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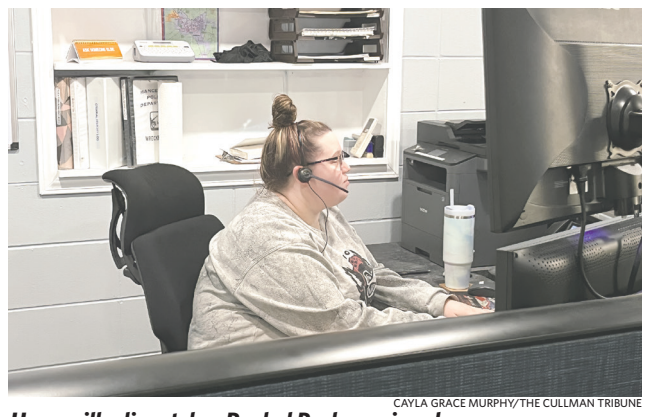
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Hanceville dispatchers enjoying newly renovated office

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Hanceville Police Department dispatch crew is finally settling into their newly renovated space this week; new chairs and consoles, along with newly created entryways and bathroom have given the dispatchers a fresh and functional space in which to operate. The renovation, the majority funded by two separate grants from the Alabama 911 Board totaling $50,000, was years in the making, but officially began Nov. 16, 2024, and just finished last week.

Hanceville Police Chief Joshua Howell emphasized that while a few challenges were presented during the renovation, he is pleased at the way the office has come together and hopes the space will create a more inviting and productive » PAGE 2



CAYLA GRACE MURPHY/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Hanceville dispatcher Rachel Parker enjoys her new workspace. The Hanceville Police Department's dispatch renovation project was finished up last week.

– PREP CROSS COUNTRY –

Cold Springs' Edgeworth named Gatorade Player of the Year



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Cold Springs' Ethan Edgeworth

Staff Reports
Contributor

CHICAGO — In its 39th year of honoring the nation's most elite high school athletes, Gatorade today announced Ethan Edgeworth of Cold Springs High School is the 2023-24 Gatorade Alabama Boys Cross Country Player of the Year. Edgeworth is the second Gatorade Alabama Boys Cross Country Player of the Year to be chosen from Cold Springs High School.

The award, which celebrates the nation's top high school athletes for excellence on the field, in the classroom and in the community, distinguishes Edgeworth as Alabama's best high school boys cross country player. From CEOs and coaches to star athletes, Gatorade Player of the Year winners showcase the power of sport, touting an all-star group of alumni that includes Lukas Verzbicas (2010-11 & 2009-10, Carl Sandburg High School, III.) and Edward Cheserek (2012-13, St. Benedict's Preparatory School, N.J.).

The 5-foot-11, 130-pound senior broke the tape at the Class 1A-2A State Championships with a per- » PAGE 6

Owner says water restored at West Point Place



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West Point Place, a small mobile home community in West Point, is seen in an undated photo. » PAGE 7

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Jan. 26

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Jan. 26, 2024. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Jan. 22

- theft of property; CR 1083
- domestic violence; CR 1605
- possession of dangerous drugs; CR 1634

Jan. 23

- possession of controlled substance; possession of dangerous drugs; possession of dangerous drugs; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1082
- theft of property; CR 565
- failure to obey police officer; obstructing governmental operations; CR 728
- violation of protection order; trespassing; CR 1545
- theft of property; Hwy. 278 W
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1179
- harassment; CR 109
- domestic violence; CR 81
- theft of property; CR 1427

Jan. 24

- harassment; CR 1564
- domestic violence; CR 248
- trespassing; CR 109
- theft of property; CR 437
- harassment; CR 565
- domestic violence; CR 46
- theft of property; CR 607

ARRESTS

Jan. 22 – 24

Arnold, Nicholas E.; 57
- Diversion Violation- domestic violence-1st degree

Brown, Alexandria R.; 32
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Burnham Jr., Frankie D.; 47
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Canada, Sidney L.; 33
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Carter, Tiffany C.; 25
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Durham, David J.; 47
- Probation Violation- possession of methamphetamine (2 counts)

Goodwin, Dannial S.; 25
- assault-harassment

Guerin, Brandon S.; 29
- failure to obey police officer
- obstruction-governmental operations

Hill, Bradley A.; 44
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)
- possession of dangerous drugs

Hulme, Joyce R.; 58
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Kizzire, Joshua R.; 41
- FTA- buying/receiving stolen property less than $500

Lynn, Alexis T.; 25
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Malin, Robert G.; 45
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Marcum-Cornelious, Becky S.; 36
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- assault-harassment

McMillian, Eric E.; 32
- Probation Revoked- possession of drug paraphernalia

Moore, John E.; 44
- violation of domestic violence protection order (2 counts)
- criminal trespass (2 counts)
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Needham, Kenneth C.; 52
- violation of domestic violence protection order
- FTA- assault-domestic violence-3rd degree-harassing communications

Phillips, Jerry W.; 69
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Pritchett, Tosah L.; 32
- FTA- domestic violence-3rd degree

Selman, Christian A.; 23
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Swann Jr., Johnny G.; 42
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of methamphetamine

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Jan. 24
- criminal mischief-3rd degree; person; Main Ave. NE; damage to 2015; $200
- unauthorized use of vehicle; Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- theft of property-1st degree; person; cash; $5,0000

Jan. 25
- theft of property-3rd degree; person; Field of Miracles Dr. SW; wallet and contents
- identity theft; person
- theft of property-4th degree; Belk; Cullman Shopping Center; shoes; $50

ARRESTS

Jan. 24 – 25

Butts, Dale P.; 50
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Litz, Lacinda F.; 31
- identity theft

Eipp, David A.; 62
- criminal trespass-2nd degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Logan man killed in wreck

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CULLMAN, Ala. – A Logan man died in a two-vehicle crash on Thursday, Jan. 25, just after 12:40 p.m. according to Cullman County Coroner Jeremy Kilpatrick.

Kilpatrick said Jerry Michael Simmons, 72, was killed in a head-on collision in the 9600 block of U.S. Highway 278 West between Jones Chapel and Bethel.

Alabama State Troopers said Simmons was fatally injured when the 2008 Toyota Tacoma he was driving collided head-on with a 2022 Chevrolet Silverado driven by Micah A. Godfrey, 27, of Arley.

Troopers said Simmons was not using a seat belt at the time of crash and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

They said Micah A. Godfrey and the passenger in the Chevrolet, Kelsey Godfrey, 24, also of Arley, were both injured and transported to Huntsville Hospital for treatment. They said neither was using a seat belt at the time of crash.

Kilpatrick said personnel from the Cullman County Sheriff's Office, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, Cullman EMS, Jones Chapel Volunteer Fire Department, Logan Volunteer Fire Department, Bethsadia Volunteer Fire Department and Sardis Volunteer Fire Department responded to the scene.

Nothing further is available as Troopers with the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) Highway Patrol Division continue to investigate.

Office (from Front)

work environment for dispatchers.

"When the consoles first came in, the desktop consoles were not right, so they had to re-order those and get those here," he said, noting there were also so challenges with radio system installation. Howell also mentioned the door lock system needed one final box checked, and the city council approved that on Thursday, Jan. 25.

Howell estimated the previous office was established in the mid-to-late 1980s, noting cramped spaces and a general lack of flow in the workspace made it difficult for dispatchers working 12-hour shifts as far as accommodating bathroom breaks, quick meals and general work responsibilities.

"They only had a small office in there when they first started," said Howell, who also recognized and praised Hanceville's public works team, explaining, "Public works knocked out a wall, installed the bathroom, sinks, plumbing and lighting." A raised ceiling was also created with recessed can lights featuring dimmer switches, and some walls were removed to create ease of movement in the space.

"They also opened the wall to the kitchen because we didn't have a door into the kitchen. It allows dispatch to flow from area to area without ever having to leave the area," said Howell. The chief said the open and accessible space will create a more pleasant work environment overall for the team.

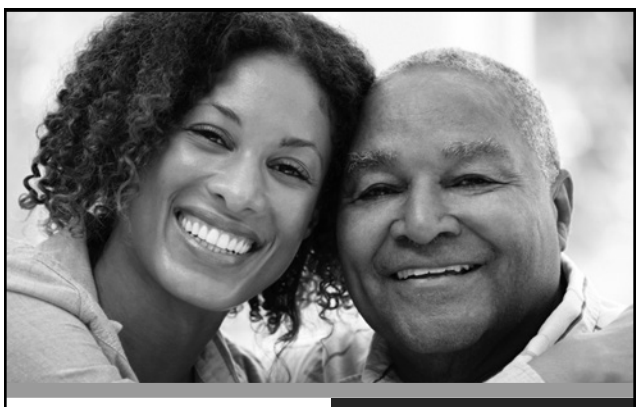
"It's more like home. They have a full kitchen, bathroom, storage for their things. So, it's more inviting for when they come in to work," said Howell, emphasizing that though the renovation took longer than initially expected, since they've been back in the office, spirits seem to be high.

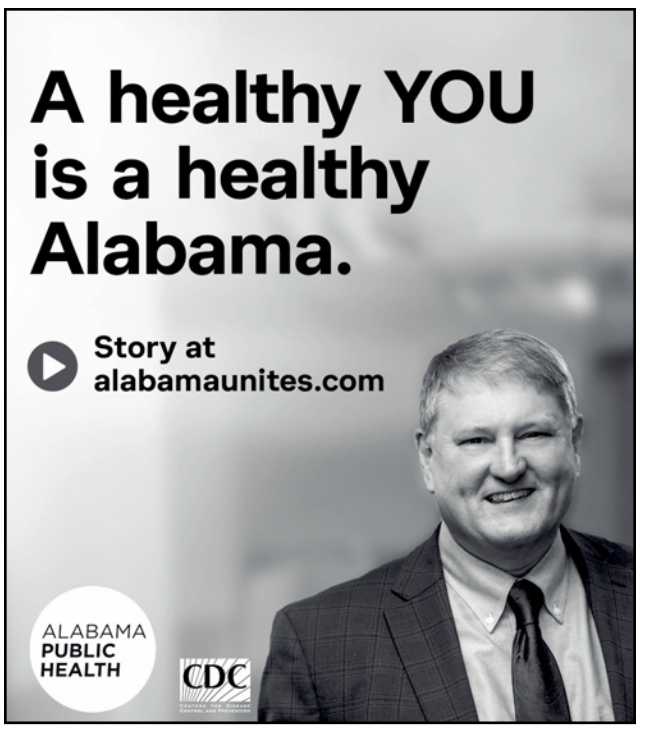
"We just got them back last week," Howell laughed, expressing appreciation to the Cullman County Sheriff's Office for stepping in and letting Hanceville's dispatch team work there during the weeks of renovation – the CCSO also housed inmates from the Hanceville jail.

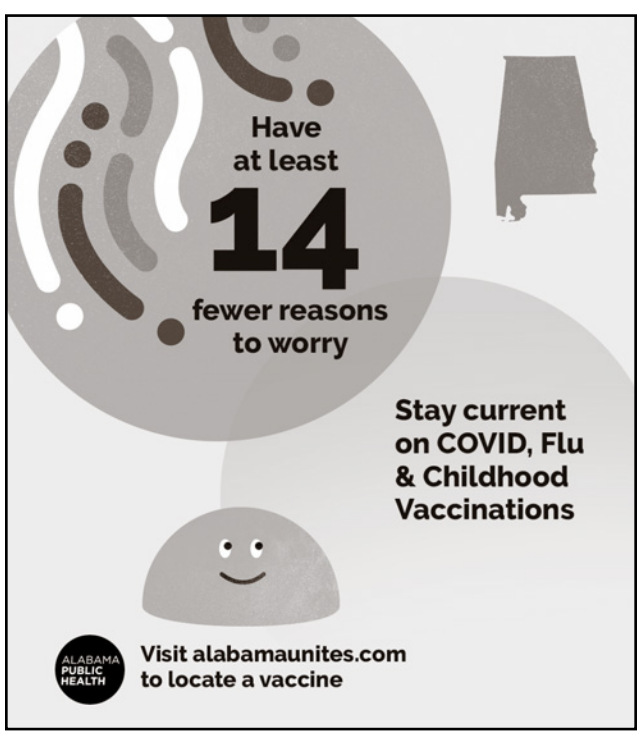
Howell said the main challenge from the get-go of the proposed renovation over the years was what to do with personnel, and Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry stepping up to the plate to assist in the transition. He said he's glad it's finally done.

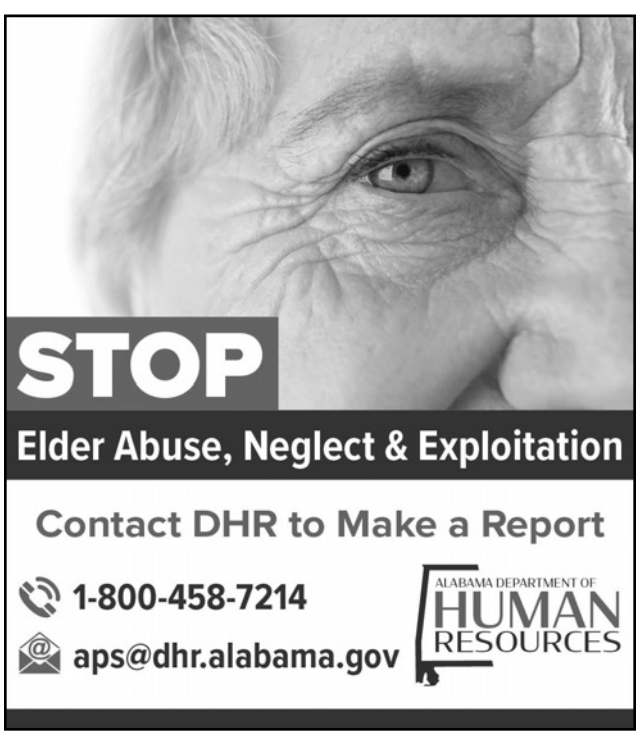
"They treated them like they were family, and I couldn't ask for anything better for our dispatchers. Matt Gentry, along with Amber who is over dispatch, they've done us really well and I really appreciate them," smiled Howell.

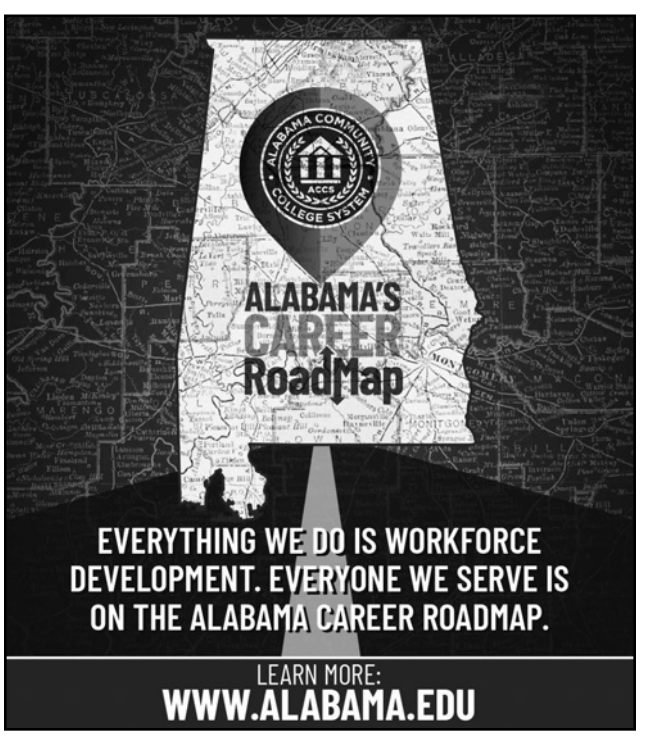












COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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.
• Saturday, Jan. 27 – 9- 11 a.m. Drive-through food bank
• Sunday, Jan. 28 - Prayer - 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, Jan. 28 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call Guy Sunter at 727-215-9092 for pickup. Breakfast at 9:30. Bible study classes for children, youth and adults at 10. Praise & worship and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd at 11. Church meeting at 5 p.m.

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.

Fairview Lions Club Bean Supper
Saturday, Jan. 27, from 4-7 p.m. at Fairview Town Hall, 7525 Alabama Highway 69 N. Beans, cornbread, onions and drink for $6. With a dessert $7. Eat in or carry out. All proceeds will go to the Fairview Lions Club project fund. For more information call William at 256-385-5596 or Kita at 256-385-8805.

19th Annual Empty Bowls of Cullman County Chili Dinner
Monday, Feb. 19, from 4-6:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church. Featuring fun, fellowship, chili by Three Guys, grilled cheese sandwiches, handmade pottery bowls, silent auction and live Southern Gospel music. Special guest emcee Nate Williams from WXJC 101.1. Eat in, carry out or drive through. Tickets are $15 and are available at Cullman Caring for Kids and First United Methodist Church. Proceeds will benefit the Cullman Caring for Kids food bank.

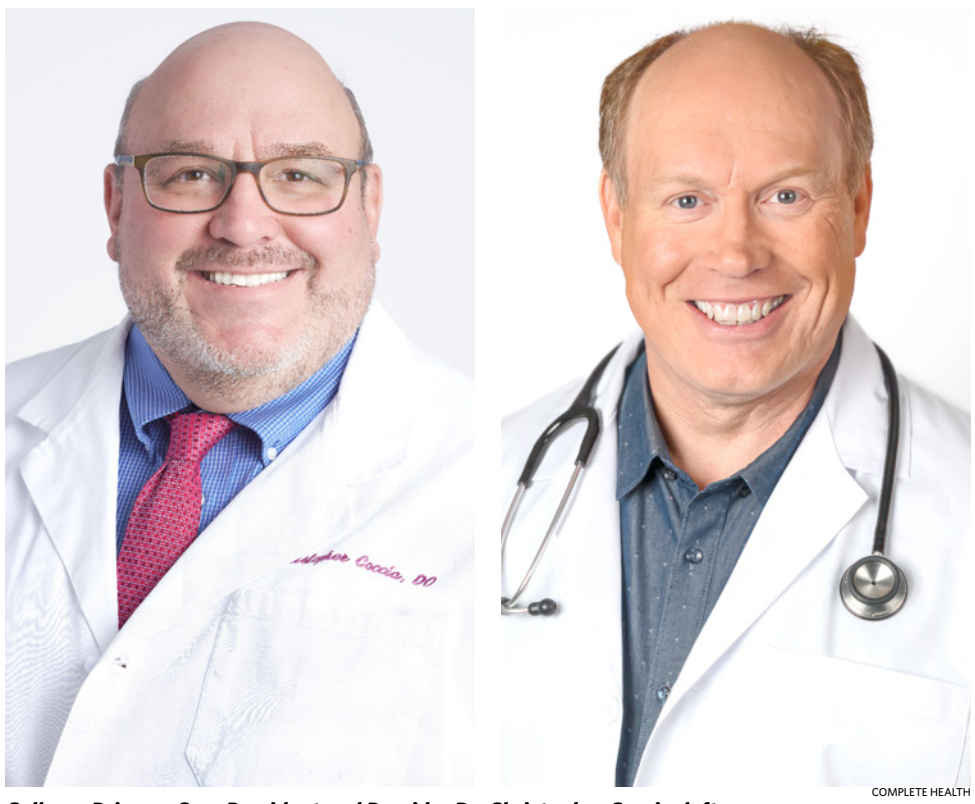
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Cullman Primary Care joins Complete Health

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COMPLETE HEALTH

Cullman Primary Care President and Provider Dr. Christopher Coccia, left, and Complete Health Chief Medical Officer Dr. John Farley

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Primary Care has joined the Complete Health primary care group. The acquisition brings Complete Health's total locations in Alabama to 20. Cullman Primary Care has served the community for five decades, offering family medicine, specialty services, lab diagnostics, urgent care and diagnostic imaging services.

Complete Health specializes in senior care and has 155 providers across 28 Alabama, Florida and Virginia locations, now including Cullman Primary Care Family Medicine, Cullman Primary Care Urgent Care and Cullman Primary Care Diagnostic Imaging Center.

The group offers unique services such as chronic care management, transitional care management, a diabetes support program and non-clinical support, such as connecting patients with licensed insurance agents to understand their benefits better, hosting educational events and finding resources to afford expensive medications and transportation for appointments.

"Since 1975, it's been our mission to be a community resource for preventative care, patient education, and patient advocacy," said Cullman Primary Care President and Provider Dr. Christopher Coccia. "We will continue this legacy with Complete Health, adding some new services that will raise the bar for primary care in Cullman."

Cullman Primary Care's providers joining Complete Health include Christopher Coccia, DO; Thomas Montgomery, MD; Gregory Bostick, MD; Mike Machen, MD; Joseph Johnson, MD; Randall Quinn, MD; Nathaniel Burnham, DO; Justin Wilson, CRNP; Jennifer Anderson, CRNP; Tammy Cornelius, CRNP; Natalie Kilpatrick, CRNP; Katherine Mann, CRNP; Ashley Drake, CRNP; Jessica Rice, CRNP; and Nancy Cornell, CRNP.

"Our motto is patients first, always," said Dr. John Farley, Complete Health Chief Medical Officer and former long-time internal medicine physician in Birmingham. "I'm confident the Cullman Primary Care team will live out that mission."

Cullman Primary Care will remain at its existing locations: Cullman Primary Care Family Medicine at 408 Clark St. NE, Cullman Primary Care Urgent Care at 1406 Wall St. NE and its diagnostic imaging center at 501 Clark St. NE.

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COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMET

West Point advances to county finals with 57-38 win over Cold Springs

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – We capped off Thursday night's county tournament action with a semifinal battle between West Point and Cold Springs and the Lady Warriors played solid on both ends of the floor to earn a 57-38 win and a spot in Saturday's county title game.

Liberty Shadix exchanged baskets with Maci Brown to make it a 2-2 game at the start of the first quarter and buckets from Malaya Taylor and Jaelyn Faulkner kept the score knotted at 4.

Back to back scores by Liberty Shadix gave West Point an 8-4 lead but Taylor responded with a pair of baskets on the other end to tie the game at 8. Taylor split a pair of free throws later in the period to give the Lady Eagles a 9-8 lead, but Jaelyn Faulkner converted an and-one play at the line on West Point's next possession to put the Lady Warriors back in front 11-9.

Brown took a steal the other way for an easy basket to tie things up at 11 late in the first but Liberty Shadix laid one with 20 seconds on the clock to give West Point a 13-11 lead going into the second quarter.

Kenady Graves scored in the paint to tie the game at 13 at the start of the second but the Lady Warriors responded with six straight points on the other end to move in front 19-13. After another Liberty Shadix basket made it a 22-15 game later in the period, Hallie Wheeler drained a three to stretch West Point's lead to 10 with just over two minutes remaining in the first half. Liberty Shadix scored inside to make it 27-15 but Brown stopped the run with a three that cut the lead to 27-18. However, the Lady Warriors went into the locker room with momentum after Wheeler knocked down another three just before the buzzer to West Point in front 30-18 at the break.

Camryn Faulkner scored to stretch the lead to 32-18 at the start of the third quarter and after Brown responded with a three on the other end, Wheeler's third three-pointer of the night kept the Lady Warriors in front 35-21. A 7-0 run from the Lady Eagles made it a 35-28 game with just over three minutes remaining in the third but Wheeler nailed another three to stop the run and give West Point a 10-point lead. Laklin Shadix scored through a foul and tacked on the free throw to put the Lady Warriors ahead 41-28 with 1:30 to play in the period but a three-pointer from Ciara Calvert and an and-one play by Brown just before time expired trimmed the lead to 43-34 at the start of the final period.

Baskets by Laklin Shadix and Kealie Harbison, along with a three from Camryn Faulkner, stretched West Point's lead to 50-36 midway through the fourth. Baskets by Jaelyn and Camryn Faulkner put the finishing touches on a 57-38, semifinal victory for the Lady Warriors.

Liberty Shadix led West Point with 15 points in the win and Wheeler added 12. Brown led the Lady Eagles with 16 points in the loss.

West Point will play Good Hope for the varsity girls' county championship Saturday at 5:30 p.m.



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West Point's Jaelyn Faulkner drives past a defender during the Lady Warriors' 57-38 win over Cold Springs Thursday night.

COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Good Hope races past Vinemont 77-56 to advance to county finals

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HANCEVILLE, Ala — Good Hope and Vinemont clashed in the county tournament's first varsity semifinal game Thursday night and after a back and forth first half, the Lady Raiders outscored Vinemont 22-10 in the third quarter and fended off the Lady Eagles in the fourth to secure a spot in Saturday's county finals with a 77-56 win.

Ava McSwain scored the first six points for the Lady Raiders to give them an early, 6-5 lead over Vinemont but a three-pointer from Maggie Burks put the Lady Eagles in front 8-6 midway through the opening period. Heather Tetro drained a three from the corner to put Good Hope ahead 9-8 and that's when Ivey Maddox began to heat up, scoring seven straight points for the Lady Raiders to give them a 16-11 lead with two minutes remaining in the first. A basket by Whitney Quick cut the lead to 16-13 but McSwain scored five more for Good Hope in the final minute of the first quarter to put the Lady Raiders in front 21-13 going into the second.

A McSwain three-pointer added to Good Hope's lead early in the second quarter and Maddox drilled three straight from three-point range to make it a 35-21 game midway through the period. Quick hit a pair of free throws and Robinson laid one in to trim the lead to 37-25 later in the second. Burks and Maddox exchanged three-pointers to make it a 42-30 game with just over a minute to play in the first half and with just 10 seconds on the clock, Quick laid one in to bring the lead down to 44-32. However, McSwain's big first half wasn't quite finished, and she buried a three at the buzzer to put the Lady Raiders on top 47-32 at the halftime break. Maddox and McSwain combined to score 39 of Good Hope's 47 points in the first half.

Baskets by McSwain and Charly Johnson made it a 51-34 game early in the third and a 7-0 Lady Raiders run stretched the lead to 58-34. Burks drained a three to stop the run and trim the lead to 58-37 midway through the period but another big scoring run from Good Hope made it a 30-point game with just over a minute to play in the third quarter. Jolee McHan scored in the paint for the Lady Raiders and Burks hit a pair of free throws just before the end of the third to make it a 69-42 game with eight minutes to play.

Vinemont scored the first nine points of the fourth quarter to cut the lead to 69-51 but the Lady Eagles couldn't chip away any more of the deficit than that and Good Hope punched its ticket to the county finals with a 77-56 win over Vinemont.

Maddox led the way with 31 points in the win and McSwain finished just behind her with 26. Burks led the Lady Eagles with 22 points in the loss.

The Lady Raiders will be back on the court Saturday at 5:30 p.m. to play either West Point or Cold Springs for this year's varsity girls county championship.



MARTHA NEEDHAM/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Good Hope's Ava McSwain finished with 26 points in the Lady Raiders' 77-56 win over Vinemont Thursday night.

COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMET

West Point advances to semifinals with 68-42 win over Cold Springs

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – West Point and Cold Springs clashed in Wednesday night's final county tournament matchup with a spot in the varsity boys' semifinals on the line and the Warriors punched their ticket to the next round with a 68-42 win over the Eagles.

Cole Bales and Jay Lamar exchanged three-pointers to start the game and a pair of Pressley Burtis free throws put the Warriors in front 5-3 early in the first quarter. Bales and Lamar each hit another three to make it a 9-6 game later in the opening period and Lamar scored five straight to stretch West Point's lead to 14-6. However, Bales got the Eagles on the board one more time before the end of the first, knocking down a three from the corner as time expired to trim the lead to 14-9 at the start of the second.

Back to back Brier Taylor baskets extended the Warriors' lead to 18-9 early in the second but Ethan Day answered with a three on the other end to make it an 18-12 game. Lamar sank a pair of free throws and Taylor laid one in to put West Point ahead 22-12 and JD Cochran laid one in midway through the period to make it 24-12. Lamar hit two more free throws and a baseline jumper to give the Warriors a 28-12 lead, but Day scored four straight points on the other end to stop the run and bring the lead down to 28-16.

Bales buried another three to make it a 28-19 game with less than three minutes remaining in the half and he added a pair of free throws later in the period to make it 28-21.

Baskets by Jaxon Shelton and Lamar gave West Point a 32-21 lead and Kolten Perry drilled a three from the right wing in the final seconds of the quarter to put the Warriors in front 35-21 at the halftime break.

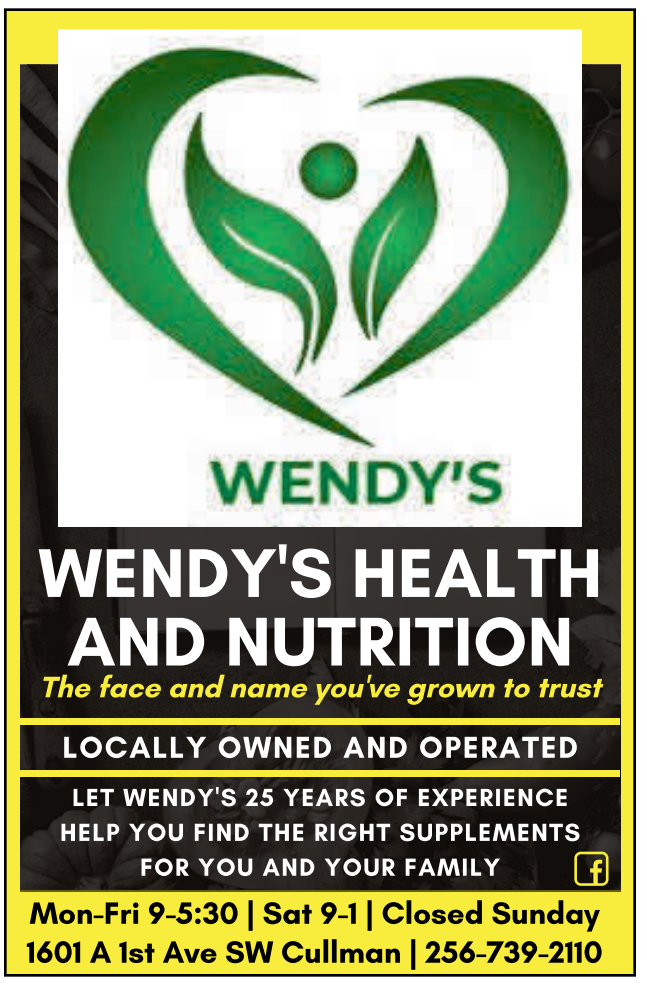
A couple of Perry free throws added to West Point's lead early in the third and baskets by Perry and Jacob Harbison made it a 41-24 game midway through the period. Tycen Kilgo exchanged backets with Cochran to make it 43-26 with three minutes remaining in the quarter but later in the quarter, Bales scored seven straight points to trim the lead to 44-33 with just over a minute to play in the third. Matt Williams laid one in for Cold Springs with 40 seconds on the clock and the Eagles went into the final frame trailing 47-35.

West Point started the fourth with a 9-4 scoring run to extend its lead to 56-39 and Lamar drained a three from the right wing to make it a 59-39 game with just under four minutes remaining and the Warriors cruised the rest of the way to defeat the Eagles 68-42.

Lamar led the way for West Point with 29 points in the win, followed by Perry with 12. Bales finished with 24 points in the loss for Cold Springs.

West Point will now advance to play Holly Pond in the varsity boys' semifinals Friday night at 7:30.





COUNTY BASKETBALL TOURNAMET

Vinemont takes 41-38 thriller over Holly Pond to advance to semifinals

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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Holly Pond and Vinemont battled it out in Wednesday night's first varsity matchup at the county tournament and it came down to the final shot. The Lady Eagles held onto a 26-19 lead after the first half and withstood a big push from the Lady Broncos in the fourth quarter to secure a 41-38 win and a spot in Thursday night's semifinal round.

Madison Butts knocked down a three-pointer and Emma Earl hit a pair of free throws to give the Lady Broncos an early, 5-2 lead in the opening period but baskets by Maggie Burks and Reagan Robinson put the Lady Eagles in front 6-5. Burks drained a three to give Vinemont a 9-5 lead midway through the first and Robinson laid one in to make it 11-5. Caroline Miller scored to extend the lead to 13-5 and Whitney Quick buried a three just before the end of the first to give the Lady Eagles a 16-5 advantage going into the second.

Vinemont ended the first quarter with a 14-0 scoring run, but Earl responded with her own scoring run to start the second quarter. Earl scored the first seven points of the period to trim the lead to 16-12 before Quick stopped the run with a three-pointer on the other end to make it a 19-12 game. Maggie Nail answered with a three for Holly Pond to cut the lead to four and Ellie Burks added a pair of free throws to bring the lead down to 19-17. Morgan Flanagan split a pair of free throws to make it a 20-17 game and Addison Holcomb drilled a corner three with less than two minutes remaining in the half to help put Vinemont ahead 25-19. Quick netted one more free throw in the final 30 seconds of the period and the Lady Eagles went into the locker room leading 26-19 at the halftime break.

Ava Thomas hit a pair of free throws and Miller knocked down a jumper to make it a 28-21 game early in the third quarter. Carley Stephens laid one in and Robinson sank a pair of free throws to keep Vinemont in front 32-21 midway through the third. Butts scored inside and Thomas converted an and-one play at the line to trim the lead to 34-26 but Quick scored on the other end in the final minute of the period to give the Lady Eagles a 36-26 lead with just eight minutes to play.

Holcomb and Thomas exchanged baskets to make it 38-28 early in the fourth and Butts knocked down a three to cut the lead to 38-31. Butts banked one in off the glass midway through the fourth quarter to make it a 5-point game and Nail followed with a three-pointer to cut the lead to 38-36 with 1:30 on the clock. Quick drew a foul after taking a steal the other way and she hit both free throws to put the Lady Eagles up 40-36 with 46 seconds remaining. Thomas responded with a basket on the other end to make it a 40-38 game with 35 seconds to play but Quick went back to the line with six seconds on the clock and split her free throw attempts to give Vinemont a 3-point lead. Butts put up one last heave from halfcourt as time expired, but the shot bounced off the front of the rim and the Lady Eagles survived 41-38.

Quick led the way for Vinemont with 14 points in the win, followed by Robinson with eight. Earl led the Lady Broncos with 11 points in the loss and Butts added 10.

With the win, Vinemont will now advance to play top-seeded Good Hope in the varsity girls semifinals Thursday night at 6:15.



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Whitney Quick (1) led Vinemont with 14 points in the Lady Eagles' 41-38 win over Holly Pond Wednesday night.

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Jacobs proclaims 'Catholic Schools Week' in Cullman

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Mayor Woody Jacobs on Jan. 25, proclaimed the week of Jan. 28-Feb. 3 "Catholic Schools Week" in the city of Cullman. Jennifer Arndt received the proclamation on behalf of Sacred Heart School and expressed appreciation to the City of Cullman for the recognition.

"Sacred Heart School was the first church school in Alabama to receive state accreditation in 1973.

"This longevity emphasizes our commitment to our students and community in providing a quality Catholic education since 1878," smiled Arndt.

"We feel that Sacred Heart plays an important part in the Cullman community. Being able to celebrate this with Catholic schools in our diocese, state and even the nation makes this week even more special!"

The proclamation reads:

"Whereas, the Catholic School System in the Diocese of Birmingham has been a consistent advocate of academic achievement by the young people of Sacred Heart School in Cullman for 146 years, and their support of community and family through teaching and example have set the highest standards for emulation by those who reside in Sacred Heart Parish in Cullman, Alabama; and,

Whereas, Sacred Heart's parish, school, and families work together to form a cornerstone of excellence in education in Cullman, and the primary purpose of the school continues to be to provide an instruction program with a Catholic Christian atmosphere of love and guidance; and,

Whereas, the strengthening and encouraging role that Sacred Heart School continues to play in the lives of its many students and their families here in Cullman is worthy of all respect and admiration; and,

Whereas, National Catholic Schools Week, an annual celebration of Catholic education in the U.S., starts on the last Sunday in January and runs all week and includes events that focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and on the contributions of Catholic education to our communities and our nation; and,

Whereas, the National Catholic Schools Week theme for 2024-2026 is "Catholic Schools" United in Faith and Community." This theme celebrates Catholic schools' goal to form saints, to build a spirit of the gospel to benefit the human family, and to share the Christian vision of faith in order to create faith-filled communities.

Now, therefore, I, Woody Jacobs, as Mayor of the City of Cullman and on behalf of the City Council and our citizens, do hereby proclaim the week of January 28 – February 3, 2024, Catholic Schools Week in the City of Cullman and urge all our citizens to recognize the influence and impact Catholic education has on our society, and to celebrate the success of Sacred Heart School and its many contributions to our community.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Cullman to be affixed on this, the 25th day of January, 2024.

Woody Jacobs
Mayor"



JACI BAKER

Jennifer Arndt, left, of Sacred Heart School, stands with Cullman Mayor Woody Jacobs, right, on Thursday, Jan. 25, as he proclaims the week of Jan. 28-Feb. 3, 2024, "Catholic Schools Week" in the city of Cullman.

UA Million Dollar Band, with 3 local members, shines in Rose Bowl Parade

Stephanie Pettis
University of Alabama

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — The University of Alabama's Million Dollar Band performed in the Rose Bowl parade on New Year's Day.

Dr. Ken Ozzello, director of bands and a professor of music at The University of Alabama, said it was a great honor to be able to represent UA in the parade.

"The band has never participated in the actual Rose Bowl festivities, but we've been to the Rose Bowl stadium for BCS games so this was the first time we were a part of the parade and everything," Ozzello said.

Local Million Dollar Band students include:

- Yukino Shichinohe of Cullman
- Regan Johnson of Holly Pond
- John Garthwaite of Arab

To learn more about the Million Dollar Band, visit bands.ua.edu.

United Way hosting 2nd annual 'Spread the Love' communitywide food drive, requesting drop-off locations

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CULLMAN, Ala. — With dwindling stocks at local food banks, the United Way of Cullman County has stepped in for its second annual "Spread the Love" communitywide food drive, which will take place Sunday, Feb. 4-Saturday, Feb. 10. The United Way is hoping to beat its numbers from last year and collect over 5,000 pounds of canned and dry goods to help community members in need.

Taylor Johnson, resource development and outreach manager at United Way, said the food drive is an opportunity to help meet needs that others might not see in the community. With local food banks like Cullman Caring for Kids, St. Vincent de Paul and Master's Hand seeing an increasing rise in need, it's not a moment too soon.

"The community has the opportunity to meet the needs of its neighbors who live in need and often suffer in silence," explained Johnson, who also emphasized the United Way's own need for additional collection sites where residents can drop off dry or canned goods.

"We have an ongoing list of drop-off locations.

"If you are a business and would like to take the time to give back to your community, please allow us to bring a box to collect donations at your location.

"Every donation makes a difference," she said.

The most requested items from local food banks are:

- canned vegetables
- canned fruits
- canned meats
- pasta
- pasta sauce
- macaroni and cheese
- peanut butter
- crackers
- granola bars
- shelf-stable milks
- cereals
- baby purees

To get involved with the "Spread the Love" communitywide food drive, contact Taylor Johnson at tjohnson@uwaycc.org.

Edgeworth (from Front)

sonal-best time of 14:34.29 this past season, becoming the first four-time state champion in history while also leading the Eagles to the team championship.

Edgeworth also crossed the line in fifth place at the Nike Cross Southeast Regional Championships to become the first Alabama runner in history to qualify for Nike Cross Nationals, where he finished in 47th.

Unbeaten against in-state rivals, he also earned the silver medal at the inter-state Jesse Owens Classic. A member of the National Honor Society and his school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes chapter, Edgeworth has volunteered locally on behalf of Future Farmers of America and is a member of the school's Math Team.

"Ethan Edgeworth turned in an all-class best performance at the state meet, winning by a staggering 86 seconds," said Rich Gonzalez of PrepCalTrack. "Still, his best showing came at Nike Cross Nationals against a loaded field."

Edgeworth has maintained a 3.82 GPA in the classroom. He has signed a National Letter of Intent to run on scholarship at the University of Tennessee this fall. The Gatorade Player of the Year program annually recognizes one winner in the District of Columbia and each of the 50 states that sanction high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, baseball, softball, and boys and girls track & field, and awards one National Player of the Year in each sport. The selection process is administered by the Gatorade Player of the Year Selection Committee, which leverages experts including coaches, scouts, media and others as sources to help evaluate and determine the state winners in each sport.

Edgeworth joins recent Gatorade Alabama Boys Cross Country Players of the Year Maxwell Hardin (2022-23, Auburn High School), Miles Brush (2021-22, Chelsea High School) and Ethan Strand (2020-21 & 2019-20, Vestavia Hills High School), among the state's list of former award winners. As part of Gatorade's commitment to breaking down barriers in sport, every Player of the Year also receives a grant to donate to a social impact partner. To date, Gatorade Player of the Year winners' grants have totaled more than $4.9 million across more than 1,600 organizations.

To learn more about the Gatorade Player of the Year program, check out past winners or to nominate student-athletes, visit playeroftheyear.gatorade.com or follow us on social media on Facebook at facebook.com/GatoradePOY, Instagram at instagram.com/Gatorade and Twitter at twitter.com/Gatorade.



GOOGLE STREET VIEW

West Point Place, a small mobile home community in West Point, is seen in an undated photo.

Owner says water restored at West Point Place

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WEST POINT, Ala. — Residents of West Point Place, a small, locally owned mobile home community, said that since around Jan. 14, their homes had no water, and said the property owner had given them no answers. On Jan. 26, the property owner said water has been restored.

One of the community's residents, Jonathon Warden, reached out to The Cullman Tribune on Monday, Jan. 22, and said, "We don't have any running water at our house and no one in our trailer park has had running water in over a week." Warden said his family and others in the community have small and school-aged children, they've been unable to bathe and have resorted to using jugs of water for cooking and cleaning. Warden reiterated, "We have been without running water for eight days now."

VAW Water System, the water provider for the area, was aware of the issue – a frozen main water valve – but unable to repair or restore water accessibility, as the problem was not on its end, but instead the onus fell on the property owner to fix it and restore utilities to tenants. Residents believed the issue lay with the property owner and an alleged unwillingness to provide adequate living conditions, with some alleging the property owner would not allow private plumbers to come in and attempt to restore utilities. However, the property owner, Mary Katherine Gilbert, said the issue was purely a breakdown of communication between herself, maintenance personnel and tenants.

"I never ran any plumbers off or told them to leave. When the big freeze came, it froze the main water valve and some of the trailer pipes froze, too. We have been opening the office for anyone that needs water to come get whatever they need," said Gilbert.

Beginning Jan. 14 and over the next several days, north Alabama was hit with freezing temperatures and precipitation; icy roadways brought the area to a standstill, and plumbing systems in some homes and businesses were adversely affected. For nearly a week, temperatures in the area stayed below freezing, hardening the ice. As soon as the problem at West Point Place was recognized, said Gilbert, plumbers were called, but there was nothing to be done except wait for the ground temperatures to rise enough to thaw the frozen main water valve.

When Birmingham news station ABC 33/40 visited West Point Place recently, a plumber was present, residents said, but said the plumber left shortly after the news station made its departure. This led some residents to believe Gilbert was barring professionals from the property.

"The night that ABC 33/40 was there, I was not. I was at my home," said Gilbert. "I was on the phone with the plumber that was there that night. He looked at the water main and said it was frozen solid and there was nothing he could do. I didn't make or ask anyone to leave. I have had our maintenance guys out there non-stop trying to fix the issues, but there was nothing to be done."

On Friday, Jan. 26, Gilbert shared, "All water has been restored! They are currently working on the water pressure to each home. However, water is available at the office to any residents who may still have low water pressure."

BOOK REVIEW

'Horse' by Geraldine Brooks

Cathy Lay Mayor
Tribune Contributor

"Horse" by Geraldine Brooks is much more than a book about a racehorse and the people who own and care for him. It is a story about racism in the 1800s and to a lesser extent the 2000s. It also addresses the cruelty to racehorses in the past and in the present day. I did not know about the mistreatment of the horses. Reading about the abuse is sad and disturbing. The description of the cruelty of the enslaved is heart wrenching but is necessary so the reader fully understands the extent of their abuse.

The novel begins in 1850 with Jarret, an enslaved boy who is present for the birth of foal. He loves the horse, whose name is Lexington, and spends as much time as he can with him. And in 2019, with Theo, an art history PhD student in Washington D.C., who finds a portrait of a racehorse in his neighbor's garbage. Theo is fascinated with the painting and takes it to be restored. Jess, a zoologist at the Smithsonian, is asked to find a missing horse skeleton. When she locates the skeleton, she is amazed by the horse's size and dimensions and wants to learn more about him.

And yes, the horse in the painting and the missing skeleton is Lexington. Lexington was a real-life racehorse who won six of his seven races and became a legendary racehorse sire. His offspring dominated American horse racing for years.

Several of the characters are based on real people, such as Lexington's various owners, and Thomas J. Scott from Pennsylvania, who painted animal portraits.

He served in the Civil Was with the Union Army. Another is Martha Jackson, who was a modernist art dealer from New York. Jarret, Theo and Jess are fictional.

Jarret is mistreated and considered property just as Lexington is. In spite of his circumstances, Jarret learns to read and become educated in many subjects. Theo is a man of Nigerian descent whose parents are diplomats. He attended British boarding schools and was a polo star. But his privilege cannot insulate him from racism. Jess is from Australia and is a quirky scientist, who is fascinated with articulating skeletons.

Theo and Jess meet at the Smithsonian when Jess thinks Theo is stealing her bicycle.

As Theo and Jess become friends, Theo feels she does not understand how black people are treated. The novel alternates between Jarret, Theo and Jess, with a little bit from the artist and the art dealer.

Brooks' novels are thoroughly researched historical fiction. She dug deeply into the roles of black grooms, trainers and jockeys, who were critical to the success of the antebellum thoroughbred industry.

They were never appreciated or given any credit. This is not an easy read. At times, I wanted to skip over parts but found it compelling and educating.

Geraldine Brooks was born in Australia and is an author and journalist. She attended Bethlehem College Ashfield and the University of Sydney.

She has worked for The Wall Street Journal and covered the Middle East, Africa and the Balkans. She was awarded the Pulitzer Prize for fiction for the novel "March." Her books "People of the Book," "Caleb's Crossing" and "The Secret Chord" were New York Times Best Sellers. Her first novel, "Years of Wonders" is an international best seller and is currently optioned for a mini-series.

Cathy Lay Mayor grew up in Cullman and graduated from Cullman High School in 1976. She says when she writes book reviews, she tries to remember what Mrs. Gilbert taught her in 11th-grade English. She lived in Dothan for more than 30 years and is married with three adult children and six grandchildren. She retired to Panama City, but still calls Alabama home.

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CLARICE SHAFER, *
Deceased. *

CASE NO.: PC2024-007

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to CHARLES CASPER SHAFER, as Personal Representative of the Estate of CLARICE SHAFER, deceased, on the 10th day of January, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

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Tammy Brown
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CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Logan Owens A Single Man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for QRL Financial Services, a division of First Federal Bank, its successors and assigns dated December 2, 2020; said mortgage being recorded on December 9, 2020, in Book 1941, Page 241 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to First Federal Bank by assignment recorded in Deed Book 392, Page 476 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, ALABAMA.

The undersigned, First Federal Bankunder and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 7th day of March, 2024 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

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Said property is commonly known as 2741 County Road 1371, Vinemont, AL 35179.

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LEGALS

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that Pipeworks Plus Inc., whose office address and phone number are as follows: Pipeworks Plus Inc., 147 Holloway Dr., Tullahoma, TN 37388, Phone: (931) 455-7592, has completed all work on the Derby Creek Sewer Rehabilitation Contract No. 2, Collection System Improvements. All persons having a claim for any labor, materials, or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify the above-named contractor and the Owner's Engineer, St. John & Associates, (256) 734-2114.

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE
ADOPTION OF E.M.G
A minor child.
D.O.B. 01/12/2015

CASE NO.: AD2023-099

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR ADOPTION

TO: BIOLOGICAL MOTHER SUMMER DANIELLE KNIGHT and BIOLOGICAL FATHER JEREMY BRIAN GREY

Please take notice that a Petition for Adoption was filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama by HAROLD EARL GREY and RHONDA ROE GREY., 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 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 25th DAY OF January, 2024

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

ANNETTE IRONS-PARKER
Attorney for Petitioners
PARKER AND PARKER, P.C. ATTORNEYS
215 Main Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055
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CIRCUIT COURT OF
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

WILLIAMS MIRANDA KAY,
Plaintiff,

V.

WILLIAMS LESLIE THOMAS JR,
Defendant.

Case No.: DR-2023-900254.00

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION

The Defendant Leslie Thomas Williams, Jr., who has been determined by this court as avoiding service, must answer the Complaint of Miranda Kay Williams for divorce and other relief by the 7th day of March, 2024, or thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him the above captioned case number 25-DR-2023-9000254.00 now pending in the Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE this 9th day of January, 2024.

/s/ GREGORY A NICHOLAS
CIRCUIT JUDGE

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Plaintiff
201 2nd Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF SUZANNE LOUISE TAYLOR, Deceased.

CASE NO.: PC 2023-385

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ROBERT LEE TAYLOR, as Personal Representative of the Estate of SUZANNE LOUISE TAYLOR, deceased, on the 10th day of January, 2024, 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 be barred.

Robert Lee Taylor
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Estate
200 1st Avenue, SE
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 PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARY H. STANSELL LOVVORN, Deceased.

CASE NO.: PC2023-278

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to RONNIE HAROLD STANSELL as Personal Representative of the Estate of MARY H. STANSELL LOVVORN, deceased, on the 12th day of January, 2024, 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 be barred.

RONNIE HAROLD STANSELL
Personal Representative

June Brooks
Attorney for Personal Representative
Post Office Box 73
Cullman, Alabama 35056

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

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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
WILMA FAYE LAW,
Deceased

CASE NO PC 2023-422

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to **ANN LAW IRANI,** as Personal Representative of the Estate of **WILMA FAYE LAW**, deceased, on the 24th day of January, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court of Cullman County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Ann Law Irani
Administrator

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Petitioner
201 2nd Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA
CULLMAN COUNTY

IN THE PROBATE COURT

CASE NO. PC 2023-327

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RUTH MARIE WILLIS, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Mary Ann Clarke on the 25th day of January, 2024, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Mary Ann Clarke
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Steven C. Smith
Attorney for the Estate
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ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 06

TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owner, City of Cullman, has petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioner, be annexed into the City of Cullman:

PPIN: 4013. Parcel No.: 09-09-30-0-002-019.000. Property Address: 0 County Road 1188.

Legal Description: A tract or parcel of land containing 2.48 acres of land, more or less, and being a part of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 9 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Begin at found 5/8 inch rebar marking the accepted Northwest corner of said Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, having an Alabama State Plane, West Zone, NAD 83 Coordinate value of N. 1537885.61', E. 2149961.06' and run thence South 00 degrees 28 Minutes 20 Seconds East (bearing based on Al. State Plane, West Zone, NAD 83, Grid) and run along the accepted West line a distance of 627.49 feet to a found ½" pipe; thence North 89 degrees 41 minutes 07 seconds East, a distance of 256.49 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar; thence North 15 degrees 25 minutes 48 seconds West, a distance of 644.20 feet to a found 5/8 inch rebar on the accepted North line of said Quarter-Quarter; thence North 86 degrees 46 minutes 54 seconds West, a distance of 90.40 feet to the point of beginning. Subject to any rights of ways and/or easements of record. Description taken from the survey of Joseph E. Conn, III, AL. Reg. No. 17831, dated September 15, 2023.

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the property proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owner that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as AG-1 Agriculture District.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 11th day of December, 2023.

/s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council

ATTESTED BY: /s/Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

APPROVED this the 11th day of December, 2023. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 07

TO ANNEX CERTAIN PROPERTIES INTO THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council of the City of Cullman finds that the following property owners, Wesley and Sherry Moore, have petitioned the City under the provisions of Section 11-42-21 of the Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, that the following described property, owned by the petitioners, be annexed into the City of Cullman: PIN: 89001. PARCEL NUMBER: 22-01-11-0-000-016.001. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 0 County Road 468.

Parcel 3 - Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a 5/8 inch rebar being accepted as the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11; thence run along the east line of said Quarter, Quarter North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 53 seconds, West 747.19 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar on the south right-of-way of Cullman County Highway 468; thence continue along the west line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11 North 00 degrees, 08 minutes, 04 seconds, West 72.70 feet to a calculated point on the curving north right-of-way of said Cullman County Highway 468, said point being the Point of Beginning, (said curve being to the left, having a radius of 329.55 feet, a delta angle of 10 degrees, 52 minutes, 24 seconds, and an arc length of 62.54 feet); thence run a chord bearing of North 53 degrees, 28 minutes, 50 seconds, West and along said curving north right-of-way for a chord distance of 62.45 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 04 seconds, West and parallel to the east line of the southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11 for a distance of 130.94 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 31 degrees, 50 minutes, 06 seconds, West 213.12 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 85 degrees, 31 minutes, 06 seconds, West 173.72 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe at an old fence corner; thence run North 01 degrees, 19 minutes, 49 seconds, West 144.32 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe on the north line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11; thence run along said north line South 88 degrees, 34 minutes, 02 seconds, East 337.42 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar and being accepted as the northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11; thence run along the accepted east line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11, South 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 04 seconds, East 498.58 feet to the Point of Beginning and passing thru a 5/8 inch capped rebar at 492.79 feet. Said parcel 3 contains 1.77 acres, more or less, less and except any easements and/or rights-of-way of record.

PPIN: 14727. PARCEL NUMBER: 22-01-11-0-000-016.000. PROPERTY ADDRESS: 521 County Road 468.

Parcel 4 - Part of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 11, Township 11 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama and being more particularly described as follows: Commence at a 5/8 inch rebar being accepted as the southeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11; thence run along the east line of said Quarter, Quarter North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 53 seconds, West 747.19 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar on the south right-of-way of Cullman County Highway 468; thence continue along the west line of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11 North 00 degrees, 08 minutes, 04 seconds, West 72.70 feet to a calculated point on the curving north right-of-way of said Cullman County Highway 468, (said curve being to the left, having a radius of 329.55 feet, a delta angle of 10 degrees, 52 minutes, 24 seconds, and an arc length of 62.54 feet); thence run a chord bearing of North 53 degrees, 28 minutes, 50 seconds, West and along said curving north right-of-way for a chord distance of 62.45 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS), said point being the Point of Beginning; thence run North 00 degrees, 17 minutes, 04 seconds, West and parallel to the east line of the southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 11 for a distance of 130.94 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 31 degrees, 50 minutes, 06 seconds, West 213.12 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS); thence run North 85 degrees, 31 minutes, 06 seconds, West 44.29 feet to a ½ inch iron pipe; thence run South 02 degrees, 18 minutes, 24 seconds, East 269.22 feet to a ½ inch capped rebar (CA-965-LS) on the curving north right-of-way of said Cullman County Highway 468 (said curve being to the right, having a radius of 329.55 feet, a delta angle of 26 degrees, 57 minutes, 00 seconds, and an arc length of 155.01 feet); thence run a chord bearing of South 72 degrees, 23 minutes, 32 seconds, East and along said curving north right-of-way for a chord distance of 153.58 feet to the Point of Beginning. Said parcel 4 contains 0.75 acres, more or less, less and except any easements and/or rights-of-way of record.

SECTION 2. That the Council has before it a map showing the relationship of the properties proposed to be annexed to the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, and that said map is on file in the office of the City Clerk along with an acknowledgment by the property owners that they want it to be annexed into the City of Cullman.

SECTION 3. That the City of Cullman does hereby annex as a part of its corporate limits the above described tracts or parcels of land as AG-1 Agricultural District contingent upon the owners granting an easement up to but not exceeding an additional fifty (50) feet in width less any width of existing public road contiguous to said easement for a public road right-of-way including utilities for water, sewer, surface water, natural gas, electric, internet, cable or other public services provided by the City or its franchises.

SECTION 4. That a copy of this ordinance after its adoption, which ordinance includes a description of the property annexed to the City of Cullman, be filed in the office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the county in which the municipality is located.

SECTION 5. That this ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as required by law.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this the 11th day of December, 2023.

/s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council

ATTESTED BY: /s/Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk

APPROVED this the 11th day of December, 2023.. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

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 NICHOLAS J. PISACRITA, JR., Deceased. * **CASE NO.: PC2023-321**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ELIZABETH ALLIE PISACRITA as Personal Representative of the Estate of NICHOLAS J. PISACRITA, JR., deceased, on the 25th day of January, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

ELIZABETH ALLIE PISACRITA
Personal Representative

Beverly Paschal Poston
Attorney for Personal Representative
201 Second Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055
256-739-3970

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

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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Jerry Finley Husband And Victoria Finley Wife to Jim Walter Home, Inc. dated September 28, 2001; said mortgage being recorded on November 6, 2001, in Book 1214, Page 136 in and re-recorded in Book 1210, Page 42 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, for Mid-State Trust XI by assignment recorded in Deed Book 333, Page 171 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, ALABAMA.
The undersigned, U.S. Bank, N.A., as Trustee, successor in interest to Wachovia Bank, National Association, as Trustee, for Mid-State Trust XIunder and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 15th day of February, 2024 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF THE S 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 33, T-11-S, R-3-W, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 786.92' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 150.00'; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 00'00"E, 320.00'; THENCE RUN N 86 DEGREES 44'23"W, 150.00'; THENCE RUN N 00 DEGREES 00'00"E, 320.00' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; SAID HEREIN DESCRIBED TRACT CONTAINS 1.1 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND LIES IN THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 33, T-11-S, R-3-W, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA.

ALSO, A 30' ACCESS EASEMENT, 15' EITHER SIDE OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LINE: COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF THE S 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 33, T-11-S, R-3-W, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA, A(N) 1/2" IRON PIN FOUND; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 786.92'; THENCE RUN S 00 DEGREES 00'00"W, 320.00'; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 37.92' TO THE POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY, THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN S 57 DEGREES 49'41"W, 166.27; THENCE RUN S 59 DEGREES 11'33"E, 391.93.; THENCE RUN S 66 DEGREES 34'41"E 82.63'; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 38'34"E, 239.96' TO THE POINT OF ENDING IN THE ROAD EASEMENT ACQUIRED BY JOSEPH A. CHAPMAN BY DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 301, PAGE 827, IN SAID COUNTY.

ALSO, A 30' ACCESS EASEMENT, 30' NORTH OF AND PARALLEL TO THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LINE: COMMENCE AT THE NW CORNER OF THE S 1/2 OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NE 1/4 OF SECTION 33, T-11-S, R-3-W, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 786.92'; THENCE RUN S 0 DEGREES 00'00"E, 320.0' THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 150.0' TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE RUN S 86 DEGREES 44'23"E, 400' TO THE POINT OF ENDING IN THE ROAD EASEMENT ACQUIRED BY JOSEPH A. CHAPMAN BY DEED RECORDED IN DEED BOOK 301, PAGE 827, IN SAID COUNTY.

Said property is commonly known as 501 County Rd 588, Hanceville, AL 35077.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

U.S. BANK, N.A., AS TRUSTEE, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR MID-STATE TRUST XI
as holder of said mortgage
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
Two North Twentieth
2 20th Street North, Suite 1000
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ORDINANCE 2024-11
AN ORDINANCE TO DELETE AND REPLACE ORDINANCE NO. 2011 - 23 RELATING TO THE DOWNTOWN DESIGN REVIEW BOARD OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN

SECTION I. Purpose.
The purpose of this Ordinance is to hereby delete and replace Ordinance No. 2011-23, *An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cullman CBD District*.
WHEREAS, Ordinance 2011-23 was established for the creation of a Downtown Design Review Board within the Central Business District ("CBD") within the City of Cullman, Alabama, in order to advance the economic development and preserve and enhance the historical and architectural integrity of the CBD; and
WHEREAS, the City Council finds it is in the best interest of the general public to abolish and re-create a five (5) person Downtown Design Review Board that shall serve in an appellate capacity under past and new standards to review Building Official decisions as they relate to façade plans of any structure within the CBD to ensure the protection and preservation of all existing and future structures within the CBD.
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS IT FOLLOWS:
SECTION II. Appellate Downtown Design Board Created.

A. The City of Cullman hereby abolishes its seven (7) member Downtown Design Board creates a new board of Downtown Design Review made up of five (5) members to be appointed by the Mayor and Council. The Cullman City Council will appoint four (4) members and the Mayor shall appoint one (1) member. All members shall reside in the City of Cullman. The first term of members will serve as follows:
   1. Place #1 and #2 shall be appointed by the Council and shall serve for two (2) years.
   2. Place #3 and #4 shall be appointed by the Council and shall serve for three (3) years.
   3. Place #5 shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall serve for four (4) years.

SECTION III. Appeals Process.

A. The Members of the Downtown Design Board shall serve in an appellate capacity to address and any all appeals from an aggrieved party in regard to final decisions made by the Building Official(s) of the City of Cullman Building Department of and concerning design standards within the districts ("Exhibit A").
   1. Upon a final decision from the City of Cullman Building Department Building Official(s), the official designated by the City Council to administer and enforce these regulations, or his/her designee, if the aggrieved party disagrees with decision from the Building Official(s), he or she shall have fourteen (14) days after denial to appeal to the Downtown Design Board.
   2. The aggrieved party shall send notice in writing to the City Clerk of the City of Cullman and the Building Department of its intent to appeal to the Downtown Design Board any denial made by the Building Official(s).
   3. Upon any and all appeals, the Downtown Design Board ("Board") shall determine whether or not the aggrieved party's proposal within the district fits the character, historical, cultural and architectural integrity of the district as it pertains to the *Design Guidelines* of the City of Cullman.
   4. If the Board finds that the plans do in fact meet the requirements of Section II(B)(3), it shall then issue a Certificate of Appropriateness ("COA") to the aggrieved party.
   5. Should the Board find that the design proposal from the aggrieved party fails to meet said Guidelines or any part of this Ordinance, the Board shall not issue a COA.
   6. The aggrieved party denied a COA by the Board may, within ten (10) days after the decision of the Board, appeal to the Circuit Court of Cullman County from any decision of the Board by filing such appeal with the Court and causing a copy of such notice to be served on the other affected parties or officials. The City Clerk shall furnish the court with a certified transcript of proceedings which it had before with respect to the appeal and its decision in the matter. No bond shall be required for such an appeal and the cost of such appeal shall be taxed against the unsuccessful party or as the judge may direct. Review by the Court shall be without jury and be confined to the record and to a determination of the questions of law present. The Board's findings of fact shall be final and conclusive. Appeal may be taken from the judgment of the Circuit Court as provided by law.

SECTION IV. Severability Clause.
Each and every provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void or invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provisions which might have been invalid.
SECTION V. Effective Date.
This Ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, this the 22nd day of January, 2024.
/s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council
ATTESTED BY: /s/Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED this the 22nd day of January, 2024. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 12
AN ORDINANCE TO DELETE AND REPLACE ORDINANCE NO. 2011 - 25 RELATING TO PRESERVING DOWNTOWN DESIGN AESTHETICS OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN WITHIN THE CBD

SECTION I. Purpose.
The purpose of this Ordinance is to hereby delete and replace Ordinance No. 2011-25, *An Ordinance Creating a Façade Improvement Program Within the CBD District of the City of Cullman*.
WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2011-25 was established for the protection, preservation and rehabilitation of downtown properties located within the Central Business District ("CBD") within the City of Cullman, Alabama; and
WHEREAS, the intent of the City of Cullman is to provide a uniformed procedure for use in providing for the protection, enhancement, perpetuation and use of places, districts, sites, buildings structures, objects, landscape features and works of art having a special historical, cultural or aesthetic significance to the City of Cullman; and
WHEREAS, the City of Cullman's historic buildings and streetscapes are valuable economic and cultural assets, and good design can stabilize and strengthen property values as well as attract businesses, residents, and tourists who value the area's special qualities; and
WHEREAS, design guidelines enhance a district's image by emphasizing sensitive storefront and building rehabilitation, thoughtful use of landscaping and signage, and intelligent implementation of parking and pedestrian access; and
WHEREAS, design guidelines are the tool used to address the dynamic balance between growth and change on the one hand and preservation of historic resources which define community character on the other; and
WHEREAS, these guidelines serve as a guide to making improvements which are compatible with the City's character, and they set broad parameters while encouraging design creativity, individual choices, and personal taste; and
WHEREAS, the result of these guidelines is a pattern of growth and change consistent with the historic qualities of the City of Cullman within the primary commercial area of the CBD.
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CULLMAN, ALABAMA, AS IT FOLLOWS:
SECTION II. Ordinance No. 2011-25 of the City of Cullman, Alabama, is hereby deleted in their entirety and replaced with the following:

B. Definitions.
   1. *Façade* is defined as the principal face of the building which faces a public street or roadway; or, as determined by the Building Official(s) for any particular building (which must be visible from any public street).
   2. *Building Official(s)* is defined as the official(s) designated by the City Council to administer and enforce these regulations, or his/her designee.
   3. *District* is defined as the development area in the Central Business District located within the corporate limits of the City of Cullman, Alabama, shown in "Exhibit A," as "*downtown core*," and "*downtown edge*," including but not limited to, private buildings used for business, commercial and mixed-use purposes.

SECTION III. Application Process.

A. The City Council hereby re-adopts the Downtown Design Guidelines ("Guidelines") as the standards for review for façade improvements.
   1. The façade/structure design must be submitted to the Building Official(s) by an architect or engineer licensed and doing business in the State of Alabama.
   2. The Building Official(s) shall make determinations based upon this Ordinance and the Guidelines.
   3. The licensed architect or engineer referenced hereabove shall apply to the Building Official(s) for a Certificate of Appropriateness ("COA") upon providing all design plans.
   4. The purpose of the Building Official(s) under this Ordinance is to issue a COA or deny a downtown façade/structure design.
   5. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to amend, exempt or nullify any requirements and process of the Planning Commission and City of Cullman Zoning Ordinance, or as amended hereafter.
   6. All successors in title to the beneficiary shall be bound by this Ordinance and the Guidelines.

B. Improvement Requirements.
   1. Improvements shall be made in accordance with conditions and standards approved by the City in advance of work being performed.
   2. Improvements shall be made by a licensed and bonded contractor(s) in the City of Cullman.
   3. Historic palette must be used for color scheme on all repainting of facades regardless of permit requirements.
   4. Building permit- if required.

C. The Building Official(s) shall review the façade plans or any remodel, additions or new construction plans by the developer or property owner to the extent which requires a building permit or that of a material change in appearance of the exterior of the existing structure. Property owners must discuss with City Building Staff prior to initiating any work on the property to determine whether the work would constitute a material change within the district. A material change in appearance is defined as a change that will affect either the exterior architectural or environmental features of a property or any building, structure, site, object, landscape feature or work of art within the district, such as, but not limited to:
   1. An alteration, change of the exterior color/palette, exterior material; or, alteration or reconstruction of the size, shape, or façade of a historic property, including relocation of any doors or windows or removal or alteration of any architectural features, details, or elements.
   2. Demolition or relocation of a historic structure.
   3. Commencement of excavation for construction purposes.
   4. A change in the location of advertising visible from the public right of way.
   5. The erection, alteration, restoration, or removal of any building or other structure within the district, including walls, fences, steps and pavements, or other appurtenant features.

SECTION IV. New Construction and Additions Within the District.

A. The following standards shall be applied to all new structures or additions to existing structures along with the Downtown Cullman Design Guidelines, 2011, when determining whether or not to issue a COA either by the Building Official(s) or upon an appeal by the aggrieved party.
   1. Recognizing Prevailing Character of Existing Development. The design of buildings is determined by the way in which various basic design concepts and elements are utilized: building orientation and setback, shape, proportion, scale and height, directional emphasis, massing, rhythm, and architectural and site elements. These concepts form the basis for visual relationships among buildings, which in turn influence the ways in which buildings are perceived by the public.
      i. *Historical Architectural and Community Character General Guideline*: In the CBD of the City of Cullman, the historical architectural and community character of the historic districts is primarily commercial.
   2. Community Character General Guideline. The purpose of the following guidelines is to encourage appropriate new development within the district while preserving the historic character of the existing district and buildings.
      i. The health of the overall district will depend, in significant part, on the compatibility of new construction with historical construction materials, types, setback, and scale.
      ii. New construction or addition designs shall be compatible with the historical architectural and community character of the district as described in paragraphs "A" above, "Historical Architectural and Community Character." Specific sites shall be considered in relation to the area of influence and will consider every aspect that affects its public visual appearance including, but not exclusive to, building materials, fenestration, height, scale, landscaping, and setback.
   3. New Building Design Specific Guidelines.
      i. Each building unit (whether existing or proposed), shall be an integral element of an overall site design plan and shall reflect and complement the character of the surrounding area or plans prepared therefore.
      ii. Each building facade shall be compatible with adjacent or nearby facades in terms of scale, amenity, and appearance.
      iii. Buildings shall be designed to function as an integral part of the streetscape with attention to visibility, safety, lighting and incorporation of public amenities. It should reflect and confirm the pedestrian oriented character of the district.
      iv. Building design shall reflect an overall compatibility to existing historical architecture with regard to building materials, fenestration, height, scale, color, contrast, roofs, and parapets.
      v. Building design shall address the public right-of-way, ADA accessibility and define and complement the streetscape.
      vi. Generally, blank walls are not permitted. Developers and designers should provide windows in high activity areas or provide architectural relief elements in wall design to the ground level.
      vii. Historic palette must be used for color scheme on all painting of facades.
      viii. Awnings, canopies, etc., shall be designed as an integral part of the structure and shall be meet all State and Federal law requirements, and adhere to the specific requirements such as height, projection, structural design criteria as prescribed elsewhere in the *Code of Ordinances of the City of Cullman*.
      ix. Building entrances shall provide ease of access, be designed so that pedestrians/patrons have visual and actual access from the front/street facade of the building, can easily identify the entrance points, be well lighted, and act as an integral part of the streetscape.
      x. Building materials shall be of good quality. Metal buildings, or buildings of other materials which are "modern" and not in keeping with the historical character of the district are prohibited unless they cannot be seen from the public right-of-way.
      xi. Corner buildings shall be designed so that they are architecturally responsive to the corner condition, help to define the intersection, and accentuate the building line along the street.
      xii. No LED signage shall be permitted with any existing, addition or new structure within the district.

SECTION V. Severability Clause.
Each and every provision of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an independent provision and the holding of any provision hereof to be void or invalid for any reason shall not affect any other provision hereof, and it is hereby declared that the other provisions of this Ordinance would have been enacted regardless of any provisions which might have been invalid.
SECTION VI. Effective Date.
This Ordinance shall be effective following its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.
ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, this the 22nd day of January, 2024.
/s/Jenny Folsom - President of City Council
ATTESTED BY: /s/Wesley M. Moore - City Clerk
APPROVED this the 22nd day of January, 2024. /s/Woody Jacobs – Mayor

Council (from Front)

Cayla Grace Murphy
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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — At its meeting on Thursday, Jan. 25, the Hanceville City Council discussed a potential new subdivision, which would require rezoning and annexation.

The proposed subdivision would be located on Hopewell Road. The proposal includes up to 87 new single-family homes. The property is not currently within Hanceville city limits. A hearing concerning rezoning and annexation has been set for Thursday, March 14, 2024, at the council's regular meeting, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

In other business:

• The council approved the minutes from its Jan. 11, 2024, meeting.

• The council discussed complaints received by the Hanceville Police Department concerning speeding on Edmondson Road; Chief Joshua Howell noted there is only one speed limit sign the entire length of the road, which may not be enough to inform motorists. Howell said he intends to ramp up the HPD's presence on the road for the next 30 days and anticipates handing out many warnings and potentially speeding tickets as it works to re-inform the public of the speed limit.

• The council amended the 2024 budget to include the revenue and expenditure related to the Firehouse Subs Grant given to Hanceville Fire and Rescue.

• The council approved the purchase of a keypad locking system related to the Hanceville jail and dispatch renovation; Howell said the expected expense, including installation, should be approximately $4,799.

• The council motioned to dispose of a variety of property previously held in storage that is unneeded and wouldn't be feasible to salvage. The property will be disposed of in the landfill.

The next council meeting will be held Thursday, Feb. 8, 2024. Work session begins at 5 p.m. with meeting following at 5:30. The public is invited to attend.



Obituary Announcements: Jan. 25-26

Mary Jane Shugart Irons, 82
Mary Jane Shugart Irons was born at home in Crane Hill, Alabama on June 13, 1941, to Charles Edwin (Ed) Shugart and Annie Sullins Shugart; the eldest of Four daughters; She passed from this life on Jan. 23, 2024, at the age of 82. Mary was a graduate of Hanceville High School, and the St. Vincent's School of Nursing. Mary excelled in caring for others. Mary's nursing career spanned Forty Years; with Twenty of those years at Hartselle Hospital and Twenty Years at Woodland Medical Center. She cherished her time at Hartselle Hospital and Woodland Medical Center having made lasting friendships that endured long after she retired. Mary was the embodiment of her profession and although she retired from her nursing career, she continued to care for family, friends, and anyone in need, until her death. A woman of many talents, Mary played the piano beautifully, and led the music service at church. She was an avid gardener, who loved nothing better than being outdoors. Mary was especially proud of her beautiful red roses, that lined her yard. Animals always held a special place in her heart, and she never failed to care for and spoil any animal she encountered, especially her, "Grand dogs" Maddie and Sable. She enjoyed traveling with family and friends alike and was always packed and ready for the next adventure. Mary was a devoted wife to her Husband Bob and was a loving mother, friend, and confidant to her daughter Annette. Mary loved her Church and Church family and was a faithful member her entire life. Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Charles Edwin and Annie Sullins Shugart; her husband Bobby Gene Irons and her Sister JoAnn Couey. She is survived by her daughter, Annette (Stephen) Parker; Sisters, Gail (Dillard) Quick, Mitzi (Ray) Black; nieces and nephews, Joey Couey, Dillard Ray (Wendy) Quick, Joyce Robinson, Tonya (Jonathan) Godbee, Mitchell (Amy) Black, Michael (Ashley) Black; Special dear friends Anna Intraboona Quick and Jean Howse, along with a myriad of cousins, and friends. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024 at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow the service at Fairview West Cemetery. Brother Adam Whitehead will be officiating. Visitation will be Sunday, Jan. 28, 2023 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. The family would request, in lieu of flowers, Donations be made to the Laodicea Church Piano/music fund, Address: 276 County Road 522 Hanceville, AL 35077.

Howard Luther Holmes, 64
Howard Luther Holmes, age 64, of Cullman, Alabama passed away on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024. A celebration of life visitation for Howard will be held Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024, from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home, 1901 Second Avenue, NW, Cullman, AL 35055. A celebration of life funeral service will occur Monday, Jan. 29, 2024, from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m., 1901 Second Ave NW, Cullman, AL 35055. An interment will occur Monday, Jan. 29, 2024, at 3 p.m. at Bethsadia Baptist Church Cemetery, 3358-3612 CR-436, Cullman, AL 35057.

Christine Yates, 73
Christine Yates, age 73, of Cullman, passed from this life on Wednesday, Jan. 24, 2024. Mrs. Yates was born Oct. 12, 1950, to Bascom Davis and Kathleen Price Davis. There are no arrangements at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Henry Yates. She is survived by her two daughters, Tasha Crouse (Aldon), and Brandy Haggard (Hank Hutchinson); one sister, Regina Wright (Billy); three grandchildren, Karen Johns, Kenai Riendeau, Ruben Riendeau; nephew, Billy Wright; niece, Melissa Page (Robert), Brooke Wright; great-nieces and great-nephews, Cassidy Camp, Steven Page, Catherine Page, and Jace Smith; and a host of family and friends. Christine is remembered by family as being very loving. She loved being with her family more than anything. She will be missed. Please visit www.cullmanfuneralhome.com to sign the online guestbook.

Richard L. Olson, LTC (Ret), 78
Memorial for Richard L. Olson, LTC (Ret), age 78, of Cullman, is Monday, Feb. 5, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Sardis Baptist Church in Trimble. Interment will follow at Sardis Baptist Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Olson was born April 18, 1945, to Gess Olson and Gladys Simonson Olson. He passed from this life on Jan. 25, 2024. He is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his loving wife of 50 years, Wanda Shaddix Olson; one son, Richard Lane Olson, Jr. (Crissi); two daughters, Jennifer White (Matt), and Tracy Collins (Jonathan); one sister, Sandra Faye Johnson; grandchildren, Joni Olson, Garrett Olson, Reid Olson, Oleta Olson, Lauren Barnett (Jagger), Ryan White; one great-grandchild, Wyatt Barnett; and a host of family and friends. Richard was a longtime and faithful member of Sardis Baptist Church and he loved the Lord more than anything. He was a devout, loving husband, father, and grandfather to his family. He was very social and had a great sense of humor. He loved his country and was very patriotic. He honorably served in the U.S. Army and U.S. National Guard for over 32 years. He was a wonderful man and he will be missed by all who knew and loved him. Please visit www.cullmanfuneralhome.com to sign the online guestbook.

Jerry Michael Simmons, 72
Jerry Michael Simmons, age 72, of Logan passed from this life on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024. There are no arrangements at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Please visit www.cullmanfuneralhome.com to sign the online guestbook.

Ben Andrew Hoenig, 92
Ben Andrew Hoenig, age 92, of Cullman, passed from this life peacefully on Thursday, Jan. 25, 2024, at the Folsom Center in Cullman. A private family graveside service will be held on Sunday, Jan. 28, 2024, at Cullman City Cemetery at 3 p.m. Ben was born Dec. 28, 1931, to George Joseph Hoenig and Anna Luyben Hoenig of Cullman. He was preceded in death by his wife of 69 years, Margaret Tilley Hoenig, his parents, his brother George (Loraine) Hoenig Jr. and sister Theresa (Dennis) Hoenig Waites. Survivors are son Eddy A. (Deborah) Hoenig, and 3 daughters, Regenia (John) Geisen, Anita (David) Antaillia, and Connie (William) Bailey, all residing in Cullman. He is also survived by his brother Adrian (Patricia) Hoenig of New York and sister Joan (John) Caron of Vashon, Washington. Grandchildren are Lauren Hoenig, Anna Hoenig, Blake (Jamie) Brauer, Michael (Lacy) Brauer, Anthony (Laura) Geisen, Olivia (Bryan) Israel, Emma Antaillia (Hunter) Jarrell, Chelsey Bailey (Blake) Gammon, and Maggie (Aaron) Reyling. Great grandchildren: Cade Brauer, Ben Brauer, Connor Brauer, Harlow Geisen, Hendrix Geisen, Henry Jarrell, Ellie Jarrell, Fisher Gammon, Shepard Gammon and Sawyer Reyling. He is also survived by a host of dearly loved nieces and nephews. Ben and Margaret were married in 1952. After their marriage he served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany. He was a recipient of the Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Army of the Occupation of Germany. Returning to Cullman after honorable discharge, he began his life's vocation in the appliance business, leading up to the establishment of his own business of Ben Hoenig Appliance in 1958 at the family home in Good Hope. He had a natural talent for understanding all things mechanical. With that talent, and his unwavering values of honesty, integrity and dependability he built a highly successful business along with his life and business partner Margaret, who worked along beside him in the store until their retirement. Ben was happiest working side by side with Margaret in the store, on the family farm and in the mobile home business. They took great pride in their children, and taught their strong values of faith, family and hard work as they raised them to both play and work together. He was a baptized member of the Baptist Church, where he faithfully served in various leadership posts including deacon, building, search and mission committees. He had a great love working with all things mechanical, especially enjoying automobiles, boats and motorcycles. He also loved RV camping and spent many years traveling to various places in the southeast with his family and later with just Margaret. They enjoying relaxing in their RV, with biking, the beach and camping at Gulf Shores being their favorite trip destination for many years. The family would like to thank the staff of Aveanna Hospice and especially everyone at The Folsom Center for providing compassionate and loving care to him during the final days of his life. In lieu of flowers, the family requests a donation to the church of your choice in his memory.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

I have joined the Zipper Club

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I have been a member of more clubs than I can even remember. Back in grade school, some girls in my class handed out questionnaires for admission to their clubs. These were hand-written questionnaires on ruled-notebook paper. They asked for basic information such as name, address, and phone number. Then there was important information such as my favorite color, food, rock band, and song. We never met or did anything, but we could brag about being a member of so and so's club!

A few years later, some of my buddies and I built our own club house. We built a one-room structure from shipping containers that my dad had given us.

We built it on the banks of Ivy Creek, which ran across my family's property. Unfortunately, we didn't know anything about flood plains. Sometimes we camped out in our clubhouse, but only when it wasn't raining.

In school, I joined several clubs. I became a member of the 4H Club and the FFA Club. I raised rabbits and guinea pigs as part of those. I belonged to the FTA Club. That stood for Future Teachers of America. I never became a teacher in America, but I did marry one.

I was a member of The Library Club and The Devotional Club, which met before school, in the library. In my junior-and-senior years, I was a member of the Beta Club. I even had the privilege of attending the state Beta Club Convention, in Birmingham.

I've never been a member of any civic clubs in my community, but I, as well as my alter ego, Bro. Billy Bob, have spoken and sang for enough of them to be an honorary member.

One of my favorite clubs is Sam's Club. I am a card-carrying member! As the old song said, "The sign says you have to have a membership card to get inside." I attend meetings there, with fellow members, regularly. We shop, visit, and graze on free samples. The samples are bait to get members to buy larger quantities by the gross or ton. They don't require your card to get out, but you do have to show your receipt.

I am a member of the Opelika Sportsplex. There we can go work out for the month of January, with a new-found commitment for the rest of the year that usually last until at least the second-week in February.

I am also a member of the Opelika Pickleball Club there, as well as "The Dinkers" who play pickleball every Tuesday and Thursday, as well as in tournaments. I am currently on injured reserve but will be back soon.

My most important membership is not actually in a club but a church. I have been a member of various churches through the years. My current membership is at Lanier Baptist Church, in Lanett, where I also serve as pastor.

My most-recent club membership is in The Zipper Club. There is no membership card, other than perhaps my Blue Cross card. A scar of approximately eight inches that runs up and down the middle of your chest is required. I have not been to a meeting yet, but I suspect you have to show your scar to get in, because most other members I've known are quick to show theirs...whether you ask or not.

The scar does have a slight resemblance to a zipper, or a small railroad track. After the surgery, your chest feels like the train has stopped on the track! I am proud to have my track, because it serves as a reminder that I survived and am still here!

Bill King can be reached at bkpreach@yahoo.com or 334-745-0588 (office).

HISTORY

Files from yesteryear: 1950

From the files of 1950

Arthur Jack Hyatt, son of Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Hyatt of Cullman graduated with honors from Florence State Teachers College.

Mrs. A.F. Young received a telegram last Friday that her son, Corporal David R. Young, 19, is missing in action.

Sergeant Milton Wilhite was injured severely in Korea. He is in a hospital in Japan. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wilhite.

Four trucks collided on Guntersville Road, near the Cullman Stockyard, on Monday night. The trucks and Theo Smith's tomato patch were badly damaged, but the occupants are okay.

Seedless grapes are on sale at A and P for 17 cents per pound. Ad.

A wiener roast was held at Mr. and Mrs. Ogle Campbell's home on Saturday at Bethany.

Some ponds in the Berlin Community have lost all the fish because of cotton poisoning in surrounding fields.

Doc Knight of Cullman visited his father, Mr. E.T. Knight, at Valley Grove on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ova Calvert and family, Mr. and Mrs. Junior Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Daniel of Duck River attended the Calvert reunion on Sunday.

The Gold Ridge baseball team defeated Baileyton, 12 to 1 last Saturday.

Eidson Chapel residents, attending the baptizing at New Hope on Sunday included Mr. and Mrs. A.L. Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Ossie Pitts and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lovell.

Mrs. C.C. Quick of California is visiting relatives here and attending revival services at Ledocia.

Gurley Benefield of New Harmony is building a dairy barn.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Duke of Vinemont are the proud parents of a son, Freddie Lamar, born on August 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert A. Day of Good Hope are the proud parents of a son, Steven Malcolm, on August 12.

Those completing the Red Cross Home Nursing Course include Mesdames W.B. Howard, Marvin Patton, L.G. Andrews, Henry Wood, W.T. Chandler, W.E. Bradley, W.T. Holmes, Elsie Robinson, Cordis Tubbs, Carl Phillips and Asa Blalock.

Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Keller have returned home after spending time in Gadsden with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Keller and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Basenberg.

POET'S CORNER

To Desire | By: Randy C. Hale

A smile, ever brief,
warms you so inside.
A wink from someone cute,
is like Pied Piper's flute.

Oh! The sound of laughter,
guffaw splattering the air.
Tickling in the belly,
better with a friend to share.

And when eyes meet,
fascination appears.
Imagination trick-trickling,
trick-trickling in.

Holding hands brings together
two that were apart.
Bonds the distance,
melts a frozen heart.

But, save to last the tender kiss,
placed from one so adored.
Artesian springs in desert sand,
a wave upon, dry shore.



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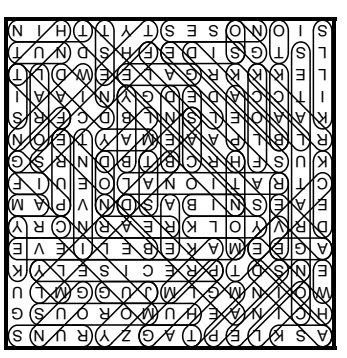
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