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Col. Don Fallin announces candidacy for House District 11

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Retired U.S. Army Col. Don Fallin has announced his candidacy for House District 11. The seat is vacant now since former Rep. Randall Shedd, R-Fairview, moved to a position in the office of Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman.

Fallin is a decorated veteran and Fairview native and attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

"I grew up on my family's farm in Fairview, Alabama, graduated from Fairview High School, then volunteered to enlist in the United States Army," he said. "After graduating from the United States Military Academy at West Point, I proudly served in the U.S. Army for over 30 years in » PAGE 8



COL. DON FALLIN

Retired U.S. Army Col. Don Fallin »

History comes to life at East Elementary



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Luke Melton is Henry Ossawa Tanner

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The third-grade classes at East Elementary School brought history to life during the school's fourth annual "Living History Museum" recently. A celebration of Black History Month, the Living History Museum is an immersive and educational experience where the students perform reenactments and demonstrations focusing on the Harlem Renaissance and the contributions of African Americans to the arts.

The event is part of the school's broader curriculum, which includes a unit titled "A Changing Nation," which explores the nation's diverse history. The students selected and researched important figures from history, then performed speeches that highlighted their impact on history, celebrating African American figures. » PAGE 5



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Esteban Camacho is Michael Jackson

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Rachael Stover named director of admissions at St. Bernard Preparatory School



ST. BERNARD PREP

Fr. Joel Martin, president of St. Bernard Prep, welcomes Rachael Stover to the Admissions Office.

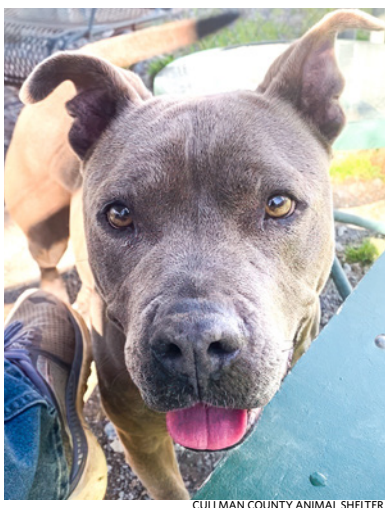
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Layla

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Feb. 28

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Feb. 28, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; FTA = failure to appear

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Feb. 24
- dog bite; CR 1435
- possession of drug paraphernalia; Main St. NW
- criminal mischief; College Rd.
- theft of property; Whaley Ave. NE
- theft of property; criminal mischief; CR 54
- theft of property; CR 1272
- burglary; Hwy. 69S
- possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of dangerous drugs; Arkadelphia Rd.

Feb. 25
- criminal mischief; Hwy. 69S
- criminal mischief; CR 1072
- harassment; CR 1226
- dog bite; CR 1298
- criminal mischief; Brooklyn Rd.
- discharge a firearm into unoccupied dwelling; CR 134
- harassment; criminal mischief; CR 551

Feb. 26
- assault; CR 385
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1859
- theft of property; CR 493
- harassment; CR 1096

ARRESTS

Feb. 24-26

Allen, Kayla R.; 23
- GJ – forgery-counterfeiting

Beaver, Andrea L.; 26
- GJ – theft-miscellaneous
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Carnes, Charles H.; 38
- DUI (alcohol)

Enochs, Kimberly S.; 56
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hooper, Steven D.; 43
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- family-offense-non-support-child

Howse, Kevin L.; 41
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Johnson, Angel D.; 31
- assault-harassment

Judkins, Shannon R.; 51
- attempting to elude a police officer

Keaton, Charles K.; 58
- driving under the influence of alcohol and/or 0.08 percent or more by weight of alcohol in blood

Lackey, Shanna M.; 37
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – theft-utility diversion

Lamb, Johnny L.; 51
- FTA – DUI (alcohol) (2 counts)

Laney, Joseph A.; 46
- driving under the influence of alcohol and/or 0.08 percent or more by weight of alcohol in blood
- speeding-no workers-construction zone

Lindsey, Kristian L.; 41
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Mathis, Brad D.; 59
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Mays, Kenneth T.; 37
- FTA – possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree (2 counts)
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family

Pannell, Gregory; 59
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Rollo, Brandon D.; 41
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Stanley, Joshua D.; 40
- FTA – possessing forged instrument
- FTA – identity theft

Stephens, Obie W.; 41
- Possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Feb. 23
- theft of property-4th degree; Dollar General; backpack; $5; 3rd St. SE
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $101; Olive St. SW

Feb. 26
- forgery-3rd degree (3 counts); theft of property-1st degree (3 counts); Premier Bank of the South; forged checks, cash
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; 2nd St. SW
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; theft of property-4th degree; person; miscellaneous charges; Hickory Ave. SW

Feb. 27
- theft of property-4th degree; criminal mischief-2nd degree; Cullman Park & Rec.; miscellaneous, damaged property; $1,533; Lee Ave. SW
- theft of property-1st degree; B & A Roofing; cash; $8,300
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; damage to '12 Honda Civic; $3,500; Arnold St. NE
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $328; Olive St. SW

ARRESTS

Feb. 26-28

Martin, Joe A.; 37
- DUI

Jackson, Brodie; 20
- criminal trespass-2nd degree

Brown, Kevin R.; 51
- FTA – insurance violation

Mathis, Brad D.; 59
- FTA – insurance violation
- FTA – driving without license
- FTA – expired tag

Russell, Brannon H.; 39
- FTA - switched tag
- FTA - driving while license suspended

Mullinax, Emily G.; 20
- theft of lost property-4th degree

Harrison, Destiny; 41
- FTA - driving without a license

Hunt, Frank H., Jr.; 58
- possession of a forged instrument-3rd degree (2 counts)

Griffin, Ashley L.; 37
- FTA - public intoxication
- FTA - expired tag

Gardner, Joseph T.; 40
- theft of property-4th degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

LEGALS

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RICHARD NEVES, JR., aka, EVERETT RICHARD NEVES, JR., Deceased. — CASE NO.: PC 2023-308

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to LAURA NEVES, as Personal Representative of the Estate of RICHARD NEVES, JR., also known as EVERETT RICHARD NEVES, JR., deceased, on the 12th day of February, 2025, 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.

Laura Neves
Personal Representative

Tonya C. Palmer
Attorney for Personal Representative
1939 Main Avenue SW
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

Please publish the above Notice once a week for three consecutive weeks and send an affidavit of Publication to the Judge of Probate.

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF FRANCES Y. MCNUTT, Deceased. — CASE NO.: PC2025-052

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to John McNutt as Personal Representative of the Estate of Frances Y. McNutt, deceased, on the 13th day of February, 2025, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County.

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

John McNutt
Personal Representative

G. Edward Coey
Attorney for Personal Representative
P.O. Box 834
Hanceville, AL 35077
256-352-2090

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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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RAY MORRISON, (aka Raymond Leslie Morrison) Deceased. — CASE NO.: PC2025-037

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF RAY MORRISON (aka Raymond Leslie Morrison), DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Neal Gregory Morrison and Mary Elizabeth Morrison on the 26th day of February, 2025, by the Honorable 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.

Neal Gregory Morrison and Mary Elizabeth Morrison
Joint Personal Representative

Sherry H. Barrett
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REQUESTS FOR BIDS

Cullman Regional Airport
Cullman, Alabama

Sealed bids will be received until **Thursday, April 3, 2025 at 11:00 A.M.** at Cullman Regional Airport Terminal Building located at 231 County Rd. 1360 Vinemont, AL 35179 and at said time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment and performing all work necessary for: GA Apron Reconstruction and Terminal Apron Rehabilitation at Cullman Regional Airport. **Major items of work include**: **Pavement Removal, Grading, Drainage, Base, Pave (Asphalt & Concrete), Surface Treatment, Markings and Aircraft Tie-Downs for the GA Apron Reconstruction. Concrete Spall and Joint Repair for the Terminal Apron Rehabilitation.**

A Pre-Bid Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, March 19, 2025 at 1:30 P.M.** at the Cullman Regional Airport Terminal Building located at 231 County Road 1360 Vinemont, AL 35179. Attendance is non-mandatory, but encouraged.

Information for the Project can be found on the following website: https://www.gmcnetwork.com/bids/.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC, located at 1906 E. Three Notch Street, Andalusia, Alabama 36421, Attn: Patsy Stinson or Email: patsy.stinson@gmcnetwork.com. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office, during the hours indicated above, upon payment of a one-time administrative fee of $20.00 for digital access/file sharing access and/or payment of $100 for each printed set. Said cost represents the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, therefore no refund will be granted. Checks for Bidding Documents shall be payable to "Goodwyn Mills Cawood, LLC." Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Each proposal must be accompanied by a bid guaranty in the amount of five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid, but not to exceed $50,000. The bid guaranty may be by certified check or bid bond made payable to the City of Cullman.

All Bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Engineer; the Bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying the license number on the outside of the envelope in which the Proposal is delivered. "A contractor must have a Heavy and Railroad major license or a Heavy and Railroad specialty license to **bid as prime for this project**."

Bids may be held by the City of Cullman / Cullman County for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of evaluating bids prior to award of contract.

Award of contract is subject to requirements in the contract documents including, but not limited to, the following Federal provisions:

1) Buy American Preference
2) Civil Rights – Title VI Assurances
3) Equal Employment Opportunity
4) Davis Bacon
5) Debarment and Suspension
6) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
7) Foreign Trade Restriction
8) Lobbying Federal Employees
9) Recovered Materials

A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal of 10.74% has been established for this project. The City of Cullman / Cullman County, in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252, 42 USC §§ 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders or offerors that it will affirmatively ensure that for any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, [select businesses, or disadvantaged business enterprises or airport concession disadvantaged business enterprises] will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and no businesses will be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin (including limited English proficiency), creed, sex (including sexual orientation and gender identity), age, or disability in consideration for an award.

The City of Cullman / Cullman County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality or irregularity in the bids received.

Woody Jacobs, Mayor
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Layla (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Layla, The Cullman Tribune Pet of the Week, is a bully mix who is approximately 6-years-old. This sweet pup has medium energy and just loves to be around people.

Layla is house trained, as well as crate trained. She's not too keen about sharing her food, but in all other areas, she excels!

She's gregarious and focuses all her attention on you. That's why Layla would make a perfect hiking/companion/therapy dog!

Those caring for Layla said, "She so much wants to be part of your plans. We just love her!"

Since Layla is already spayed, her adoption cost is only $35, which includes DHLPP vaccine, Bordetella vaccines, rabies vaccine, wormer, general exam at the vet and microchip.

Visit the shelter at 935 Convent Road NE. It's open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Feel free to drop in and visit with Layla and all the other cats and dogs just waiting on their forever homes! Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or cullmananimalshelter@co.cullman.al.us.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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Music Every Thursday Night in February at the Bethel Community Center
4-8 p.m. at the center, just off U.S. Highway 278, west of Cullman on County Road 1117. Bluegrass, gospel and country music. Musicians are welcome with acoustic instruments only. Covered dish supper and everyone is invited. Please join us! No entry fee, but donations are appreciated for building upkeep.

Grief Support Group
Every Sunday at 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 615 Third Ave. SE. Contact Reverend Warren Ruland at 256-962 2521.

Cullman County Republican Women Monthly Meetings
Second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at the Cullman VFW. President Cathi Bradford: "We are going to begin training to track legislation in Montgomery. If you need information, you can directly message me on Facebook." Full meals at 5:30. Meetings start at 6.

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 (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

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.

The 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.

Church Services: Spirit Life Church of GOD
- 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
- Saturday, March 1 - 8 a.m. Men's breakfast; 10 Foundry Farm outreach
- Sunday, March 2 - 9 a.m. Van runs in the 5 Points Area. Call Betty Hays at 256-338-3728 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.

At the Foot of the Cross Church 4th Annual Homecoming
Saturday, March 1, at 2 p.m. at the church, 2101 County Road 1435 in Vinemont. Joyful Hearts, Short Creek Gospel Trio and Family Tradition will be bringing music! Hot dogs and hamburgers will be provided! Come join us for a wonderful day in the Lord!

Connect Community Event
Saturday, March 1, at 6 p.m. at Karma's Coffee House in the Warehouse District. Cullman, this is your invitation! Let's come together for a powerful night of worship, prayer and community. We'll be lifting up the name of Jesus with voices across our city and special guests Chris and Lori Jewell. Arrive by 5:30 to grab a drink. This night is for everyone – no matter where you're from, you are welcome! Bring a friend, grab a coffee and let's worship together.

Cullman Rotary Club 52nd Annual Auction
Thursday, March 6, at Loft 212 beginning at 4:30 p.m. All proceeds go back to the club's local community service projects and local nonprofits.

RESCHEDULED: Cullman County Relay For Life Kick-off
Thursday, March 6, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church in Cullman.

Holly Pond Lions Club Annual Beans and Greens Dinner
Saturday, March 8, from 4-7 p.m. at the Holly Pond Lions Club. Donations only. Proceeds will benefit our community service projects. We hope to see you there. Thank you in advance for your support. We will accept donated canned and non-perishable food items to benefit the food pantry located between Holly Pond Town Hall and the Holly Pond Volunteer Fire Department. Drop them off at the food pantry or when you join us at the Beans and Greens Dinner on March 8.

United Way of Cullman County Crawfish Boil 2025
Friday, March 14, from 5-7 p.m. at Goat Island Brewing. $50 all you can eat. Join us for an evening of fun, food and giving back! The bayou-bred team from Hank's Sports Bar will be boiling up fresh crawfish and veggies right on-site! Goat Island Brewing will be serving the perfect drafts to pair with your meal. Featuring the Rally Stripe Band! Get tickets at https://tinyurl.com/crawfishtix.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Singing
Sunday, March 16, at 5 p.m. with The Taylor Family. Everyone is welcome. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278 East, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986 or 256-590-1501.

Fused Glass Art Class
Tuesday, March 18, at 12:30 p.m. at the Cullman Senior Center. 60 and older. For $22 per person, participants can make a fused glass flowerpot magnet to take home. Seating for the class, taught by Kimberly Love, is limited, so sign up soon. Sign up at https://square.link/u/mdLS2ZtL or by stopping by the center. The Cullman Senior Center is located at 1539 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman. Get more info by calling 256-734-0145 or visiting Cullman Senior Center and Travel on Facebook.

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Spring Revival
Sunday, April 6, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and Monday-Wednesday, April 7-9, at 7 p.m. The evangelist will be Bro. Jared Dixon. The Dixons" will be singing Sunday. Everyone is invited. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278 East, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-796-5986 or 256-590-1501.

Ladies' Conference
Saturday, June 7, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., with lunch at noon. At The Foot Of The Cross Church, 2101 County Road 1435 in Vinemont. Guest speaker Kristy Garrison Harris: Trusting God through every season. There will be games and door prizes. Please join us.


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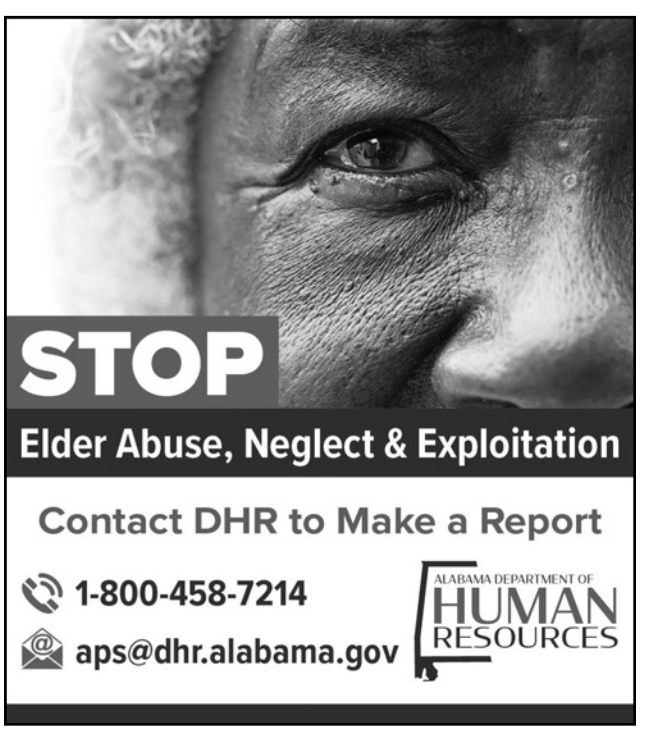
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STATE TOURNAMENT

Good Hope falls to Trinity Presbyterian in 4A finals 67-27

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — After grinding out a 38-30 win over St. Michael Catholic in the Class 4A Semifinals on Tuesday, Good Hope was back on the court at Legacy Arena to defend its state title against Trinity Presbyterian in the finals Friday night. Unfortunately for the Raider crowd, the Wildcats got off to a fast start and led Good Hope wire to wire on their way to a 67-27 win and the 4A state title.

After the game, Raiders Head Coach Justin Aby had a lot of people to thank for helping guide Good Hope to another outstanding season. He knows his team didn't play its best game on Friday but credits Trinity

"God is great, God is good. We won this thing by 30 last year and today we came up short and lost by 40 so he's great in the good times and the bad. In the wins and losses. I want to give a shoutout to my assistant coaches. I think they're some of the best in the state. Coach Maddox, Coach Moss and Coach Taylor do a great job with their program, and I better go ahead and mention my wife too. I think every coach's spouse is the real MVP just knowing how much time coaches spend with their teams," Aby said. "We played a great team. I think Trinity could compete in any classification here at the finals. They're well-coached, senior heavy and have a great squad. I don't think today was our best performance and we fell short but that's part of basketball and part of life. I don't think that takes anything away from us. We had an outstanding season, and we played some of the top teams in the state and other states, but Trinity was the better team today."

Justin Aby

"I'm so proud of these girls. These seniors were part of something special last year, bringing our school its first state championship ever in any sport and after we graduated so many young ladies, for them to be able to bring their teammates back to this spot," Aby said. "To say I'm proud of them would be an understatement. You all see great basketball players and I see that as well, but I see even better people out of these girls so I'm extremely proud of them and I know they're going to do great things in life."

Ava McSwain

"I'm super proud of my team. Last year we lost so many key players, four out of five starters, and I'm just super proud. Nobody thought we would get back here and I just want to thank God for helping us get back here," McSwain said. "At the end of the day, I'm not going to let this game beat us up because basketball doesn't define me and we're going to move on and trust God and its going to be ok."

Jolee McHan

"At the beginning of the year I had several people come up to me and tell me that we would not ever make it back this year. That we would not be able to get here because of how many seniors we lost," McHan said. "That drove us all together and we had one goal in mind and that was to make it back here. We might have come up short but we still did really good this season and I'm super proud of everybody."

Baskets by Ava McSwain and Lexi Marshall held Trinity's lead to 5-4 early in the first quarter and after the Wildcats used a 7-0 run to pull ahead 12-4, McSwain knocked down a three to trim the lead to 12-7. McSwain's next basket made it a 15-9 game later in the period, but Trinity dominated the rest of the first, extending its lead to 28-9 by the start of the second.

The Wildcats continued to dominate on the defensive end in the second quarter, keeping the Raiders off the scoreboard for the duration of the period and taking a commanding, 46-9 lead into the locker room at halftime.

McSwain hit a pair of free throws early in the third quarter to make it a 49-11 game and Lucie Adams buried a three later in the period to make it 52-14. Baskets by Ella Gossett and Jolee McHan cut the lead down to 54-18 with less than two minutes remaining in the third and Adams banked in another three just before the buzzer to make it a 57-21 game going into the fourth. McSwain scored six more points in the fourth quarter, but it wasn't enough to overcome the early deficit and Good Hope's season came to an end with a 67-27 loss in 4A State Championship Game.

McSwain (five rebounds) led the Lady Raiders with 15 points in the loss. Adams added six points and Marshall, Gossett and McHan (six rebounds) each posted 2.

Ava McSwain and Jolee McHan each earned All-State Tournament Team honors.



Stover (from Front)

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. — St. Bernard Preparatory School recently announced the appointment of Rachael Stover as its new director of admissions.

A Birmingham resident, Stover, the school said, brings a wealth of experience and passion for Catholic education to her new role, having been actively involved in Catholic schools across the country.

Though Stover is a Birmingham native, she and her family were living in Seattle, Washington, but they recently relocated to Alabama to be closer to aging parents. Since stepping into her role weeks ago, she has been actively welcoming families to St. Bernard and engaging with the broader community to promote the school's mission and values.

Stover's deep-rooted connection to Catholic education began early, having attended Catholic schools from kindergarten through 12th grade. Her dedication to faith-based learning continued through her involvement with St. Alphonsus in Seattle, Magnolia Girls School in Houston and Western Academy in Houston, where she served on the board and in volunteer positions.

"My parents gifted me a K-12 Catholic education, and it shaped me into the wife, mother, sister and daughter I am today," said Stover. "Later, I studied marketing and logistics at Auburn University and the University of Alabama at Birmingham, which has further prepared me for this role."

Stover has long held St. Bernard in high regard.

"My father and mother would take my siblings and me on Saturday field trips to the Ave Maria Grotto at least once a year," she shared. One of her most touching experiences with the school was helping her niece, Mary Ella Cockerham (PS'23), move into the dorms in 2019. Cockerham now attends Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio.

Committed to recruiting a diverse student body, Stover is focused on finding students who exhibit strong academic potential, positive character traits and intellectual curiosity. "St. Bernard sells itself," she stated. "The students are happy, and they engage with one another throughout the day without the distraction of cell phones. I believe this creates an environment for authentic, lifelong friendships to develop."

Looking ahead, Stover is eager to share the beauty of the St. Bernard campus with prospective students and families. "This is a holy place," she said, "surrounded by the beauty of nature" that brings peace.

Stover and her husband of 20 years, Thomas, have two children, Oliver and Annie.

For more information about St. Bernard Preparatory School, visit www.stbernardprep.com.

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IN RE: THE ESTATE OF MARY EDD FLETCHER, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Marla N. Ayers on the 20th day of February, 2025, 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.

Marla N. Ayers
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration upon the Estate of said decedent, having been granted to Patrick Hall on the 12th day of February, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estates are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of said Judge of Probate, 500 2nd Avenue, SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama within six (6) months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

Patrick Hall
Personal Representative

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Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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YOU WILL HEREBY TAKE NOTICE that BARBARA J. BROTZGE has petitioned the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama for Probate of the Will in the Estate of WILLIAM JEFFREY BROTZGE, Deceased.

You are hereby notified that a date and time has been set for said hearing on said matter.

That said hearing shall be on the 8th day of April, 2025 at 11 o'clock a .m. at the Office of the Judge of Probate, Cullman, Cullman County, Alabama.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
ROBERT PAUL LINDSEY, * CASE NO.: PC2024-407
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to KALENNA QUICK, as Administrator, of the ESTATE OF ROBERT PAUL LINDSEY, deceased, on the 12th day of February 2025, by Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court.

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.

Kalenna Quick
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TO: Publisher of THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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DONE this 12th day of February, 2025.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
JUDGE OF PROBATE

STATE OF ALABAMA)
MORGAN COUNTY) IN THE PROBATE COURT

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF CATHERINE PHILLIPS CARTER TO PROBATE THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF JO ANNE BATES, DECEASED.

TO: JOSHUA WADE PHILLIPS – 100 County Road 1466, Cullman, AL 35055

AND TO ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND NEXT OF KIN, IF ANY THERE BE, WHETHER THEY BE MINORS OR PERSON OF UNSOUND MIND.

YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that on the 10th day of October, 2024, Petitioner presented to the Court an instrument in writing purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of JO ANNE BATES, deceased, and also filed therewith her petition, in writing, praying for an order of the Court admitting said instrument to probate as the Last Will and Testament of JO ANNE BATES, deceased, and that the 23rd day of April, 2025 at 9:00 o'clock AM, was appointed as a day and time for hearing said petition, at which time you can appear and contest, if you see proper.

This the 26th day of February, 2025.

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THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
CONRAD H. ELLARD, * CASE NO.: PC2025-024
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Bruce Ellard as Personal Representative of the Estate of Conrad H. Ellard, deceased, on the 19th day of February 2025, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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Bruce Ellard
Personal Representative(s)

G. Edward Coey
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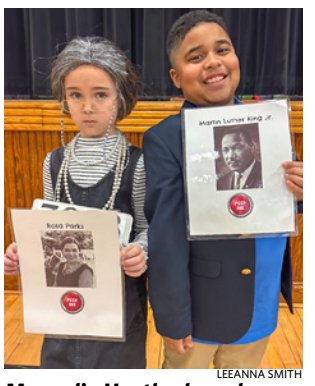
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History (from Front)

"The Living History Museum offers numerous educational benefits. It enhances public speaking skills, encourages independent research and promotes creative thinking.

"The event also provides students a tangible connection to history, making it more relevant and engaging," said Leeanna Smith, a third-grade teacher at East Elementary.

"Additionally, the immersive experience engages their senses, leaving lasting memories and a deeper understanding of the subjects they study. The opportunity to teach others about their research also builds a sense of responsibility and pride in their learning."

TACOMARG (from Front)

Lauren Estes
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CULLMAN, Ala. — A new restaurant - TACOMARG - is set to open in Cullman's Warehouse District this month.

Owner/Operator Joel Sanchez said TACOMARG won't just be serving tacos and margaritas; it will be a place of connection and celebration.

"We can't wait to serve Cullman," he said. "A look into TACOMARG: We're all about helping you pause, enjoy great food and drinks and 'Let Yourself Live.' We offer an inviting atmosphere that feels welcoming, comfortable and alive with good energy. We take pride in great flavors, intentional hospitality and building connections. We're incredibly excited to join the vibrant community of Cullman's Historic And Warehouse District. This place holds special meaning for me and my fiancée, Jeta — growing up here, we want TACOMARG to reflect the spirit and heart of the city. We can't wait to welcome you in March for our grand opening."

The menu will include a signature Birria Quesadilla — slow-braised beef with melty Oaxaca cheese, served with savory consommé for dipping.

"We also have our Grilled Pescado Taco — which been a big hit in testing: fresh, simple and packed with flavor," Sanchez said.

"On the drink side, our Signature Margarita is an instant classic, and the Spicy Margarita has just enough kick to keep things fun."

Sanchez said one unique feature at TACOMARG is the community shelf.

"The shelf is inspired by Día de los Muertos traditions, where guests can honor loved ones who've passed," he said.

"Every night at 7 p.m., we gather our guests for a community toast — a moment of reflection, gratitude and connection. Another thing that stands out is our passion for making special nights memorable.

"We plan on regularly hosting nights dedicated to honoring local loved ones who have left a meaningful legacy in our community."

Get more information and stay tuned for more updates at www.tacomarg.com and Facebook/TACOMARG.

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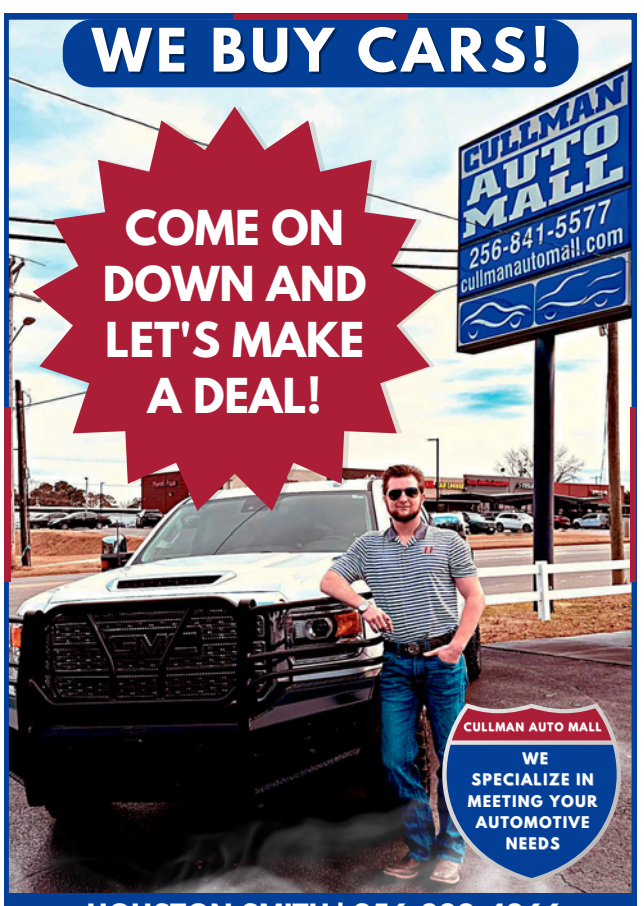
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Obituary Announcements: Feb. 27-28

Frelon Charles Harbison, 73
Funeral service for Frelon Charles 'Chuck' Harbison, 73, of Falkville will be at 2 p.m., Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, with interment in Flint Creek Cemetery, Pastor Troy Puckett officiating. The family will receive friends from 12 noon to 2 p.m. before the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Harbison was born on Nov. 11, 1951, to Frelon Levester and Donnie Chandler Harbison. Chuck was a loving husband, great father and awesome papa. He is leaving behind a great legacy of handwork, and unwavering love to everyone around him. He was a master in woodworking and was also a maintenance mechanic where he worked at American Proteins for many years. He took pride in sharing his knowledge with his son and grandkids in everything he knew. He always had a positive attitude and outlook on life, even when times were bad. Above all things he served the Lord and his family with all his heart. He was always willing to lend a hand no matter the situation and always had a servants heart. Chuck was a combat medic in the Vietnam war and took immense pride in serving his unit and his country, and He loved his brothers in arms. Chuck loved his family with all his heart and his son and daughter were the light of his life, then came his grandkids. He became a papa that loved helping them, from playing with Barbies to fixing cars and most anything else he loved sharing his knowledge with his grandkids. Chuck was an awesome and loving husband, always letting his wife Sandy know that she was #1 right after God. In 2017 his son started a business and he helped build it from the ground up and continued to help work there many years right alongside his son. He was a man of many talents and his legacy will live on in his son and grandkid's and anyone he ever came in contact with. We will forever cherish him in our hearts. Always loved, deeply missed but never ever forgotten. He was preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Jamie Harbison; sister, Shelia Beckwith; grandson, Samuel Harbison. Survivors include his wife of 52 years, Sandra Harbison; son, Jeremy Charles (Angela) Harbison; brother, Paul David (Wanda) Harbison; sister, Jan (Jim) Rabb; grandchildren, Kendall Harbison, Jana Harbison, Jeremy Harbison, Brayden Harbison, Gabriel Harbison and Raegan Harbison; and a host of family and friends. Pallbearers will be Bryson Bush, Brandon Hyatt, Erik Schaffer, Sam Turner, Austin Harbison and Brian Harbison. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

James Herman Elliott, 89
Funeral service for James Herman Elliott, 89, of Hanceville will be at 2 p.m., Sunday, March 2, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, with interment in Bethlehem Cemetery, Pastor Stanley Owensby and Bro Tim Bursell are officiating. Visitation will be on Saturday evening from 5:30-8 p.m. at the funeral home and the family will receive friends from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. before the service on Sunday. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. James was born on July 2, 1935, to Monroe and Lois Edwards Elliott. Mr. Elliott loved to sing, talk to people and every chance he got he told people about the Lord. He was a home builder and often enjoyed riding motorcycles along with his children. He was a Church of God pastor, and he pastored churches throughout the country. He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Fred Elliott; sisters, Virginia Knighten, Opal Welch and Clara Turner. Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Edith Elliott; sons Dwight Elliott (girlfriend Connie Kennedy), Kenneth Elliott and Kevin Elliott; daughter, Sharon Elliott; 8 Grandchildren; 10 Great-grandchildren; several Great- great grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, family, friends.

Norman Earl Delbert Petrimoulx, 88
Norman Earl Delbert Petrimoulx, age 88 of Cullman, died Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025. He is survived by his children: Robert and Ava Petrimoulx, Debbie Carroll, Paul Petrimoulx and Phil Simpson, Norm and Teena Petrimoulx, Sandy and Forrest Eversman; Grandchildren: Kortnee and JD Halvorson, Wyatt and Daisy Petrimoulx, Jimmy and Caitlyn Petrimoulx, Sierra and Kevin Mahardy, Taylor Petrimoulx and spouse, Bobby Petrimoulx, Amy Carroll, Andrew Carroll, Brittanie and John Hoff, Jessica Petrimoulx, Joe Petrimoulx, Liz Petrimoulx; Great grandchildren: Amaya, Logan, Kaycee, Rylee, Johnny, Attie, and others; and multiple other family members and friends. The family will celebrate the life of Norman in a memorial service at a later date. To leave condolences for the family please visit mossservicefh.com. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Emily Virginia Farr, 87
Emily Virginia Farr, age 87, of Logan, Alabama passed away on Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2025. Emily was born in Cullman, Alabama. A visitation for Emily will be held Friday, Feb. 28, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Emeus Baptist Church, 2246 County Road 831, Logan, AL 35098. A funeral service will occur Friday, Feb. 28, 2025, at 1 p.m., 2246 County Road 831, Logan, AL 35098. An interment will occur Friday, February 28, 2025 at Emeus Cemetery, 2246 Co. Rd. 831, Logan, AL 35098.

Brandon Dewain Parris, 44 (Updated)
Brandon Dewain Parris, affectionately known as BDP, passed away Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025, leaving behind a legacy of hard work, kindness, and unwavering love to those around him. He has been reunited with his best friend and father, Steven Parris and Grandfather Charles Parris. He is survived by his beloved son Alex (Alyssa) Thornton, granddaughter Evalena, girlfriend Bekah Gibbs, his mother Cathy (Richard) Tidwell, stepmother Sheree Smith Parris, brother Vance (Amy) Kanaday, sister Meghan Parris, grandparents Doug and Sandra Caddell and Doris Parris, aunts, uncles David (JoAnne) Caddell, Mark Parris and Michael (Phyliss) Parris, niece Kiley Cochran, and nephew Aidan Parris, all of whom will forever cherish his memory. Though his time here was far too short, the impact he made on the lives of so many will never fade. A master in the HVAC industry, Brandon was not just an expert in his field, he was a leader, a mentor, and a teacher. He took immense pride in sharing his knowledge and guiding those around him, always lifting others up with his patience and passion. His coworkers were not just colleagues; they were his brothers, and he loved them as such. Beyond his profession, Brandon's heart truly belonged to his family and friends. He was everyone's big brother—always there to guide, encourage, and support those around him. With the biggest heart, he never hesitated to help others in any way possible. Brandon had friends from every walk of life and never judged anyone; he accepted people as they were and made everyone feel valued. His greatest pride and joy were his son, Alex, and bonus son, Jack, along with his beautiful granddaughter, Evalena. He was incredibly proud of both Alex and Jack—not just for their accomplishments in their careers, but for the men they had become. He adored Evalena and cherished every moment he spent with her. Brandon had an infectious love for cars, whether real, RC, LEGO, or model. If it had wheels, he wanted to build it, perfect it, and make it his own. His knowledge and craftsmanship were unmatched, and his passion was evident in everything he touched. Music was another great love of Brandon's life. From rapping on stage with his favorite artists to blasting his favorite songs as loud as he could, music was a constant source of joy and energy for him. It was the soundtrack to his life, fueling his passion and bringing him closer to all those who shared his love for it. Brandon's legacy lives on in the lessons he taught, the love he shared, and the lives he touched. He will be deeply missed but never forgotten. The celebration of Brandon's life will be on March 8th, 2025 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the South Vinemont Community Center (88 Ridgeway Street, Cullman, AL 35058). Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

John Ellis Hodge, 92
Funeral Service for John Ellis Hodge, age 92 of Cullman, will be at 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Trae Norrell, Kevin Rice and Will Hodge officiating; Burial will be at Cullman City Cemetery. Visitation will be from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Hodge passed away on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025, at Hanceville Nursing Home. He was born Nov. 10, 1932, to John Grady Hodge and Norma Hodge. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Wanda Jean Holcombe Hodge, brother, Euell Hodge, sisters, Mary Rose McGukin and Mildred Williamson. Survivors include his daughter, Allison (Eddie) Rice; son, Tim (Glenda) Hodge; grandson, Kevin Rice; granddaughter, Kelsey Rice Scott (Adam), grandson, William (Lydia) Hodge, grandson, Hayden Hodge, grandson, Hunter Hodge (Cassidy); great grandchildren, Harlow Kate Rice, Greyson Hodge, John Paul Scott, Grier Hodge and sister, Polly Tankersley, A host of nieces, nephew and friends. Ellis served his country proudly in the United States Air Force Communications Battalion during the Korean War. He was a founding member of Berlin Volunteer Fire Department and served as Treasurer there for 25 years. He was also a founding board member of the Cullman County Industrial Development Board and served 13 years on the board. He was a proud Mason for 50 years and a faithful member of Grace Chapel Church. Family wishes to extend a special thank you to Grace Chapel Church, Westminster Assisted Living, Hanceville Nursing Home, and Southern Care Hospice. In lieu of flowers, family asks donations be made to Hope Horses at 1301 Convent Road NE, Cullman, AL 35055.

Gene Barck, 87
Graveside Service for Howard "Gene" Eugene Barck, age 87 of Crane Hill, will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 1, 2025, at Cullman City Cemetery with Rev. Keith Whitley officiating; burial at Cullman City Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Barck passed away on Friday, Feb. 28, 2025. He was born Sept. 15, 1937, to Albert Barck and Johnnie Lucille Oden Barck. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Patricia Barck; sister, Linda Teichmiller and brother, John Barck. Survivors include his daughter, Virginia Barck, sons, Steven (Angie) Barck and Nathan (Julie) Barck; grandchildren, Thomas (Carey) Wolford, Eva (Ben) Swalley and Sara Barck; great grandchild, Angel Wolford; brother, James (Penny) Barck and a host of nieces, nephew family, and friends.

Tommy Wayne Hudson, 83
Funeral Mass for Tommy Wayne Hudson, age 83 of Vinemont, will be at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at Sacred Heart Church with Father Patrick Egan, OSB officiating; burial at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 3, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home and a Rosary prayer service to follow at 7:30 p.m. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Hudson passed away on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2025, at his residence. He was born, Jan. 6, 1942, to Bernard Hudson and Ruby Yearwood Hudson. He was preceded in death by his parents, daughters, Katrina Marie Hudson, Mary Elaine Hudson; sons, Bernard Joseph Hudson and Timothy Wayne Hudson; sisters, Mary Lou Rusk and Linda Hudson; brothers, Frank Hudson, Paul Hudson and Kelly Hudson. Survivors include his wife, Gladys Hudson; granddaughter, Mary Elaine Hudson; brothers, Gene Hudson, Aubrey Hudson, Randy Hudson and Sherrill Hudson; sisters, Sharon Russell, Ida Goode and Charlotte Malone.

Eula Mae McAnalley, 102
Funeral Service for Eula McAnalley, age 102 of Eva, will be at 1 p.m. on Monday and will lie in state from 12 p.m. - 1 p.m., Feb. 3, 2025, at Daniels Chapel Baptist Church with Jeremy Calloway, Dewayne Oaks and Bro. Tim Aris officiating, burial at Daniel's Chapel Cemetery. Visitation will be from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 2, 2025, at Daniels Chapel Baptist Church. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. McAnalley passed away on Friday, Feb. 28, 2025, at her residence. She was born Feb. 8, 1923, to Offie S. Oaks and Esther McClung Oaks. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, James Noland and her siblings, Hulon Oaks, Marie Oaks Childers, Edith Oaks McElroy, Evelyn Oaks Stalnaker, Edward Oaks, Steven Dewitt Oaks. Survivors include her son, Neal (Kay) McAnalley; grandson, James (Ashley) Ferrara, grandson, Jonathan McCain, granddaughter, Brandy McCain, grandson, Matthew McCain; brother, Jerrell (Carolyn) Oaks and a host of great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends.

Bennie 'Nate' Harvell, 84
Bennie "Nate" Harvell, 84, passed away peacefully at his residence on Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2025. He was born on Aug. 17, 1940, in Cullman, Alabama. Nate had an enormous love for life and was a hard-working dreamer. He loved his country and served in the United States Navy. At age 4, he discovered a love for music, which led him to become successful as a country musician. While in the music industry, he received a CMA award for the hit song, "Three Times a Lady." He was also a successful businessman and entrepreneur. Nate changed many lives by his positive and encouraging attitude that made people feel like they could do or be anything. He was a great storyteller and loved to tell the stories of his unique adventures as well as his love for Jesus. He was a loving father to his son Nathan Harvell and a great "Poppy" to his wonderful granddaughter Ava Harvell. Nate is predeceased by his parents, Ben Harvell and Ruby Harvell; sister, Ruby Persall; and brothers Howard Persall, Charles Persall, and Huel Persall. Left to carry on his legacy are his son Nathan Harvell, granddaughter Ava Harvell, niece Carol Dyer (Larry), nephew Paul Johnsey, friends April Harvell and Lisa Bice, as well as a host of many dear relatives and friends. Funeral services will be held on Sunday, March 2nd, 2025, at the Moss Funeral Home. Visitation will occur from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. and the funeral service will begin at 3 p.m. Burial will follow at East Pointe Cumberland Presbyterian Cemetery. To leave condolences for the family please visit mossservicefh.com. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Warner "Tony" Anthony McKelvy, 69
Warner "Tony" Anthony McKelvy passed away peacefully at his home Feb. 23, 2025. Tony was born Oct. 24, 1955, to Kirby and Avis McKelvy. Tony served as the head of his local Masonic Lodge chapter. Tony's greatest accomplishment was working as an inspector for contracted projects under Boeing with the United States Space Station. Tony is preceded in death by his parents Kirby and Avis McKelvy, wife Janet Mann, brothers Larry "Sonny", Michael, and sister Linda McKelvy. Tony is survived by his brother Ricky (Pam) McKelvy, sons Bobby (Paige) and Heath Gilliland, grandchildren Lexie (Gage) Willingham, Lili (Quan) Howard, Molly (Brandon) Gilliland, Graci (AK) Gilliland, Abri (Jon) Garcia, PJ (Phillip) Miller, and Jake Gilliland; and a host of nieces, nephews, and great-grandchildren. A celebration of life visitation will be held Saturday March 1, 2025 at Moss Service Funeral Home 1901 Second Avenue NW, Cullman, AL, 35055 from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. A graveside service will follow at 2:30 p.m., at Simcoe Methodist cemetery located behind Simcoe Baptist Church 4545 Alabama Highway 69, Cullman, AL 35058. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

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BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

A cake fit for a king

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



What is as sweet as sugar, purple, gold and green all over and has a baby inside? A king cake! A king cake is a cake fit for a king. In my family, it is a cake fit for Kings and Woods. My family, which includes Jean and me, as well as our daughter, whose last name now is Wood, has enjoyed those sweet, delicious treats around this time of year for more years than I can count.

Jean and I first discovered king cakes in the late 70s, when we moved to New Orleans. Some of my seminary classmates invited us to a king cake party at their apartment.

I felt so honored that they would host a party with a cake named after us. As it turned out, it had nothing to do with our last name, but they had bought a cake to celebrate "the" King.

No, not Elvis, but Jesus. They served each of us a piece and said, "Now, whoever gets the baby has to buy the next cake and host the next party." I don't remember who got the prize, but inside every king cake is a small plastic baby. Last week I got the baby and almost swallowed it before I realized it was in my mouth! The baby represents baby Jesus.

Our daughter was born in New Orleans. For the past several years, she has returned there around Mardi Gras season and always brings back goodies.

Those usually include pralines, beignets and several king cakes. I'm in sugar overdose for the next few days. It doesn't last long because the treats don't stick around our house for long.

In case you've never had one, a king cake is a wreath-shaped cake. It is actually more like a pastry than a cake. It is frosted with melted powdered sugar and then covered in the official Mardi Gras colors of gold, green and purple, in an alternating pattern. I'm told the gold represents power, green faith and purple justice or majesty. Modern-day king cakes may have a filling of cream cheese and/or a fruit-flavored cream. My daughter brought me my favorite last week, which has cream cheese and lemon-cream filling inside. I would offer you a piece, if I still had some!

I'm sorry to disappoint, but the cake did not originate in New Orleans or Louisianna. It began in France, and since Louisianna was settled by the French, they brought their traditions with them, including the king cake. The surprise inside was usually a trinket or charm.

The cake is associated with the Catholic celebration of Epiphany. It commemorates the story of the three wise men visiting the baby Jesus. The Bible doesn't actually say there were three of them, but it does say they brought three gifts, so we assume there were three. The three colors may represent the three gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The first American king cakes simply had a bean inside, instead of a baby. Donald Entringer, who owned McKenzie's Pastry Shoppes, is credited with starting the plastic baby tradition. In the 1940s, he was asked by a carnival krewe, in New Orleans, to produce king cakes with a prize inside. He came across a large number of plastic babies, gained permission from the health department to add them to his cakes and the rest is history.

I have certainly enjoyed my share of the sweet treats known as king cakes for many years now. Whatever the original prize inside was, or what it was meant to represent, I'm thankful for the reminder of the sweet baby Jesus!

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HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: March 1, 1934

From the files of March 1, 1934

CLASSIFIED ADS
* ONE CENT A WORD ADS *

FOR SALE—Two registered Jersey Milch Cows. Cheap. O. B. Myrick, Cullman, Ala. 1mar-1x

FOR SALE—Four used 5.25x18 U.S. Royal Tires with Tubes. Will fit 1932-33 Chevrolets and Fords. Bargain price. Maurice Norwood, Cullman Tribune, Cullman, Ala.

NOTICE — Summerour's half-half cotton seed ordered last year, real clean, sacked on floor at gin. Guaranteed pure. $1.50 per bushel at my barn. S. L. Briscoe, Hanceville, Ala., R. 1., (White City). 1mar-1x

CULLMAN COUNTY ASKED BY RED CROSS FOR CASH DONATIONS
Cash donations are asked for the storm sufferers at Clanton, Ashland and other Alabama communities that were made destitute by the storm last Sunday. County Red Cross chapters are asked to receive donations. Any contributions sent to me will be forwarded to the stricken area.

R. P. Johnston, Co. Chm.,
American Red Cross.

BRIEF RURAL FACTS
The four leading counties in Alabama's cotton reduction program this year are Madison with 54,542 acres; Dallas, 50,497; Limestone, 46,398, and Cullman, 34,700.

It is estimated that the government in 1934 will pay 130 million dollars to southern farmers for reducing cotton acreages 40 percent. Alabama producers will receive over 10 million dollars for the 1,347,967 acres, which will be removed from cotton this year.

The nine Production Credit Associations recently formed in Alabama are located at Auburn, Ozark, Talladega, Huntsville, Russellville, Tuscaloosa, Demopolis, Bay Minette and Montgomery. Farmers desiring loans for agricultural production through this agency should apply to their county agent.

WELTI BASKET BALL TOURNAMENT
Plans have all been perfected for the independent basketball tournament at Welti, Friday and Saturday, March 2nd and 3rd.

Great interest has been demonstrated in the fact that about twenty teams will be present. We hope you will arrange to see some of these games, since we are sure there will be some most thrilling matches. There will be found in the tournament players of broad reputation for their skill and technique in sinking the skin through the basket, which is the only way to register in a basket ball game. We are fortunate to have three or four players in action that have been written up as all-state players, one for example, is Curtis Bailey, who sank so many through the basket for Cullman high school two years ago. Then we have such old experienced players as Coy Wood of Harmony, who is noted for his ability in handling the ball.

The women of our community will have lunch stands in operation for your convenience, therefore, we sincerely hope to make it a delightful affair for all.

We hope it will be convenient for every basket ball fan to be present and enjoy the full tournament, which will begin at 4:00 o'clock Friday evening until 10 o'clock Friday night, March 2nd, and Saturday morning at 8:15 o'clock until finished Saturday night about 10 o'clock, March 3.

CITY TO BUILD POLICE HEADQUARTERS BUILDING
Plans are now under way for the city of Cullman to build a new building in the city park on the southeast corner of 4th street west, to be used for police headquarters.

The building will be built of stone from the city quarry and will have telephone connections and other necessary police equipment.



POET'S CORNER

My Time Machine | By: Randy C. Hale

I want to build a time machine
Why Yes! I think I shall.
To travel through time and space,
forget the here and now.

I'll go and see the dinosaurs,
and watch for just awhile.
Then journey to other times
to see the living style.

I'll forward to the future,
to see if it is there.
Bring back a twig of flowers
to put it in someone's hair.

I sail through decades
on wings of time
and visit where I wish
and stopped to rest and eat a bite,
some different kind of fish.

Now you may laugh at such a thought
and think I might be crazy.
But time machines are built by ones,
that dream and never lazy.

If you would like, please come around
and check in a week or so.
You might just see that I have gone
and wish that you could go.

I'll leave a bell for you to ring,
be ready and awake
I'll pick you up when I buzz through,
we'll head to times and dates.

Yes, build a time machine, I shall.
I'm starting as I speak.
A journey's waiting for us to see.
I'll build a double seat.

CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

MARCH 1

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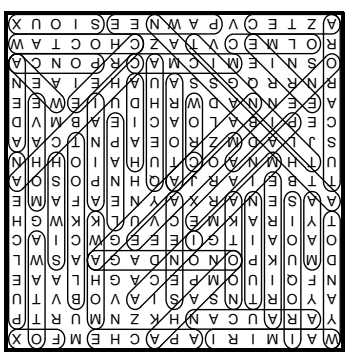
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CULLMAN TRIBUNE SUDOKU

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THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE
MARCH 1, 2025

Ivey appoints Cullman Regional CEO to Statewide Health Coordinating Council

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Regional CEO James Clements has been appointed by Gov. Kay Ivey to serve as a member of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC).

The SHCC reviews and develops the Alabama State Health Plan and advises the State Health Planning and Development Agency (SHPDA) on matters relating to health planning and resource development. Clements will serve as a representative for health care providers in the state during his three-year term ending in February 2028.

"Clements, who has been a health care administrator for more than 30 years, will bring valuable perspective and representation to the table, specifically that of small independent hospitals challenged by outmigration and lack of growth," said a media release from Cullman Regional.

"James' service on the Statewide Health Coordinating Council will be a tremendous asset for our community and our region," said Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman. "The availability of quality health care is important for our residents, and his service on the council will only bolster medical care in ourarea."

"As the CEO of a community-based hospital, my priorities are very much aligned with that of the SHCC," said Clements. "I look forward to contributing to the Council's good work on behalf of all Alabamians."

Clements also currently serves on the Board of Directors for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama and is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.



CULLMAN REGIONAL

Cullman Regional CEO James Clements



Adopt your new bestie at the Cullman County Animal Shelter!

Anabelle Howze
anabelle@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Animal Shelter is working hard to give abandoned and injured animals a second chance. The shelter ensures all the animals it houses are healthy and ready for adoption.

Usual adoption fees for dogs are $130, and cats are $100. These fees pay for spay and neuter procedures, necessary vaccinations, microchipping, deworming and a 24-hour flea pill.

In addition to medical treatment, the shelter rehabilitates and rehomes animals from cruelty cases, nursing them back to health before placing them with new families.

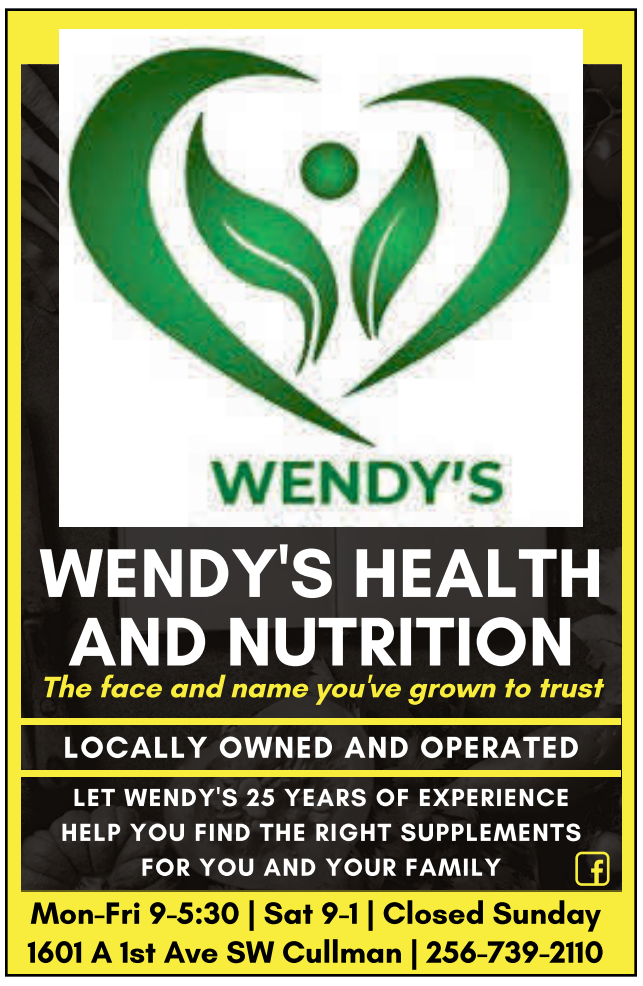
Shelter Manager Andrea Hudson oversees daily shelter happenings, cares for animals in need and helps them find new forever homes. With her background at a veterinary clinic, Hudson is passionate and determined to help each pet find a happy and safe future.

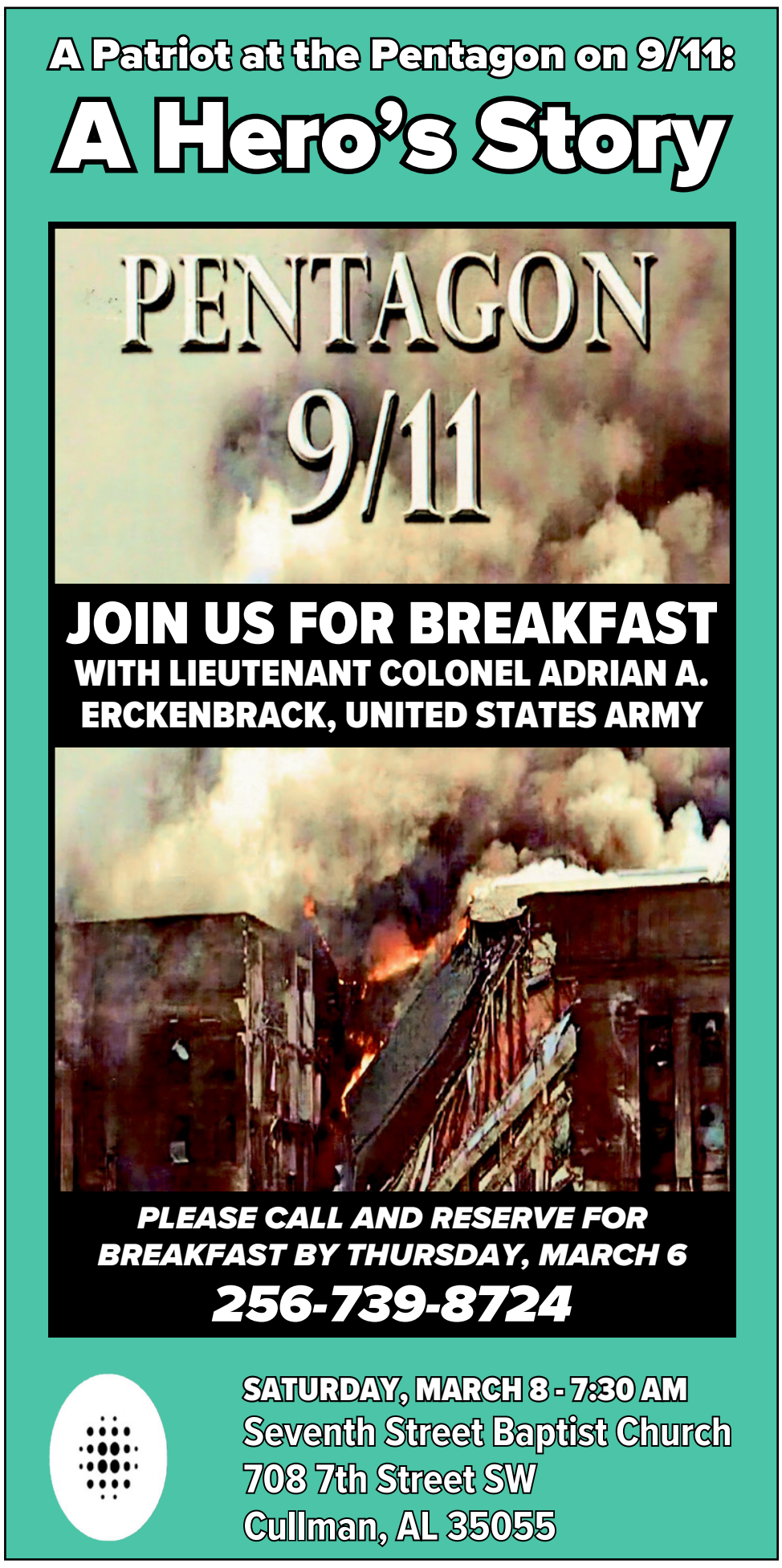
The shelter is always in need of donations, including treats, blankets, towels and food. Volunteers are also welcome. Visit the shelter at 935 Convent Road NE. It's open Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Contact the Cullman County Animal Shelter at 256-734-5448 or cullmananimalshelter@co.cullman.al.us.



CULLMAN COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

A variety of furry friends is available for adoption from the Cullman County Animal Shelter.





Fallin (from Front)

leadership and command positions in every rank from Lieutenant to Colonel serving in Infantry, Airborne, Aviation and Special Operations Commands. Since returning home to Cullman after my military service, I have been active on the Executive Committee of the Cullman County Republican Party, the Cullman VFW post, the Cullman Veterans Park Board and have served as the Chairman of the Board for the Cullman County Veterans Hall of Fame."

Fallin first enlisted in the Army in Cullman in 1982 after graduating from Fairview.

"My 30-year career progressed from being an enlisted Private in the Field Artillery to an Aviation Colonel following my graduation from the United States Military Academy at West Point, New York," Fallin said. "My career was highlighted by commanding an AH-64 Apache Helicopter Battalion; then later, duty in the Joint Special Operations Command (Tier 1 – Special Mission Unit) and Commanding the Special Mission Wing (Mi17), Special Operations Aviation Task Force in Afghanistan. I held leadership and command positions in every rank from First Lieutenant to Colonel serving in Infantry, Airborne, Aviation and Special Operations Commands with duty in 18 countries over four continents."

His eight combat tours include Desert Storm, Enduring Freedom, Iraqi Freedom, Resolute Support and Advanced Force Operations in the Horn of Africa and Eastern Europe. His Special Operations Task Force was responsible for the rescue of hostage Captain Richard Phillips of the Maersk Alabama off the coast of Somalia.

"My awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, five Bronze Stars, two Defense Meritorious Service Medals and the Combat Air Medal," Fallin told The Tribune. "I am Airborne, Pathfinder and Ranger qualified and have been awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Combat Action Badge, Senior Army Aviator Badge and the Air Assault Badge."

Fallin is helicopter rated in the Huey, Cobra, Apache, Longbow and the Soviet Mi17 (LDO). He is a graduate of the Special Forces Survival Course, Jungle Operations School, Arctic Warfare School, the Canadian and Irish Airborne Schools and the Ireland Defense Force Command and Staff College.

"In addition, I hold two Masters of Science degrees from Troy State University and the National Defense University," Fallin said. "After retirement, I partnered with the nonprofit Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund to raise education scholarship funds for the children of our fallen service members by leading the annual endurance events completing the 2,200-mile Appalachian Trail, climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania and Mount Aconcagua in Argentina as well as completing the 70-mile Inca Trail in the Peruvian Andes – surpassing $175,000 raised for education scholarships."

He and his wife Megan reside in Cullman and have two children – Casey and Sean. Casey is married to Army Major Rob Beery and is stationed at Fort Carson, Colorado, and Sean is an Army Captain stationed at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii.

"I am an active member of VFW Post 2214 and serve on the Cullman Republican Executive Committee, the Cullman Veterans Park Board and on the Cullman Veterans Hall of Fame Committee," Fallin said.

Fallin said he looks forward to continuing his commitment to service to Alabama and the district.

"I will serve with honesty and integrity and bring a grounded perspective to the district in serving the people of District 11," he said.

Gov. Kay Ivey set the special primary election for Tuesday, May 13, 2025; the special primary runoff, if necessary, for Tuesday, June 10, 2025; and the special general election for Tuesday, Aug. 26, 2025.