled a 55-47 (.539) record and was named the 2018 American Football Coaches Association National Coach of the Year and two-time Pac-12 Coach of the Year (2015, 2018). Leach spearheaded WSU to a school-record six bowl appearances and became the first coach in school history to lead the Cougars to five consecutive bowl games. They also led the nation in passing offense in four out of his last six seasons in charge.

The 2018 campaign saw Leach produce one of the finest coaching performances as WSU posted its first 11-win season in school history and a share of the Pac-12 North Division. The Cougars were ranked in the top 13 of each College Football Playoff rankings, including four consecutive weeks at No. 8. WSU capped the season with a win over Iowa State in the Alamo Bowl and finished No. 10 in the Associated Press and Coaches polls. Senior quarterback and Mississippi native Minshew captivated the nation, leading the FBS in passing yards per game (367.6).

In the spring of 2019, Leach taught a five-week course at WSU on Insurgent Warfare and Football Strategies, along with former Washington State Senator Michael Baumgartner.

Leach arrived in Starkville on January 9, 2020, as Mississippi State's 34thhead football coach. He led the Bulldogs to a 19-17 record, including an 8-4 mark in 2022, and bowl appearances in all three seasons. Leach's offense led the SEC passing in each of the last two seasons. The Bulldogs defeated seven AP Top 25 opponents during Leach's MSU tenure, which tied for third most by a Bulldog head coach. Leach coached MSU to its two largest comebacks in program history in 2021.

Wreaths for Confederate veterans



NATHAN LAMAR

Thomas Jefferson Denney Camp #1442, the local Sons of Confederate Veterans group, placed handmade wreaths on Confederate veterans' final resting places at multiple cemeteries in the Cullman County area on Dec. 10. The camp met early that morning, making the wreaths and bows using spruce limbs. Pictured left to right (standing) are Nathan Lamar, Bert Jones, Wayne Willingham, Jill Larson and Steve Larson; (kneeling) Rick Leipert; and (not pictured) Don Bryan Sr.

Ordinance (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City Council on Monday passed Ordinance 2023-11 to regulate the City's emergency response resources. Due to specific call demands by individuals needing mobility assistance as opposed to emergency services, the new ordinance, which goes into effect Jan. 1, 2023, will permit three non-emergency calls per home per year before a $50 an hour fee is levied.

City Attorney Luke Satterfield said responding to non-emergency calls for lift assists, false alarms, etc. spreads the city's first responders thin in the event of true emergencies.

The call volume in a typical year runs between 800-900 calls. Last year, over 300 calls were placed from one household for mobility to and from the bed, to the bathroom and other tasks.

Upon transitioning into an assisted living facility, the calls continued for mobility-related tasks which made first responders unavailable for other incoming calls, which could be serious. The new ordinance seeks to curtail the approximately 90% of non-emergency calls the department responds to, according to Satterfield.

Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism Executive Director Nathan Anderson reported stellar attendance at the weekend's Christkindlmarkt. Anderson thanked the council and City employees, stating, "I think just about every City department got involved at some point over this weekend." Anderson noted that families traveled from up to four hours away to attend the event in its second year.

In other business, the following agenda items were approved:

- To hold a public hearing on Dec. 12, 2022, at 7 p.m. for Ordinance 2023-04 to adopt the 2021 International Building Code including the companion codes. No one spoke against.
- To hold a public hearing on Dec. 12, 2022, at 7 p.m. for Ordinance 2023-05 to rezone the Apel property located at 1106 Second Ave. NW from M-1 Manufacturing to B-2 Business District. Just north of Pure gas station and Urban Standard. No one spoke against.
- Resolution 2023-10 to enter into a contract with St. John & Associates for supplemental engineering and design services at the Cullman Civic Complex
- Resolution 2023-11 authorizing the city attorney to obtain possession of property on behalf of the City
- Ordinance 2023-04 to adopt the 2021 International Building Code including the companion codes
- Ordinance 2023-05 to rezone the Apel property located at 1106 Second Ave. NW from M-1 Manufacturing to B-2 Business District.
- Ordinance 2023-10 to enter into a franchise agreement with the Cooperative Connection LLC dba Sprout
- Ordinance 2023-12 to update and clarify language for 2023 license fee schedule











Christmas (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Christmas continues in Cullman County as the countdown to Christmas Day begins. Below are some upcoming events.

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

Winter Market
- Saturday, Dec. 17 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 18 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Warrior Way Market is hosting the second annual Winter Market at the Cullman County Child Development Center. Over 70 participating vendors will provide countless holiday gifts available for purchase. More information is available at www.facebook.com/warriorwaymarket. The Cullman County Child Development Center is located at 17600 U.S. Highway 31 in Vinemont.

"The Nutcracker"
- Saturday, Dec. 17 6 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 18 2:30 p.m.
- The Cullman Ballet Theatre School presents the perennial holiday classic "The Nutcracker" at Wallace State Community College's Betty Leeth Haynes Theatre.
- Tickets for this weekend's performances are available for $15 online at www.etix.com/ticket/o/10033/cullmanballettheatreschool. Balcony seat tickets will be available at the door for $20 (cash only). No other tickets will be available for purchase at the door.

Parkside Outreach Christmas Open House
- 9 a.m.
- Activities for children and Santa Claus will be available at the outreach in Baileyton.

Third Rock Revival's Shopping at Karma's
- 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Vinyl records, vintage gifts and clothing will be back for holiday shoppers at Karma's Coffee House.

Christmas Trivia Night at Goat Island Brewing
- 7-9 p.m.
- Hosted by Matt Mitchell, the free event will test your Christmas movie knowledge during a night of food and fun. A food truck will be on site and no pre-registration is required. Prizes for first-, second- and third-place teams, plus prizes for best team name, best wrong answer and more.

Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department Christmas Drive Thru
- 6-8 p.m.
- Hamburgers, hot dogs and a toy for children will be provided by the Town of Baileyton, Baileyton Volunteer Fire Department, Jennifer Harlow and Parkside Outreach. Santa will be visiting at the event at the fire department.

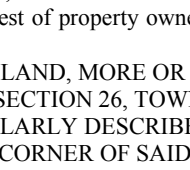
SUNDAY, DEC. 18

Santa with Cullman County Home Builders
- St. John's Church Christ Hall
- 2-5 p.m.
- Santa will be available for free photos. Monetary donations accepted for the family of Jason McCollum and drawdown tickets and playhouse raffle tickets available for sale.

ONGOING

Christmas at the Ave Maria Grotto
- 5-9 p.m.
- Dec. 16-17 (wagon rides), 19-22, 23 (wagon rides), 26. Christmas lights highlighting the Grotto with music and refreshments. Wagon rides through the woods on select dates. Admission costs range from $7-$10 with children ages 4 and younger free. Wagon rides are $10 for adults and $5 for children.

20th Annual Sportsman Lake Park Winter Wonderland Christmas Light Display
- 5-9 p.m.
- Dec. 15-23, 26-30
- Over a million lights twinkle along the winter wonderland with the Christmas train, snow machine, carriage rides, photo booth and hot chocolate for $10 per vehicle.



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LEGALS

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Default having been made in the terms of that mortgage executed on May 28, 2008 and Amendement to Mortgage dated June 13, 2008 by John D. Owen, an unmarried man, to EvaBank, which said mortgage is recorded in Book MTG 1566, Page 869, and Amendment to Mortgage recorded in MTG 1568, Page 843 in the Probate Office of Cullman County, Alabama, and default continuing, and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the following described property will be sold at public outcry, for cash, to the highest bidder, in front of the Courthouse door of said County, in Cullman, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on January 5, 2023:

A tract or parcel of land being situated in the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter all in Section 18,, Township 11 South, Range 4 West, Cullman County, Alabama, and being more particularly described as follows:
Commence at a found pipe marking the Southwest corner of said Section 18 and run North 00 degrees 18 minutes 01 seconds East a distance of 1327.57 feet to a set rebar marking the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter; thence continue North 00 degrees 18 minutes 01 seconds East a distance of 1327.57 feet to s set rebar marking the Northwest corner of said Quarter-Quarter; thence run South 88 degrees 09 minutes 45 seconds East a distance of 210.91 feet to a set rebar; thence run South 00 degrees 18 minutes 01 seconds West a distance of 684.25 feet to a set rebar; thence run South 88 degrees 09 minutes 45 seconds East a distance of 351.13 feet to a set rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue South 88 degrees 09 minutes 45 seconds East a distance of 315.34 feet to a set rebar; thence run North 89 degrees 32 minutes 02 seconds West a distance of 315.00 feet to a set rebar; thence run North 01 degrees 25 minutes20 seconds West a distance of 444.07 feet to the point of beginning.
Included herewith is a 30 foot wide road easement along the North line of Subject Property. For clarification the 30 foot wide road easement was reserved by Builders and Traders, the original owners of Parcel Numbers 21-04-18-0-000-005.005; 004.001; and 005.013, as a 30 food wide road easement along the North line of all property bearing these parcel numbers to be fused by all these parcels to reach County Road 362.

The following manufactured home to be auctioned separately and together: 1990 Gateway, VIN GWAL2792

Said sale is made for the purpose of paying the mortgage debt and cost of foreclosure.

Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as part of the foreclosure process.

EvaBank, Mortgagee
Thomas W. Russell
Attorney for Mortgagee
2915 Clairmont Ave. S
Birmingham, Alabama 35205
The Cullman Tribune-December 15, 22, 29, 2022

LEGALS

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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 *
MARGARET ANN WILSON * CASE NO PC 2022-416
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration have been granted to **Cynthia Wilson Self,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **Margaret Ann Wilson ,** deceased, on the 6th day of December, 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.

Cynthia Wilson Self
Personal Representative

Rhonda Chambers
MARSH, RICKARD, & BRYAN, PC
Attorney for Petitioner
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Birmingham, Alabama 35209

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
IVODEAN RICHARDSON,
Deceased.
Case Number: PC2022- 388

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama

In the matter of the Estate of Ivodean Richardson, Deceased

Letters Testamentary upon last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 28th 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.

Patsy Stoll
Personal Representative

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

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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 *
RONNIE LANE ARNDT, * CASE NO.: PC2022-385
*
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to CAROL B. PAYNE, as Administratrix of the Estate of RONNIE LANE ARNDT, deceased, on the 14th day of December, 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.

Carol B. Payne
Administratrix

J. Bradley Wilson
Attorney for Petitioner
Baggett & Wilson, LLC
206 Ninth Street SW, Suite 102
Cullman, AL 35055
256-737-0740

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

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Cullman, Alabama, will hold a public hearing on January 9th, 2023 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium at City Hall, 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. At this time anyone wishing to be heard in favor of or in opposition to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-09 (set forth in full below) will be given an opportunity to be heard:

ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 09
AMENDING THE CURRENT ZONING ORDINANCE AND ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PARCELS OF PROPERTY AS SET FORTH HEREIN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION 1. Under the authority of Chapter 52, Articles 1 through 4, Section 11-52-1 through Section 11-52-84, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, and specifically Sections 11-52-77 and at the request of property owner, the petitioner, the following describe the tract or parcel of land, to-wit:
A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 1.00 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS AND BEING A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 3 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
COMMENCE AT A FOUND BAR MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID QUARTER-QUARTER HAVING AN ALABAMA STATE PLANE, WEST ZONE, NAD 83 COORDINATE VALUE OF N. 1509571.86', E 2170996.26' AND RUN THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 40 SECONDS EAST (BEARING BASED ON AL. STATE PLANE, WEST ZONE, NAD 83, GRID, A DISTANCE OF 790.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 03 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 7.46 FFET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF BOLTE ROAD; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST AND RUN ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 207.98 FEET TO A SET REBAR (CONN-17831) MARKING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 39 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 144.42 FEET TO A FOUND PIPE MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF OLD HANCEVILLE HIGHWAY; THENCE SOUTH 31 DEGREES 45 MINUTES 30 SECOND EAST AND RUN ALONG SAID WEST LINE, A DISTANCE OF 246.14 FEET TO A FOUND REBAR; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 49 MINUTES 14 SECOND WEST, A DISTANCE OF 274.09 FEET TO A SET REBAR; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 02 MINUTES 01 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 208.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
within the city limits of Cullman, Alabama, and lying and being in Cullman County, State of Alabama, designated as M-1 Manufacturing District on the Zoning Map of the City of Cullman, Alabama, under Ordinances No. 2004-03 and as may be reflected in any comprehensive master plan for the City of Cullman, Alabama, be, and is hereby changed from M-2 Manufacturing District to B-2 Business District.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance be published at least once a week for two consecutive weeks in advance of its final passage in a newspaper with general circulation within the City of Cullman, Alabama, the first publication of said notice and ordinance being verbatim and the second publication either verbatim or synopsized, with the last publication being at least 15 days prior to the date set for public hearing and passage of said ordinance.

SECTION 3. That a public hearing be held relative to the passage of this ordinance on the 9th day of January, 2023 at 7:00 o'clock p.m., at which time interested parties and citizens shall have the opportunity to be heard concerning said ordinance and any changes relating thereto.

SECTION 4. That all notices as required by law be given by the City Clerk concerning said public hearing, and in addition thereto, a certified letter be sent by the Clerk to all contiguous property owners at their last known addresses as shown by the tax records for the City of Cullman, Alabama.

SECTION 5. That upon final passage of this ordinance, all zoning maps, master comprehensive plans or any other documents of the City of Cullman, Alabama, in conflict with this ordinance are hereby changed and amended to reflect the changes and amendments herein.

SECTION 6. Should any part or portion of this ordinance be held invalid, unenforceable or unconstitutional, for whatever reason, by a court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect any other part or portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage or adoption as required by law, including notice, publication and public hearing, all in accordance with Section 11-52-1, et seq., Code of Alabama 1975, as amended.

/s/Wesley M. Moore – Cullman City Clerk

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF Alabama
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Katherine L Beck And Eddie R Beck Wife And Husband to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Cullman Savings Bank, its successors and assigns dated August 23, 2019; said mortgage being recorded on August 28, 2019, in Book 1887, Page 830 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Ameris Bank by assignment recorded in Deed Book 381, Page 607 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.
The undersigned, Ameris Bank, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 9th day of February, 2023 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
Lot Number Thirty-Four (34) of Skyview Estates Subdivision, according to the map of said subdivision as recorded in Map Book 5, Page 203, in the Probate Records of Cullman County, Alabama.

Said property is commonly known as 1405 Hanceville Rd SE, Cullman, AL 35055.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

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as holder of said mortgage
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Shout out to Cullman Appliance Repair

Mindy Howell
Contributor

It's uncommon nowadays that a business can be prompt, knowledgeable, efficient, reliable, kind and helpful all wrapped in one. It's even more uncommon that you see a business that has all the above plus a team that works together to help get the job done efficiently, timely, and that keeps costs affordable for the community.

Yesterday was very eventful and productive here at my parent's house to say the least. My dad noticed that their refrigerator was leaking water and couldn't find the leak anywhere.

My dad shut the water off to the fridge to try and find out where the leak was and what did we need to fix it. Since my dad's health has increasingly/rapidly declined, it makes it more difficult for him to do what he used to could do.

I was doing my best to try and help and I finally broke down and said that I was calling my friend for help but I couldn't remember his name to save the life of me (it made me feel bad). I then took to the old Facebook and made a post asking about refrigeration repairs. Thank you all for the recommendations. When I started reading the comments, I realized that it was Robert Brantley who had helped us once before right after the hail/tornado.

I called and left a voice mail. Within one minute, I got a return phone call from a lady named Christy from Cullman Appliance Repair! Christy was so nice and very helpful.

She asked me a few questions and then proceeded to give me more in-depth information and what to expect. She explained the service fee, flat rates and the cost of parts/labor if deemed warranted.

She was also willing to set up an appointment for one of their team members to come take a look this week as early as Wednesday.

I was impressed by her knowledge, kindness, eagerness to help, friendly professional attitude, and (it) made me feel like a human being instead of just another customer. I told her that once my mom got home later yesterday afternoon that we would discuss what my mom would like to do to get their refrigerator fixed. Christy said that was fine and to call back if we needed them.

No sooner than I hung up from Christy, Robert called me. I told him what was going on and if it could be fixed. Little did I know that it was only a minor issue that could be fixed with some hot water!! He explained what I needed to do since we already had the fridge pulled out and had taken the covers off.

I learned a lot yesterday about our refrigerator that I didn't know before. That knowledge will now be with me the rest of my life!

With all the above said, I just want to give a huge shout out to Robert Brantley and Christy Best with Cullman Appliance Repair!!

Cullman Appliance Repair is the epitome of a locally owned business here in Cullman that provided excellent customer service!!

I highly recommend Robert Brantley and his team at Cullman Appliance Repair!!!

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Obituary Announcements: Dec. 13-14

Judy L. Goforth, 84
Judy L. Goforth, age 84 of Hanceville, passed away Monday, Dec. 12, 2022, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. She was born July 21,1938, in Ohio to Audley Law and Beulah Lull Law. She was a special education teacher with many schools in Alabama and North Carolina. She was a graduated of Alabama A&M with a degree in education. Judy was raised in South Dakota; she loved her grandchildren very much and spent as much time with them as she could and was very dedicated to her family; she was an avid reader. Mrs. Judy was preceded in death by her husband, Buddy Gene Goforth; granddaughter, Katherina Goforth; her parents, Audley "Toad" and Beulah Lull Law; sister, Jean Kehr. She is survived by her children, David (Cynthia) Goforth, Daniel (Rebecca) Goforth, Doug (Lisa) Goforth and Marianne Goforth (David) Link; grandchildren, Charles, Jonathan, Emily, Danielle, Samantha, Jennifer, Anna, Grason, Nicholas, Alexander, Michael, Jordan, Melody, Christina, Hannah and Matthew; great grandchildren, Remi, Avery, Hunter, John Tyler and Grace; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Joe (Nancy Carol) Pilgram. The family will have a memorial service at a later date and time. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Goforth Family.

Delinda Louann Thompson, 76
Delinda Louann Thompson, age 76 of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Sunday, Dec. 12, 2022, at Hendrix Health and Rehab. Delinda was born June 5, 1964, in Lynn, Alabama. No services will be held at this time. Delinda is survived by her children, Melvin (Vicki) Willingham, Shirley Hagood, Nancy Willingham, Patricia Rubenstine, Daniel Gilliland and Manuel Gilliland; grandchildren, James Michael Gary Rubenstine, Kimberly Ann Walters, Matthew Willingham, Jennifer Green, Billy Gene Smith, Dottie Nicole Kelly. James Daniel Gilliland, Johnathan Gilliland, Shawn Gilliland, Austin Gilliland and a host of great great grandchildren and the many special friends, Kimberly Thomas, Danielle Dodd, Keisha Franks, and Diane Dodd. She was preceded in death by her parents, Clyde and Dera Kimbrell; son, Robert Lee Willingham; son-in-laws, Roy Hagood and James E. Rubenstine.

Brian Neal Smith, 49
Brian Neal Smith, age 49, of Cullman, Alabama passed away Monday, Dec. 12, 2022. He was born in Cullman Alabama on Nov. 11, 1973, to Neal and Patricia Smith. He is preceded in death by his father. Services are Monday Dec. 19, 2022. at 2 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be from noon to 2 p.m. Survivors are daughter: Tala Smith, mother: Patricia Smith, step-mother: Gloria (Mossy) Smith, brother: Dakota (Chelsi) Smith, sister: Somer Smith, step-sisters: Bridgett Gann, Brittany (Justin) Prince, a host of nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Paul "Scott" Gruelle, 58
Paul "Scott" Gruelle, age 58 of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Sunday, Dec. 12, 2022, at Huntsville Hospital. Paul was born July 2, 1964, at Mount Vernon, Illinois. No services planned at this time. Paul is survived by his wife, Cindy; daughters, Kerry, Kaysie, Kayla and Jessica; sisters, Connie, Rosemary, Catherine, and Valerie; and brother, Marlin "Butch." He was preceded in death by his parents, Marlin E. Gruelle and Mabel E. (Wells) Gruelle.

Dolores Belinda Peppers, 65
Dolores Belinda Peppers, 65 of Addison, entered into rest Monday, Dec. 12, 2022, at Lakeland Community Hospital. Dolores was born March 19, 1957, in Munchweiler, Germany. She loved to travel and enjoyed her job escorting mobile homes as it enabled her to see the country. No services are planned at this time. Dolores is survived by her daughter, Tabitha Prakelt; son, Jesse Peppers; ex-husband and father of her children, David Peppers; and 6 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Daniel Peppers.

Chad Steven Bennett, 50
Memorial Service for Chad Steven Bennett, age 50, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 21, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Visitation will be from noon until 2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Bennett passed away Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022, at Huntsville Hospital. He was born May 4, 1972, to Jerry Wayne Storey and Sue Hyatt. He was preceded in death by his father, Jerry Wayne Storey. Survivors include his mother, Sue (Danny) Hyatt; sons, Logan (Abby) Yancy and Tucker Yancy; sisters, Amy (Franklin) Drinkard and Sherry Woodard; brother, Scotty (Hannah) Bennett; wife, Teresa Burns Bennett; nephew, Cody (Shea) Rowell; niece, Rebecca Holcombe; and a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, family and friends.

Bobby L. Brockman, 58
Funeral services for Bobby L. Brockman, age 58 of Hanceville, will be conducted Friday, Dec. 16, 2022, at 2 p.m. from the Mountain Grove Baptist Church with Reverend Mark Long officiating. Burial will follow in the adjoining cemetery. Mr. Brockman will lie in state at the church Friday from 11 a.m. until the time of service. Bobby was born Dec. 4, 1964, in Flint, Michigan. He attended Mountain Grove Baptist Church and was loved by many. Bobby was an avid Alabama Fan "Roll Tide"; he enjoyed woodworking and coaching the boy's baseball team, loving each player as if they were his on kids. Bobby served in the United States Army from 1982 until 1984. He was a faithful loving husband for 38 years to Joyce Pitts Brockman, loving father of Stacey (Michael) Reese and Jennifer (Davis) Gantt; wonderful grandfather to Jacob Gantt, Ava Gantt, Lane Wilkins, Lawson Wilkins, Lynnley Wilkins, Lexie Reese, Adam Reese and JonLuke Reese. Bobby is also survived by his mother, Alice McGill Walker; brothers, Eddie and Kenny (Lynn) Brockman; sisters, Debbie (Steve) Cochran, Lisa Ivey, Jane Bullitt and Teresa Brockman-Price; a host of nieces and nephews. Bobby was preceded in death by his son, Bo Brockman; fathers Ronnie Brockman and Billy Walker. The family has asked Jon Chandler, Glenn Davis, Ricky Armstrong, Wes Sandefur, Jeff Carter and Mark Reid to serve as pallbearers along with Jeff Davis as a honorary pallbearer.

Wilma Jean Bland, 84
Graveside funeral services for Wilma Jean Bland, age 84 of Hanceville, will be conducted Saturday, Dec. 17, 2022, at 2 p.m. at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Dr. David McGowin and Pastor Tom Richter will officiate the service. Mrs. Bland was born July 23, 1938, in Montgomery, Alabama to James Sticher and Lois Jackson Sticher. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Hanceville for 49 years and was currently a member of First Baptist Church Cullman. Wilma worked many years at Hanceville High School as a teachers' aid and later went to work at Romines Apparel Store until her retirement. She was very supportive of her students that she taught all these years and loved each of them dearly. After raising her children, the grandchildren came along but was later set aside by the delight of her life, the great grandchildren. Wilma is survived by her loving husband of 66 years, Alton Bland; her two children, Kelly (Danny) Taylor and Jimmy "James" (Cindy) Bland; grandchildren, Jessica (Justin) Raper, Tyler (Jennifer) Bland, Kasey (Jake) Creel and Kristen (Eric) Searls; great grandchildren, Caleb Raper, Olivia Raper, Dalyn Bland, Anastasia Bland, Jude Creel, Lucy Creel, Max Creel, Harrison Searls and Henry Searls; sister, Betty White; niece, Glenda Nail; a host of other loving family. The family has asked Tyler Bland, Jake Creel, Eric Searls, Justin Raper, Steve Burgett and Waid Smith to serve as pallbearers.

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