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Cullman's Truth in Nature chapter calls for volunteer outdoorsmen to mentor young men



TRUTH IN NATURE

Young men participating in the local Cullman chapter of Truth in Nature sharpen their carpentry skills by building picnic tables.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Truth in Nature, a nationwide outdoor ministry, has a simple but powerful mission: to support young men from fatherless and single-parent homes by fostering a connection with nature, community and faith. The local Cullman chapter, led by Program Director Brian Burchett, plays a crucial role in achieving this mission through a variety of outdoor activities designed to mentor and guide these young individuals.

"Truth in Nature is an outdoor ministry that exists to reach, inspire, support and engage young men from fatherless, single-parent homes.

"Our goal is to help boys understand their purpose as Christian men and to help break the fatherless cycle in local communities across our nation," shared Jeff Davis, executive director of Truth in Nature.

Davis went further by sharing the program's core activities, "Truth in Nature utilizes things a father and son do in the outdoors like hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, canoeing, archery and more to engage and mentor the fatherless boys we serve.

"During our weekend-based group mentoring programs each month we engage the boys in their faith and share our Christian faith with them to point them to a relationship with Jesus."

The inception of the Cullman chapter traces back to a God-led calling felt by Burchett, who was moved to act after hearing about Truth in Nature during a church service in 2019.

Since then, the chapter has offered its services throughout various venues in Cullman, including private lands and public areas like Smith Lake, making the programs accessible and inclusive.

Now, more than ever, the local Cullman chapter has a need: more Christian outdoorsmen to volunteer to mentor the young men engaged in the program.

"Since the inception of the Cullman chapter, we have always had a need for mentors to engage with our boys.

"The more mentors we have the more boys we can accept into the program. Our ratio is one mentor for every three boys.

"We are looking to grow the chapter to engage as many fatherless boys as possible. So, more mentors mean more boys we can serve in Cullman and surrounding communities," Davis stated.

Prospective mentors are required to submit an application, undergo a criminal background check and complete a one-hour online Ministry Safe training course. Typically, the commitment involves volunteering for one Saturday or a Friday evening and Saturday each month.

Prospective mentors are expected to be comfortable in outdoor settings and eager to impart Christian values and leadership skills to the youth.

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'This is what education is about'

Local sophomores launch summer business



VINEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

Vinemont High School students Braiden Denny, left, and Bryant Curvin, right, are the duo behind Good Ol' Boys Lawncare. » PAGE 11

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Wallace State celebrates commencement for Class of 2024



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported May 13

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported May 13, 2024. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

May 9

- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1668
- burglary; CR 1477
- theft of property; CR 1301
- attempt to elude law enforcement officer; receiving stolen property; criminal mischief; CR 1422
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 91
- assault; CR 1457
- burglary; CR 681
- domestic violence; CR 1435
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 278E

May 10

- domestic violence; criminal mischief; CR 204
- domestic violence; interference with domestic violence emergency call; CR 1286
- domestic violence; CR 715
- burglary; CR 420

May 11

- domestic violence; criminal mischief; CR 1598
- theft of property; CR 747
- criminal mischief; reckless endangerment; resisting arrest; attempt to elude law enforcement officer; US. 31
- theft of property; CR 1518
- harassment; CR 1856
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; 3rd St. SE Garden City

May 12

- domestic violence; CR 656
- theft of property; CR 592
- harassing communications; CR 1197
- domestic violence; CR 617

ARRESTS

May 9-12

Briscoe, Gina M.; 53
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Briscoe, Jeffrey P.; 57
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Briscoe, Jeffrey S.; 33
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Cleek, Steven M.; 58
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs
- public intoxication

Compton, Jacob D.; 26
- cruelty to dog/cat

Copeland, Robyn E.; 33
- FTA – sale of stolen property, less than $500
- FTA – driving while license suspended
- FTA – improper lights

Dauksza, Matthew E.; 42
- permitting dogs to run at large
- aggravated assault

Elliott, Mathew R.; 41
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Goodwin, Joseph M.; 45
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- PROBATION VIOLATION – possession of drug paraphernalia – 1st offense

Guilbert, Allen M.; 27
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked, or cancelled
- FTA – fail stop sign
- FTA – violation of a domestic violence protection order
- attempting to elude a police officer

Harris, Timothy E.; 31
- assault-aggravated assault non-family-other weapon
- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- interference with a domestic violence emergency call

Hudson, Byron K.; 50
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Hyde, Ashley B.; 46
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Hyde, Piper L.; 27
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Kritner, Christian R.; 27
- GJ – theft-miscellaneous

Loyd, Christopher J.; 42
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Luna, Christopher A.; 45
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Neely, Johnathan D.; 34
- assault-domestic violence – 3rd degree - harassing communications

Roberts, Daniel L.; 42
- public intoxication

Rutherford, John; 30
- assault-domestic violence – 3rd degree - criminal mischief 2nd degree
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Santos, Cesar A.; 20
- criminal mischief – damaged property
- attempting to elude a police officer
- resisting arrest
- reckless endangerment

Sterling, Christopher W.; 46
- possession of methamphetamine
- sell/distribute – methamphetamine
- theft – miscellaneous, $500-less than $1500

Tackett, Cainon R.; 20
- assault-harassment (harassment/intimidation)

Tyson, David A.; 40
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- PROBATION VIOLATION – possession of dangerous drugs

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

May 9
- retail theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $423; Olive St. SW

May 10
- leaving the scene of an accident; person; damage to '21 Toyota Highlander; $2,500; 3rd St. NW
- menacing; person; Bolte Rd. SE
- theft of property-4th degree; person; wallet and contents; Hwy. 157
- retail theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $84; Olive St. SW
- leaving the scene of an accident; person; damage to '08 Honda; $50; McKoy Ave.
- retail theft of property-3rd degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $64; Olive St. SW

ARRESTS

May 10-12

Bailey, Stuart D.; 67
- driving under the influence
- open container

Freeman, Logan L.; 35
- FTA - theft of property-4th degree
- FTA - criminal trespass-3rd degree

Weaver, Jason J.; 32
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Tucker, Daniel B.; 33
- FTA - possession of drug paraphernalia

Whicker, Mekhi N.; 21
- FTA – speeding

Goodwin, Kandiss N.; 43
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Martin Santos, Victor M.; 29
- public intoxication
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- open container

Sterling, Christopher W.; 46
- FTA - theft of property-4th degree
- FTA - possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA - driving while license revoked (3 counts)
- FTA - run red light
- FTA - insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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



Vinemont holds inaugural Farmers and Makers Market

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VINEMONT, Ala. – The Town of South Vinemont welcomed in the warm weather and took advantage of the sunshine on Saturday, May 11, at the inaugural Farmers and Makers Market. The market was a collective gathering of the area's artisans, makers and farmers, all displaying and selling their creations, produce and goods.

The Vinemont Community Center served as the hub for the first-time market, with local sellers lining both the outdoor courtyard of the center, as well as the large interior.

Each seller offered unique wares. Some vendors brought tie-dye items, some had tables full of crochet pickles. Mother's Day was on the minds of a few of the vendors, with decoration flowers, saddles and centerpieces on sale, as well as floral and mom-themed gifts and trinkets.

Temple Baptist Church came through for the tiny tykes at the event, setting up a large inflatable slide and games for the youngsters to enjoy.

The church provided hotdogs, chips and drinks, and there were many food trucks, including Smokin' Joes BBQ and Hele Bowls, on-site.

"We would like to thank everyone who was able to come out to the event Vinemont Farmers and Makers Market," Vinemont Town Clerk Kayecea Sasser said.

"Special thanks to all our vendors, (the) Decatur E-Center and Temple Baptist Church for making this event such a success; we appreciate all you did."



CHEYENNE SHARP/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Town of South Vinemont held its inaugural Farmers and Makers Market at the Community Center on Saturday, May 11, 2024.

2 Cullman County Schools recognized for excellence at state event

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. – The Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools (CLAS) recognized Parkside School and the Cullman Area Technology Academy (CATA) on Monday, May 6, as 2023 CLAS Schools of Distinction from State School Board District 6 with Parkside Elementary School named as the 2023 CLAS Banner School.

"A total of 32 schools across eight State School Board Districts were recognized, so for Cullman County to have two schools represented speaks highly of our commitment to excellence," said Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette.

Out of the 32 schools chosen as Schools of Distinction, only eight were selected at Banner Schools.

According to CLAS, the Banner School program was created in 2001 to recognize schools in Alabama that showcase outstanding programs and service to students.

Each school was nominated for this award by its superintendent, with 240 schools nominated statewide.

"Congratulations to these wonderful Alabama public schools which provide excellent examples of the significant learning opportunities taking place in public education in Alabama.

Further, the stakeholders at every school are to be commended for striving for excellence daily," comments Vic Wilson, Ed.D., executive director of CLAS.

CATA was recognized for the new lineman and fiber optics program that is in its second year and has already produced successful graduates.

Parkside was nominated for its "Pawsitive Impactors" program, which is a group of community members formed due to needs revealed through the school counseling advisory council.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Public Notice: Mt. Zion Cemetery
Please remove all ground flowers/decorations from graves at Mt. Zion Cemetery at Vinemont (Highway 31) for spring cleaning and mowing.

Calling All Young Singers!
Cullman Community Young Singers (CCYS) is looking for YOU! All young singers (ages 8-15) are invited to join us on Tuesday afternoons from 3:30-4:45 at the Little House at Art Park, 1031 Second St. SW in Cullman. No auditions, just come for a fun afternoon of learning music from pop to classical styles. We will rehearse and prepare to perform at a variety of events in and around the Cullman community. Bring your friends- we will have music and everything you need to get started! For more information, text or email Miss Cindy at 256-338-4404, cindypass22@gmail.com. CCYS is sponsored by Cullman Parks, Recreation & Sports Tourism.

Baileyton Bargain Days
First and third Saturday of each month from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the old Baileyton fire station next to the town's park. Beauty and health products, toys, home goods, pet items, food and many everyday items. A donation of $20 will allow a shopper to fill up a bag, and for $40 a shopper can fill a large box. Some of the items of greater value will require a larger donation. There will be some restrictions and product limits on the items. Cash and checks accepted. Proceeds will be used for park improvements and capital improvements for the town.

Alcoholics Anonymous
The Grace of God group of Alcoholics Anonymous has open AA meetings (all are welcome) Mondays and Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. at the Carriage House, located next to Grace Episcopal Church, 305 Arnold St. NE Cullman. Contact phone numbers: 256-347-1097, 256-841-2209 or 256-708-1340

Church Services- Spirit Life Church of GOD
• Spirit Life Church of GOD, 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• Mondays-Fridays- Free hot meals for children Mondays 11 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays 1-2 p.m. and Wednesdays-Fridays 11 a.m.-noon. Cullman Housing Authority Community Center 1545 Vine Circle SW. Please call Kristie 256-636-5362 for more information. Eat in or take out. Sponsored by Kids Loving Kids, Raising Arrows Ministry and Spirit Life Church.
• Kids Loving Kids Birthday Blessings serves children ages 1-18 in need of assistance to celebrate their birthdays. Register your child and pick up a birthday box with cake mix, icing, sprinkles, decorations and toys! Pickup is the last weekend of the month. Saturday (5100 Curry Highway Suite 100-B Jasper, AL 35504) from 3-5 p.m. or the last Sunday of the month at Spirit Life Church Cullman from 12:30-1 p.m. Birth certificate is required at the time of box pickup. Register at https://form.jotform.com/203435614640045. For more information, text or call 205-717-7478.
• Wednesday, May 15 - 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult worship, teaching and testimonies in the sanctuary. Free pizza at 6:30. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6. Call Cedric Davidson at 256-339-5755 for pickup.
• Friday, May 17 - Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Bring a dish, dessert or drink for a potluck meal at 5:45 p.m. Meeting starts at 6:30. Childcare provided.
• Saturday, May 18 - Drive-through food bank 9-11 a.m.
• Sunday, May 19 - 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, May 19 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call Cedric Davidson at 256-339-5755 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.

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 AlAnon Meetings
The AlAnon family groups are a fellowship of friends and family whose lives have been affected by alcoholism. 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 Courage to Change AlAnon family group meets on Thursdays at 6 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church at 305 Arnold St. NE in the Carriage House, located between the church and the Arnold House on the corner. For more information call 256-734-2231 or 256-531-4429.

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.

U.S. Postal Service Job Fair
The Cullman Post Office has an immediate need for the following positions to be filled: Rural Carrier Associate (RCA) and Assistant Rural Carrier (ARC). Wednesday, May 15, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Cullmn Post Office, 500 Main Ave. SW, Cullman. AL 35055.

Cullman Educator Retirees Association Meeting
Thursday, May 16, at 11 a.m. at Stone Bridge Farms. We will have a member share session and suggest programs for future meetings, followed by lunch and fellowship for those who wish to stay. We welcome new members and visiting retirees.

Rummage Sale
Friday, May 17, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Saturday, May 18, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. at Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church (located on Saint Joseph Street in Cullman). Huge annual sale with lots of items for young and old alike. Come and bring a friend.

Fairview High School 1963 Luncheon/Meeting
Friday, May 17, at 1 p.m. at the Golden Corral, 1720 Cherokee Ave. SW in Cullman. For more information call Joyce Williams Rodgers at 256-339-3451.

Hamm Family Reunion
Saturday, May 18, at noon, at the Hanceville Lions Club, 111 Michelle St. NW, Hanceville. Please bring a covered dish. For more information, contact Scott Hamm at 256-924-6272.

12 area students named to Samford University Dean's List for spring semester

Carter Schultz
Contributor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Samford University recognizes 1,931 students named to the Dean's List for the spring 2024 semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List, a student must have earned a minimum 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0 while attempting at least 12 credit hours of coursework. The Dean's List is the highest academic recognition given by the school at the end of each semester.

Local students include:
• Anna Sularin of Arab
• Hensley Elrod of Arab
• Marcella Ingram of Arab
• Samuel Chance of Arab
• William Cavender of Arab
• Emma Dodd of Bremen
• Lauren Smith of Crane Hill
• Nathaniel Loper of Crane Hill
• Emma Murphree of Cullman
• Jackson Murphree of Cullman
• Abby Waldrep of Logan
• Dayton Roberts of Addison

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‘I’ve never let anything hold me back’: Bronco blade runner Daniel Figueroa talks athletic career

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HOLLY POND, Ala. -- Holly Pond student Daniel Figueroa put together another great season on the track and on the hardwood this year. Daniel is known around campus for his positive attitude and athletic ability but one attribute he didn’t get to choose is that he is a T44 amputee. However, the Bronco sophomore will tell you that challenge has helped mold him into who he is today as much as anything else.

“At the age of two, I was run over by a lawnmower which led to the amputation of my right leg,” Figueroa said.

“At the age of four, I received my first walking leg. I would also like to mention that after I received it, I had to learn to walk and run soon after and from then on, I’ve never let anything hold me back.”

Figueroa said he started sports with t-ball and then played baseball up until 6th grade. After that, he decided to join the football team, which led him to finding his current love, track and field.

“I played football from 8th to 9th grade and that year, I started running track,” Figueroa said. “Now, without a doubt my favorite time of the year is track season. A couple of weeks after my freshman season ended, my coach had called me and mentioned a company in Nashville that wanted to help me, Amputee Blade Runners.”

Figueroa said in August of 2023 he received a blade leg and a new sports leg, changing his life.

“I started playing basketball while running indoor track —Amputee Blade Runners have helped me so much with sports and I couldn’t thank them enough,” Figueroa said.

“At the state track meet in Cullman this year I had a personal best in two out of my four events. I had a great time and now I’m looking forward to running with amputee teams out of state for a shot at the Junior Paralympics.”

He said he plans to run in Chicago this summer with an amputee team called GLASA.

“One of my goals is to receive an athletic scholarship to a D1 college, for track of course,” Figueroa said.

“I think I perform the way I do because my whole life I have always been competing with my friends and they have always treated me just like everyone else. I have excelled in my events this year with the help of my coach Bridget Pannell and my two best friends Travis Barnett and Boston Gibbs and the supportive Holly Pond community.”

Daniel has worked hard to accomplish a lot in his athletic career, but he credits his family’s support for making it this far.

“I’m glad to say that my family comes first, most importantly my mom who always takes me to the track meets and sacrifices so much for me,” Figueroa said.

“I would like you to tell anyone out there that has had a similar experience that you can achieve anything you put your mind to as long as you have a great attitude going into it.”



NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Holly Pond runner Daniel Figueroa

WSCC Women’s Golf places 3rd at NJCAA Women’s South District Championship

Special to the Tribune
Contributor

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College’s women’s golf team finished third in the district at the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Women’s South District Championship in Brenham, Texas.

The Lions finished behind Tyler Junior College out of Tyler, Texas and tournament host Blinn College. Tyler JC finished at +50, with Blinn at +86 and WSCC at +98.

Following behind Wallace State was Shelton State (+105), Southern Union (+138), Calhoun Community College (+140), Jefferson State (+210) and Snead State (+214).

Wallace State sophomore Aidan Haithcock of Homewood finished third in the district at +14 for the two days of play.

Sophomore Abby Gattis of Jacksonville came in 15th at +26, sophomore Sydney Epes of Water Valley, Miss., at 16th with +28 and freshman Isabella Warwick of Huntsville 17th at +30.

Freshman Sarah Mooney of Fairhope rounded out the Lions players in 28th place with +40.

With her third-place finish at district, Haithcock qualified to compete as an individual at the NJCAA Division I Women’s Golf Championship, which will be held May 19-24 at Duran Golf Club in Melbourne, Fla., hosted by Eastern Florida State College.

The Wallace State men’s golf team will be playing in the NJCAA DI Men’s National Championship May 14-17 at Rockwind Community Links Golf Course in Hobbs, NM.



WSCC

Wallace State’s Women’s Golf Team finished third at this year’s NJCAA Women’s South District Championship.

Nationals (from Front)

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Several of our local archery squads traveled to Louisville this weekend to compete in this year’s NASP Eastern Nationals. Vinemont Elementary (3,091) placed 12th, Cullman Middle (3,327) placed 6th and Vinemont High (3,378) placed 22nd in their respective divisions to lead local teams. In the IBO/3D competition, Vinemont Elementary (1,511) finished 22nd, Cullman Middle (1,663) placed 8th and Vinemont High (1,682) finished 21st to lead the way.

Cullman Middle (1,694) also won this year’s Centershot Eastern National Bullseye Tournament. East Elementary (1,573) and Cullman High (1,673) placed 6th and 18th in their respective divisions. Vinemont Middle (1,599) finished 13th in the Centershot IBO/3D Challenge and Cullman Coyotes Homeschool (1,485) finished at 26th.

TOP LOCAL SCORERS, BOYS & GIRLS

NASP Eastern Nationals

- 61st - Evan Dockery, Cullman High (291)
- 52nd - Ashley Cornelius, Cullman High (289)
- 51st - Lucas Hembree, Vinemont Middle (285)
- 26th - Addie Howard, Cullman Middle (287)
- 31st - Owen Robinson, Vinemont Elementary (278)
- 71st - Brindlee Drake, Vinemont Elementary (267)

NASP Eastern National IBO/3D

- 90th - Tucker Robinson, Vinemont High (284)
- 78th – Caroline Miller, Vinemont High (281)
- 23rd - Thatcher Lucas, Cullman Middle (285)
- 20th - Addie Howard, Cullman Middle (282)
- 82nd - Kamryn Huff, Vinemont Elementary (259)
- 66th - Payton Jones, East Elementary (257)

Centershot Eastern National Bullseye Tournament

- 14th – Tucker Robinson, Vinemont High (290)
- 12th – Caroline Miller, Vinemont High (288)
- 6th – Alex Cornelius, Cullman Middle (290)
- 14th – Kinsley Matson, Cullman Middle (285)
- 5th – Owen Robinson, Vinemont Elementary (281)
- 37th – Payton Jones, East Elementary (261)

Centershot Eastern National IBO/3D Challenge

- 37th – Tucker Robinson, Vinemont High (281)
- 6th – Caroline Miller, Vinemont High (286)
- 30th – Tucker Drake, Vinemont Middle (273)
- 15th – Marley Williams, Vinemont Middle (278)
- 13th – Owen Robinson, Vinemont Elementary (259)
- 65th – Caroline Collett, Vinemont Elementary (216)



CULLMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

CMS Archery



VINEMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

VES Archery



VINEMONT MIDDLE SCHOOL

VMS Archery



VINEMONT HIGH SCHOOL

VHS Archery

Commencement (from Front)

Special to The Cullman Tribune

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Around 650 graduates participated in graduation ceremonies at Wallace State Community College on Friday, May 10, 2024, at the Traditions Bank Arena inside Tom Drake Coliseum. Around 2,450 degrees and certificates will be awarded to the Class of 2024, including 1,100 in the Spring 2024 semester.

Two ceremonies were held, with the first welcoming more than 320 graduates of the Academic and Applied Technologies programs, followed by the ceremony for Health Science program graduates, with around 325 walking across the stage.

"Graduates, we congratulate you as you conclude this passage of life's journey and embark on the next," said Wallace State President Dr. Vicki Karolewics. "Today, we celebrate your success, and we excitedly anticipate tomorrow as we watch your journey continue to unfold."

"You are the future of our state, the workforce of the future," Karolewics added. "As you embark on the next chapter of your life, may the education you have earned at Wallace State, one of the top community colleges in the nation, inspire you to be innovative, seek opportunity, and influence your world for the better."

Presidential Awards of Excellence were presented to three students during the ceremonies.

Kevin Peak was presented with the Presidential Award for Applied Technology Excellence.

Makayla Lindsey was presented with the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence.

Peyton Rouse was presented with the Presidential Award for Health Science Excellence.

As is tradition at Wallace State commencement ceremonies, stories spotlighting student success are told at each ceremony. Below are excerpts about the students recognized during the ceremonies.

Stephen Amundsen – Welding

Amundsen, 40, of Arab, graduated with an associate degree in Robotics Technology, one of the very first to earn the degree from Wallace State and in Alabama, as it is the first program of its kind in the state. Amundsen quit his full-time job and started taking classes when he was in his late 30s.

A few months after starting classes, he was diagnosed with cancer. Determined not to miss classes, he scheduled treatments around his class times. He has been cancer-free since September.

Cancer has not been Amundsen's only struggle in life. He experienced an addiction to methamphetamine for 18 years. It was his sister's death from an overdose that led him to his faith in a higher power and he's been clean for almost eight years.

Kevin Peak, Mechatronics

Peak was recognized for his leadership and compassionate nature as well as his positive attitude and willingness to learn. As an example of his kindness, Peak volunteered to give rides to and from campus to a classmate whose car had broken down, enabling that student to not miss class.

Peak is following in his father's footsteps by entering the field of Mechatronics, Electronics and Robotics. His father, who passed away during Peak's first semester in college, encouraged him to enter the field. Even after his father passed away, Peak only missed one day of class at the time, because he knew that is what his father would have wanted.

Donnanisha Jones, Forensic Investigation

Jones has persevered in the midst of tragedy. She lost two nephews to gun violence and her own two sons thankfully survived gun violence, which truly affected her academic performance. She was able to balance work, family and academic responsibilities to complete a degree in Forensic Investigation, a degree she plans to use to become an advocate for peace and justice.

Vickie Westbrook, Horticulture/Agriculture Production

It took Westbrook 27 years to reach her dream of earning a college diploma, graduating with a degree from Wallace State's Horticulture/Agriculture Production program, of which she is now a full-time employee.

Westbrook dropped out of school at 16, earned her GED and entered the workforce. She started taking classes to become an accountant, but life happened, and she stopped out of college.

After remarriage, expanding her family and homeschooling her youngest child, Westbrook started college around the same time her daughter did. She entered Wallace State with a new dream of earning a degree to help on the family's farm, which she has now accomplished.

Kyndall Winters, Salon and Spa Management

As a teenager, Winters had no intention of going to college. On her own at 17, she began working in the fast-food industry and worked her way up to management. At 27, with the encouragement of her husband and family, she decided to enroll at Wallace State to pursue a cosmetology degree, and she has excelled.

Winters recently won a gold medal at the Alabama SkillsUSA competition and will be competing next month in Atlanta at the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference. She is also a recipient of the Applied Technology Award from the Salon and Spa Management program and has maintained a 3.5 GPA.

Anakhita Sultonazarova, Forensic Psychology

Sultonazarova came to the United States from Tajikistan as part of an exchange program when she was a junior in high school and found a home away from home. She discovered a passion for Forensic Psychology while at Wallace State, where she participated in extracurricular activities, served as the president of the International Club and was a member of the Law Enforcement Club and SGA.

She has been accepted to the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City and plans to pursue a bachelor's degree and work in a field that allows her to impact the lives of others and be an advocate for justice.

Ellanora Slusser, General Studies

Slusser is a high school Fast Track Academy student graduating with a degree in General Studies.

She has been active on campus in numerous clubs and organizations, recently graduated from the Youth Leadership Development Program and is a competitive volleyball and track and field athlete.

In third grade, Slusser was diagnosed with dyslexia. She experienced learning support for her differing ability while at Wallace State, providing her with the necessary support and encouragement to be successful in college. She will transfer to the University of Alabama, where she plans to major in fashion design and retail.

She has been awarded a four-year presidential scholarship and housing scholarship, which together are valued at approximately $55,000, and an additional $10,300 in scholarships through YLDP and other organizations.

Lance Kelly, Radiation Therapy

Kelly chose Radiation Therapy because he has lost two grandparents to cancer and understands the compassion needed for cancer patients who must endure treatments and he felt called to serve them.

Kelly received two scholarships to help fund his education at Wallace State, the WSCC Presidential Scholarship and Alabama Power's Future Foundation Scholarship. While at Wallace State, he was inducted into the National Society of Leadership and Success and the Alpha Chi Tau Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. He is a third generation Wallace State Lion. His mother and grandmother both attended Wallace State and became educators.

Jordan Dean, Dental Hygiene

In the face of adversity, Dean never gave up on her goal of obtaining a degree in health care. She dropped out of high school to help her single-parent mom and eventually earned her GED. She started taking college classes with the goal of entering nursing school, but that dream was deferred when she was not accepted.

After taking a break and welcoming a newborn son, she was eventually accepted to a nursing program, but when COVID hit, decided to choose a different career path and applied to Wallace State's Dental Hygiene program. She was put on a waitlist but was happy to receive the call that a seat had opened up, providing her with the chance to finally fulfill her dream.

Peytan Dill, Occupational Therapy Assistant

Peytan chose to pursue a career in health care after her father suffered a stroke when she was 15 years old. As he made a miraculous recovery, Dill watched the doctors, nurses and therapists as they helped her father relearn or adapt basic tasks of daily living.

While neither she nor her family knew where they would be 10 years later, she is realizing her dream of working in occupational therapy and is ready to give back, to make a difference and honor her father, who watched her graduate.

Lindsay and Drake Pounds

Siblings Lindsay and Drake Pounds went through a lot to get to their graduation ceremony. They lost their parents in a span of one year.

Lindsay, who dropped out of college 10 years ago to care for her parents, graduated with a degree in Medical Laboratory Technician. Drake earned a degree in Graphic Design. Lindsay attributes her success to attentive and caring teachers who demonstrated that her success was their top priority.

Skylar Sloan, Nursing

While Sloan completed more than a few childbirth simulations in the world class simulation center at Wallace State, it was her real-life labor and delivery experience that sparked her interest in Nursing. At the age of 16, Sloan helped deliver her little sister, who was born at home and premature at 27 weeks.

During the 99 days her sister spent in the neonatal intensive care unit, Sloan realized being a neonatal intensive care nurse was what she was meant to be. She will realize that dream next month when she begins working at Brookwood Medical Center.

Ashley Williamson, Respiratory Therapy

Before coming to Wallace, Williamson was enrolled in a Respiratory Therapy program at another school. Four months before she was due to graduate, she experienced failure. She did not let that stop her, however. Meetings with a Wallace State Respiratory Therapy student and faculty member gave her the encouragement to try again.

This time she succeeded, she said, with a lot of hard work and the support of amazing classmates and even better instructors.

Chibueze "Chi" Meremetoh, Nursing

Born in Nigeria before moving to New York when he was 6 years old, Meremetoh had already earned a degree in psychology with a minor in public health before deciding to pursue a nursing degree. As he looked for colleges in the South, he found Wallace State. After a series of bus rides and an Uber from Birmingham to Hanceville, Meremetoh arrived at an information session for the Nursing program four hours late. But he was welcomed by faculty, and quickly became immersed in the program.

As a student at Wallace State, Meremetoh excelled academically and was awarded scholarships for his dedication to his studies and his contributions as a tutor. Today, he is a nurse, like his mother, and will be working on a medical-surgical unit at UAB.

Richard Came II, Nursing

Came is proof of the power of advertising and how a single moment can change lives. Before spotting a Wallace State billboard on Interstate 65, Came had never heard of the college. But at that time, he was looking for an accredited nursing program and contemplating a move from Montgomery to north Alabama. He chose nursing as a career while living in Arizona after his grandmother, who lived in New Jersey, fell ill and was placed in a rehabilitation facility. She then came to live with them before passing away. Seeing medical teams care for his grandmother inspired him to pursue a degree in nursing so that he can help people and know he's made a difference in someone's life.

To view video of the ceremonies visit www.youtube.com/wallacestate and to view photos visit www.flickr.com/wallacestate





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MAY 14, 2024

LOCAL AREA BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Hippie Hill Homestead

Cheyenne Sharp
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DANVILLE, Ala. — Jadyen Guthery is a mother, wife, homemaker and now a small business owner. As if her time wasn't occupied enough with her 2-year-old daughter, Nellie, she and her husband have turned their brood of small backyard farm animals into a business, stemming from Guthery's desire to live a cleaner, more natural and less chemically processed life.

"I have been a hippie my whole life. I've always loved the outdoors, animals, nature, plants and all things tie-dye. I've studied herbs since I was about 16 and I've used herbs and herbal remedies on my family ever since," Guthery said.

Beginning her journey with herbal remedies and agents at a young age, Guthery is no stranger to seeking alternative methods of relief for her pains and problems. From early adolescence and plagued with hormonal imbalances and, in general, being an unwell child, Guthery grew tired of medications and treatments that had been offered to her by traditional practitioners.

"I was a sick kid; I was always at the doctor with things that none of them could explain. When I hit my teens, I had horrible hormonal imbalances which caused me a great deal of symptoms and problems," she said. "I knew there had to be a better way. I researched and found possible herbal remedies; I was up to try anything at that point. I was shocked that it actually worked, then that opened a whole door, and I wanted to be so knowledgeable in every herb and plant and their uses for the body."

Growing up in Cullman, Guthery said she has always loved the country feeling and has been a self-proclaimed hippie since birth. Running barefoot through the trees and chewing on honeysuckle was nothing new to her, but as she got older, she began her family and, she said, started seeing the effects of toxic household products in her home. Looking for an avenue to rid her home and life of the indecipherable ingredients and warnings, Guthery turned to what she knew: herbs.

Beginning with small changes in her own home, Guthery was looking at alternative options to most of the household items, replacing toxic, chemical-laden products with cleaner, herbal and natural offerings.

Starting with the small changes like soap and swapping traditional cleaners for more natural options, Guthery was on a roll. Soon, homemade soaps, cleaning products and natural remedies were all on her menu of available items.

At first, her only orders were from friends and family members, but after a time, her husband's coworkers, their wives and their wives' friends were all on board with the all-natural products and remedies Guthery was producing. When she was able to see the overwhelming market for natural, locally made products, Hippie Hill Homestead was born.

"We wanted to offer nontoxic products, beauty products, herbal remedies and farm-grown and raised goodies and vegetables. I wanted to make products that people knew that when they were putting it on or in their body that it is nontoxic, chemical-free, and simple ingredients," Guthery said.

Hippie Hill Homestead is a small-time, family owned farm in Danville, offering a plethora of herbal and natural remedies for many of life's typical aches, pains and inconveniences.

Its extensive range of natural products and remedies is targeted at many everyday needs – a beef tallow body butter to soothe eczema breakouts, herbal teas to calm minds and magnesium spray to aid restful sleep are all products that Guthery spends her time creating..

Hippie Hill Homestead can be reached at 256-620-5748 or https://tinyurl.com/hippiehillhomestead.



JAYDEN GUTHERY

Jayden Guthery spends countless hours making natural soaps, beauty and cleaning products to make for a happier, healthier home and family.



JAYDEN GUTHERY

Left to right are Logan Guthery, Nellie Guthery and Jayden Guthery.

LEGALS

Notice of Sale

Tuesday, May 21, 2024, Nunnelley's Storage, Highway 67 South, Somerville, Alabama 35670 will sell contents of the following units at 10:00 a.m.:

Unit #71 Jeffery J. Davey, 1367 Center Springs Road, Somerville, Alabama 35670.

Unit #93 Adrienne Cole, PO Box 232, Somerville, Alabama 35670.

Unit #70-117 John Commins, 1207 16 Avenue Southeast, Decatur, Alabama 35601.

Unit #50, James Pendergrass, 263A, Hobbs Road, Hartselle, Alabama 35640.

Legal Notice

Surplus property of Wallace State Community College (Hanceville Campus) will be offered for sale on the website www.govdeals.com Various sales will occur on this website, please check the www.govdeals.com website weekly to see any current sales. This is a government auction website and you MUST be registered on the website to bid on any items. You may view the surplus property to be sold without registration. The govdeals.com website will contain detailed information including descriptions and photos. Items may be inspected by APPOINTMENT ONLY: Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Contact Wesley Sams at inventory@wallacestate.edu to schedule any appointments. All items listed are to be sold "AS IS, WHERE IS". Wallace State Community College reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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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 *
JUDY ANN PUCKETT * **CASE NO.: PC 2024-140**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to JAMI NICHOLAS, as Personal Representative of the Estate of JUDY ANN PUCKETT, deceased, on the 13th day of May, 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.

Jami Nicholas
Personal Representative

Melvin Hasting
Attorney for the Petitioner
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Cullman, Alabama 35056

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)
)
Donnie Keith Pitts,) Case No. PC 2024-122
)
Deceased)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Ashley Nicole Pitts as Personal Representative of the Estate of Donnie Keith Pitts, deceased, on the 13th day of May, 2024, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate,

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

Ashley Nicole Pitts
Personal Representative
Ashley Nicole Pitts

To the Publisher of the Cullman Tribune:
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Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate, Tammy Brown
Cullman County, Alabama

G. Edward Coey
Attorney for Personal Representative
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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)
)
BETTY JEAN LEIPERT,)
)
DECEASED.) **CASE NO. PC 2024-121**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Co-Letters Testamentary having been granted to Beverly K. Barnett and Randy E. Leipert, as the Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Betty Jean Leipert, deceased, on the 3rd day of May, 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.

Beverly K. Barnett
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of
Betty Jean Leipert, deceased

Randy E. Leipert
Co-Personal Representative of the Estate of
Betty Jean Leipert, 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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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate
Cullman County, Alabama

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Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, AL

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2024-179

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF GERALDINE MARIE NELSON, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Valerie Nelson Dunn on the 13th day of May, 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.

Valerie Nelson Dunn
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

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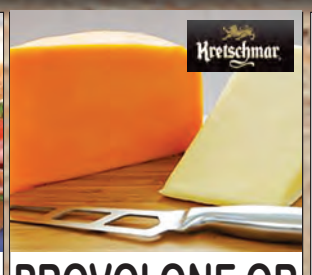
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CLASS OF 2024

Graduation is Friday, May 17, at 6 p.m. at Wallace State Community College/ Traditions Bank Arena

"Dear Cullman County Child Development Center graduates, today marks a milestone in your journey, a testament to your hard work, determination, and resilience. As you step into the world beyond these walls, carry with you the lessons learned, the friendships forged, and the dreams that fuel your ambitions. Congratulations on your graduation, and may your future be filled with endless opportunities and boundless success. Go forth and make your mark on the world!"

Mr. Trent Hardman, Principal Child Development Center

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Jerrick Stewart



Madison Drew

ST. BERNARD PREPARATORY SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2024

Graduation is on Sunday, May 19, at 2 p.m. in the Abbey Church

St. Bernard Prep Class of 2024,

"As you embark on the next chapter of your life, on behalf of all the monks, faculty and staff at SBP, I wish you the very best. Do not forget to put all your trust in the Lord in everything that you do, as St. Patrick reminds us "Whenever I receive good or ill, I return thanks equally to God, who taught me always to trust in him unreservedly". May God continue to bless you! Congrats, Class of 2024."

Proudly, Phuong Nguyen, Headmaster

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Walter Adams, Scarlette DeCicco, Charles Deist, Emily Garcia-Cerna, Audrey Gil, César Hernandez, Martha Jimenez Jose, Ashton Lindsey, Gregory Lyons, Anahi Pantoja, Ezra Penner, Emmanuel Santiago-Silva, Caroline Sidley, Amelia Tafazoli, Nicolas Tombo, Sydney Watwood, Baoyi Wu, Ethan Wu

COLD SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2024

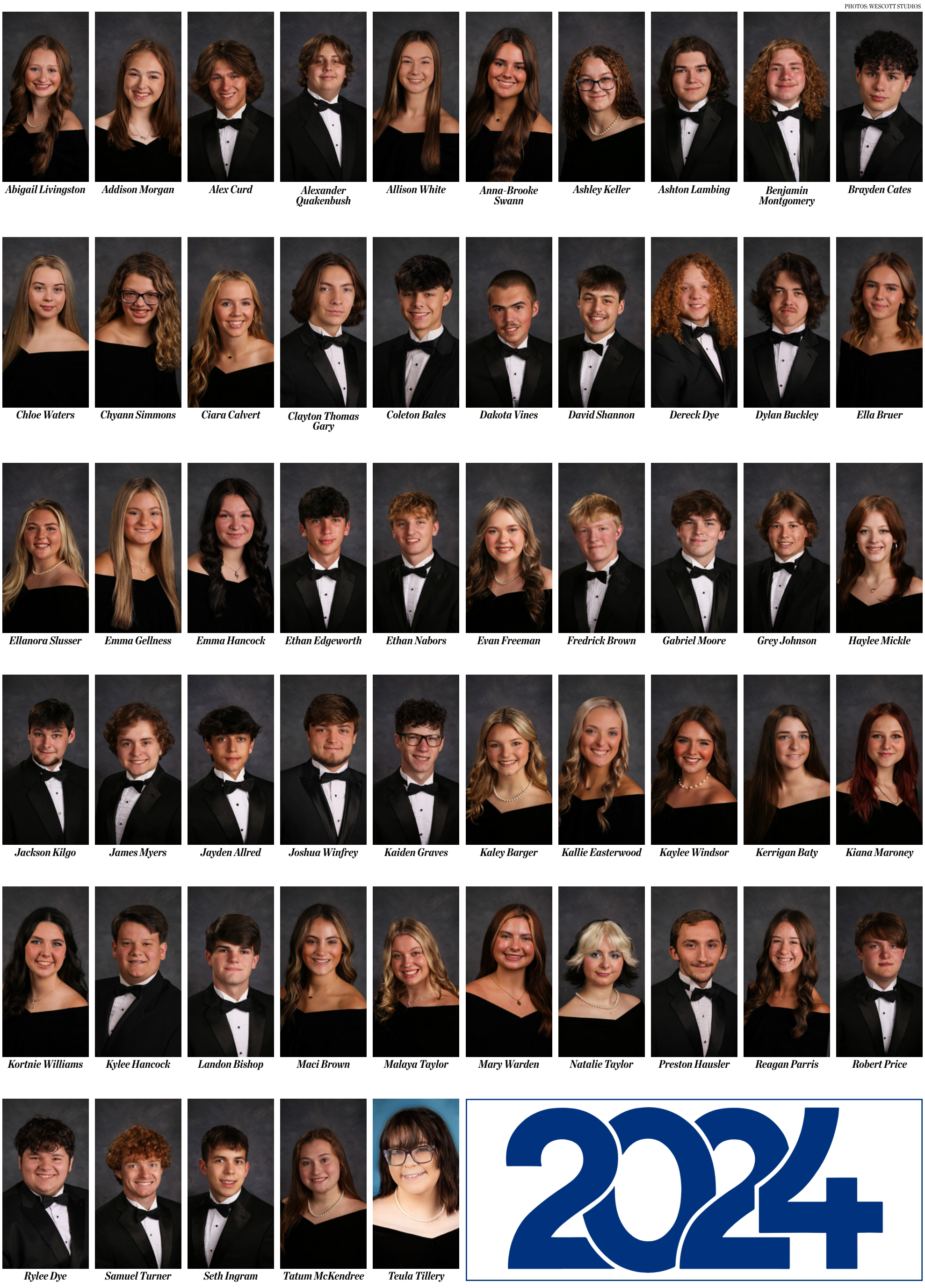
Graduation is Saturday, May 18, at noon at Wallace State Coliseum

Not pictured: Arthur Dunn, Jaime Garcia

"I would like to extend my congratulations to the Cold Springs High Class of 2024. As the next chapter of your life begins, please know that you will always be a part of the CSH family and it is our hope that the experiences you have shared will help to create the future you desire. As your principal, I am proud of what you have achieved both individually and collectively as a group. Don't forget, success can be measured in a variety ways, not just what the outside world says. I would look at success as did you reach your individual potential and were you happy in the process of achieving it? It has been a pleasure to have the opportunity to spend the last four years with you and I wish you continued success and nothing but the best in your future endeavors."

Eric Dickerson, Principal, Cold Springs High School

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Abigail Livingston | *Addison Morgan* | *Alex Curd* | *Alexander Quakenbush* | *Allison White* | *Anna-Brooke Swann* | *Ashley Keller* | *Ashton Lambing* | *Benjamin Montgomery* | *Brayden Cates*

Chloe Waters | *Chyann Simmons* | *Ciara Calvert* | *Clayton Thomas Gary* | *Coleton Bales* | *Dakota Vines* | *David Shannon* | *Dereck Dye* | *Dylan Buckley* | *Ella Bruer*

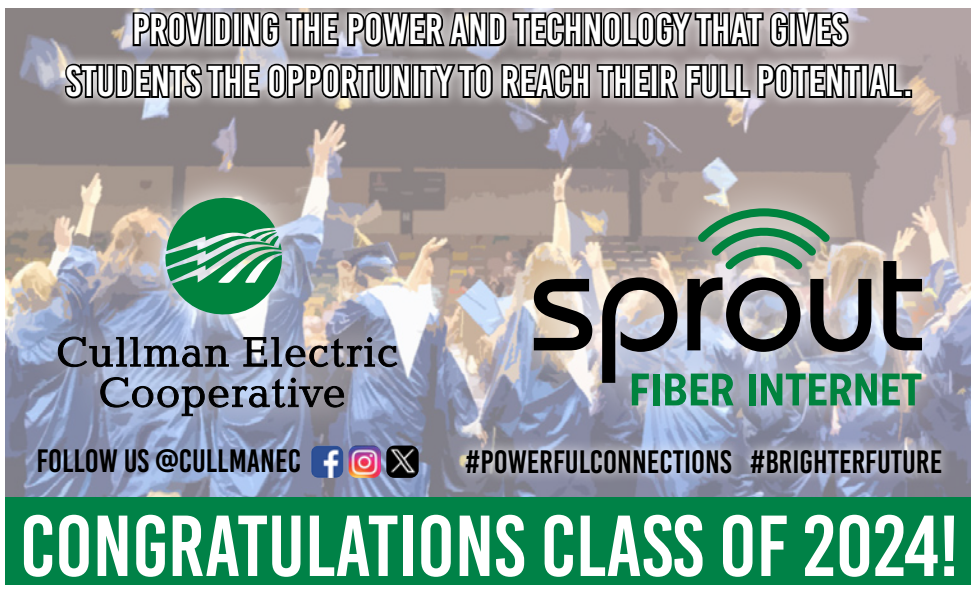
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Jackson Kilgo | *James Myers* | *Jayden Allred* | *Joshua Winfrey* | *Kaiden Graves* | *Kaley Barger* | *Kallie Easterwood* | *Kaylee Windsor* | *Kerrigan Baty* | *Kiana Maroney*

Kortnie Williams | *Kylee Hancock* | *Landon Bishop* | *Maci Brown* | *Malaya Taylor* | *Mary Warden* | *Natalie Taylor* | *Preston Hausler* | *Reagan Parris* | *Robert Price*

Rylee Dye | *Samuel Turner* | *Seth Ingram* | *Tatum McKendree* | *Teula Tillery*

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HOLLY POND HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2024

Graduation is Saturday, May 18, at WSC Tom Drake Coliseum at 4 p.m.

Not pictured: Mikalie Barlett, Xander Fowler, Caroline Lamoureux, Luis Orona Diaz

Holly Pond High School Class of 2024,

"Congratulations Class of 2024! May 18th, 2024 will mark the culmination of a 13 year journey for you and your classmates. During your time with Holly Pond Schools, a lot has changed in our world and you have had to adapt. Being able to change and roll with the circumstances at hand will be a key to your success in life. The faculty and staff of Holly Pond High School charge you with carrying the title of **BRONCO** with pride as you chase your dreams. Eric Thomas is a world renowned motivational speaker, and in one of his speeches he made an analogy that I feel is very fitting for you all as you transition to the next phase of your life. There will be many times in your life when you will have to adjust your plan or overcome a setback that has prevented you from reaching your goal. There is one thing that all successful people have in common with a leaky water faucet: they never quit going. You can turn that faucet off, you can bring a plumber in to fix it, you can replace parts of it but that faucet will not stop. When you run into tough times, be like the leaky faucet and just keep going because your goals will always be bigger than your circumstances. We love you, we are proud of you, and as always don't ever forget - IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A BRONCO!!"

Nate Ayers Ed.D., Principal, Holly Pond High School

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Abigail Whitehead | *Alayna Thomas* | *Alex Smith* | *Alivia Farr* | *Allie Armstrong* | *Amelia Spitzer* | *Arianna Harris* | *Arianna Williams* | *Austin Hayes* | *Bradly Butts*



Braxton Whitehead | *Brenna White* | *Carmen Foust* | *Carmen Trejo* | *Coby McCoy* | *Daniel Hernandez* | *Dawson Simmons* | *Drew Rye* | *Elena Saldana* | *Elijah Link*



Ellie Burks | *Emery Barnett* | *Emma Earl* | *Emma Laney* | *Grissom Mayfield* | *Harley Corbin* | *Heavenly Ginn* | *Hunter Holmes* | *Hunter Horton* | *Jackie Allred*



Jada Hogan | *James Nalley* | *Jayden Holloway* | *Jeremiah McDonald* | *Jeremy Williams* | *Jill Ringlen* | *Jonathan Haynes* | *Kaleb King* | *Kamryn Tankersley* | *Kasandra Edwards*



Katura Marino | *Kaylee Rohrscheib* | *Kollin Brown* | *Kursten Putman* | *Lauryn Hoffman* | *Lysa Ring* | *Madison Brown* | *Makayla Raymond* | *Marleigh Arthur* | *Maycie Black*

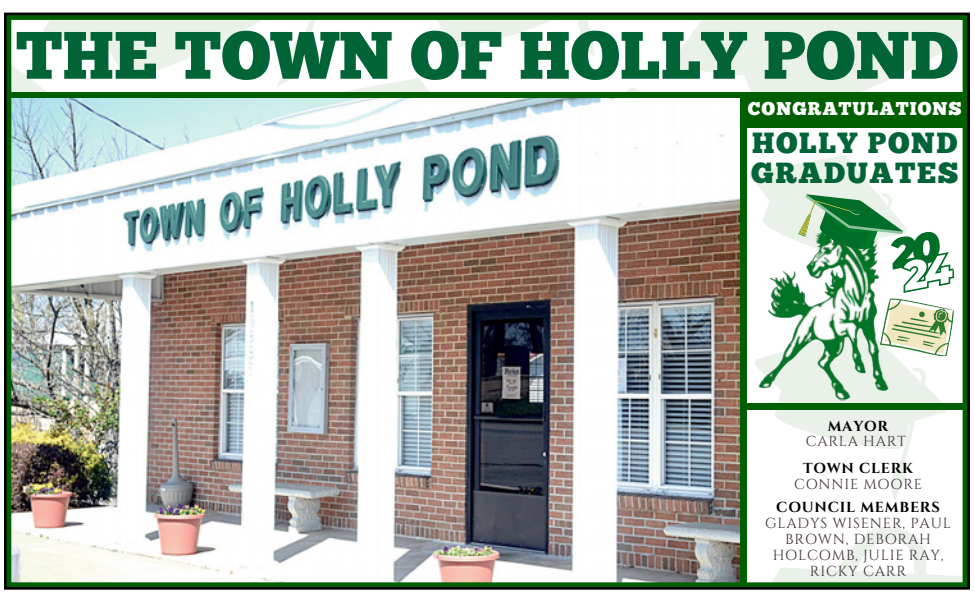


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Violet Adams | *William McDonald*





FAIRVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2024

Graduation is Saturday, May 18, at 6 p.m. at Wallace State Coliseum

"We are extremely proud of the Class of 2024. This a great group of students who have a bright future."

Johnny Whaley, Principal, Fairview High School

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AB Martinez-Jimenez | *Abby McDonald* | *Abby O'Leary* | *Alexis Philyaw* | *Allison Davis* | *Alonso Avalos* | *Amy Latham* | *Anahi Zatarain* | *Andrew Cason* | *Ashton Mcleskey* | *Ava Calvarese* | *Brenda Salaz*

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Clay Robertson | *Coby Shackelford* | *Connor Smith* | *Crimson Wright* | *David Carroll* | *David Marsh* | *Dean Pamplin* | *Devon McGee* | *Dixie Plunkett* | *Dylan Speegle* | *Eli Frost* | *Elizabeth Clanton*

Eric Gonzalez | *Gannon Black* | *Georgia Gorham* | *Gracen McCowan* | *Grant Laney* | *Haley Miller* | *Hannah Butler* | *Hannah Chandler* | *Hannah Corely* | *Hannah Jarrells* | *Harper Shedd* | *Isaac Elrod*

Isabel Horton | *Isabella Lopez* | *Jacie Blackwood* | *Jackson Golden* | *Jacky Perez* | *Jadon Parker* | *Jaime Rios-Vazquez* | *Jake Gandy* | *James Johnston* | *Jameson Goble* | *Jamie Williams* | *Jayden Pineda*

Jayla Gorham | *Jenell Hale* | *Jeremiah Locke* | *John-Connor Smith* | *Jonaton Diaz Pesina* | *Jordan Hermandez* | *Joshua Vickey* | *Kabri Redding* | *Kaden Guthrie* | *Kadence Pace* | *Kaitlyn Kotlik* | *Kallie Trussel*

Karla Hernandez | *Kayley Silva* | *Kaylie Pickett* | *Kenneth Chase Butler* | *Kenny Sanders* | *Kiley Trivette* | *Kinlee Garrison* | *Kobe Payne* | *Laci Seagrest* | *Lexia Simmons* | *Lindsey Murphree* | *Linkon Patrick*

Logan Johnson | *Logan Oren* | *Lucas West* | *Lylianna Orona* | *Madeline Cluxton* | *Madison Murray* | *Mahaley Gomez* | *Matt Harper* | *Miles LcLeroy* | *Reagan Dunkin* | *ReAnna Rusk* | *Riley Risner*

River Parker | *Sadi Smith* | *Savannah Phillips* | *Savannah Schlichting* | *Savannah Wilbert* | *Seth Veal* | *Shannon Hill* | *Shawn Linton* | *Silus Yanez* | *Somer Harris* | *Stephanie Moreno* | *Taylor Bullard*

Tommy Trey Trotter | *Tori Philyaw* | *Tyler Tankersley* | *Walker Bailey* | *Will Bailey* | *Zane Boyll*

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Sophomores (from Front)

Cheyenne Sharp
cheyenne@cullmantribune.com

VINEMONT, Ala. — Two Vinemont High School students have decided to take their summer plans into their own hands and start a business with the help of their teacher. Bryant Curvin and Braiden Denny have launched Good Ol' Boys Lawncare.

The students first approached their teacher, Technology Coach Mindy Conquest, about the appropriate steps to get the business going with advertisements and even down to the uniforms they will wear.

"This is what education is about," Conquest said, "students finding what interests them (and) taking the initiative to start a summer job."

The educator gave the boys a thorough rundown of some of the aspects of taking on such a big project – not only about advertising and uniforms, but also work ethic, client information storage and organization and performance.

Conquest shared a strong message with the boys, stating, "You cannot go back and create a first impression, and anything tied to your name needs to be done to the very best of your ability."

If anything, Conquest said, she believes this journey will instill more than work ethic into the students turned workers; pride in their work and the desired outcome, as well as pride in themselves and their accomplishments, are significant prizes they will take home as well, proving that education is not only accomplished in the classroom.

"Don't get me wrong, they need basics as well as a variety of subjects in order to be well educated, but I believe high school education needs to be more tailored around student interests (and) drives," she said.

"We (Cullman County Schools) already do a pretty good job with this. These 10th graders are taking an initiative and this is what makes my heart happy."

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For families with boys aged 12 to 18, Truth in Nature offers a year-round mentoring program, entirely free of charge, funded by local community partners.

Boys can stay in the program every year up until they graduate high school.

For those interested in more information on how to apply to be a mentor or enroll a boy in the program, contact Brian Burchett at brian.burchett@truthinnature.org or email info@truthinnature.org. For all other information, visit www.truthinnature.org.

Obituary Announcements: May 11-13

Jennifer Ann Folette, 47
Graveside service for Jennifer Ann Follette, age 47, were held on Saturday, May 11, 2024, at 11 a.m. at Panama Cemetery with Rev. Larry Duke officiating. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Follette passed away on Thursday, May 9, at Cullman Regional. She was born, April 28, 1977, to Wayne Nichols and Sharon Farley. She was preceded in death by her father. Survivors include her mother; sister, Julie (Russell) Dunand; brothers, Jeff (Jennifer) Nichols and Jason Nichols; and a host of nieces, nephews family and friends.

Garlan A. Hood, 90
Funeral Service for Garlan A. Hood, age 90 of Cullman, will be at 3 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Alton King officiating; burial at Cullman City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2-3 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mr. Hood passed away on Friday, May 10, 2024, at Woodland Village Health Care. He was born Saturday, July 15, 1933, to Sebern Wesley Hood and Eunice Hood. He was preceded in death by his parents; Wife, Nellie Hood; daughter, Susan Jordan; brothers. Wesley Hood, Paul Hood and Lloyd Hood; sisters, Lorene Woods, Bernice Gann and Christine Thompson. Survivors include his sisters, Wilma Jean Harris and Edith Turner; children, Karen Massengill, Michael Hood, Kathy Huddleston, Mary Allbritten, and Fred (Sherry) Bavar, Jr.; son in law, Rocky Jordan; grandchildren, Ronald Massengill Jr., Christopher (Allison) Massengill, Terry (Stacie) Huddleston, Brian Huddleston, Adam (Kathy) Bavar, Jennifer (Brad) Gee, Josh Allbritten, Richard (Andrea) Jordan and Amanda (Ben) Shockley; great grandchildren, Julene Massengill, Tyler, Jacob, Aydan and Paislie Huddleston, Max Bavar, Matthew (KaSarah) Nuss, Kyra Nuss, Chase and Trinity Jordan, Audrey, Sarah, Jay and Jackson Shockley; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Edward Louie Scarborough, 66
Edward Louie Scarborough, 66, "Special Ed", "Fast Eddie", "Big Ed", "Grandaddy" and "Dad", went to his heavenly home on May 10, 2024. He was surrounded by his immediate family at UAB hospital after a battle with ARDS (acute respiratory distress syndrome). To know Ed was to love him. He never met a stranger. He lit up a room. He had an award-winning personality. He is walking the streets of Gold with his mother and father Julia and Thomas Reid Scarborough and several of his aunts and uncles, his brother-in-law, friends, and many four-legged companions he has loved so well over the years. He had a passion for life and lived every day in the speeding lane! He sang from the moment his eyes opened and never woke up on the wrong side of the bed. He loved his business, Earth Leveling Service, motorcycles, or anything fast for that matter, snow skiing, hunting and fishing, the Red Rocks, RV'ing, concerts, and good Mexican Food. Years ago he was a barefoot skier and avid kayaker. He had a special place in his heart for Mexico Missions with SendMe Refuge. He stood 6'6 and often times weighed right around 275 so it wasn't only his personality that was big! Words don't do this man justice! You just had to know him, and so many of you did. He is leaving behind his wife of 26 years, Terri Goodwin Scarborough and his daughters Rheana Scarborough Thornton (Norwood Charles Thornton III), Nohealani Naehu Campbell (Ty Campbell), and Kanoa Naehu Craven (Paul Craven), as well as his 23 month old grandson, Norwood Charles Thornton IV "Woods" Thornton (Rheana), the apple of his eye and spitting image of his grandfather. He is also leaving his brother Tommy, and sisters, Dianne and Sheila as well as nieces and nephews. Gone too soon, but never forgotten. He has forever changed our lives for the better. We would like to thank the wonderful doctors and nurses at UAB, Dr. Adam Harrison and Cullman Internal Medicine, Aveanna Home Health and Chad Elliott (physical therapist) for their knowledge, expertise and endless support over the past few months. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to SendMe Refuge.

Ricky E. McMinn, 71
Funeral Service for Ricky Eugene McMinn, age 71 of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Sidney McMinn officiating, burial at McMinn Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6-8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mr. McMinn passed away on Friday, May 10, 2024. He was born Wednesday, Aug. 6, 1952, to Adell McMinn and Lila McMinn. He was preceded in death by his Parents; wife, June McMinn; brother, Ronald McMinn and brother-in-law, Bobby Smith. Survivors Include his daughter, Jillian McMinn; granddaughter McKenna Lynn; grandson Kason McMinn; sister, Marsha Smith; sister-in-laws, Barbara McMinn and Sheila McMinn; niece, Candy (Jason) Rushing; nephews, Wesley (Faith) Smith, Jonathan (Mikayala) McMinn, Ryan (Bridget) McMinn, Chris (Danielle) Lynn; great nephew, Wyatt Lynn; great niece, Madison (Chayse) Freeman; special friend, Janet Williamham; beloved dog, J.R. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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