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Cullman council gives updates on roads, new hotel

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CULLMAN, Ala. — At Monday's meeting of the Cullman City Council, Mayor Woody Jacobs gave an update on road construction around city hall and the Cullman County Public Library, saying, "We have Clark Street open to foot traffic."

He said that while the project is not yet 100% complete, the City is excited with the progress.

The council reported the new Home2 Suites by Hilton hotel on Alabama Highway 157 near Interstate 65 will be completed before Rock the South in July. A statement on the hotel's website says, "We're accepting reservations for July 23, 2023 and beyond."

The council approved the following agenda items: **» PAGE 7**



TIFFANY MCKOY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Left to right are Cullman City Attorney Roy Williams, Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs, Council President Jenny Folsom, Councilman David Moss Jr., Councilman Brad Smith and Councilman Clint Hollingsworth.

'Competition was stiff'

Marys vs. Mimosas brunch showdown raises funds for Les Dames



CAYLA GRACE MURPHY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The "Muscles and Mimosas" team of CrossFit 256 serve up their winning raspberry lemon sorbet mimosas to thirsty attendees at United We Brunch Saturday, June 24, at Trident Marina.

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CRANE HILL, Ala. — Brunch enthusiasts lined up in the late-morning sun to try bespoke cocktail combinations for a legendary "Marys vs. Mimosas" showdown at Trident Marina on Saturday, June 24, 2023. The inaugural United We Brunch fundraiser was hosted by Les Dames of Cullman.

Cocktail connoisseurs donned bright summer frocks and jumpsuits to sample fun and diverse combinations of mimosas and bloody Marys. Voting took place via golden tokens for the favorites; with $500 winnings on the line for best mimosa and Mary, the pressure was on.

Some teams put forth creative combinations in the drinks themselves; fresh and herbaceous combos like thyme and peach followed by crisp and sweet salted caramel and apple, while others focused on upping the ante with toppings like fresh strawberries, whipped cream and even Duchess donut holes.

Local businesses Lake League Real Estate took home the title of Best Bloody Mary for a savory and spicy flavor topped with smoked sausage and garnished with tiny Tabasco bottles, and CrossFit 256 earned the title of Best Mimosa with a tart and tangy raspberry lemon combo.

Said the ladies **» PAGE 6**

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 26

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 26, 2023. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

June 22
- domestic violence; CR 715
- theft of property; CR 38
- harassment; trespassing; CR 709
- permitting dogs to run at large
- burglary; CR 62
- domestic violence; CR 504
- burglary; CR 310
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1343

June 23
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 1564
- assault; theft of property; Megan Ln.
- assault; CR 1117
- criminal mischief; CR 985
- criminal mischief; CR 1719
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91
- criminal mischief; theft of property; possession of burglary tools; Hwy. 91
- trespassing; Hwy. 91

June 24
- theft of property; CR 1487
- possession of controlled substance; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 831
- trespassing; Hwy. 69 S
- criminal mischief; Hwy. 278 W
- burglary; CR 222
- burglary; CR 1564
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91
- criminal mischief; CR 54
- harassment; CR 1402

June 25
- reckless endangerment; discharging firearm into occupied dwelling; CR 1114
- domestic violence; CR 1279
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 223
- menacing; CR 818

ARRESTS

June 22 – 25

Agueda, Anselmo R.; 24
- DUI (alcohol)

Baker, Mathew J.; 43
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Ballenger, Zachary D.; 26
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (3 counts)

Barbee, Jeffery H.; 27
- FTA- driving while license suspended (2 counts)

Baumgartner, Leonce A.; 61
- FTA- DUI (alcohol)
- FTA- public intoxication

Coite, William D.; 46
- DUI (alcohol)

Davis, Jessica C.; 40
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Davis, Katherine D.; 41
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- improper lane usage
- FTA- DUI (controlled substances)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (4 counts)
- FTA- failure to display insurance
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Doss, Andy M.; 64
- FTA- failure to register vehicle
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance

Doss, April D.; 39
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Duke Jr., Michael J.; 33
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft $1,500 - $2,500
- possession of burglary tools
- damaged property-criminal mischief

Goudeau, Stephanie Dawn W.; 50
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Green, Willie J.; 39
- FTA- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft less than $500

Horton, Austin W.; 28
- FTA- disorderly conduct/disturbing peace/affray
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Hunt Jr., Jimmie R.; 47
- criminal trespass

Ingram, Bridget N.; 26
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- assault-child abuse-simple-family
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Jamar-McCauley, Jermane Q.; 25
- FTA- possession of marijuana
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Johnson, Hossana Skylar S.; 25
- assault-harassment

Kitchens, Timothy J.; 32
- burglary-residence-force
- larceny/theft-theft from residence $500 less than $1,500

Lamons, Dakota R.; 18
- FTA- driving while license suspended (5 counts)
- FTA- reckless driving
- FTA- requirements for child passenger restraints
- FTA- no seat belt (3 counts)
- FTA- operating without insurance
- FTA- driver's license not in possession
- FTA- speeding-no workers-construction zone (2 counts)

Lawrence, John R.; 31
- assault-aggravated assault family-gun

Lynn, Skyler K.; 23
- possession of dangerous drugs
- possession of drug paraphernalia

McCurdy, Joshua E.; 22
- FTA- driving with learner's permit

McIntosh, Renae W.; 45
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA- failure/refusal to display insurance

McLeod, Natalie N.; 42
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

McLeod, Randy I.; 40
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- attempting to elude police officer

Moody, Sonny J.; 40
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Orona, Jennifer K.; 50
- FTA- speeding-no workers-construction zone

Pate, Jeremy B.; 33
- possessing stolen property

Pearson, Juwan I.; 26
- FTA- forgery-possessing forged instrument
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Pierce, Katrina M.; 34
- criminal trespass

Robinson, Sarah A.; 38
- FTA- driver's license not in possession
- FTA- speed above 70 MPH on interstate
- FTA- speed above 45 MPH on country road

Self, Regina L.; 58
- FTA- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Smith, Rhonda S.; 57
- DUI (alcohol)

Spicer, Breeannah B.; 22
- assault-aggravated assault non-family-gun
- assault-shooting into occupied building
- assault-reckless endangerment

Stewart, Justin D.; 35
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Stover, Patrick W.; 35
- Probation Violation- possession of dangerous drugs

Tanner, Denise A.; 28
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled
- FTA- speeding-no workers-construction zone

Tanner, Rebecca L.; 54
- promote prison contraband (drugs)

Walkers Jr., Jackie L.; 27
- Probation Violation- possession of dangerous drugs

Warner, Sabrina L.; 27
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 23
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $145
- theft of property-3rd degree; person; Northcrest Dr. NW; miscellaneous; $750
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $11

June 25
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $113

ARRESTS

June 23 – 25

Lamons, Dakota R.; 18
- FTA- driving while license suspended
- FTA- speeding

Davis, Katherine D.; 41
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- driving without license

Chandler, Wyman A.; 38
- criminal mischief-2nd degree

McCurdy, Joshua E.; 22
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Harrison, George A.; 56
- public intoxication

Higginbotham, William C.; 47
- DUI

McIntosh, Renae W.; 45
- resisting arrest
- obstructing governmental operations
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession/receiving controlled substance

McLeod, Natalie N.; 42
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Jamar-McCaulley, Jermane Q.; 25
- FTA- driving while revoked

Ingram, Larry D.; 47
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Maddux, Michael A.; 40
- public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrets or incidents reported.

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

'My heart said to do something for these senior citizens, so I did!'

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Candie Cummings is on a mission to shine a light on one of the darkest forms of abuse in our community: elder abuse. She, along with her sisters Brandie Drane and Charlotte Jones and friend Jennifer Young, organized Cullman's inaugural Elder Abuse Prevention Awareness event, which hosted several nonprofit agencies like the Cullman County Commission on Aging and Victim Services of Cullman, and representatives from government agencies like the Cullman County Department of Human Resources and Cullman County Sheriff's Office.

While World Elder Abuse Awareness Day happens annually on June 15, the advocacy-centered event was the first of its kind in Cullman County. Cummings said it can only get bigger and better.

"Nobody had ever done anything like that in Cullman before!

"That was the first, and we definitely plan to make it an annual thing," she said.

"Next year we'll have even more, like resources that can not only help in this but in their everyday life."

For Cummings, the motivation for such an event was a deeply personal one, because elder abuse is something her family has experienced. During the event, Cummings spoke about Harold's Law, or Duty to Render Aid in Alabama.

Harold's Law is something the sisters hope becomes a reality in Alabama in order to stop preventable elder abuse and neglect deaths.

Harold's Law is named in honor of their dad Harold Jones, who Cummings said was a victim of elder abuse.

"My heart said to do something for these senior citizens, so I did!" she said.

To learn more about Harold's Law, visit www.change.org/p/duty-to-render-aid-in-alabama.



CAYLA GRACE MURPHY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Left to right are volunteer Audrina Bagwell and Candie Cummings and Brandie Drane, organizers of Cullman's inaugural elder abuse prevention event.

Oktoberfest (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Oktoberfest 2023 – which will also celebrate the 150th anniversary of Cullman – will take place Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 28-30.

The expanded biergarten, located at Festhalle, will officially open at 4 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28.

The must-see parade, including a horse-drawn German beer wagon, entertaining street performers, live music and the 2023 Burgermeister, will travel down First Avenue Southeast beginning at 6 p.m.

Nominations for the 2023 Burgermeister are open now. The form can be found at www.cullmanoktoberfestival.com.

To apply for an arts/crafts vendor booth, go to www.cullmanoktoberfestival.com.

If any civic, religious or private group is planning a special German-themed event during the course of the Oktoberfest, Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism (CPRST) would like to promote and include those events in any advertising and publications as a mutual community interest.

To learn more, or to submit the information to CPRST, contact Kelly Pulliam at kpulliam@cullmanrecreation.org.

All event information should be submitted by Aug. 9, 2023.

List (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Peoples Bank of Alabama (PBAL) is proud to announce its inclusion in the sixth annual ranking of the Forbes 2023 America's Best Banks in Each State list released June 20, 2023. This prestigious award is presented by Forbes and Statista, Inc., the world-leading statistics portal and industry ranking provider. The awards list can be viewed at www.forbes.com/lists/best-in-state-banks.

"We are both humbled and honored to receive this recognition," said PBAL CEO Tim Williams. "Our focus as a community bank of 45 years has always been people. This Best-In-State Bank award endorses both our efforts and our customers' response to the pursuit of our purpose. Congratulations to the entire PBAL team and thank you to our customers for their trust and honorable recognition of our bank."

According to Statista, Inc., the list was created by conducting an online survey of about 26,000 U.S. citizens who were asked to name all banks or credit unions where they have a checking/savings account. They had to rate the bank or credit union based on various evaluation criteria like trust, customer service, terms and conditions, financial advice, branch services and digital services. For each criterion, a detailed array of questions was asked.

Additionally, for each bank or credit union in each state, an analysis of publicly available online text reviews and ratings was applied.

In each state, the banks and credit unions with the highest combined score from the analysis of survey results (80%) and publicly available reviews (20%) were awarded. Nationwide banks or credit unions were excluded.

Peoples Bank of Alabama, headquartered in Cullman, Alabama, is a trusted community bank dedicated to serving families, individuals, workers, and businesses in North and Central Alabama. We are in the banking business because we believe in helping individuals with their financial well-being. Whether it's a loan to buy a couple's first home, or a commercial loan to help a business expand, our passion is helping our neighbors achieve their dreams. That's why we are the people's bank – because we care about people. Visit our website at peoplesbankal.com and learn more about how you can save, grow, and invest with confidence –where people come first. Member FDIC and an Equal Housing Lender.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

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.
• Monday, June 26 - Jesus and Women Bible Study by Pam Dodd, 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary , light snacks provided and offerings taken each night. Everyone is invited and welcomed!
• Wednesday, June 28 - 7 p.m. Children, adult and youth classes. Free pizza for children at 6:30 p.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6 p.m. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Friday, June 30 - 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! 6:30 p.m. bring a dish, dessert or drink for a potluck meal. Nursery provided!
• Sunday, July 2 - Prayer Groups - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby at 8 a.m. or join Teresa at 9 in the prayer room to pray for our church, nation and those who need healing, salvation or deliverance.
• Sunday, July 2 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults at 10. Praise & Worship and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd at 11. Leadership meeting following morning service.`
• Nonperishable Food Bank drive-please donate canned goods, boxed goods, etc. to help our foodbank. Our foodbank supplier has not had these items for purchase for the last two months. Please leave your donations under the carport on the left side of the church by 6 p.m. this Thursday night. Thank you!

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.

Guy Hunt Library Summer Program: Snead's Farmhouse
Tuesday, June 27, at 1030 a.m. at Guy Hunt Library in Holly Pond. Children ages preschool to 12 years old will enjoy the activities. Call 256-796-5226 for additional information. Follow us on Facebook at Guy Hunt Library.

Free Food Boxes at First Presbyterian Church
Thursday, June 29, starting at 2 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Cullman, 615 Third Ave. SE. We will be handing out food boxes until the boxes are all gone. One food box per car, please. Follow us on Facebook or online at www.cullmanfpc.org.

Speegle Family Reunion
The annual reunion of the David Speegle family will be held on Sunday, July 9, 2023, at Speegle Family Point (334 County Road 321, Crane Hill, Alabama 35053), beginning around 10:30 a.m. Please join us and bring a covered dish for lunch at noon. Contact Judy Shannon at 256-734-3460 or Norman Calvert at 256-734-0389. Come eat and enjoy the day with us.

Vacation Bible School
A Royally Fun Time awaits at Vacation Bible School at Calvary Baptist Church, 227 Dripping Springs Road, Cullman, July 10-14, from 6-8:30 p.m. Ages 3-12. Call 256-620-3680 or register online at calvarybaptist2023@myanswers.com.

Heartland Quilt Guild
Thursday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m. at Christ Covenant Church, 1310 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman. All are welcome. We love to meet new friends.

Circle of Hope Cullman Shoot for a Cure 3D Archery Tournament
Saturday and Sunday, July 15-16. Featuring 20 3D targets on a marked wooded trail throughout the beautiful Camp David in Jones Chapel. All proceeds benefit Bruno Cancer Center at St. Vincent's Hospital in Birmingham. Awards will be given and we have lots of great door prizes! Get more information at www.facebook.com/circleofhopecullman/events.

Rock the South
Thursday-Saturday, July 21-23, at York Farms, 1872 County Road 469, Cullman. This year's headliner is Chris Stapleton. To buy tickets and to get more information, go to www.rockthesouth.com.

87th Annual Sandlin Reunion
• Saturday, Aug. 12, from 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Cold Springs Community Center, 8821 County Road 109, Bremen, AL 35033. Bring a covered dish and drinks. Plates, cups, napkins, forks and ice provided. Invite your Sandlin relatives.
• Chairman: Dr. Randall Sandlin; Secretary: Patsy Sandlin Medlock; 1283 Highland Lakes Trail, Birmingham, AL 35242. patsymedlock@bellsouth.net. 205-915-1870 (cell). Anita Sandlin Glover (205-903-1756). Let's conserve postage! Please email me your EMAIL address. If you don't have email address, invitations will be sent via U.S. mail. Thanks!
• Directions: Interstate 65, Exit 299 toward Dodge City/Jasper, take AL-69 South (~14 miles). Turn RIGHT on CR-54. At first STOP sign, turn RIGHT on CR-109. At the STOP Sign at Cold Springs High School, turn RIGHT. Less than 1/4 mile, Cold Springs Community Center is on the RIGHT! Sandlin Chapel & Cemetery are off AL-69S.

7th Annual Bernard Blues and BBQ
Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 9-10, at St. Bernard. Featuring pottery, quilts, brooms, leather art, cypress furniture, paintings, jewelry, plants and more. Visit Ave Maria Grotto for a reduced price admission of only $5. Admission donation to the festival is $10 per person; children 5 and younger free. Proceeds benefit St. Bernard Prep School. Rain or shine 9 a.m.-4 p.m. each day. Visit www.stbernardprep.com for more information.

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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
MARY FAY INGRAM, CASE NO. PC 2023 - 204
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration have been granted to William F. Ingram as Administrator of the Estate of Mary Fay Ingram, deceased, on the 23rd day of June, 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.

WILLIAM F. INGRAM
Administrator

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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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
DEBORAH BETTY SEAGROVES, DECEASED. CASE NO. PC 2023- 172

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF DEBORAH BETTY SEAGROVES, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Shay Persall on the 9th day of June, 2023, by the Honorable 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.

Shay Persall, Personal Representative (Administrator),
and
Steven C. Smith, Attorney for the Personal Representative

TO: 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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PREP SOCCER

‘It’s incredibly heartwarming to be a part of a school like West Point’: Kyli Armistead reflects on Warrior years

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WEST POINT, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to West Point soccer player, Kyli Armistead. She made so many great memories during her soccer career and played alongside some great teammates. She took away so much from her coach, Rob Whitesell, as well.

“Reviewing our soccer games on film is one of the funniest times I shared with my team. As we sort through our rights and wrongs of the game, we also like to poke fun at each other. The girls bring a lot of personality to each and every practice as well. After away games, the team usually takes a trip to a yummy restaurant nearby. The girls have a ton of fun every time. After some easy, but missed, goals our coach labeled it the ‘Warrior Way’. Ever since then, we would pick our heads up after missing a shot to laugh about the ‘Warrior Way’. That reminded us that we are human, and we learned not to take things so seriously.”

She added, “It was honestly easier to enhance my passion with the girls on my team. Some days, I felt so exhausted and the thought of having practice after school felt too much for me, but they pushed me to try harder and always had me in a better mood. Coach Whitesell has a realistic mindset and a heart of gold. He showed a great effort to prepare for our home games and made sure the team was taken care of. Even through mistakes, he would not only let the girls know what went wrong, but also managed to still be able to laugh the little things off with us. With that, he taught me that soccer was more than winning- it was to have fun and push yourself to be your best self and to attempt full achievement with no excuses.”

Armistead was a part of some great clubs at West Point and was around some great people during her time in those clubs.

“I was in the Beta Club and the Spanish Club. The Beta Club taught me to apply my abilities to upkeep the giving nature of the community. Being in the Spanish Club gave learning a language more meaning. I was able to learn about the culture as well. Being around students with high nobility encouraged me to strive for the greatest in academics and morals. I learned self-discipline, which helps with prioritizing education and being a good person overall.”

Armistead talked about her favorite high school memories, what made West Point a special place to go to, and what she will miss the most.

“Prom and winter formal were two events that I was the most excited to be a part of. My classmates are hilarious, and they really made those nights special to me. Our soccer team also hosted our inaugural tournament, which was a lot of fun and new. Honorable mentions are Halloween and homecoming. I had a pretty happy high school experience,” she said. “Before my experience at West Point, I went to a bigger school, where I felt like I didn’t belong. Even though West Point was smaller in comparison, it was more united. The community was far more friendly and welcoming. I will miss my friends the most and many of my teachers as well.”

Armistead remembers so much about being a Warrior, including a time where they united to help one of their teachers, who was going through a tough time in her life.

“The people I’m closest with have really impacted my life and well-being, whether they know it or not. The teachers are incredibly caring and smart. My friends mean a lot to me and are probably the biggest step-up from my past school. At West Point, there is a huge crowd that always looks out for you. You can’t find that quality everywhere. I’ll remember how that crowd united to support one of our beloved teachers, Mrs. Drummond (school mom), as she navigated through the loss of a child that was in my grade. I couldn’t imagine what her and family were going through, but I saw her community engulf her in love and support. It’s incredibly heartwarming to be a part of a school like West Point.”

Armistead gave some advice to the upcoming freshmen and talked about a couple of role models that she feels blessed to have in her life.

“My advice to them is to get it done. Procrastination is a heavy weight on your shoulders. Rest is also important, though, so take it easy if needed,” she said.

“I adore Sydney Carpentier. She was a senior as well and she is incredibly reliable and kind. She guided me through experiences that she was also experiencing. She was the ‘team mom’ of our soccer team for a reason. She will have your back, so it was a great time to have her as one of my best friends. My mom was a great person to look up to as well. If one word could best describe her, it would be hardworking. She is a single mother who devotes herself to her two kids. I’m lucky to have her and lucky to have a healthy and determined mindset to learn from.”



KYLI ARMSTEAD
West Point’s Kyli Armistead

Armistead shared some great advice that she got from her mom.

“Don’t be rude, because you never know what could be happening in someone’s private life,” she said. “I received the Graduate Advantage Scholarship from Wingate and the Gamecock Achievement Scholarship from JSU. Getting those scholarships felt well-deserved. I worked hard my entire high school career. I’m also very thankful that it paid off.”

PREP SPORTS

‘It’s not about winning or losing; it’s about whether or not I made Him proud’: Fairview’s Anna Strane talks freshman year

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. — Fairview freshman Anna Strane shined on both the volleyball court and during track & field season this past year and Anna had a blast learning as much as she could from all her coaches and teammates.

“I enjoyed last season a lot. I ended up getting All-County on the JV team. Coach Ashley Stanley is an amazing coach. She was a setter when she played in high school, and she was able to help me a lot in my setting abilities. She always listened to what we had to say and always made practice challenging, but fun. Varsity also got a new coach, Katie Ball. We have several drills that we did together, JV and varsity. She never failed to encourage us and always made me, a freshman, feel welcome and wanted. Overall, I had a wonderful season with two new, amazing coaches and I’m looking forward to a great season with them again this year.”

Strane got to play alongside some amazing girls last season and learned some more things from coach Stanley and coach Ball.

“Last season, there were only three freshmen, and the rest were sophomores. They had more experience than me and they really helped me grow. They were so encouraging and helped me whenever I would mess up. They helped me connect with the upperclassmen, since they had played with them the year prior. They helped lift me back up when I felt as if I wasn’t doing my best. I enjoyed playing with them so much because they made practice and games so much fun and they helped encourage me,” Strane said.

“Playing under the new coaches made such a difference in my performance. As a setter, I had never had a coach that was a past setter and having Ashley Stanley as the JV coach, she helped my setting so much. She knew exactly how to fix what I was doing wrong and what I needed to do to become a better setter. She coaches well but can also be a great mentor. She always makes sure I’m okay.”

She added, “Coach Ball helped challenge and encourage us. She critiqued us when we needed it but made sure she was also encouraging us. During practice, we would scrimmage varsity and we always had a good time and were challenged. They are both fantastic coaches and I can’t wait to see how we perform in the upcoming year.”

Strane got a chance to watch a lot of the varsity games last season and that has helped her performance even more.

“Watching them play has helped me so much. They have some amazing setters. The setters have such amazing technique that I am learning. They know how to get their hips around the ball and put it exactly where the hitters need it to be at. The libero gives all of her effort 100% of the time. She never fails to give it her all and I strive to give it my all every time I step on the court. They all encourage each other so much and they communicate so well. Every girl on varsity puts so much effort into what they do, and they are so encouraging. Just by watching them and what they do made such a difference in my performance.”

The varsity players have helped Strane become the player that she is today, and she’ll continue to put in the work as she is preparing for next season.

“During practice, we have drills that all the setters do together. That gives us time to work together as setters. It also gives the older players time to critique the younger players. Their encouragement always outweighs their criticism and that’s something I love about them. Without them, I wouldn’t be the setter I am today. The other varsity players on the team are very encouraging and make me feel wanted. Even when I’m having an off day, they are always there to support me and help me where I have messed up,” she said. “In the offseason, some of the girls would get together and scrimmage. I would also do some drills with my weighted volleyball to help with my ball placement and I also participate in track during the spring.”

Strane has some goals set for herself and the team. She thinks this will be a special season for the Lady Aggies.

“My individual goals are to give my best effort at every game and practice and to better myself, no matter what I’m doing. In this upcoming season, I want to do what I can to help me rise to varsity when my coaches think I am able to. As I better myself, I am also bettering the team. The team goals are to work together, communicate, and make personal relationships with the girls to help win county this year,” she said.

“This year, we have some amazing and very athletic freshmen. They have just the height to block and hit, make good passes, and have good technique. They are all very hard-working and I know that we are going to work together this year and create an amazing season. The sophomores are also very talented and experienced. I’m so excited for this upcoming season and I hope that we can make each game enjoyable and exciting to watch.”

Strane had to deal with a tough injury during the track-and-field season but is a JV school record holder and collected multiple medals. She learned a lot during the season and soaked up as much as she could from her teammates and her coaches as well.

“This past year, I got patellar tendinitis and was not able to perform to the best of my abilities. I did continue to throw, but it was difficult at times. I am a JV school record holder for javelin and shot put. I also received two bronze medals, three silver medals, and a pair of gold medals this past season. I learned a lot from the other throwers on the team and watched their techniques. I improved on a lot and I think I will do better in the next season” she said.



ANNA STRANE
Fairview’s Anna Strane

“I enjoyed track so much and one of the reasons is because of the amazing people I get to be around. They are always helping me when I don’t know what I’m doing wrong, and they help make me a better athlete. The coaches were very encouraging and always did what they could to help. The whole team is so close, and we bond so well.”

She added, “In discus this year, I was able to learn how to spin. When at practice, they would help critique me and help me learn to throw to the best of my abilities. They are so caring and supportive. They have taught me to be patient with the ones who are new to track and don’t know how to throw yet, just like they did me my first year. Even outside of track, they are some of my best friends. They are some of the best people and athletes you will ever meet.”

Strane will continue to work in the offseason to get ready for next season, plus she has set some goals for herself and for the team.

“I will continue to go to summer workouts and workouts during the school year. Also, when I’m not doing something volleyball related, I plan to go up to the track and work on some throwing to help better prepare myself for next season,” she said.

“My personal goal is to make it to state. That has been a dream of mine since I first started and I believe if I work as hard as I can, I can get there. My team goals are to win county and take as many people to Sectionals and state as possible. I think if we all work together and help each other get better, we can have a great team next season.”

Strane has a role model from both sports that she looks up to and she also talked about the best advice that someone ever gave her.

“Someone I look up to volleyball is Madison Lilley. She was a setter at the University of Kentucky and went pro. She just finished up her last season with the Bezier Angels in France. She is an amazing setter and I strive to have the technique and skills that she has. She is someone I have looked up to for a while now and she is very knowledgeable and passionate about what she does. In track, someone I look up to the most is Laci Segrest. She is an upcoming senior, and she throws shot put and discus at Fairview. She is so passionate and so devoted to what she does. She went to state for both events this past year and ended up placing third at state. She is so uplifting and is always helping me when I mess up. She is so hardworking and is always willing to help me.”

She added, “‘Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.” -Colossians 3:23. No matter what I do or what sport I’m participating in, I always want to do it with a good attitude and to the best of my ability. Because at the end of the day, it’s not about winning or losing; it’s about whether or not I made Him proud.”

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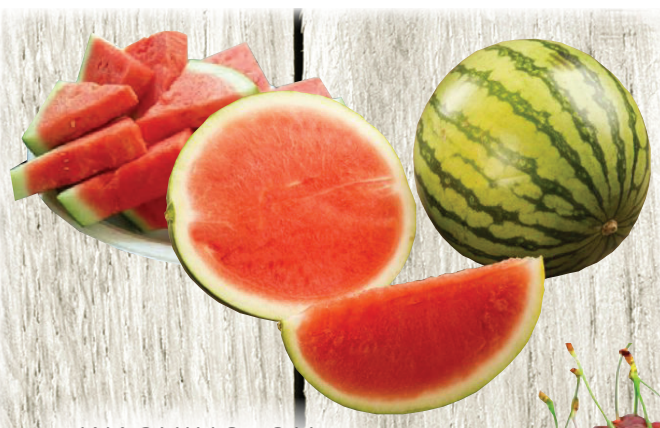
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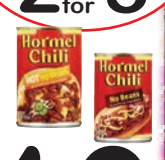
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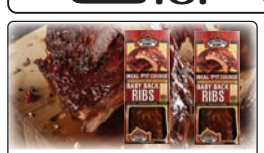
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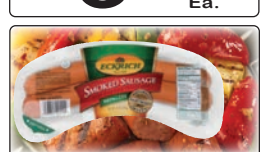
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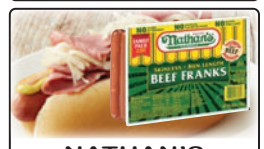
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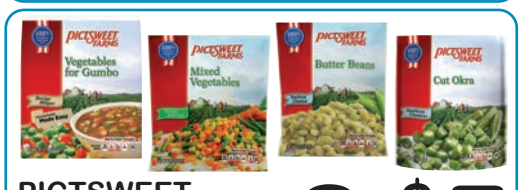
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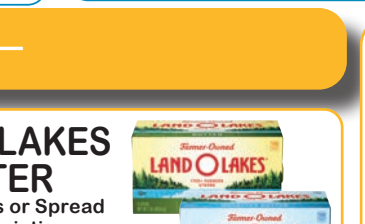
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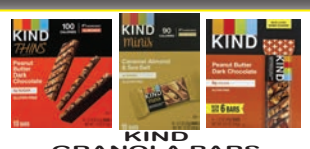
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24 Ct. Family Size Quart
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11-12 Oz. Bag or 10 Ct. K-Cups
Selected Varieties
2 for $9



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22-30 Oz. Family Size
Selected Varieties
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6-10 Ct.
Selected Varieties
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$2.99



MT. OLIVE RELISH
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Sweet or Dill
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LUCKY LEAF PIE FILLING
20-21 Oz.
Selected Varieties
2 for $7



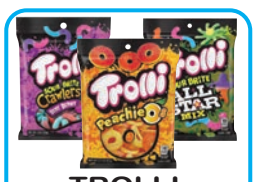
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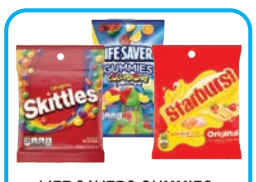
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Taco Style
2 for $4



TROLLI CANDIES
3.5-5 Oz.
Selected Varieties
4 for $5



LIFE SAVERS GUMMIES, STARBURST OR SKITTLES
2.75-7 Oz.
Selected Varieties
2 for $4





FRANK'S RED HOT SAUCE
12 Oz. Original, Nashville or Buffalo Wings Sauce
$3.99



WICKLES PICKLES
12-24 Oz. Selected Varieties or Relish or Okra
2 for $7



FOOD CLUB JAM OR JELLY
18 Oz. Concord Grape or Apple Jelly
2 for $4



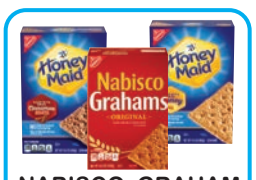
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16 Oz.
Creamy or Crunchy
2 for $4



WESSON COOKING OIL
48 Oz.
Selected Varieties
$4.99



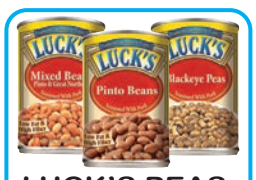
IDAHOAN POTATO SHREDS
2 Pk. 1.5 Oz. Cups Triple Cheese or Hidden Valley Ranch
2 for $5



NABISCO GRAHAM CRACKERS
12-15 Oz. Selected Varieties
Original or Honey Maid
$3.99



CRAV'N FLAVOR SANDWICH COOKIES
19-20 Oz. Family Size
Selected Varieties
2 for $6



LUCK'S PEAS OR BEANS
15 Oz.
Selected Varieties
5 for $5



VAN CAMP'S PORK AND BEANS
15 Oz.
5 for $5



CRAV'N FLAVOR POTATO OR TORTILLA CHIPS
7-13 Oz.
Selected Varieties
2 for $4



FROSTIE SOFT DRINKS
4 Pk., 11 Oz. Bottles
Selected Varieties
2 for $6



BETTY CROCKER SUDDENLY SALAD
5.5-7 Oz.
Selected Varieties
2 for $4



HUNT'S PASTA SAUCE
24 Oz.
Selected Varieties
4 for $5



DEL MONTE DELUXE GOLD PINEAPPLE
20 Oz. Chunks, Slices or Tidbits
2 for $4



CHEEZ-IT SNACK CRACKERS
5-12.4 Oz.
Selected Varieties
$3.99

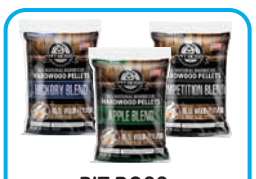




HIDDEN VALLEY SEASONING MIX
.4-1 Oz. Pouch
Selected Varieties
3 for $5



FOOD CLUB MASHED POTATOES
4 Oz. Instant
Selected Varieties
5 for $5



PIT BOSS HARDWOOD PELLETS
20 Lb. Bag
Selected Varieties
$7.99



DALE'S STEAK SAUCE
10 Oz. or 16 Oz. Original or Reduced Sodium Steak Seasoning
$3.49



CASTLEBERRY'S HOT DOG CHILI SAUCE
10 Oz. Original or w/Onions or BRYAN HOT DOG CHILI SAUCE
89¢



POP-ICE FREEZE POPS
100 Ct. Box
6 Assorted Flavors
$5.99



DIXIE BOWLS OR PLATES
18-48 Ct.
Selected Varieties
2 for $7



SIMPLY DONE PAPER PLATES
22-32 Ct.
Selected Varieties
2 for $6

COWBOY HARDWOOD LUMP CHARCOAL
8 Lb. Bag
$8.99

MORTON ICE CREAM SALT
4 Lb. Box
2 for $4

PUREX LAUNDRY DETERGENT
43-50 Oz. Liquid
Selected Varieties
2 for $10

LYSOL SPRAY CLEANER
32 Oz. All Purpose Lemon Bleach or Multi-Purpose Bleach
2 for $6

SIMPLY DONE PARTY CUPS
100 Ct. 18 Oz.
Plastic Red
$6.99

SIMPLY DONE FOAM PLATES
130 Ct.
$4.99

CAT CAFÉ CAT FOOD
12 Lb. Bag
Gourmet
$10.99

PAWS HAPPY LIFE DOG FOOD
16-18 Lb. Bag
Selected Varieties
$10.99

LA'S TOTALLY AWESOME BLEACH
96 Oz. Fresh or Lemon Scent
2 for $3

DAWN ULTRA DISH SOAP
12-18 Oz. Liquid
Selected Varieties
2 for $6

SIMPLY DONE CUTLERY
24 Ct. Clear Spoons, Forks, Knives or Combo
99¢

SIMPLY DONE NAPKINS
500 Ct.
Everyday
$4.99

OIT Sec. Redden retires; Ivey appoints Urquhart

Staff Reports
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Gov. Kay Ivey recently announced Alabama Office of Information Technology (OIT) Secretary Marty Redden is set to retire after 16 years of dedicated service to the state of Alabama. Ivey also announced the appointment of Daniel Urquhart to serve as the new secretary of OIT.

"For the last 16 years, Secretary Redden has played an integral role in implementing technology advancements and protecting the systems state government relies on to serve our people," said Ivey.

"During his time in the Ivey Administration, he has been someone I can always rely on to get the job done. I appreciate his service to our great state and wish him nothing but the best in his well-earned retirement."

Redden assumed the duties of OIT Secretary after being appointed by Ivey in July of 2019. Prior to his appointment, Redden spent three decades in various information technology positions in the public and private sectors, 20 of which were in management.

"It has been a great honor to be part of Governor Ivey's cabinet," said Redden.

"The four years I have been secretary, Governor Ivey has consistently worked to make state government more efficient and accountable to the taxpayers. My goal from day one was to leave the agency in better condition than when I arrived, and I'm proud to have positioned the Office of Information Technology to continue to meet the technology challenges of the future."

She continued, "The state of Alabama is fortunate to have someone as uniquely qualified as Daniel Urquhart step up to lead OIT.

"Daniel brings a wealth of high-level experience that I have no doubt will lead to even greater technological advancements and protections for the state of Alabama. He has big shoes to fill, but I have no doubt that he will hit the ground running and be an excellent addition to Team Ivey."

Urquhart has served the state of Alabama for more than two decades.

Prior to his appointment, he served as OIT's deputy secretary, where he was responsible for managing the state network and telephone systems, cybersecurity operations and administration of the email environment used by executive branch agencies, boards and commissions.

Urquhart also spent 18 years with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency in various management roles.

"I am deeply honored that Governor Ivey has offered me the opportunity to serve on her cabinet and lead the Office of Information Technology," said Urquhart."

Secretary Redden has done a tremendous job with the agency during his tenure, and I plan to build on the success and vision of his leadership. OIT is anchored by a highly skilled, technical workforce, and I am humbled to work with such dedicated people who provide services to state agencies, commissions, boards and the citizens of Alabama."

Urquhart's appointment is effective July 1, 2023.



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Daniel Urquhart











Sportsman Lake (from Front)

Tiffany McKoy
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CULLMAN, Ala. — This Saturday, July 1, Sportsman Lake Park will host its Family Fun Day/1st Saturday event. The park will be open from 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

All activities will be open, and paddle boats and bikes will be available for rental. The splash pad will also be open. Arm bands for the train will be available for purchase at the concession stand, along with milkshakes and hotdogs.

Attendees can also enjoy hiking through the Wildflower Garden and Arboretum.

From 5-9 p.m. there will be live music featuring Brick Avenue. Everyone is invited and welcome to bring chairs to sit and enjoy the evening.

The park is still looking for food trucks to participate. Those interested should visit www.facebook.com/SportsmanLakePark.

Showdown (from Front)

of the "Muscles and Mimosas" team of CrossFit 256, "We were honored to be a part of such a great event today hosted by Les Dames Cullman!"

The "No Crying in Brunch" team of Lake League Real Estate shared, "We're so glad United We Brunch was such an amazing success this year, and while the competition was stiff, we're already looking forward to defending our title next year!"

Both winning teams tore up their checks to donate their combined $1,000 winnings back to Les Dames to further its mission of increasing accessibility to feminine hygiene products for underprivileged youth.

To learn more about Les Dames of Cullman, visit www.lesdamescullman.com.

Case (from Front)

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FULTONDALE, Ala. — Jayson Ray Sparks Sr., 55, of Cullman, was one of 11 men arrested over the weekend in a sting operation led by the Fultondale Police Department and anti-human trafficking nonprofit Covenant Rescue Group.

Sparks was charged with traveling to meet a child for an unlawful sex act and child solicitation by computer/electronic solicitation of a child.

A Fultondale Police Department social media post read:

"We recently teamed up with Covenant Rescue Group on a child predator operation in Fultondale. We also had assistance from the Leeds PD, Warrior PD, Homewood PD, Irondale PD, and other agencies.

"We arrested 11 individuals who were not residents of Fultondale on this operation. The following individuals were arrested on this operation:

"Jamonte Jackson (25 years old from Bartow Georgia) for Traveling to Meet a Child for An Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Domingo Cruz (34 years old of Bessemer) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Ariel Quezada(25 years old of Pinson) Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Rolando Santana (27 years old of Jasper) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Dominique Powell (37 years old of Tarrant) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a child.

"Angelo Wilson (58 years old of Birmingham) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Alexis Reyes (22 years old of Columbiana) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Brian McLeod (27 years old of Pleasant Grove) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act, Electronic Solicitation of a Child, and Transmitting Obscene Material to a Child.

"Jayson Sparks (55 of Cullman) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act and Electronic Solicitation of a Child.

"Alexader Osala (32 years old of Bessemer) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act, Electronic Solicitation of a Child, Aggravated Assault of a Police Officer, and Resisting Arrest.

"Robert Newton (22 years old of Trussvile) for Traveling to Meet a Child for an Unlawful Sex Act, Electronic Solicitation of a Child, Attempting to Elude, and Resisting Arrest. Robert Newton backed into an unmarked police vehicle in an attempt to flee.

"He then refused medical treatment. However, the Jefferson County Jail refused to accept him because he had been involved in a vehicle accident.

"He is currently wanted for the listed charges.

"All Subjects are innocent until found guilty in court"

In a social media post, a Covenant Rescue Group representative wrote, "We would like to thank everyone involved for their hard work to help get these predators off the streets and behind bars."

Sparks was assigned a bond total of $90,000 for the two charges.

His status is not known at this time.



INVITATION FOR BID

Sealed Bids for the construction of Project No. 285-K, Natural Gas Facilities Replacement, will be received by the Cullman-Jefferson Counties Gas District, Owner, located at 1550 County Road 715, Hanceville, Alabama, until 2 P.M (local time) Thursday, July 13, 2023, at which time and place the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The scope of work shall include the installation of the following approximate items of work and quantities of these items:

SECTION 1:

Location 1: Removal of Existing Piping and Installation of 8" Line Stopper Fitting, 1 Each; 8" Steel Pipe, 14 L.F.; Concrete Block Valve Pit Removal and other miscellaneous necessary items.

Location 2: Removal of Existing Piping and Installation of 6" Line Stopper Fittings, 2 Each; 6" Steel Pipe, 40 L.F.; Rip-Rap and Stone; 15 C.Y. and other miscellaneous necessary items.

Plans and Specifications may be obtained in electronic form from Gas Meter Engineers, Inc., 689 Highway 36, Chelsea, AL 35043 (telephone 205-678-6210).

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all informalities and technicalities therein. No Bidder will be allowed to withdraw his Bid, without Owner's consent, for a period of sixty (60) days after the date of actual bid opening.

Bidders must meet the "Cullman-Jefferson Counties Gas District – Approved Contractor Requirements" and submit required documentation with their bid.

Each Bidder shall be a licensed Contractor in accordance with the regulations of the State of Alabama and must include the license number, expiration date and classification on the outside of the sealed bid envelope.

Council (from Front)

1. A request from Mansa Hospitality, dba Home2 Suites Cullman, of 5720 Alabama Highway 157, for a beer and wine on premises alcohol license, which received a favorable recommendation from the Alcohol Review Committee

2. A request from Opportunity Cullman, LLC, dba Cobblestone Hotel & Suites and Wissota Chophouse, of 1835 Main Ave. SW for a restaurant alcohol license, which received a favorable recommendation from the Alcohol Review Committee

3. Resolution No. 2023-49 to award bid for water materials to the lowest responsible bidder, Consolidated Pipe & Supply Co., Inc.

4. Resolution No. 2023-50 to enter into a professional services agreement with Chapman Technical Services to perform ADEM-compliant annual water tank inspections and periodic maintenance

5. Resolution No. 2023-51 to apply for an Appalachian Regional Commission grant to construct improvements to Depot Park





Obituary Announcements: June 24-26

Lindia Mae McKenzie Jenkins, 77
Funeral service for Lindia Mae McKenzie Jenkins, 77, of Battleground, was held Monday, June 26, 2023, at The Bread of Life Church in Holly Pond on U.S. Highway 278 East. The family will receive friends prior to the service. Interment in Bethlehem West Baptist Cemetery. Rev. Wayne Barnette will officiated. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mrs. Jenkins passed away Friday, June 23, 2023, at her residence. She was born Nov. 11, 1945, to William P. and Lizzie Mae Hopper McKenzie. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com

Aaron Mullette, 38
Celebration of Life Service for of Aaron Mullette, age 38, of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 15, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Justin Helms officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Mullette passed away on Friday, June 23, 2023, at his residence. He was born, July 31, 1984, to Jim Mullette and Jeanie Mullette. He was preceded in death by his mother; sister, Shannan Dowling and beloved dog, MooMoo. Survivors include his partner, Brian Hicks; father, James Mullette; sister, Jamie (Justin) Helms; nieces, Chelsea Vought, Kailee Dyk, Abby Sosa, Lilly Helms and Sarah Helms; nephews, Lane Dowling, Gabe Sosa and Ethan Helms; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, family and friends.

Charles Maloney, 85
Funeral Services for Mr. Charles Maloney, age 85, of Crane Hill, will take place on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at St. Andrews Methodist Church at 2 p.m. with Rev. Robert Lancaster officiating. His visitation will take place from noon until service time at 2 p.m. at the church. Burial with Military Honors will follow at Bowman's Chapel Methodist Church in Crane Hill. Mr. Maloney passed away on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at Woodland Village Nursing Home in Cullman. He was born and raised in Jackson, Kentucky until he joined the Navy at the age of 17. He was stationed in Pensacola, Florida, served in Hong Kong and the Philippines and on the U.S.S. Onslow (AVP-48). After the Navy, he lived in Fairhope until settling in Cullman for the remainder of his life. Mr. Maloney worked for several manufacturing businesses including, Americold, Westing House, and Southern Precision as a machinist until his retirement. In his later years, you could often see Charlie, as he was affectionately called, at the Jack's restaurant sitting with his Breakfast Buddies every morning. He was an amazing wood-working craftsman, building several porch swings, coffee tables, and dining cabinets, for which he was most proud of. Charlie also enjoyed cross-stitching in his spare time; He won numerous blue ribbons by entering his works in the Cullman County Fair. Mr. Maloney also received the Volunteer of the Year Award from the Hospice of Cullman County in 1997, for the many hours of selfless dedication and contributions to benefit those in need. He also donated blood several times a year. Charlie enjoyed gardening, fishing, and Alabama football. Mr. Maloney was a devoted and giving member of St. Andrews Methodist Church and was a member and teacher of the Seekers Sunday School Class. Mr. Maloney is survived by two daughters: Debbie Freeman (Charles) of Crane Hill and Lynn Benefield (David) of Lineville; one grandson, Lawson Benefield (Katie) of Lineville, with one great-granddaughter on the way; plus, several nieces, nephews and extended family. He was preceded in death by his parents: Finch and Jean Coomer Maloney; four brothers and two sisters. Active Pallbearers will be Lawson Benefield, David Benefield, and Charles Freeman. Honorary Pallbearers will be the members of the Seekers Sunday School Class, His Jack's Breakfast Buddies, and Jesse Ude. In lieu of flowers, Donations may be made to the St. Andrews Methodist Church. Benefield Funeral Home of Lineville and Cullman-Heritage Funeral Home of Cullman are in charge of arrangements.

Paul "Dick" Richard Schaffner, Jr., 88
Paul "Dick" Richard Schaffner, Jr., age 88, passed away on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at his residence. He was born, Sept. 16, 1934, in Manhattan, New York to Paul Richard Schaffner, Sr. and Elizabeth Ann Sikorsky Schaffner. Mr. Schaffner attended The Citadel in South Carolina and worked for Metropolitan Life and Sierra Health Services. He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Linda Head Schaffner; daughter, Kristin Ginetto; step-daughters, Paige Lain and Pamela Beckwith; sister, Ann Wise; nephews, Peter Wise and Jimmy Wise; nieces, Elizabeth Valerio and Vicki Burke. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Rudy Bryan Cheatwood, 49
The Funeral Service for Rudy Bryan Cheatwood, 49, of Vinemont, will be 1 p.m., Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at Cullman Funeral Home. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. prior to the service. Rev. Dale Banks will officiate the service. The interment will be in the Missionary Grove Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Cheatwood family. Mr. Cheatwood was born Oct. 21, 1973 to Rudy L. and Linda Faye Flack Cheatwood. He passed from this life on June 25, 2023, at UAB Hospital. He was a Godly Christian brother who loved being outdoors, riding his tractor, and his dogs. He was an engineer for Cullman County. Mr. Cheatwood was preceded in death by his parents; grandparents, Felton and Aurella Cheatwood, and William and Donia flack. He is survived by his brother, Shannon (Angie) Cheatwood; sisters, Gail Johnson, Debra (Alan) Baker, Becky (Chris) Smith; Nieces and Nephews, Kyle (Cindy) Graves, Seth (Kelly) Graves, Candace Graves, Blain Baker, Alaine (Lynn) Edmondson Brizendine, Memory Smith, Corbin Smith, Reagan Cheatwood, Emily Cheatwood, Kora Cheatwood; and a host of family and friends. Pallbearers will be Kyle Graves, Seth Graves, Blain Baker, Gavin Edmondson, Kayden Graves and Corbin Smith. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy can be posted to www.cullmanfuneralhome.com for the Cheatwood family.

Brenda Renee Childers, 61
Brenda Renee Childers, 61, of Haleyville, passed away June 25, 2023, at UAB Hospital in Birmingham. She was born Aug. 27, 1961, in Haleyville, Alabama. She loved sewing, arts and crafts, playing Pac Man, watching soap operas, and loved her three puppies. She also loved going out to eat and buying gifts for her kids and grandkids. Visitation will be Tuesday, June 27, 2023, from noon until 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville, where the service will be at 2 p.m. Brother Royce Brimer will officiate. Burial will follow at Cherry Hill Church of God Cemetery. Renee is survived by her life time partner, Gene Warren; daughter, Susan Childers (Andy Stone); sons, Rocky Childers (Laura Dotson), and Wyatt Childers; grandchildren, Shayla Ivey, Cody Cowens, Dustin Childers, Alexis Childers, Bella Childers, Austin Childers; step grandchildren, Dakota Carson, Savannah Brown, and Brandon Brown; siblings, Sharon West, and Ann Loveless; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Joyce Kelly; and grandson, Gavin Cowens.

Marie Henderson Derrick, 73
Funeral Service for Marie Henderson Derrick, age 73, of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Thursday, June 29, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home; interment in Center Grove Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, June 28, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Derrick passed away on Monday, June 26, 2023, at Cullman Regional. She was born Dec. 24, 1949, to Gurley Henderson and Pearl Cole Henderson. She was preceded in death by her parents and brothers, Emmett Henderson, Jesse Henderson, and Ray Henderson. Survivors include her husband, Coleman Mayes Derrick; daughters, Kimberly (Johnathan) Kanaday, Shonda DeBeradinis (Greg Wolwark), and Christy Derrick; grandchildren, Chris (Jodie) Kanaday, Cody Kanaday, Stormy Screws, Ethan Wolwark, MaKayla Wolwark, Mashea McDearmond, and Rosalynn McDearmond; great-grandchildren, Mason Kanaday, Kenleigh Kanaday, Beckett Kanaday, and Delilah Uden; brother, Euel (Marie) Henderson; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

Thomas Franklin (Frankie) Golden, 75
Thomas Franklin (Frankie) Golden, age 75, of Holly Pond, Alabama passed away on Friday, June 23, 2023. Frankie is survived by his daughter Stacy Etheredge (Ken); and his son David Golden; his brothers Everett Golden, Jerry Golden and his special friend Tammy Burney (Son BJ Burney); six Grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Frankie was preceded in death by his parents Leroy and Mozelle Golden; his sister Virginia Wood; his brothers Junior Golden and U. V. Golden. A visitation for Frankie will be held Tuesday, June 27, 2023, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Avenue NW, Cullman, AL 35055, followed by a celebration of life funeral service at 3 p.m. Frankie will be laid to rest in Welcome Baptist Cemetery, 3017 County Road 1564, Baileyton, AL. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Golden family.

Catherine D. Nelson, 92
Catherine D. Nelson, 92 years old, of Cullman, Alabama, (most recently residing at Morningside of Vestavia Hills memory care), went to be with the Lord on June 25, 2023, after a prolonged illness. Catherine was born on June 15, 1931, in Marion, Indiana to Bill and Florence Lucky. After graduating from Marion High School, she attended Ball State University and played French horn in their marching band. Prior to finishing college, Catherine joined the United States Air Force and was stationed at Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, Alabama. In 1955, while serving at Maxwell AFB she met her husband of 58 years John Nelson, Jr. They had three children Larry, Gary, and Jerry. The family was stationed at several bases while serving in the Air Force, Greenville AFB, Mississippi, Keesler AFB, Mississippi, Incirlik AFB in Adana, Turkey, and March AFB, California. After John retired, they settled in Cullman, Alabama. Catherine returned to college, attending St. Bernard College in Cullman, Alabama, where she received her bachelor's degree in education. She then attended Alabama A&M to receive a Master's degree in education, with emphasis on special needs children. Catherine spent some time teaching in the migrant program at West Point, Alabama but then transferred to Vinemont, Alabama where she taught first grade for more than 20 years before retiring. She spent several years' substitute teaching, then caring for grandchildren. Catherine was predeceased by her mother and father, sister Martha, and husband John. Catherine is survived by her sister Ruth, brother Jimmy, children Larry (Linda) of Rosamond, California, Gary (Jennifer) of Fish River, Alabama, and Jerry (Roxanne) of Birmingham, Alabama. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, Lora Forbes (John), Leslie Godwin (Joseph), Derek Nelson, Kevin Nelson (Savannah), Blake Nelson (Brittany), Kali Nelson, and Gavin Nelson. She is also survived by eight great grandchildren, Alexandria Forbes, Sydney Forbes, McKenzie Forbes, Jacob Forbes, Catrina Godwin, Danyelle Godwin, Joseph Godwin and John Simmons Nelson. The funeral services will be held at St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church in Cullman, Alabama on Saturday July 1, 2023, at 1 pm. Visitation will be Saturday, 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. prior to the service. Rev. Dr. John Richter will officiate the service. Interment will be in Cullman City Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church, 512 Second Avenue SE, Cullman, Alabama 35055, where Catherine and John were members for many years. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the Nelson family. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy can be posted to www.cullmanfuneralhome.com for the Nelson family.

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Readers who frequent the Cullman County Public Library System share reviews of some of their recently read books.

Submission date: June 20, 2023

- Reviewer: Taylor Haymon
- Title: "Verity"
- Author: Colleen Hoover
- Rating: 4 out of 5 stars

Thoughts about the book: "I enjoyed this book. If you're looking for a literary masterpiece with no plot holes this isn't it, but I absolutely could not put it down. This book has the perfect mix of suspense and romance."

Submission date: June 20, 2023

- Reviewer: Therese Haydel
- Title: "The Madness of Crowds"
- Author: Louise Penny
- Rating: 5 out of 5 stars

Thoughts about the book: "This was the most gripping of all of Penny's novels that I have read. It uses the post-pandemic environment well, but it also touches upon serious social concerns in our postmodern age. Facts and truth are not synonymous."

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- Reviewer: Judy Boike
- Title: "A Simple Song"
- Author: Melody Carlson
- Rating: 5 out of 5 stars

Thoughts about the book: "Great Amish story. Katrina had hid her beautiful voice for many years. She risked losing her place in the community to be on 'American Star' to win money for her dad's heart surgery. All was well!"

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- Reviewer: Hazel Heinze
- Title: "The Island of Sea Women"
- Author: Lisa See
- Rating: 5 out of 5 stars

Thoughts about the book: "I really enjoyed getting a glimpse of the fascinating culture of the women divers on Jeja Island in Korea as they support their families by diving in the sea. Well-researched historical fiction--all very real."



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