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41st annual Bloomin' Festival sees thousands; Sunday rained out

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The 41st annual Bloomin' Festival took place this past weekend. While it was scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, April 5-6, Sunday's event was canceled due to inclement weather. However, after the cancellation was announced, online donations and raffle tickets brought in $14,000 in just the first hour, with donations and sales continuing into the afternoon. Saturday saw a huge turnout. From opening to closing, thousands of people visited the festival.

Vendors of all kinds displayed arts and crafts, and there was a wide array of festival food and music. The Bloomin' Festival featured more than 150 talented artisans from across » PAGE 7



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A portion of the 41st annual Bloomin' Festival is seen on Saturday, April 5, 2025.

East Elementary, Cullman Middle School win NASP State Championships



EAST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

East Elementary archery team



CULLMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Cullman Middle School archery team

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East Elementary School (3,110) and Cullman Middle School (3,349) earned wins at this year's NASP Alabama State Championship in Montgomery. Vinemont High School and Vinemont Elementary finished second in their respective divisions with scores of 3,409 and 3,078.

HIGHEST LOCAL SCORERS

- High school boys: Tyson James, Vinemont (293) - Noah May, Good Hope (293)
- High school girls: AnnaLee McRae, Vinemont (288)
- Middle school boys: Owen Murphy, Cullman (287)
- Middle school girls: Gabby Sartin, Cullman (289)
- Elementary boys: Trevor Bone, East (282)
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Dinner with the Drumline



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McDonald, Chapman named March CCBOE/AmFirst Teacher, Staff Member of the Month



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported April 7

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported April 7, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

April 3

- domestic violence; Hwy. 31
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Edmondson Rd.
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1174

April 4

- possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 69S
- domestic violence; CR 782
- violation of domestic violence protection order; CR 38
- burglary; Hwy. 69N

April 5

- domestic violence; CR 1301
- violation of domestic violence protection order; CR 38
- domestic violence; CR 607
- possession of dangerous drugs; Hwy. 278W

April 6

- domestic violence; CR 1606
- domestic violence; CR 489
- harassing communications; Hwy. 91
- criminal trespass; CR 703
- public intoxication; Summit Rd.
- criminal mischief; Chad Dr.

ARRESTS

April 3-6

Anders, Shaun D.; 34
- PROBATION VIOLATION – unlawful breaking and entering a motor vehicle
- PROBATION VIOLATION – theft of lost property-1st degree

Baker, Sonya M.; 50
- PROBATION VIOLATION – identity theft

Blackwelder, Michael D.; 29
- FTA – driving while license suspended

Brown, Justin D.; 42
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or canceled

Calloway, Cubie A.; 23
- FTA – driving while license suspended
- FTA – failure to register vehicle
- FTA – operating vehicle without insurance

Clayton, Clark D.; 43
- FTA – possession of amphetamine
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia-2nd degree

Couch, Brandon S.; 39
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Cunningham, Landon M.; 19
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Cunningham Jr., Patrick J.; 45
- assault – domestic violence-2nd degree – punishment
- drug trafficking
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of dangerous drugs
- obstructing justice using a false identity – fictitious person
- unlawful distribution of controlled substances

Dingler. Charles H.; 47
- PROBATION VIOLATION – sex offense – absconding

Fairbanks, Jeffrey D.; 59
- PROBATION VIOLATION – auto theft

Farmer, Kimberly T.; 31
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Grimes, Jeffery T.; 39
- public intoxication

Hale, Joshua S.; 31
- PROBATION VIOLATION - possession of drug paraphernalia-1st offense
- FTA – sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Jacobes, Jessica J.; 40
- possession of dangerous drugs

Johnson, Mary L.; 38
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Laney, Brandon C.; 29
- organized retail theft

Lopez-Cash, Theodoro; 22
- public intoxication

Meadows, George T.; 80
- homicide-murder-family-gun-domestic violence

Moreland, Terry W.; 46
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Panter, Ryan D.; 39
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- possession of dangerous drugs
- attempting to elude a police officer

Phillips, John M.; 23
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Stephens, Jackie W.; 59
- PROBATION VIOLATION – sell/distribution of dangerous drugs

Susskin, Kenya B.; 36
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – public intoxication
- FTA – DUI (alcohol)

Tucker, Jenna A.; 32
- possession of drug paraphernalia

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

April 4
- theft of property-4th degree; Catoma Package; alcohol; $26; Co. Rd. 1435
- theft of property-4th degree; person; cash; Olive St. SW
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $173; Olive St. SW

April 6
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $260; Hwy. 157
- harassing communication; person

ARRESTS

April 4-6

Golden, Noah W.; 26
- FTA – insurance violation
- FTA – expired tag

Farmer, Kimberly T.; 31
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – criminal trespass-3rd degree

Fuller, Kagun D.; 29
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA – criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA – insurance violation (5 counts)
- FTA – expired tag
- FTA – driving without license (2 counts)
- FTA – fail to register vehicle
- FTA – improper lights

Johnson, Edward D.; 41
- theft of property-4th degree
- unlawful possession/receiving controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Calloway, Cubie A.; 23
- FTA – insurance violation
- FTA – following too close

Nolasco-Medel, Michele D.; 53
- FTA – driving without license
- FTA – driving on wrong side of road

Driver, Deborah A.; 60
- theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)

Huerta, Amada R.; 32
- domestic violence-3rd degree - harassment

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Library hosting Young Writers' Workshop April 10

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The main branch of the Cullman County Public Library will host the Young Writers' Workshop for Encourage a Young Writer Day on Friday, April 10, at 4 p.m.

Cullman County Public Library System Assistant Director Shelby Creekmore said this isn't their first writing workshop, but they are excited to offer this program, free of charge, several times throughout the year.

"This writing workshop targets kids and young adult aspiring authors and is led by Dorenda Doyle, a local children's book author," Creekmore said.

"She will provide information about the writing and publishing processes and will share helpful resources for getting started.

"Participants do not have to register or bring any materials; everything they need will be provided by the library.

"We are thankful to Ms. Doyle for offering this program again and for her advocacy of libraries and aspiring authors."

For information about future events, email cullmanpubliclibrary@gmail.com or visit www.ccpls.com.

The main branch of the Cullman County Public Library is located at 200 Clark St. NE in Cullman.

Star ID (from Front)

Staff Reports
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MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) reminds Alabama residents that the REAL ID Act of 2005 will go into effect on May 7, 2025. This means Alabamians planning to fly domestic in the United States or enter certain federal facilities will need a REAL ID-compliant driver's license (known as STAR ID in Alabama) or another acceptable form of identification, such as a passport. In 2012, Alabama began offering STAR IDs statewide to ensure those who wished to obtain a STAR ID were able, well before the federal deadline.

"Currently, citizens who fly domestic are able to use their regular driver licenses or other photo identity cards issued by their state's Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to board a plane," explained Holley Cook, director of ALEA's Driver License Division.

"However, the REAL ID Act changes this. If you plan to use your state-issued ID or driver license to fly within the U.S. then it must be REAL ID compliant after May 7, 2025. In Alabama, the REAL ID is known as a STAR ID."

The REAL ID Act, passed in 2005, aimed to enhance the security of state-issued identification documents in response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks.

While a STAR ID is optional, travelers will need some form of federally accepted identification to board a domestic flight in the U.S. This includes a valid U.S. passport or other approved ID. A complete list of acceptable forms of identification can be found at www.tsa.gov/travel/security-screening/identification.

Cook continued and explained, "If you don't plan to fly or plan on visiting certain federal facilities, including some military installations, then a STAR ID is not necessary.

"Your regular Alabama driver license will continue to be valid for driving, voting, and other everyday activities. It is completely up to the individual if they wish to get a STAR ID or not."

To avoid prolonged wait times, ALEA encourages residents to schedule an appointment online for STAR ID services at www.alabamadl.alea.gov.

However, please be advised that STAR ID appointments are filling up fast in Alabama's larger cities such as Huntsville, Birmingham and Mobile. If appointments are booked in your area, please check other nearby examining offices.

Director of ALEA's Department of Public Safety (DPS) Jonathan Archer said, "As we approach the May 7, enforcement date, we continue to see an influx of citizens coming into our local examining offices.

"We ask everyone to use patience when visiting our offices. We also want to clarify that May 7, simply begins the official enforcement period and is not the last day an individual can obtain their STAR ID.

"This date is the federal enforcement date of the REAL ID Act and citizens who have not obtained their STAR ID, will still have that ability even after May 7."

"The STAR ID and the REAL ID Act ensures the safe and secure identification of not only Alabamians, but citizens across the country," ALEA Secretary Hal Taylor said.

"While the STAR ID is only one of a variety of acceptable identification options, we strongly encourage individuals choosing to fly within the U.S. to take this step and obtain a STAR ID. Having a STAR ID well before your travel date will guarantee a smooth and worry-free experience."

Below are some frequently asked questions and answers to provide further clarification for STAR ID:

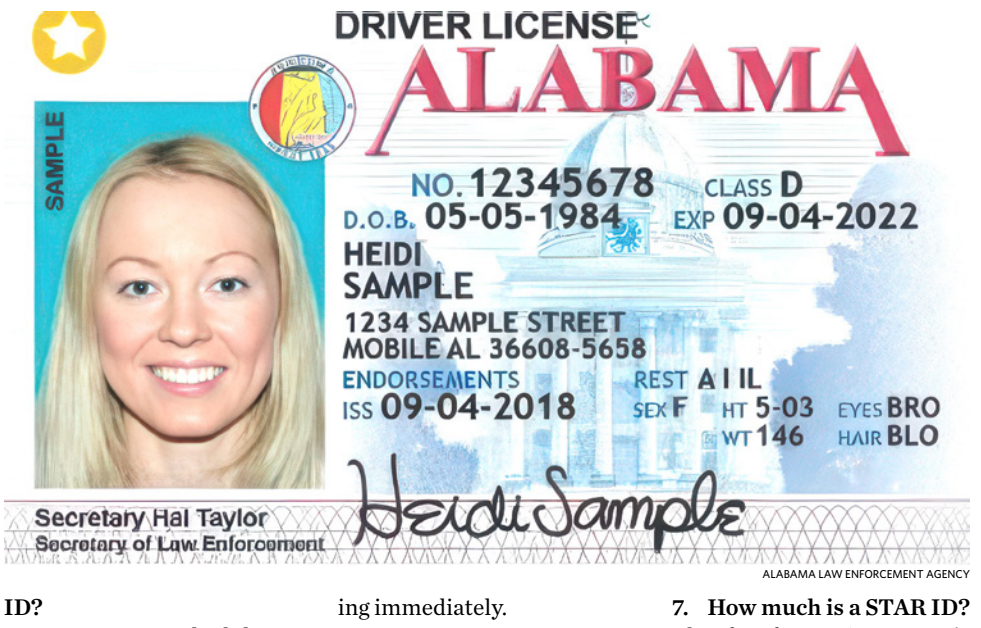
1. How do I get my STAR ID?
Individuals must visit an ALEA Driver License Exam Office in-person, with the appropriate documents to obtain a STAR ID. The Agency offers an online guide at: https://al.accessgov.com/star-id/Forms/Page/star-id/star-id, designed to assist with the STAR ID application process, as well as to determine eligibility. The online guide also provides ALEA Driver License Examining Office locations across the state.

2. What if my name has changed or documents feature the name of my spouse or parent?
If the applicant's name has changed from the name displayed on the document presented to verify identity and date of birth, certified documents verifying this change are also required (ex. marriage certificate, adoption, court order). If utility bills or other similar documents feature the name of the applicant's spouse or parent, the applicant must produce a marriage certificate or birth certificate verifying residence address.

3. Can I make an appointment to obtain my STAR ID?
Yes, you may schedule an appointment with ALEA's Driver License by visiting, www.alabamadl.alea.gov. However, please be advised that appointments in Alabama's larger cities such as Huntsville, Birmingham and Mobile are filling up quickly. Please do not wait until the last minute. Lines will only get longer the closer we get to the enforcement period.

4. How do I know if I already have the STAR ID or not?
To check if your Alabama driver's license is a STAR ID, look for a gold star in the upper left corner. Licenses issued on or after April 25, 2022, that are not compliant with the REAL ID Act will display "Not for Federal Identification" at the top.

5. Can I get my STAR ID after May 7?
Yes. While May 7, 2025, begins the enforcement period for TSA and federal facilities to begin enforcing the STAR ID requirement for domestic flights and access to federal buildings, you can still obtain your STAR ID after this date if you are not traveling immediately.



6. Does my teen need the STAR ID to fly?
TSA does not require children under 18 to provide identification when traveling within the United States. However, since Alabama begins the licensing process with a learner license at age 15, STAR IDs may be issued to ages 15 years and up. Please contact the airline for questions regarding specific ID requirements for travelers under 18.

7. How much is a STAR ID?
The fee for a STAR ID is $36.25, the same as for a regular Alabama driver's license or non-driver ID card. If citizens choose to wait and obtain their STAR ID at the same time they are renewing their regular license, there is no additional fee from the standard $36.25 renewal fee.

For more information about the STAR ID and how to obtain it, visit the ALEA website or contact your nearest Driver License Exam Office.



Drumline (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Bearcat Band hosted its annual Dinner with the Drumline event on Thursday, April 3. It saw a big turnout, with food from Johnny's Bar-B-Q, door prizes and performances by the Cullman High School and Middle School percussion ensembles.

Throughout the spring semester, the ensembles rehearse supplemental percussion material for the event.

The concert was free, but there was a charge for the dinner to raise money for percussion equipment.

Inspired by fundraising events hosted by other schools, Assistant Band Director Doug Teuscher took the traditional "dinner and a show" idea and put his own spin on it.

"The idea is a 'dinner and a show.' I do not believe in charging admission for any student concerts," he said.

"This way, we can raise money for our program while keeping the concert portion free of charge."

The ensembles performed various selections, showcasing their talents and skills. Graduating seniors were also recognized for their dedication to the band program, some having been involved for as long as seven years.

The fundraiser's goal was to raise money to support the percussion program since the cost of purchasing products such as drumheads, drumsticks, cymbals and overall equipment maintenance can add up while working with consumable equipment.

Events like this help ensure that students have the tools to continue growing and performing to the best of their abilities.

Teuscher said the percussion ensembles hold a special place in his heart.

"Many times in band, percussion fills an accompanist role.

"In percussion ensembles, the drummers get to be the main focus of the music," he said.

Events like Dinner with the Drumline raise the needed funds and give these musicians the equipment they need to succeed and the spotlight they deserve.

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SAVE THE DATE! Little Pink Dress Benefit
Tuesday, Oct. 7, from 6-9 p.m. at The Venue at Stone Bridge Farms. Table for eight for $450. Tickets available from Jennifer Limerick (256-201-2521 or jenniferalrealtor@gmail.com) or Judy Grissom (256-347-5993 or options5993@gmail.com) or www.CullmanBosomBuddies.com. Benefits the Cullman County Bosom Buddies Foundation.

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: Broken Heart for Repair
For more information, 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
- Tuesday, April 8 - 6 p.m. Adult dinner and game night. Join us for food, fun and fellowship.
- Wednesday, April 9 - 7 p.m. Children and youth classes. Adult worship, teaching and testimonies in the sanctuary. Free pizza at 6:30. Van runs in the 5 Points Area at 6. Call Betty Hays at 256-338-3728 for pickup.
- Friday, April 11 - Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Dinner at 5:45 p.m. Meeting starts at 6:30. Childcare provided.
- Sunday, April 13 - 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.
- Sunday, April 13 - 5 p.m. Healing service

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District Quarterly Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, at 9:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center, 501-B Fourth St. SW, in Cullman.

BBQ Stuffed Potato Fundraiser
Wednesday, April 9, from 4-7 p.m. at East Point Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 1441 U.S. Highway 278 East in Cullman. Drive-through only. No walk-ups. $12. Supports Women's Ministry.

Heartland Quilt Guild Meeting
Thursday, April 10, at 6 p.m. at Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1310 St. Joseph Dr. in Cullman.

Lenten Fish Fry
Friday, April 11, from 5-7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church Family Life Center. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Dine in or carry out (through drive-through). Choice of fried or baked fish, coleslaw, fries and hush puppies. Cost is $12 each up to four plates. Additions plates are $10 each. Everyone is encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m.

Men's Breakfast at Seventh Street Baptist Church
Saturday, April 12, at 7:30 a.m. Join us for a special Men's Breakfast! This is an event you won't want to miss as we welcome Dr. Kenneth Vandervoort as our keynote speaker. Dr. Vandervoort, a dentist from Snead, Alabama, has an incredible story to share. Not only is he a former Navy SEAL, but he also played football for the Alabama Crimson Tide. His experiences of discipline, teamwork and faith will inspire and challenge you. Bring a friend and enjoy a hearty breakfast, fellowship and encouragement as we grow together in Christ.

Cullman Chapter of The National Association of Retired and Active Federal Employees Monthly Meeting
Monday, April 14, at The Golden Corral Buffet, with a Dutch lunch beginning after 11 a.m., followed by meeting at noon. Our guest speaker will be Jennifer Prosser, implementation manager, UnitedHealthcare Retiree Solutions. For more info, call 256-708-5326.

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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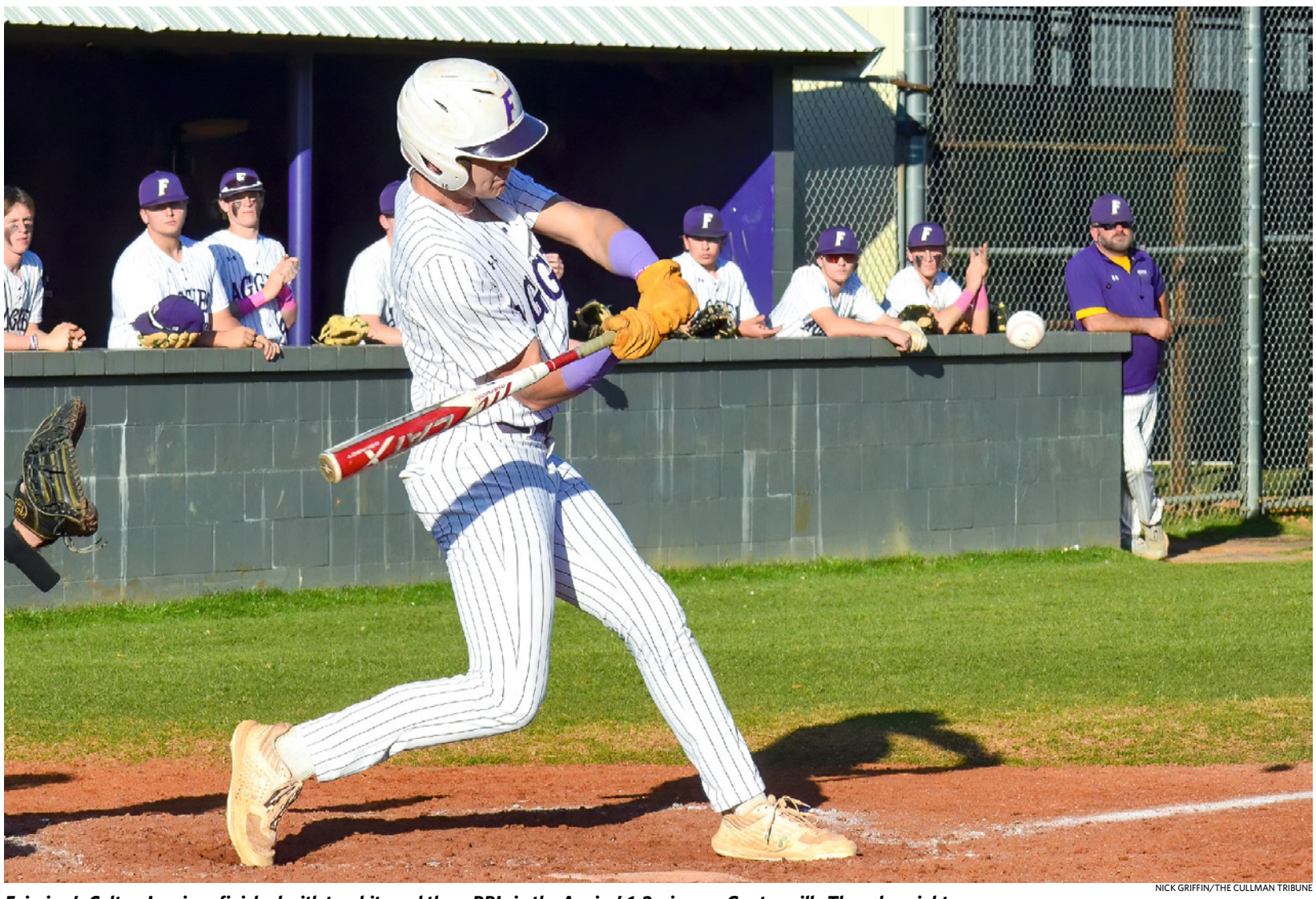
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PREP BASEBALL

Fairview takes area series over Guntersville

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Fairview's Colton Jennings finished with two hits and three RBIs in the Aggies' 6-3 win over Guntersville Thursday night.

FAIRVIEW, Ala. — Fairview took game one of its area series at Guntersville Tuesday night and they returned home to Mark Moore Field Thursday night to finish the series with the Wildcats. The Aggies dropped the first game of Thursday's doubleheader 5-1 but bounced back to take the rubber match 6-3 and win the series.

Guntersville 5 – Fairview 1 (Game One)

It was scoreless going into the top of the second inning, and Guntersville struck first. They scored on a passed ball and later added an RBI double, as that gave them a 2-0 lead. The Wildcats loaded the bases to start out the third inning, and a fielder's choice, plus an RBI double, helped them extend their lead to 4-0. Guntersville hit an RBI double to left field to put them ahead, 5-0, in the top of the fourth.

After being held scoreless through the first four innings, Fairview got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the fifth. Collin Nelson and Nicolas Gregory drew back-to-back walks to lead off the inning.

Later that inning, Conner Scott drew one of his own to load the bases with one out, and Camden Cullen hit a sacrifice fly to cut it to 5-1. Fairview couldn't cut into the deficit any more after that, as they ended up dropping game one to the Wildcats 5-1.

Cullen drove in the only run of the game for the Aggies, and Jackson Earnest, Barrett York, and Gregory all collected a hit in the loss.

Fairview 6 – Guntersville 3 (Game Two)

Guntersville struck first in its opening at-bats. They hit a leadoff double and later scored on a ground ball to take the early lead.

Neither team would score until the top of the third inning, as a pair of errors allowed the Wildcats to extend their lead to 2-0. Fairview's offense got something going in their half of the third inning.

Scott drew a leadoff walk, and Cullen reached on an infield single to put runners on first and second with nobody out. Colton Jennings launched a three-run home run over the left field fence to give the Aggies a 3-2 lead.

Fairview added to its lead in the fourth. Nelson drew a walk to lead off the inning, and a sacrifice bunt moved him over to third. Lincoln Wright hit an RBI double to left field to put them ahead, 4-2.

The Aggies padded their lead even more in the fifth. Cullen led off the inning with a walk, and Jennings got hit by the pitch to put a pair of runners on base with nobody out.

They moved up to second and third on a wild pitch, and Cullen scored on an error to make it 5-2. Jackson Earnest's sacrifice fly brought home Jennings, as the lead quickly swelled to 6-2.

Guntersville put a runner on with one out in the top of the seventh and ended up scoring on an RBI double to trim the deficit to 6-3.

A walk put a pair of runners on with two outs, but Ben Bryan collected a strikeout to end the game and help preserve the 6-3 win for Fairview.

Tanner Isbell went 6 1/3 innings, gave up just three hits and one earned run, walked three, and struck out six. Bryan gave up a hit, walked one, and struck out one in his 2/3 innings of work. Jennings finished with the three-run home run for Fairview, while Wright (one hit) and Earnest each collected an RBI in the win.

PREP BASEBALL

West Point downs Danville 7-2; Friday scoring recap

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NICK GRIFFIN/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The West Point Warriors defeated Danville 7-2 on Friday.

WEST POINT, Ala. – West Point returned home Friday night to host a varsity matchup against Danville and the Warriors collected a 7-2 win over the Hawks.

Danville loaded the bases to start out the game, and they ended up scoring on a passed ball to give them a 1-0 lead. West Point got that run back in their half. Titan Thornton reached on a one-out error. Later that inning, Jay Lamar hit the first pitch he saw into center field for an RBI single to tie the game up at one. Neither team was able to break the tie for the next inning and a half, but the Warriors broke the tie in the bottom of the third. They reached on three straight errors to lead off the inning, and Skylar Echols scored on a passed ball to give them a 2-1 lead. Charlie Ashley added a sacrifice fly to make it 3-1.

The Warriors added to their lead in the bottom of the fifth. Boston Freeman hit a one-out double to center field, then with two outs, Ashley lined an RBI triple to center field to put West Point ahead 4-1. Lamar followed that up with his second RBI single of the day, as that extended their lead to 5-1. The Hawks cut it to 5-2 on an RBI double in the top of the sixth, but the Warriors responded right back in their half. A single and a walk put runners on first and second with two outs, and Hunter Graves and Carter McAfee both scored on an error to give West Point a 7-2 lead. Danville put a pair of runners on in the top of the seventh, but Josh Cherry collected the final two outs of the game to help seal the 7-2 win for the Warriors.

Lamar (two hits) and Ashley (one hit) each drove in a pair of runs for West Point. Freeman added a pair of hits, and Graves collected a hit of his own in the win. Cherry went the distance for the Warriors, as he gave up six hits, one earned run, walked three and struck out seven.

Addison 10 - Winston County 6 (Softball)

Winston County struck first in its opening at-bats. A two-out error gave them the early lead, but Addison would respond in their half. A walk and a single put runners on the corners to lead off the inning, and Lainey Evans' RBI single tied the game up at one. Mackenzie Carter scored on an error two pitches later to give the Lady Bulldogs a 2-1 lead. A single loaded the bases with nobody out. Later that inning, back-to-back RBI singles by Summer Evans and Katie Barrett extended their lead to 4-1.

Addison made it 5-1 in the bottom of the second on an RBI single by Lainey Evans. Winston County hit a two-run home run in the top of the third to cut it to 5-3 and a pair of RBI singles in the top of the fifth tied the game up at five. The Lady Bulldogs looked to break the tie in their half. Wood hit a leadoff single, and one out later, Barrett drew a walk. Savannah Miller drew one of her own with two outs to load the bases, then back-to-back errors allowed Wood, Elina James, and Miller to score to give them an 8-5 lead. Powell punched an RBI double to center field to make it 9-5, and Lainey Evans scored on a wild pitch to stretch their lead to 10-5.

Winston County made it 10-6 on an RBI single in the top of the seventh and later loaded the bases with two outs. Atkins got the next batter to fly out on the first pitch to end the game and help persevere the four-run win for Addison.

Lainey Evans finished with a pair of hits and two RBIs for the Lady Bulldogs. Powell collected three hits and an RBI, while Summer Evans and Barrett each added a hit and an RBI.

Cold Springs 10 - Carbon Hill 0 (Baseball)

Neither team was able to crack the scoreboard to start out the game. After getting out of a bases-loaded jam in the top of the second, Cold Springs looked to get some early run support for Boston Archer in their half.

Archer drew a one-out walk, and an error allowed him to move up to second. Elijah Cole hit an RBI single to right field to give the Eagles the early lead. Later that inning, Mason Gable scored on a wild pitch to make it 2-0.

Cooper Johnson led off the bottom of the third with a single and later scored on an error to put Cold Springs ahead 3-0. The Eagles broke the game wide open in the bottom of the fifth. They put a pair of runners on to lead off the inning, then with one out, Lindan Hill scored on an error to make it 4-0. Brandon Chasteen hit an RBI single to right field to stretch their lead to 5-0, and after a hit by pitch, Ayden Black crushed a two-run triple to left field to put them ahead 7-0.

Cold Springs ended things in the bottom of the sixth. Matt Williams and Hill hit back-to-back singles to lead off the inning.

Williams scored on an error on the first pitch to make it 8-0, and Hill scored on a passed ball to extend their lead to 9-0. Three pitches later, Gable ended the game, as his RBI single helped seal the 10-0 win for the Eagles.

Black led the way for Cold Springs with a hit and two RBIs, while Cole (two hits), Gable (one hit), and Chasteen (one hit) all drove in a run in the win. Four Eagle pitchers combined to pitch six shutout innings, as they gave up just two hits, walked two and struck out four.



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Democrat Dakarai Larriett launches U.S. Senate campaign

Staff Reports
Contributor

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Democrat Dakarai Larriett on April 7, announced his candidacy for the United States Senate for the 2026 election. The seat is currently held by Sen. Tommy Tuberville, R-Alabama, whose term is up Jan. 3, 2027. Tuberville, back in November, declared he will run for re-election; however, rumors have swirled that he could possibly run for Alabama governor.

Below is Larriett's full announcement:

Dakarai Larriett, a successful entrepreneur and dedicated community activist, has officially announced his candidacy for the US Senate in 2026. As the son of a U.S. Army veteran and a teacher, Dakarai is passionate about creating a better Alabama for all its citizens.

"America needs leaders who prioritize service over self and country over party. We can no longer afford division and political chaos — it's time we focus on real solutions that benefit everyday Americans," he said.

"While the current administration seeks to dismantle essential government services, I am committed to fostering balance and civility."

Larriett's commitment to justice was further solidified in 2024 when he was unlawfully stopped and detained by Michigan State Police. Following legal counsel, he has initiated a $10 million lawsuit, underscoring his belief that every family deserves to feel safe in their community.

"We must equip law enforcement with the resources they need while promoting trust and accountability. Our policies should keep violent criminals off the streets and ensure a fair justice system for all," he added.

An honors graduate of the Alabama School of Fine Arts, Larriett earned a full scholarship to the University of Alabama, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree in business and economics.

His passion for public service was ignited during a transformative junior year as an exchange student at Howard University. His internship at US Airways in cargo e-commerce and supply chain management paved the way for his career as a corporate leader and business owner.

"Hard work must be rewarded, and Alabama should be a place where businesses thrive and workers get a fair chance.

"This means cutting red tape for small businesses, investing in infrastructure, and attracting high-paying jobs. Let's build an economy that works for everyone," Larriett stated.

In addition to his business endeavors, Larriett volunteers with the United Way, Meals on Wheels, and the Humane Society. He also leads a board of over 60 families and businesses in the Mercantile on Morris, a mixed-use development in Birmingham.

"Home is where the heart is," he emphasized. "I cherish our culture, our food, our quality of life and most importantly, our people.

"This deep appreciation for my home state drives my motivation to run for Senate. I believe that by entering public office, I can advocate for policies that enhance the lives of Alabamians, preserve our rich heritage, and ensure future generations have the same sense of belonging and opportunity that I cherish.

"My campaign is rooted in a vision of a thriving Alabama, where every citizen has the chance to succeed and feel proud of their home."



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Dakarai Larriett

Ivey signs bill promoting veteran mental health

Staff Reports
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Gov. Kay Ivey on Monday, April 7, signed Senate Bill 40, sponsored by Sen. Keith Kelley, R-Anniston and Rep. Russell Bedsole, R-Alabaster "to promote voluntary and temporary firearm storage to reduce suicide rates for residents," her office said.

Ivey was joined by Major General David Pritchett, adjutant general for the Alabama National Guard; Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs Commissioner Jeff Newton; and Alabama Department of Mental Health Commissioner Kim Boswell to celebrate the bill being signed into law.

"Safety and security for veterans is one of my top priorities, just as they have protected and taken care of us," said Ivey. "SB40 paves the way for Alabama to continue being the number one state for veteran care, quality of life and ensuring that veterans are equipped with the best mental health resources."

The law establishes firearm hold agreements between individuals and federal firearm licensees (FFLs) and creates the Storing Ammunition and Firearms to Enhance Resilience Together (SAFER) Program.

The law is tabbed the Houston Hunter Act, named after Army veteran Houston Tumlin and Marine veteran Hunter Whitley, who both lost their lives to suicide. It is also one of three preliminary recommendations from the Alabama Veterans Mental Health Steering Committee. Houston's mother, Michelle, and Hunter's mother, Shannon, were present as the bill was signed.

The uptick in Alabama's focus regarding veteran's suicide prevention follows statewide effort Alabama's Challenge for Preventing Suicide Among Service Members, Veterans, and their Families, which aims to combat the continuing stigma veterans face with mental illness. Data shows 139 veterans in Alabama died by suicide in 2022, which rates higher than the national veteran average and significantly higher than the national civilian average. More than 85% of Alabama's veterans suicide involve a firearm.

More information for veteran's suicide prevention resources in Alabama are listed on vetsforhope.com, including a list of service providers, crisis center locations and lethal means safety.

Month (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman County Schools and AmFirst recognize a teacher and staff member each month of the school year who are going above and beyond in their professions.

Teacher of the Month
Patrick McDonald, Health, Good Hope High School

Patrick McDonald teaches health at Good Hope High School. "He's not only the best health teacher in town, but he also handles the strength and conditioning of every athlete on our campus. In the classroom, his lessons are engaging and he pays extra attention to make sure they are also relevant to the students, making them aware of how and why they should take care of their health," said Adriana Skutchan, Good Hope High School assistant principal.

CCBOE and AmFirst surprised Coach "Mac," as the students call him. Upon visiting his classroom, students were learning about CPR.

Staff Member of the Month
Linda Chapman, Secretary, Fairview Middle School

Linda Chapman is the secretary at Fairview Middle School. "Linda consistently goes above and beyond for everyone at Fairview Middle School. She greets every person who walks through the door with kindness, warmth and a genuine smile. Her positive outlook and caring nature shine through as she always seeks the best in people and provides comfort when others are in need," said Trina Walker, Fairview Middle School principal. Cullman County Schools thanks AmFirst for sponsoring this program. Each teacher and staff member of the month receives a $100 gift card.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Pictured left to right are Good Hope High School Assistant Principal Adriana Skutchan, AmFirst Cullman Branch Manager Daniel Boggan, Cullman County Schools Superintendent Dr. Shane Barnette, AmFirst Teacher of the Month Patrick McDonald and AmFirst Membership Development Manager Beverly Cochran.



CULLMAN COUNTY SCHOOLS

Pictured left to right are AmFirst Cullman Branch Manager Daniel Boggan, Fairview Middle School Principal Trina Walker, AmFirst Staff Member of the Month Linda Chapman, Cullman County Schools Dr. Shane Barnette and AmFirst Membership Development Manager Beverly Cochran.



United Way to manage Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Cullman County

Launch Party set for April 24

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The United Way of Cullman County recently announced that it will manage the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Cullman County.

UWCC Resource Development & Outreach Manager Taylor Johnson said this marks a significant milestone as United Way expands its support for early childhood literacy in both Cullman and Winston counties.

"This program had been successfully managed by the Friends of the (Public Libraries of Cullman County), who played a vital role in its development," Johnson said. "As they shift their focus to enhancing library resources and infrastructure, United Way is honored to take the reins of this cherished program."

UWCC Executive Director Stephanie Childers said they are incredibly grateful to the Friends of the Public Libraries of Cullman County for its hard work stewarding the initiative.

"Their dedication has laid a strong foundation that we are excited to build upon," Childers said. "The Dolly Parton Imagination Library provides free, high-quality books to children from birth to age 5, promoting literacy and a love for reading from an early age."

Childers said that with a sponsorship of just $35, community members can support a child's reading journey for an entire year.

"It's partnerships like this, along with the generous support from local organizations such as Cullman Electric Cooperative, that enable us to ensure every child has access to quality books," Childers said. "In celebration of this new chapter, United Way encourages the community to tune in to 'Tennessee Valley Living' on WAFF 48, where they will be featured alongside Alabama's community coordinator for the program.

"This segment will highlight the importance of early literacy and the positive impact of the Imagination Library on local families. Stay tuned for airing date and more details to come."

UWCC extended thanks to Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Cullman County sponsors, including Cullman Electric Cooperative, Cullman County Schools, Cullman County Commission, RE Garrison Trucking, Apel Steel, Peoples Bank of Alabama and Scooter's Coffee.

"Their unwavering support makes it possible to bring the joy of reading to the youngest members of our community," Childers said.

"As United Way embarks on this exciting journey with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, the organization looks forward to fostering a love of reading and learning in Cullman and Winston County for years to come."

Launch Party for Cullman County's Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

"We're excited to celebrate this big moment with our community as United Way of Cullman County officially launches the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library for Cullman County! That means more free, high-quality books delivered straight to the homes of local children from birth to age five — at absolutely no cost to families," the UWCC posted to Facebook.

The event will take place Thursday, April 24, from 4:30-6 p.m. at the main branch of the Cullman County Public Library System – 200 Clark St. NE.

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A celebration of NCAA Division III

Dr. Anthony Leigh
President of Huntingdon College



HUNTINGDON COLLEGE

Happy NCAA Division III Week from Alabama's only NCAA Division III institution – Huntingdon College in Montgomery. This week, Huntingdon joins the over 400 other NCAA Division III institutions across the country in shining the spotlight on the uniqueness of this classification of intercollegiate athletics. Huntingdon proudly sponsors 21 NCAA Division III teams plus a competitive women's flag football team and fields numerous Esports teams.

Unlike Division I and II institutions or schools that participate in NAIA, Division III colleges do not offer athletic scholarships to student-athletes. In today's intercollegiate athletic world of NIL deals, and the instability the transfer portal has created on athletic rosters, NCAA Division III and Division III student-athletes have become the gold standard of amateur athletics.

I have often said that amid the diversity that exists within the Huntingdon student body, there are two commonalities among our students. Huntingdon students have a measure of ambition and a desire to obtain a great pre-professional education that will prepare them for a life of success beyond college. They also choose Huntingdon to fully participate in the life of the College. For 75% of Huntingdon students, participation in one of Huntingdon's athletic teams is a significant part of their engagement in campus life. Another 10% of Huntingdon students participate in auxiliary programs that support athletics including the marching band and the cheerleading squad.

Division III student-athletes get to experience the full spectrum of college life. At a Division III school like Huntingdon, a quarterback of the football team can be the president of the Student Government Association like Blake Smith, our current SGA president.

Our athletes get to experience Greek life and provide meaningful contributions to their organizations like Huntingdon's softball right fielder Riley Rudick who serves as the president of Phi Mu, and Sam Hathcock, a member of the men's tennis team and leads as president of the Interfraternity Council. Huntingdon student-athletes steer campus ministry programs like Eva Ellenburg, a member of Huntingdon's indoor and beach volleyball teams. They serve as residence life coordinators like women's basketball player Cassidy Campbell, give of their time as student recruiters like wrestler Cade Sousa, and contribute as orientation leaders like Myles Johnson, a member of the men's basketball team.

Huntingdon student-athletes can be members of various student organizations on campus because the NCAA Division III model allows them time to participate in these things.

They also populate the Dean's List because of their classroom performance, obtain internships in the community for academic credit, present research at professional conferences, and perpetuate Huntingdon's track record of impressive placement rates into graduate schools and entry-level jobs in their academic discipline.

Beyond the importance of athletics to attract students to Huntingdon, to create a vibrant and spirited campus life, and to create family-friendly Game Day experiences for the community, the Huntingdon athletics program is an economic engine for the River Region. In this academic year alone, Huntingdon athletic teams will host teams from 64 different institutions representing 19 states. These teams and their fans positively contribute to the River Region's hotel occupancy rates and restaurant revenues. Visiting teams often experience Montgomery's historical sites during their trips to our city and enjoy excursions in stores and recreational venues.

The April calendar is full of home Huntingdon College athletic contests. So, come watch our softball team (ranked in the top 10 in America in Division III) compete for another trip to the NCAA Division III tournament, follow our nationally ranked men's and women's golf teams, experience a men's or women's lacrosse match for the first time in your life, or enjoy any of our other Spring sports in action. You can find complete schedules at www.huntingdonhawks.com.

In this national celebration of NCAA Division III week, I invite you to join me in being a fan of some of the most impressive collegiate athletes in Alabama on and off their fields of play. Go Hawks!

LEGALS

VALUATION NOTICE

The appraised valuations of all property listed for taxation in Cullman County have been fixed as provided by law and filed in my office according to Sec. 40-30-20, 1975 Code of Alabama. The Board of Equalization and Adjustment will hear protest on any of these valuations provided these protests are filed in writing by May 2, 2025.

Barry Willingham, ACTA

Revenue Commissioner

Board Secretary

Cullman County

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SPECIAL NOTICE BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOOD HOPE

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2941 Co Rd 437 Cullman, AL 35057 vacate right-of-way .14 acres

2865 Co Rd 437 Cullman, AL 35057 vacate right-of-way .04 acres

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Anyone that would like to attend the public hearing but has a disability which might require special materials, services, or assistance should notify the city clerk at 256-739-3757 at least 3 days in advance of the public hearing.

By: Christie Chamblee, City Clerk

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by **Jeff Henrickson** to Traditions Bank, as follows: Mortgage securing the property described below, said mortgage dated Novemer 19, 2009, and recorded on November 20, 2009, in Mortgage Book 1613 Page 597 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the undersigned Traditions Bank, as mortgagee, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgages, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse in Cullman, Alabama, on the **29th day of April, 2025**, between the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

Tract I of that certain survey prepared by Kelly L Whitfield described as follows:

A Tract of land being in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter Section 18, Township 11 South, Range 2 West, Cullman County, Alabama, described as Commencing at the Northeast corner of the West Half of the East half of the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter; thence along the North section line S89-28'27" W 185.00 feet to a railroad spike being the point of beginning; thence continue along said section line S89-28'27" W 109.97 feet to a railroad spike; thence S6-25'18" W 172.79 feet to a ½" rebar; thence S64-55'28" E 146.90 feet to a 1/2" rebar; thence N00-55'02'W 235.00 feet to the point of beginning. Being 0.573 acres, more or less. Less and Except all powerline rights of way and all other rights of ways and/or easements of record. Also Less and Except all that part of the above described property that lies within the right of way line of County Road 616.

Property address: 829 County Road 616, Hanceville, AL 35077

This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
MARY SPROTT PAULFUS,
Deceased.

CASE NO.: PC2025-111

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said Decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 28th day of March 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 Estate are required to file an itemized and verified statement of such claim in the office of the said Judge of Probate within six months from above date, or said claim will be barred and payment prohibited.

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

STATE OF ALABAMA)
NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE
COUNTY OF CULLMAN)

WHEREAS, default has occurred in the performance of the covenants terms and conditions of that mortgage from Jeronimo Silva and Maple Grove Estates, LLC, to BankFirst Financial Services, dated December 15, 2022 and recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama on December 15, 2022, in Mortgage Volume 2036 at Page 711; and
BankFirst Financial Services, as mortgagee, having declared all of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage due and payable and such default continuing, notice is hereby given under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, that BankFirst Financial Services, as mortgagee, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash before the main entrance of the Court House in Cullman, Cullman County, Alabama during the legal hours of sale (between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.) on the 21st day of May, 2025, the following property, situated in Cullman County, Alabama together with hereditaments and appurtenances there unto belonging and all buildings, structures, fixtures and other improvements now or hereafter existing, erected or installed thereon to-wit:
PARCEL 2:
A part of the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 9, Township 11 South, Range 3 West, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a set 5/8 inch rebar iron marking the point of intersection of the accepted West line of said forty with the North right of way of County Road 616, said point being in a curve to the right centerline data of Radius, 942.78 feet, Tangent 167.37 feet, Delta angle 200 degrees 08'01"; thence from said true point of beginning run southeasterly along said right of way and the arc of said curve a distance of 84.94 feet to a set 5/8 inch rebar iron marking the point of said curve; thence south 60 degrees 48'51" east along said right of way a distance of 251.06 feet to a set 5/8 inch rebar iron; thence leaving said right of way, run north 0 degrees 22'43" wEST A DISTANCE OF 314.00 FEE TO A SET 5/8 INCH REBAR IRON; THENCE NORTH 84 DEGREES 53'54" WEST A DISTANCE OF 291.00 FEET TO A FOUND ½" PIPE MARKING THE ACCEPTED NW CORNER OF SAID FORTY; THENCE SOUTH 1 DEGREE 00'00" ALONG THE ACCEPTED WEST LINE OF SAID FORTY A DISTANCE OF 179.34 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. DESCRIPTION ACCORDING TO SURVEY OF H.D. HARRIS, AL REG. NO. 5742, DATED DECEMBER 31, 2011.

PARCEL 3:
BEGINNING AT THE SE CORNER OF NE ¼ OF THE NW ¼ OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 15.00 FEET TO AN EXISTING CAPPED IRON; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 15 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 199.51 FEET TO AN EXISTING CAPPED IRON; THENCE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST 14.99 FEET TO AN EXISTING CAPPED IRON; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREE 15 MINUTES 43 SECONDS EAST 201.90 FEET TO AN EXISTING IRON ON SOUTH R.O.W. OF ALABAMA HIGHWAY 278; THENCE SOUTH 76 DEGREES 33 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST 625.44 FEET ALONG SAID R.O.W. TO A POINT IN the CENTER OF INDIAN CREEK; THENCE SOUTH 4 DEGREES 41 MINUTES 24 SECONDS EAST 269.66 FEET TO A POINT IN THE CENTER OF INDIAN CREEK; THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 48 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST 639.26 FEET TO AN EXISTING CAPPED IRON, BACK TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID LAND LYING IN THE NE ¼ OF THE NW ¼ AND IN THE NW ¼ OF THE NE ¼ OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 2 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA. LEGAL DESCRIPTION PER SURVEY DATED MARCH 13, 2009, BY JAMES W. BALDY, AL. REG. NO. 11845.

Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as:

Parcel 2: 5540, 5542, 5544, 5546 and 5548 County Road 616, Hanceville, Alabama 35077; Parcel ID: 25-22-02-09-0-000-017.001

Parcel 3: 6144 US HWY 278, Cullman, Alabama 35055; Parcel ID 25-16-06-13-0-001-002.003

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, and 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. This sale is made for the purpose of paying the indebtedness secured by said mortgage, as well as the expenses of foreclosure. This sale is subject to postponement or cancellation.
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Festival (from Front)

the South, eager to share their skills across the grounds of St. Bernard Abbey and Preparatory School. The festival serves as a significant fundraiser for the school. In addition to the festival, admission to the Ave Maria Grotto was just $5 per person.

Items available at the festival included (to name a very few) handcrafted pottery, handwoven baskets, brooms, Monk's Bread, cheese straws and strawberry waffles. Artisan-made, gorgeous handmade jewelry, intricate woodwork and crocheted items were just some of the unique trinkets found among the hundreds of tents. While the weather was sunny and beautiful on Saturday, it was hot, but luckily, there were multiple handmade lemonade stands set up throughout the grounds for folks to get a refreshing drink.

Festival attendee Elizabeth Phillips shared that her favorite parts of the festival were the strawberry waffle booth, the chocolate lavender candy apples and her beautiful blue handmade bracelet she purchased from one of the vendors.

"I love coming to the Bloomin' Festival every year. It's become a tradition for me and my best friend," Phillips shared.

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Obituary Announcements: April 5-7

Oliver Wiley 'O.W.' Tucker, 87
Funeral service for Oliver Wiley "O.W." Tucker, 87, of Cullman will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Bethlehem Cemetery, Bro. Shane Wolfe officiating. Visitation will be Monday evening at the funeral home from 5:30 – 8 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Tucker passed away Friday, April 4, 2025, at his residence. He was born August 20, 1937, to Farris Alvin and Willie Mae McGraw Tucker. He was a loyal worker at Buettner Brothers Lumber Company for over 58 years. He loved his job and missed working. He loved spending time with his family. He loved to listen to Alan Jackson and loved sitting on his carport and watching the redbirds. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary Tucker; son, Randy Tucker; granddaughter, Bridgett Nichols; great-granddaughter, Greenlee Heatherly. Survivors include his daughters, Becki (Mike) Gable, Connie Tucker (Stan), Cindy Wright; sister, Linda (Wallace) Harbison; grandchildren, April (Patrick) Heatherly, Maggie (Payton) Holt, Brian Wright, Madison (Nick) Campo, Katie Wright; great-grandchildren, Spencer Heaton, Heidi (Caleb) Williams, Austin Nichols, Mason Heatherly, Michael Heatherly, Braylon McDonald, Weston Holt, Addison Holt; nieces, nephews, family and friends. Pallbearers will be Michael Tucker, Clarence Harris, Rusty Daniel, Mason Heatherly, Austin Nichols, Spencer Heaton. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Deborah E. Currington, 71
Funeral service for Deborah E. Currington, age 71, of Vinemont, will be Monday, April 7, 2025, at 12 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home chapel. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., with Bro. G.T. Robertson officiating. Burial will be at Crossroads Cemetery at West Point. Deborah was born in Flint, Michigan on Sept. 20, 1953, to Fred Johnson and Mattie Sue Jolly Johnson. She passed away at her residence, surrounded by her loving family, on Thursday, April 3, 2025. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Jackie Currington; grandson, Keaton Lantz Currington; brother, Ricky Johnson. Deborah is survived by her daughter, Sherry (Doug) Schwan; sons: Jackie (Sabrina) Currington, Scottie (Brittney) Currington, and Shane (Amanda) Currington; grandchildren: Alan (Elise) Bright, Daniel Tucker (Stevie), Sydney (Kristian) Chappell, Sawyer Currington, Dylan Currington, Karson Currington, Allysen Currington, Journie Currington, and Kori Currington, Remi Jagneaux, Laila Lewis, Brooklyn Thompson; great grandchildren: Kadince and Ethan Fortenberry; Abigail Bright; Blakely Tucker, Marshall Tucker, Adelaide Chappell, Aurora Chappell, River and June Currington, and Rayah Williams; sisters Annie Sue (Tommy) Bailey, and Kathy Johnson and a host of other family members and friends. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

William Allen Tudor, Jr., 78
Funeral services for William Allen Tudor Jr., 78, of Cullman, will be at 1 p.m., Friday April 11, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel, with interment in Center Cemetery, Rev. Steve Rodgers officiating. The family will receive friends from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. before the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Tudor was born Jan. 14, 1947, to parents, Bill and Irene Elizabeth Swisher Tudor. William loved old cars and his pets. He was a man of many talents, he enjoyed caring for his lawn and gardening with his wife, Sherry. He proudly served his country in the US Navy. He was a loving husband and father, and he will be deeply missed. Mr. Tudor was preceded in death by his parents; granddaughter, Alicia Dick; and a host of brothers and sisters. He is survived by his wife, Sherry Tudor; sons, Bill Tudor, Ralph Tudor, Jody Tudor, Chris Tudor, James (Jessica) Tudor, Allen Maddox, Luke (April) Speegle, Joseph (Katie) Speegle, Daniel Speegle; daughters, Jennifer Tudor, Mary Speegle (Austin) Grantland; and a host of grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Karen Lynn White, 57
A memorial service for Karen Lynn White, 57, of Hanceville will be 11 a.m. Saturday April 12th, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be prior to the service from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Ms. White was born Jan. 26, 1968, in Cullman, Alabama. She passed away April 1, 2025, in Hanceville, Alabama. Ms. White is survived by her children, Jereamy White, Anthony White; grandchildren, Keira White, Kenna White, Mikah White; siblings, Sheila Owens (Roger), Pamela Thrasher, Renee Harvey; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Ms. White was preceded in death by her parents, Don H. and Edna White. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the White family.

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