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Chris Thompson resigns from Vinemont council

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VINEMONT, Ala. — Vinemont Councilman Chris Thompson, at the council's meeting on Oct. 15, resigned from his seat – place No. 1.

In August 2020, Thompson bested Incumbent JoAnn Oakley for the seat and has held his position since. In his candidacy announcement, the more than 20-year resident of the town stated that he hoped to help move the municipality into the future.

The 2020 candidacy announcement stated, "I have lived in South Vinemont and been in business for myself since 1991. In that time, I have watched the city of Cullman grow to what it is today and questioned why South Vinemont has not progressed at all. It is time » PAGE 6



THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Vinemont Councilman Chris Thompson on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, resigned from place No. 1.

Cullman's Sheffield, Hollis named National Merit Semifinalists



CULLMAN HIGH SCHOOL

Nora Sheffield and Elianna Hollis

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Two Cullman High School students were recently named National Merit Semifinalists.

A statement from the school said:

"Cullman High School is proud to announce that two of their academically talented seniors, Ms. Elianna Hollis and Ms. Nora Sheffield, have been designated as National Merit Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program for the 2024-2025 school year.

"Last fall, Elianna and Nora joined over 1.3 million juniors across the nation who entered the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2023 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®). Their scores on the PSAT were among the highest in the state of Alabama and have made them eligible to compete for the National Merit Finalist/Scholar designation and over $26 million in available scholarships.

"We wish Elianna and Nora the best of luck as they continue in this competition and proudly represent Cullman High School. Nora Sheffield is the daughter of Drs. Shane and Tamara Sheffield of Cullman. Elianna Hollis is the daughter of Paul Hollis and Jill Bishop-Hollis of Cullman."

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CRIME

Arrests and Incidents reported Oct. 16

Cullman Tribune staff
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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Oct. 16, 2024. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; FTA = failure to appear

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Oct. 7
- domestic violence; CR 453
- violation of protection order; CR 1301
- domestic violence; interference with domestic violence emergency call; CR 248
- harassment; CR 1139
- theft of property; CR 437
- theft of property; CR 1807
- theft of property; Hwy. 91
- domestic violence; CR 1082

Oct. 8
- domestic violence; CR 1749
- theft of property; obstructing justice giving false ID; Hwy. 69S
- theft of property; CR 1223
- unlawful breaking entering motor vehicle; criminal mischief; CR 961
- theft of property; CR 950

Oct. 9
- domestic violence; CR 1177
- domestic violence; US. 31
- burglary; CR 601
- stalking; CR 101
- sell-distribute drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 437
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69N

Oct. 10
- criminal mischief; Hwy. 69N
- theft; CR 1624
- theft; Champagne Dr.
- drug trafficking; possession of marijuana; possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; tampering with physical evidence; US. 31N

Oct. 11
- theft; CR 1343
- theft; CR 1034
- theft; Hwy. 278E
- theft; CR 599
- theft; Hwy. 91
- harassment; CR 1545

Oct. 12
- harassment; CR 437

Oct. 13
- domestic violence; CR 1059
- burglary; CR 222
- domestic violence; CR 1141
- attempt to elude; I65S

Oct. 14
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69N
- possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts); possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Wesley Ave. N
- harassing communications; CR 109
- sell-distribute drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; obstructing government operations; certain person forbidden firearm; US. 231
- burglary; 1st Ave. S G.C.
- theft; CR 1141
- theft; CR 1570
- domestic violence; obstructing government operations; US. 31

ARRESTS

Oct. 10-Oct. 13

Benson, Ashley L.; 38
- resisting arrest
- DUI (alcohol)

Blackmon, Kelli D.; 39
- FTA – illegal possession of prescription drugs

Boshell, Rodney D.; 51
- promote prison contraband (drugs)
- possession of dangerous drugs

Crosby, Brittney R.; 37
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Eddy, Sandy D.; 42
- drug trafficking
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- tampering with physical evidence
- FTA – no seat belt

Elliott, Jordan E.; 32
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Ellis, Jessica N.; 46
- theft-miscellaneous, $1500-$2000

Gooden, Justin S.; 31
- GJ – theft (arrest warrant)

Hanners, Joshua E.; 35
- driving while suspended, revoked, or cancelled

Hogan, Christopher L.; 38
- FTA – possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – possession of opium or derivative
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of a concealed weapon without a permit

Kinney, Keaton S.; 24
- DUI (alcohol)

McClendon, Zachary A.; 34
- PROBATION VIOLATION – forgery-checks
- PROBATION VIOLATION – possessing forged instrument
- PROBATION VIOLATION – identity theft
- PROBATION VIOLATION – theft-miscellaneous

Perry, Austin C.; 28
- DUI (alcohol)

Phillips, Patrick E.; 27
- PROBATION VIOLATION – unlawful breaking and entering of motor vehicle

Puckett, Hudson R.; 21
- domestic violence-3rd degree
- reckless endangerment

Weaver, Jason R.; 32
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Willson, Frederick S.; 50
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked, or cancelled

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Oct. 14
- theft of property-4th degree; person; tag; $15
- theft of property-1st degree; Bill Smith Buick GMC; '24 GMC Sierra; $96,535

ARRESTS

Oct. 14

Brewer, Alexandria L.; 27
- FTA – insurance violation

Fortenberry, Stephen B.; 39
- criminal trespass-3rd degree

Hanners, Curtis R.; 57
- FTA – switched tag (2 counts)
- FTA – driving without license

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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



Toys for Tots (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman 2024 Toys for Tots Campaign has officially opened registration for families in need. Registration sessions will be held throughout October and November at the Cullman Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2214, located at 112 Veterans Drive SW, Cullman, AL 35055. Families can register every Tuesday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and every Friday from 5-9 p.m. The final day to register is Friday, Nov. 15, 2024. Dates are subject to change, and no online registration is available.

The Toys for Tots program is organized by the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit that partners with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve to collect new, unwrapped toys during the holiday season and distribute them to children in need.

Sean Schofield, Toys for Tots coordinator, emphasized the importance of community involvement, stating, "We are currently receiving applications for registration of Cullman children for the 2024 Toys for Tots campaign. Toys for Tots Cullman distributes toys to underprivileged children throughout Cullman County in order to provide them with gifts to open on Christmas morning.

"Help us bring hope and joy to every child by donating a new, unwrapped gift in one of the many toy donation boxes located all around Cullman County."

To register, families must bring original documents, as photocopies are not accepted. The following documentation is required:

- ID: Driver's license, passport, military ID or immigration ID
- Social Security cards: Physical cards for children and the adult registering the children
- Proof of guardianship: Birth certificate or court documents showing custody for each child
- Proof of residence: Phone bill, electric bill or lease
- Proof of income: Paycheck, EBT statement or Social Security benefits letter

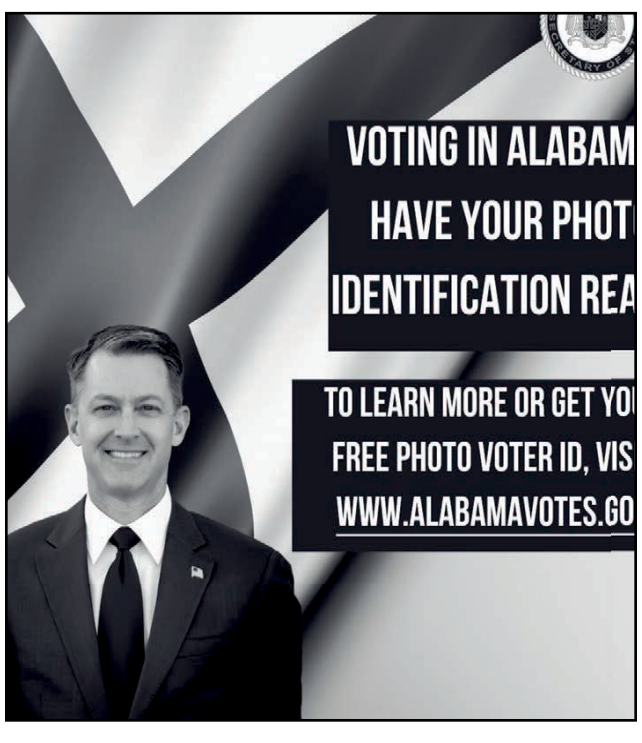
Registration is open for children aged 0 to 15, and families can only apply for assistance with one organization to avoid duplication.

For more information or to get involved, contact Sean Schofield at 256-347-4674 or cullman.al@toysfortots.org. More details and a list of toy donation locations are available on their website at https://cullman-al.toysfortots.org or on Facebook at Toys for Tots Cullman.













COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

The Crossing Food Bank
The Crossing is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m.-noon and 1-3:30 p.m. We are located at 1503 Second St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055 (in the Housing Authority).

Cullman Low Vision Support Group Meetings
Third Tuesday of every month, from 10-11:30 a.m., at the Alabama Career Center, 1201 Katherine St. NW in Cullman. Contact Olivia Wade, case manager, at 256-389-2502.

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
• 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• Friday, Oct. 18 - Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hangups 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, Oct. 19 - Drive-through food bank from 9-11 a.m.
• Sunday, Oct. 20 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call Betty Hays at 256-930-9680 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.

Church Events: At the Foot of the Cross Church
• 2 miles north of Alabama Highway 157 on Eva Road, on the left
• Saturday, Oct. 19, at 4 p.m. Singing with Grace
• Saturday, Oct. 26, at 5 p.m. Fall Festival
• Saturday, Nov. 2, at noon Pray Walk for Jesus in Eva, with singing, meet at Eva. All churches invited.
• Sunday, Nov. 10, at 11 a.m. Christmas Concert with One Accord
• Saturday, Nov. 16, at 6 p.m. Singing with Joyful Hearts

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 the Donald E. Green Adult Active Center, 1625 Cleveland Ave. SW. 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 Al-Anon Meetings
The Al-Anon Family Groups are a fellowship of friends and family whose lives have been affected by alcoholism. The Cullman Serenity Al-Anon 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 Al-Anon 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.

Trinity Lutheran Church German Lunch
Saturday, Oct. 19, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 505 Commercial St., Hanceville, in conjunction with the Mud Creek Arts and Crafts Festival taking place in downtown Hanceville that day. Adult plates will include bratwurst, German potato salad, choice of sauerkraut or red cabbage, German desserts and tea for $12. A child's plate of bratwurst, snicker doodle cookies and tea will be $5. All profits will go to Hanceville schools. Eat lunch in our historic 1885 church building and tour our present worship sanctuary.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Homecoming Service
Sunday, Oct. 20, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be served. We will start back singing about 1:30 p.m. We will have singing featuring The Williamsons from Oklahoma. Everyone is invited. All former pastors and members and their families have a special invitation to come. We will not have Sunday School or service that night. U.S. Highway 278 East, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5968 or 256-590-1501.

Hyatt Family Reunion
Sunday, Oct. 20, from 1-4 p.m. at the Baileyton Senior Center, 195 Fire Station Road in Baileyton. Covered dish lunch. Bring any pictures or history you have.

St. Bernard Preparatory School Open House
Friday, Oct. 25, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. This event provides an excellent opportunity to discover the academic, social and athletic programs offered at Alabama's only Catholic boarding school. Visitors will have the chance to meet current students, who will serve as ambassadors and tour guides, sharing their personal experiences and offering insight into life at St. Bernard, both as a day school and boarding school. Complimentary snacks and refreshments will be available throughout the event. St. Bernard Prep is a co-educational boarding and day school serving grades seven through 12. Free registration and attendance: stbernardprep.com/open-house.

Mt. Zion Church Food Bazaar
Friday, Nov. 1, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at Mt. Zion Church, located on U.S. Highway 31 North next to CATA in Vinemont. Baked goods for sale and lunch will be served from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Carry out available. Proceeds will benefit the Mt. Zion UMW (women's group).

Chambers Family Reunion
Sunday, Nov. 3, at the Berlin Community Center (U.S. Highway 278 East), beginning at 11 a.m., with dinner at noon. Bring several of your favorite food dishes, family pictures, stories and other items that relate to the family past and present. Family friends are also invited. Contact Rodger Walling for furth information at 256-734-8235.

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Tennis earns top finishes at ITA Cup; Men's and Women's Cross Country race at Royals Cross Country Challenge; Volleyball competes in Snead State Invitational Tournament

Special to The Cullman Tribune

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — The Wallace State Men's Tennis team earned strong finishes at the 2024 Oracle Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Cup, held in Rome, Ga., from Oct. 10-13. The Lions competed against top junior college players from across the nation and secured top-three placement in both singles and doubles play.

In singles play, freshman Alex Edley of Durban, South Africa reached the final round after defeating the No. 3 seed Minjae Kim of Collin County Community College 6-4, 7-5 in the quarterfinals, followed by a 2-6, 7-5, 6-1 win over the No. 2 seed Alex Despoja of Tyler Junior College in the semifinals. Edley ultimately finished as the tournament's singles runner-up.

In doubles action, sophomore Zac Riley of Brisbane, Australia and Edley advanced to the semifinals with a 6-4, 6-2 win over Gavin Sonntag and Enrique Silveria of American River College.

The duo placed third overall after falling to Jose Castillo and Cem Atlamis of Collin County Community College in the semifinals. Edley and Riley finished the tournament with a win over Mississippi Gulf Coast's Gonzalo Cotter and Vicente Faria 6-4, 6-3 to clinch third place in the tournament.

Wallace State Cross Country Delivers Strong Performances at Royals Cross Country Challenge

The Wallace State Men's and Women's Cross Country teams both delivered solid performances at the Royals Cross Country Challenge hosted by Queens University of Charlotte on Oct. 11.

Competing against a deep field of National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I and II programs, the women's team finished 16th overall in the 5K Gold division, while the men's team secured 11th place in the 8K Gold division.

Men's Team Top Seven Finishers

Sophomore Luke Kennedy of Huntsville led the way for the Lions in the men's 8K race, finishing with a time of 25:35:00. Freshman Tyler Anthony of Fort Payne followed, crossing the line at 26:01:60, while sophomore Daniel Leija of Albertville posted a time of 26:33:80. Freshman Harper Branscome of Muscle Shoals clocked in at 26:35:70, and freshman Carson Masterson of Hatton finished at 26:55:50.

Sophomore David Robles of Springville recorded a time of 26:58:70, and freshman Elliot Denard of Springville rounded out Wallace State's top seven with a time of 27:06:30.

Women's Team Top Seven Finishers

Freshman Grace Gosline of Arab paced the women's team, finishing the 5K with a time of 19:38:50. Freshman Eden Brumer of Fort Thomas, Ky., followed closely at 19:46:70, while sophomore Ivy Edge of Eva posted a time of 20:10:60. Sophomore Abigale Vega of Fort Payne finished at 20:26:30, and freshman Reagan Parris of Bremen crossed the line at 20:27:70.

Sophomore Claire Deaton of Madison clocked in at 20:35:60, with freshman Bernarda Tizapa-Robles of Cullman completing the team's top seven at 20:35:60.

Both the men's and women's teams will next compete at the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) Conference Meet on Oct. 25 at John Hunt Cross Country Park in Huntsville.

Wallace State Volleyball Sweeps Northeast Mississippi at Snead State Invitational

The Wallace State Volleyball team secured a dominant 3-0 sweep over Northeast Mississippi Community College on Oct. 11 as part of the Snead State Invitational, hosted by Snead State Community College. The Lady Lions won with set scores of 25-13, 25-8 and 25-18.

Freshman Kailey Dickerson of Wellington led Wallace State with 15 kills, 14 digs and four blocks, while freshman Rachel Mecklenburg of Madison contributed nine kills, 11 digs, six assists, three blocks and one service ace. Freshman Molly Shiflett of Corner added seven kills, three digs and two service aces.

Sophomore Chloe Jackson of Athens chipped in with six kills, two digs, two blocks and one service ace, while freshman Aliana Quesada of Orlando, Fla., provided two kills and six blocks.

Defensively, freshman Abby McDonald of Fairview led the team with 17 digs, adding one assist and one service ace. Freshman Ali Price of Rainsville rounded out the effort with seven digs.

Wallace State Volleyball Defeats Jones College at Snead State Invitational

Wallace State won against Jones College on Oct. 11 during the Snead State Invitational, finishing the match with a 3-0 sweep. The Lady Lions secured set scores of 25-19, 25-16 and 26-24.

Mecklenburg led the team with 11 kills, 16 assists, nine digs and two service aces. Shiflett contributed 10 kills and three digs. Dickerson added nine kills and 14 digs. Monge recorded five kills, 10 digs, one assist, two blocks and one service ace. Jackson added four kills, six digs, one block and two service aces, contributing to the Lady Lions' overall success.

Defensively, McDonald anchored the back row with 15 digs, while Price added seven digs. Quesada chipped in with one kill and one block, rounding out the team's effort.

Wallace State Volleyball Triumphs Over Pearl River in Five-Set Match

Wallace State came back from two sets down to defeat Pearl River Community College 3-2 on Oct. 12. The Lady Lions won with set scores of 22-25, 17-25, 25-20, 25-20 and 15-12.

Jackson led the team with 18 kills, eight digs, two blocks and four service aces, playing a crucial role in the comeback. Dickerson contributed 16 kills and 20 digs, providing strong offensive support and solid defense throughout the match. Monge added 10 kills, 18 digs and three service aces, while Shiflett chipped in with five kills and one dig.

Mecklenburg recorded six kills, 10 digs and 27 assists, orchestrating the Lions' offense.

McDonald anchored the defense with 15 digs, two assists and three service aces.

Price contributed 13 digs, and sophomore April Burgess of Alabaster added one kill and two digs. Quesada recorded two digs while freshman Kaylee Roman of Deltona, Fla., tallied one kill and one dig.

Wallace State Closes Out Snead State Invitational Against Walters State

Wallace State concluded the Snead State Invitational Tournament on Oct. 13 with a hard-fought 1-3 match against Walters State Community College.

The Lady Lions secured a second-set victory but ultimately fell to the Lady Senators with set scores of 19-25, 25-20, 7-25 and 11-25.

Jackson led Wallace State with 10 kills, one block and one service ace. Dickerson added seven kills and 10 digs. Mecklenburg contributed four kills, six digs, four assists and two service aces. Monge added three kills and eight digs.

Freshman Ava Calvarese of Fairview chipped in with four kills and four digs, while Burgess added one kill and four digs.

Price had a strong defensive showing with 17 digs, nine assists and three kills, while McDonald tallied 16 digs and one service ace. Freshman Amelia Fowler of Sardis City tallied nine digs.

The team will next face off against Snead State Community College at home on Oct. 15 at 6 p.m. The Lady Lions will play another at-home showdown against Gadsden State Community College on Oct. 16 at 5 p.m.

The Wallace State Volleyball team is currently 28-9.



WSCC

The Wallace State Men's Tennis team earned strong finishes at the 2024 Oracle Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) Cup, held in Rome, Ga., from Oct. 10-13.

North Alabama defeats No. 10 Abilene Christian for landmark win, 47-34

Mike Ezekiel
UNA Athletics

FLORENCE, Ala. — Homecoming 2024 produced a historic victory as North Alabama scored the game's last 21 points to stun United Athletic Conference leader and nationally-ranked Abilene Christian 47-34 before a rollicking Braly Stadium crowd Saturday night, giving the Lions their first three-game conference win streak since 2016.

The Lions (3-5, 3-1 in UAC) trailed the No. 10 Wildcats by eight points late in third quarter, but TJ Smith threw a pair of touchdown passes to fellow redshirt senior Kobe Warden sandwiched around a highlight-reel run by Jalen Fletcher down the stretch to give UNA its first victory over a ranked Division I opponent in program history.

Smith accounted for six touchdowns as UNA's offense erupted for more than 500 yards for the second week in a row.

Warden had career highs in receptions (nine) and receiving yards (112) while Fletcher carried 10 times for 123 yards — all after halftime.

The first quarter saw a flurry of points as the teams traded touchdowns in the first 13 minutes. UNA raced to a 13-0 lead in the opening five minutes, then saw Abilene Christian (4-3, 3-1) respond with two touchdowns in four and a half minutes to take its first lead.

The Wildcats led 27-20 at halftime and went ahead 34-26 with 12:23 remaining in the third quarter. The Lions' defense tightened from that point on, shutting out Abilene Christian's potent offense the rest of the way and sealing the monumental win when safety Gregory Reddick intercepted a pass with 47 seconds remaining.

Reddick finished with a game-high 12 tackles, while Edwin White Schultz contributed nine tackles and blocked an extra point attempt.

Smith completed 17-of-24 passes with four touchdowns – two to Warden, and one each to Tanaka Scott and Justin Luke. Scott's night included four catches for 73 yards, both career-highs, while Jayvian Allen ran for 55 yards and caught four passes.

Seventh-year receiver Takairee Kenebrew was limited to one catch for a single yard, but it moved him past UNA Athletic Hall of Fame member Roger Ralph for ninth place on the career receptions list with 127.

The game featured four lead changes and one tie.

First quarter

North Alabama 6, Abilene Christian 0: Disaster struck the visitors from Texas on their first play when they fumbled on first down after receiving the opening kickoff. UNA's Jackson Bratton pounced on the fumble at ACU's 6-yard line only six seconds into the game.

Two plays later, TJ Smith rushed left for a one-yard TD run. Ben Harris was stopped on a two-point conversion attempt, leaving the Lions in front at the 14:15 mark.

North Alabama 13, Abilene Christian 0: Kobe Warden's 27-yard punt return to the Abilene Christian 37 put the Lions in position to extend their lead. After a penalty and two Jayvian "Juice" Allen runs moved UNA to the 23, Smith found Tanaka Scott open in the back left corner of the end zone for a 23-yard touchdown. Scott Payne tacked on the extra point with 10:06 left.

North Alabama 13, Abilene Christian 7: Abilene Christian cut into UNA's lead just over a minute later when Isaiah Johnson broke free up the middle for a 60-yard touchdown run. Ritse Vaes kicked the extra point for the Wildcats.

Abilene Christian 14, North Alabama 13: After forcing UNA to punt, ACU drove 52 yards in seven plays as quarterback Maverick McIvor completed five straight passes, the last one going to Blayne Taylor for 16 yards for a touchdown at the 4:22 mark. Vaes' extra point gave Abilene Christian its first lead.

North Alabama 20, Abilene Christian 14: Smith rushed for his second score of the game a little more than two minutes later by breaking loose for a 46-yard run to the end zone, capping a four-play, 85-yard drive. Smith's TD run was set up by a 33-yard completion to Scott on the previous play.

Second quarter

North Alabama 20, Abilene Christian 20: The Wildcats pulled even after a 32-yard punt return to UNA's 28. Sam Hicks finished off the six-play drive to tie the game, but Vaes' extra point attempt was blocked by Edwin White Schultz and recovered by Bratton.

Abilene Christian 27, North Alabama 20: Hicks found his way to the end zone again – this time with a 38-yard run – as Abilene Christian regained the lead before halftime.

Third quarter

Abilene Christian 27, North Alabama 26: The Lions started the second half quickly, using only three plays to score. "Juice" Allen raced 27 yards into Wildcats' territory, with a subsequent horse-collar penalty advancing the ball to ACU's 23. Smith then connected with Justin Luke over the middle for a 23-yard TD, but Scott Payne's extra point attempt was blocked and returned 55 yards before Mickel Clay made a diving tackle to prevent the conversion return.

Abilene Christian 34, North Alabama 26: Hicks' 56-yard kickoff runback started ACU's ensuing drive at the Lions' 42.

Johnson's one-yard run completed the four-play, 42-yard scoring drive and Vaes' extra point gave Abilene Christian its largest lead.

Abilene Christian 34, North Alabama 33: Back roared the Lions after an Abilene Christian punt. Smith's third TD pass of the night was hauled in by Kobe Warden, who was interfered with in the back of the end zone but held on for a 37-yard touchdown. Payne added another extra point with 2:07 left on the clock.

Fourth quarter

North Alabama 40, Abilene Christian 34: A pair of plays worthy of the "SportsCenter Top 10" gave UNA its first outright lead since the opening quarter.

Warden made a spectacular leaping catch of a Smith throw for a 23-yard gain, then Jalen Fletcher finished off the go-ahead drive with a 24-yard touchdown run, spinning away from ACU defenders and running backward into the end zone with 11:36 remaining for what proved to be the decisive score.

North Alabama 47, Abilene Christian 34: The biggest win in UNA's Division I history was sealed by the Lions' longest drive of the night.

UNA went 94 yards in nine plays, consuming almost five minutes, with Smith sealing the Wildcats' fate with an eight-yard TD pass to Warden with 1:51 on the clock.



UNA

UNA's 47-34 win over Abilene Christian Saturday night was its first over a ranked division 1 opponent in program history.

Local youth win during Alabama National Fair Livestock Shows contests for Showmanship, Premier Exhibitor

By: Mary Wilson



ALFA FARMERS

Senior Showmanship winners in the Youth Sheep Show at the Alabama National Fair Oct. 12 in Montgomery were, from left, Evan Roden of Cullman County, grand champion; Miles Williamson of Cleburne County, reserve champion; Carter Baker of Montgomery County, third place; Mackenzie Smith of Marshall County, fourth place; and Travis Smith of St. Clair County, fifth place. Senior Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 16-19. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored youth livestock events at the fair. The winners are pictured with Paul Hodges of Montgomery County Kiwanis Club, left, and Federation Executive Director Paul Pinyan, right.



ALFA FARMERS

Intermediate Showmanship winners in the Youth Sheep Show at the Alabama National Fair Oct. 12 in Montgomery were, from left, Ella Alldredge of Blount County, grand champion; Amiliano Wrenn of St. Clair County, reserve champion; Mason Smith of Marshall County, third place; Jackson Hill of Chambers County, fourth place; and Khison Alldredge of Cullman County, fifth place. Intermediate Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 13-15. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored youth livestock events at the fair. The winners are pictured with Paul Hodges of Montgomery County Kiwanis Club, left, and Federation Executive Director Paul Pinyan, right.



ALFA FARMERS

Junior Showmanship winners in the Youth Sheep Show at the Alabama National Fair Oct. 12 in Montgomery were, from left, Easton Elrod of Cullman County, grand champion; Josie Shirley of St. Clair County, reserve champion; Ryleigh Jordan of Cullman County, third place; Stella Williamson of Cleburne County, fourth place; and Bailee Roberson of Chilton County, fifth place. Junior Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 9-12. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored youth livestock events at the fair. The winners are pictured with Paul Hodges of Montgomery County Kiwanis Club, left, and Federation Executive Director Paul Pinyan, right.



ALFA FARMERS

Beginner Showmanship winners in the Youth Sheep Show at the Alabama National Fair Oct. 12 in Montgomery were, from left, Brooklyn Ray of Cullman County, grand champion; Thomas Hill of Chambers County, reserve champion; Cohen Hill of Etowah County, third place; Gideon Wrenn of St. Clair County, fourth place; and Haddy Rasco of Cullman County, fifth place. Beginner Showmanship is for exhibitors ages 4-8. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored youth livestock events at the fair. The winners are pictured with Paul Hodges of Montgomery County Kiwanis Club, left, and Federation Executive Director Paul Pinyan, right.



ALFA FARMERS

Senior Premier Exhibitor winners in the Youth Sheep Show at the Alabama National Fair Oct. 12 in Montgomery were, from left, Miles Williamson of Cleburne County, grand champion; Mackenzie Smith of Marshall County, reserve champion; Evan Roden of Cullman County, third place; Travis Smith of St. Clair County, fourth place; and Cameron White of Randolph County; fifth place. Senior Premier Exhibitor is for exhibitors ages 16-19 and consists of showmanship, livestock evaluation and a written test. Alabama Farmers Federation and Alfa Insurance sponsored youth livestock events at the fair. They are pictured with Federation Executive Director Paul Pinyan.



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Wallace State sets record for enrollment

Special to The Cullman Tribune

HANCEVILLE, Ala. — Wallace State Community College is experiencing record enrollment for the Fall 2024 semester, with 6,473 students registered, besting the previous record fall enrollment of 6,391, which occurred more than a decade ago in fall 2010.

Wallace State has seen a steady increase in enrollment over the last four years, overcoming a decline during the pandemic. Enrollment to date for the fall 2024 semester is a 450-student increase from the fall 2023 semester, more than 500 more than Fall 2022 enrollment and more than 1,500 over fall 2021 enrollment.

The college has also seen an increase in credit hours over the last year, with 57,388 recorded credit hours in fall 2024, compared to 54,109 in fall 2023, an increase of 3,369 credit hours.

Those numbers may still increase as registration is underway for the Fall 2024 Mini Term II, which begins Oct. 16. Mini terms for fall and spring are taught in eight weeks and allow students to complete courses in an accelerated time frame.

"We are thrilled to announce a record increase in enrollment this semester at Wallace State," said Wallace State President Dr. Vicki Karolewics. "The significant growth in student enrollment is a testament to the quality of our programs, our dedication to student success and the strategic efforts we've put in place to meet the evolving needs of our community and to empower our students to achieve their goals. I want to personally thank our faculty, staff, students and community for their commitment to Wallace State."

The fall 2010 enrollment was directly connected to an increase in unemployment at that time, as the rise in community college enrollments nationwide have historically been correlated with high levels of unemployment when individuals are out of work and seek retraining.

At the height of that recession in 2010, unemployment rates in Alabama rose to rates that ranged from 8.9-11.1%. This year, the current record enrollment is not related to unemployment, which stands at a near historic low of 2.8% in the state. Instead, enrollment can be attributed to the area's population growth, new programs, the rise of dual enrollment and Wallace State's reputation for quality in education.

Wallace State was recently named a top 10 finalist for the 2025 Aspen Prize for Community College Excellence. The winner will receive a $1 million award in recognition of strong performance among community colleges. The institutions selected for this honor stand out among more than 1,000 community colleges nationwide as having high and improving levels of student success, as well as equitable outcomes for Black and Hispanic students and those from lower-income backgrounds.





Thompson (from Front)

for our town to move forward, and in order for that to happen, we need change."

Thompson has helped spearhead projects and events in Vinemont such as the updated walking trail at Vinemont Community Park, several clean-up days at Henry and Roe Wood Park and the community favorite annual Grillin' and Chillin' BBQ Fest at the Vinemont Sportsplex.

Thompson is also owner of a few local businesses, most notably Man Cave Market.

Thompson's resignation letter to Mayor Radginal Dodson and the remainder of the council said,

"After a lot of thought and soul searching, I have come to the conclusion that the best thing for me at this time would be to submit my resignation for my position of Town Councilman place #1 for the Town of South Vinemont.

"It is time for me to put my passion, creativity, and energy towards my businesses.

"It has been a great honor to have had the opportunity to serve as Council member and assist with the growth of Vinemont.

"I have always focused on what was best for Vinemont with passion. It was not personal. But always business.

"It has been an honor serving with you all. I will continue to support Vinemont when I have the opportunity to do so."

Thompson's vacancy will be the third since April.

Thompson's follows the resignations of Charlotte Cosper in April and Sonya Copeland in June.

Vinemont residents interested in the vacancy on the council should contact town hall at 256-737-5411.

Vinemont (from Front)

Cheyenne Sharp
cheyenne@cullmantribune.com

VINEMONT, Ala. — The Vinemont Town Council came together Oct. 15, for its monthly meeting. The meeting was originally slated for Oct. 8, but the council could not establish a quorum.

Councilman Chris Thompson submitted his letter of resignation, citing his need to focus his energy and passion into his own businesses.

Part of his written statement read, "After a lot of thought and soul searching, I have come to the conclusion that the best thing for me at this time would be to submit my resignation for my position of Town Councilman place #1 for the Town of South Vinemont. It is time for me to put my passion, creativity, and energy towards my businesses. It has been a great honor to have had the opportunity to serve as Council member and assist with the growth of Vinemont."

The meeting touched on many of the town's upcoming events, approval of a new mural on the community storm shelter and payment of the Town's Alabama Municipal Insurance Corporation bill.

The council approved payment for the mural on the exterior of the community storm shelter in the amount of $1,000. Local artist Jack Tupper will complete the mural.

The council also approved the payment of its AMIC bill, in the amount of $28,463.

Upcoming events include:

- The monthly senior citizens' lunch will be held at the Vinemont Community Center on Oct. 21 from 10 a.m.-1p.m. The council will provide a hot lunch and entertainment. The council asks attendees bring a dessert, if able.
- The annual Chillin-N-Grillin BBQ Festival will return on Oct. 26 to Vinemont's Sportsplex from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Vinemont's Community Trunk-or-Treat will be held on Oct. 27, from 4-6 p.m. at Vinemont Schools
- Council members along with volunteers from the community will serve a free Thanksgiving meal on Nov. 23 from 11a.m.-1 p.m. in the Vinemont Schools lunchroom

The next meeting of the Vinemont Town Council will be on Tuesday, Nov. 12, at Vinemont Town Hall. The work session will begin at 5 p.m. with the meeting to follow at 6.

LEGALS

Notice of Public Hearing for Removal of an Unsafe Structure

The Cullman City Council will hold a public hearing to hear, consider, and act upon all objections or protests, if any, for the removal of an unsafe structure located at 1509 Bower Drive SE, Cullman, Alabama 35055, on October 21st, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Lucille N. Galin Auditorium of Cullman City Hall located at 204 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

PIN: 47443. Parcel number: 17-06-14-4-001-004.021.

Legal description: Lot Number 19 of Arbor East Subdivision, a subdivision that lies in the Southeast Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 14, Township 10, Range 3 West, in Cullman County, Alabama record in Map Book B-97-B.

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City of Cullman
Zoning Board of Adjustments

On Monday, October 21, 2024, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M., at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Zoning Board of Adjustments, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Variance request for setbacks on a garage at 1472 Longbrook Drive NE
2. Variance request for setbacks on a new single-family home - Rocky Waters Circle NW
3. Variance request for front setbacks on Fairway Drive NW – Lot 79 & Lot 80
4. Variance request for front setbacks on Fairway Drive NW – Lot 81
5. Variance request for front setbacks on Fairway Drive NW – Lot 82
6. Variance request for front setbacks on Fairway Drive NW – Lot 83
7. Variance request for front setbacks on Fairway Drive NW – Lot 84

For further information, contact Brian Landreth or Amber Duke at the City of Cullman Building Department at 256-775-7203.

LEGALS

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: ESTATE OF
MARY RUTH GREER, Deceased. **CASE NO: PC 2024-352**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to JANICE GREER LAMBERT, as Executor of the Estate of MARY RUTH GREER, Deceased, on the 11th day of October, 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.

Janice Greer Lambert
JANICE GREER LAMBERT,
Personal Representative for the Estate of
Mary Ruth Greer, Deceased

Richard L. Collins
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Cullman, Alabama 35056
256-739-1962

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, Cullman, Alabama.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, PROBATE JUDGE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: ESTATE OF
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Notice of Sale

Nunnelley's Storage, Highway 67 South, Somerville, Alabama 35670 will sell contents of the following units at 10:00 a.m., on November 1, 2024:

Unit #69 Timothy Kilgore, 1520 Summerlane SE, Decatur, AL 35601

Unit #103 Lucas Robertson, 125 Maplebrook Dr Somerville, Al 35670.

Unit #143 Filica Randolph, 52 Arlo Dr. Somerville, AL 35670

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2017-357

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF BOBBY GERALD PHILLIPS, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to D. Todd McLeroy on the 8th day of October, 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.

D. Todd McLeroy
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune*:

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

Steven C. Smith
Attorney for the Estate
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NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Owen Weinle , Unmarried Man to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans, its successors and assigns dated June 9, 2023; said mortgage being recorded on June 9, 2023, in Book 2052, Page 709 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Mortgage Research Center, LLC d/b/a Veterans United Home Loans, a Missouri Limited Liability Company by assignment recorded in Deed Book 2097, Page 364 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, ALABAMA.
The undersigned, Mortgage Research Center, LLC d/b/a Veterans United Home Loans, a Missouri Limited Liability Company, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 29th day of October, 2024 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
Lot 96, Fox Meadow Subdivision, Phase II, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2017, Page 8, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama.

Said property is commonly known as 1857 Fox Meadow Trl, Cullman, AL 35055.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
Said property will be sold subject to any outstanding ad valorem taxes (including taxes which are a lien, but not yet due and payable), the right of redemption of any taxing authority, all outstanding liens for public utilities which constitute liens upon the property, any matters which might be disclosed by an accurate survey and inspection of the property, any assessments, liens, encumbrances, easements, rights-of-way, zoning ordinances, restrictions, special assessments, covenants, the statutory right of redemption pursuant to Alabama law, and any matters of record including, but not limited to, those superior to said Mortgage first set out above. Said property will be sold on an "as-is" basis without any representation, warranty or recourse against the above-named or the undersigned. The successful bidder must present certified funds in the amount of the winning bid at the time and place of sale.
Alabama law gives some persons who have an interest in property the right to redeem the property under certain circumstances. Programs may also exist that help persons avoid or delay the foreclosure process. An attorney should be consulted to help you understand these rights and programs as a part of the foreclosure process.
The sale will be conducted subject (1) to confirmation that the sale is not prohibited under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and (2) to final confirmation and audit of the status of the loan with the holder of the Mortgage.

MORTGAGE RESEARCH CENTER, LLC D/B/A VETERANS UNITED HOME LOANS, A MISSOURI LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY
as holder of said mortgage
McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce, LLC
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(205) 216-4238
FT21@mccalla.com
File No. 24-06322AL
www.foreclosurehotline.net

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

VANDY HOLAWAY, PLAINTIFF, * DV-2024-900265
vs. *
DAWN PERRY, DEFENDANT(S) *

NOTICE OF FILING LAWSUIT

The above listed Defendant, Dawn Perry, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Plaintiff's complaint for property and rent ($6300) by the 20th day of November 2024, or thereafter a judgment by default may be rendered against the Defendant in case No. DV-2024-900265, District Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

Done this 8th day of October, 2024.

Lisa McSwain
Lisa McSwain
Circuit Clerk of Cullman County

Attorney for Plaintiff
Melvin Hasting
P.O. Box 517
Cullman, AL 35056

NOTICE OF
MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF CULLMAN

Default having been made of the terms of the loan documents secured by that certain mortgage executed by Matthew R Friedrich , And Kaitlyn Tasha Friedrich Husband And Wife to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Traditions Bank, its successors and assigns dated January 24, 2022; said mortgage being recorded on January 27, 2022, in Book 1999, Page 600 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama. Said Mortgage was last sold, assigned and transferred to Renasant Bank by assignment recorded in Deed Book 390, Page 946 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, ALABAMA.
The undersigned, Renasant Bank, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11am and 4pm), on the 14th day of November, 2024 the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:
Lot 9 Lake Alaqua Subdivision as recorded in Map Record B-357A in the Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

Said property is commonly known as 167 County Road 479, Hanceville, AL 35077.
Should a conflict arise between the property address and the legal description the legal description will control.
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
EDWARD LEE LACKEY,
Deceased. CASE NO.: PC 2024-143

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to JAY LACKEY as Personal Representative of the Estate of EDWARD LEE LACKEY, deceased, on the 15th day of October, 2024, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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

Jay Lackey
Personal Representative

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

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

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

St. Bernard Prep students celebrate Leif Erikson Day

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. — In honor of Leif Erikson Day (Oct. 9), world history students at St. Bernard Preparatory School took a journey back in time, celebrating the life and explorations of the Norse adventurer widely believed to be the first European to set foot in North America. The festivities included reenactments and educational activities, immersing students in Viking culture and history.

The day's events were a creative blend of historical education and interactive fun. Students posed for photos wearing traditional Norse armor and wielding replica Viking weapons, showcasing the warrior spirit of the time. A highlight for many was the opportunity to shoot English- and Scandinavian-style longbows, providing a hands-on connection to ancient traditions.

While the traditional Nordic seafood diet may not have been well represented, the feast table did include – among the chips, brownies and cookies – an ample haul of Swedish Fish candies – a playful nod to the seafaring legacy of Erikson.

New this year was the introduction of Hnefatafl, a medieval Scandinavian board game similar to chess. Another fascinating addition was the focus on one of the most common Viking-era archaeological finds: combs, and the often misunderstood topic of Viking hygiene.

History teacher Dr. Craig Mann, who organized the event, emphasized the importance of blending hands-on activities with historical education.



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Jacob Tombo tries on traditional Norse armor.

"Celebrating Leif Erikson Day gives students a chance to connect with history meaningfully," said Mann. "By engaging in activities like these, they learn about the past and experience the culture and traditions firsthand."

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Obituary Announcements: Oct. 15-16

Mark 'Marky' Andrew Kaucher, 61
Funeral Service for Mark "Marky" Andrew Kaucher, age 61 of Hanceville, will be at 10 a.m. on Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, at Sacred Heart Church with Father Patrick Egan, OSB officiating; Visitation will be from 5:45-7:30 p.m. Rosary at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 17, 2024, at Sacred Heart Church. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Kaucher passed away on Sunday, Oct. 13, 2024, at Cullman Long Term Care. He was born Dec. 15, 1962, to Donald Kaucher and Sue Kaucher. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother, Hal Kaucher and niece, Angela Kaucher. Survivors include his brothers, Michael Kaucher, Scott Kaucher; niece, Mary (Vince) Weissend; great niece, Kylie Kaucher; great nephews, Tristin Cornelius and Noah Weissend; great great nephew, Solomon Cornelius; Aunt, Carol Olt and cousin, Travis Olt.

Ramon Howard Maples, 82
Ramon Howard Maples, age 82, of Cullman, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, at North Alabama Medical Center in Florence. No services are planned at this time. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Maples was born on June 19, 1942. He is preceded in death by his parents; son, Timothy Tucker; brother, Phillip Maples. He is survived by his loving wife of twenty years, Shirley Brock Maples; sons, Tony Maples, Roger Dale Maples, Duane Binkele (Christie); two daughters, Michelle Woljevach (Billy), Shelia Brown; special sister-in-law, Debbie Blackmon; several grandchildren; several brothers and sisters, and nieces and nephews. Family describes Mr. Maples as a one-of-a-kind man. He was a skilled horseman, fisherman, coon hunter, and outdoorsman, all around. He was a kind soul and was a good husband, father, and grandfather to his family. He was the kind of person who would help anyone he could. He will be greatly missed.

Billy Joe Brown, 85
Funeral service for Billy Joe Brown, age 85, of Hanceville, will be Friday, Oct. 18, 2024, at 2 p.m. at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, officiated by Bro. Johnny Miller. Visitation will be held from noon - 2 p.m. prior to the service and interment will be held at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Brown was born Feb. 4, 1939, in Rickman, Tennessee to Elanza and Myrtle Brown. He passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2024, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. He is preceded in death by parents; brothers, Junior Brown, Melvin Brown, Earnest Brown, and Gary Brown; brother-in-law, Beacher Brown; sister-in-law, Joyce Brown. He is survived by his loving wife of 67 years, Janice Lucille Dailey Brown; son, David Joe Brown (Wendy); daughter, Billie Gail Miller (Johnny); brothers, Danny Brown, Doug Brown (Cornetta), Donald Brown (Heida); sisters, Fannie Mae Harris (Albert), Joyce Brown, Janice Burks (Bill), Carol Dunn (Phil); sister in law, Golda Brown; four grandchildren, Sarah Joy Aldridge (Jimmy), Holly Jo Tyler (Heath), John Lucas Miller (Jennifer), Casey Joe Brown (Adrianna); six great-grandchildren, Payton Gail Aldridge, Jaxon David Aldridge, Lucy Lane Tyler, Cora Austyn Tyler, James Loyal Miller, John Lock Miller. Family remembers Billy as a man who truly and deeply loved the Lord. He faithfully served as a deacon at Unity Freewill Baptist for forty-six years. He was known to love gardening, and he never met a stranger. He was loved by all and will be remembered and missed by all who knew him.

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