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Vinemont seeing increased attendance at monthly senior lunches

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VINEMONT, Ala. — Vinemont seniors gathered once again in the Vinemont Community Center for a few hours of lunch and activities hosted by the Town of South Vinemont. The scene on Monday, Aug. 21, was bustling as seniors made good use of a self-serve taco bar loaded with all the fixins' and settled in for fierce rounds of bingo.

August's senior lunch was the largest gathering yet, according to Vinemont Councilwoman Bonnie Goodwin, with dozens of seniors packing out the center.

With Vinemont being one of the few offshoots in the county without a full-time senior center, the monthly lunches are crucial for fellowship, fun and just plain old getting out of the house.

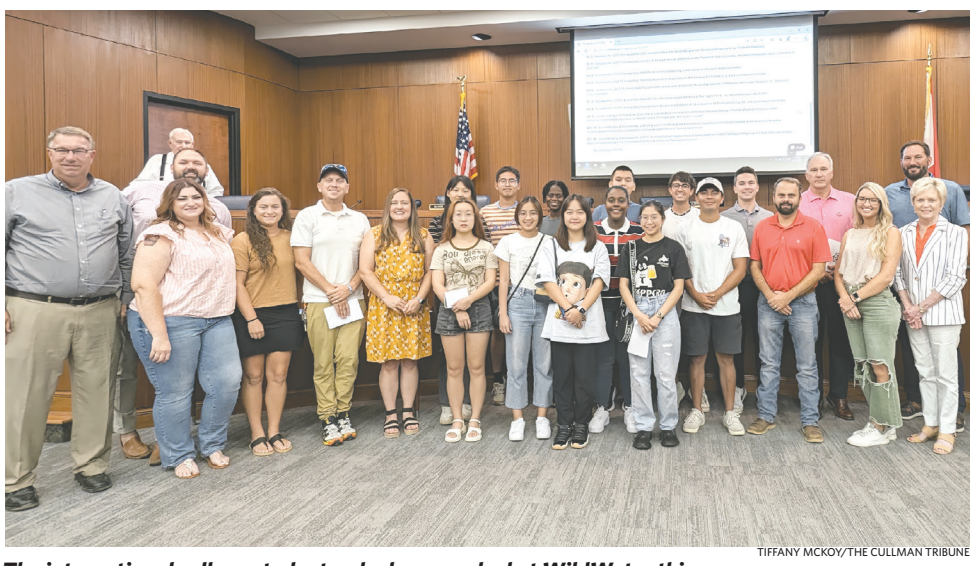
"We usually have donations or sponsors (for lunch), but this time the council did it ourselves," Goodwin beamed, gesturing to the » PAGE 8



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Vinemont seniors gathered to indulge in a delicious taco bar and play competitive games of bingo on Monday, Aug. 21.

Council recognizes WildWater international students



TIFFANY MCKOY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The international college students who have worked at WildWater this summer pose with the Cullman City Council on Monday, Aug. 21.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman City Council on Monday recognized a group of international students who have worked at WildWater this summer. Earlier this year, the city was approved as a host city for the J-1 Visa Program through a partnership with the Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE). Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism (CPRST) welcomed the students to WildWater for a 12-week work internship.

CPRST Executive Director Nathan Anderson said, "Our college students that have been with us through the season, they've done an amazing job. We've learned a lot about each other and I think they have been fully indoctrinated into our local culture here and have learned a lot. We've also shared a lot of funny stories back and forth and are really excited about our time together. We could not have pulled the season off without them."

Anderson also shared that WildWater won first place in the 2023 Dream Designs from Aquatics International.

Council President Jenny Folsom said the City is applying for a United States Department of Transportation Multimodal Project Discretionary Grant to replace the St. Bernard bridge and widen U.S. Highway 278 from Alabama Highway 69 to Fourth Avenue Southeast. The application for the grant was submitted Monday evening.

The following special event requests were approved:

- Request from Christy Turner of CPRST to hold the September Splash Bash with fireworks at WildWater on Sept. 1, 2023
- Request from Amanda Garrison of Sonic Drive-In for a cruise in on Compass Way Southwest on Sept. 8, 2023

The following resolutions and ordinances were approved:

- Resolution No. 2023-68 to authorize mayor to purchase 2 acres of property for park and recreation purposes
- Resolution No. 2023-69 to accept the 2023 International Award for Dream Designs from Aquatics International for our WildWater Waterpark
- Resolution No. 2023-70 to award bid (CB2023-11) for a grit classifier at the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Schreiber, the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of $87,995
- Resolution No. 2023-71 to award bid (PW2023-03) for concrete finishing to Ortiz Concrete, the lowest responsible bidder
- Resolution No. 2023-72 to award bid (PW2023-04) for electrical services to K & M Electrical Contractors, LLC, the lowest responsible bidder
- Resolution No. 2023-73 to award bid (PW2023-05) for various types of rock and road building materials to Wiregrass Construction Company, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder
- Resolution No. 2023-74 to award bid (PW2023-07) for the laying in place of hot mix to The Rogers Group, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder
- Resolution No. 2023-75 to award bid (PW2023-08) for the pickup and delivery of hot and cold mix to The Rogers Group, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder
- Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-29 to amend, modify or delete portions of the City of Cullman Zoning ordinance, which received a favorable recommendation from the City of Cullman Alcohol Review Committee and Planning Commission
- Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-30 to amend, modify or delete the definitions City of Cullman Alcohol Ordinance, which received a favorable recommendation from the City of Cullman Alcohol Review Committee and Planning Commission
- Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-32 to annex Cullman Regional Medical Center property located 5788 Alabama Highway 157 as B-2 Business District, which received a favorable recommendation from the City of Cullman Planning Commission

Both actions to amend, modify or delete portions of the City of Cullman Zoning ordinance and the City of Cullman Alcohol Ordinance were passed.

In-house attorney for the City, Luke Satterfield, clarified that the City of Alcohol Ordinance will prevent drive-through alcohol purchases. "We want to get our zoning ordinance in line with the alcohol ordinance; they were written decades apart. It also modifies the non-residential usage table and adds some clarity and conformity with the state law to the definition of manufacturer."

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'Southern hospitality and the will to help one another has no boundaries'

Hele Bowls raising funds, collecting donations for Maui wildfire victims



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Hele Bowls is located at 410 Second Ave. SE in Cullman.
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Cullman County Youth Football Jamboree scoring recap



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Cullman County Youth Football Association played Jamboree games at Vinemont High School Friday and Saturday. The regular season will officially kick off Saturday, Aug. 26.
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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 21

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 21, 2023. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Aug. 17
- robbery; I-65 SB at MM 299
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 728
- domestic violence; CR 109
- resisting arrest; CR 386
- assault; CR 728

Aug. 18
- assault; Brooklyn Rd.
- assault; menacing; CR 703
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 385
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; CR 1223
- theft of property; CR 110
- harassment; CR 1059

Aug. 19
- dog bite; CR 453
- permitting dogs to run at large; Danes Ln.
- burglary; CR 1856
- domestic violence; Hwy. 31
- harassment; CR 700
- unauthorized use of motor vehicle; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 437

Aug. 20
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278 E
- domestic violence; CR 1422
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 813
- criminal mischief; CR 1828
- violation of protection order; CR 1856
- harassment; CR 1162
- burglary; CR 1518
- burglary; CR 1735
- domestic violence; CR 1855
- drug trafficking; CR 437
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; Hwy. 69 S
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 222

ARRESTS

Aug. 17 – 20

Averill, Charles R.; 44
- violation of a domestic violence protection order

Barnett, Joseph B.; 42
- FTA- manufacturing methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Beasley, Anthony R.; 51
- FTA- negotiating worthless instrument

Bentley, Logan J.; 22
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Brannan, Anita M.; 60
- Negotiating worthless instrument

Brown, David O.; 36
- Violation of Release-driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled
- FTA- obstructed windshield
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled (2 counts)
- FTA- operating vehicle without insurance
- FTA- expired tag
- FTA- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassing communications
- FTA- no seat belt
- FTA- larceny/theft-shoplifting less than $500
- FTA- DUI (controlled substances)
- Violation of Release- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft $500 less than $1,500

Burbage, George R.; 49
- drug trafficking

Burditus, Joshua Edward W.; 38
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Burney, Rickey; 67
- FTA- driving while license suspended

Cason, David E.; 46
- FTA- improper lane usage

Clifton, Tori S.; 45
- possession of drug paraphernalia

England, Gaberalle Lee A.; 29
- Violation of Release- possession of dangerous drugs
- forgery-counterfeiting (26 counts)
- Family Offense- financial exploitation of the elderly-1st degree
- Family Offense- financial exploitation of the elderly-2nd degree (11 counts)
- Family Offense- financial exploitation of the elderly-3rd degree (14 counts)
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft $500 less than $1,500 (3 counts)
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft $1,500 - $2,500 (8 counts)
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous theft less than $500 (15 counts)

Esco, Rebecca A.; 40
- criminal trespass

Eslami, Borna; 38
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Fanning, Nathan D.; 39
- public intoxication

Goodwin, Joseph G.; 33
- FTA- resisting arrest
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- damaged property-criminal mischief

Hamby, Debbie B.; 50
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- display of invalid insurance

Harbison, Johnny L.; 71
- Probation Violation-stolen vehicles-unauthorized use of auto

Harper III, James L.; 24
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hopper, Cody R.; 33
- Violation of Release- possession of drug paraphernalia
- Violation of Release-public intoxication

Hunt, Tabatha A.; 44
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine (3 counts)
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Jernigan, Coby D.; 22
- FTA- larceny/theft-miscellaneous
- FTA- burglary-residence-force
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Johns, Christopher W.; 43
- drug trafficking (2 counts)
- possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)
- ex-felon in possession of a firearm
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

King, Heath A.; 23
- assault-harassment (harassment/intimidation)

Mann, Justin C.; 34
- assault-harassment
- sex offense-sodomy-with a boy-strong arm
- assault-harassment

McDonald, Sadie B.; 21
- assault-simple assault

McKenzie, Gregory F.; 58
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Nesbitt, Hannah L.; 21
- possession of marijuana
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- promote prison contraband (drugs)

Odom Jr., Michael D.; 38
- FTA- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

O'Neil, Foster E.; 22
- assault-harassment

Speakman, James R.; 28
- Probation Revoked- forgery-forged instrument

Sutterfield, Ruby L.; 87
- assault-harassment (harassment/intimidation)

Willingham, Patti L.; 53
- FTA- larceny/theft-miscellaneous (2 counts)

Wilson, Larry John M.; 21
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Wingo, Joshua E.; 31
- FTA- speed above 45mph on county road (2 counts)
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled
- FTA- theft by fraudulent leasing

Wisener, Kristen C.; 37
- FTA- leaving scene of accident
- FTA- resisting arrest

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Aug. 15
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Hwy. 157; general merchandise; $154

Aug. 18
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; theft of property-1st degree; person; miscellaneous charges
- theft of property-1st degree; person; CR 1300; kayak; canoe; $3,200
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $38

Aug. 19
- leaving scene of accident; person; Cleveland Ave. SW; damaged property; $6,100
- criminal mischief-3rd degree; person; Ege Farm Dr. SW; damage to 2018 Kia
- theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $1,043

Aug. 20
- harassment; person; Hwy. 157
- counterfeit $20's; State of Alabama; Hwy. 157

ARRESTS

Aug. 18 – 20

Miller, Heather M.; 39
- theft of property-4th degree

McCormick, Jeffery S.; 34
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Gray Jr., Ronald D.; 30
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree

Scott, Ella K.; 32
- possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Zorila, Georgiana N.; 28
- theft of property-3rd degree

Dover, Joshua D.; 41
- FTA- driving while revoked

Chambers, Melissa A.; 44
- FTA- resisting arrest
- FTA- driving without license

Farley, Steven B.; 32
- FTA- insurance violation
- FTA- expired tag

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Wallace State hosts grand opening, announces $48.8M in capital investments

Gail Crutchfield
Wallace State



WALLACE STATE

Wallace State Community College President Dr. Vicki Karolewics (center, holding scissors), joined by Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey (center, in purple) and others, prepares to cut the ribbon on the college's new $8.8 million Center of Welding Technology and Innovation Center on Monday, Aug. 21.

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — In what President Dr. Vicki Karolewics described as a historic day, Wallace State Community College on Monday, Aug. 21, 2023, celebrated the grand opening of the $8.8 million Center of Welding Technology and Innovation Center and announced new plans for almost $49 million in capital investments to build or renovate three buildings on the Hanceville campus.

"Our theme for today is rightfully entitled Building the Workforce, because as one of Alabama's most ambitious colleges, that is our mission — to build the workforce of the future," Karolewics said.

The 30,000-square-foot Center for Welding Technology and Innovation is the largest training center in the Southeast.

The Welding Technology Center includes seven robotic welding stations; nine virtual welding simulators; 81 welding booths; 20 grinding booths; a fabrication area with two welders, a plasma CNC table and pipe welding equipment; and three state-of-the-art classrooms with built-in cameras, microphones and speakers to allow hosting online classes.

The event was held in one of the six pods in the Innovation Center that will be used to incubate businesses.

"We began incubating entrepreneurs over a decade ago, and we are proud of the hundreds of jobs created by ZeroRPM, Sequence Health and DB Technologies in this community," Karolewics added. "This Innovation Center project is projected to create 98 jobs and $25 million in revenue for our area within the first eight years."

Karolewics outlined the three capital investment projects. One is the $4.2 million expansion and renovation of the Machine Tool Technology building. She expressed her appreciation to partners such as HAAS Automation who have been critical to enabling Wallace State to produce the most advanced machinists in this region.

New building projects include a $9.6 million facility for Automotive Technology to accommodate the transformation of the automotive industry to electric and autonomous vehicles. Karolewics thanked partners Mercedes-Benz, Nissan North America, the Cullman Electric Cooperative and the Tennessee Valley Authority. Benton Nissan donated a Nissan Leaf to the Advanced Automotive Service Technology program, as Mercedes-Benz has done in the past.

This is the college's first electric vehicle for training. The Cooperative and TVA have committed $44,000 for two electric vehicle chargers, with another planned in the future.

The largest building project is a $35 million STEM Gateway Building, which will house all the college's first-year students in mathematics, English, humanities, speech and chemistry, as well as the Culinary Arts program, a digital learning center and tutoring center.

"It's an honor to be a part of this history making day," said Gov. Kay Ivey. "We are literally standing on ground zero in the campaign to equip new Alabama workers and those who are choosing to reenter the workforce with skills to succeed."

Ivey pointed to the need to increase the state's labor force.

While the state's unemployment rate is the lowest in state history at 2.1%, there are 50,000 unemployed Alabamians and 120,000 open jobs in the state.

"Providing pathways for them to join the workforce is a major priority," Ivey said. "Alabama's 24 community colleges are on the front lines in delivering the training many of these workers need to get to work."

"We're investing in the future of our students," said Lt. Governor Will Ainsworth. "The purpose of education is to get our people ready for a job. I believe everybody's got a God-given ability, everybody's got a passion. The purpose of education is to get them ready for a job."

"We are so excited here in Cullman County, as a resident and as a school superintendent, for everything that Wallace does because it directly impacts not just my students here in Cullman County, but it impacts our overall community by the young people and the adults that can come back here and get further education and find better jobs," said Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette.

"What a great day for Cullman County," said Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman. "Wallace Sate is the crown jewel of the community college system. This administration, the teachers and support staff continue to find the right formula that makes the state of Alabama and the students that leave here prepared for the state-of-the-art jobs that they have the opportunity to obtain once they leave this campus."

Rep. Danny Garrett, R-Trussville, noted the auto industry is investing $260 billion in the development of electric vehicles.

"If the market takes us there, we certainly want these manufactures who come to Alabama to stay here. We want them to expand here. We want Alabama to be in front of that issue. So as that market shifts, it's important that we stay ahead of the curve, and I see that happening here today," he said.

Other speakers included industry partners Jason Schmidt of Lincoln Electric, Dale Benton of Benton Nissan and WSCC Robotic Welding student Annah Reese.

Reese said she hopes her niece and nephew follow in her footsteps and choose Wallace State. "I know, without a shadow of a doubt, that this is a school not only dedicated to student success, but always finding innovative ways to improve the quality of student development," she said.

"A school where they can invest their goals and ambitions and not only be guaranteed to thrive in their study of choice, but also be taught by people who have an abundance of care and consideration for their students."

Said Gudger, "Today is wonderful day for all of north-central Alabama and the whole state of Alabama."

Tiffany McKoy contributed to this article.

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.
• Wednesday, Aug. 23 - 7 p.m. Children & youth classes. Adult Bible study of Romans. Free pizza for children at 6:30. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup.
• Thursday, Aug. 24-27 - 3rd Annual Women's Conference at Grace Mountain Cottages in Sevierville, Tennessee
• Friday, Aug. 25 - 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! Bring a dish, dessert or drink for a potluck meal at 6:30. Nursery provided!
• Sunday, Aug. 27 - Prayer Groups - Join Kevin and Pastor Bobby at 8 a.m. or join Teresa at 9:15 in the prayer room to pray for our church, nation and those who need healing, salvation or deliverance.
• Sunday, Aug. 27 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call 256-841-2060 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults at 10. Praise & Worship and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd and baptisms at 11.

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.

Cullman Serenity AlAnon Meetings
The Cullman Serenity AlAnon group meets each Monday at noon at 1519 St. Joseph Dr. NE. There is also a zoom meeting each Tuesday at noon. The AlAnon family groups are a fellowship of friends and family whose lives have been affected by alcoholism. For more information, call 256-708-6645, 850-323-0490 or 256-734-2231.

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.

Ladies Night Out Bunco at Sacred Heart Church's family life center on
Friday, Aug. 25, 6-8 p.m. in the Sacred Heart Church Family Life Center. Refreshments throughout the evening. The $20 fee for each gamer goes toward the church work of the Altar Society, which sponsors these events. Bring a friend and share in the laughter and hoots and hollers that go along with this fun and fast dice game. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Southern Gospel Singing
Saturday, Aug. 26, at 6 p.m. at Baldwin Heights Baptist Church on U.S. Highway 278 West. The Churchmen will be singing.

Cullman County Cattlemen's, Cattlewomen's Association Ribeye Steak Sandwich Sale
Friday, Sept. 1, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 2, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in south Cullman in the theater parking lot near Walmart. Steaks are charcoal grilled using Kingsford charcoal. Sandwiches are $10 donation. Add chips and drink $1 each. Employers are invited and encouraged to treat their employees to a great sandwich. Call Edwin Calvert at 256-595-7608 or Jesse Crumbly at 256-709-5077. Contact number in the parking lot is 256-595-7608. We accept credit/debit cards and will have a drive-thru.

Sweet Tater Festival
Sunday and Monday, Sept. 3-4, from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. at Smith Lake Park. This is the perfect experience to expand your tater-tastin' palate. Arts and crafts vendors, live music, car show and a variety of sweet tater treats round out the two-day experience.

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.stbernard-prep.com for more information.

Sacred Heart of Jesus Church Oktoberfest German Dinner
Wednesday, Sept.27, from 4-7 p.m. $15 per plate. Menu includes grilled bratwurst from Brickyard Meats, sauerkraut, German potato salad, green beans, apple sauce and dessert. Drinks dine-in only. EAT-IN from 5-7 p.m. in the Family Life Center; DRIVE-THRU 4-6 p.m. (follow signs off Second Street Southeast). Tickets at event - cash or check only. Sponsored by Altar Society. Funds go to support the organization's church work.

Oktoberfest
Thursday- Saturday Sept. 28-30, in downtown Cullman. Oktoberfest is a three-day celebration of all things German with a quaint Southern spin. Complete with authentic German food and Biergarten, stein hoisting, 5K, pageant and even wiener dog races, there's something for every age.

Monster Truck Wars
Saturday, Sept. 30, 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center. You'd be hard-pressed to find something more entertaining and classically rowdy than monster trucks. Featuring well-known trucks Outlaw, Equalizer, Shark Attack and Sheriff, it'll be pedal-to-the-metal action.

Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation Little Pink Dress Benefit
• Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 6-9 p.m. at Loft 212. Doors will open at 5:30. Guests are encouraged to dress in pink for the event! The Alabama Cattleman's
• Association will be grilling steaks on-site, supplied by The Butcher, and there will be live and silent auctions and live entertainment.
• Tickets are on sale now for $60 per individual or $400 for a table seating eight. To purchase tickets, visit www.cullmanbosombuddies.com/little-pink-dress. Tickets are also available from Stefani Nelson at 256-708-3191 or snelson@alfains.com and Judy Grissom at Options at 256-347-5993 or options5993@gmail.com.

Cullman County Fair
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'Everyone cared for each other': West Point's Kaedince Cagle reflects on Warrior years

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WEST POINT, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to West Point cheerleader and soccer player Kaedince Cagle about her years at West Point High School and she shared some of her favorite memories made on and off the field.

"My favorite memory from cheerleading has to be when we competed at state. We worked so hard all year and made it through Regionals in order to get to state. We were all so nervous, but excited at the same time. Just being there together, hitting every stunt, smiling beside each other, hearing us motivate one another, made it worth it, even if we did not win. It was a new experience for West Point cheer that I will never forget. For soccer, my favorite memory was when we made it to the playoffs. It was the first year that a soccer team from West Point made it to the playoffs. We worked hard and pushed each other all year. Winning the game that had to be won to get to the playoffs felt amazing. We all ran together on the field celebrating. Even if we didn't make it far in the playoffs, I was still so proud of the team. It was a moment I will never forget."

Cagle accomplished so much with some amazing girls and cheerleaders and made a lot of great friends in the process.

"It was so incredible. Sometimes, it felt unreal that we made it that far, but it was such a great feeling, knowing our hard work was paying off," Cagle said. "It was so much fun to be around girls that wanted to do great things. In both sports, we always commented randomly to motivate one another. Being around such great girls really opened my eyes to teamwork and friendships."

Cagle learned so much from all of her coaches in both sports and from playing them. She will deeply miss cheering and playing soccer next year.

"The coaches were amazing. Through my cheer years, I had three different coaches, but they were all so great. They understood cheer and motivated us to do our best. What I learned from them is that you can do mostly anything with mental strength. For soccer, I had one coach all throughout high school. He was a great coach, and he also really understood the sport of soccer. He pushed me every day, even when I kept messing up. Soccer was such a great experience, and it really changed my life and so did my soccer coach. I learned that you can be and do anything, no matter where you started."

She added, "What I learned the most about cheering was motivation and positive words. At practices and competitions, I could hear my team always saying positive comments, telling each other, 'You got this', and from the other teams at cheer competitions as well. I could always hear them cheering us on, even if we were going up against each other. With soccer, what I learned the most was teamwork.

"We would always work hard at practices and games together. Soccer is probably one of the most teamwork engaging sports, because without just one person, it can all fall apart. Teamwork also leads to so many close friendships. I will miss my friends and the fun times I had cheering and playing soccer with them the most."

Cagle talked about her favorite high school memories and what made West Point a special place to go to.

"My favorite high school memories has to be during Homecoming week. There would be fun dress-up days every day of that week, and each grade would go against each other in different activities. Then, at the end of the week, there would be a parade through West Point and a bonfire to end the night. That week has all of my favorite high school memories," she said.

"West Point was a special place to go to, because everyone cared for each other. The teachers and other staff members were always there for the students. They motivated them and helped them the best they could. During my sophomore year, a kid named Christopher Owens passed away. That was the moment I began to see how special West Point was, not just the school, but the community. West Point is a special place to go to, because they care about every aspect of a student's educational and personal life."

Cagle will remember so much about being at West Point and will deeply miss being a Warrior next year. She gave the upcoming freshman some advice.

"I will remember the fun times I had at West Point: school days, Friday Night Lights, club activities, and soccer game days," she said.

"I will miss the time I spent with my friends the most. My close friends: Meadow Cooper, Sydney Carpentier, Kyli Armistead, and Savannah Smith; I will miss seeing them at West Point.

"My advice would be to never keep your head down. There might be some rough days ahead, not just at school, but at home. Just keep pushing, because no matter where you start, you're the one that decides the journey and where you end up."

Cagle was in so many clubs during her time at West Point and took away so much from being in those clubs.

"It was a lot of fun and work, but in the end, it was an honor," she said. "I learned how to manage my time properly. Dealing with academics to stay in some clubs, while also performing at competitions for the agricultural teams, plus cheering and playing soccer, may seem like a lot, but with proper time management, it didn't feel like a lot. I learned that it can pay off, if you just put yourself out there. It was awesome being around great people. Seeing that many people also putting themselves out there really helped me and being around them pushed me to keep going."

Cagle received a few scholarships and was so blessed to get them. She talked about what she will take away the most about being a Warrior.

"I received one from UNA, UAB, and Samford University, which is where I will be attending this fall. All of them are academic scholarships. It felt really great. I worked really hard on my academics throughout high school, so seeing it pay off was a good feeling," she said.

"What I will take away the most is to always be there for others. Even on bad days, West Point was there. I began to really feel that this year, so I tried to always ask people how their day was, because you never know what a person is going through, until you ask. I will take away to be kind and be there for others."



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West Point's Kaedince Cagle



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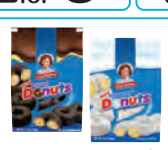
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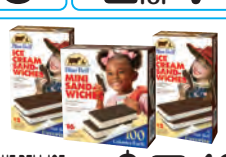
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PREP SPORTS

'You have to encourage and build others up': Vinemont's Jana Harbison talks junior year

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VINEMONT, Ala. — In this interview, I talked to Vinemont volleyball player and cheerleader Jana Harbison about her junior year as an Eagle and what she's looking forward to for the upcoming school year. Last season, the Lady Eagles volleyball team posted a 24-13 record and qualified for Regionals after their runner-up finish in the area tournament. Now that her senior season is about to get underway, Harbison shared what all she learned last year and what it was like playing with some great teammates.

"I think last volleyball season went well, but I think our team could have gone farther. I learned that you have to work and play as a team or you're not going to get anywhere. You have to remember that a team is not just about you; you have to encourage and build others up," Harbison said. "Playing with all of these girls have made me some great friendships and people I can rely on."

Coach Lance Lay retired after last season and Harbison had a blast playing under him. She looked up to one of the senior volleyball players and learned a lot from her.

"He was the greatest coach that I've had so far in my volleyball career. He has taught me so much and I would've never been able to be as good as I am right now without his guidance. He taught me to push myself and work very hard for what I wanted," she said. "One of the seniors I looked up to playing volleyball in high school was Abby Young. She was the best middle I've seen play at school. I looked up to her and wanted to be as good as her for so long. She taught me so much while playing with her: how to keep going and give it your all. I will forever cherish our friendship."

Harbison has learned a lot of things during her time on varsity so far and talked a little bit about the new coach, Bridgette Whitehead. She has seen a lot of improvement over the past few years and will continue to put in the work in the offseason as she prepares for this upcoming season.

"I have learned to give all practices and games 110%, to do my best and let God do the rest. My parents have also encouraged me to always do my best in everything and to never give up," she said. "My new coach seems very determined to make us be the very best we can be. I think she has a lot to teach us and I'm so excited to see how my last season goes. The more I've become experienced with the game, I've learned to read plays better and be able to react to them faster. I will continue to work on my blocking skills and hitting. I want to make my hits more powerful. My goal is to get my hits above the 10 ft. line."

Harbison talked about her goals and the team goals for this upcoming season and what will make this team special to watch.

"My personal goals are to jump higher, so I can block and hit better. My team goals are to grow and work together to become stronger as a team," she said. "What will make us special to watch is our team giving 100% in all the practices and games and showing what we've worked hard for."

This will be the first year that Harbison has done cheer and she's learned so much from some amazing cheerleaders and from her coach already.

"This is the first year I've done cheer and the team really took me in and made me feel welcomed. They are all great girls and I've made so many new friendships. The experience was very scary at first and I felt very out of place, but my coach, Ms. Ballard, and the girls made me feel so welcomed. I've learned so much in the short amount of time cheering. I've learned a lot of cheers, all of my jumps, and I've recently learned how to do a back handspring."

Harbison has enjoyed cheering under coach Ballard and has learned so much from her already. She has already seen a lot of improvement in her performance during her short time on varsity so far. She'll continue to put in the work in the offseason as she is preparing for this upcoming season.

"Ms. Ballard is so encouraging and uplifting. She is someone I look up to and inspire to be. She will always be there for you and be supportive. She has taught me to always give it my all and try my best in every aspect of my life. I have learned so much from her in a short amount of time," she said. "My performance from when I first started has changed tremendously. My jumps have improved and I've learned many cheers, dances, and tumbling that I thought I would never be able to do. I will continue working on all the cheers and improving my jumps. I will also work on being a back spot and tumbling."

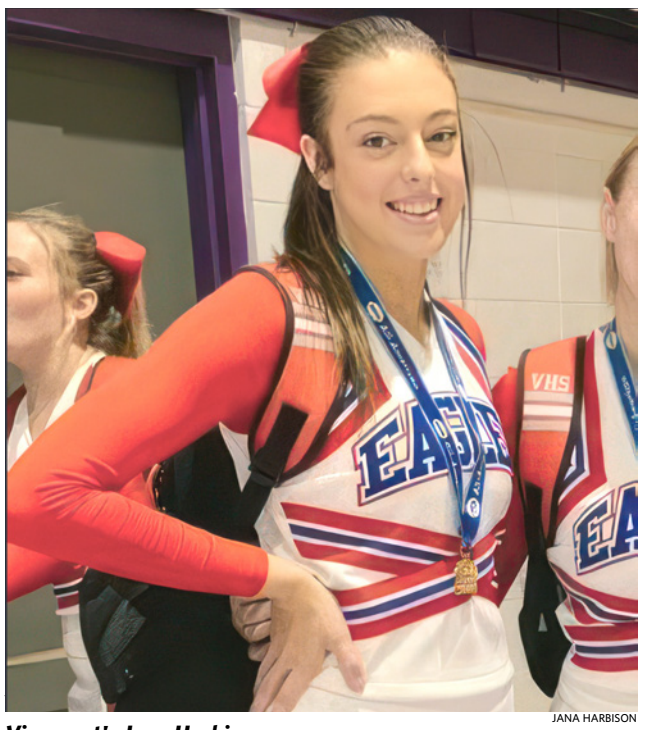
Harbison has some goals set for herself and for the team. She thinks the Lady Eagles will have a very special season and she talked about a couple of role models that she looked up to.

"My goal is to improve in everything I do. My team goal is to win competitions and work hard together," she said.

"What will make this cheer team special to watch is our passion and determination to be the best. My role model for volleyball was Abby Young and my role model for cheer was Annalise Kline. Abby was very determined in being the best at what she did. She had the biggest passion for volleyball. She gave every game and practice her all. She was a major influence on me and helped me improve my game. Annalise is one of the most hard-working people I've met. She has a passion for cheer and she always gave 110% at everything she did. She now helps me improve my skills and gives me so much advice on how to be the best cheerleader I can be. She is someone I will always look up to, because she is a person who will never give up on anything."

Harbison talked about the best advice that someone ever gave her.

"The best advice I've ever gotten from someone was you will never get what you want, unless you work for it."



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Vinemont's Jana Harbison



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VINEMONT, Ala. — The Cullman County Youth Football season officially kicks off next week but our local youth squads got a chance to play jamboree games at Vinemont High School Friday and Saturday to prepare before the regular season gets underway.

FRIDAY, AUG. 18

Vinemont v. Fairview
- Fireplug: Vinemont 18 - Fairview 0
- Wee-Wee: Vinemont 12 - Fairview 0
- Pee-Wee: Vinemont 24 - Fairview 6

SATURDAY, AUG. 19
Good Hope v. West Point
- Fireplug: Good Hope 26 - West Point 0
- Wee-Wee: Good Hope 22 - West Point 14
- Pee-Wee: Good Hope 12 - West Point 6

Holly Pond v. Cold Springs
- Fireplug: Holly Pond 22 - Cold Springs 0
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WEEK ONE SCHEDULE
AUG. 26

- Cold Springs at Hanceville (9 a.m.)
- Holly Pond at Vinemont (9 a.m.)
- Good Hope at Fairview (4 p.m.)
- West Point at Cullman (4 p.m.)

Hele Bowls (from Front)

Cayla Grace Murphy
caylagrace@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — Hele Bowls, a local island-inspired favorite for colorful and fresh poke and grain bowls, is raising funds and gathering supplies for victims of the 2023 Maui wildfire.

Hele Bowls is raffling off a collection of merchandise and gift cards for local eateries, including Hele Bowls, 412 Public House, Karmas Coffee House, Downtown Nutrition and Hanks Sports Bar, with proceeds of the raffle benefiting the Maui United Way.

Raffle tickets are $5 each, cash only. Purchases of 25 tickets or more will be counted as double entries, increasing your chances to win. Hele Bowls is also accepting donations of diapers, wipes, first-aid kits and toiletries to send to Maui; these item donations can be dropped off at Hele Bowls or Tangles Salon in South Vinemont.

Said Sarah Morrow, manager and chef at Hele Bowls, the fundraiser aligns with the restaurant's principles of giving back, and supporting its island ohana (family) as a whole. "The significance for this fundraiser is to help the people of Maui and the Maui United Way, after the devastation that they just endured. It connects with us at Hele Bowls because we are a Hawaiian-inspired restaurant, with myself having family on the Big Island," Morrow explained. "Our goal has, and will always be, at Hele Bowls, to make a difference."

Morrow added, "We want to show the people of Maui that even though we are thousands of miles apart, Southern hospitality and the will to help one another has no boundaries!"

To purchase a raffle ticket, stop by Hele Bowls Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Ticket sales end Friday, Aug. 25, and winners will be drawn Monday, Aug. 28. Hele Bowls is located at 410 Second Ave. SE in Cullman.

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On Tuesday September 5, 2023, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Conditional use request at 600 6th Avenue SW for a childcare center

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

LEGALS

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF ELSIE J. MOORE, Deceased. * **CASE NO.: PC2023-245**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to PATRICIA B. BARKER, as Personal Representative of the Estate of ELSIE J. MOORE, deceased, on the 11th day of August, 2023, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

PATRICIA B. BARKER
Personal Representative

Pamela E. Nail
Attorney for Personal Representative
2200 Second Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF L.A.J.
A minor child.
D.O.B. 12/04/2012
CASE NO. AD 2023-060

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: BRANDON DUANE JOHNSON AND UNKNOWN FATHER OF A CHILD, L.A.J., BORN DECEMBER 4, 2012 TO RACHAEL JOHNSON JUSTICE

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Jason Matthew Justice, Petitioner. 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 the 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 the 4th day of August, 2023.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
PROBATE JUDGE

Dan J. Willingham
Attorney for Petitioner
FULLER, WILLINGHAM & CARTER, LLC,
413 1st Avenue SW
Cullman AL 35055

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks.

TO: The Publisher
CULLMAN TRIBUNE
Cullman AL 35055

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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

W.A.G.
D.O.B 08/01/2018

CASE NO: PC 2023-255

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

TO: JACOB ALLEN GRIFFIN FATHER OF A MINOR CHILD, W.A.G. D.O.B. 08/01/2018

The *Petition and Declaration for Change of Name of Minor Child* was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by Sylena Thomason, Biological Mother. If you should contest, 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 4th DAY OF August, 2023.

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

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Revised March 2020

SAMPLE FORM OF ADVERTISEMENT FOR COMPLETION

LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Chapter 1, Title 39, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, notice is hereby given that Eidson + Assoc., Inc. (Contractor Company Name) Contractor, has completed the Contract for [X](Construction) [ ](Renovation) [ ](Alteration) [ ](Equipment) [ ](Improvement) of (Name of Project): Additions to Good Hope Middle School

at 216 Good Hope School Road, Cullman, AL 35057 (Insert location data in County or City) for the State of Alabama and the (County) (City) of Cullman, Owner(s), and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE MATTER OF
BELLA MARIE GROVES,
An alleged incapacitated person.

CASE NO.: PC-2023-251

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR LETTERS OF GUARDIANSHIP

TO: CHRISTOPHER P. GROVES
ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT OF KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a *Petition for Letters of Guardianship* has been filed by Candice Merica England, Petitioner, by and through Attorney, Jerry L. Kilgo. A hearing on said *Petition for Letters of Guardianship* has been **SET FOR THE 20th day of OCTOBER, 2023, AT 10:30 A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, Probate Office Room 101, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 18th day of August, 2023.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

Jerry L. Kilgo
Attorney for Petitioner
421 3rd Avenue SE, Suite 250
Cullman, Alabama 35055

IN THE JUVENILE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF
A.K.C

Case No.: JU-2023-000497.01

NOTICE

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Court Clerk.

The Guardian ad Litem having made a Motion for Service by Publication in the above styled action, it is therefore:

ORDERED AND ADJUGED that RYAN CORLEY, the Father of A.K.C., born on or about 08/17/2007, respond to the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed in the Juvenile Court of Cullman County by the 5th day of September 2023, or thereafter a judgement may be may be rendered in favor of the Petitioner.

Contact may be made: G. Rhys Battles, Guardian Ad Litem for the Minor Child, 200 2nd Avenue SE Cullman, AL 35055, (256) 620-0007 or Lisa McSwain, Circuit Clerk. 500 2nd Avenue SW Cullman, AL 35055

DONE this 27th day of July, 2023.

/s/ WELLS R. TURNER III
JUVENILE JUDGE

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LISA McSWAIN
CIRCUIT CLERK
CULLMAN COUNTY

STATE OF ALABAMA, CULLMAN COUNTY
I, Lisa McSwain, Clerk of Circuit Court in and for said County and State, hereby certify that the within and foregoing is a true and correct copy as the same appears of record in this office.
Witness my hand and official seal, this 27th day of July, 2023.
Lisa McSwain
Clerk of Circuit Court





Obituary Announcements: Aug. 18-21

Lela Mae Whaley, 88
A Mass for Christian burial for Lela Mae Whaley, 88, of Hanceville, will be 10 a.m. Monday, Aug. 21, 2023, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Cullman. Burial will follow the service at Fairview West Cemetery in Hanceville. Fr. Patrick Egan will be officiating. Visitation for family and friends will be from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. with the Rosary immediately following at Hanceville Funeral Home on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2023. Lela Mae Whaley was born on March 20, 1935, to Bird and Neanie Cone. She passed away on Aug. 17, 2023, at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman. Mrs. Whaley was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Leon Whaley; son, Barry Whaley; daughter-in-law, Dianne Whaley; granddaughter, Stacey Whaley; and grandson, Chantry Quick. Survivors include her sons, Keith (Maryann) Whaley, Matthew Whaley, Joseph Whaley and Paul Whaley; daughters, Mickey (Randy Allison) Whaley, Remona (Doug) Quick and Reshel Whaley; grandsons, Joshua (Kim) Whaley, Chad (Amy) Whaley, Kevin (Brigitte) Whaley, Sam (Hailey) Whaley, Lance Quick, Luke (Nikki) Whaley, Seth (Tosha) Quick, Brody (Brooke) Quick, Cade (Maddie) Quick, Jesse Whaley and Tyler Whaley; granddaughters, Miranda (Jeff) Blankenship, Amanda Whaley, Chelsea Mathis, Christen (Austin) Flanagan and Melia (Tyler) Hestla; great-grandsons, Gavin Whaley, Campbell Whaley, Taz Whaley, Walker Whaley, Braxton Mathis, Tripp Whaley, Logan Moody, Vince Blankenship and Tyler Blankenship; great-granddaughters, Shelby Mattox, Caitlin Mattox, Avy Whaley, Ayla Mathis, Macy Whaley, Emma Whaley, Abby Whaley, Layla Hester and Eden Quick; daughter-in-law, Jane (Ronnie) Chamblee; brother, Don (Donna) Cone; sisters, Beatrice Phillips and Elsa Bailey; and sister-in-law, Ethelene Cone.

Freda M. Sears, 87
Funeral service for Freda M. Sears, 87, of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery. Rev. Steton Hayes and Rev. Phillip Nichols will officiate. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Wednesday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. prior to the funeral. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mrs. Sears passed away Friday, Aug. 28, 2023, at her residence. She was born March 18, 1936, to Virgil Douglas and Bertha Irene Maner Huffstutler. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Ellis Sears; brother, Stanley Self; sister, Hilda Hampton. Survivors include her two brothers, Guy (Pat) Huffstutler, Larry (Carolyn) Huffstutler; nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Carol Jean Sims Mosser, 78
Carol Jean Sims Mosser, age 78, of Laurens, passed away on Friday, Aug. 18, 2023, at VIA Hospice of Laurens County Hospice House. Born in Cullman, Alabama, she was a daughter of the late Tommie and Helen Manning Sims. Carol was a retired educator and had a passion for teaching visionally impaired youth braille and mobility independence. She was an accomplished pianist and was a member of Trenholm Road United Methodist Church in Columbia. Carol was also a member of the National Federation of the Blind and the Lions Club. Surviving are her daughter, Melinda Gray (Willis) of Laurens; grandson, Andrew Gray (Brittany) of Laurens; sisters, Charlene DeBusk of Thomasville, Alabama, Paulette West (John) of Birmingham, Alabama, and Tommie Little (Don) of Murfreesboro, Tennessee; beloved nieces, nephews, and great-nieces and great-nephews; devoted caregivers, Linda Smith, Jose Barksdale, and Sondear Floyd; and her 4 fur babies that she loved. In addition to her parents, Carol was predeceased by her husbands, Hoover Randolph and Charles Mosser. The family will receive friends at The Kennedy Mortuary from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. at The Kennedy Mortuary Chapel conducted by Rev. Tom and Audrey Carter and Rev. Enoch Wilson. Graveside services will take place in Cullman Memory Gardens in Cullman, Alabama at 2 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 24, 2023, conducted by Rev. Steve West. Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Baptist Church, 23994 Highway 221 North, Enoree, SC 29335, Bell Federation Center of the Blind, 1103 North Harper St., Laurens, SC. 29360, or VIA Hospice of Laurens County, P.O. Box 178, Clinton, SC 29325. The family would like the especially thank Hospice of Laurens County for the love and care given to Mrs. Mosser.

Larry Baccus, 72
Larry Baccus, 72, of Haleyville, passed away Aug. 18, 2023, at Princeton Baptist Medical Center. He was born Nov. 26, 1950, in Haleyville, Alabama. A memorial graveside service will be held on Saturday, Aug. 26, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Ashridge Community Church Cemetery. Dr. Ron Horton will officiate. Larry is survived by his wife, Sharon Baccus; daughters, Christy (Scott) Edwards, Amy Riddle, and Dusty Baccus; grandchildren, Brandon Odom, Clint Edwards, Ken Edwards, Braxton Odom, Kale Riddle, Abby Odom, and Nolan Edwards; and sisters, Kathy Clark, Sandra Garrison, and Peggy Gray. He was preceded in death by his grandson, Landon Baccus; parents, Eddie and Clytee Baccus; and son-in-law, Dustin Riddle.

Wanda Kay Bates, 71
Graveside Service for Wanda Kay Bates, age 71, of Cullman, will be at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023, at Cullman City Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Bates passed away on Sunday, Aug. 20, 2023, at Falkville Health Care Center. She was born May 10, 1952, to John Vardaman and Mildred Vardaman. She was preceded in death by her parents and husband, Billy Bates. Survivors include her daughter, Sandra (Jonathan) Wilson; grandchildren, Brittany Henderson, Brianne Methvin, and Brayden Methvin; and great-grandchildren, Cooper Smith, Emma Smith, Brynlee Underwood, and Bryson Stevens.

Windol G. Dickinson, 88
Windol G. Dickinson, 88, of Haleyville, passed away Aug. 19, 2023, at Lakeland Community Hospital. He was born July 4, 1935, in Lynn Alabama. Windol loved his family and the Lord. He enjoyed sharing scriptures from the Bible with everyone he met. He was a member of Mt. Zion Baptist Church. Windol also loved gardening and watching his plants grow. A visitation will be held on Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2023, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Nichols Funeral Home in Haleyville where a burial will follow at Winston Memorial Cemetery. Brother Tommy Setliff and Brother Gary Wakefield will officiate. Windol is survived by his sons, Michael (Cyndi) Dickinson and Jeff Dickinson; grandsons, William (Jennifer) Dickinson and Chad Dickinson; great grandchildren, Will Dickinson, Abi Dickinson, Bella Dickinson, Cannan Dickinson, Braden Dickinson, Calum Dickinson, Able Evans, Kelsea Evans, and DJ McCullar. He was preceded in death by his wife, Betty J. Dickinson; parents, Elzie L and Sibbie Mae Dickinson; and brother, John C. Dickinson.

Michael Earl Ennis, 71
Memorial services are incomplete for Michael Earl Ennis, 71, of Altoona. He passed away Saturday, Aug. 19, 2023, at his residence. He was born Dec. 6, 1951, to Thomas Earl and Minnie Leatha Slaton Ennis. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Wanda Ennis; daughter, Shanna Ennis; brother, Ronnie Ennis. Survivors include his daughter, Alicia (Thomas) Bradford; brother, Jerry Ennis; sister, Cheryl Richardson; grandchildren, Adreanna (Brendan) McMullen; Kayla McMullen (Joseph Bodine), Samantha McMullen, Liyah Bradford; family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

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Vinemont (from Front)

massive spread.

"We've had a really good turnout this time, close to 50 today!"

Goodwin is hopeful about the future of the monthly lunches, sharing that attendance has steadily grown the more that word gets out.

"People are just now learning about it, so we might have to scoot these tables closer together soon!" she laughed.

Vinemont Mayor Radginal "Reggie" Dodson shared the same hopes, expressing how happy he is that the center is being put to good use.

"I helped build this building, and I'm proud that it's being put to use.

"People even my age are coming here to shoot the bull and enjoy it, you know? It's just fun getting to see something enjoyed," Dodson nodded.

The Town of South Vinemont hosts the senior citizens lunch from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on the third Monday of every month at the community center, which is located at 88 Ridgeway St., Cullman, Alabama, 35058. The lunch is open to seniors aged 55 and older.

Alabama Mushroom Society collects 46 fungi specimens at Sportsman Lake 'Mycoblitz'

Cayla Grace Murphy
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Dozens of budding and seasoned naturalists of all ages converged on Sportsman Lake Park's Wildflower Garden on Saturday, Aug.19, 2023, with one common goal: collecting specimens to gather data and learn more about one of biology's lesser studied taxonomic kingdoms – mycology. Mycology, or the study of fungi, refers to yeasts, molds and mushrooms found throughout the world.

Through the balmy morning hours, attendees collected 46 specimens to be sent to various processing facilities for DNA sequencing to gather data and further information on under-documented species of fungi.

"Mycology is incredibly behind in biologic sciences. About half of everything I sequence out of Alabama has no sequence on record," stated Alisha Millican, president of Alabama Mushroom Society, when discussing the critical role the "Mycoblitz" plays in gathering data.

Data collected from the foray will be processed, and specimens that have a DNA sequence successfully generated will be uploaded to GenBank, a sequence database that is an open-access, annotated collection of all publicly available nucleotide sequences and their protein translations.

GenBank is produced and maintained by the National Center for Biotechnology Information as part of the International Nucleotide Sequence Database Collaboration.



CAYLA GRACE MURPHY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

A collection of fungi specimens is seen on a picnic table at Sportsman Lake Park's Wildflower Garden on Saturday, Aug. 19. The specimens were collected as part of the Summer 2023 Mycoblitz, an initiative started to collect more data on fungi.

7th annual Bernard Blues and BBQ Festival returning Sept. 9-10

Joyce Nix
St. Bernard

CULLMAN, Ala. — Get ready to indulge in a weekend of mouthwatering barbecue, lively music and vibrant arts at the seventh annual Bernard Blues and BBQ Festival, hosted by St. Bernard. Mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 9, and Sunday, Sept. 10, as Cullman welcomes visitors from near and far to this much-anticipated event.

A culinary and artistic extravaganza

The festival promises a plethora of exciting activities, making it a must-attend event for families, foodies and art enthusiasts alike. Attendees can browse through an impressive range of arts and crafts, including pottery, paintings, jewelry, soaps, wind chimes, sauces, seasonings, gourmet food items, wood carvings, stained glass, handmade children's clothing, custom embroidery and door hangers, among others. The diverse selection is sure to satisfy every artistic taste.

BBQ delights for every palate

For those with a passion for barbecue, this festival is a dream come true. Freddie Day Catering will be serving up a delectable barbecue spread throughout the entire weekend. Attendees can savor mouthwatering ribs, chicken and pulled pork, along with hot dogs, hamburgers and Polish sausages. But the indulgence doesn't stop there – St. Bernard Abbey will offer its famous Bernard's Best Breads and an assortment of cookies to delight the taste buds.

Kansas City Backyard BBQ Competition

Festival Director Joyce Nix is excited to introduce the first Kansas City Backyard BBQ Competition to the festival. Cooks will go head to head in a culinary challenge, likened to a cross-country race, as they race against the clock to present their best chicken and pork creations. The judging will take place at noon and 12:30 p.m., respectively, and all dishes will be prepared using charcoal briquettes, pellets and more.

Live entertainment and unmissable prizes

Prepare to be entertained by exceptional live performances on both days. The Charlie Soul Band will set the stage ablaze on Saturday from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., followed by The Sinners on Sunday from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and The Kingfish from 2-4 p.m. As the festivities wind down, anticipation will be high for the $10,000 sweepstakes giveaway on Sunday, Sept. 10, at 4 p.m.

Supporting education through community

Admission to this incredible event requires a $10 donation, and all proceeds will directly benefit St. Bernard Preparatory School. By attending, you're not only enjoying a fantastic weekend, but also contributing to the educational advancement of local students. To learn more about the festival, its schedule and the noble cause it supports, visit www.stbernardprep.com.



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