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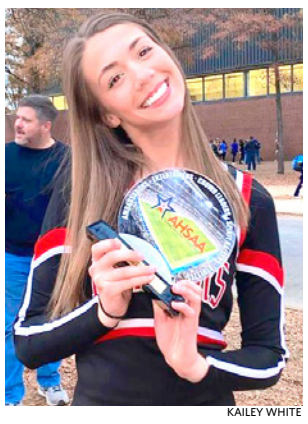
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Tucker, Bagwell named Cullman County Schools Employees of the Month

Special to The Cullman Tribune

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Schools and AmFirst recognize a teacher and staff member each month of the school year.

May Staff Member of the Month: Mack Tucker, bus driver, West Point

Mack Tucker is a school bus driver at West Point. He is retiring this year, after serving 45 years!

"Mack has driven a bus for our system since 1978 and has done so exceptionally," said Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette.

"We thank him for his many years or service to the Cullman County Board of Education, and wish him the very best in retirement."

May Teacher of the Month: Sarah Bagwell, Good Hope Elementary School

Sarah Bagwell is a collaborative education teacher at Good Hope Elementary.

"This year Sarah had a number of students with unique needs » PAGE 5



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Sandra Tucker and Cullman County Schools' May Staff Member of the Month Mack Tucker

Library kicks off Summer Reading Program with over 200 guests



CCPLS

Guests arrived in droves to the Cullman County Public Library System's main branch for its Summer Reading Program Kickoff on Wednesday, June 5, 2024.

Cheyenne Sharp
cheyenne@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — The main branch of the Cullman County Public Library System (CCPLS) hosted a community kick-off event for its Summer Reading Program on Wednesday. The library transformed into a place of adventure with campfires, papier-mâché vines and a small pond stocked with tiny plastic fish.

Children and adults were wooed with prizes and incentives for reading books over the summer months.

CCPLS Assistant Director Shelby Creekmore shared, "Our kick-off event was a great success. Throughout the day, we saw about 250 people who came to get their summer reading materials."

Children participating in the reading program are able to choose and read books, keeping track on a reading log. When it is full, they can return the log to the library for a surprise.

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3SIXTY JEEP CLUB

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 7

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 6, 2024. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

June 4

- theft of property; CR 437
- harassing communications; CR 961

June 5

- reckless endangerment; CR 636
- domestic violence; CR 106
- domestic violence; CR 453
- domestic violence; CR 590
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of brass knuckles

ARRESTS

June 3-5

Bennet, Tyler W.; 28
- BAIL JUMPING 2 – DUI (alcohol)

Bradford, Riley C.; 23
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- carrying brass knuckles

Buzbee, James C.; 28
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Cable, Stacy R.; 40
- BAIL JUMPING 2 – possession of drug paraphernalia
- BAIL JUMPING 2 – attempting to elude a police officer
- BAIL JUMPING 2 – public intoxication

Cook, Christopher L.; 47
- retail theft-1st degree
- organized retail theft
- forgery-other objects

Creasey, Dakota J.; 23
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Dingler, Anthony B.; 29
- violation of a domestic violence protection order

Garrity, Liam F.; 22
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Gatica, Celine; 32
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Green, Michael J.; 41
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Hall, Matthew R.; 26
- FTA – possessions of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Kilgore, Steven R.; 57
- FTA – attempting to elude a police officer

Marsh, Michael D.; 37
- exceeding reasonable road speed
- drivers license – not in possession
- open container – alcohol in a vehicle

Sharp, Michael A.; 42
- assault – aggravated assault
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- attempting to elude a police/law enforcement officer-serious injury or death/speed exceeds 20 MPH over limit
- resisting arrest

Swann, Nathaniel B.; 38
- public intoxication

Tubb, John W.; 36
- possession of marijuana

White, Charles E.; 36
- buying/receiving stolen property (2 counts)

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 2

- organized retail theft; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $474; Olive St. SW

June 5

- forgery-3rd degree, theft of property-2nd degree; person; forged checks
- theft of property-1st degree; Brian's Computers; cash
- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassing communications; person

June 6

- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; person; miscellaneous charges
- leaving the scene; person; damage to '11 Hyundai; $75; Main Ave SW
- theft of property-4th degree; person; clothing; Hickory Ave SW

ARRESTS

June 5-6

Recher, Shane S.; 19
- DUI

Mabry, Joel D.; 56
- burglary-3rd degree
- theft of property-3rd degree
- criminal mischief-3rd degree

Hines, Timothy W.; 53
- burglary-3rd degree
- theft of property-3rd degree
- criminal mischief-3rd degree

Leak, Amanda J.; 38
- FTA - public intoxication
- FTA - theft of property-4th degree (6 counts)
- FTA - criminal mischief-3rd degree
- FTA - criminal trespass-3rd degree (2 counts)
- FTA - possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA - resisting arrest
- FTA - obstructing governmental operations

Hawkins, Brent J.; 32
- FTA - possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA - theft of property-4th degree

Calhoun, Dustin L.; 39
- FTA - unlawful possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA - possession of drug paraphernalia

Kanaday, Brandon H.; 31
- FTA - public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Education Notes

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Troy University announces Spring/Term 4 graduates

TROY, Ala — Troy University is pleased to recognize students who completed the requirements for graduation during the Spring Semester and Term 4 of the 2023-2024 academic year.

Local students who graduated include:
- Hannah Dempster of Cullman
- Lauren Evans of Cullman,
- Sarah Laney of Cullman
- Lily Latham of Vinemont
- Alexandria Braswell of Cullman

Savannah Wimberly named to President's List at Jax State

JACKSONVILLE, Ala. — Savannah Wimberly of Cullman has been named to the President's List at Jacksonville State University for outstanding academic performance over the spring 2024 semester. To be named to the President's List, students must earn a perfect 4.0 GPA for the semester while completing at least 12 hours of GPA course credit.

Local students graduate from Harding University

SEARCY, Ark. — More than 700 students received diplomas and were recognized as Harding University graduates during the Spring 2024 commencement ceremony on May 4, 2024.

- Maxime Faure of Vinemont received a Master of Business Administration in management and business ethics

- Gracie Hamlett of Falkville received a Bachelor of Arts in elementary education

University President Mike Williams recognized the candidates as they were recommended by the faculty for graduation.

The following students are among more than 1,300 Harding University students recognized for their academic excellence from grades achieved during the spring 2024 semester.

- Addie Echols of Cullman is a Junior studying public relations. Echols has been named to the Dean's List.

- Gracie Hamlett of Falkville is a Senior studying elementary education. Hamlett has been named to the Dean's List.

The Dean's List is published each semester by Dr. Marty Spears, University provost, honoring those who have achieved high scholarship. To be eligible, a student must be carrying 12 or more hours with a 3.65 or higher grade-point average and no incompletes.

University of Mississippi announces Spring 2024 Chancellor's Honor Roll

UNIVERSITY, Miss. — The University of Mississippi announced students named to the Spring 2024 Honor Roll lists.

The Chancellor's Honor Roll is reserved for students who earn a semester GPA of 3.75-4.00:

- Alexander Brooks, of Arab, majoring in Mechanical Engineering, was named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll

- Eli Keel, of Falkville, majoring in Public Policy Leadership, was named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll

- Sydney Sweet, of Cullman, majoring in Communication Sciences/Disorders, was named to the Chancellor's Honor Roll

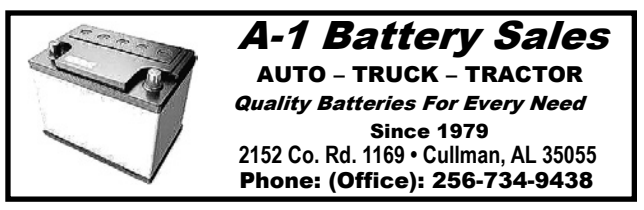
"The remarkable students achieving Chancellor's Honor Roll are among the best and brightest at the University of Mississippi," Chancellor Glenn Boyce said. "I commend them for their hard work and dedication resulting in their outstanding academic achievements and this well-deserved recognition."

To be eligible for honor roll designation, a student must have completed at least 12 graded hours for the semester and may not be on academic probation during the semester.

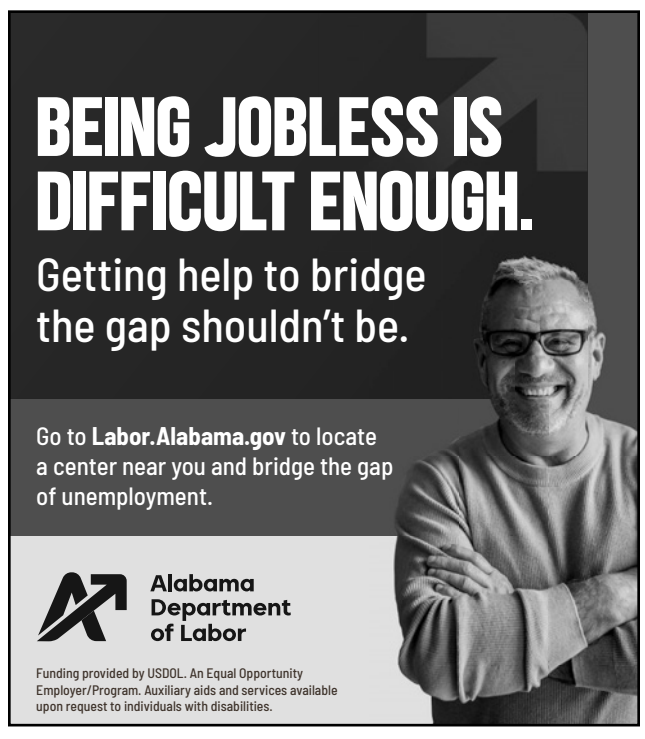
UMGC students named to Dean's List

ADELPHI, Md. — More than 15,000 University of Maryland Global Campus students were named to the Dean's List for the spring 2024 term. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at UMGC.

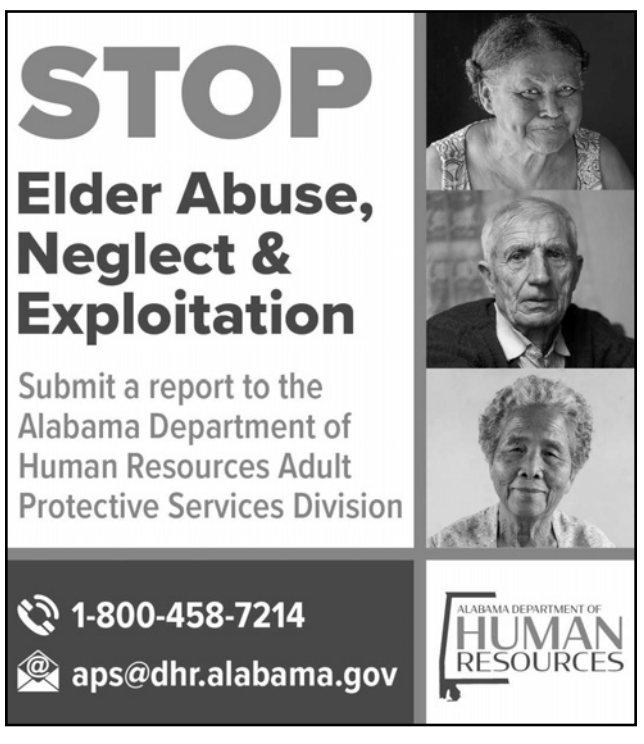
The following students in the area earned the honors:
- Kristin Jarvis, Blountsville
- Melinda Tollberg, Arab







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Baileyton Bargain Days
First 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.
• Sunday, June 9 - 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.
• Sunday, June 9 – 5 p.m. Healing Service, Miracles, Signs, and Wonders to those who believe
• Saturday, June 15 9-11 a.m. Drive-through food bank

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.

Mopars by the Lake
Saturday, June 8, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at Sportsman Lake Park in Cullman. Car show (Mopar powered only!), live music, food, fellowship. All proceeds benefit Secret Meals for Hungry Children. For more details, visit https://tinyurl.com/PentestarSouth.

Cullman Chapter of The National Association of Retired and Active Federal Employees Meeting
Monday, June 10, at 11 a.m. at Golden Corral Buffet in Cullman. Dutch lunch at 11 and meeting at noon. Rita Black is in charge of our meeting agenda of challenging mind games. Members and nonmembers welcome.

Vacation Bible School at Mt. Nebo Baptist
Ever wish your kids could go to an old-time vacation Bible school? Here is the chance. Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, 11 County Road 1273, Cullman, Alabama 35055, June 10-14, from 6-8:30 p.m. Meal served each night. Special needs welcomed with guardian. Babies through teens. Any questions, call Joan Roy at 256-590-2020.

Swamp John's at St. Andrews Methodist Church
Tuesday, June 11, from 4-7 p.m. Plates are $15. Proceeds to benefit the Committee for Church Corporation. For more information call Doyle Jones at 901-482-5500.

North Alabama Agriplex Board Meeting
Friday, June 14, at noon at The Heritage Center, 1714 Tally Ho St., Cullman.

Bates Reunion
Saturday, June 15, at 10 a.m. at the Trimble Community Center.

Cullman County Sports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony and Banquet
Saturday, July 20, at Stone Bridge Farms. Tickets can be purchased at First Southern Financial, 1622 Second Ave. SW, Cullman, phone 256-737-5120 or call Jackie Satterfield at 256-636-4445. Tickets are $20 each and no tickets will be sold after July 17.

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Alabama selected for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Medicaid Demonstration Program

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Alabama is one of 10 states selected for the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) Medicaid Demonstration Program by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in partnership with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Thanks to this opportunity, Alabama's behavioral healthcare system will begin its transition to the CCBHC business model.

"Our department has set a bold vision. One day, every Alabamian in all counties will have access to 24/7 mental health and substance use treatment and live a full life in the community," said Alabama Department of Mental Health Commissioner Kimberly Boswell, "Receiving this grant and the opportunity to expand our work on the CCBHC Model is a major step toward this vision."

The Alabama Department of Mental Health (ADMH) and community mental health providers' participation exhibits a continuous commitment to improving and expanding a robust system of behavioral health care across the state. The program approval follows development of state-level infrastructure led by the Department and collaboration with providers to meet CCBHC standards.

The CCBHC Medicaid Demonstration Program will enable states to prepare community mental health centers to expand to the CCBHC model. The Program provides the awarded states with sustainable funding to increase access to mental health and substance use treatment through Certified Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs).

Nationally, Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) are providing an estimated three million people with mental health and substance use treatment and care, with 79% of clinics serving more people after becoming a CCBHC, according to the 2024 CCBHC Impact Report. States that have successfully implemented the CCBHC Model are seeing improvements in 24/7 access to quality care, workforce capacity, and improved patient outcomes.

CCBHCs offer a comprehensive range of mental health and substance use disorder services, ensuring accessibility for all individuals seeking care, regardless of their ability to pay or place of residence. CCBHCs integrate mental health and substance use treatment with physical health care, adhere to rigorous quality and accountability standards, and work to remove barriers to treatment. Benefits also include but not limited to reducing homelessness and decreasing diversion to hospitalization. The model also increases the availability of crisis intervention services. This initiative builds on the ADMH Alabama Crisis System of Care, which includes crisis services throughout the state.

For more information about CCHBCs in Alabama, contact Shalandra Rogers, CCBHC state project director.

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Program (from Front)

attendees; an entry form for the library's youth writing contest for students in Kindergarten-12th grade was also distributed. Keeping with this summer's library theme ("Adventure Starts at the Library"), contestants are asked to write a short story between 50-500 words about a summertime adventure. Submissions for the writing contest will be evaluated by guest judges, with the competition broken into age divisions. The winners will receive a certificate and a gift from the Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County.

The library also has an adult reading program happening during June and July. Simply log all the books read in that time period on the Adult Reading Challenge log, write a short review and turn the log in at the library.

Reading logs are due July 31. Submissions will be placed in a drawing for a generous gift provided by The Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County.

"We are so grateful for the support we received and we are very excited to promote the continuation of reading during the summer for students of all ages," Creekmore shared. "We also want to encourage those who were not able to join us for kickoff to still participate in library programs throughout the summer."

The library will host special programs on Monday and Wednesday through July. Reading logs and materials will be available at the library's circulation desk throughout the summer.

The Cullman County Public Library main branch is located at 200 Clark St. NE, Cullman.

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who have relied on her in many different ways," said Beverly Jenkins, Good Hope Elementary principal.

"She meets those needs daily because she puts her students' needs first no matter the extra time it may take."

Each teacher and staff member of the month receives a $100 gift card.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Pictured left to right are Dr. Wes Black, West Point High School principal; Michael Lindsey, West Point Elementary School principal; Ava Burns, AmFirst Cullman teller; Beverly Cochran, AmFirst regional development coordinator; Sandra Tucker; Mack Tucker, AmFirst Staff Member of the Month; Dr. Shane Barnette, Cullman County Schools superintendent; and Mike Jones, West Point Intermediate School principal.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Pictured left to right are Ava Burns, AmFirst Cullman teller; Beverly Cochran, AmFirst regional development coordinator; Sarah Bagwell, AmFirst Teacher of the Month; Beverly Jenkins, Good Hope Elementary School principal; and Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette.

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PREP CHEER

'I will always remember our community': Good Hope's Kailey White recaps Raider career

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — In this interview, I spoke with Good Hope senior cheerleader Kailey White. White enjoyed her cheer career with the Raiders and she shared some of her favorite memories and talked about what it was like to be on the sideline and cheer with some amazing teammates.

"Some of my favorites would have to be when we played pranks on each other at Disney this year, working with young athletes at our clinics and VCA, and getting to be on the sidelines every Friday night," White said. "It was and continues to feel like a family. They all really have grown to feel like my sisters. All the girls have been so encouraging of each other, and we all get along with each other really well. I'm really lucky to have been with the girls I've been with over the years."

White took away so much from that experience and was blessed to get to cheer under head coach Brandy Lowe.

"Well, cheering is a year-round thing. We get about two weeks after Nationals until it's time for tryouts for the next year, so I've definitely had to learn how to manage my time and keep pushing when I'm tired, but I've learned so much about life, people, and myself the past four years. Mrs. Lowe has been my coach since I was in seventh grade, and I'll never forget the life lessons she has taught me," White said. "She's the greatest. She is constantly thinking of how she can better prepare us for games, competitions, and the real-world stuff. She treats us like her own kids. She taught us how to work past our limits, and how to make the best of tough times. All of her cheerleaders, past and present, know that we can always call her, and she would just sit and talk to us about life. She has taught me so much, from how to handle hateful people, to how to get myself out of my comfort zone and have fun."

She will remember one very special thing about cheering at Good Hope and will deeply miss doing that next year. She also talked about some of her favorite high school memories.

"I will always remember our community. It's truly the best feeling in the world to be cheering, and you look up in the stands to see all the people standing and cheering, hugging each other and laughing. I'm really going to miss being able to look in the stands from the sideline or bleachers and just watch the crowd as the game ticks by. It was just incredible to me how many people come together to support Good Hope. When the girls kept advancing through the finals, our community really stepped up, and it just blew my mind at how many people loved our town and our team. Our friends, families, and coaches have invested so much into us, and I have loved being able to watch their effort be turned into priceless memories and experiences. Our community really is incredible, and I'm so thankful to be a part of it. My favorite high school memories would have to be Friday Night Lights, decorating the school for homecoming, being in class with my best friends, the lip sync battle, and dancing in the hall to the songs they play on the speakers."

Good Hope will always hold a special place in White's heart, and she had so many role models during her high school days.

"I feel like everyone has a place at Good Hope. There're so many ways to get involved, and so many amazing teachers who are encouraging, and are more than willing to listen to what you have to say. Our teachers and coaches really do love their students and their jobs, and it makes the environment amazing. I'll remember and miss the people I'm surrounded with at school. I'm going to miss being around the kids that I've grown up with and went through so much with, and being able to put a smile on someone's face if I knew they were having a rough day. School is a huge platform to be able to be kind to others, and treat them how Jesus would, and I'm always going to remember the times where I was able to do just that."

She added, "In school, my role models are my parents. They went to Good Hope together, and a lot of times if I meet someone who's been in our community for a while, I just tell them who my parents are.

"It usually leads to them telling me funny stories about my dad when he was young, or how sweet my mom always was. This really inspires me to make sure I'm always giving 100% effort in what I do, so that I can leave the legacy they have left. I want my teachers and classmates to remember me the way they've remembered my parents.

"My role models in cheer are a few of the girls I cheered with when I was an underclassman. They were seniors, and I have looked up to them for years. Not only were they great cheerleaders, but they were some of the sweetest, funniest, and determined people I know. They're wonderful leaders too."

White gave some advice to the students that will be starting high school in August, and talked about a life-changing experience that she had in high school that helped her out in a positive way.

"Be involved. I'm really going to miss being a part of all the things I've got to do over the years. The sports and clubs I've been a part of have given me some life-long best friends. Most of my favorite memories come from a sport or activity, and it's a great way to make school feel more like home," she said. "At the beginning of this school year, I was struggling with anxiety, and there were several days where I couldn't drive myself to school or sit in the classroom, so I would be stuck at home. Being alone made it worse, and it was honestly a really scary time. But my friends took such good care of me at that time. I had teachers Facetime me from class to make sure I was okay if I checked out of school. If I was starting to have an anxiety attack at school, my friends and classmates did so much to help me steady myself."



KAILEY WHITE
Good Hope's Kailey White

She added, "They gave me snacks, cold rags, cold water, distracted me, prayed for me, and just told me they cared and were going to be there for me. I've said it already, but the community is just wonderful. When I was going through that time, I felt so cared for at school, and it made a lot of the anxious feelings go away. Going through that time was definitely not fun, but seeing the way my friends and teachers stepped in made me realize that God really has blessed me with the friends I have prayed to have."

She was in several clubs in high school and enjoyed every second of that experience. White was surprised when she received a scholarship from the University of North Alabama and she says it's been one of the biggest blessings of her life.

"Over the years, I've been a part of cheer, track, National Honor Society, Leo Club, Diamond Dolls, FFA, and I'm president of our class. It was incredible. I learned how to hold myself accountable and work with others. It's been so much fun meeting and helping all kinds of people," she said.

"It was a huge surprise and blessing. I thought I was going to go to Wallace, then out of nowhere, I received the scholarship. I hadn't applied for any at UNA, then boom, I have my college paid for. It was definitely a God thing. At first, I was unsure about it, but after praying and thinking, I decided that if God opened that door for me, I need to walk through it, and live the life He is giving me. Now, I'm so thankful and excited for it."

White talked about what she wants people to remember about you and gave advice to the cheerleaders that want to be where she's at right now. She had a lot of younger eyes on her, whether it was in the classroom or on the sideline and became a great role model for so many younger kids.

"I hope people remember me as a kind and genuine person who always tries my best to represent our school well," she said. "You can't choose what happened to you, but you can choose how to react. There's been so many times where I felt too overwhelmed and scared, I wouldn't be able to keep up, but I kept doing the best I could and chose to have joy over it, instead of focusing on the negative. I also always used to reflect on how far I'd come and how much I admired the cheerleaders when I was little. It reminded me of why I did it and gave me motivation to be the girl I dreamed of being."

She added, "It's so important. The role models I had played such a big role in the activities I chose to do, the type of friends I have, and the classes I took. I think it's so important to be a leader and role model that is willing to hang out with younger kids and walk with them through life."

More than 100 WSCC student athletes named on ACCC Commissioner's Honor Roll

Wallace State
WSCC

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — More than 100 student athletes from all 12 sports teams at Wallace State Community College were recognized by the Alabama Community College Conference (ACCC) for academic achievement by being named to the Commissioner's Honor Roll for the Spring 2024 semester.

"These student-athletes and teams should be extremely proud of themselves, as they have balanced academics with practice and games," said Commissioner Dean Myrick.

"I am very proud of them, along with the faculty and staff at our amazing colleges for the work they do in preparing our student-athletes for life outside of athletics."

Additionally, eight Wallace State teams were recognized for collectively achieving a GPA of 3.0 or higher for the 2023-2024 academic year.

They include Men's Cross Country, Women's Cross Country, Men's Golf, Women's Golf, Softball, Men's Tennis, Women's Tennis and Volleyball.

"Congratulations to all of the students and the teams recognized," said Vice President for Students Kristen Holmes. "We love to see our athletes excel on the fields and courts on which they play and are exceptionally proud to see their outstanding performance in the classroom."

Individually, 105 students across 12 teams by achieved a GPA of 3.0 or higher to make the honor for the Spring 2024 semester. Students on the Commissioner's Honor Roll include:

Baseball: John Blackwood, Tucker Burns, Anddy Flores, Logan Green, Kevin Harris, Brayden Heaps, Jamie Howze, Alexandria Jackson, Elijah Jackson, James Mann, Cole Molina, Juan Morales, Kevin Murrah, Cole Peaslee, Mitchell Rhodes, David Riggs, Nash Rippen

Men's Basketball: Christian Thompson

Women's Basketball: Ella Collum, Emariah Grant, Audrey Stults, Kallie Tinker, Jaden Toney, Jaden Winfrey

Cheer: Raven Adams, Madison Crain, Blair Echols, Bailey Jefferson, Anneliese Kline, Alisha Knighten, Summer Miller, Victoria Ozio, Audri Patrick, Kloey Poe, Trinity Pointer, Krislyn Scroggins, Charlie Smith, Kylie Wells, Tatum West

Men's Cross Country: Zachariah Beauregard, Talan Franks, Brady Helms, James Holcombe, Luke Kennedy, Michael Maudsley, David Robles, Mason Worrell

Women's Cross Country: Jordan Backstrom, Claire Deaton, Rudi Derrick, Ivy Edge, Giselle Gibbs, Julia Gosline, Kendall Harbison, Amanda Leonardi, Alexis Valentine, Princess Watts, Madison Wright

Men's Golf: Alex Citron, Houston Hart, Zachary Lindeman, Joseph Vinyard, Dillan Wade

Women's Golf: Joanna Epes, Aidan Haithcock, Sarah Mooney, Isabella Warwick

Softball: Lily Boswell, Mary Cartron, Jadyn Foster, Emily Hall, Haley Hollyhand, McKinnon Howard, Brandy Phillips, Bayleigh Rouse, Amelia Sherrill, Emily Simon, Katie Simon, Jessie Taylor, Laura Wheeler, Tessa Word

Men's Tennis: Ferran Bonastre Taroncher, Elijah Chaney, Brett Foster, Jose Muñoz Mercado, Jace Moody, Pablo Ruben

Women's Tennis: Lilly Brown, Madison Files, Alexandra Luders, Anne Van Binsbergen, Natalia Vergara Campos

Volleyball: Zoey Benson, Jenna Berry, April Burgess, Addison Dunagan, Anna Holt, Anna Hutto, Chloe Jackson, Ryleigh Jones, Alicia Lindsey, Faith Parker, Adalyn Stewart, Amillia Tucker, Alexia Weber

Wallace State athletic teams own nine national championships and approximately 100 conference championships. Numerous student athletes have earned (National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) academic team of the year honors and hundreds have been named Academic All Americans. More than 100 student athletes have transferred to Division I colleges and the college can claim more than 40 professional athletes as alumni, including major league pitchers Craig Kimbrel and Derek Holland, PGA golfers Fredrick Jacobsen and Brett Wetterich and more. Numerous Wallace State coaches have been inducted into NJCAA, ACCC and community halls of fame.



Central Board selects Heath Harmon as next AHSAA Executive Director

AHSAA
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Oxford High School principal Heath Harmon was approved Thursday by the AHSAA Central Board of Control (CBOC) to become the sixth Executive Director of the Alabama High School Athletic Association. The board approved the hiring of Harmon at a special Central Board meeting Thursday.

The announcement was made by current AHSAA Central Board president Mike Welsh Thursday at a press conference held at the AHSAA office today.

Harmon, 49, will be taking over his new role as Executive Director officially in early July. Alvin Briggs, who has served as Executive Director since 2021, announced his plans to retire Sept. 1 earlier this spring.

"Mr. Heath Harmon is currently the principal at Oxford High School. He is a lifelong resident of Alabama and has previously served as a high school English and History teacher, assistant principal, and coach of multiple sports," said Welsh. "Mr. Harmon was head football coach at four of our member schools prior to entering the field of educational administration. He has proven to be an effective leader, and we are confident of his ability, excited about his enthusiasm, and look forward to working with him to lead our association into the future."

Harmon, who graduated from Munford High School in Talladega County, becomes just the sixth person to hold this position full time in AHSAA history. Cliff Harper was the first hired by the CBOC in 1948 and served until 1966. Herman L. "Bubba" Scott served in the position from 1966-1991. Dan Washburn then served from 1991-2007. Steve Savarese replaced Washburn in 2007 and has remained in the position for 15 years until retiring in 2021. Alvin Briggs, who announced his plans to retire effective September 1, has severed as executive director since 2021.

Sellers Stough of Birmingham served in in a part-time position as executive secretary-treasurer from 1921 to 1948.

"I am truly blessed to standing here," Harmon said to the full room of media on hand for the announcement. "Without the support of my wife Holley and my two children, I wouldn't be able to do the work that I do."

Harmon said he was appreciative of the search process by the Central Board and was thankful for the opportunity to have a chance to apply for the executive director position.

"I have had the opportunity to work with the AHSAA as a coach and administrator. It is one of the best organizations in the country," Harmon said.

"The AHSAA's long-standing tradition of serving member schools and support of education-based athletics is recognized locally as well as nationally. We are proud of our past and preparing for our future.

"I look forward to working with the Central Board of Control, the AHSAA staff, our member school principals, athletic directors, coaches, and officials from across the state. Together we will make sure the student-athletes in Alabama have a great experience participating in education-based athletics."

Harmon said he especially was grateful to the previous executive directors who took the time to be present at the announcement.

"I especially appreciate their support as we transition (to this new challenge in our lives)."

All five previous executive directors had a major impact nationally with Scott and Washburn serving as president of the National Federation of High School Associations (NFHS) Board of Directors. Savarese was elected president-elect in 2021 but chose to retire instead. Harper (1987), Scott (1990) and Washburn (2011) have been inducted into the National High School Sports Hall of Fame. Savarese will be eligible to be selected beginning this fall.

Briggs was the first person selected for executive director who was already working on the AHSAA executive staff, and he was the first black executive director in the AHSAA's 104-year history.

Washburn, Savarese and Briggs were all on the front row for the Harmons' announcement. Also attending the press conference was Susan Scott Carothers, granddaughter of Mr. Scott and host of AHSAA TV Weekly.

Harmon is a school leader known for his strong character and faith. He has been an educator for 27 years – serving as a teacher, coach, athletic director, instructional partner, and currently as principal at Oxford High School.

Those who know him best describe Harmon and his wife Holley, a graduate of Gaston High School in Etowah County, as believers in Faith, Family, and Community. She too is an educator and school administrator.

Harmon holds a B.S. in Secondary Education, English and history from Jacksonville State University, and a M.A. in Secondary Education, English and Educational Leadership from the University of Alabama, an Educational Specialist degree from the University of Alabama. He is also a graduate of the 2023 Alabama Superintendents Leadership Academy.



DAVID HOLTSFORD/AHSAA
Heath Harmon was named the sixth AHSAA Executive Director at Thursday's press conference

Much like the AHSAA's previous executive directors, Harmon is a staunch believer in the values learned from education-based athletics. In May of 2023, he opened his school's doors to the Athens High School softball team which was competing in the AHSAA State softball championships at nearby Chococolocco Park on the night of their seniors' graduation.

The seniors received their diplomas that night in a ceremony held at Oxford High School Sports Arena with the AHSAA's Alvin Briggs on hand with Athens High School Athletic Director Linda Moore to present the diplomas to the graduating seniors as their families watched with pride.

He has been described as a hands-on administrator who is passionate about learning and all that it entails.

Harmon and his wife have two children, daughter Halaya, and son Hudson. Both graduated from Oxford High School. Their daughter graduated from Auburn University in 2023, and their son is currently a student at AU.

Welsh praised the Central Board's efforts in the search for the AHSAA's next leader.

"I especially thank our senior board member, Mr. Luke Hallmark, for chairing the search committee and working tirelessly to develop and implement the search process."

CLEAN SWEEP: Jackson Koivun wins 2024 Jack Nicklaus Award

Tucker Cleverdon
AU Athletics

NORMAN, Okla. — Auburn men's golf freshman Jackson Koivun adds one final award to his resume this season as he was named the recipient of the 2024 Jack Nicklaus Award presented by Workday, the GCAA and Golf Channel announced Monday.

Koivun is the first player in the history of the sport to sweep the three national player of the year awards — the Haskins, the Hogan and the Nicklaus — and the Phil Mickelson Outstanding Freshman Award in the same season.

He is just the eighth player to sweep the three national golfer of the year awards, joining Ludvig Åberg (2023, Texas Tech), John Pak (2021, Florida State), Sahith Theegala (2020, Pepperdine), Patrick Rodgers (2014, Stanford), Ryan Moore (2005, UNLV), Bill Haas (2004, Wake Forest) and Hunter Mahan (2003, Oklahoma State).

As the 2024 Nicklaus winner, Koivun earns a spot in this week's Memorial Tournament on the PGA Tour. Set for Thursday, June 6 – Sunday, June 9, the event will be played at Muirfield Village Golf Club in Dublin, Ohio.

This season, First-Team All-American Koivun became the first player in program history to finish the year with a sub-70 stroke average at 69.48.

Koivun also smashed the Auburn single-season records for top-10 finishes (12), rounds below par (28) and birdies made (176). In 13 starts, he finished outside the top six just once.

After capturing the SEC Individual Title by six shots, Koivun was voted the SEC Freshman and Player of the Year, becoming the third man in conference history to earn both at the same time.

The Chapel Hill, North Carolina native went on to finish runner up at his first NCAA Championship and went 3-0 in match play at the Omni La Costa Champions Course to lead the program to its first ever national championship.

The Nicklaus Award is named for the Big Ten and NCAA Champion who helped inspire and create the honor in 1988. The award is presented to the national player of the year in NCAA Divisions I, II and III, as well as NAIA and NJCAA.


ZACH BLAND/AU ATHLETICS
Auburn freshman Jackson Koivun won this year's Jack Nicklaus Award.

Plans for Alabama Basketball Training & Player Development Facility expansion and renovation announced

UA Athletics
Contributor

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — Alabama Athletics has formally proposed a Coleman Coliseum Basketball Training & Player Development Facility Expansion and Renovation, which is pending approval from the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees. The Board's Physical Properties Committee today recommended Stage I and II approval.

The proposed project consists of a 48,000 square-foot expansion on the southeast corner of Coleman Coliseum while renovating approximately 19,000 square feet of existing team space. Within that footprint, men's and women's basketball will have their own respective practice facilities and weight rooms along with player development areas for both teams, locker rooms, lounges, film rooms, equipment room, sports medicine spaces and offices.

All projects are subject to approval of the University of Alabama System Board of Trustees, presidential approval and fundraising success.

Quotes

"The Coleman Coliseum Basketball Training & Player Development Facility Expansion and Renovation will have an incredible impact on our basketball programs. We are extremely appreciative of the Board of Trustees, Interim Chancellor Trant and President Bell for consideration and are grateful to our donors who have supported this project. This facility is where our basketball programs will spend the majority of their time, and the project will address immediate, high-priority needs for both teams by creating an optimal space for practice and development."

- Alabama Director of Athletics Greg Byrne

"As a program, we spend a majority of our time in the practice gym, the weight room and studying film, so the potential for us to have a new and expanded space for our student-athletes to develop is big for our program. We have tremendous support from our administration, which has played a role in our success, and I want to thank the Board of Trustees, Interim Chancellor Trant and President Bell as well as Greg Byrne and Shane Lyons for bringing this forward. I'd also like to thank our donors and fans for all they do for us."

- Alabama Men's Basketball Head Coach Nate Oats

"The potential for us to move all of our day-to-day operations to Coleman Coliseum with this new training & player development space is a game-changer for our program, and we appreciate the Board of Trustees, Interim Chancellor Trant and President Bell for the consideration. The vision and belief of Greg Byrne, Dr. Karin Lee and all of our administration continues to be second to none, as is the support of our donors and fans. We are excited to see what's to come for the future of Alabama Basketball."

- Alabama Women's Basketball Head Coach Kristy Curry

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Show (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The 3Sixty Jeep Club is bringing a special Father's Day delivery to the residents of Hanceville Nursing & Rehab. At 1 p.m. on Saturday, June 15, jeepers will roll up to the facility in style, and put their jacked up Jeeps and automobiles on display. The goal is to bring out the young at heart while giving the residents a new reason to smile.

"We are doing it for the residents," said Summer Shaddix, one of the event organizers. "We want to make their day brighter."

Shaddix asks that the public bring small rubber ducks for the residents to award to their favorite Jeeps, sharing the Jeep club culture with a new generation.

"If you are bringing a Jeep, maybe bring extra ducks, give the residents something to smile about," said Shaddix.

The passing of a rubber duck is a massive compliment in the Jeep world. Known as "duck-duck-Jeep," the quirky tradition began as a way to share a smile and say, "Cool Jeep!" Jeep owners display their ducks all over their vehicles as a banner of pride.

The car show is free to attend and enter and not just limited to Jeeps within the club; all vehicles are welcome at the show: classic, muscle, vintage or otherwise. The club does ask that interested participants register online before the show to ensure an available spot. Due to lot size and parking restrictions, a headcount is needed to make sure the show doesn't impede traffic for the facility and its residents ' families. All participants in the show must arrive before 1 p.m. to locate their designated spot. For more information on the Father's Day Car Show, contact 3Sixty Jeep Club on Facebook.



COLUMN

Weather - or not

Joe Hobby
Contributor

"Hey Google! What's the weather forecast for today?" Those are my waking words each and every morning. And during the course of the day, it's a sure bet that one of us in our household will ask Google the same question again, just in case the forecast has changed. For example, I will not only check to see if it's going to rain, but then I'll turn on the Weather Channel to see when it's going to rain, how long it's expected to rain and where they expect the heaviest rain. Strangely, my activity as an unofficial weatherman drives my children nuts. It's like pouring lemon juice on a paper cut. I have no idea why this bugs them so.

But it does. It has even caused some fairly intense family disagreements. Their argument is always the same. "Why do y'all check the weather all the time? Why is it so important? You can't control it. You can't do one thing about it! You're just obsessed!" Such a Gen Z statement. By the way, I can do something about it - like turn my windshield washers on. And maybe they should talk to the people who didn't check the weather before Snowmageddon, and spent the night in their cars on the interstate.

What they don't understand is that not only is being weather aware a good thing, our tendency to check it is probably inherited from our ancestors. In the past, people didn't have iPhones with live Doppler radar (whatever that is). So, they had to use primitive methods to forecast, which meant constantly checking the environment around them. Ever heard, "Red sky at morning, sailor take warning?" Some folks used their arthritic bones to tell them of a change in the weather. Seeing cows lay down meant a bad storm was on the way. Even I used to get headaches 24 hours before a downpour. I always said, "When my brain's in pain, we're gonna get rain."

My mom was a champion weather checker. If the TV meteorologist predicted a low below 45 degrees, she would be sure to say, "Don't go outside without a coat! You'll catch your death of cold." And depending on the anticipated temperature for Halloween night, she reserved the right to make me wear a jacket over my costume when I went trick or treating. I hated that. I never saw Batman wearing a parka. So, our obsession with weather has some logic and history behind it.

Why is it some Gen Z'ers don't understand that weather requires us to make constant adjustments? Umbrellas, clothing, tee times on a golf course, when to cut the grass and even driving are affected by the environment around us. Don't believe me? Try putting a on sweatshirt in August or a tank top in February.

Those weather haters should also consider that they are in the minority. Weather is important enough that movies use it in their plots. Ever watch "White Christmas?" And hundreds of songs have been written about it. From "Here Comes the Sun" to "Have You Ever Seen The Rain?" the titles flow. Others include:

"Baby, It's Cold Outside"
"Riders on the Storm"
"Against the Wind"
"Heat Wave"
"Rock You Like a Hurricane"
"Stormy Weather"
"Kentucky Rain"
"Mr. Blue Sky"

The list is almost endless. Some of these songs go back a long time, and believe it or not, even Taylor Swift has a few songs about rain. Perhaps it's always been normal for people to be aware of the weather.

So, the next time one of my kids beats me up about my meteorological fixation, I'll counter with something like, "Why are we even arguing about this? If it bothers you so much, then you're the one with the problem. And why do you constantly check your iPhone every waking minute?" Is it worth ignoring the person you're with just to see if you got a "like" on the video you posted of a cat chasing a laser pointer? Maybe you should look at your screen time each day before you talk about anyone being obsessed."

Then I'll turn on the Weather Channel, or pick up my phone and check the Doppler radar – whatever that is.

Joe Hobby is a barbecue-loving comedian from Alabama who wrote for Jay Leno for many years. Find more of Joe's stories on his blog: https://mylifeasahobby.blogspot.com. Follow him on Facebook at Joe Hobby Comedian-Writer.



IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JANE GREGG BEAVERS, * **CASE NO.: PC2024-164**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to MITCH KORNEGAY, as Administrator of the Estate of JANE GREGG BEAVERS, deceased, on the 30th day of May, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to ALVIN PEINHARDT and MARY JO LAKIN, as Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of WILLIAM CARL PEINHARDT, deceased, on the 6th day of June, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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

ALVIN PEINHARDT and MARY JO LAKIN
Co-Personal Representatives

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

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

Tammy Brown
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

DYER ROY,)
DYER TERESA,)
Plaintiffs,)
)
V.) Case No.: CV-2023-900290.00
)
HILL LARRY DON,)
BARRY WILLINGHAM,)
Defendants.)

Order of Publication and Notice of Pendency of Suit

TO: ANY AND ALL PERSONS, HEIRS OR DEVISEES OF DEFENDANT LARRY DON HILL claiming any right, title and interest to the following described real property, to-wit:
Parcel # 07-09-31-0-000-002.002.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 5TH day of October 2023, a Complaint in Rem to Quiet Title and Foreclose the Right to Redeem was filed by Plaintiffs Roy Dyer and Teresa Dyer, by and through their counsel of record, Seth B. Thompson, wherein all parties at interest were given notice and wherein it was alleged that said Complaint was filed against the property described above, and it was alleged that Plaintiffs were entitled to a deed to the subject property and to foreclose the right to redeem of Larry Don Hill.

The parties at interest are further notified that Plaintiffs aver in said Complaint that they claim title to the real property by reason of the following, to wit:

On May 28, 2020, Plaintiffs received a Tax Lien Certificate of Purchase from the Revenue Commissioner of Cullman County after Plaintiffs paid the tax amount, interest, and fees for the amount of taxes owed on Parcel Number 07-09-31-0-000-002.002. Plaintiffs received subsequent Certificates of Purchase from tax lien sales conducted by Revenue Commissioner Barry Willingham on May 4, 2021, May 3, 2022 and May 2, 2023.

YOU ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to answer this Complaint on or before thirty (30) days from the 10th day of June, 2024, or on failure to do so, suffer a default judgment to be rendered against you.

DONE this 11th day of April, 2024.

/s/ MARTHA E. WILLIAMS
CIRCUIT JUDGE





Protect yourself from tick bites – and what to do if you're bitten

Dr. Scott Harris
ADPH



ADPH

A clever and effective public service message I recently saw advises "don't get ticked" when outdoors, and with good reason. Tick-borne diseases and illnesses have been on the rise nationally and in Alabama, and several tick species found in the state carry illness-causing bacteria.

Alabama Senate Joint Resolution 85 proclaims June 2024 as Tick-borne Disease and Illness Awareness Month in Alabama.

The resolution states that these illnesses are often misdiagnosed because the symptoms of Lyme disease and other tick-borne illnesses are similar to flu and cold symptoms. Researchers have also identified emerging threats from ticks including illnesses in humans which were previously believed only to infect animals.

The resolution states that the best prevention is through encouraging awareness of the symptoms and variety of diseases and illnesses that ticks carry.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the most common symptoms of tick-related illnesses include the following:

• Fever/chills. All tick-borne diseases can cause fever.

• Aches and pains. tick-borne diseases can cause headache, fatigue and muscle aches. People with Lyme disease may also have joint pain.

• Rash. Lyme disease, Southern tick-associated rash illness (STARI), Rocky Mountain spotted fever (RMSF), ehrlichiosis and tularemia can cause distinctive rashes.

To prevent tick bites on people, the CDC recommends:

Before you go outdoors

• Know where to expect ticks. Ticks live in grassy, brushy or wooded areas, or even on animals. Spending time outside walking your dog, camping, gardening or hunting could bring you in close contact with ticks. Many people get ticks in their own yard or neighborhood.

• Treat clothing and gear with products containing 0.5% permethrin. Permethrin can be used to treat boots, clothing and camping gear and remain protective through several washings. Alternatively, you can buy permethrin-treated clothing and gear.

• Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents containing DEET, picaridin, IR3535, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (OLE), para-menthane-diol (PMD) or 2-undecanone. EPA's helpful search tool can help you find the product that best suits your needs. Always follow product instructions. Do not use products containing OLE or PMD on children under 3 years old.

• Avoid contact with ticks. Avoid wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter. Walk in the center of trails.

After you come indoors

• Check your clothing for ticks. Ticks may be carried into the house on clothing. Any ticks that are found should be removed. Tumble dry clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill ticks on dry clothing after you come indoors. If the clothes are damp, additional time may be needed. If the clothes require washing first, hot water is recommended. Cold and medium temperature water will not kill ticks.

• Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later, so carefully examine pets, coats and daypacks.

• Shower soon after being outdoors. Showering within two hours of coming indoors has been shown to reduce your risk of getting Lyme disease and may be effective in reducing the risk of other tick-borne diseases. Showering may help wash off unattached ticks and it is a good opportunity to do a tick check.

• Check your body for ticks after being outdoors. Conduct a full body check upon return from potentially tick-infested areas, including your own backyard. Use a hand-held or full-length mirror to view all parts of your body. Check these parts of your body and your child's body for ticks:

• Under the arms

• In and around the ears

• Inside belly button

• Back of the knees

• In and around the hair

• Between the legs

• Around the waist

If you find a tick attached to your skin, remove the tick as soon as possible.

• There are several tick removal devices on the market, but a plain set of fine-tipped tweezers works very well.

• If you develop a rash or fever within several days to weeks after removing a tick, see your healthcare provider.

The CDC has developed the Tick Bite Bot (www.cdc.gov/ticks/communication-resources/tick-bite-bot-1.html), which is an interactive tool to assist individuals on removing attached ticks and determining when to seek healthcare, if appropriate, after a tick bite.

Don't avoid the outdoors. By being aware of the necessary precautions and actions needed, you and your family can make the most of the warm June days. Additional information is available at https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/tick/index.html.



THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
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ACES: Operation Grow for Military Veterans

Ayanava Majumdar
Contributor

Operation Grow, in partnership with the Alabama Department of AG and Industries, provides special emphasis on the training needs of military veterans interested in agriculture for health and employment benefits. Alabama Beginning Farmer is led by the Alabama Extension commercial horticulture team. Overall, Operation Grow supports grassroots educational and networking efforts that are inclusive of all veterans and their families with universal access to information and resources.

Major objectives

Training – Network – Support for veteran farms
Training. Provide a three-step farm planning support system to military veterans interested in farming using hands-on, on-farm, and digital media-based training (integrate technical, experiential, and social learning for veteran-owned farms).

Network with other veteran support agencies and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) for extending current knowledge base and assess future needs.

Sustainable support for veteran farmers with localized multi-agency collaboration to increase farming success. Very soon, beginning veteran farmers may also loan farm equipment as part of the support services.

Want to learn more about Operation Grow? Check out the Alabama Extension publication, "Operation Grow for Beginning Veteran Farmers 2023 Annual Report." (www.aces.edu/blog/topics/farming/operation-grow-for-beginning-veteran-farmers-annual-report)

Basic registration
To register for Operation Grow, go to https://auburn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_71aVGZDbxVNKRBs.

If you are a military veteran and interested in establishing a training schedule in your county, contact a commercial horticulture regional Extension agent or county coordinator. Use the Farming Basics mobile app to locate your county-based contacts easily and to connect to a vast array of digital and social media resources such as the Farming Basics online course, a crop, insect, disease, and weed database, as well as social media tools.

For more information on the Alabama Beginning Farmer Program, visit www.AlabamaBeginningFarmer.com. Typically, several personnel from non-governmental organizations, state agencies like Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farm Service Agency (FSA), and Extension educators form the local support network for new producers. See Where to Start: A Basic Program Resource Guide for Beginning Farmers for information about technical assistance providers (NGO collaborators) for on-farm assistance with loans and certifications.

Operation Grow Hardware & Equipment Loan Program (OG-HELP)
The Operation Grow Hardware and Equipment Loan Program (OG-HELP) provides farm equipment to designated Alabama counties to offset the upstart cost of agriculture. Equipment will be owned and maintained by the OG-HELP Implementation Team and housed at either a Research & Extension Center or a County Office. Beginning veteran farmers may schedule and return equipment upon agreement, allowing for a sharing/cost-cutting system.

- Hands-on training
- Demonstrations
- Affordable loaning
- Expert advice

Support Operation Grow
The work of Operation Grow would not be possible without the support of people like you. Please consider making a donation so this important work can continue.

Donations can be made through the Alabama Extension Store at https://tinyurl.com/OPGSACES. To make a donation, navigate to "Donations & Sponsorships" and then to "Donate to or Sponsor a Program at Alabama Extension." After entering the amount you wish to donate, click "Add To Cart." You will then need to complete a form with the following information:

- Purpose: Operation Grow
- Name of Extension contact: Ayanava Majumdar
- Email address of contact: azm0024@auburn.edu

Click "Continue" and then click "Checkout" to make the payment via a credit card.

Project coordination
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Thank you to the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries, the Alabama Department of Veteran Affairs and the Alabama Indian Affairs Commission, as well as USDA-NIFA, USDA SARE, CPPM/Extension IPM grants for supporting the Alabama Beginning Farmer Program and the Operation Grow project efforts. These efforts have reached over 450 producers directly and many others indirectly making a deep impact on the Alabama's economy.

Obituary Announcements: June 6-7

Betty Ryan Bullard, age 88, of Cullman
Funeral service for Betty Ryan Bullard, age 88, of Cullman, will be Saturday, June 8, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home chapel, with Bro. Tim Sutton and Bro. Billy Randolph officiating. Visitation will be held Saturday, June 8, 2024, from noon - 2 p.m. at the funeral home and interment will be at Cullman City Cemetery. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Betty was born Oct. 1, 1935, to George Baxter "Doc" Ryan and Bertie Belva Brown Ryan. She passed from this life peacefully at her home surrounded by her family on Thursday, June 6, 2024. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers; Clyde Ryan, Calvin Ryan, Martin Ryan, Glenn Ryan, and Charles Ryan; sister, Edith Ryan Goodner; son-in-law, David Hartsell. She is survived by her husband of 69 years, Doyle Bullard; son, Benjamin Bullard; daughters, Belinda Hartsell (Barry Mason), Marcia Sutton, Emily McClellan (Jack); grandchildren, Lara Beth Baswell, Holly Johnson, Melanie Basham, Brad Hartsell, Katie Jean Richardson, Andrew Bullard, Morgan Rae Cavender, Madison Sutton, Mary Ryan McClellan, Clark McClellan; and 12 great-grandchildren. Flowers are much appreciated or if you so choose, feel free to make donations in her honor to Betty's favorite charity, St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Please visit www.cullmanfuneralhome.com to sign the online guestbook.

Mary Ellen Freeman -Jones, age 93 of Cullman
Funeral Service for Mary Ellen Freeman -Jones, age 93 of Cullman, will be at noon on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Kerry Cleghorn and Rev. Delbert Freeman officiating. Burial will be at Logan Baptist Cemetery. Visitation will be from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday, June 8, 2024, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Mrs. Jones passed away on Thursday, June 6, 2024. She was born Saturday, Aug. 9, 1930, to D.P. McAfee and Willie Belle Jobe. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband and father of her children, Millard J Freeman; husband, J. Paul Jones. Survivors include her son, Delbert (Sabre) Freeman; daughter, Betty (Rodney) Kinney; grandchildren, Shannon (Robert) Malone, Shawn (Kim) Striker, Caleb (Amanda) Freeman, Joshua Freeman, Jonathan (Summer) Freeman, 19 great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Freeman is a Cullman High School Alumni Class of 1948 and grew up, lived and taught school until 1985 in the Logan Community. She enjoyed many years in the ministry at 7th Street Baptist Church where she enjoyed teaching Sunday School for 26 years. She also enjoyed staying fit at the Donald Green Center with friends. She was a resident at Westminster Assisted living for seven years and also Woodland Village Nursing Home for several months. Mrs. Freeman Attended college at University of Alabama, UAB, St. Bernard and graduated with a Master's in English Education. Mrs. Jones was employed by Cullman County Schools 1st - 9th grade mostly Jr. High and was employed for 30 plus years, also she was a cheerleading sponsor. Mrs. Jones then moved to Wallace State Community College to teach English. Her hobbies included, gardening, cooking and staying fit. Mrs. Jones will truly be missed and was loved by so many family and friends. The family would like to thank her church family at 7th Street Baptist Church. The dedicated and loving staff of both Westminster assisted Living and Woodland Village. Family would also like to express a heartfelt appreciation for the care provided by the staff of Hospice of Cullman County. A special thanks to John McKoy and Kerry Cleghorn for providing pastoral care to our mother during her time of illness.

Timothy Gilmore, 64, of Cullman
Funeral services for Timothy Gilmore, 64, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m. Saturday June 8, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow the service at Croft-Acton Cemetery in Birmingham, Alabama. Bro. Will Sutton will be officiating services. Visitation will be on Saturday prior to the service from noon until 2 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Gilmore was born March 30, 1960, in Jefferson County, Alabama. He passed away June 1, 2024, at his residence in Cullman. Alabama. Survivors include his wife, Sylvia A. Gilmore; siblings, Teresa G. Lovell, Terry C Gilmore, Tracey G. Turner (Chris); brother-in-law, Jackie Lovell; and a host of nieces and nephews. Mr. Gilmore was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Hazel Gilmore.

Billy Ray Nunnelley, age 70, of Cullman
Billy Ray Nunnelley, age 70 of Cullman, Alabama passed away June 6, 2024. There will be a visitation held in the moss funeral home chapel on June 10, 2024, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. with a graveside service to follow at Concord Cemetery in Fairview, officiated by Jeremy Oden. Mr. Nunnelley was born May 14, 1954, to Bonnie Nell Rusk and James Lee Nunnelley. Billy is preceded in death by his parents, brothers Jimmy Lee Nunnelley and Rodger Dale Nunnelley, and son Jeremy Scott Nunnelley. He is survived by his wife Jeanette Nunnelley, sons Jacky Lee, Jeremy "Nicole" "Wggins" Nunnelley, Josh Dewayne "Brandi," and three grandchildren Ethan Wiggins, Ethyn Yancy and Kaylee Yancy. Billy will be remembered for his love of fishing and riding his John Deer lawnmower. He lived for his family and was a loving husband, father, brother, son, and grandfather.

Ronald 'Ron' Marce Huffman, age 76, of Cullman
Ronald "Ron" Marce Huffman, a devoted follower of Christ, beloved husband, father, and grandfather, peacefully passed away surrounded by family on the morning of May 30 at the age of 76. Ronald was born Aug. 18, 1947, in Cullman, Alabama, to Jack and Mamie Huffman. On Oct. 9, 1982 (41 years), he married Deanna Huffman, and together they built a life filled with love, laughter, and unwavering devotion. Throughout Ron's cancer journey over the past three years, Deanna stood by his side, providing incredible strength and excellent care. Ron's children, Danielle (Michael) Reed, Ashley Cook, and Nicholas (Shaheen) Huffman , will forever cherish the memories of his unwavering support and unconditional love. As a grandfather, Ron found immense joy in the laughter and happiness of his grandchildren: Tucker Huffman Burnette, Tarver Cook, Laeton Reed, Trystan Reed, Case Reed, Lake Reed, and his only granddaughter that could always bring a smile to his face Zaviyah Huffman . Other family members that will continue to cherish memories of Ron include: Charlene Kimbrell, his mother-in-law, Ann Wilbanks his sister, John and Christye Kingston his brother in-law and sister in-law, as well as many nieces and nephews. Ron was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Mamie Huffman, his sister Faye Edgemon, his in-laws Jimmy and Charlotte Skillington, his father-in-law Dean Kimbrell, and brother-in-law Kenneth Kimbrell. In addition to his roles within his family, Ron enjoyed golf, fishing, and Alabama football. An accomplished golfer, he achieved four hole-in-ones in his lifetime. Whether on the green, by the water, or cheering on a touchdown, Ron's contagious joy often filled the air with laughter. Professionally, Ron was a successful salesman and entrepreneur. His love for people provided him with the opportunity to build many friendships throughout his career. Spiritually Ron made a life-changing decision to follow Jesus at the young age of nine. Ron was a member and attended First Baptist Cleveland serving faithfully for decades. Ron enjoyed the fellowship and support of the Wallace Sunday school class. We may never know the impact Ron made while helping in the Youth Ministry, serving at Camp Cherokee, Chaperoning Mission Tour, driving a golf cart to welcome church members and visitors with a smile. Today he would want to know "Do you know my Jesus?". A celebration of Ronald's life will be held on Wednesday, June 5, 2024, at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Cleveland located at 1275 Stuart Road in Cleveland, Tennessee with the Reverend Jeff Lovingood officiating. The family will receive friends at the church from 4-7 p.m. The interment and committal service will be on Thursday, June 6, 2024, at 11 a.m. in the Hiwassee Memorial Gardens. Pallbearers will include friends: Don Gann, TA Hicks, Joe Hooper, Steve Houser, Orvil Ownby, and Tim Wilcoxon. Honorary Pallbearers being his grandsons Tucker Huffman Burnette, Tarver Cook, Laeton Reed, Trystan Reed, Case Reed, and Lake Reed. You are encouraged to share a memory of Ron and/or your personal condolences with his family by visiting his memorial webpage and guestbook at www.companionfunerals.com. Companion Funeral Home of Cleveland and the Cody family are honored to assist his family with these arrangements.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

Those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



I can still hear Nat King Cole singing on the radio, "Roll out those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer." The English version of that song was a hit for Cole in the summer of 1963. Joe Rumor, on WVOK radio out of Birmingham, first began playing that song about the time I completed the third grade. It made Rumor's playlist each summer for years to come. I still remember getting tingles down my spine when I heard that song each year around the end of May because I knew was almost over for the year and fun was just over the horizon. It was a happy time. Summer time is usually a fun time, especially for children. I must admit that summer was much more exciting to me back in those days, but I still enjoy the season. In my mind, I imagine myself floating down a slow-moving creek, wearing nothing but cutoff jeans, a straw hat on my head, with a piece of hay dangling between my lips.

When I was a kid, summer meant being outside. As a matter of fact, I can still hear my mother saying, "Now you get on outside and play or find something to do.

If you can't find something to do, I'll find something for you. You're not going to lay around the house all day and watch television or do nothing."

I knew I probably was not going to enjoy what she would find for me to do as much as what I would find for myself. I also knew that later in the summer, when Mama's hundred-acre garden started coming in, she would find plenty for me to do. It almost made me wish I was back in school already!

Forgive me for talking like an old codger, but I've noticed in recent years that most children these days don't play outside like we did. Well, that's not entirely true, because the two boys who live next door to me do.

They are outdoor boys. They are old-school boys in that sense. I hear them out there laughing and shouting, playing and having fun. They play football in the yard and basketball in the driveway.

They chase one another around the yard, shoot at one another with Nerf guns and shout, "You missed me!" They ride bicycles up and down the street. They build things. They are young engineers, because I am amazed at some of the contraptions they have built. These are things on wheels that they can pull behind their bikes or even ride.

They've had numerous tree houses in their yard. They bring a smile to my face and give me a great sense of enjoyment just watching and listening to them play. They are good boys. They wave when you pass, speak when you see them, and say, "Yes sir and yes ma'am."

I don't know if the boys next door have cell phones or computer games, but I've never seen them on either. I'm kind of glad we didn't have those things back in the old days, because it left so much time to do all those other fun things, in those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer.

Things like fishing in the creek, catching frogs, collecting frog eggs from the pond and watching them turn to tadpoles and then baby frogs, making and riding a raft (at least until it sank), swimming in Patton's Pond, and riding my bike until the tires were slick. Summers are indeed a special time of the year... especially for children...of all ages. Enjoy yours!

Bill King can be reached at bkpreach@yahoo.com or 334-728-5514 (office).

HISTORY

Files from yesteryear: 1930, 1936

From the files of 1930

Miss Eunice Butler has recently graduated from Alverson Business College in Birmingham.

Mrs. John Luyben and Mrs. F. Mallery were joint hostesses on Thursday at a Valentine party for the Michigan Card Club.

Mrs. Alvie Biggers, Mrs. Ewing Wallace, Mrs. Harry Schlosser and Miss Mattie Leah Rollo spent Wednesday in Birmingham.

Doctor Voight Culpepper of Tuscaloosa will spend a few days this week in Cullman County on a hunting trip.

Mrs. J.L. Vick and Mrs. W. Ward were in Birmingham on Wednesday.

Winner of the school attendance contest for the month of January are Group I – Kilpatrick 94.5 percent, Group II – Simcoe 91.3 percent and Group III – Cullman County High School 94.8 percent.

Mrs. E.E. Wilhite celebrated her 70th birthday on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. Brandon.

Baldwin boys and girls basketball teams won over Brickyard on Friday afternoon.

Countywide meeting of the P.T.A. will be held on February 18th at City Auditorium.

Miss Norman Smith will be here from Montgomery to organize a county council.

The home of George Abercrombie was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday night about 10 o'clock.

From the files of 1936

On January 3, 1936, a box of ripe strawberries was presented to the editor by Fritz Hartwig of Hanceville, Route One.

The weather had not been cold enough to stop growing vegetation.

The First Christian Church gave a pounding on Wednesday for Reverend and Mrs. Piper, their pastor.

Robert Rosson has returned to State University after spending the holidays in Cullman with his parents.

Willie Griffin has returned to Howard College to resume his studies, after spending the holidays in Cullman with his folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Pope of Henry County, Georgia, were visitors in Cullman and Berlin during the past week.

POET'S CORNER

On the Late Evening Beach | By: Randy C. Hale

There's a pink hue on the
west horizon,
just a hint of the sun,
almost tucked away for
the evening.

The late comers are here,
my favorite time.
A gentile ocean breeze blows,
the waves turn upon the shore,
then retreats.

Some fish as one tries to
keep an incessant Blue Heron
from his bait.
Voices are muffled over the
sound of the sea.
Laughter is comprehensible
with the cries and shrieks
of children.

As it gets darker,
the numbers dwindle to a
scattered few beneath
sparse wisps of milky clouds
as the moon
makes her full appearance
in her tangerine dress
over the late evening beach.



CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

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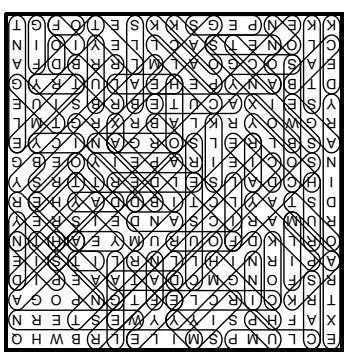
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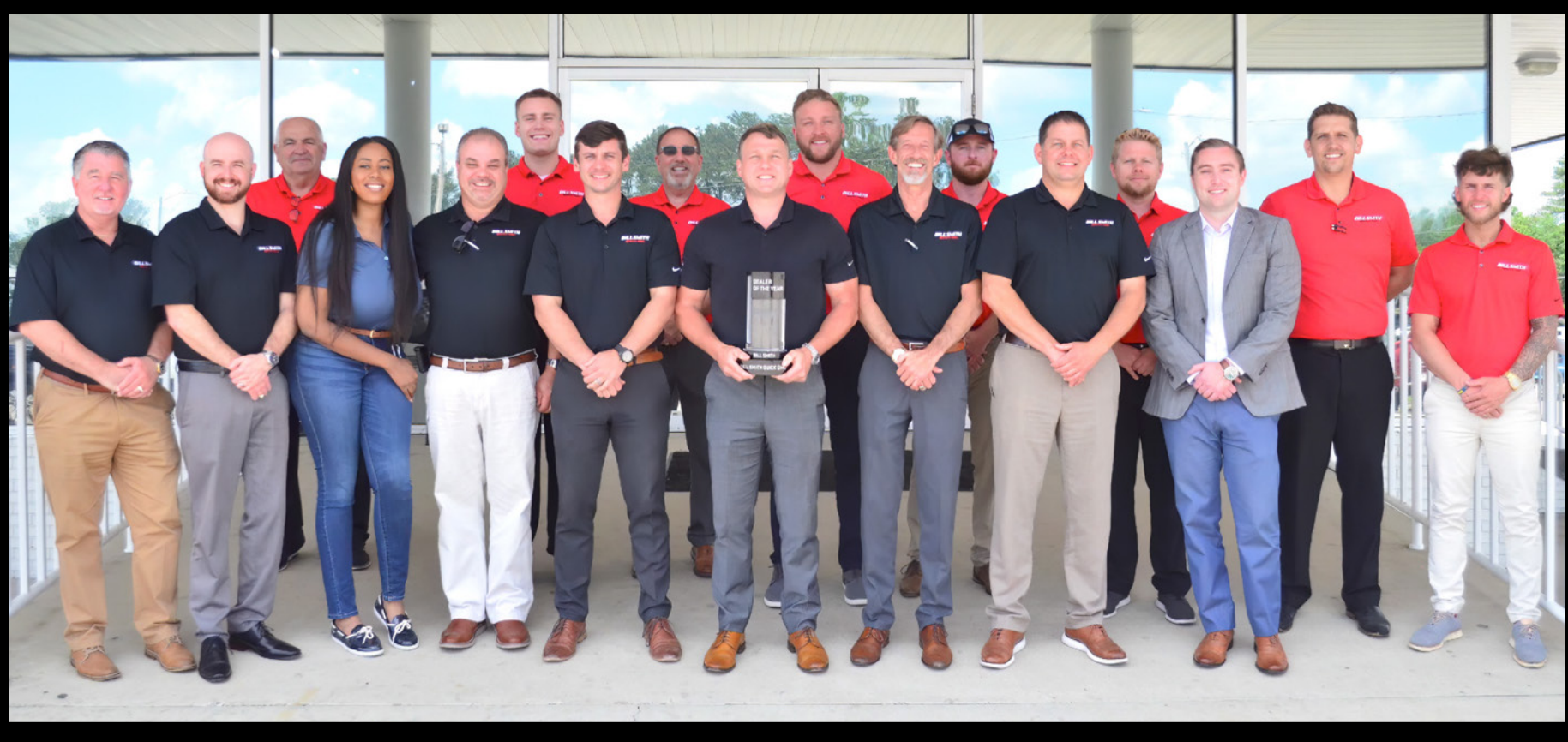
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