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Harmony buzzing over Outdoor Classroom certification

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LOGAN, Ala. — Harmony School is soaking in the much-deserved recognition of receiving certification from the Alabama Wildlife Federation (AWF) as an official Outdoor Classroom School - only the second in the Cullman County Schools system, and the first in eight years. This is no small feat for the tiny-but-mighty school and has fostered a renewed sense of curiosity and interest in science for its students - not to mention, a bit of a break from the day-to-day routine of indoor classes.

Harmony School Librarian Lea Scott got the ball rolling on the classroom years ago, and with teacher Rachel Campbell and other faculty acting as a driving force to maintain it, the project was unstoppable. Scott was very outspoken about the benefits of the Outdoor Classroom for Harmony's students at large.

"They abso- » PAGE 6



CHRISTIE MANN THOMAS

Rachel Dawsey of the North Alabama Agriplex addresses the intimate crowd on Friday, Sept. 22, at the certification ceremony for Harmony School's Outdoor Classroom.

14th annual Oktoberfest Candlelight Walking Tour this Thursday



MICHAEL SULLINS

Michael Sullins and Julie Burks speak to tour participants at the 2022 Oktoberfest Candlelight Walking Tour.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The 14th annual Oktoberfest Candlelight Walking Tour is set to kick off in front of the Cullman Depot (304 First Ave. NE) at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 28. This tour promises to delve into captivating stories and commemorate the city's 150th anniversary, meandering through the historic streets of Cullman, primarily along First and Second Avenues on the east side of the railroad tracks.

The tour, which is expected to last about an hour, offers attendees a unique opportunity to explore the rich tapestry of Cullman's cultural heritage. Visitors are encouraged to keep an eye out for the Cullman Electric Cooperative tent, where they can snag a free glow stick or candle to light their way through the past.

This year, the tour will shed light on events that predate the official founding of Cullman in 1873. While Col. John Cullmann is widely recognized as the city's founder, lesser-known individuals who played pivotal roles in shaping the city will take center stage.

One such figure is Mr. Albert Fink, the then-general manager of the Louisville & Nashville (L&N) Railroad Company. In November 1872, Fink, accompanied by others, disembarked from a train at Milner's, a station 2 miles north of Cullman, and joined forces with Col. Cullmann to explore the area that would become the city of Cullman. With the support of L&N, a colony was established on the vacant lands of this mountain plateau, marking the state's first successful » PAGE 6

City of Cullman celebrating 150th anniversary with season of grand festivities
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2023 Oktoberfest schedule of events



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The arrival of the Hay People is a surefire sign that Oktoberfest is upon us!
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Cullman County Youth Football Week 4 scoring recap



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The Holly Pond Broncos won Saturday's Pee-Wee game against the Good Hope Raiders 20-19 in 2OT.
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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Sept. 25

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Sept. 25, 2023. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Sept. 21

- gas drive off; CR 437
- harassment; Briarwood Dr. SE; harassment
- theft of property; CR 222
- theft of property; CR 1736
- theft of property; CR 1355
- dog bite; Hwy. 91
- theft of property; CR 54
- possession of controlled substance; possession of dangerous drugs; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 8
- trespassing; CR 1674
- criminal mischief; CR 739
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 231
- ex-felon in possession of firearm; Brantley Ave. NW

Sept. 22

- violation of protection order; CR 1435
- menacing; Buettner Dr.
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- indecent exposure; Hwy. 69 S
- theft of property; CR 108
- harassment; CR 255
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 31
- theft of property; CR 1199

Sept. 23

- harassment; CR 1234
- assault; CR 1691
- theft of property; Chad Dr.
- domestic violence; CR 1850
- possession dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- possession of drug paraphernalia; 4th St. SW

Sept. 24

- possession of dangerous drugs; CR 109
- domestic violence; CR 62
- possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 109
- domestic violence; CR 700
- theft of property; CR 1082
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; CR 775
- drug trafficking; possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; 24th St. SW
- domestic violence; CR 653
- assault; CR 702

ARRESTS

Sept. 21 – 24

Bolte, Billy J.; 49
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Brown, Rhonda S.; 52
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Brown, Whitney M.; 27
- assault-harassment

Bryan, Tithee R.; 37
- permitting dogs to run at large

Bunt, Jamie L.; 38
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Carr, Patrick D.; 43
- Judges Order- sex offense- adult sex offender-violation of contact order

Clayton, Clark D.; 42
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Eddy, Christy L.; 43
- possession of dangerous drugs (3 counts)
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Erwin, Jesse E.; 32
- public intoxication

Graves, Barry D.; 38
- Probation Revoked- damaged property-criminal mischief

Harrison, George A.; 56
- violation of domestic violation protection order

Hawkins, Brayden C.; 23
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Hunt III, Jeffery M.; 35
- Probation Revoked- drug trafficking

Jenkins, Angela D.; 50
- FTA- failure to immunize dog/cat for rabies

Lawrimore, Yolanda M.; 42
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Lindsey, Joseph C.; 34
- larceny/theft-miscellaneous (2 counts)

Lovett, Steven A.; 35
- Probation Violation- possession of drug paraphernalia

McClendon, Zachary A.; 33
- Probation Violation- possessing forgery device/tool
- Probation Violation-forgery-counterfeiting
- Probation Violation-fraud-identity theft (3 counts)

McCurdy, James E.; 37
- FTA- tinted windows

McDonald, Joshua R.; 33
- drug trafficking
- possession of dangerous drugs
- possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense

Mikel, John T.; 37
- Probation Violation- larceny/theft-theft of lost property
- Probation Violation- burglary-3rd degree-domestic violence

Monroe, Jason T.; 45
- possession of dangerous drugs

Otero, Ashley N.; 38
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Paugh, Dustin S.; 25
- possession of dangerous drugs
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Preston, Daryl W.; 38
- FTA- attempting to elude police officer
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Rhodes, Brittney L.; 34
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of dangerous drugs
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Stillwell, Logan J.; 25
- possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Sept. 19
- criminal mischief-2nd degree; Cullman Village Apartments; Ward Ave. SW; damaged property; $1,350

Sept. 22
- theft of property-1st degree; City of Cullman; cash
- theft of property-4th degree; person; 4th St. SW; clothing; $300

Sept. 23
- criminal trespass; person; 16th St. SE
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; person; Fox Meadow Dr. SE; miscellaneous
- criminal trespass; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; Bower Dr. SE
- theft of property-3rd degree; Conoco North; Hwy. 157; cash
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; Hwy. 157; damage to 2014 Nissan Altima; $650
- harassment; person

Sept. 24
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; Hwy. 157

ARRESTS

Sept. 22 – 24

Hollis Jr., Robert L.; 46
- possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Triance, Eric; 39
- possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Brockman, Lesha B.; 60
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree
- FTA- criminal trespass-3rd degree (2 counts)

Preston, Daryl W.; 38
- FTA- disorderly conduct
- FTA- public intoxication

Prichard, Joshua A.; 31
- criminal trespass

Allred, Terry D.; 45
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree
- FTA- criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA- run red light

Gaddis, Jennifer A.; 39
- public intoxication
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- making false report

Ellis, Daniel A.; 43
- FTA- attempt to elude police officer

Hobbs, Justin M.; 42
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Tanner, Rebecca L.; 55
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Phillips, Jacqueline F.; 40
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree

Fong, Johan B.; 21
- public intoxication

Merriman, Benjamin L.; 52
- domestic violence

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Events (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The season of schnitzel, sauerkraut, pretzels and prost is officially upon us. With Oktoberfest kicking off this week, and this year especially packed with the City's 150th anniversary, here's a look at what you can expect!

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27

Starting at 4 p.m.

GERMAN MEAL AT SACRED HEART

Sacred Heart of Jesus Roman Catholic Church's Altar Society is dishing up its signature German meal with options for dine-in or to-go. On the menu for the evening is grilled bratwurst from local favorite Brickyard Meats, green beans, sauerkraut, German potato salad, apple sauce and a dessert. A meal fit for a Burgermeister, all for only $15, cash or check only. Dine-in will be in the school gym from 5-7 p.m., with drive-thru entering on 2nd Street SE beside the rectory and exit between the church and school.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28

Starting at 4 p.m.

HOFBRAUHAUS

The Hofbrauhaus, which includes a dedicated server, commemorative stein and access to delectable Bavarian bites, is a ticketed area with customers age 21+ $35, ages 5-20 $15 and ages 4 and younger free.

KIDS' ZONE

The Kids' Zone boasts a huge inflatable playground, costing only $3 per wristband for all the fun your little ones can handle, or grab a $25 wristband and get unlimited access to the inflatable park PLUS 5 tickets for Carnival rides, the Cullman mini train, and more! Free entertainment for the kiddos includes Kid's German crafts, yard games, a pumpkin walk, costume contests, pretzel eating contests, stein hoisting and so much more.

Starting at 6 p.m.

OKTOBERFEST PARADE

The Oktoberfest Celebration Parade hits the streets of the Warehouse District! The must-see parade which will include a horse-drawn German beer wagon, entertaining street performers, live music and 2023 Burgermeister Dale Greer, will travel down First Avenue Southeast.

CEREMONIAL TAPPING OF THE KEG

The ceremonial tapping of the keg will be performed right after the parade; the typical amount of times to try to tap in Munich's Oktoberfest is two; let's see if Burgermeister Dale Greer can get it on the first shot!

CROWNING OF MISS OKTOBERFEST

This year's representatives are:
- Alivia Farr, 2023 Miss Holly Pond High School Fair Queen Representative
- Amy Latham, 2023 Miss Fairview High School Fair Queen Representative
- Avery Flynt, 2023 Miss Good Hope High School Fair Queen Representative
- Gracie Lee, 2023 Miss Cullman Christian School Fair Queen Representative
- Haley Bearden, 2023 Miss West Point High School Fair Queen Representative
- Kaylee Windsor, 2023 Miss Cold Springs High School Fair Queen Representative
- Siddalee Drake, 2023 Miss Cullman High School Fair Queen Representative
- Skyla Pair, 2023 Miss Vinemont High School Fair Queen Representative

Starting at 7 p.m.

CANDLELIGHT WALKING TOUR

Learn about Cullman's history; with this year being our 150th anniversary, you're sure to learn something new! Gather at Cullman's historic train depot just North of the Hofbrauhaus. Look for the Cullman Electric Cooperative tent and Ford Mustang Mach-E to grab your candle or glow stick. The tour will wind through the historic streets of Cullman, escorted by Cullman Fire & Rescue, as we unfold the many stories that celebrate our town's 150th Anniversary. Our strong culture and rich history are waiting to be explored!

BRAT EATING CONTEST (16 AND OLDER)

Oktoberfest is known for its distinctly German-influenced palate, and you can't have an Oktoberfest celebration without bratwurst. Do you have what it takes to bring home the glory of winning the brat eating contest?

Starting at 7:30 p.m.

ADULTS AND KIDS COSTUME CONTEST

Dust off your lederhosen and dirndls, braid your tresses and don your best Bavarian hat: it's time for a costume contest. Your judge will be the roaring crowd of Oktoberfest, so bring your Oktoberbest to win the bragging rights!

Starting at 8 p.m.

STEIN HOISTING (21+)

Oktoberfest would be remiss without the classic stein hosting competition. Beer full and frothy, arm out and pressure on... Ready, set, go!

Starting at 9 p.m.

DUELING PIANOS

To lull us into a certified biergarten sleep, several artists will pound the ivories into the late evening in the Hofbrauhaus. Come for the beer, stay for the tunes!

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29

Starting at 10 a.m.

SENIOR DAY AT THE FESTHALLE

Cullman's golden generation will assemble under the Festhalle for their own bespoke brand of German antics, complete with games, music and more! If you're 55-plus, it's an event you won't want to miss.

VENDOR MARKET

Dozens of vendors will be present peddling their handmade wares with German flair; plenty of treats, home goods, curated clothing and accessories will be available for purchase, all made by local artisans, and just in time with the holiday shopping season just around the corner.

KIDS' ZONE

Starting at 2 p.m.

HOFBRAUHAUS

Starting at 6 p.m.

KIDS' CONTESTS

Kids get to join in on the competitive fun this time! Kiddos will chomp pretzels, hoist steins, and model their best German attire for a chance to be named the winner- and be the talk of the playground!

Starting at 7 p.m.

BRAT EATING CONTEST (16+)

Starting at 8 p.m.

STEIN HOISTING

COSTUME CONTEST

Starting at 9 p.m.

DUELING PIANOS

SATURDAY, SEPT. 30

Starting at 10 a.m.

HOFBRAUHAUS

VENDOR MARKET

KIDS' ZONE

CULLMAN COMMUNITY BAND ON THE MAIN STAGE

Starting at 11 a.m.

OKTOFURFEST

A chance to get the four-legged fam involved, OktoFURfest is packed this year. The annual wiener dog race will kick off OktoFURfest on Saturday where the fastest wiener of all will be crowned. After the race, the heat is on with a costume contest. All pets are welcome to participate. Concluding the OktoFURfest festivities will be the pet parade where you get the chance to show off your uberpet all about the festival. Do you have lederhosen in your dog's size? You might want to consider it!

WALLACE STATE SINGERS ON THE MAIN STAGE

Starting at noon

WALLACE STATE JAZZ BAND ON THE MAIN STAGE

Starting at 12:45 p.m.

HOP-ON, HOP-OFF BUS TOUR

The hop on, hop off bus and walking tour will celebrate the city of Cullman's 150th Anniversary. "Hop on" the bus that will depart from the Cullman County Museum at 12:45 PM. Space is limited, so first come, first serve. Fun facts and topics concerning Cullman's early history, architecture, culture, and religion will be narrated by former Burgermeister and historian Michael Sullins. "Hop off" the bus to explore Cullman's historic Ruehl Building and Cullman's first church, St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church. Take advantage of our guided walking tour presented by former Burgermeister and Senior Pastor of St. John's Church, Rev. John Richter, as he discusses the church's rich history and highlighting the stunning and historic stained glassed windows.

Starting at 2:30 p.m.

GOTTESDIENST

Step back into Cullman's earliest religious history and experience this Divine Service (In German, Gottesdienst) in the German language of Eucharistic Liturgy, hosted at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Starting at 3 p.m.

BRAT EATING CONTEST (16+)

Starting at 4:30 p.m.

KIDS CONTESTS

Starting at 8 p.m.

STEIN HOISTING

COSTUME CONTEST

Starting at 9 p.m.

DUELING PIANOS

SUNDAY, OCT. 1

Starting at 4 p.m.

PIANO CONCERT, DR. MARK LAVERTY

Dr. Mark Laverty is an award-winning artist who has delighted audiences both in the United States and Europe. His debut CD, "Music of Bach" was recorded at Tanglewood Music Center and produced by Grammy Award-winning producer, David Frost. In keeping with the German theme, this performance will focus on Johann Sebastian Bach, Ludwig van Beethoven, and Johannes Brahms, and taking place at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

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, Sept. 27 - 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.
• Friday, Sept. 29 - 7 p.m. Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship & Testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Bring a dish, dessert or drink for a potluck meal at 6:30. Nursery provided!
• Saturday, Sept. 30 – Noon. Motorcycle Ride for Kids Loving Kids. Lunch will be served!
• Sunday, Oct. 1 - Prayer Groups - Join Teresa at 9:15 a.m. in the prayer room to pray for our church, nation and those who need healing, salvation or deliverance.
• Sunday, Oct. 1 - 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 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.

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.

Superhero Fire Annual Suicide Awareness Event
Saturday, Sept. 30, from 4-6 p.m. at the Hanceville Civic Center. FREE admission - FREE food. Sign language interpreter. MC/DJ Daryl Nethery, Kozmic Sound. Guest speaker: Cullman County Sheriff's Office Investigator Jeff Lawson. Vendors and LifeSouth Blood Mobile on-site.

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.

Swamp John's Dinner
Tuesday, Oct 3, 4-7 p.m. at St. Andrew's Methodist Church, 615 Main Ave. SW (across from post office). Eat in or take out. Everyone is welcome!

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
Oct. 5-14, at the Cullman County Fairgrounds. The county fair is a classic rural sight to see, with exhibitions, livestock showings, pageants, classic carnie food and rides for even the most seasoned thrill seeker. People from all around have been coming to this fair since 1954, come see why for yourself!

Smith Lake Bass Fest
Saturday, Oct. 7, at Smith Lake Park. Fishing aficionados from all across the Southeast will gather at Smith Lake Park for a chance to win bragging rights. Oh, and that $15,000 guaranteed first-prize winnings won't be too shabby, either. Do you have what it takes to be the big fish in the pond?

Arley's Largest Yard Sale
Saturday, Oct.7, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in the parking lot of the Smith Lake Flea Market and Vintage Mall located on Highway 41 in Arley.

Peinhardt Living History Farm Day
Saturday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. and Sunday Oct. 15, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. at Peinhardt Living History Farm. Come experience the history and learn how some of the first settlers of Cullman made this land home. With a petting zoo, antique tractor show, mule and wagon rides and demonstrations of all kinds, it's a must-visit for any history buff.

Trinity Lutheran Church German Lunch
Saturday, Oct. 21, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at 505 Commercial St., Hanceville, in conjunction with the Mud Creek Arts and Crafts Festival taking place in downtown Hanceville that day. Adult plates will include bratwurst, German potato salad, choice of sauerkraut or red cabbage, German desserts and tea for $12. A child's plate of bratwurst, snicker doodle cookies and tea will be $5. All profits will go to Hanceville schools. Eat lunch in our historic 1885 church building and tour our present worship sanctuary.

7th Annual Caring for Cullman Concert Benefiting the Good Samaritan Health Clinic
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PREP FOOTBALL RECAP

Fairview rolls past West Point, Cullman collects homecoming win

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CULLMAN, Ala. — We have officially crossed the halfway point of the regular season and week five was full of lopsided results for nearly all of our local teams. Meek throttled Phillips Bear Creek at home, Addison collected a comfortable road win over Waterloo, the Cullman Bearcats earned a big homecoming victory over Lee-Huntsville and Fairview raced past West Point to win this year's Brandin' Iron Bowl. However, week five was not kind to the rest of our teams.

Fairview 42 – West Point 14

West Point got the ball first to start out the game. They quickly went backwards and were forced to punt. A Barrett York 16-yard run gave the Aggies a first down at the 36. After a penalty backed Fairview to the 31, Carson Jones and Jake Harper quickly got them to midfield. An offsides penalty on the Warriors, plus a pair of Kolt Redding passes to Cade Yeager, put the Aggies at the 32.

Big runs by York and Jones put them at the two, and Jones punched it in from two yards out to give Fairview a 7-0 lead with 5:51 left to go in the opening period.

A big 21-yard pass from Hunter Hensley to Parker Marks saw West Point cross midfield as that put them at the 46, but a costly penalty quickly had them behind the sticks, and they were forced to punt.

Back-to-back punts gave the ball back to the Aggies, but after a huge 32-yard run by Jones, a trio of penalties had Fairview punting the ball back to the Warriors.

On the third play of the series, Hensley tried to throw a quick screen pass, but it got picked off by Eric Gonzalez, who proceeded to take it 20 yards to the house to give Fairview a 14-0 lead with 7:55 remaining in the first half.

A 12-yard run by Garit Roberson, plus a six-yard pass from Hensley to Marks, had the Warriors looking to cut into the deficit.

On the next play, Hensley threw a perfect 39-yard strike to Brayden Monfort in the end zone to make it a 14-7 game with 6:23 remaining until halftime. Each team traded punts on their next series.

The Aggies pounded the ball right at the Warrior defense as the trio of Jones, Harper, and York helped them move the ball down the field. Jones finished off the drive with a 1-yard run to make it a 21-7 lead for Fairview. The Aggies took a 21-7 lead into the locker room.

The Aggie running game continued to wear down the Warrior defense to start out the second half. Harper got a first down on third down, then a face mask penalty on West Point moved the ball up to the 23.

Harper collected another first down as Fairview had the ball at the 11, then York kept it himself and scored on the next play to push the Aggie lead to 28-7. West Point punted the ball back to Fairview, and it didn't take long for the Aggies to find the end zone.

Redding kept it himself and scored on a 21-yard run on just the third play to make it a 35-7 lead for the Aggies.

After Fairview's Jameson Goble recovered the ball on the kickoff, they added another score on a six-yard run by York to increase their lead to 42-7.

West Point put up a touchdown late in the fourth quarter on a five-yard run by Roberson.

The Aggies ended up winning the game, 42-14, as they have now won four straight games against the Warriors.

Jones finished with 111 yards on 12 carries and a pair of touchdowns for Fairview (5-0, 2-0). York added 96 yards on the ground and a pair of scores. Redding finished with a rushing TD for the Aggies. Gonzalez had the interception return for a touchdown, and Goble recovered a fumble.

For West Point (2-3, 0-2), Hensley finished 11/24 for 104 yards, a touchdown, and an interception. Roberson added 58 yards on the ground and a touchdown. Monfort finished with the 39-yard touchdown reception. J.D. Cochran recovered a fumble for the Warriors.

Fairview will be off next week, and West Point will travel to Douglas.

Cullman 40 – Lee-Huntsville 7

Cullman's Jackson Sessions took the opening kickoff and returned the ball 44 yards deep into Lee territory. A block-in-the-back penalty moved the ball back to Lee's 43-yard line. The Bearcats were unable to capitalize on the good field position. Special teams started to shine as the punt was downed on Lee's 1 yard line.

Cullman's defense quickly forced a Lee fumble and Cullman was in business at the Lee five-yard line.

Two runs by Sessions got the Bearcats into the endzone on a three-yard run. The PAT kick was good by Garrett Mobley and with 7:44 left in the first quarter, Cullman led 7-0.

The Generals mounted a five-play drive with them turning the ball over on downs at the Cullman 49-yard line.

Cullman's quarterback Tanner Gaines wasted little time competing a 31-yard pass to Cooper Ogstad to set the Bearcats up for another score.

Gaines topped the drive off five plays later with a seven-yard touchdown pass to Wyatt Buchanan and with the good PAT Cullman led 14-0 with 4:36 left in the first quarter.

Lee tried to get a drive started from their own 20. A quarterback sack by Jack Cabri of four yards put a quick end to Lee's drive.

Cullman took over on their own 48-yard line. A defensive pass interference call against Lee moved the ball down to their own 37-yard line.

Five plays later, Larry Turner ran the ball into the end zone from 22 yards out and with the successful PAT Cullman extended their lead to 21-0 with 9:25 remaining in the first half.

A Reid Bradberry sack helped stop Lee's next drive and Cullman took over possession at the 50-yard line. A 29-yard pass from Gaines to Cooper Ogstad was the highlight of Cullman's drive. A personal foul penalty against Cullman stopped the Bearcats short of the goal line. Mobley lined up and drilled a 35-yard field goal and Cullman's lead was 24-0 with 5:15 left in the second quarter.

Cullman's defense once again held the Generals and forced a quick punt. Strong running by Turner and another Gaines to Ogstad pass quickly got the Bearcats deep into Lee's side of the field. From two yards out, Samuel Mayhair scored the final points of the first half. The PAT was no good and the Bearcats entered halftime leading 30-0.

Cullman's offense compiled 168 total yards compared to Lee's 20 total yards in the first half.

Looking to get on the board, the Generals wasted little time as Xavier Teague took the first play from scrimmage to start the second half and ran 83 yards for a quick touchdown.

The PAT was good, and Lee cut the Cullman lead to 30-7 with 11:45 left in the third quarter.

Not to be outdone, Cullman's offense took over at their own 37-yard line and mounted a seven-play scoring drive of their own.

Once again it was the rushing and passing combo of Turner and Gaines moving Cullman down the field. Gaines completed a 13-yard scoring pass to Preston Gay and with the successful PAT, Cullman extended their lead to 37-7.

The Generals mounted a 12-play drive that consumed most of the time left in the third quarter. Cullman's defense stopped the Generals on the fourth down play and Cullman went into the fourth quarter leading comfortably.

Both teams were unable to mount any serious fourth quarter drives except for Cullman's second drive of the quarter.

After stalling in Lee territory, Cullman called on Mobley once again to kick a 36-yard field goal to complete the scoring 40-7 to complete the homecoming win for the Bearcats.

Gaines finished the night 10-of-30 passing for 152 yards. Turner gained 73 yards on 14 carries. Cullman had 289 yards in total offense.

Next week Cullman travels to Mortimer Jordan for another non-region game.

Meek 72 – Phillips Bear Creak 16

The scoring started with a 12-yard touchdown pass from Evan McCay to Hayden Smith, putting the Tigers up 6-0 early and not long after that, a 46-yard interception return for a touchdown by Hunter Wyatt made it a 14-0 game. Cameron Deaver punched one into the end zone from a yard out to stretch the lead to 22-0 later in the first and a 25-yard touchdown run by McCay gave Meek a 30-0 advantage with four minutes remaining in the opening period.

An interception by Braxton Dickerson led to another touchdown pass from McCay to Smith and the Tigers pulled ahead 36-0. Meek moved in front 44-0 on an 18-yard touchdown run by Wyatt early in the second quarter and Brady Baxter picked off a Phillips pass and took it 22 yards into the end zone for another touchdown, extending the Tiger lead to 50-0.

An 8-yard touchdown run by Wyatt made it a 58-0 game with just under seven minutes to play in the first half and Jaxon Brown ran one into the end zone from 17 yards out to give Meek a 64-0 lead. The Bears were finally able to get on the board with a long scoring run, but Carson Davenport returned the ensuing kickoff 55 yards for a touchdown and gave the Tigers a commanding, 72-8 lead at the halftime break.

The coaches and officials agreed to shorten the second half and Meek cruised to a 72-16, homecoming victory over Phillips.

The Tigers will have next week off as they prepare for a big regional battle at Addison Oct. 6.

Addison 51 – Waterloo 20

Addison kicked off and after three plays, Waterloo had gained -3 yards. After a very short Cougar punt, Addison took over at the Waterloo 38-yard line. Six plays later, Bulldog QB Jed Wilkins ran it in from six yards out for the touchdown. The key play on the drive was a Wilkins to Elijah Roberts pass for 20-yards. Hayden Holland ran in the two-point conversion and right out of the gate, Addison led 8-0.

Later in the first, Wilkins ran it in from 14-yards out for his second touchdown of the night. The two-point was no good and Addison led 14-0.

It didn't get any better for Waterloo on their next possession as the Dawg Pound Defense suffocated the cougars, allowing just one yard on three plays. The Cougars punted the ball and Mr. Wilkins promptly returned the ball 55 yards for his third touchdown of the first quarter. Braden Luker hit Dyson for the two-point conversion and the Bulldogs stretched their lead to 22-0.

After another Waterloo punt, Addison took over at midfield and on Addison's second play of the drive, Luker scampered home with a 40-yard touchdown run. The extra point try was no good and Addison had increased their lead to 28-0 still in the first quarter.

Later in the second quarter, Addison's Scout Flynn went off tackle for Bulldog touchdown. Key player on the drive was Zayne Smith as he rambled on three consecutive carries for 4, 12 and 13 yards to get the ball down to the 15-yard line. Little Sauli Martin-Jones kicked the extra point and Addison went up 35-0 in the second quarter.

On Addison's next possession, the young ones went 70-yards on six plays for the touchdown. Bullpup Joey Wilson went in from one yard out for the score. Wilson had run 26-yards on the previous play to get to the one-yard line. Flynn found Wyatt Anderson for the two-point conversion and Addison held a commanding 43-0 lead in the second quarter.

Waterloo got some good news as on their next possession, Cougar QB Brocke Gaocher found Brylan McMullen streaking down the seam for a 63-yard touchdown catch and run.

Corbyn Gallagher ran in the two-point conversion and Waterloo had finally gotten on the board to cut the lead to 43-8.

After an exchange of possession, Waterloo struck again as Gallagher rumbled 41 yards for another Cougar touchdown.

The two-point attempt was no good and the Cougar touchdown had cut the Dawg lead to 43-14 and that is how the first half would end.

Waterloo attempted an onside kick to start the second half and the ball was recovered at midfield by Addison's Trennon Burns.

Four plays later, the young pups Judah Wilkins ran it in from 15-yards out for the score. Key play on the short drive was a 35-yard run by Wyatt Anderson on a third and fourteen play.

Roberts ran in the two-point conversion and Addison extended the lead to 51-14.

The rest of the game was fairly evenly played until the game's final play. Waterloo's Kaden Benson, a starting offensive lineman who got moved to running back in the fourth quarter wearing number 51, ran 40-yards for a Cougar touchdown. This brought the final score to Addison 51, Waterloo 20.

Etowah 28 – Good Hope 21 (OT)

The Good Hope Raiders kicked off to the Blue Devils to start the ball game. It was a short high kick that was fumbled by the Blue Devil and recovered by Mason Drake. Starting from the Blue Devils' 39-yard line, the Raiders lost 3 yards on their first two plays before Tyler Cone found some daylight and took one 19 yards down to the 23. Tucker Malin moved the ball down to the 10-yard line and one play later, Parker Johnson called his own number and ran the first score of the night to put Good Hope up 7-0 early.

The Blue Devils started their first drive with an incomplete pass before Bennett Reeves took off for 13 yards and a first down. Brodie Bennett then went 15 more yards down to the Raiders 30. The Raider defense, led by Hank Hudson, sacked the Blue Devil quarterback back at the Raider 40-yard line and after Etowah regained 13 of those yards, back before Hudson sacked the quarterback again a 4 yard loss. Facing fourth and long from the Raider 30, Scissum scrambled down to the 20 for a first down. Later in the drive, Scissum found Bennett Reeves open across the middle for the touchdown, but the PAT was no good and Good Hope maintained a 7-6 lead.

The Blue Devils wasted no time driving the ball to the 50 and from there, Brodie Bennett took a short pass in the flat and went 50 yards for Etowah's second touchdown of the night. The two-point conversion was good, and the Blue Devils led Good Hope 14-7.

The Raiders were forced to punt on their next possession and the Blue Devils started on their own 40. The Blue Devils fumbled on their first play of the drive and Landon Bagwell picked up the loose ball and carried it in for a Good Hope score. The PAT was good, and the game was tied up at 14.

The Blue Devils responded, driving 67 yards in just five plays, regaining the lead on a 43-yard touchdown pass Eric Teal that put Etowah in front 21-14.

Good Hope put together a drive of its own in the closing minutes of the second quarter, capping it off with a 23-yard touchdown pass to Weston Hancock that tied the game at 21 going into the halftime break.

The second half was a defensive struggle. Neither team was able to find the end zone in the final 24 minutes and they went into overtime locked at 21.

In overtime the Blue Devils got the ball first starting on the 10-yard line.

It looked like the Good Hope defense was going to shut down the Blue Devils as Zack Keller sacked the quarterback at the 22 but Corey Duncan carried the ball back down to the 12 for the Blue Devils and on third down, Bennett Reeves found himself open in the end zone for a 12-yard touchdown pass to put Etowah up 28-21.

Good Hope failed to score on their first overtime possession and Etowah held on to win it 28-21.

The Raiders will remain home to host Addison next week.

Scottsboro 28 – Arab 14

Scottsboro drove the ball deep down into Arab territory on its opening possession, but a Wildcats fumble was scooped up by Wyatt Lamar and returned 91 yards the other way for a touchdown and an early, 7-0 lead for the Knights. Arab put together an impressive scoring drive later in the first quarter, capping things off with a Logan Silva touchdown run to make it a 14-0 game with just under three minutes to play in the first.

The Wildcats responded, driving back down into the red zone and eventually punching one into the end zone on fourth and goal to cut the Knights lead to 14-7 with 9:45 remaining in the first half. Arab's offense pieced together another great drive to get into Scottsboro territory. The Knights worked their way all the way down to the 1-yard line, but a fumble cut the scoring opportunity short and gave the ball back to the Wildcats with five minutes on the clock. Scottsboro used almost every remaining second to cover 99 yards and finished a scoring drive with a 10-yard touchdown to tie the game at 14 with 19 seconds to play in the second quarter. Both teams went into the locker room at halftime knotted at 14.

The Knights received the kick to start the third quarter but turned the ball over on downs on their opening possession. Just five plays later, Scottsboro connected on a 34-yard touchdown pass to take a 21-14 lead midway through the third.

Arab continued to move the ball well offensively and drove back down into scoring territory but another turnover on downs cut the drive short with just over a minute to play in the third.

The Wildcats took advantage of the stop, finishing another drive in the end zone to stretch their lead over the Knights to 28-14 with seven minutes remaining.

Arab was unable to answer the Scottsboro score and the Wildcats sent the Knights home with their first loss of the season, 28-14.

Arab will be back on the road next week for a matchup at Fort Payne.



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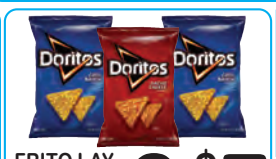
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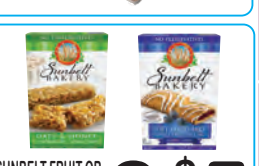
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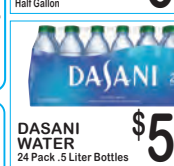
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COKE, SPRITE OR MELLO YELLO
6 Pack .5 Liter Bottles
3 for $12



COKE, SPRITE OR MELLO YELLO
12 Pack 12 Oz. Cans
2 for $13



DASANI WATER
24 Pack .5 Liter Bottles
$5.99

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8 Pack 20 Oz. Bottles
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16 Oz. Bottles
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Beer & Wine Specials

YUENGLING LAGER
12 Pack
Cans or Bottles
$12.99

MICHELOB ULTRA
12 Pack
Aluminum Bottles
$17.29

STELLA ROSA FRIZZANTE
750 Ml Bottles
$12.99

14 HANDS WINE
750 Ml Bottles
$9.99



ST. BERNARD

The Society of St. Jerome is comprised of dedicated members including Victoria Becerra, Analia Lajara Elsie Aguilar-Contreras, Yasmin Chavez, Kimberly Pantoja, Merry-Carmen Pichardo, Joy Lamote and Matthew Sauers.

Saint Bernard students create Old Testament-era oil lamps

Joyce Nix
St. Bernard

CULLMAN, Ala. — This week, the students of Saint Bernard Preparatory School's Society of St. Jerome embarked on an enlightening journey by crafting reproductions of Old Testament-era oil lamps.

The oil lamps, reminiscent of those used during the time of Abraham through the establishment of the Israelite kingdom, feature shallow bowls with a pinched notch designed to hold a wick. This hands-on project not only provided students with a tangible connection to history, but also served as a profound symbol of the light that scripture can bring to their lives.

In keeping with the school's commitment to nurturing both academic and spiritual growth, students delved into the scriptures that reference lamps as powerful symbols for God and His Word. One notable passage from the Sermon on the Mount, found in Matthew 5.14-16, resonated with the students: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bowl, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in Heaven"

The Society of St. Jerome, a vibrant campus organization at SBP dedicated to the study of the Sacred Scriptures, spearheaded this meaningful project. Comprised of dedicated members including Victoria Becerra, Analia Lajara Elsie Aguilar-Contreras, Yasmin Chavez, Kimberly Pantoja, Merry-Carmen Pichardo, Joy Lamote and Matthew Sauers, the Society embodies the school's commitment to both spiritual exploration and academic excellence.

Dr. Craig Mann, the sponsor of the Society of St. Jerome, expressed the school's pride in the students' engagement with scripture and their commitment to creating a meaningful connection with the past. The project not only highlights SBP's dedication to a well-rounded education, but also underscores the institution's mission to instill the values of faith, knowledge and service in its students.

OCTOBER 5-14
ALL-IN-ONE PASSES
AT PEOPLES BANK & FAIR OFFICE THRU OCT. 5
PARADE SEPT. 30, 2PM
CHECK WEBSITE FOR PAGEANT ENTRY DEADLINES

/Cullman CountyFair
Cullman COUNTY FAIR
CULLMAN LIONS CLUB

CALLING ALL EXHIBITORS

We have added a new Division in Crops and Honey for Giant Vegetables. We have removed the Open Sheep and Goat Shows but have extensively revised and improved the Youth Sheep and Goat Shows to enhance competition. Additionally, the Open Cattle Show has been moved to mid-week to accommodate Livestock Exhibitors to avoid schedule conflict with other shows. Open Cattle has also received a bump in Award $. Please check at Cullmanfair.org

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Receive Handicraft, Sewing, Canning, Photography and Art entries in the Exhibit Building
12:00 PM Tiny and Petite Fair Princess registration deadline

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Receive Photography & Art entries in the Exhibit Building

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Set up Exhibit Booths for 4-H, FCCLA, FFA in the Exhibit Building and Commercial and Community Clubs in Buildings 3 and 4
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Receive Handicraft, Sewing, Canning and Art entries in the Exhibit Building

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Set up Exhibit Booths for 4-H, FCCLA, FFA in the Exhibit Building and Commercial and Community Clubs in Buildings 3 and 4
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Receive Handicraft, Sewing, Canning and Art entries in the Exhibit Building

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4
12:00 PM Little Fair Princess registration deadline
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM Receive Field Crops, Vegetables, Fruit, and Honey entries in the Agricultural Building
6:30 PM - 7:30 PM Tiny and Petite Fair Princess rehearsals in the Coca Cola Theatre

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5
8:00 AM - 11:00 AM Receive Baked Goods & FCCLA entries in the Exhibit Building
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM Judging of Exhibits (Closed to Public)

It is your responsibility to know the divisions and classes in which you will submit your items. Please double check the applicable Departments in which you will compete for specific guidance and updates at Cullmanfair.org. Non-Livestock exhibitors may enter only one exhibit per class. Please note no more than 25 canned goods per exhibitor will be accepted.

REGISTER ONLINE!
Exhibitors MUST be registered to submit entry.
If you exhibited last year, you are automatically registered this year. Please discard last year's stickers, we re-number each year. Exhibition stickers, both livestock and non-livestock, will be mailed to your registration address prior to fair.
Please check the Calendar at Cullmanfair.org for Livestock receiving and showtimes as these vary.
Entry Forms, Rules and Check-in times for all competitive exhibits are available at
CullmanFair.org
All exhibitors are encouraged to register online. If unable to register online, non-livestock exhibitors may register when you bring your items to the fair for submission. Livestock exhibitors must register online.

For each exhibit entered, you will receive a ticket to place in a drawing for $100.00 cash!
$1500 Awarded in Prizes....
• (1) $500 Grand Prize Winner
• (10) $100 Winners
Exhibitors may only win one time each year.

cullmanfair.org

80 YEARS ANNIVERSARY 1943-2023

Thank you, Cullman, for the best 80 years of our lives.



In 1943, when the Paul R. Knight Insurance Company opened its doors in downtown Cullman, there was no way of knowing what the future would bring. Paul Knight was a 30-something father of of three, registered for the World War II draft, with no idea that his new venture would not only succeed but would ultimately pass down through three generations of his family. Then his son-in-law Elliot Free joined the business in 1970, the agency was re-named Knight-Free, and the rest is history.

But it's a history that wouldn't have happened without you, Cullman. We never forget that. For 80 years, you've trusted us to insure your homes, your cars, your businesses, your lives. You've become our friends, our neighbors, and our reason to turn up at the office every day. You're also the reason that, after all these years, Elliot's son Wescoat Free is still running the independent insurance agency that bears his family name. And, for that, we can't thank you enough.

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Recap (from Front)

Sammy Confer
sammy@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — Week four of the youth football season is now in the books and there were some huge games that went on around the local area. The Good Hope Raiders hosted the Holly Pond Broncos, the Vinemont Eagles traveled to take on the Cold Springs Eagles, the Fairview Aggies hosted the Cullman Bearcats and the Hanceville Bulldogs traveled to take on the West Point Warriors.

HOLLY POND AT GOOD HOPE

- Fireplug: Raiders 36 - Broncos 0
- Wee-Wee: Raiders 14 - Broncos 0
- Pee-Wee: Broncos 20 - Raiders 19 (2 OTs)

VINEMONT AT COLD SPRINGS

- Fireplug: Vinemont 35 - Cold Springs 14
- Wee-Wee: Vinemont 29 - Cold Springs 0
- Pee-Wee: Vinemont 21 - Cold Springs 0

CULLMAN AT FAIRVIEW

- Fireplug: Aggies 48 - Bearcats 14
- Wee-Wee: Aggies 14 - Bearcats 0
- Pee-Wee: Bearcats 22 - Aggies 0

HANCEVILLE AT WEST POINT

- Fireplug: Warriors 40 - Bulldogs 6
- Wee-Wee: Warriors 40 - Bulldogs 0
- Pee-Wee: Warriors 19 - Bulldogs 18

RECORDS AFTER WEEK FOUR

FIREPLUG:

- Fairview (4-0)
- Vinemont (4-0)
- Good Hope (3-1)
- West Point (3-1)
- Cullman (2-2)
- Cold Springs (0-4)
- Holly Pond (0-4)
- Hanceville (0-4)

WEE-WEE:

- Good Hope (4-0)
- West Point (4-0)
- Fairview (3-1)
- Vinemont (2-2)
- Holly Pond (2-2)
- Cullman (1-3)
- Cold Springs (0-4)
- Hanceville (0-4)

PEE-WEE:

- Cullman (4-0)
- Vinemont (4-0)
- West Point (3-1)
- Holly Pond (2-2)
- Fairview (2-2)
- Good Hope (1-3)
- Cold Springs (0-4)
- Hanceville (0-4)

WEEK FIVE SCHEDULE (SEPT. 30)

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

NOW HIRING TIRE TECHS

SAME DAY APPLICATION AND INTERVIEW + COMPETITIVE PAY

COLLEGE TIRE

315 MAIN ST. NW HANCEVILLE

256-352-2221

Festival (from Front)

Tiffany McKoy
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Sacred Heart School will host its annual German Festival this Saturday, Sept. 30. The festival kicks off at 10 a.m. on the school campus and runs until 7 p.m.

The first German Festival was held in the summer of 1977 at Sacred Heart School commemorating the school's 100th anniversary. Two years later, the City of Cullman Oktoberfest Committee was formed. This Oktoberfest celebration has grown and has become an annual event for the school, the parish and the city of Cullman.

One of the festival's highlights is the bingo extravaganza which will be played all day. There will be hourly prizes with the large prizes starting at 11 a.m. This will be held in the gym behind the school.

The festival will also have food concessions including barbecue, bratwurst, street corn and nachos. There will be bounce houses and cornhole available for kids to enjoy.

A significant draw to the festival is the raffle, featuring a grand prize of $5,000. Tickets for the raffle can be purchased on the day of the event, with the drawing scheduled for 7 p.m.

Additionally, for those looking for German cuisine before the festival, the Church's Alter Society will host a German dinner on Thursday, Sept. 27 at Sacred Heart.

Take-out begins at 4 p.m., while dining in starts at 5 p.m. and continues until the food runs out.

Shawna Norman, Sacred Heart School principal, stated, "We are very excited to be able to host our German Festival bingo once again. We appreciate everyone's support because all of the proceeds will go to benefit the children at our school."

Sacred Heart School is located at 112 Second Ave. SE.

Harmony (from Front)

lutely love it when they get to go out there for lessons!" she exclaimed.

Scott further explained the importance of offering this experience to Harmony students, noting the hands-on approach to scientific study is one that many students don't get in their day-to-day lives.

"Our Outdoor Classroom has been fantastic for our students," said Scott. "Many of our students don't have the opportunity to work in a garden or interact with wildlife (at home)."

The Outdoor Classroom was a communitywide endeavor, with support from the AWF, Alabama Cooperative Extension System, Cullman County Master Gardeners, North Alabama Agriplex and several community partners that provided private grants, donations and volunteers. Perhaps one of the most impactful partners of the Outdoor Classroom would be the North Alabama Agriplex, which has facilitated Outdoor Classroom activities at Harmony long before it finally received official Outdoor Classroom School certification.

"The Outdoor Classroom has been a true partnership with Harmony School staff including Lea Scott and Rachel Campbell, Principal Mr. (Kevin) Sullins and all the students and their families," said Rachel Dawsey, executive director of the North Alabama Agriplex.

"We were able to be a part of the beginning with our AmeriCorps VISTA Rachel Wiser working with the Alabama Wildlife Federation and April Waltz to support the school with layout, grants and the construction of the gardens."

She continued, "Harmony has accomplished so much with this Outdoor Classroom certification.

"It is an impressive accomplishment for the school, with only 70 AWF certified Outdoor Classrooms in Alabama.

"West Point Primary is the only other Cullman County school district certified OC."

"We're so grateful to the Alabama Wildlife Federation and the North Alabama Agriplex for helping us reach the goal of becoming a certified Outdoor Classroom," smiled Scott.

For more information about Harmony's Outdoor Classroom, contact Lea Scott at lscott@ccboe.org. For more information about the North Alabama Agriplex's educational programs, visit www.agriplex.org.



MICHAEL SULLINS

Michael Sullins speaks to tour participants at a previous year's walking tour.

Tour (from Front)

colony.

The tour will also spotlight Gottfried Adolph Prinz, one of the first five men to arrive in the area. Prinz played a crucial role in clearing the streets and building the foundation of Cullman. He was appointed as the city's postmaster in December 1873, and his mercantile store became the first brick building in Cullman. The tour will reveal what now occupies this historic site.

The tour's primary focus will be on the years 1873-1900, offering a blend of oral stories and insights from newspaper articles of the time, including The Cullman Tribune (also known as The Alabama Tribune). These articles provide glimpses into the past, such as the grand celebration of the establishment of the County of Cullman in 1877, complete with details on admission to the ball.

For those unable to join the Thursday evening tour there will be a Hop-On, Hop-Off Bus Tour on Saturday, Sept. 30, departing from the Cullman County Museum (211 Second Ave. NE) at 12:45 p.m. This historical bus and walking tour will delve into Cullman's early days, its architectural gems, cultural heritage and religious roots. Space is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis.

As the bus tour concludes, participants will have the chance to disembark and explore Cullman's first church, St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church (512 Second Ave. SE), truly immersing themselves in the city's rich history and spiritual foundations.

Michael Sullins contributed to this article.

HUGE ESTATE SALE

September 29, 30 7:00 a.m.
Allendale Lane NW Cullman

Lots of nice solid wood furniture and nice things in this home: King Size bedroom suite, desk units with book cases, Antique bedroom suites, Iron bed, nice wood round table and chairs, antique server, buffet, pie safe, side tables, nice grey wicker out door furniture, yard decor, golf bag and golf set, nice collectibles and Christmas. A lot to see and too much to list.

CHECK OUT PICTURES ON PK FACEBOOK AND ON ESTATE OF TOM AND LINDA WOOD IN CULLMAN, AL STARTS ON 9/29/2023 (ESTATESALES.NET)

LEGALS

Notice of Public Hearing

The Town of Holly Pond will be holding a Public Hearing to review its application for a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM), and to make available to the public the contents of the associated Environmental Information Document (EID).

The EID may be reviewed at the Guy Hunt Library & Museum during Hours of Operation: Tuesday (9:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.) – Friday (1: p.m. – 5 p.m.) and Saturday (9 a.m. – 1 p.m.).

These documents include project information and environmental information related to the proposed improvements to the Town of Holly Pond sanitary sewer system including resolving the infiltration and inflow issues, upgrades to sanitary sewer pump stations to ensure they operate more efficiently, and upgrades to the wastewater treatment plant to meet the needs of the regulations set forth by the governing body.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to inform customers of the Town of Holly Pond of the proposed actions, discuss the estimated cost associated with the projects, and to address citizen concerns, if any, with the plan.

The Public Hearing location and time are as follows:
Wednesday, October 25, 2023, 5:30 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Library & Museum, located at 60 Lions Park Road, Holly Pond, Alabama 35083.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend this hearing. Questions regarding this hearing may be directed to the office of InSite Engineering, LLC, 205-733-9696.

PB ADT Bk 67 Pg 201 - 09/01/2023 02:22 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
CULLMAN COUNTY * CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

* CASE NO: AD 2022-093

IN THE MATTER OF THE ADOPTION PETITION OF:
MICHAEL DAVID BARBER and DUSTY BROOKE NORRIS

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: ANY KNOWN, UNKNOWN, UNDISCLOSED PERSONS, OR THE BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF THE MINOR CHILD G.L.B. DATE OF BIRTH 12/8/2022 BORN TO HALEY TENILLE BARBER.

A PETITION FOR ADOPTION WAS FILED IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, BY MICHAEL DAVID BARBER AND DUSTY BROOKE NORRIS. IF YOU SHOULD CONTEST THIS ADOPTION YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN RESPONSE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE. THE RESPONSE MUST BE FILED WITH COUNSEL FOR SAID PETITIONER, WHOSE NAME AND ADDRESS IS SHOWN BELOW, AND WITH THE CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, 500 2ND AVENUE SW, #101, CULLMAN, ALABAMA 35055.

DONE this the 1st day of September, 2023.

Alex J. Chaney
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1052
Cullman, AL 35055

To the Publisher of the Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice once a week for four (4) successive weeks and send an Affidav of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY ALABAMA

PB WIL Bk 118 Pg 915 - 09/15/2023 03:15 PM
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
LARRY WAYNE PRYOR * CASE NO PC2023-298
Deceased *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary have been granted to **Petra Carola Pryor,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of Larry Wayne Pryor, deceased, on the 15th day of September 2023, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County.

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

Petra Carola Pryor
Personal Representative
Estate of Larry Wayne Pryor, deceased

JOHN A. WENZEL
Attorney for Petitioner, Petra Carola Pryor
218 N. Alston Street
Foley, Alabama 36535
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

Please publish the foregoing notice once a week for three (3) consecutive weeks and send an Affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

Anniversary (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — The City of Cullman is eagerly gearing up to honor its 150th anniversary with a season of remarkable festivities set to unite the community in grand style. The celebration will kick off Thursday, Oct. 28, with the authentic annual Oktoberfest event, a vibrant tribute to the city's rich German heritage.

Mayor Woody Jacobs expressed his excitement, stating, "This 150th-anniversary celebration is a testament to Cullman's deep-rooted history, vibrant culture and the enduring spirit of our community.

"We invite everyone to join us in this once-in-a-lifetime commemoration."

Cullman takes immense pride in its rich German culture through a series of captivating events.

The celebration will commence with the spirited Cullman Oktoberfest, renowned for its lively atmosphere featuring world-class German music and entertainment, delectable cuisine and a wide selection of traditional German beverages.

Oktoberfest will set the stage for an unforgettable anniversary celebration.

Organizers have invested considerable effort in this year's festival with a contemporary twist on beloved German traditions, ensuring their longevity for generations to come.

The festivities continue with the extended Christkindlmarkt, now spanning five weeks and brimming with heightened excitement.

The Cullman Christkindlmarkt promises to captivate visitors with enchanting holiday displays, unique gift-shopping experiences in traditional German-style wooden huts and the opportunity to savor authentic German cuisine, unlike anything the community has ever experienced.

To enhance the festive atmosphere, the City will install an ice-skating rink and a carousel, evoking a genuine Christkindlmarkt experience.

Nathan Anderson, executive director of Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism, aptly summed up the occasion, stating, "This is a time for reflection on the past, appreciation of the present and anticipation of a promising future.

"These enriching experiences offer a comprehensive understanding of Cullman's rich tapestry of traditions and culture, adding depth to our 150th- anniversary celebration."

For more information about the City of Cullman's 150th-anniversary celebration and event details, visit www.cullmanoktoberfestival.com/oktoberfesttours.

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Obituary Announcements: Sept. 26-28

Nelda June Graves, 87
Mrs. Nelda June Graves went to be with her savior on Sept. 23, 2023, at the age of 87, at her home surrounded by her family. The funeral service will be 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The interment will take place in the Graves Gap Cemetery in Hayden, Alabama. A visitation will be held on Wednesday at the funeral home beginning at 10 a.m. Survivors include her children, Michael Ray Graves (Kathy) and Marilyn Armstrong (Travis); and her grandson, Trevor Armstrong. Mrs. Graves was preceded in death by her husband, Billy Ray Graves. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Graves Family.

Rebecca Ann Boles-Wolfe, 68
Funeral services for Rebecca Ann Boles-Wolfe, of Hanceville, will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The burial will follow the service at Cullman Memory Gardens. Reverend Howard Wolfe will be officiating the service. Visitation for the public will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Monday, Sept. 25, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mrs. Wolfe was born on Jan. 25, 1955, to the late Mark and Elouise Boles and was raised in Hanceville, Alabama. She passed away at the age of 68 at Huntsville Hospital on Sept. 24, 2023. Survivors include her husband, James Wayne Wolfe; children, Cortney (Tony) Brown and Ivan Wolfe; grandchildren, Shelbie Wolfe, Jada (Matt) Gann, and Tyler Brown; great-grandson, Connor Gann; sister, Susie (Keith) Creel; and a host of many loving nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

Alfred Wayne Christiansen, 61
Alfred Wayne Christiansen, age 61, of Vinemont, Alabama passed away on Friday, Sept. 22, 2023. Alfred was born in Birmingham, Alabama, to Alfred George and Doris "Dot" Grubbs Christiansen. He is preceded in death by his dad, Alfred George Christiansen; grandparents, Otto and Mary Christiansen and Pauline Grubbs; uncles Harry Christiansen and T L Christiansen. A visitation for Alfred was held Monday, Sep. 25, 2023, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Avenue NW, Cullman, AL 35055. A lie in state will occur Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 424 Second Avenue SE, Cullman, AL 35055. A celebration of life funeral service will occur Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Christ Lutheran Church, 424 Second Avenue SE, Cullman, AL 35055. An interment will occur Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, at Cullman Memory Gardens, 1516 Bolte Rd. SE, Cullman, AL 35055. Rev. Donald Strandlund and Rev. Donald Simmons will officiate. Survivors are his mother, Doris "Dot" Christiansen; son, Joey Christiansen; sister, Deborah Christiansen (Jeff) Veres; one granddaughter, one great-granddaughter; nephews, Jason (Tanya) Veres, Joshua (Neeley) Veres; niece, Katie Veres (Hutch) Sutter; and a host of great-nieces and nephews. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.mossservicefh.com for the Christiansen family.

Barbara Ann Ross, 83, of Cullman
Barbara Ann Ross, age 83, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023. A visitation for Barbara will be held Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Leak Memory Chapel, 945 Lincoln Road, Montgomery, AL 36109. Following the visitation will be a graveside service at 11 a.m. at Greenwood Serenity Memorial Gardens, 909 Lincoln Road, Montgomery, AL 36109. Please check back at a later date for the complete obituary. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.Leak-MC.com for the Ross family.

Tasha Niccole Thornton, 34
Funeral service for Tasha Niccole Thornton, age 34, of Cullman, will be Tuesday, Sept. 26, 2023, at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home chapel. The family will receive friends from noon until 2 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Tasha passed away Saturday, Sept. 23, 2023, at her residence. She was born Feb. 6, 1989, to James Earnest Adamson and Lisa Renee Bailey Adamson. She enjoyed wood-burning, crafting, and flowers. She loved her children and family and always looked out for her family. She was preceded in death by grandfather, Bobby Adamson. She is survived by grandfather, James Bailey; grandmother, Brenda Adamson; parents, James and Lisa Adamson; special friend, Brian; son, Bradley James Thornton; daughters, Tamara Renee Thornton and Allyana J. Cole; sisters, Kristy Marie Adamson, Felicia Gail Sparks, Misty Dawn Martin; family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Linda Sue Miller, 67
Funeral service for Linda Sue Miller, age 67, of Cullman, will be at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Tim Kennedy officiating. Visitation will be from 3 p.m. until 5 p.m. prior to the service. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Miller passed away on Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023, at Cullman Regional. She was born Sept. 10, 1956, in Arkansas to James Bonefa Stevenson and Annie Kathrin Stevenson. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, John Miller; and four brothers. Survivors include her daughter, Elizabeth (Naaman) Vinson; granddaughters, Shiane, Cheyenne, Layla, and Eliza; grandsons, Jason Lee, Camron Wright, and Braden Vinson; brother, Roy Stevenson; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, and friends.

Samuel Theo Porter, 87
Samuel Theo Porter, 87, of Haleyville, passed away Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023, at home surrounded by his loving family. He was born June 19, 1936, in Haleyville, Alabama. Samuel is survived by his wife, Margaret Porter; daughter, Sheila Porter; step-daughters, Beth (Michael) Reeks and Pam Buchanan; grandsons, Lee Mobley, Jon (Kari) Heath, Mikee Heath, and Joshua Mobley; great-grandchildren, Hayden (Kim) Mobley, Gabriella Mobley, Emma Heath, Ruby Heath, and Alyssa Mobley; sisters, Margaret Oliver, and Alene Gray; sister-in-law, Della Frost; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris Carson Porter; daughter, Teresa Porter; parents, Emit Preston and Ida Elizabeth Porter; brother, John Porter; and sisters, Buna Mae Gravitt and Eather Dover. The family will hold a memorial service at a later date.

Ann Key Marshall, 73
Ann Key Marshall, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, passed away peacefully and surrounded by her family, Aug. 30, 2023. Born Aug. 3, 1950, in Eutaw, Alabama, she was the daughter of James M. Key and Martha Johnson Key. Ann was a lifelong RN and retired Nurse Practitioner. She attained her education across the United States, culminating with a master's from Florida State University. Most of her working years were spent in Cullman, Alabama, and Seagrove Beach, Florida. She nursed from her heart and believed a hug was as healing as a shot. Ann's heart and soul were with her children and grandchildren. Her passions were sewing for the children and baking wedding cakes for the family, and she won her share of ribbons at the county fair. She loved snow skiing, playing tennis and could hit a wiffle ball as far as any man. An avid fan of the Crimson Tide, most Saturdays in the fall were spent with Rick either attending a football game or watching games into the night. A lifelong Methodist, she loved the Lord more than anything. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her mother-in-law Martha Sanders. She is survived by her husband, Richard (Ricky) Marshall; her children Jason Poole, Athens, Alabama, Stacy Cooper (Nate), Hoover, Alabama, Bess Pooler (Mike), Sandestin, Florida, Meg Moore (Blake), Nashville, Georgia.; grandchildren Campbell and Charlie Ann Cooper, Parker and Emma Pooler, and Wesley Moore, and brother Jim Key. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and close friends who she considered family. The family received friends from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 10, 2023, at Cullman First United Methodist Church, 320 Third Avenue SE, Cullman, AL 35055, followed by a memorial service. Memorial contributions may be made to Christ Harbor Building Fund, 13650 US-43, Northport, AL 35475. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be made at www.sunsetbrown-funeral.com Sunset Funeral Home, a Dignity Memorial Provider, is honored to serve the Marshall family during their time of bereavement.

Jimmie Nell Yates, 83
Funeral services for Jimmie Nell Yates, 83, of Hayden, will be noon Thursday, Sept. 28, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The burial will follow the service at Corinth Church of Christ Cemetery in Bremen. Reverend Michael Jones will be officiating. Visitation for the public will be from 10 a.m. until noon on Thursday, at the funeral home prior to the service. Mrs. Yates was born on March 2, 1940, to the late Brock and Maudie Brown in Bremen, Alabama. She passed away on Sept. 23, 2023, at her residence in Hayden, Alabama. Survivors include her husband, Samuel Yates; children, Keith Isbell, and Valerie Chapman; grandchildren, Rachel Chapman, Skye (Caleb) Tharp, Britany (Patrick) Melvin, Gene Maddox, April (Brian) Sweatt, and Matthew Isbell; a host of great-great-grandchildren; sister, Shelby Davis; brother, Joel Brown; and a host of nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, Mrs. Yates was preceded in death by her daughters, Kathy Ogletree, and Debra Zazour; two brothers; and two sisters. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Yates Family.

Thelma Sandlin-Thomas, 100
Funeral services for Thelma Sandlin-Thomas, of Hanceville, will be 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 30, 2023, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. The burial will follow the service at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Visitation for the public will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday at the funeral home prior to the service. Mrs. Thomas was born on March 12, 1923, in Cullman, Alabama. She passed away at the age of 100 on Sept. 23, 2023, at Woodland Village Nursing Home in Cullman, Alabama. Thelma worked for 39 years with South Central Bell Company which is now known as AT&T. She also served as a volunteer Auxiliary Lady at Woodland Hospital for 25 years. Mrs. Thomas is survived by several nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey Thomas; and siblings, Hazel Stevens, Roy Sandlin, Clyde Sandlin, Ruby Sandlin, Flora Johnson, and Grace Barber.

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