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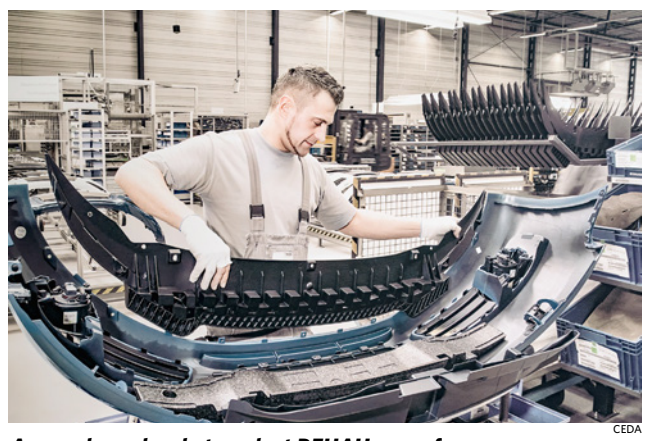
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman has been named by Site Selection Magazine as the no. 2 micropolitan in the country.

Said Site Selection, “Cullman, Alabama, a consistent Top 5 presence, has risen this year to No. 2, its highest ranking ever. Cullman, halfway between Huntsville and Birmingham in the heart of Alabama’s manufacturing belt, accumulated 11 qualifying investments to Findlay’s (Findlay, Ohio) typically outsized haul of 25.

Highlighted by a $350 million Walmart logistics expansion, the combined value of Cullman’s qualifying investments — $472 million — far eclipsed Findlay’s total of $266 million.”

Cullman Economic Development Agency (CEDA) Project Manager Stanley Kennedy and Director Dale Greer talked about the significance of Cullman’s achievement as the no. 2 micropolitan in the nation, saying the accolade not only highlights the community’s» PAGE 10



CEDA

An employee hard at work at REHAU, one of Cullman’s major industrial manufacturers

— PREP BASKETBALL —

‘It’s more than just basketball to us’

Good Hope downs T.R. Miller 63-35 to capture 1st state championship



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Good Hope Lady Raiders defeated T.R. Miller 63-35 Friday night to win their first state championship in school history.

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Friday was a historic and emotional day at Legacy Arena for the Good Hope Lady Raiders. After coming up short of their goals the last few seasons, the senior-led Lady Raiders broke through in a big way Friday night, defeating T.R. Miller 63-35 to cap a stellar season with the first state title in school history. Good Hope trailed T.R. Miller early in the second quarter and even though they’re not used to falling behind early, the twin backcourt of Bailey and Heather Tetro knew once they settled into the game they’d be in good shape.

“I think we started out with a little bit of nerves; I know I did,” Bailey said. “We’re used to having fast starts and being on top by the end of the first quarter, so I think we just needed to settle down and get into our groove and I think we did that. I think our defense is really what got us going.”

“Even when we get down, we have so much trust in each other when we go out there and play,” Heather said. “We got down a little bit and it shocked us at first because like (Bailey) said, we’re used to having quick starts, but we trust each other and once we get going, there’s no looking back for us.”

Good Hope head Coach Justin Aby shared the Tetros’ confidence, knowing his team has put in the work to get to this point and would do what they needed to do to take control of the momentum and earn the win. » PAGE 3

Man sentenced to 75 years for child rape in Cullman Co.



CULLMAN COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE

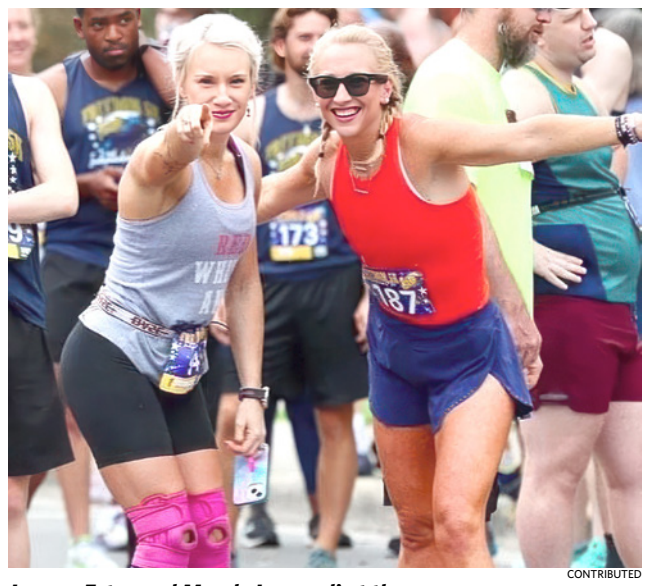
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1st step toward Cullman Intermediate School

East, West Elementary hold combined professional development session » PAGE 8

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‘Are we as women safe to run alone? Are we safe alone, period?



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Lauren Estes and Mandy Leonardi at the Freedom 5K July 4, 2023 » PAGE 9

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported March 1

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported March 1, 2024. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Feb. 26

- violation of protection order; CR 616
- harassment; Hwy. 31
- harassment; CR 1114
- menacing; CR 1859
- theft of property; CR 508
- theft of property; CR 216
- domestic violence; CR 991
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Lindsey Rd.

Feb. 27

- harassment; CR 1702
- theft of property; CR 831
- possession of marijuana; possession of prescription drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 751
- criminal mischief; CR 222
- theft of property; CR 1535
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 48
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 438

Feb. 28

- trespassing; Hwy. 31
- domestic violence; CR 1555
- assault; CR 147
- domestic violence; CR 216
- harassment; CR 1435
- harassment; CR 1126

ARRESTS

Feb. 26 – 28

Beard, William J.; 61
- public intoxication

Beebe, Tyrone D.; 26
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)

Bennett, Billy D.; 30
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Brannon, William B.; 47
- sexual abuse-1st degree

Campbell, Brett A.; 24
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Choj, Junior; 22
- FTA- public intoxication

Class, Cody W.; 31
- Grand Jury- theft (2 counts)

Duke Jr., Michael J.; 34
- damaged property-criminal mischief
- criminal trespass

Freeman, John C.; 58
- FTA- driving while suspended, revoked or cancelled

Harbison, Aliyah N.; 21
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of prescription drugs

Hogeland, Leslie C.; 38
- FTA- public intoxication
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Huffman, Kaitlyn Sara D.; 28
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Johnson, Cayden L.; 18
- assault-aggravated assault-A to M, aggravated assault (attempted murder)
- discharging firearm into occupied building, railroad, aircraft, automobile, etc.
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of prescription drugs

King, Sherman H.; 55
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Maddox Jr., James D.; 43
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Newman, Travis M.; 38
- FTA- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Smith, April B.; 45
- damaged property-criminal mischief

Young, Jimmy L.; 52
- assault-domestic-harassment-family

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 28

- retail theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; Olive St. SW; general merchandise; $52
- theft of property-2nd degree; person; Poplar Dr. SW; medication

Feb. 29
- harassing communications; person
- harassment; person
- theft of property-4th degree; Circle K; Hwy. 157; cash
- harassing communications; person

ARRESTS

Feb. 28 – 29

Choj, Junior; 22
- public intoxication

Murphey, Cheryl L.; 51
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Pierce, Ryan S.; 32
- harassing communications

Reaves, Jane T.; 50
- theft of property-4th degree

Smith, Dustin L.; 30
- theft of property-4th degree
- criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA- theft of property-4th degree
- FTA- criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia

Johnson, Brandi M.; 35
- theft of property-4th degree

Graham, Jonathan A.; 28
- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassment

Melvin, Jeffrey H.; 25
- FTA- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- insurance violation

Jepson, Thomas W.; 55
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Wallace State hosts welding contest for aspiring north Alabama welders

Staff Reports
Contributor

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College Welding hosted an intense welding competition Friday, March 1, showcasing the talents of high school students from across north Alabama. Held in Wallace State's new, state-of-the-art welding facility, the event drew 151 students from approximately 31 schools, highlighting the profound interest in welding as both a skill and a potential career path.

The competition was divided into three categories: First Year, Advanced and AG (Agriculture), each designed to challenge the participants' welding proficiency and creativity. The AG students were challenged with welding one bead on a T-joint with a 7018 rod and one bead on a T-joint with a 6010 rod. The First-Year students were tasked with welding a horizontal T-joint with three 6010 beads and one vertical T-joint with three 7010 beads of three different lengths. The Advanced category took on the most challenging assortment of tasks, welding a vertical groove weld with a 6010 root pass and 7018 for the fill and cover passes.

Wallace State Welding Instructor Melanie Patterson expressed her enthusiasm for the event, noting the impressive turnout and the high level of competition. "I loved seeing the students work hard and encourage each other. Some of the welds that we saw were excellent, so I see the potential for them to do great things with welding if they pursue it as a career. Whether or not they ever work as welders, I hope they remember the competition as a moment that made them proud of themselves," Patterson said.

The competition was judged by personnel from the Birmingham and Tuscaloosa pipe union, ensuring that the evaluations were held to high standards.

As the competition drew to a close, the top five competitors in each category were announced, with the top three of each group being awarded prizes.

AG – Top Five
1. Wyatt Lamar – Arab
2. Adam Garcia - Crossville
3. Bryson Ivey - Arab
4. Dawson Wilson - Arab
5. Jeremiah Ergle - Arab

First Year – Top Five
1. Braxton Daugherty, Dekalb County Technology Center
2. Noah Brothers, Dekalb County Technology Center
3. Eli Dix, Grissom
4. Xylenn Palm, Jemison High School
5. Caleb Cromer, Dekalb County Technology Center

Advanced – Top Five
1. Blaine Chambers, Morgan County Schools Technology Park
2. Jackson McMillian, Blount County Career Technical Center
3. Grayson Roberts, East Limestone
4. Brandon Vazquez, Dekalb County Technology Center
5. Kevin Salas, AP Brewer

Blaine Chambers, the winner of the Advanced category, was awarded the grand prize – a welding machine courtesy of Altec Industries. This top prize, along with a selection of welding gear and shop tools, holds an estimated value of $1,000.

Furthermore, five students' welds passed visual inspection and will be further tested (a bend test) to see if they will get a weld qualification at a later date.

WSCC Welding Department Chairman Randy Hammond praised the event's success, saying, "I was very well pleased with the welding competition.

"The quality of the students' welds was impressive. We appreciate the high school welding instructors taking the initiative to bring their students, and we appreciate the sponsors who donated prizes.

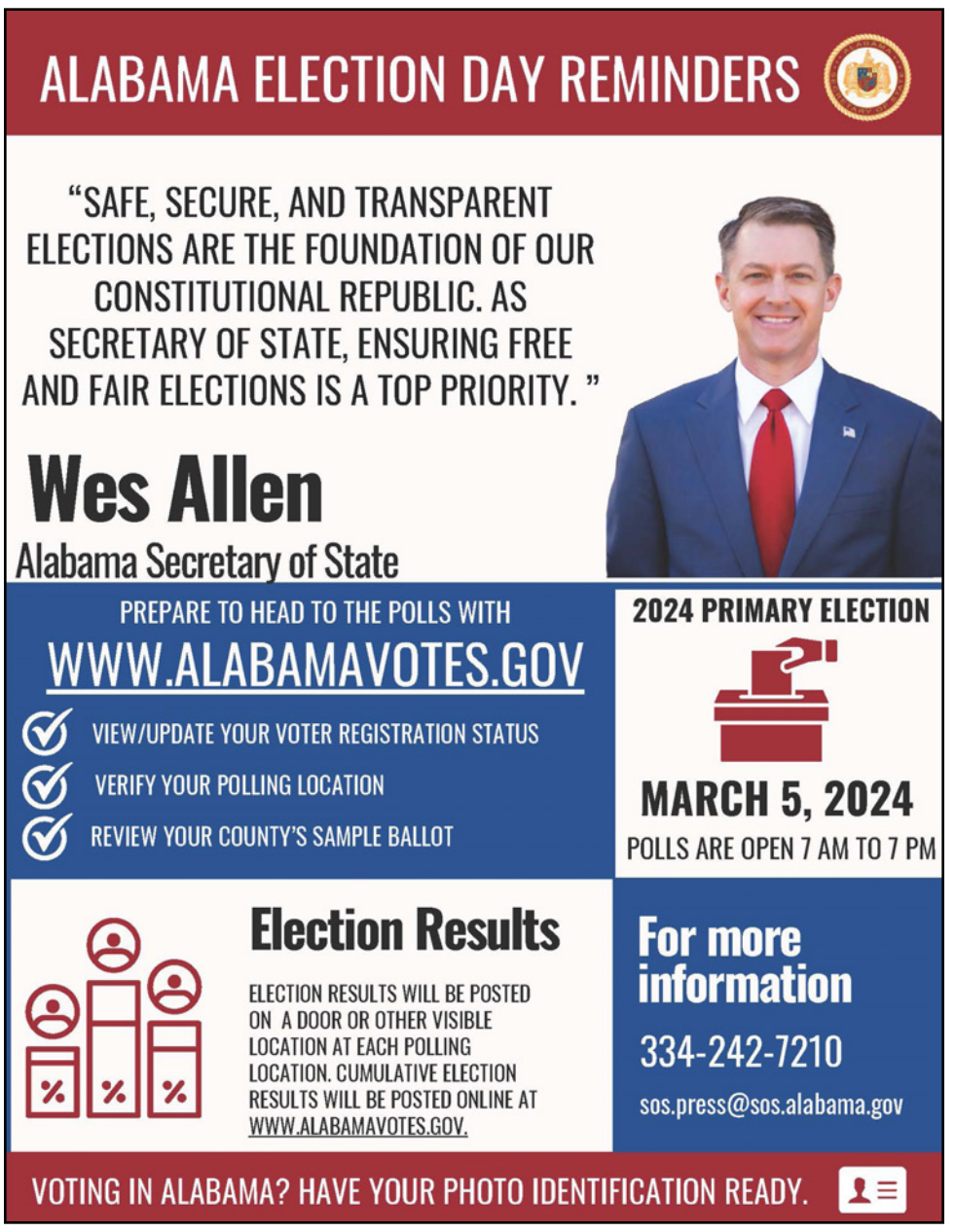
"I'm looking forward to next year's competition."

For more information about Wallace State Community College, call 866-350-9722 or visit www.wallacestate.edu. To learn more about the welding programs offered at Wallace State, contact Randy Hammond at 256-352-8272 or randy.hammond@wallacestate.edu.



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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, March 2 - 8 a.m. Men's Breakfast and 10 a.m. Foundry Farm Outreach
• Sunday, March 3 - 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, March 3 - 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 and worship and message by Pastor Bobby Dodd at 11. Leadership meeting after service.

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.

Baileyton Masonic Lodge Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, March 2, from 6:30-9 a.m. at the Baileyton Masonic Lodge. Breakfast will include pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice or milk for the children. Eat in or take out. Donations only. Proceeds will be used for community projects. Thank you for your support.

Lenten Fish Fry Dinners at Sacred Heart of Jesus Family Life Center
March 8 and March 22, from 5-7 p.m. Dine in or carry-out via drive-thru line. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Meal includes fried or baked fish, cole slaw, French fries and hush puppies for $12 per first four plates, then $10 per plate for additional plates. Everyone welcome to this popular annual event.

Cullman Lions Club Fish & Ham Dinner
Saturday, March 9, from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at the Cullman Middle School cafeteria. Dine in, carry out or drive through. $15 per plate. Your choice of catfish filet or ham with baked potato, slaw, hushpuppies and dessert. Proceeds benefit Cullman Lions Club community projects.

Mushroom Log Inoculation Workshop
• Saturday, March 9, from 1-4 p.m. at Sportsman Lake Park. Grow Shiitake mushrooms in your own backyard! Learn how to prepare and inoculate your own log, promote mushroom growth, where to store, when and how to harvest and more. All materials will be provided.
• Tickets purchased by Feb. 24 are $20, which includes cost of materials and one inoculated Shiitake log to take home. Tickets purchased after Feb. 24 will be $30. http://tinyurl.com/shitakesportsmanlakepark
• Additional Shiitake or Oyster logs may be purchased onsite for $15 each. Both mushrooms are edible and medicinal, and should give you multiple flushes for a few years. We will also have biochar, comfrey roots, tree cuttings, rabbit fertilizer and other items available for purchase. Cash preferred.

Hanceville Irish Festival
Saturday, March 16, from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. in downtown Hanceville. Music, food, dancing, arts and crafts. Live music and free parking.

Good Hope (from Front)

"It's a special group. It really is. This is year number five for me in coaching and some of them have been starting since their eighth-grade year and to see all the hard work and everything they've done, it's really special to see them get that blue map. I don't even know what I'm going to do next year," Aby joked. "I don't know how I'm going to break the press without having two Tetros running around out there getting open and Ivey doing everything she does and Charly, Emma and Lillie. They're a great, great group of girls who just totally bought in from day one."

Good Hope 63 - T.R. Miller 35 (4A State Championship Game)
Bailey Tetro sank a pair of free throws and turned a steal into an easy basket to give the Lady Raiders a 4-0 start. Another Bailey Tetro basket made it 6-0 early in the opening period and Charly Johnson split a pair of free throws to keep Good Hope ahead 7-2. Bailey Tetro's next bucket made it a 9-5 game later in the first, but T.R. Miller was able to tie things up at 9 by the start of the second.

The Lady Tigers pulled ahead 15-9 early in the second quarter but after Johnson hit another free throw, Maddox scored a tough basket inside to cut the lead to 15-12. Bailey Tetro hit two more free throws and Maddox buried a three to put the Lady Raiders back in front 17-16 with three minutes remaining in the period. Ava McSwain laid one in, and Bailey Tetro converted an and-one play to stretch Good Hope's lead to 22-17. Bailey took another steal the other way for two more points and Maddox drilled another three with just over a minute on the clock to give the Lady Raiders a 27-19 lead at halftime.

Another Maddox score put Good Hope on top 29-21 at the start of the third and a pair of McSwain baskets made it 33-21. Maddox drained a three and Johnson scored inside in to give the Lady Raiders a 38-23 advantage and they continued adding to their lead as the third quarter went on. Johnson laid one in just before the buzzer to make it a 48-25 game with just one quarter remaining.

Lillie McCluskey knocked down a three and Johnson and Bailey Tetro each drove and scored to put Good Hope in front 55-29. Maddox finished an and-one play to make it a 58-32 game and the Lady Raiders cruised the rest of the way to put the finishing touches on a 63-35 state championship win.

Maddox led Good Hope with 20 points in the win. Bailey Tetro finished with 17 and McSwain added 12. Bailey Tetro, Maddox and McSwain earned All-State Tournament honors and Tetro was selected as Tournament MVP.

For seniors Heather Tetro and Ivey Maddox, the moment is made even more special by the fact they reached their ultimate goal with the teammates they've grown up playing with for years. "There are so many emotions going on right now for me at least. This is my last game, but I wouldn't want to end it any other way, it's amazing to win this group of girls," Heather said. "I've been playing with these girls for a long time so to have a game like this and to be able to come out on top is so special and it's definitely a moment I will remember the rest of my life."

"It's more than just basketball to us. For so long we've been playing together, since travel ball and everything," Maddox said. "There have been so many times that we were counted out or overlooked and now that it's our time it's just even more special."

Senior Bailey Tetro was honored to be named Tournament MVP but wishes she could share it with her teammates and the community that came to support them.

"It is an honor but there are so many girls on this team that deserve it, honestly, I think more than I do. I'm just so proud of everyone, I could not win it without these girls and it's a blessing just to be here right now. I think the MVP of this game would have to be our community," Bailey said. "It's been four years that people have expected us to go so far and it's ended early. I remember last year I was so upset after the Sweet 16 because I thought, 'Man, they're going to give up on us' and they did not give up on us. They believed in us even harder this year."

"That's just a prime example of the unselfishness we have on our team," Aby said. "You address the girl that won the MVP and then she gives it to her teammates and her community. It's a special, special group of girls and that's just one example of who they are, not as basketball players but as people."

Man (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — William Samuel Crawford, 43, of Hayden, pleaded guilty to first-degree rape of a child under 12 on Feb. 20, 2024, according to the Cullman County District Attorney's Office. Prosecutors sought the maximum penalty due to the depravity of the crime, resulting in Crawford receiving a 75-year prison sentence.

Crawford was indicted back in August 2022. The crime took place in January 2022.

At sentencing, the victim and family members were allowed to make victim impact statements.

"Our victim wanted a resolution and punishment for the defendant. We were prepared for trial but the defendant changed his plea to guilty. Hopefully this 75-year sentence will guarantee this man will never harm another child," said Cullman County District Attorney Champ Crocker. "I also want to thank my assistant district attorneys and staff for their hard work to achieve justice."

According to court records, when Crawford was asked if he had anything to say prior to his sentencing, he said, "I'm sorry."

CORRECTION

In our story "United Way Crawfish &Shrimp Boil coming March 15," published Feb. 29, 2024, we stated the event was returning for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic. This is incorrect. The event returned in 2023. We regret the error.


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Guests at Goat Island Brewing were invited to peruse the Books and Brews book sale held by the Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County on Thursday, Feb. 29. Each book was 50 cents.

Books and Brews

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Goat Island Brewing was alive and thriving on the evening of Thursday, Feb. 29. Sounds of raucous laughter, the clinking of glasses and various karaoke songs filtered through the building as guests enjoyed the atmosphere and entertainment. In the back of the brewery was a hidden gem, the Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County (FPLCC) held a Books and Brews event, inviting guests to peruse and purchase one or many of the thousands of literary works, ranging from Natalie Babbitt's "Tuck Everlasting" to Beverly Cleary's "Ramona" to historical texts and encyclopedias piled on tables, overflowing from boxes and stacked on the floor.

Julie Freeman, president of the FPLCC said, "I had 11 pallets of books, and last year I took at least 5,000 books from the (Cullman) Middle School before they tore it down; I took some from the (Cullman City) Primary School and we also had a sweet lady come and donate about 40 boxes – it was at least two loads from her storage building. There are a lot of books!"

The proceeds from the book sale will benefit the public libraries scattered throughout the county. The books were set at a cost of 50 cents each.

Freeman said she searched for and collected books for months, leading to the astronomical number available at the sale.

As for the plans for the raised funds, Freeman said the FPLCC has some things in mind, although nothing is set in stone yet.

"We are not sure exactly; we have a new library director and she is coming up with a wish list of things she would like to prioritize at the main branch," she said.

"There's a new bookshelf in the works for Holly Pond, and then Hanceville wants a new book drop. So we have a few things in mind."

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Get your honky-tonk on at The Saw Mill

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CULLMAN, Ala. — What started out as a one-man woodworking shop nestled in Cullman's Jerry Parker's backyard is now known across the county and beyond as the one-stop shop for a night of karaoke and live music.

The Saw Mill is a homegrown honky-tonk. Parker said he tried a host of career choices and employment opportunities before his retirement from private woodworking, dabbling in photography, general handy-man services and home repair. Through each of those seasons, one dream hung on in the back of Parker's mind: a communal place where people could visit for a great time and great company and safely let loose.

The Parkers have always been avid dancers and proponents of a good time. After a night of dancing the western two-step and tripping over other couples on the dance floor, Parker had enough and decided right then to create his very own honky-tonk; a place that allowed freedom of expression and the right to do whatever he wanted with his space – which included a larger dance floor and stage for live performers. His old backyard shop was just calling for a reason to be needed and used. The lightbulb went off in Parker's head and The Saw Mill was born.

Pointing to the lighted and fully set stage, Parker smiled and recalled, "I sat right there on a sheetrock bucket with my sketch pad and I started plans on a honky-tonk. Then I started working on it."

And work on it, he did. His backyard shed was transformed into the now neon-lit music joint. It's a place where people can hear new artists, safely cut loose and enjoy each other's company. Eventually, Parker developed The Saw Mill further; Saw Mill Records, Inc. is his nonprofit that prepares hopeful musicians to brave the world of the music industry by connecting them with contacts all over the country to get insight and help with demo tracks, composing and more.

Parker said he never wants the community to forget what made The Saw Mill popular and what is still the joint's best attendance night – live karaoke. With Saw Mill Records in-house, The Saw Mill is ready with studio-level equipment to elevate the performances, lending an air of a true concert performance on-stage for participants.



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The Saw Mill is located at 899 County Road 473. Open mic night for all interested pickers and players is held on the first Friday of each month; karaoke is held on the first and third Saturday of each month.

"Karaoke built this place and it's still a huge part of it," Parker said, explaining that while The Saw Mill doesn't technically have a cover charge, it does operate on donations from singers, pickers and spectators. "We couldn't and wouldn't have any of this if it wasn't for people coming and ones that come to have a good time throwing $5 in the jar."

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PREP BASEBALL

Good Hope downs Cold Springs on the road 20-6, Thursday scoring recap

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The Good Hope Raiders defeated Cold Springs on the road 20-6 Thursday night.

Good Hope 20 - Cold Springs 6 (Baseball)

Good Hope jumped out to a quick lead in their opening at-bats. They quickly loaded the bases with no outs, then Carter Naramore hit an RBI groundout, Colten Whatley got hit by the pitch, Dakota Overton drew a bases-loaded walk, Owen Armstrong got hit by the pitch, Mason Drake scored on a Cold Springs error, and Carter Rutherford added an RBI groundout to give the Raiders an early 6-0 lead.

Cold Springs countered in the bottom of the second. They loaded the bases with two outs, then a two-run single by Cole Bales cut it to 6-2. Lindan Hill later scored in the inning to make it a 6-3 game. The Eagles got another two-out rally going in the bottom of the third, as Kaiden Graves hit a two-run single and later scored on a Good Hope error to tie the game up at six. The Raiders quickly broke the game wide open in the top of the fourth.

Good Hope sent 14 batters to the plate in the inning, scoring nine runs. The big hits came from Overton (two-run single), Whatley (RBI double), and Naramore (two-run double), as that gave the Raiders a 15-6 lead. Good Hope continued to add onto their lead in the top of the sixth. William Cordes drew a bases-loaded walk, Mason Drake scored on a passed ball, Overton crossed the plate later that inning, Rutherford added an RBI single, and Brylon Bates scored on an Eagle error to put the final score at 20-6.

Naramore (two hits) and Overton (one hit) each drove in three runs in the game for Good Hope (5-2). Rutherford (three hits), Whatley (one hit), and Bates (one hit) each added a pair of RBIs. Mason Drake ended up with a hit and an RBI, while Armstong and Cordes each chipped in with an RBI of their own in the win. For Cold Springs (3-2), Bales finished with two hits and a pair of RBIs, while Graves added a hit and two RBIs in the loss.

Fairview 16 - Guntersville 15 (Softball)

Guntersville jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead in their opening at-bats, but Fairview quickly cut it to 8-4 in their half, as Emily Benson scored on an error, Addison Phillips hit an RBI single, Ralie Gaines got hit by the pitch with the bases loaded, and Phillips scored on another error. In the bottom of the second, the Lady Aggies cut into the deficit even more. Kallie Trussell hit an RBI single and back-to-back RBI groundouts from Jordan Simmons and Benson made it a 9-7 game. Guntersville quickly pushed their lead to 15-8, but Fairview went on a huge rally to get back in the game.

The Lady Aggies loaded the bases with nobody out, then Ada Fales quickly unloaded them with a three-run double to make it a 15-11 game. After loading the bases once again, Ayda Payne hit a two-run single with one out, then Phillips tied the game up at 15 with a two-run home run over the right field fence. Fairview looked to win it in their final at-bats. Ava Pruett drew a leadoff walk, then stole second. After a ground ball by Simmons moved her up to third, a passed ball allowed her to score the game-winning run, as the Lady Aggies come from behind to pick up a huge 16-15 win over Guntersville.

Phillips and Fales each finished with a pair of hits and three RBIs for Fairview (4-2). Payne added a pair of hits and two RBIs. Gaines and Trussell each collected a hit and an RBI in the win, while Isabella Lopez and Simmons each added an RBI of their own.

Fairview 11 - Oneonta 4 (Baseball)

Fairview grabbed a 2-1 lead in their half of the first on a two-run single by Gannon Black. The Aggies quickly broke the game wide open in the bottom of the second. Colton Jennings scored on an error, then later that inning, Conner Scott added an RBI single, Barett York hit a two-run single, Nicolas Gregory added an RBI single, and Lucas West hit an RBI groundout to push their lead to 8-1. An RBI single by Carson Jones in the bottom of the fourth made it a 9-2 game, then Fairview added two more runs in the bottom of the sixth, as West hit a sacrifice fly and Kolt Redding drew a bases-loaded walk to give them an 11-3 lead. The Aggies would go on to knock off the Redskins for the second time in three days 11-4.

Black (two hits) and York (one hit) each finished with a pair of RBIs in the game for Fairview (6-1). West added a pair of RBIs of his own in the win. Gregory finished with three hits and an RBI. Scott and Jones each added a hit and an RBI, while Redding chipped in with an RBI of his own in the game.

Hanceville 13 - Falkville 3 (Baseball)

Falkville jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead in their opening at-bats, but the bottom of the third saw Hanceville get on the scoreboard on an RBI single by Jackson Cleveland. The Bulldogs got the lead and then some in the bottom of the fourth. A pair of errors and a single by Grayson Hurter put runners on the corners with nobody out, then Hunter Black lined a two-run triple to right field to give them a 3-2 lead. A pair of walks loaded the bases with one out, then Nelson Arteaga and Cody Belcher each drew a walk to force home back-to-back runs to make it a 5-2 game. The biggest hit of the game came from Tripp Lewis, as his three-run single gave them an 8-2 lead.

Hanceville loaded the bases with one out in the bottom of the fifth, then Cleveland drew a walk to force home a run, and Arteaga lined a two-run single to left field to make it an 11-3 game. Cleveland later scored that inning, and Arteaga scored on a passed ball to end the game and help the Bulldogs improve to 7-0 with a 13-3 win over Falkville.

Arteaga and Lewis each finished with a hit and three RBIs for Hanceville. Cleveland added a hit and a pair of RBIs. Black ended up with a hit and an RBI, while Belcher collected an RBI of his own in the win.

Vinemont 10 - Holly Pond 0 (Baseball)

Vinemont quickly got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the first. Michael Foust hit an RBI single, then later scored on a passed ball to give the Eagles a 2-0 lead. Later that inning, Jaxon Holcomb hit an RBI groundout, and Josh Rhodes scored on an error to make it a 4-0 game. Vinemont added to their lead in the bottom of the third. Rush Sandlin hit an RBI single, Owen Mckinney added a two-run double, Jordan Eller hit a sacrifice fly, and Foust added an RBI double to give them a 9-0 lead.

Vinemont ended the game in the bottom of the fifth, as Mckinney scored on a passed ball to help them seal the 10-0 win over the Broncos.

Ryne Dalton went the distance for Vinemont (5-2), allowing just two hits, walking one, and striking out eight. Foust and Mckinney each finished with a pair of hits and two RBIs. Sandlin added a hit and an RBI, while Holcomb and Eller each chipped in with an RBI of their own in the win. For Holly Pond (1-6), Sawyer Olinger and Rex Harrison each finished with a hit in the loss.

West Point 11 - West Morgan 8 (Baseball)

West Point got off to a fast start in their opening at-bats. Boston Freeman scored on a passed ball, Cade Welborn scored on an error, Jay Lamar hit a sacrifice fly, and Brayden Eaton scored on a passed ball as well to give the Warriors a 4-0 lead. West Point made it 5-0 in the top of the second on an RBI single by Charlie Ashley, but a big bottom of the third by West Morgan cut it to 5-4.

A bases-loaded walk by Lamar made it 6-4, then Deacon Stutchman got hit by the pitch to force home a run, and Freeman added a two-run single to stretch the Warrior lead back up to five at 9-4.

The Rebels added a run in the bottom of the fourth to make it a 9-5 game, then a two-run triple and an RBI single in the bottom of the fifth cut it to 9-8.

Copper Howard scored on an error in the top of the sixth to give West Point a 10-8 lead, then a sacrifice fly by Lamar in the top of the seventh made it 11-8. The Warriors were able to hang on to defeat the Rebels 11-8.

Lamar finished with three RBIs for West Point (6-2). Freeman added a pair of hits and two RBIs.

Ashley ended up with a pair of hits and an RBI, while Stutchman chipped in with an RBI of his own in the win.

No. 11 Auburn battles, falls 92-84 at No. 4 Tennessee

Jeff Shearer
AU Athletics



ZACH BLAND/AU ATHLETICS

Johni Broome posted 23 points and nine rebounds in Auburn's 92-84 loss at Tennessee Wednesday.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — No. 11 Auburn claimed an eight-point lead midway through the second half, but Dalton Knecht took over down the stretch to lead No. 4 Tennessee to a 92-84 victory Wednesday at Thompson-Boling Arena.

"I'm proud of the kids," Auburn coach Bruce Pearl said.

"It was a really good contest, Two really good teams who wanted to win it really badly. We did enough things to win the game. We score 84 points on the road against a really good defensive team like Tennessee, you should be able to win."

Johni Broome led Auburn with 23 points, nine rebounds and five assists.

"He did a great job down in there," Pearl said.

Chad Baker-Mazara scored 13 points, Jaylin Wiilliams scored 12, Denver Jones added 11 and K.D. Johnson scored 10.

Knecht scored 27 of his career-high 39 points in the second half, scoring against zone, man-to-man and double-team defenses.

"Knecht did a great job and he's a great player," Pearl said. "He made a lot of tough shots."

Trailing by four at the half, Auburn fell quickly fell behind by nine before Broome scored six points during a 10-2 Auburn run that trimmed Tennessee's lead to two at the first media timeout.

The Tigers grabbed the lead on Lior Berman's fastbreak layup, one of the game's 12 lead changes.

Berman hit a 3-pointer and Wiliams converted an and-one for a 6-0 run that put Auburn ahead 59-54.

Johnson made a pair of free throws to give Auburn an eight-point lead at 63-55 with 12:17 to play before the Vols regained the lead thanks to 11 consecutive points from Knecht, who scored 23 of his team's 29 points in a span of 9 minutes and 5 seconds as Tennessee (22-6, 12-3) led 84-77 with 3:12 remaining.

"I thought when we got that lead in the second half we were in a good spot," Pearl said. "Knecht hit a couple big shots to put it out of reach."

Aden Holloway's 3-pointer pulled Auburn within four with 2:53 to play but the Tigers would get no closer.

Auburn used a pair of 7-0 runs to stay within six points of the Volunteers in the first half, trailing 44-40 at intermission.

Jones led Auburn with nine first-half points. Broome scored seven points and grabbed five rebounds in the first half.

Auburn committed 10 turnovers in the first half, leading to 11 Tennessee points.

"We couldn't stop them and we had some really sloppy, unforced turnovers in the first half," Pearls said. "It's hard to win in that circumstance."

Returning after missing a game with a sore knee, Williams scored in the paint to give the Tigers their first lead at 13-12.

""He was feeling good," Pearl said. "He played well. It's great to have him back."

Late in the half Jones scores seven unanswered points on a layup, a 3-pointer and a pair of free throws to give Auburn a 35-34 lead.

Johnson hit a 3-pointer in the final minute to pull the Tigers within one before Zakai Zeigler answered with a 3 in the closing seconds to put Tennessee on top 44-40 at the half. The Tigers (21-7, 10-5) return to Neville Arena Saturday to play Mississippi State at 3 p.m.

"We came here to try to win a championship. That's what the kids were playing for," Pearl said. "Mississippi State is going to be really tough.

"They've won five of their last six. Our kids don't get a reprieve. This is going to be a hard one to recover from because we had our chances and we did not seize the opportunity, and that's disappointing."





CityScape Family Entertainment expanding with indoor play area

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CULLMAN, Ala. — One of Cullman's newer outdoor entertainment venues, CityScape Family Entertainment, is expanding. With the overwhelming success of their City Park Mini Golf venture, owners Steve and Angie Patrick are growing their business past outdoor mini-golf into a full entertainment venue including a dual indoor play area with areas for children of all ages to enjoy.

Last week, the Patricks announced that phase two of three for CityScape Family Entertainment would begin in early March, breaking ground on the new additions and expansion.

"Next week, work officially begins on City Play center for children," said Steve Patrick, before Angie Patrick chimed in, saying, "City Play will be two facilities; one side geared toward elementary-aged kids and the other side for preschool ages with imagination play like a fire station and a café and pet store – all those fun things for the littles."

Steve Patrick said, "The play center for the elementary-aged children will be a large indoor playground, (with) small ninja course and several other fun activities for children aged 6 to 12."

Construction will begin in early March and has an expected completion date sometime in fall 2024.



CITYSCAPE FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT

Steve and Angie Patrick, owners of CityScape Family Entertainment, are excited to announce the breaking ground for their new expansion, the City Play indoor play center for children. Construction begins in early March and is expected to take six months to complete.

The Patricks said they are thankful for the community's support of their business and hope that it continues through the new ventures.

"We wanted to say thank you to the residents of the city of Cullman in supporting us and City Park Mini Golf, and thanks to your support we are finally able to get started on phase two of three phases of CityScape Family Entertainment."

CityScape Family Entertainment is located at 1635 Main Ave. SW in Cullman. Visit www.cityscapefamily.com for more information.

Parkside, CATA named 2023 CLAS Schools of Distinction

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools (CLAS) recently announced its 2023 Schools of Distinction. In Cullman County, Parkside Elementary School and the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) earned the distinction.

Specifically, CATA's Utility Line Worker Program and Parkside's counseling program were recognized.

"The CLAS School of Distinction Award recognizes school programs that serve as outstanding educational models for other schools in Alabama.

"These exemplary schools/programs will be recognized at an awards luncheon in May. At the awards luncheon, the CLAS Banner School for each district will be named," read a press release announcing the list.

In all, 32 schools across the state were named.



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Two Cullman County Schools were named 2023 CLAS Schools of Distinction – Parkside and the Cullman Area Technology Academy.

"Congratulations to these wonderful Alabama public schools. The CLAS Schools of Distinction provide excellent examples of the significant learning opportunities taking place in public education in Alabama. Further, the stakeholders at every School of Distinction are to be commended for striving for excellence daily," said CLAS Executive Director Dr. Vic Wilson.

Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette said with pride, "It was a privilege to nominate a few of our school programs for this award, and I was extremely excited to hear that these two schools were recognized. They both are well-deserving of this honor."



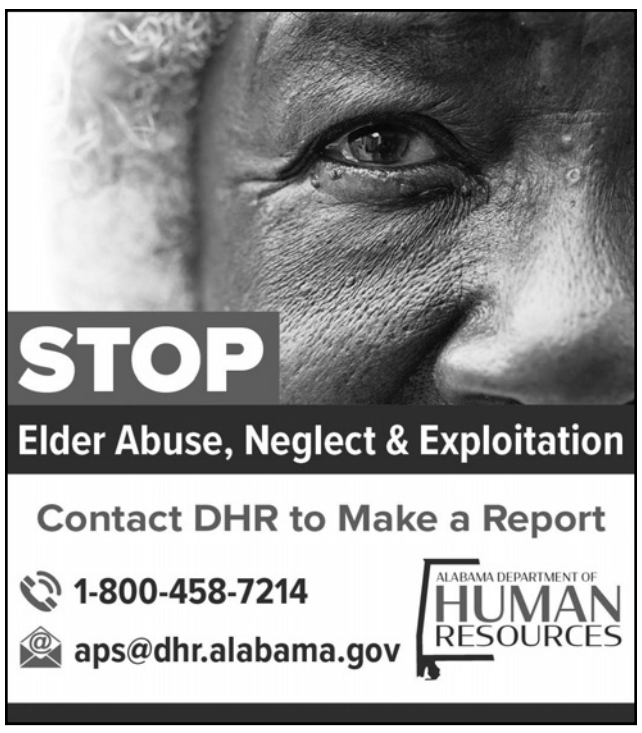
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman City Schools is working toward its goal to eventually establish a combined intermediate school for all elementary students in grades three to five, and to make sure faculty and staff are fully aligned, both East and West Elementary schools recently held a combined professional development day.

The school system has long-term plans to have all elementary students attend a combined Cullman Intermediate School, which will be constructed at the current West Elementary School campus. The aim is to have that project complete by the 2026-2027 school year. The joint professional development session was held on Feb. 19 at Terri Pines, giving employees of both elementary schools a chance to collaborate and align on the future of elementary education in the district. "The professional development session on Feb. 19 between East and West Elementary School was a success, marking the beginning of efforts to forge stronger relationships and collaboration for the benefit of Cullman City (Schools') students and families," Cullman City Schools Elementary Curriculum Director Emily Hines said. The professional development session was the first of several strategic meetings to kick off the combination of East and West, and the creation of Cullman Intermediate School. Faculty and staff members in attendance included teachers, administrators and support personnel.

Looking ahead, plans are also in the works for a community stakeholders meeting for parents and families of young students to learn more about how the plan will work.



LEGALS

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WILMA EDMONDS * CASE NO PC 2023-203
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TO: NICK LINDSEY, KALEENA NICOLE QUICK,
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Petition for Probate of Will filed and made court record the 22nd day of June, 2023, by Richard Lindsey, to admit to probate the Last Will and Testament of Wilma Edmonds, deceased, by and through Attorney, Pamela E. Nail, has been re-scheduled for the **18th day of April, 2024, at 9:30 a.m.,** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

All persons are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
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Done this the 29th day of February, 2024.

Tammy Brown
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Melvin Hasting
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ROCHELLE LYNN CHANDLER as Personal Representative of the Estate of ROBERT ALAN CHANDLER, deceased, on the 7th day of December, 2023, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of)
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GILBERT ALAN LAW) Case No.: PC-2024-025
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Ann Law Irani and Donald Wayne Law, as the Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Gilbert Alan Law, deceased, on the 28th day of February, 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 will be barred.

Ann Law Irani
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of
Gilbert Alan Law, deceased

Donald Wayne Law
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of
Gilbert Alan Law, deceased

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

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

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Cullman County, Alabama



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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
)
THELMA JEAN SEENES,) Case Number: PC2022-262
)
Deceased.)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama

In the matter of the Estate of Thelma Jean Seenes, Deceased

Letters Testamentary upon last will and testament of said decedent, having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of February, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from the above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Rose Marie Shaffer
Personal Representative

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
THERAL THOMAS MILLICAN, * **CASE NO.: PC2024-072**
Deceased. *

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS FOR THE ESTATE OF THERAL THOMAS MILLICAN, DECEASED. Letters of Testamentary upon the Estate of said Decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 29th day of February, 2024, by Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same, duly sworn to, in the Probate Court of County within the time allowed by law, or else same will be forever barred.

Done this the 29th day of February, 2024.

Connie M. Millican
Personal Representative

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

Wallace State hosts STEAM Academy for area 5th graders

Special to The Cullman Tribune

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College recently hosted a STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics) Academy for area fifth-grade students at the School of Nursing and Center for Science.

Over 30 students were selected by their science teachers to attend the event. Wallace State faculty led students in lessons and activities demonstrating various STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) concepts such as mathematical probability, how physical forces act on a building and the importance of correctly washing your hands.

North Central Alabama STEM Ecosystem Coordinator Aubry Lovell said STEAM Academy is designed to be a fun day for students to engage with and learn about various topics across STEAM fields.

"STEAM Academy is a day for local fifth graders who show strength in STEM. Students are nominated by their teachers, and they spend the day on campus learning from our faculty. We work to integrate all student disciplines into a cohesive learning experience, and we provide a variety of hands-on experiences that promote experiential learning and problem solving," said Lovell. "The future job market is leaning towards needing a workforce that is STEM proficient and early exposure can prepare students for these future demands. Even if a student does not pursue a career in STEM, through our camps and academies, they can learn how to become critical thinkers, innovators and problem solvers."

During STEAM Academy, students were separated into groups and guided through three different activities led by Wallace State faculty.

The first activity was facilitated by Lovell and called "Glow Away Germs." During the activity, students were split into two groups. One half of the classroom rubbed a lotion on their hands and began shaking hands with the half that had clean hands. The lotion contained tiny bits of plastic that simulated germs and glowed once cast under ultraviolet light. A timer was set, and students were encouraged to shake as many hands as possible before being sent to wash their hands like they typically would. After washing, Lovell used an ultraviolet flashlight to show how many germs were still present on their hands. The activity's purpose was to teach students about the different kinds of microbes and the importance of washing their hands correctly.

In the second activity called "Paper Towers," Wallace State Biology instructor Susanna Heinze combined science with arts and crafts. During this activity, students had to construct a stable tower out of paper to demonstrate the importance of shape on the strength of a material, how distributing weight helps create stability and how physical forces such as gravity act on a building.

The third activity, "Deal or No Deal," was facilitated by Wallace State Math Department Chair Brandon Smith. Based off the gameshow of the same name, students played a version that demonstrated chance and mathematical probability.

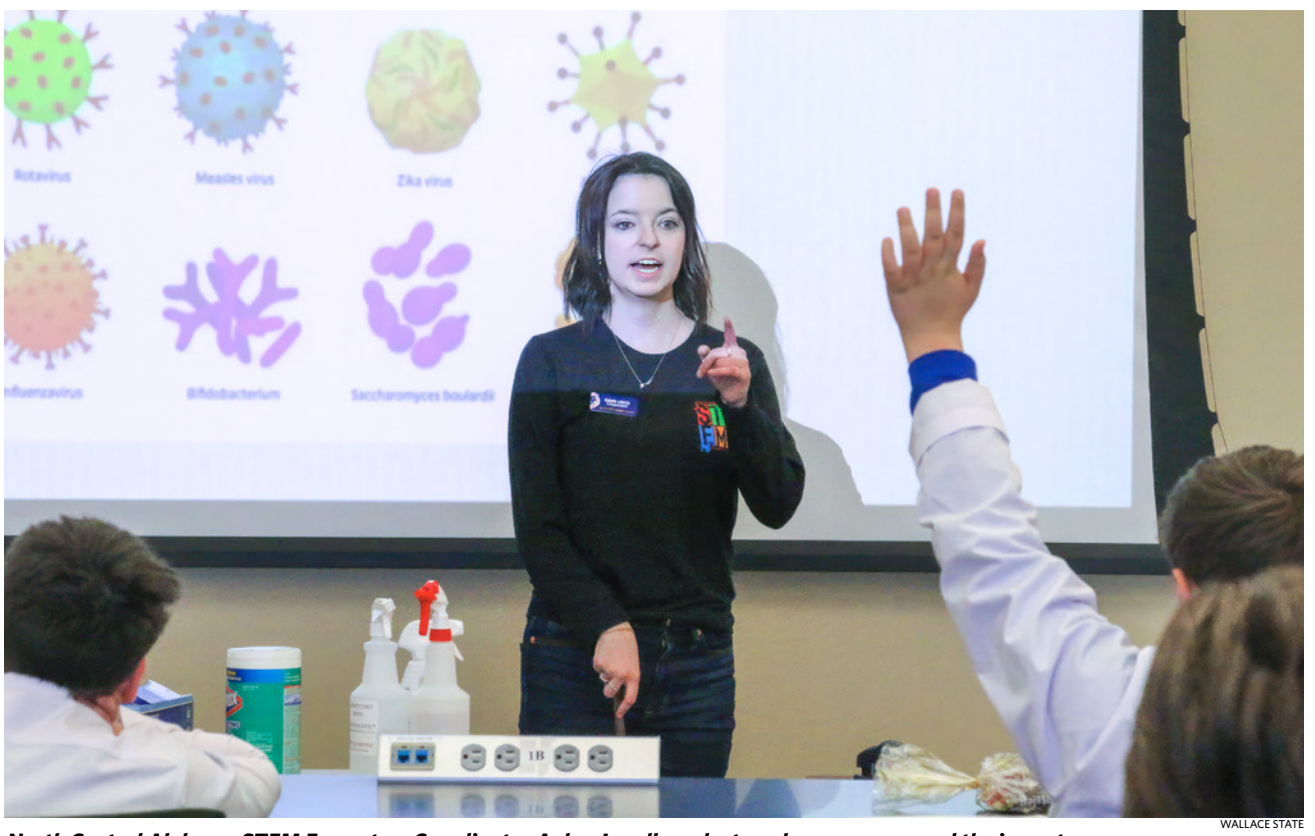
Lovell is a Wallace State Community College alumna. She said STEAM Academy is just one example of the role Wallace State plays in enhancing STEM education in the community.

"I love Wallace State because we are community focused, and we want everyone who we come in contact with to leave better than we found them. We want to teach them life skills and curriculum, but we also want to care for them too.

"Everyone is welcome here no matter your age," said Lovell. "We work with Pre-K, we work with high schoolers, we work with college students and we work with adults. We have a very big educational focus, and we want everyone to learn something and be better for our community."

Wallace State Community College will host STEAM Camps over the summer on July 8-12 for third-fourth graders and July 22-26 for sixth-eighth graders. Registration for STEAM Camp begins March 1 and is open to all area elementary and middle school students.

For more information about STEAM Academy and STEAM Camp, email Aubry Lovell at aubry.lovell@wallacestate.edu or 256-352-8105.



WALLACE STATE

North Central Alabama STEM Ecosystem Coordinator Aubry Lovell conducts a class on germs and the importance of washing our hands correctly during a recent STEAM camp at Wallace State Community College.

Vinemont High's new wrestling program aims to empower students

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VINEMONT, Ala. — The recent announcement of wrestling making its debut in Cullman County has sparked considerable interest and anticipation within the community.

Vinemont High School Principal Robin Netherton elaborated on the decision to launch the school's wrestling program, stating, "We had actually been talking about it here at Vinemont amongst my coaches for a while of offering wrestling, thinking it would give us an avenue of offering another winter sport besides basketball. Ideally, we would love for all kids at Vinemont to be involved in at least one extracurricular activity. We have lots of options. We want to have something for everybody."

Netherton reflected on the success of the cross-country program that was established at Vinemont for the same purpose – to add more opportunities for different types of students.

"I started the cross-country program back in 2009 with the same idea. So, then Mr. Barnett brings it up in a meeting two weeks ago, that he would like to see if there was any interest in schools having wrestling. I'm not sure what the catalyst was, but I know where his heart was, because it's just like me – I want to see kids involved. We know that kids who are involved do better in school. Plain and simple."

With the support of Vinemont's staff and the necessary resources now in place, the Vinemont wrestling program is set to launch this year.

The announcement has been met with enthusiastic responses from both the community and students. Coaches Anthony Pace and David Stokes will lead the initiative, with assistance from trainers and former state champions who have volunteered to contribute to the program's success.

Among the local supporters are Daniel O'Brien, owner and head instructor of Triad Martial Arts Academy Cullman, who has offered his expertise to help kickstart the wrestling team.

"If you don't know Daniel, he is a world champion guy with wrestling and MMA," Netherton noted, highlighting the caliber of mentorship the program will receive.

Wrestling activities will commence following the end of this year's football season, with club wrestling and training sessions planned in the lead-up to the official wrestling season.

Netherton emphasized the inclusivity of the sport, stating, "This is a male and female sport; it's for anyone that wants to do it. The goal is to give our kids an avenue to be successful. That's pretty much it."

Netherton also highlighted the broader significance of introducing sports like wrestling in communities such as Vinemont, underscoring the value of ensuring year-round extracurricular opportunities for students.

"If you really do some research on indicators of success in students, one of the huge things is kids having mentors and kids being involved in successful programs.

"So, our goal is to have one more thing where our kids can form bonds with coaches and each other. To help them think beyond themselves and think, 'What I can do for my school, my community.' To have a civic outlook. To think, 'It's bigger than me,'" Netherton explained.

Reflecting on the keys to a successful program, Netherton outlined three essential components: "With any program, there are three parts that make it successful, you got to have coaches that treat the kids well.

"The second part is, you have to have athletes that are willing to work hard and do what the coaches say.

"The third part is you got to have a community of parents that support the coaches and athletes to do the hard things.

"With all of our sports, win, lose or draw, it is great to see parents come out and support their kids."

Vinemont wrestling will be available to students in grades seven through 12 starting in the 2024-2025 academic year. For future updates on Vinemont wrestling and other announcements, follow the Vinemont High School Facebook page.

Run (from Front)

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Over the last two years, there has been a heightened number of attacks on female runners, which begs the question — are we safe alone?

The Memphis case in which Eliza Fletcher, a 34-year-old mother and teacher was found slain after her early morning training run, was one of several devastating and tragic events that made me question, 'Are we as women safe to run alone? Are we safe alone, period?"

Years ago, I would say yes.

I do a LOT of things alone. Especially shop, train and exercise.

But running, which is supposed to be a fun way to de-stress and work on health and wellness goals, lost much of its all-encompassing luster following several senseless deaths of women who left their homes with the intent to be and feel better, only to be met by criminals who decided to take that will from them in the evilest of ways.

From Eliza's murder in September 2022 in the early morning hours in Memphis, to last month when 22-year-old college nursing student Laken Hope Riley was killed on her University of Georgia campus during a midday run, our world has taken a quick turn to the unknown when it comes to safety.

We as women want to share with others our take on the necessary precautions you need to take if you choose to run, travel or do things — alone.

Avid Cullman runner and mom Mandy Leonardi said this is our new reality, so it is our job now to prepare and protect ourselves.

"I don't think we can truly ever be safe alone with the evil that is in the world," Leonardi said.

"I think we can do more to stop the fear but never the threat. We need to make ourselves aware and truly learn how to fight for and protect ourselves and our running community."

Sam Crawford, an Amsterdam native who now calls Cullman home, shared a few safety tips that she practices during her training and fun runs.

"Always be aware of your surroundings," Crawford said. "Trust your gut feeling; if something seems off, cut the run short and leave. Don't stay to investigate what's going on. Carry something you feel confident using. In stress it'll be harder to focus, so taking a gun you never use or are not comfortable with might not save you. I highly suggest the knife ring from Go Guarded. It cannot be taken from you since it's on your finger, so you just have to scratch, which comes natural, if you don't know how to fight. Take your phone or something someone can track you with to know where you are in case something happens."

Leonardi said she has been running for a little over three years, and she loves it.

"It brings peace to my heart and mind," Leonardi said. "It is my quiet time with God. It is time I have gotten to meet some of my best friends.

"I love racing and running with friends, motivating each other. The running community is like nothing you have ever seen before. I love that my 6-year-old son has watched me and now wants to run with me; he loves to run in races now. Running has brought so much happiness and just pure self-love towards myself. It's literally the best."

We, as female runners, urge you to practice safety.

- If you can't run in numbers, then have a plan.
- Make sure someone knows where you are and have accountability in your starts and finishes.
- Have a weapon of some kind to protect yourself.
- Wear bright colors, especially before dawn and after dusk.
- Keep your phone with you if possible.
- Don't run in areas you are not comfortable with or that are not well lit.
- If you see something or experience something that makes you question your safety – report it.
- Fight back if it becomes necessary, and fight hard. You ARE strong, you are a survivor.

We are strong. We are all strong. We deserve to be and feel safe. So let's take measures to create safety for ourselves.

- Female runners

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Saturday, March 9, 2024 11:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.
DINE IN - CARRY OUT - DRIVE THRU
$15.00 per plate
Choice of catfish filet or ham, baked potato, slaw, hushpuppies, dessert





Proceeds benefit community projects of Cullman Lions Club

Vinemont High's STEAM Job Fair set to showcase local career opportunities

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VINEMONT, Ala. — Vinemont High School will host a STEAM Job Fair in the school's gymnasium on March 20, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The event, aimed at connecting students with STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) industries in Cullman County, is scheduled to open its doors to a future of possibilities for students curious about their future professional careers.

Students attending the fair can expect an interactive experience, with the chance to engage directly with industry professionals from diverse STEAM fields such as AI, farming, engineering, forensics, pharmacy, drafting, robotics and nursing. This initiative focuses on STEAM-related industries, highlighting the significant growth and demand in these industries and offering students an insightful glimpse into a multitude of potential careers.

Shannon Bridges, a dedicated science teacher at Vinemont and chief science officer advisor, shared her excitement about the event, saying, "I am so excited to share many job opportunities with our students. I want them to be able to see trade careers and careers that require an education. A lot of students are not familiar with all the locally available careers."

The goal of the STEAM Job Fair is to illuminate the variety of careers within STEAM, allowing students to discover and consider paths they might not have previously thought possible. By the end of the fair, students will have gained valuable insights into career requirements, the day-to-day realities of various professions and the exciting opportunities that lie within their community.

Companies and partners eager to participate in this educational endeavor and secure a table at the fair are encouraged to contact Shannon Bridges at sbridges@ccboe.org or by calling Vinemont High School at 256-734-0571. With registration open until March 15 and no associated costs, this event represents a prime opportunity for local businesses and institutions to inspire the next generation of STEAM professionals and highlight the dynamic career landscape of Cullman County.



Ranking (from Front)

unwavering dedication, but also its collective efforts toward growth and prosperity.

"Being ranked no. 2 nationally is a remarkable achievement," Greer stated. "It reflects the strength of our industrial base, but it also underscores every aspect of our community and how we work together as local government." This collaborative spirit is seen as a driving force behind the city's economic vitality.

A micropolitan is described by Site Selection as cities of 10,000 to 50,000 people that cover at least one county.

Kennedy emphasized that the ranking is a testament to the tangible outcomes of the community's hard work, including job creation, capital investment and facility expansion. "Companies don't make those types of investments without believing in our community and our people," he noted, underscoring the city's success in attracting significant projects.

Greer added, "Companies do not grow and expand in a city and county unless they have a trainable and reliable workforce, good quality of life, dependable utility services, quality education and strong community support."

Cullman's consistent performance among the top micropolitan areas in the United States is noteworthy.

"The fact Cullman has been listed in the top 20 a total of 18 times in the 22-year history of the ranking is something that should make all of us proud," Greer remarked. He also pointed out the importance of industry diversity, allowing the city to thrive in any economic condition.

Reflecting on the city's history of achievement, Kennedy recalled 2005 as the inaugural year Cullman was named in the top 3, marking the beginning of its journey toward national recognition in development and community success.

Both Kennedy and Greer expressed their gratitude toward the entire community for its role in Cullman's continued success. From leadership at all levels to the individuals contributing to the city's prosperity every day, it's a collective effort that has positioned Cullman as one of the best communities in the country, they said. "We thank you for showing the nation and the world what a special place we have," Kennedy concluded, echoing Greer's sentiment of pride and accomplishment.

Obituary Announcements: Feb. 29 - March 1

Jeffrey Ray Horton, 53
Funeral service for Jeffrey Ray Horton, age 53, of Holly Pond, is Saturday, March 2, 2024, at 1 p.m. at Vinemont Christian Church, with Bro. Nathan Thomas and Bro. Bruce Harris officiating. Family will welcome friends at the church on Saturday from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Interment will follow at New Jerusalem Cemetery in Joppa. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Jeffrey was born Sept. 22, 1970, to Bobby Ray Horton and Brenda Warren Horton. He passed from this life on Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2024. He is preceded in death by his mother; sister, Christy Horton; grandparents. He is survived by his wife, Trina Collier; his father, Bobby Ray Horton; brother, Anthony "Bull" Horton; sisters, Darlene Horton, Melissia Sutton (Chuck), Melody Horton; nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews, a host of family and friends. Jeffrey was a graduate of Fairview Class of 1988. He was a minister of Joppa Christian Church for 16 years. He was a diehard Alabama fan and he loved his family, especially his nieces and nephews and great nieces and nephews. He will be missed. Family requests donations be made to Cullman Funeral Home to cover funeral expenses. Please call 256-734-3144 to donate. Please sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Wanda Joyce Morton, 55
Wanda Joyce Morton, 55, of Cullman, Alabama, passed peacefully from this world on Feb. 28, 2024. Wanda was welcomed into heaven by her loving Father. Wanda was born in Blount County, Alabama, on Aug. 10, 1968, to Charles Edgar and Jettie Corbin Johnson. Wanda received Christ Jesus as her Savior, and was baptized, at a young age while attending Shady Grove Missionary Baptist Church. As an adult, Wanda enjoyed the fellowship of her fellow believers at Liberty Church in Arab, Alabama. Wanda enjoyed life. She loved to dance, listen to country music, and maintained a beautiful garden before she fell ill. While her passing brings great sadness to many, there is joy in knowing that Wanda's suffering has ended and that she is now in the presence of her Heavenly Father. Ms. Morton is preceded in death by her father, Charles Edgar Johnson and a son, Nathan Lee Morton. Those surviving Ms. Morton includes her mother, Jettie Johnson; children, Chris Bell (Nikki), Dale Ray Morton, Melissa Morton; brother, Charles Ray Johnson; sister, Shirley Ann Selvage; grandchildren, Karisa, and Anthony; nephew, Richard Lynn Clinton; niece, Angela Hayes; and sister-in-law, Margaret Eddie. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Morton family.

Betty Louise Voigt, 91
Funeral services for Betty Louise Voigt, 91, of Hanceville, will be 1 p.m. Saturday March 2, 2024, at Christ Lutheran Church. Burial will follow the service at Hopewell Cemetery. Visitation will be prior to the service from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. Mrs. Voigt was born June 21, 1932, in Cullman, Alabama to Junior and Clara Milam. She passed away Feb. 27, 2024, in Hanceville, Alabama. Mrs. Voigt is survived by her children, Connie Jacobs (Woody), Herman Craig Voigt, Michael Joe Voigt (Toni); grandchildren, Melissa Meiners (Josh), Jill Hollingsworth (Bryan), Tyler Jacobs (Jennifer), Hannah Jacobs, James Hollingsworth; great grandchildren, Daisy, Lana, Caitlyn, Ivan, Michael, Lincoln, and Walker. Mrs. Voigt was preceded in death by her husband, Herman Albert Voigt; grandsons, Herman Craig Voigt, Phillip Michael Voigt; parents, Junior Milam and Clara Voigt; and her brother, Kelley Milam.

Patricia Ann Duke, 57
Funeral services for Patricia Ann Duke, 57, of Hanceville, will be 11 a.m. Monday, March 4, 2024, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow the service at New Lebanon Cemetery in Blountsville. Visitation will be Sunday, March 3, 2024, at the funeral home in Hanceville from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. Mrs. Duke was born on March 10, 1966, in Lawrenceville, Georgia. She passed away on Feb. 27, 2024, at Cullman Regional Medical Center in Cullman, Alabama. Survivors include her husband, John A. Duke; children, Anthony (Meagan) Duke, Adam (Hannah) Duke, and Amanda (Jeremy) Welton; grandchildren, Ella Duke, Emmy Kate Duke, Alyssa Duke, Millie Duke, Colton James Buckelew (Angel Wren), Karson Lain Buckelew, and soon-to-be grandson, Harvey Duke; sisters, Nora Pannell and Ann Swayze; and brother, Bobby Micheal Campbell. Mrs. Duke was preceded in death by her parents, Bobby Joe Campbell and Velma Hansard-Campbell; and several brothers and sisters. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Duke family.

Eleanor Louise Cole, 87
Funeral service for Eleanor Louise Cole, age 87 of Baileyton, will be at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at Lystra Baptist church with John Garrison officiating; burial at Lystra Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Cole passed away on Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024, at Diversicare of Arab. She was born Friday, Feb. 19, 1937, to Coleman Stapler and Wynelle Stapler. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Marcia Cole-Webb, and brother, James Stapler. Survivors include her husband, Henry Cole; daughters, Debra (Bruce) Yonon and Kristen Battiato; grandchildren, Kevin Yonon, Kelly Bijur, Brian Alonso and Samantha Maysonet; great-grandchildren, Camila, Lorena, Cullen, Dylan, Knox, Kern, Hayden and Maverick; Sisters Carol Fay Pearson and Bonita Thompson. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Lystra Baptist Church building fund.

Nedra Lane Kreps, 81
Funeral Service for Nedra Lane Kreps, age 81, will be at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 4, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Gary Driver and Pinky Tyler officiating; burial at Enon Baptist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 3, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Ms. Kreps passed away on Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024. She was born Sunday, Nov. 15, 1942, to Verlan Brown and Lorean Brown. She was preceded in death by her parents. Survivors include her son, Shannon (Dawn) Kreps; granddaughter, Kandace Kreps; 3 additional grandchildren; great-grandchild, Eli St. Denny; 7 additional great-grandchildren. A special thank you to Hospice of North Alabama and Brittany Tucker.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

The preacher for Sunday dinner

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Last week I wrote about having meals with a special family when I was pastor of White Springs Baptist Church. Back then, and long before, having the pastor and his family in for a meal was quite common. Families often had them in on Sundays after church. They didn't call those meals Sunday lunches but Sunday dinners, even though they were midday meals. Through the years, Jean and I have been guests for such meals many times.

There is an old story about one family that had invited their pastor for one of those Sunday dinners. As they waited to gather around the table, one of the children asked the pastor if he knew what they were having for dinner. When he answered that he did not, the boy said, "buzzard." Then he proceeded to explain that he overheard his mother tell his father, "Well, I guess it's about time to have the old buzzard for dinner!" I may have possibly even been the "old buzzard" a time or two. This is a custom that has almost faded out these days. In the first church where I served as pastor, this was an event that took place every other week.

At the ripe old age of 21, while I was still a ministerial student at Samford University, I became a pastor for the first time. Half Acre Baptist Church invited me to come serve there and have Sunday dinners. The Half Acre Community is located 15 miles southwest of Linden, Alabama. The once thriving community still had three churches there. They had Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian congregations, but all three met in the same building which was called Half Acre Community Church. Basically, the same people went every Sunday, but the preacher changed each week. The Baptist was the largest group, so they had two Sundays each month. That meant that Jean and I went twice a month, so we were the honored guests for Sunday dinners every other week.

Since we lived in Birmingham, some 140-miles away, we drove down on Saturdays, and went back home after the Sunday evening services. At first, we spent Saturday evenings in the homes of different church members, but eventually someone provided a little house for our weekends...rent free! Since, the nearest restaurant was 14-miles away, we had Sunday dinners in homes. Baptists have always been big on fried chicken and signup sheets. Noah had a signup sheet for the ark, but his family members were the only ones allowed to sign up. Half Acre had a signup sheet for Sunday dinners on the bulletin board in the foyer. Anyone could sign up to host the pastor for Sunday dinner. Periodically, we all brought food to the church for one of those wonderful potluck dinners.

One Sunday, Jean and I went to Mr. Quinton Tucker's Home for dinner. It was another one of those wonderful home-cooked meals. I can't remember what all Mrs. Tucker set before us that day, but I do remember the main entrée was smothered steak. It was a pounded steak covered with gravy. When I commented about how delicious the steak was, Mr. Tucker said, "You like deer meat, do you?" When I answered, "I don't know, I've never had it." Mr. Tucker grinned widely as he said, "Well, you have now!" The more I chewed the bigger it got! As it turned out, that was not the last time I had deer, and I learned to love it. I loved those times and those Sunday dinners, but I loved those people even more!

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

HISTORY

Files from yesteryear: 1902, 1932

From the files of 1902

Since the new bell, recently presented to the M.E. Church South, has been properly hung, its volume and tone are all that could be desired. Mrs. Susie Bounds, although not a member of the Methodist Church, was largely instrumental in raising the money for the bell.

Married at Hopewell Church Sunday were Miss Dessie Mitchell and Mack Bland. They left on No. 3 for Birmingham and other points.

J.W. Arnett has sold his farm at Joppa and will leave in a few days for Louisiana.

Reverend J.E. Creel preached at Welti Sunday.

Reverend J.L. Roberson entertained a group at Malaby on October 23 with his magic lantern show. Mr. Roberson donated liberally to the school from the proceeds.

J.A. Powell will teach school at Midway this winter.

Joshua Lee of the Magic City visited in Cullman Thursday.

Mrs. F.M. Hamilton is ill.

Joseph Carter left Thursday for a visit to his old home near Villa Rica, Georgia.

J. Raus of Chicago, who owns a farm in section 13, has just shipped to Dave Smith a stump puller of his own manufacture.

Will Schneider is now chief Marshall.

George Bird of Clifty lost $5 while in town last week.

Charley Richard, who attends college in Blountsville, is visiting his parents.

Fasinators, beautiful, either wool or silk. Any price from 15 cents to $2.50. C.A. Stiefelmeyer. Adv.

The first killing frost of the season occurred in Cullman this week.

Miss Annie Lola Price is recovering from the flu.

Fire damaged the interior and furniture of the A.A. Giles residence on Saturday morning.

Delegates to the P.T.A. Convention in Birmingham this week were Mesdames R.P. Johnston, Virgil Collins, George Stiefelmeyer, Adam Turner, Herman Buettner and Henry Meyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Henslee and family left Wednesday for Arizona where they will reside.

Claude Thigpen of Hanceville is a patient at City Hospital.

Ladies shoes in all the latest styles. $1.25 per pair. Cullman Shoe Hospital. Adv.

The Bearcats bowed to Decatur, 8-0 in a hard fought battle on Friday afternoon.

Senior I Class officers at Cullman High are Rugh Ehrensperger, President; George Stiefelmeyer, Vice-President; Esther Meyer, Secretary; Kermit Weaver, Treasurer; Agnes Keller, Cheer Leader and Grace Wunderlich, Reporter.

The B.P.W. enjoyed a Halloween party at the home of Mrs. Bess Morris this week.

Cullman students now at A.P.I., Auburn are John Blette, Hoyet A. Ponder, Fred J. Buchmann, Carl A. Peindhardt, Euel Richardson, V.O. Callahan and Herbert Harris.

D.C. Hassell, 65, died at the Holly Pond gin suddenly of a heart attack recently.

POET'S CORNER

Who Has Seen the Wind? | By: Christina Rossetti, 1830-1894

Who has seen the wind?
Neither I nor you:
But when the leaves hang trembling,
The wind is passing through.

Who has seen the wind?
Neither you nor I:
But when the trees bow down their heads,
The wind is passing by.

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

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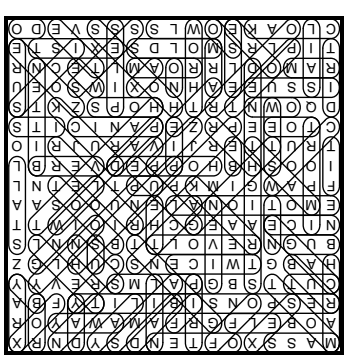
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