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Cullman City Council hears update on 2023 Strawberry Festival

Blues Traveler to headline event

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CULLMAN, Ala. — With the approaching warmer weather will come one of Cullman's favorite events: the Strawberry Festival is scheduled for May 6. Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism Executive Director Nathan Anderson at this week's meeting of the Cullman City Council provided an update on the event that welcomed over 25,000 attendees from 12 states in 2022.

This year's festival will grow to two stages, with the main stage in the back of Depot Park and the other, where local bands and musicians will be featured, on the north side of Festhalle. On the main stage this year, Tim Montana and Parmalee will get things started » PAGE 8



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Music fans at a previous Cullman Strawberry Festival

Valentine's dance



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Students from the Cullman County Child Development Center (CCCDC) celebrated Valentine's Day at a school dance, along with members of the Vinemont High School Student Government Association. Students from both schools enjoyed music from across the decades. CCCDC Principal Chris Gambrill even hit the dance floor showing the kids how to dance it "'Gangnam Style."



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CRIME

Arrests and Incidents reported Feb. 15

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 15, 2023. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

No incidents or arrests reported.

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 9

• duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; Hwy. 157; damage to 2018 Cadillac CTS; $1,000

Feb. 13

• theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $171

• theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $187

• criminal mischief-3rd degree; Eckenrod Ford; Hwy. 157; damaged property; $100

• criminal trespass-2nd degree; theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $157

• duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; 2nd Ave. SW; damage to 1995 Ford Mustang;

• harassment; person; Lee Cir. SW

ARRESTS

Feb. 13

Kilpatrick, Justin K.; 35

• FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Whatley, Vicky C.; 58

• criminal trespass-2nd degree

Dingler, Erica L.; 36

• FTA- expired tag (2 counts)

• FTA- theft of property-4th degree (3 counts)

• FTA- criminal trespass-3rd degree

Feb. 14

Dover, Janissa C.; 30

• FTA- driving while suspended

Bagwell, Westley L.; 42

• FTA- public intoxication

• FTA- criminal trespass-3rd degree

Givens, Jason H.; 45

• FTA- driving while revoked

• FTA- DUI

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Wallace State pumps $212.6M into local economy

Kristen Holmes
Wallace State

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — A new economic report shows the impact one college can have on a region, and a system on a state. Wallace State Community College annually adds approximately $212.6 million to the local economy and supports 3,348 jobs in the college's four-county service area, providing an economic boost to the region on par with hosting the World Series 27 times, and larger than the area's entire utilities industry.

These facts are part of an analysis that finds students and alumni of colleges within the Alabama Community College System add $6.6 billion to Alabama's economy, supporting one out of every 27 jobs in the state, according to an economic impact report released Monday.

The independent, 102-page report by Lightcast estimates the Alabama Community College System directly impacts 98,923 jobs in the state, representing about 2.7% of Alabama's gross state product.

Additionally, taxpayers see a net benefit of $1.1 billion in added tax revenue from students' higher lifetime earnings and increased output to businesses.

"Daily, I see the impact Wallace State Community College has on the lives of our students and the communities we serve," said WSCC President Dr. Vicki Karolewics.

"This study only verifies what I've known for years because I experienced it myself – that a community college education pays for itself over and over again, not only for each student who chooses to open the door to opportunity through education, but for their communities as well. We are a good investment."

Wallace State's impact has only grown over time. A previous economic impact report done several years ago showed Wallace State's return on investment was 10 to 1, with $10 returned to the economy for every $1 invested.

Today, Wallace State returns more than $11.50 to society for every $1 invested.

The education and training Wallace State provide have the greatest impact on its service area, more than the dollars the college spends on goods and services.

Since the establishment of the college, students have studied at Wallace State and entered the regional workforce with greater knowledge and new skills.

As a result of their education, they receive higher earnings and increase the productivity of the businesses that employ them.

On average, students who attend Wallace State see an impressive 21.2% annual rate of return on the investment they make in their education.

For context, the study sites the U.S. stock market's 30-year average rate of return at 10.5%.

Over a working lifetime, the benefits of an associate degree over a high school diploma will amount to a value of $373,800 in higher earnings per graduate.

Taxpayers, too, benefit from added tax revenue, stemming from students' higher lifetime earnings and increased business output, amounting to $75.7 million.

The societal benefits of Wallace State are much greater, with a present value of $893.1 million, the study finds.

These benefits include $621.4 million in added student income, $221.6 million in added business income, $31.0 million in added income from college activities, as well as $19.1 million in social savings related to health, crime and income assistance in Alabama.

"Our legacy centers on helping people develop the skills they need to help build the framework of our state's economy, and the data this report provides proves we are on a forward path of excellence in that pursuit," said Jimmy H. Baker, chancellor of the Alabama Community College System.

"Residents are receiving a strong return on investment when they invest in training at one of our colleges – whether through an adult education program, rapid skills training program, rigorous certification or academic transfer program that allows them to move toward completing a bachelor's degree.

"And they're using that training to make a difference right here in Alabama."

A total of 95% of Alabama community college students remain in the state to live and work.

The report is careful to point out that ROI from one institution cannot be easily compared to another institution nor across regions because results consider factors such as the cost of living, economic vitality, opportunities and unemployment rates in a given area.

Lightcast, a global leader in labor market analytics for colleges and universities, analyzed data using FY2020-21 academic and financial reports from Alabama's community and technical colleges, as well as industry and employment data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and Census Bureau.

The full state report can be found at www.accs.edu/impact.

Cookoff (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman EMS will host enthusiastic and hungry chili lovers from around the area for its sixth annual 911 Chili Supper & Cook-Off this Saturday, Feb. 18, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Cullman VFW. The event is open to the public for a $5 per person donation, with proceeds benefiting PTSD treatments for military veterans.

The chili will be prepared by first responders, including law enforcement officers, firefighters, dispatchers and EMA and EMS personnel. The chefs will prepare their own recipes to compete for the title of best chili.

Community members will be the taste testers and will vote for their favorites. Awards will be given to first, second and third place and for the hottest chili.

While sampling the many chili recipes, the community will be entertained with live music and have the opportunity to win door prizes.

"This event is a time where those who serve their community come together for some friendly competition," said Cullman EMS Director James Curtis in a press release.

"It's a great way for us to be able to meet the people of the community we serve, as well as an opportunity to give back to our community."

There's something for everyone at this year's 911 Chili Cook-Off – so be sure to come out and join the fun!

Whether you're a chili fan or just looking for something to do on a Saturday afternoon, the cookoff is certain to be a tasty and exciting experience.

The 911 Chili Cook-Off will take place at the Cullman VFW at 112 Veterans Dr. SW. For more information or to register a team, contact James Curtis at 205-903-4486 or james.curtis@cullmanregional.com.

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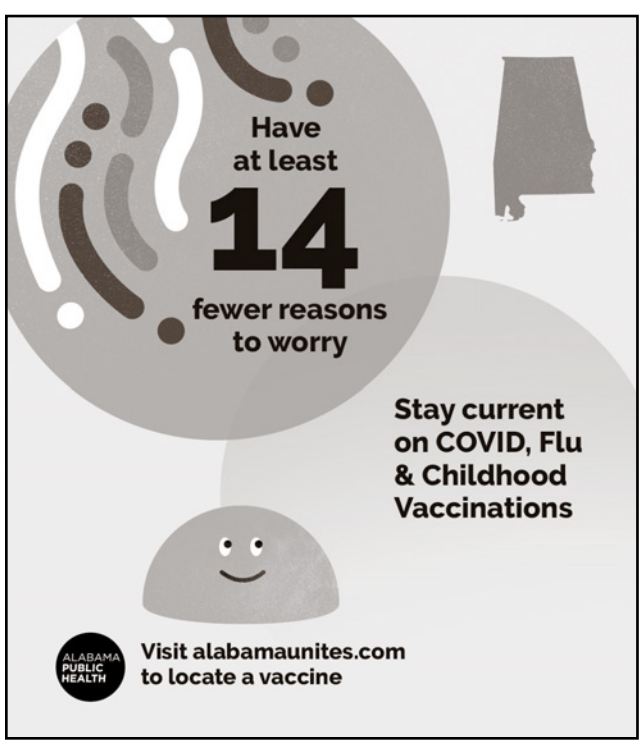
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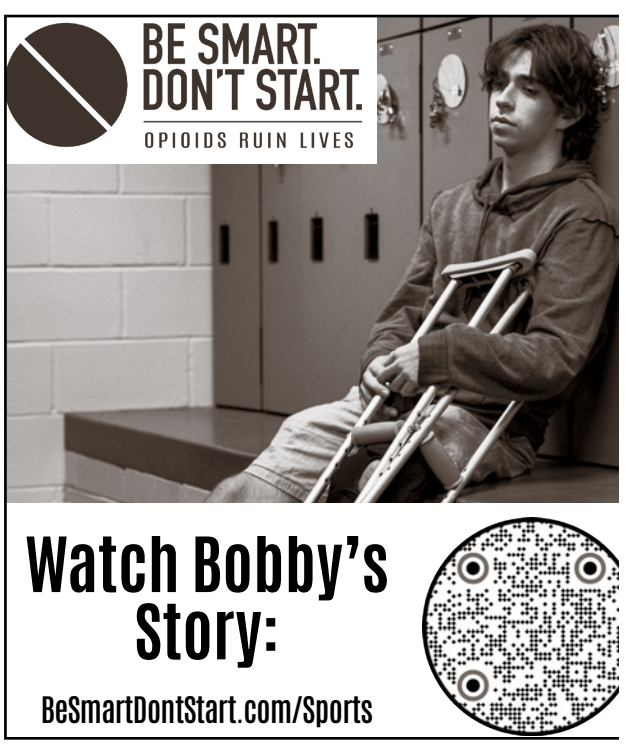
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Public Notice
The Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District (CCSWCD) is now accepting applications for a $750 scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Conservation District Employees Association. An applicant must be a U.S. citizen, a high school senior and live in Alabama. Applications may be picked up at the District office located 501-B Fourth St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055. You can also contact Kathy Holmes at kholmes@cullmanswcd.com or 256-734-1431. The deadline to receive completed applications in the District office is 4 p.m., March 4, 2023.

Calling All Young Singers!
Cullman Community Young Singers (CCYS) is looking for YOU! All young singers (ages 8-15) are invited to join us on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-4:45 at the Little House at Art Park, 1031 Second St. SW in Cullman. No auditions, just come for a fun afternoon of learning music from pop to classical styles. We will rehearse and prepare to perform at a variety of events in and around the Cullman community. Bring your friends- we will have music and everything you need to get started! For more information, text or email Miss Cindy at 256-338-4404, cindypass22@gmail.com. CCYS is sponsored by Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism.

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 Dr. NW, Cullman
• 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.
• Friday, Feb. 17 - 7 p.m. Recovery Ministry - Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! For those who want to get together before class bring a dish, dessert or drink @ 6:30 p.m. for a potluck meal. Nursery provided.
• Saturday, Feb. 18 - Drive through Food Bank 9-11 a.m.!
• Sunday, Feb. 19 - 8-9 a.m. Prayer Group - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby Sunday to pray for our church, nation, and for those who need Salvation and deliverance.
• Sunday, Feb. 19 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast @ 9:30 a.m. Bible study classes for children, youth, and adults @ 10 a.m. Adult class. 11 a.m. message by Pastor Bobby Dodd. The prayer meeting with Bonnie Barrett will be after the morning service. Community Lunch following church service! All are welcome and invited!

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.

Fairview High School Class of 1963 Meeting
Friday, Feb. 17, at 1 p.m. at the Golden Corral in Cullman. The group will meet in one of the reserved rooms in the back of the restaurant. For more information, call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

Kindness Rocks
Friday, Feb. 17, from 4-7 p.m. The Little House at Art Park. Rock-painting event to celebrate National Random Acts of Kindness Day. Presented by Free Mom Hugs and Sunrise Pride. Free.

St. Andrews Methodist Swamp John's Dinner
Friday, Feb. 17, from 4-7 p.m. 615 Main St. SW. Eat in or carry out.

Fairview Lions Club Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, Feb. 18, from 7-10 a.m. at Fairview Town Hall, 7525 Alabama Highway 69 N. Plates are $8 and are available eat-in or carry-out. All proceeds will go to the Fairview Lions Club project fund. For more information call Kita Chambers at 256-385-8805 or William Criscoe at 256-385-5596.

Cullman EMS 6th Annual 911 Chili Supper & Cook-Off
Saturday, Feb. 18, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Cullman VFW, 112 Veterans Dr. SW. All proceeds will benefit PTSD treatments for veterans. Competition open to law enforcement officers, firefighters, EMA and EMS personnel and dispatchers. Chili supper open to the public for a $5 donation per person. Awards determined by popular vote. Door prizes and live music. For more information or to register a team, contact James Curtis at 205-903-4486 or james.curtis@cullmanregional.com.

Cana-based Wine Pouring with Food Pairing
Saturday, Feb. 18 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Church Family Life Center. Hosted by the Altar Society of Sacred Heart of Jesus. All women are invited to share in this event, as four church members recount their personal experiences as they journey with Christ through their lives. Their service to others, their leadership and fellowships will be topics of conversation during this special gathering. There is a $10 fee at the door. All are invited to this morning of prayer.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Singing
Sunday, Feb. 19, at 5 p.m. 2nd Mile from Dekalb, 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.

Empty Bowls of Cullman County
Monday, Feb. 20, from 4-6 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Cullman. Enjoy a delicious dinner of Three Guys chili and grilled cheese, music by local performers and a silent auction. Benefits Cullman Caring for Kids. Only one thing will be different this year. For 17 years, potters made bowls for attendees to take home after their meals. The potters are no longer able to produce the number of bowls needed for everyone. Drive-through and carry-out options will be available. Tickets are $10 each and available at Cullman Caring for Kids or First United Methodist Church. Monetary donations or donations to the silent auction can be made at Cullman Caring for Kids, 402 Arnold St. NE #W1, Cullman, AL 35055. Monetary donations can also be made online at www.cullmancaringforkids.com.

Veteran and Beginning Farmer Series: So You Want To Keep Bees For Fun and Profit?
Tuesday, Feb. 21, 6 p.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex. In its second class of the year, the free Veteran and Beginning Farmer Series will explore beekeeping as a hobby and as a moneymaker with local beekeepers participating in a panel discussion with exhibits to study. Register with Tony Glover at gloveta@aces.edu or 205-568-0005.

Lenten Fish Fries
Fridays (Feb. 24, March 3, March 10), from 5-7 p.m. at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church Family Life Center. Fried or baked fish, fries, coleslaw, hushpuppies, desserts and drinks. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, with proceeds going toward their church work. $12 each for up to four dinners, with additional plates costing only $10 each. Guests can eat inside the gym or obtain meals through a drive-thru line (drinks only available for eat-in meals). Everyone is invited and are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross in the church at 7 p.m.

Holly Pond Lions Club Beans and Greens Meal
Saturday, Feb. 25, from 4-7 p.m. at the Holly Pond Lion's Club Building. All you can eat, with cornbread. Don't cook that night; join us for your meal. Eat in or take out. Donations accepted. Proceeds will benefit Lions Club programs. Also, we will accept any and all unused eyeglasses for donation.

Cullman Lions Club Fish & Ham Dinner
Saturday, March 4, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. in the Cullman Middle School cafeteria. Tickets are $15, and include a choice of catfish or ham, plus hushpuppies, slaw, baked potato, dessert and a drink. Eat in or get it to go. Drive-through available.

Veteran and Beginning Farmer Series: How to Sell Your Farm, Garden or Kitchen Products to the Public
Tuesday, March 14, 6 p.m. at the North Alabama Agriplex. Free. Helpful input and advice from experienced farmers and market sellers will be provided for the attendees to make the most out of their produce. Contact Tony Glover to register by email at gloveta@aces.edu or by calling 205-568-0005.

Inaugural Gospel Music Jubilee
Friday, March 17, 5 p.m. Northbrook Baptist Church. The first cancer awareness event of its kind will benefit the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation, a nonprofit organization that provides financial support to Cullman County residents battling all types of cancer. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the entertainment begins at 6 p.m. St. Bernard Jazz Band and Unity 4 Quartet are scheduled to perform and the evening will feature the Living Faith Quartet. Advance tickets are $15 or $20 at the door. A limited number of VIP tickets with parking are available for $25. Tickets can be purchased at www.CullmanBosomBuddies.com or by visiting Options at 2201 Second Ave. NW or Yates Christian Bookstore at 1650 Second Ave. SW.

Cullman Women's League Auction
Friday, March 17, 6-9 p.m. Steele Building. The fundraising auction will benefit Brooks' Place, the Cullman Regional Foundation, Curt's Closet, the Wallace State Future Foundation, Good Samaritan Health Clinic, Hope Horses, Knapsacks for Kids, The Link of Cullman County, Pilot Light House, Restoring Women Outreach and the Cullman Women's League Scholarship Fund. Live music will be provided by local favorite The Overtones and silent and live auctions will take place. Tickets are available for $30 and will include dinner and two drinks. They can be purchased at Three Pears, Southern Accents, White Willow and TheraPlay. They may also be purchased from any active members of the Cullman Women's League.

Hanceville Irish Festival
Saturday, March 18, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Commercial Street in downtown Hanceville. This fun, free annual festival celebrates Hanceville's Irish heritage and music, dancing, craft vendors and food will be on-hand. www.facebook.com/hancevilleirishfest

Kaleb's 5K Run
Saturday, April 8, 8-11 a.m. Depot Park. At 1 year old, Kaleb Phillips is a special little fighter who, due to a medical condition, had both feet amputated. The victorious tot now has prostheses and through hard work in physical therapy is taking steps to a full and energetic childhood with his cheerleaders by his side. Funds raised will go toward not only Kaleb's medical expenses, but also to another family facing similar obstacles. Registration is due by March 31 and found at www.runsignup.com/race/AL/Cullman/Kalebs5KRunwalk. The 5K run begins at 8 a.m. and the 1-mile fun run will start at 9.

39th Annual Bloomin' Festival Arts and Craft Fair
Saturday, April 22 and Sunday, April 23, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The two-day art festival welcomes 150 artists who exhibit their work to over 20,000 visitors on the picturesque campus of St. Bernard Prep School. Recognized throughout the Southeast as a must-visit festival, Bloomin' Fest is a favorite among locals as well. All proceeds benefit the operational support of St. Bernard Preparatory School. Admission is a donation of $10; children 12 and younger get in free. For more information visit www.bloominfestival.com or call 256-739-6682.

Relay For Life of Cullman County's Party in the Park
Saturday, April 29, 5-10 p.m. Depot Park. Honoring cancer survivors, the Party in the Park will also remember those who lost their battle with the disease. Relay For Life benefits the American Cancer Society's research and services. Enjoy children's activities, food trucks and live music. Visit www.relayforlife.org/cullmanal to register or join a team.

Strawberry Festival
Saturday, May 6, 9 a.m. Depot Park. Hosting over 24,000 visitors in one day, the Strawberry Festival was first celebrated in 1939. The festival features live music, a large craft show, fun and games for the whole family and Cullman's famous locally grown strawberries. This year's festival will be headlined by Blues Traveler.

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PREP BASKETBALL

Cullman cruises past Clay-Chalkville 64-37, advances to NW Regional

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman returned home after winning the 6A, Area 14 Tournament at Hartselle last week and welcomed Clay-Chalkville into Bearcat Arena for Sub-Regional matchup. The 'Cats took control early in the first half and pulled away as the second half went on to collect a 64-37 win over the Cougars and punch their ticket back to the Northwest Regional.

Bearcats Head Coach Stu Stuedeman was pleased with the way his team applied what they have been doing in practice to their game against Clay-Chalkville.

"Our guys took what we worked on in practice and took it into the game right from the opening tip. They ran and trapped us, and we got a wide-open dunk because we knew it was coming, we prepared for it and our kids executed it, offensively and defensively. That's what it takes to win playoff basketball, taking what you learn from practice into the games and going out there and letting it rip and have fun."

This Cullman team has plenty of players from last year's state title run still on it and Stuedeman hopes that experience will help the 'Cats as they prepare to make their way back to the Northwest Regional Tournament at Wallace State.

"I hope it's valuable experience, it should be, but we've got soldiers, man. Warriors that are going to bring it no matter what and they have no reason to be nervous at all because they've done so much already. It's just time to go enjoy this last ride and let it all hang out. Let it fly, lock up and rebound."

The Bearcats built an early lead right out of the gate, starting with a dunk from Nate Zills. A pair of Sam Duskin baskets made it a 6-0 game and Colton Echols and Tucker Cagle each scored inside to give Cullman a 10-4 lead midway through the first. Jake Dorough netted a pair of free throws to make it 12-4 and Duskin scored the next six points for the 'Cats to close out the opening period and put Cullman ahead 18-6 going into the second.

Cagle laid one in, and Garrison Sharpe knocked down a three to stretch the lead to 23-12 early in the second quarter. Echols scored back to back buckets to make it a 27-14 game with just over a minute remaining in the period. The Bearcats added to their lead in the final minute with baskets from Sharpe and Zills and went into the locker room leading 31-15 at halftime.

Dorough buried a three to get the second half started for Cullman and baskets by Duskin and Zills extended the lead to 38-15. Landon Tweedie laid one in to make it a 40-17 game with three minutes to play in the third and Cagle scored the next six points for the Bearcats to give them a 46-23 lead with 36 seconds on the clock. Duskin scored one more bucket for the 'Cats in the final seconds of the period and Cullman went into the final frame leading Clay-Chalkville 48-25.

Duskin drilled a three to stretch the lead to 51-25 at the start of the fourth quarter and Zills threw down another dunk to make it 53-28 with around six minutes remaining. Kase Nixon knocked down a three from the left corner to add to the lead with 3 minutes to play and the 'Cats cruised from that point on to a 64-37 win over the Cougars. Duskin led the way for Cullman with 17 points in the win. Cagle added 14 and Zills and Echols each finished with eight.

The Bearcats will now turn their attention to a Sweet 16 matchup with Buckhorn at Wallace State Friday at 1:30 p.m.

OTHER SUB-REGIONAL SCORES

Hanceville 64 – D.A.R. 62
The Bulldogs will now advance to play Jacksonville in the Northeast Regional Tournament at Jacksonville State University Saturday at either 10:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m.

Meek 88 – Lynn 66
The Tigers will advance to play Covenant Christian in the Northwest Regional Tournament at Wallace State Thursday at either 4:30 p.m. or 7:30 p.m.

Tanner 65 – Holly Pond 59 (2OT)

Marion County 77 – Addison 71



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cullman's Nate Zills throws down a dunk during the Bearcats' 64-37 Sub-Regional win over Clay-Chalkville Tuesday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

Lady Raiders advance to NW Regional with 77-9 win over Cordova

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — After winning an area tournament title last week, the Good Hope Lady Raiders returned home Monday night to host a Sub-Regional matchup against Cordova. Good Hope scored early and often in a dominant, 77-9 performance against the Lady Blue Devils, knocking down 11 three-pointers in the process.

The Lady Raiders came out firing the first quarter. Three-pointers by Heather Tetro, Ivey Maddox and Bailey Tetro gave Good Hope a quick, 9-0 lead. Bailey Tetro converted an and-one play to make it 12-3 and two more three-pointers from Maddox and Rudi Derrick stretched the lead to 18-3 midway through the period. Maddox's third trey of the night made it a 21-3 game and the Lady Raiders continued to pour it on. Good Hope was relentless on the defensive end, generating turnovers and easy baskets to add to its lead. Maddox laid in one more just before the end of the opening period to put the Lady Raiders in front 35-3 going into the second.

Maddox finished an and-one play at the line to make it 38-3 early in the second quarter and after Bailey Keef hit a pair of free throws, Heather Tetro buried a three to make it 43-3. Baskets by Jolee McHan and Maddox helped extend the lead to 49-3 later in the second. Following two more free throws from Johnson, McHan and Lexi Collins each scored in the final minute of the half to give Good Hope a commanding, 55-3 lead at the break.

Johnson scored inside and Heather Tetro nailed another three to make it a 60-4 game early in the third and Maddox's sixth three-pointer of the game put the Lady Raiders ahead 63-4. Baskets from Bailey Tetro and Maddox made it 69-6 late in the third quarter and Heather Tetro laid one in just before the end of the period to make it a 71-6 game going into the fourth quarter.

With the clock running throughout the final frame, buckets from McHan, Collins and Lexi Marshall wrapped up an impressive, 77-9 victory for Good Hope.

Maddox led the way for the Lady Raiders with 27 points in the win. Bailey Tetro finished with 12 and Heather Tetro added 11.

With the win, Good Hope will now advance to play Deshler at Wallace State in the Northwest Regional Tournament Saturday at 6 p.m.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Good Hope's Ivey Maddox led the Lady Raiders with 27 points and knocked down six three-pointers in their 77-9 win over Cordova Monday night.

PREP BASKETBALL

Addison punches ticket to NW Regional with 57-36 win over Hubbertville

Todd Walker
Contributor

ADDISON, Ala. — The Addison Lady Bulldogs hosted the Hubbertville Lady Lions in a sub-regional battle Monday night with a spot at the Northwest Regional on the line and Addison cruised to a 57-36 win. The Lady Bulldogs will now advance to play Covenant Christian at Wallace State's Tom Drake Coliseum Thursday at either 3 p.m. or 6 p.m.

The first period had both teams seeming a little tight. Hubbertville scored first on a Kylee Dunn free throw to take a 1-0 lead. This would be the Lady Lions only lead of the night. Addison would take the lead on a Hadley "Shooter" Butler three and the Lady Dawgs were off and running. Addison and Hubbertville played really hard and good shots were tough to come by. Lady Lion Dunn would score 5 in the period to go along with 6 rebounds. Addison's Gracie "Bug" Manley scored 4 points, while Brilyn Dover added a three-pointer.

Lydia "Barbie" Ergle dominated the glass with 8 rebounds and a blocked shot in the first period. It looked like it might be a record setting night on the glass for Ergle but the dreaded foul trouble hindered her the remainder of the game. Addison had a 12-7 lead after one, but it really didn't feel like Addison was in danger on this evening.

The second period had Addison's lady to lady press defense really effect the Lady Lions. With Addison leading 12-8, the Lady Bulldogs went on a 11-0 run to take a commanding 23-8 lead. Manley scored on the inside with 9 points while "Magic" Molly Gilbreath and Butler scored 6 points apiece from deep. Hubbertville's Layla Frederick had a three-pointer, while Dunn and Ella kate Currington had a free-throw apiece.

Addison outscored the Lions 21-5 in the period to take a 33-12 lead into the half.

The second half had Hubbertville coming out fired up and it seemed that the Lady Dawgs were just a step slower in the third period. With Addison up 39-14, Hubbertville's Ladies went on a 10-0 run to cut the lead to 39-24 and garner the momentum.

The Lions were led by Frederick with 8 points and Nevaeh Hoobler with a three-pointer in the period. Addison's Butler had 5 points while Manley chipped in 4 to try and keep the Dawgs in the lead.

Addison was able to recover from the Hubbertville run and keep the lead into double digits. The Lady Lions actually won the period 13-11 to go into the fourth down 44-25.

The fourth was fairly equal with Addison taking the period 13-11 and Hubbertville never getting within 17 points. Manley led Addison with 6 points, while Butler had 4 more. Lady Lions Dunn and Currington each had 5 for the Lions in the period.

Addison was able to come away with the fairly easy 57-36 victory. If you are a Lions fan your future is bright as the Lions do not start any seniors and the majority of their players are sophomores and below.

Addison moves on to Wallace to play an undetermined team while Hubbertville's season draws to a close.

Addison Head Coach Bailey Boland, "I know I say it every week, but I am so proud of our team. It is the seniors last game at home, and they really stepped up with their leadership before and during the game. Our team has alot of players with different roles.

"Some are scorers, some rebounders, some play defense and others can do a little bit of everything. Tonight, everyone did their role. They did what was expected of them and when you do that good things can happen.

"As far as Wallace goes, I feel that we were a little bit intimidated by that place last year. It is kind of a different setup than what you usually play on and I don't think that we handled it well.

"We made it a point to play two games there this year and plus we have that experience from last year to count on. I know our seniors will step up and continue to lead us in a positive direction."

Unofficial stats
Addison was led by Manley with a game high 23 points, 8 rebounds, 3 assists and 3 steals. Butler had 18 points, 2 boards, 7 assists and 2 steals. Gilbreath had 10 points, 2 rebounds and 1 assist.

Ergle had 2 points, 10 rebounds, 1 steal and 1 block. Dover had 3 points, 4 boards, 2 assists and 3 steals. Katie Barrett had 1 point, 2 boards, 1 assist and 2 steals. Lauryn "Beemer" Cunningham had 2 rebounds and 1 steal.

Hubbertville was led by Dunn with 13 points and 13 rebounds. Frederick had 12 points and 5 boards. Currington had 6 points and 3 boards. Hoobler had 3 points and 3 boards.

Georgia Gardner had 2 points and 4 rebounds. Kamryn Hubbert had 1 point and 2 rebounds. Cadee beth Hollingsworth and 2 rebounds.

PREP BASKETBALL

No. 3 Holly Pond falls in 2OT heartbreaker to Tanner 65-59

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SAMMY CONFER/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Holly Pond's Kollin Brown led the Broncos with 19 points in their 65-59 loss to Tanner Tuesday night.

HOLLY POND, Ala. — The third-ranked Holly Pond Broncos faced off against the Tanner Rattlers in the Sub-Regional game. Four quarters and an overtime weren't enough to decide this one, so it ended up going into double overtime and a late run by Tanner helped the Rattlers claim the lead and knock off Holly Pond 65-59.

Tanner got off to a strong start to the game, jumping out to a quick 9-0 lead more than halfway through the opening period. After being held scoreless for almost five minutes, Holly Pond finally got on the scoreboard on a made shot by Blake Rickard. That made shot helped jump-start the Bronco offense as Kollin Brown drained a pair of free throws and Gunnar McBee put in a floater to cut it to 9-6 later in the quarter. Sawyer Olinger drilled a trey from the left wing to tie the game up at nine and Brown would knock two more from the line to give Holly Pond an 11-9 lead going into the second.

Brown drove to the basket and put up a tough shot that went in as that gave the Broncos a 13-10 lead. A made basket by the Rattlers cut it to 15-14, but Olinger drained his second trey of the first half to push the Bronco lead to 18-14 with a little over five minutes to go until halftime. Brown put in two more from the line, as did Carson Ryan, and that stretched the Holly Pond lead to 22-17 with 2:31 left to go in the first half.

A pair of Tanner baskets cut it to 22-21, but a huge and-one by Christian Couch made it a 25-21 game. The Rattlers put in a late basket to end the first half, but Holly Pond held a slim 25-23 lead at the half.

The Broncos quickly got off to a good start to the third as Rickard hit a pair of free throws and Diego Garcia put up a wild shot that went in to make it 29-23. A rebound and put-back by Levi Farr pushed the Holly Pond lead to 31-23, but Tanner would respond with an enormous run of their own as they scored the next 15 points to grab a 38-31 lead late in the quarter. Brown stopped the bleeding with a deep trey to end the third quarter, but the Broncos found themselves down, 38-34, going into the fourth quarter.

Baskets by Brown and McBee to start off the fourth tied the game up at 38, but after that, points were very hard to come by for both teams. Tanner broke the tie with a trey, then later put in a pair of free throws as that gave them a 43-38 lead with a little over two minutes to go in the game.

Rickard drilled a huge trey with 1:29 left to make it a two-point game, then later on, with Holly Pond trailing 44-42, he put in a pair of free throws to tie the game up once again, this time, at 44. Neither team could break the tie, so this game would be decided in overtime.

Three Tanner free throws gave them a 47-44 lead, but a basket by Couch made it a one-point game. A pair of Rattler free throws gave them a 51-48 lead with a minute left to go in overtime, but a Brown made shot in the paint cut it to 51-50 lead. After the Rattlers split their free throws, Brown knocked down a floater to tie it up at 52. Holly Pond had a chance to win it after forcing a turnover, but Brown's three was just short and the game went into double-overtime tied at 52.

The Rattlers jumped out to a quick 57-52 lead, but a pair of Rickard free throws trimmed it to three at 57-54 with 1:27 left to go in the second overtime. Garcia added two more from the line to make it a 58-56 game, then Tanner split their free throws to make it a three-point game. Carson Ryan hit a huge trey from the left corner to tie the game up at 59 with 24 seconds left to go in double-overtime. But with three seconds left to go, a big basket by Tanner gave them a two-point game. After a missed free throw, they grabbed the rebound and got fouled. The Rattlers would seal the deal at the free-throw line, knocking down four straight, and Holly Pond's season came to an end as they ended up dropping a heartbreaker in double-overtime to Tanner, 65-59.

Brown led the way for Holly Pond with 19 points. Rickard added 14 points. Olinger put in six points, while Couch and Ryan each chipped in with five.





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City of Cullman
Zoning Board of Adjustments

On Monday, February 20th, 2023, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M., at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Zoning Board of Adjustments, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Variance request for parking spaces on Hays Drive NW for hotel.

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

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2006 Hyundai Sonata, Vin. #5NPEU46F56H073924.

This vehicle will be sold to pay storage and or repair fee at Lucas Auto Repair, 10271 US Highway 31, Hanceville, Alabama, 35077, on Friday, March 24, 2023, at 8:00 a.m.

NOTICE OF COMPLETION

The Cullman County Commission has completed CDBG County Road 18 Road Improvement Project (CY-CM-PF-21-006) which constructed improvements to the section County Road 18 just off State Highway 91 and extends southwest to Leacil Dooley Road. Chiton Contractors, J.C. Cheek Contractors, and Charles E. Watts gives Notice of Completion of the above referenced project. Any person or party having an unpaid claim against the Contractors listed above for supplying labor, materials, supplies or workmanship on this project should notify the Cullman County Engineering Department, 2883 Highway 69 North, Cullman, Alabama 35058 or by phone at 256-793-2266 within the next thirty days.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF D.S.H.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 01/04/2019

CASE NO.: AD2022-089

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: UNKNOWN FATHER OF A CHILD D.S.H, BORN JANUARY 4, 2019, TO SHAYLYND LATASHA HURST

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by George Earl Nunn and Anita Sue Nunn, Petitioners. If you should contest this adoption, you must file a written response within Thirty (30) days from the date of the last notice of publication. Your response must be filed with Counsel for said petitioner, whose name and address are shown below, and with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 15th DAY OF February, 2022.

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

Melvin Hasting
Attorney for Petitioners
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Cullman, AL 35056

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF)
)
N.G.E.,) CASE NO.: PC-2023-039
A minor child.)

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION TO APPOINT CONSERVATOR

TO: KATIE JOHNS, BIOLOGICAL MOTHER OF N.G.E. A MINOR CHILD

Please take notice that a *Petition to Appoint Conservator* has been filed by Johnathan Douglas Eady, Petitioner, by and through Attorney, Shay Persall. A hearing on said *Petition to Appoint Conservator* has been **SET FOR THE 11TH day of APRIL, 2023, AT 10:00 A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, Probate Office Room 101, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 14th day of February, 2023.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

Shay Persall
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
MAKAYLA GRACE SEARCY, * CASE NO PC 2023-032
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to **RALEY L. WIGGINS,** as Administrator of the Estate of **MAKAYLA GRACE SEARCY**, deceased, on the 31st day of January, 2023, 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.

Raley L. Wiggins
Administrator

Raley L. Wiggins
Attorney/ Administrator
Red Oak Legal, PC
322 Catoma Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

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 CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

JESSE DWIGHT GREGORY,
Plaintiff

Vs. Case Number: **DR-2023-000057.00**

NIRVANA MERCEDEZ LYNN PARKER,
Defendant

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

Nirvana Mercedez Lynn Parker, defendant, whose whereabouts is unknown, must answer Jesse Dwight Gregory's Complaint for Divorce by April 10, 2023 or, thereafter, a Judgment by Default may be rendered against her in Case Number 25-DR-2023-000057.00 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County.

Done this the 7th day of February, 2023.

Lisa McSwain
Lisa McSwain,
Clerk of Circuit Court

PETITIONER'S ATTORNEY:
ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
215 MAIN AV SW
CULLMAN, AL 35055

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF *
LJVG, JR., * CASE NO.: JU 22-177.02
a minor, DOB: 03-19-2022. *

NOTICE OF TERMINATION HEARING

The unknown father of the above child born to Patricia Dee Villa on March 19, 2022, must answer the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed by the Cullman County Department of Human Resources by the 2 day of March, 2023, or thereafter a judgment terminating his parental rights may be entered against him in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this the 18th day of January, 2023.

Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk

Petitioner:
Cullman County Department of Human Resources
P. O. Box 990
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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC2023-030

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF VIRGINIA CHRISTINE HOOPER, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Garry E. Hooper on the 31st day of January, 2023, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that 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.

Garry E. Hooper
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

Please publish the above notice three successive weeks in said newspaper.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2023-044

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR JUNIOR ODEN, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Elizabeth Ann Oden on the 7th day of February, 2023, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that 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.

Elizabeth Ann Oden
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of

SHAWN JEFFREY CRIDER, CASE NO. PC 2023 - 007

Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration have been granted to Mandy M. Crider, as Administratrix of the Estate of Shawn Jeffrey Crider, deceased, on the 30th day of January, 2023, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, and that 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.

Mandy M. Crider
Mandy M. Crider, Administratrix

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TO: The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

Please publish the foregoing notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of publication.

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Obituary Announcements: Feb. 14-15

Zera Barnett Burns Howard, 96
The funeral service for Zera Barnett Burns Howard, 96, of Simcoe, will be 11 a.m., Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Cullman Funeral Home. The visitation will be 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. prior to the service. Rev. Bobby Crawford and Rev. Layne Howard will officiate the service. The interment will be in the Simcoe Methodist Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Howard family. Mrs. Howard was born June 15, 1926, to John Walter and Emma Francis Scott Barnett. She passed away from this life Feb. 12, 2023, at her residence. She was an avid gardener who loved nature and birds. She also enjoyed Sacred Harp Music. She was preceded in death by her parents, John Walter and Emma Francis Scott Barnett; her husbands, J. V. Burns and William Earl Howard; her son, Tony Burns; numerous brothers and sisters. Mrs. Howard is survived by her nieces, Elizabeth Osborn, Dianne Sorrow, Sandra Crider, Glenda Troutman, Rita Feldkamp, Sherry Irvin, Melinda McElroy, Cheryl Kellerher; nephew, Dudley Barnett; step-children, Earlene Watts, Melanie Lambert, Robin Howard, Layne Howard, Matthew Howard; special friends, Tabitha Holland and Ann Gaines; and a host of step-grandchildren, family and friends. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy can be posted to www.cullmanfuneralhome.com for the Howard family.

William Jackson Matlock, 76, of Hanceville
A Celebration of Life service for William Jackson Matlock of Hanceville will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Mr. Matlock was born Dec. 1, 1946, in Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. He passed away at the age of 76 at Cullman Regional Medical Center on Feb. 12, 2023. Survivors include his wife, Margaret Matlock; sons, Jeremy Matlock and Jason (Roslee) Matlock; daughters, Linda Bradley (Wayne Manous), Joyce Mikeal, Angela Matlock and Jennifer (Matt Keller) Matlock; 14 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; brothers, Bill Matlock; sister, Eva Mae King; and a host of nieces and nephews. Mr. Matlock was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Pearly (Thompson) Matlock; daughter, Teresa Matlock, brother, J.B. Matlock; and sister, Edith Best.

Frederick Andrew White, 67
Frederick Andrew White, 67, of Logan, passed away Feb. 10, 2023, at his residence in Logan. No services are planned at this time. Mr. White was born Nov. 26, 1955, to Lowell Andrew and Julia Emma Sargent White. He was a loving father and grandfather. He was a hard worker who made sure his family was taken care of. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Patty White, Clara Hotarek; his brothers, Bob Bolton, Lowell 'Pete' White. Mr. White is survived by his son, Zachary White; daughter, Tiffany White; sisters, Elizabeth White of Stamper, Alabama and Brenda Hern of Missouri; grandchildren, Austin Shull, Natasha White, Adam White, Gavin Hammon, Chayse White, Joshua White, Aleahlyn White, Emmit White; great-grandchild, Dominic Sellers. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the White family. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy can be posted to www.cullmanfunerahome.com for the White family.

Kermit Scogin, 77
Kermit Scogin, age 77, of Haleyville, Alabama, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023, at his residence. Kermit was born May 14, 1945, in Winston County, Alabama. A graveside service will be held Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at 1 p.m. at Old Union Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. Interment will follow. Kermit is survived by his wife, Robbie Scogin; son, Bryan Scogin; daughter, Gina (Scogin) Lovejoy; daughter-in-law, Sherry Scogin; son-in-law, Mark Lovejoy; sisters, Laura Ann Bishop and Brenda Hess; granddaughters Aleshia Scogin, Victoria Scogin, Emily Lovejoy and Katie Lovejoy; and a host of nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Howard Scogin; mother, Mamie Scogin; and brother, Travis Scogin.

James Melvin Murcks, 73
Funeral service for James Melvin Murcks, age 73, of Hanceville, will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Rev. David Estes officiating; interment in Bethlehem United Methodist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 until 11a.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Murcks passed away Tuesday, Feb. 14 2023, at Cullman Regional. He was born June 29, 1949, to Melvin and Etta Lee Murcks. He was preceded in death by his son, James Derrick; parents; brothers, Jimmy Murcks and Jerry Murcks; sisters, Martha White, Ola Taylor and Magdalene England; and half brother, Milton Murcks. Survivors include his sons, Anthony (LeyAnn) Harris and Cody (Kristen) Murcks; daughter, Kristie (Jed) Wood; grandchildren, Jessica Nash, Mason Harris, Morgan Harris, Cooper Murcks, Canaan Murcks and Kynleigh Murcks; sisters, Myra Estes and Faye Brown; partner, Gaynell Parker; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

James Wendell West II, 57
James Wendell West II, 57, of Cullman, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023, at his residence. Jim "Scooter" was born Jan. 5, 1966, to James Wendell West and Pat Spradlin Kirkpatrick. Jim was a kind, loving husband, dad and son who loved to hunt and enjoyed being with family and friends. He was preceded in death by his father, James Wendell West; grandparents, J.C. and Alma West and James H. "Poke" and Doris Spradlin and two uncles, Jerry and Dennis Spradlin. Jim is survived by his wife, Donna West; daughter, Katelyn Elizabeth West; mother, Pat Kirkpatrick; stepfather, John Kirkpatrick; stepmother, Rosie West; two sisters, Kimberly West Johnston and Kelly West (Bradley) Askew; nieces and nephews, Chase Askew, Erin Askew (Kyle) Hester and Bethany Baker and a host of hunting buddies, childhood friends and work friends; too many to mention by name. A celebration of life service will be held by Ron Foust at Stonebridge Farms at a later date.

James Rudolph Cook, 82
Funeral service for James Rudolph Cook, 82, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 18, 2023, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Nesmith Cemetery, Bro. Kevin Rutherford officiating. The family will receive friends from noon until 2 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Cook family. Mr. Cook passed away Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2023, at his residence. He was born Sept. 5, 1940, to William Coleman and Sarah Cleo Robinson Cook. He was lifelong faithful Jehovah's Witness. He loved his family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Thelma Dean Cook. Survivors include his son, Jimmy Cook; daughters, Deana Holloway, Regenia Cook, Rena (Dean) Johnson, Chrissie (Mark) Jacobs; grandchildren, Christen (Austin) Flanagan, Justin Holloway, Melia Jude (Tyler) Hestla, Krystal (Mike) Hardin, Nathanael Cook, Jesse Whaley, Audrie Cook, Tyler Whaley; great-grandchildren, Amber Hardin, Samuel Ohsner, Lila Hestla; family and friends. Pallbearers will be Austin Flanagan, Tyler Hestla, Jesse Whaley, Tyler Whaley, Mike Hardin, Justin Holloway, Paul Whaley, Nathanael Cook. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Joseph David Boyd, 34
Funeral services for Joseph David Boyd, 34, of Hanceville, will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, at Hopewell Baptist Church with interment to follow at Cullman Memory Gardens. Joseph's family will receive friends at the church Friday beginning at 11 a.m.

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Guide (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Gardening in Zone 7b during February can be a bit tricky. The average temperature hovers around 44 degrees Fahrenheit, with lows sometimes reaching as low as 19. Therefore, it is important to plant cold-tolerant crops such as kale, collards and spinach. Planting should be done between the last frost date and early March for these cool-season vegetables to ensure that they have enough time to mature before summer heat arrives.

Houseplants
With some signs of new growth and perking up from winter slumber, fertilize your indoor plants in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions using a liquid or soluble fertilizer.

Trees
Dormant trees and seedlings can be planted and dormant pruning can be done. Fertilize fruit trees.

Shrubs
Plant dormant shrubs and spray existing shrubs with a fungicide before new growth begins to get a jump on combating obnoxious fungi in our humid climate.

Prune fall blooming shrubs and remember to wait to prune spring bloomers so you don't remove the flower buds.

Annuals
Cautiously plant hardy annuals.

Vegetables
Plant collards, Swiss chard and other greens that need ample time to grow before the hot summer sun.

Roses
Plant bareroot roses, which are available around town in garden centers.

Lastly, our beloved local treasure – strawberries – can be started as we wait anxiously for the Strawberry Festival and the deliciousness that comes with it.

In addition to planting edibles, ornamentals are also allowed this month in Zone 7b in February. Cold-resistant flowers such as pansies will yield beautiful blooms throughout winter and into springtime.

Bulbs like daffodils or tulips can be planted for a colorful burst of life in the spring.

Pruning woody plants such as shrubs and trees should also take place now to prepare them for the upcoming growing season. Keep an eye out for invasions by pesky insects and diseases that can compromise your garden's health. Regular monitoring and immediate treatment are key to avoiding widespread damage.

Update (from Front)

before headliner Blues Traveler takes the stage.

Tickets are available for seats closest to the stage, with VIP tickets (including T-shirt) selling for $75 and general admission tickets (behind VIP) costing $25. All other areas will be free, as in previous years.

Mayor Woody Jacobs gave an update on infrastructure upgrades along Warnke Road and said the work is anticipated to be completed by April 1.

Cullman Community Theatre Operations Director Noah Carpenter presented the council with tickets for the upcoming performance of "Steel Magnolias," noting that late Councilman Andy Page was one of the theater's biggest supporters.

Each year, a chair sits empty at the council table reserved for Coach Page, who absence has been felt by the entire community since his passing in January 2022.

Ross Organization of Support Specialists (R.O.S.S.) Director of Marketing Mark Litvine shared with the council about the organization's new outreach in Cullman. R.O.S.S. provides free recovery resources, including assessments and transportation.

A public hearing for Resolution 2023-17 for the vacation and surplus of a portion of Twelfth Way NW and Twelfth Street NW was held with no one speaking for or against the measure.

In other business, the following resolutions were approved:

- Resolution 2023-17 for the vacation and surplus of a portion of 12th Way Northwest and 12th Street Northwest, which is no longer needed for public or municipal purposes
- Resolution 2023-23 to award bid for Derby Creek Sewer Rehabilitation to the lowest responsible bidder, Apel Machine & Supply Company Inc., for the base bid amount of $503,000
- Resolution 2023-24 to award bid for Class III B wall pipe to the lowest responsible bidder, Foley Products Company, in the amount of $64,888
- Resolution 2023-25 to approve a tax abatement for Project Redesign (a major addition to an existing facility with a capital investment of $66 million)
- Resolution 2023-26 to amend the City of Cullman position control detail to remove and add positions in the garage and police department

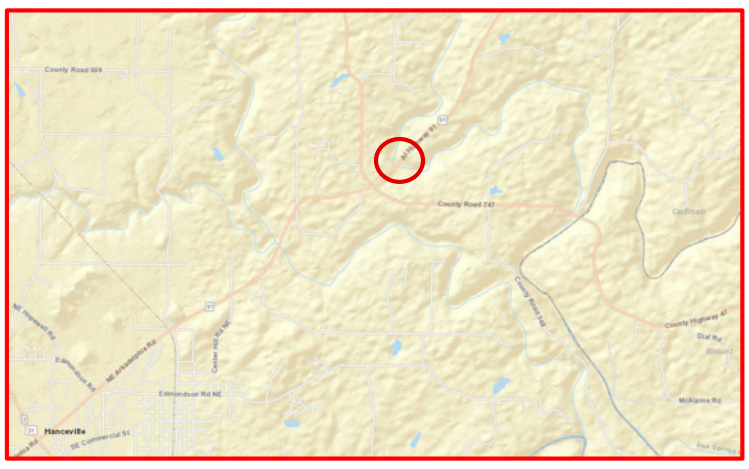
The first reading of the following ordinances were heard:

- Ordinance No. 2023-15 to annex property owned by the North Alabama Agriplex located at 1711 Talley Ho St. as AG-1 Agricultural District
- Ordinance No. 2023-16 to annex properties owned by K & P Land, LLC located on County Road 1402 as R-1 Residential District
- Ordinance No. 2023-17 to annex property owned by Judy Broadstreet and Sharon Sullivan located at 48 County Road 1474 as AG-1 Agricultural District

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