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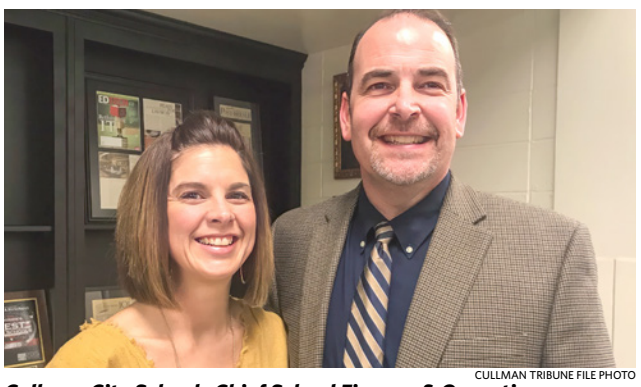
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James Brumley of Cullman City Schools honored with 2025 Morton-Smith Award

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Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — James Brumley, chief school finance & operations officer at Cullman City Schools, has been awarded the prestigious 2025 Morton-Smith Award by the Alabama Association of School Business Officials (AASBO). This esteemed recognition celebrates Brumley's exceptional leadership and unwavering dedication to the field of educational finance.

The Morton-Smith Award, now in its 15th year, acknowledges individuals who have demonstrated outstanding commitment and proficiency in school financial management. Brumley's extensive expertise spans over 23 years in governmental accounting, » PAGE 8



CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Cullman City Schools Chief School Finance & Operations Officer James Brumley, right, and his wife, Beth, are pictured in this 2020 Cullman Tribune file photo.

'It's like childhood all over again'



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The Easter Bunny was the VIP at the 2025 Senior Easter Egg Hunt, held Friday, April 11, at the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center.

Lauren Estes
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CULLMAN, Ala. — About 150 people filled the Cullman County Agricultural Trade Center Friday, April 11, for the annual Senior Easter Egg Hunt.

Cullman County Commission on Aging (COA) Director Stephanie Lawson said you're never too old for a little Easter magic, and this event provides just that for local seniors.

"We had 1,000 eggs to hunt with the senior citizens today," Lawson said.

"This is just such a fun way to get our locals involved and out moving hunting eggs. It's like childhood all over again. We love to have them and be able to entertain them."

Lawson said she estimated 150 in attendance between seniors, volunteers and elected officials.

Community member and candidate for Alabama House of Representatives, District 11, Don Fallin was in attendance and said he wanted to thank Lawson for all the great things she does for the COA and local senior centers, as well as the Egg Hunt.

"We are so thankful for Stephanie's hard work and effort that she pours into seniors," Fallin said.

"We are thankful for all the local people who came by to support it."

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry thanked the COA for inviting him to celebrate the Easter season with local senior residents.

"It is an honor to be a part of such a wonderful event. It is great to see the excitement and joy on the faces of everyone here," Gentry said. "The Easter season is a great time for fellowship and fun. This is particularly true with our senior citizens here in Cullman County. They truly are the foundation that makes Cullman County so special."

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported April 11

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported April 11, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

GJ = grand jury; FTA = failure to appear

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
April 7
- harassment; CR 1141
- domestic violence; CR 703
- burglary; Hwy. 278E
- theft of property; CR 747
- harassment; CR 718
- burglary; CR 1735
- burglary; CR 509
- harassing communications; CR 1118
- domestic violence; CR 998
- theft of property; CR 1564
- theft of property; CR 1485
- harassment; CR 1177
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; trespassing; H&H Rd.

April 8
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 1338
- theft of property; CR 949
- burglary; CR 649
- domestic violence; CR 1173
- trespassing; CR 397
- theft of property; CR 1059
- violation of protection order; CR 25

April 9
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Main St. NE Hanceville
- unlawful possession of a controlled substance; CR 599
- trespassing; criminal mischief; CR 1745
- harassing communications; US. 31
- unlawful breaking and entering a motor vehicle; Hwy. 91
- dog bite; CR 1570
- criminal mischief; CR 698

ARRESTS
April 7-9
Adams, Alyssa G.; 24
- criminal trespass
- FTA – DUI (alcohol)

Addison, William H.; 52
- FTA – family offense-NS non-support-child

Brown, Carl G.; 22
- FTA – theft-shoplifting, $500-less than $1500
- FTA – illegal possession/use of a credit/debit card
- FTA – reckless driving

Burks, Kenneth A.; 24
- possession of methamphetamine

Clowers, Brianne H.; 33
- criminal mischief – damaged property
- criminal trespass

Davis, Kayla L.; 28
- PROBATION VIOLATION – possession of drug paraphernalia

Gatlin, Sydney N.; 33
- family offense-causing of delinquency, dependency or need of supervision of children

Grammer, Jami R.; 46
- DRUG COURT SANCTION – possession of drug paraphernalia
- DRUG COURT SANCTION – possession of dangerous drugs

Hale, Joshua S.; 31
- attempting to elude a police officer

Hardin, Jason L.; 50
- tax/revenue-licenses required; exceptions; fees. (home building and home improvement industries

Johnson, Dessie K.; 38
- family offense-causing of delinquency, dependency or need of supervision of children

Keel, Christopher A.; 41
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

LeClair, Kendra L.; 46
- PROBATION VIOLATION – theft-miscellaneous, $500-less than $1500

Lower, Breanna; 20
- GJ – theft

McKinnon, Alan D.; 68
- violation of a domestic violence protection order

Nickles, Jessica L.; 29
- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Simmons, Charles T.; 34
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Smith, Jackie E.; 71
- FTA – permitting dogs to run at large

Walker, Laklee S.; 31
- public intoxication

Warren, Jerry T.; 30
- DRUG COURT SANCTION – possession of dangerous drugs

Washburn, Jodie R.; 44
- PROBATION VIOLATION – theft-miscellaneous

Whitehead, Benjamin F.; 30
- burglary-residence-force

Williams, Daniel S.; 38
- PROBATION VIOLATION – theft-miscellaneous, $1500-2500 (2 counts)

Wynn, Gregory P.; 49
- PROBATION VIOLATION – buying/receiving stolen property

Yancy, Katrina J.; 41
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Yates Jr., Jimmy L.; 37
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or canceled

Yeager, Carol A.; 61
- negotiating worthless instrument

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
April 9
- burglary-3rd degree; person/City of Cullman; Hwy. 69N
- criminal mischief-3rd degree; person; damage to '04 Ford Ranger; $250; Tanner Dr. NW
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; theft of property-1st degree; person; miscellaneous; $5,825; Birmingham St. SW
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; 4th St. SW
- harassing communications; person
- duty upon striking unattended vehicle; person; damage to '14 Kia Sorento; $1,300; Cherokee Ave. SW

April 10
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $21; Hwy. 157
- unlawful breaking and entering of a motor vehicle; person; Hwy. 157
- fraudulent use of credit/debit card; person; miscellaneous charges
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $89; Olive St. SW

ARRESTS
April 9-10
Lower, Breanna; 20
- GJ – theft of property-1st degree

Farmer, Kimberly T.; 31
- theft of property-4th degree

Fanning, Ricky D.; 33
- FTA – public intoxication (2 counts)

Walker, Laklee S.; 31
- FTA – public intoxication
- FTA – criminal trespass-3rd degree

Miller, Brasha N.; 33
- receiving stolen property-1st 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 SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA

NOTICE OF ADOPTION PROCEEDING - Case No: PR-2025-000392

TO: any unknown father of BBB A/K/A BWB, a minor; whose whereabouts are unknown Please take notice that a Petition to adopt BBB A/K/A BWB a male born to Daina Eve Elizabeth Bauernfeind on March 17, 2025 in Jasper, Cullman County, Alabama has been filed in the Probate Court of Shelby County, alleging that the identity of the biological parent of said minor child may be unknown or has not been disclosed to the court, and whose relationship of said possible unknown or undisclosed biological parent to the aforesaid minor child is that of the biological father. As a notified party, you may appear in the adoption proceeding to contest or support the Petition for Adoption.

Please be advised that if you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days from the last day this Notice of Adoption Proceeding is published with the attorney for said Petitioner, whose name and address is shown below, and with the Chief Clerk of the Shelby County Probate Court at P.O. Box 825, Columbiana, Alabama 35051. If you fail to respond within said thirty (30) days, the Court may construe that failure as an implied consent to the adoption and as a waiver of a right to appear and of further notice of the adoption proceedings. If the adoption is approved, your parental rights, if any, will be considered terminated.

This the 09 day of April, 2025.

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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 St. Sebastian Estates, LLC, an Limited Liability Company, to BankFirst Financial Services, dated April 3, 2023 and recorded in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama on April 10, 2023, in Mortgage Volume 2046 at Page 304; 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:
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Said legal description being controlling, however the property is more commonly known as:

15 San Antonio Drive, Cullman, Alabama 35057;
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ALEA arrests suspect in connection to suspicious letters delivered to government officials

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MONTGOMERY, Ala. – On Wednesday, April 9, at approximately 9:14 a.m., Special Agents assigned to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency's (ALEA) State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) responded to the Alabama State House in Montgomery in response to three suspicious letters that were addressed to members of the Alabama House of Representatives. A fourth letter was sent to Governor Kay Ivey's Office. Each individual letter included a number of pornographic images.

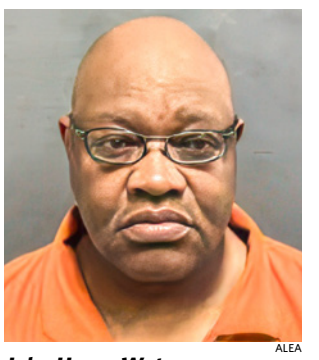
ALEA Special Agents immediately identified a person of interest and launched an investigation.

The suspect, identified as John Watson, 54, of Dothan, was arrested and formally charged with four counts of dissemination of child pornography. Additional charges may be forthcoming.

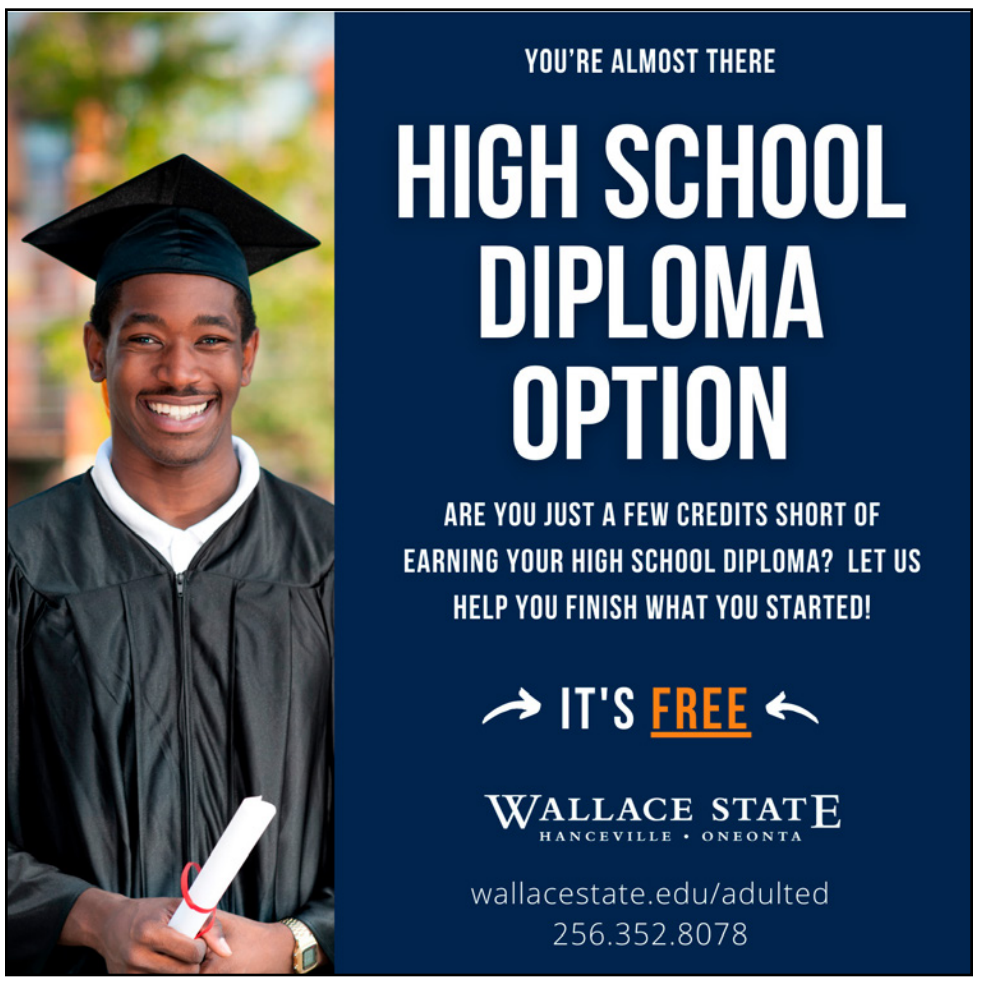
Watson was booked into the Houston County Jail with no bond.

Watson, a former driver license examiner assigned to ALEA's Driver License Division, was immediately placed on mandatory leave on Wednesday, April 9, as the Agency began the administrative process for termination.

However, Watson resigned on Thursday, April 10, in lieu of termination. Nothing further is available as the investigation is ongoing.


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Good Hope Public Cemetery Decoration Weekend clean-up announcement

Good Hope Public Cemetery will hold its annual Decoration Weekend on Saturday, May 3, and Sunday, May 4. Please have all old worn flowers and decorations removed from the cemetery by Sunday, April 27. Any flowers and decorations remaining after April 27, will be subject to removal by cemetery maintenance with respect to condition. We ask that all new flowers and decorations be kept as close to the monuments as possible to aid in mowing. Solar lights are not allowed unless they are directly in a flower arrangement. Donations to the cemetery can be sent to Good Hope Public Cemetery, P.O. Box 355 Cullman, AL 35056 or placed in the donation box on site. Donations are tax deductible and are essential to pay for cemetery upkeep.

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.

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Church Services: Spirit Life Church of GOD

• 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• 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

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.

Cullman Farm-City Committee Meeting

Please join us for the first Farm-City Committee meeting of the year on Monday, April 21, at 11:30 a.m. in the Cullman County Economic Development boardroom at 325 Second St. SE. Lunch provided if you RSVP by Friday, April 18. RSVP to Tiffany at toldacre@co.cullman.al.us or 256-962-3657.

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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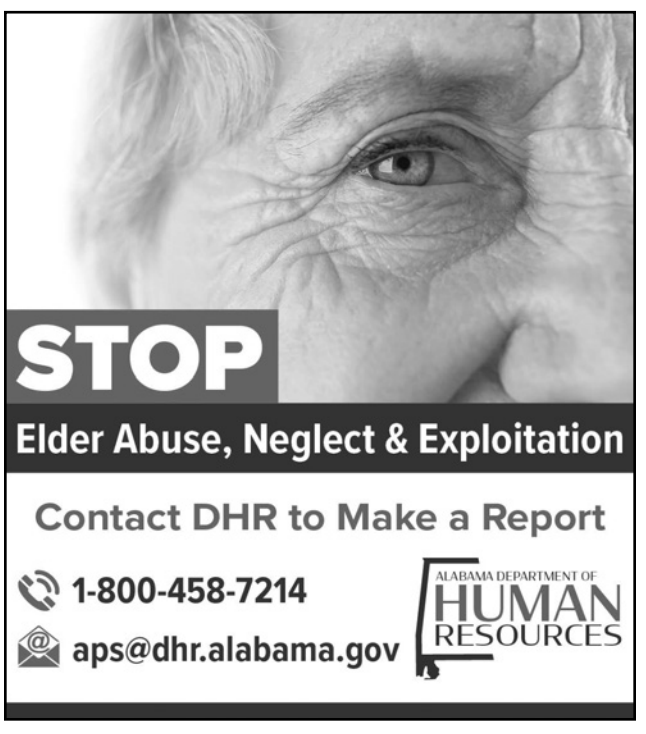
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PREP SOCCER

Cullman dominates area matches against Mortimer Jordan

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman was back home for a pair of area matches against Mortimer Jordan Tuesday night and both Bearcat teams dominated the Blue Devils in their respective games.

The Lady Bearcats dominated their matchup with Mortimer Jordan.

Khloie Harris scored a pair of early goals to put Cullman up 2-0 and Eva Allen scored to make it a 3-0 game at halftime.

Khloie Harris' huge game continued with five more goals in the second half. Alexia Harris added two goals of her own to cap an 11-1 win for Cullman.

Leslie Sanchez recorded two assists in the win and Lily Lambert and Allen each finished with an assist as well.

The Lady Bearcats improve to 3-1 in area play with two area games remaining. Cullman will travel to Jasper for another area matchup on Friday.

In the boys' game, Josue Sanchez racked up four goals to lead the way for Cullman in a 7-0 win over Mortimer Jordan. Brandon Peña added a pair of goals and Jack McDowell scored as well.

Josie Viviesca recorded a pair of assists and Caden Morrow, Gianpaolo Cipollari, Sanchez and Peña each added an assist as well.

Sticher Smith recorded a clean sheet in goal.

Cullman clinched a playoff spot with the win and head coach Will Drake was proud of how his team performed against the Blue Devils.

"We played well tonight. Our positioning was great. We were confident on the ball and made the most of our chances. Josue, Brandon, and Jack were calm in front of goal, and our service was high quality," Drake said. "We went in 5-0 at halftime, and obviously spirits were up, but we stayed disciplined and closed out a good game.

"We have more work to do to win the area. It's good to make playoffs, but you can see the boys want more."

Cullman will host Hartselle next Tuesday to finish area play.

PREP SOFTBALL

Good Hope handles West Point 12-2; Tuesday scoring recap

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — The Good Hope Lady Raiders hosted the West Point for county championship rematch on Tuesday afternoon and it was close for most of the contest, but a huge sixth inning from the Raiders helped propel them to a 12-2 win over the Warriors.

After a scoreless first inning, West Point got on the scoreboard first in the top of the second. Kealie Harbison drew a two-out walk, and Averee Folds followed that up with a single to center field to put runners on the corners. Folds stole second, and during the play, a pair of errors allowed both Harbison and Folds to score to give the Lady Warriors a 2-0 lead. Good Hope got those runs back in their half.

Haley Lay led off the inning with a single, and Molly Benefield followed that up with a double to put runners on second and third with nobody out. Natalie Miller hit a sacrifice fly to cut it to 2-1, and Addyson Burgess hit the first pitch she saw up the middle for an RBI single to tie the game up at two. The Lady Raiders broke the tie in their next at-bats. Maggie O'Neil reached on a bunt single, and after she stole second, Lizzy Steed hit an RBI double to left field to give them a 3-2 lead. Later that inning, Lay hit an RBI double of her own to right field to make it 4-2.

The score remained 4-2 until the bottom of the fifth inning. Kylee Smith drew a one-out walk, and a Campbell Koch single put runners on first and second with one out. Lay hit an RBI single up the middle to extend Good Hope's lead to 5-2. The Lady Raiders quickly ended the game in the bottom of the sixth. Three straight singles by Miller, Burgess, and Brooklyn Lambert loaded the bases to start out the inning. They kept the hit parade gong after that, as O'Neil, Steed, and Smith all collected RBI singles to put them ahead 8-2. Koch drew a bases-loaded walk, and Lay got hit by the pitch to make it 10-2. Benefield made it 11-2 on an RBI single, and another sacrifice fly by Miller gave Good Hope the 12-2 win over the Lady Warriors.

Lay led the way for the Lady Raiders with a three hits and three RBIs. Steed (two hits) and Miller (one hit) each added a pair of RBIs, and all but one Good Hope player finished with at least one RBI in the contest. Benefield went the distance for Good Hope, as she allowed just two hits and two unearned runs, walked four, and struck out five. For West Point, Katie Beth Yovino and Folds each finished with a hit in the game.

Cold Springs 9 - Winston County 8 (Softball)

An RBI single gave Winston County the early lead, but Cold Springs quickly countered in the bottom of the first inning. They quickly put runners on second and third with nobody out, and Sadie Smith hit a two-run single to left field to give the Lady Eagles a 2-1 lead. Later that inning, a passed ball made it 3-1, and on the next pitch, Cheyenne Bishop hit an RBI double to left field to make it 4-1. Bishop later scored to extend their lead to 5-1.

The Lady Yellow Jackets cut it to 5-2 on a sacrifice fly in the top of the third. Cloe Shelton and Maddie Davis each scored on an error in Cold Springs' half of the third to make it 7-2, and a wild pitch put the Lady Eagles ahead, 8-2. Winston County hit a three-run home run in the top of the fourth to trim the deficit to 8-5. The Lady Yellow Jackets were far from done, though, as an error and an RBI single in the top of the fifth made it a one-run game. Another RBI single in the top of the sixth tied the game up at eight. Neither team was able to break the tie in the seventh, so the game would be decided in extra innings.

Cold Springs ended things in their half. Brooke Rowan led off the inning with a single and moved up to second on the next pitch. A ground ball put her ninety feet from scoring, and two pitches later, Shelton's sacrifice fly brought home Rowan, and the Lady Eagles ended up winning a wild game over Winston County 9-8.

Smith finished with a pair of hits and two RBIs for Cold Springs, while Kaydance Williams, Shelton, and Bishop all ended up with a hit and an RBI in the win.

Jasper 6 - Cullman 0 (Softball)

Cullman looked to bounce back at home against Jasper on Tuesday afternoon, but it was all Lady Vikings in this one as they shut out the Lady Bearcats 6-0.

Allie Johnson finished with a pair of hits for Cullman while Abby Maples and Summer Storey each added a hit in the loss.

Fairview 14 - Hanceville 8 (Softball)

Hanceville got on the scoreboard first in the bottom of the first inning. Alex Twitty hit an RBI double, Josi Jones followed that up with an RBI triple, and Jones later scored on an error to give the Lady Bulldogs an early 3-0 lead. Fairview cut it to 3-2 in the top of the second on a two-run double by Ralie Gaines. The Lady Aggies took the lead in the top of the third inning. Ava Pruett's RBI triple tied the game up at three, and an RBI double by Addison Phillips gave them a 4-3 lead. Kila Gunter scored on a passed ball, and later that inning, Phillips and Jocelyn Barnett each scored on a wild pitch to put Fairview ahead 7-3.

An RBI single by Kayleigh Hill made it 8-3 in the top of the fourth.

A bases-loaded walk made it 9-3, and back-to-back RBI singles by Gaines and Fales extended the Lady Aggie lead to 11-3. Jalee Griggs scored on a passed ball to give them a 12-3 lead. Hanceville made it 12-5 in the bottom of the fifth on an error and an RBI single by Bella Spinks. Phillips scored on a passed ball, and Gaines hit another RBI single to put Fairview ahead 14-5.

The Lady Bulldogs trimmed the deficit to 14-8 in their half on a two-run single by Jones and an RBI single by Spinks, but they wouldn't get any closer after that, as the Lady Aggies would go on to defeat Hanceville, 14-8.

Gaines finished with three hits and four RBIs for Fairview. Phillips (three hits), Pruett (two hits), Hill (one hit), and Fales all drove in a run in the win.

For Hanceville, Jones and Spinks each collected three hits and three RBIs in the game, and Twitty added a pair of hits and an RBI in the loss.

Vinemont 5 - Holly Pond 0 (Softball)

It was a pitcher's duel through the first three innings, but Vinemont got their offense going in the bottom of the fourth.

Abby Kuykendall led off the inning with a single and later scored on a ground ball by Haley Millwood to give the Lady Eagles a 1-0 lead. An Alaina Sandlin double put runners on second and third with nobody out, and Tori Vines helped her own cause by lining an RBI single to center field to make it 2-0. Later that inning, Kylie Metzger hit an RBI single to left field to extend their lead to 3-0.

Millwood added an RBI single in the bottom of the fifth to make it 4-0, and Metzger scored on a passed ball in the sixth to give them a 5-0 lead. That was more than run support for Vines, as she helped lead Vinemont to a 5-0 win over Holly Pond.

Millwood collected a pair of hits and two RBIs for the Lady Eagles, while Vines and Metzger each added a hit and an RBI in the win. Vines pitched a three-hit shutout for Vinemont, as she walked one and struck out 18.

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Obituary Announcements: April 10-11

Robbin Diane Johnson, 54
Memorial service is incomplete at this time for Robbin Diane Johnson, 54, of Boaz. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Robbin passed away April 9, 2025. She was born Nov. 14, 1970, to Edward Arnold Jacks and Elnor Faynell Banks Jacks. She enjoyed travelling and loved her pet rat terrier, Butterbean. She will be missed. She was preceded in death by her father. Survivors include her mother; her uncle, Bill (Kathryn) Banks and a host of friends and extended family. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Frankie Dale Kilgo, 71
A graveside service for Frankie Dale Kilgo, 71, of Hanceville will be 5 p.m. Monday, April 14, at Bethlehem East Cemetery with Reverend James Fields officiating. Visitation will be Sunday April 13th from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Kilgo was born Nov. 6, 1953, in Cullman County, Alabama to the late Elvert and Viola Kilgo. He passed away April 9, 2025, at Cullman Regional Medical Center. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Kilgo family.

Kathy Ann Sparks, 58
Kathy Ann Sparks, 58, of Hanceville, Alabama, passed away on April 9, 2025. Kathy was born in Ohio, to Hobert and Dianne Czarnecki Runyon on Dec. 31, 1966. Mrs. Sparks was a homemaker and enjoyed working in her yard. In the past Kathy enjoyed keeping chickens and growing flowers. She also liked to craft and read, and she loved her cats who kept her company. Mrs. Sparks is preceded in death by her parents as well as her in-laws, who she had a special bond with, William H. and Laura Sparks. Those left to cherish Kathy's memory include her husband, Chester Sparks; children, Jeremy, Candace, and Amanda; siblings, James, Robbie, and Dedee; and three grandchildren. Friends are invited to join the family for a time of visitation on Saturday, April 12, 2025, from 12 p.m. until services begin at 2 p.m. All services will be held in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow services in Garden City Cemetery. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Sparks family.

Tommy Lester Tucker, 66
Funeral service for Tommy Lester Tucker, 66, of Cullman will be at 3 p.m., Sunday, April 13, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel. The family will receive friends from 1-3 p.m. Sunday. Rev. Samuel Tucker will officiate the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. Tucker was born in Cullman County on April 3, 1959, to Jack and Athelene Tucker. He was the youngest of four boys. He was married to the love of his life, Robyn Payne Tucker, for 47 years. They raised three children and had a beautiful life. Tommy is survived by his wife, his daughter, Ashely Tucker and his son, Whitney (Brittany) Tucker, daughter-in-law, Jamie Tucker, five grandchildren, Sylvia, Jackson, Andrew, Olivia & Audrey, two brothers, Mack (Sandra) Tucker & Randy (Sandra) Tucker, a host of nieces, nephews and wonderful neighbors and friends as well as his beloved pet, Gus. He was preceded in death by his parents, his son, TJ Tucker, and his oldest brother, Steve Tucker.

Shelby Jean Wynn, 88
Funeral services for Shelby Jean Wynn, 88, of Hanceville, will be at 1 p.m., Monday, April 14, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Ebenezer Baptist Cemetery, Rev. Dennis Trimble officiating. The family will receive friends from 12-1 before the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mrs. Wynn was born Nov. 12, 1936, to parents, William Jackson and Josephine Parker Jones. She loved playing the piano and organ for Senior Spirit and Harmoneers Quartet. She grew up attending Ebenezer Baptist Church but later became a member of Hopewell Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Coy Wynn; brothers and sisters, Roy, Irvin, Johnny, Elbert, Floyd, Venimae, Perlena, Stella, and Annie Mae. Survivors include her son, Joel (Laura) Wynn; daughters, Janet (Keith) DeMonia, Jennifer Wynn Robertson, Anita (Garry) Miller; grandchildren, Nathan DeMonia, Cresha Bradley, Courtney (Michael) Ray, Erika (Matthew) Madigan, Alec Miller, Dixie Hall; great-grandchildren, Hunter (Destiny) DeMonia, Charity DeMonia, Austin DeMonia, Peyton Bradley, Kailyn Bradley, Gracie Goodwin, Gage Thomas, Atalie Ray, Emmie and Koa Madigan; great great-grandchild, Dalton DeMonia; and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Linda Ann Barrett, 80 Funeral services for Linda Ann Barrett, 80, of Cullman, will be at 4 p.m., Saturday, April 12, 2025, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Sardis #2 Cemetery, Bro. Jason Ellerbee officiating. The family will receive friends from 2-4 p.m. before the service. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mrs. Barrett was born Nov. 9, 1944, to parents, Dwight L. and Hazel Lucy Farley Collins. She loved going to the Cullman Senior Center and gathering with family and friends. Her greatest love was her children and grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents and husbands, Glenn Bentley, Robin Allcorn and John Barrett. Survivors include her sons, Wade (Dawn) Bentley and Jeffery Allcorn; daughter, Rhonda (Robin) Bagwell; brother, Edwin (Barbara) Collins; grandchildren, Michael (Reeve) Bentley, Collin Bentley, Blake (Katie) Phillips, Jake (Miranda) Phillips, Drake Philips, Kenlee (Eric) Flanigan, Caiden Bagwell, Riley Allcorn, Olivia Roberts; great-grandchildren, Audrey Bagwell, Alice Kate Flanigan, Deklyn Mayfield, Lilly Phillips, Mila Phillips; and a host of family and friends. Pallbearers will be her grandsons.

Shirley Ann Blackwood Gill, 77
Shirley Ann Blackwood, age 77, of Madison, Alabama passed away on Tuesday, April 8, 2025. Born in Cullman on July 3, 1947, to Victor and Edna Mae Blackwood, Shirley was a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, co-worker, and friend. She loved, among other things, gardening, traveling, art, restoring furniture, and spending time with family and friends. She worked at Dynetics for over 30 years starting as a Receptionist, retiring as a Document Control Specialist. Formerly married to Tom Gill, she is preceded in death by son, Kevin Carroll, brothers Hollis, Troy, and Coy Blackwood, and sister Imogene Nuss. She is survived by her brother, Benny Blackwood (Sandra), son David Carroll (Kristen), and grandchildren Christopher Carroll (Lauren), Hadyn Rector (Sam), Grayson Carroll, Madelyn Carroll, and Bryan Carroll A celebration of life visitation for Shirley will be held Sunday, April 13, 2025, from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Moss-Service Funeral Home Parlor G&H, 1901 Second Avenue, NW, Cullman, AL 35055, followed by a celebration of life memorial service at 3:30 p.m. in the Chapel. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

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History (from Front)

Sherry Brown
Tribune Photographer

The first April Walking Tour of 2025 was led by historian Robin Sterling on Saturday, April 6.

The tours are free and start at 10 a.m. each Saturday in April from the front porch of the Cullman County Museum at 211 Second Ave. NE.

"The Walking Tours last about one hour and cover many sights in our downtown historic district," Cullman County Museum Events Coordinator and Researcher Julie Burks told The Tribune. "Returning to the museum, participants will have an opportunity to tour the museum, free of charge. Participants will be informed about historical locations but also the history of many businesses that are in operation today.

"This year each Saturday will have a different guide, who will bring unique insight and personal research to share on the tour."

Remaining dates and guides are:

- April 12: Roberta McClellan
- April 19: Ben Harrison
- April 26: Michael Sullins, accompanied by Dr. Bill Peinhardt



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Sale (from Front)

Gauge Day
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HANCEVILLE, Ala. — An Easter Bake Sale will be held on Saturday, April 19, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. in the parking lot of Warehouse Discount Grocery in Hanceville to support travel expenses for the Hanceville Elementary Archery Team, which recently qualified for the NASP US Eastern National Tournament for the first time in school history.

Organized by parents and family members of the student archers, the Easter Bake Sale will feature a wide assortment of individually wrapped baked goods, donated by families and community members. Full-size desserts—including entire cakes, pies, and full sheets of brownies—will also be available for purchase. All proceeds will go directly toward helping the nearly 30 archers and their families cover travel costs, including food, fuel, and hotel stays for the three-day national event, taking place May 8–10.

"This is an event hosted by a group of family members of the archers on their own accord—it is not hosted by Hanceville Elementary School," explained Brittani Armstrong Coker, one of the event organizers and proud sibling and aunt to two members of the team. "We just want to help support these kids in any way we possibly can."

While the school is covering registration costs for the competition, all other expenses are left to the families.

"We are estimating a cost of around $150 for a hotel room per night and an average of about $150 in fuel per family as well, plus the cost of food while traveling," said Coker.

Coker encouraged community members to stop by the bake sale not only to support a good cause, but also to take some of the stress out of Easter weekend.

"We chose this date in hopes to both raise money for the children and to help our community by providing fresh baked goods for families to share at their Easter gatherings," she said.

"It saves families the hassle of baking themselves, so they can spend more time together instead of in the kitchen. It also helps the kids of our community. That's a win-win."

Those who cannot attend but still want to contribute can donate cash or prepaid gift cards for food or fuel. "Anyone interested in donating monetarily to the archery team's travel expenses is encouraged to do so in cash and/or in prepaid gift cards. All gifted donations will be equally divided among the student's families," said Coker, who is handling all donations directly.

"I would just like to reiterate that 100% of the money raised off of this bake sale will be divided equally among all participating archers' families," said Coker.

"We hope our community will rally together and support these kids — because they truly deserve all the support we can give them. They have worked SO VERY hard to accomplish such a feat."

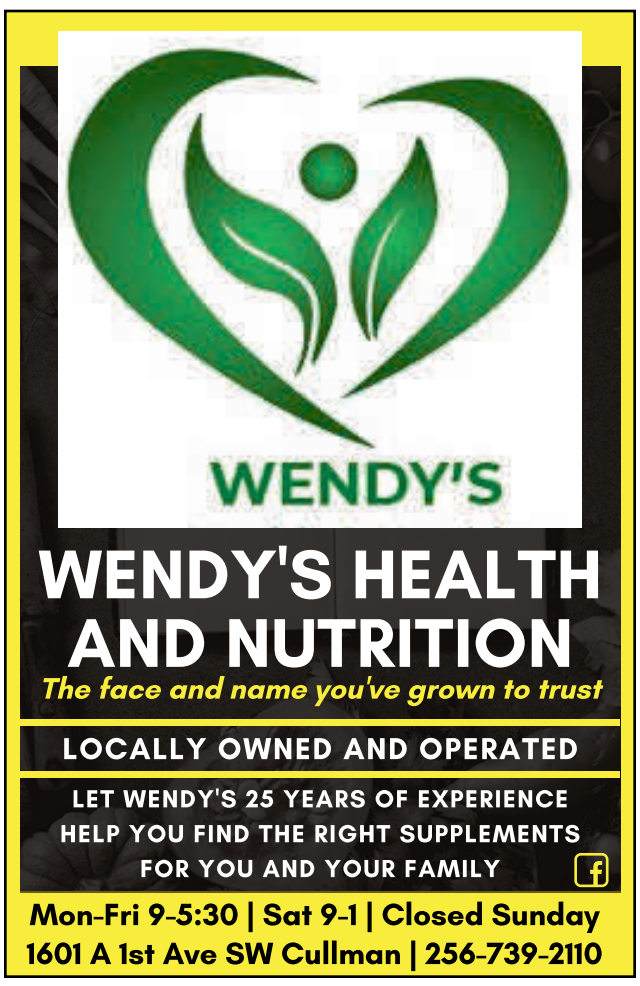
Coker, who is also a substitute teacher and youth coach, emphasized the pride she and other supporters have for the team. "I am Bear Armstrong's big sister and Layne Evans' aunt, so I'm heavily invested in the success of this team. There's a running joke that I'm the 'community aunt,' and I'll take that title proudly," she shared.

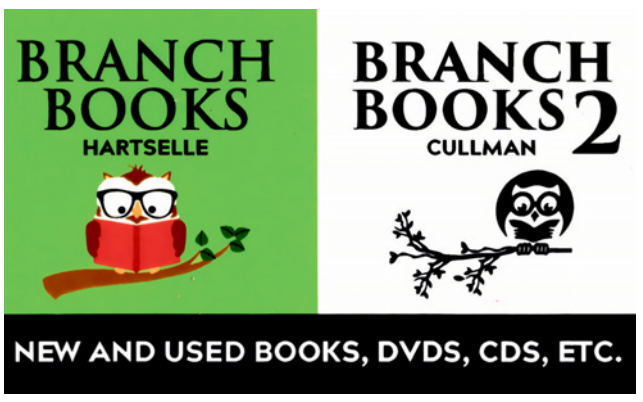
"I support these kids with everything in me and I cannot wait to watch them crush this competition. I am so proud of them."

For anyone interested in donating baked goods or a monetary donation, contact Brittani Armstrong Coker on Facebook to arrange for a drop-off on Friday, April 18. All monetary donations must be made in cash.















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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC2025-110

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JONATHAN DARYL MOSHER, DECEASED,

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to JACOB MOSHER, as Administrator of the Estate of JONATHAN DARYL MOSHER, Deceased, on the 10th day of April, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown.

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.

JACOB MOSHER
Administrator of the
Estate of
Jonathan Daryl Mosher, Deceased

PERRY D. KNIGHT
Attorney for the Estate of
Jonathan Daryl Mosher, Deceased
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TO: The Publisher of THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF
NOAH LOUIS BOWLING, CASE NO.: PC 2024-314
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to CAITLIN ELIZABETH BOWLING as Personal Representative of the Estate of NOAH LOUIS BOWLING deceased, on the 9th day of April, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge.

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Caitlin Elizabeth Bowling
Personal Representative

Tonya C. Palmer
Attorney for the Personal Representative
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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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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.

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Kalenna Quick
Administrator

Brandon C. Neal
Attorney for Administrator
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DONE this 12th day of February, 2025.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
JUDGE OF PROBATE

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
PHYLLIS HUDDLESTON, * **CASE NO.: PC2025-106**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to WILLIAM SCOTT JOHNSEY, as Administrator of the Estate of PHYLLIS HUDDLESTON, deceased, on the 9th day of April 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate.

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WILLIAM SCOTT JOHNSEY
Administrator

G. Alan Smith
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DONE this 9th day of April, 2025.

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

WEDA B. NAILS, DECEASED CASE NO. PC 2024-397

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF WEDA B. NAILS, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Julia D. Stricklin on the 2nd day of April, 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.

Julia D. Stricklin, Personal Representative (Administrator),
and
Steven C. Smith, Attorney for the Estate

TO: Publisher of *Cullman Tribune*:

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF

GERALDINE ROBERTSON CORNELIUS SWEATMON, CASE NO PC 2023-374

Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING
VERIFIED PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: **KRYSTAL CORNELIUS, CODY CORNELIUS, NICHOLE HOLMES, AMY KILGORE, STEPHANIE KILGORE AND ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES**

Verified Petition for Probate of Will filed by David Christopher Cornelius, Petitioner, by and through Attorney, David Lee Jones, has been scheduled for the **15th day of May, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.,** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

All persons are hereby given notice to appear and contest said petition if they think proper.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
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Done this the 28th day of March, 2025

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
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David Lee Jones
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
JERRY WAYNE HARDEN, * **CASE NO.: PC 2024-446**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Linda Lee, Personal Representative of the Estate of Jerry Wayne Harden, deceased, on the 3rd day of April, 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.

Linda Lee
Personal Representative

Melvin Hasting
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TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE,
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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
TONY BRADFORD WYNN, * **CASE NO.: PC2019-320**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION OF ANDRIA SIMS THE ADMINISTRATOR WITH THE WILL ANNEXED OF THE ESTATE OF TONY BRADFORD WYNN, FOR A DECLARATION OF INSOLVENCY AND FINAL DISCHARGE

TO: **EVA BANK**
MAHINDRA FINANCE USA, LLC
DANNY BRADFORD WYNN
GREGORY PAUL WYNN
HUNTER C. WYNN
JAMES ISZICK WYNN
CHASE WYNN
AND ANY CREDITORS OF AND ALL PERSON INTERESED IN THE ESTATE OF TONY BRADFORD WYNN, DECEASED.

Please take notice a *Petition of Andria Sims the Administrator with the Will Annexed of the Estate of Tony Bradford Wynn, for a Declaration of Insolvency and Final Discharge* was filed on the 7th day of March, 2025, made court record the 10th day of March, 2025 by Andria Sims, Administrator of the Estate of Tony Bradford Wynn, by and through her Attorney of record, Seth B. Thompson. A hearing on said Petition has been **SET FOR THE 29TH DAY OF APRIL, 2025, AT 11:00 A.M.**, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, AL 35055.

DONE this 27th day of March, 2025.

TAMMY BROWN, JUDGE OF PROBATE
CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2025-085

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF KATHERINE D. JOHNSON, DECEASED

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said Deceased having been granted to the undersigned, GARY JOHNSON, on the 26th day of March, 2025, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, 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.

Dated this the 26th day of March, 2025.

GARY JOHNSON
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Katherine D. Johnson,
Deceased

PERRY D. KNIGHT
Attorney for the
Estate of Katherine D. Johnson, Deceased
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256-734-4090

To the Publisher of The Cullman Tribune:

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

TAMMY BROWN
Judge of Probate

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

CHARLES AND CATHY SOVIA, §
§
Plaintiffs, §
§
vs. §
§ **CIVIL ACTION NUMBER:**
MICHAEL BRIAN LARUE, §
§ **CV-2024-900332**
Defendant. §

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION TO:

Michael Brian Larue
1350 Tabernacle Road
Cleveland, Alabama 35049

Michael Brian Larue
260 Tankersley Road
Blountsville, Alabama

You are hereby notified that a lawsuit has been filed against you by the Plaintiff in the Circuit Court of Jefferson County, Alabama for personal injury and damages arising out of a motor vehicle collision which occurred on March 7, 2023, in the City of Cullman, County of Cullman, Alabama, and that by reason of an Order for service by publication hereinbefore entered by the Court, you are hereby commanded and required to file with the Clerk of the Court, and to serve upon the Plaintiff's attorney, Jonathan Metz, 216 Summit Blvd, Suite 300, Birmingham, AL 35243, an answer to the Complaint within thirty (30) days of the last date of publication or by the 24th day of May, 2025.

Done this 27th day of March, 2025

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
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CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2025-099

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF LINDA S. MOODY, DECEASED

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary of said Deceased having been granted to the undersigned, EDSEL MOODY, on the 28th day of March, 2025, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, 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.

Dated this the 28th day of March 2025.

EDSEL MOODY
Personal Representative of the
Estate of Linda S. Moody,
Deceased

PERRY D. KNIGHT
Attorney for the
Estate of Linda S. Moody, Deceased
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TAMMY BROWN
Judge of Probate

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF)
)
ETTA CHRISTEEN TOLBERT,) CASE NO. PC 2025-082
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DECEASED.)

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Randell Wayne Williams as the Administrator of the Estate of Etta Christeen Tolbert, deceased, on the 27th day of March, 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.

Randell Wayne Williams
Administrator of the Estate of
Etta Christeen Tolbert, deceased

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

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

Beverly Paschal Poston (PAS001)
Attorney for the Estate of
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Cullman, Alabama, 35055
bposton@beverlypaschalposton.com
(256)739-3970

TAMMY BROWN PROBATE JUDGE

STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT OF
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO.: PC 2025-092

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF BRUCE ROLAND SURRETT, SR., DECEASED,

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY ADMINISTRATOR

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to ELAINE SURRETT, as Administratrix of the Estate of BRUCE ROLAND SURRETT, SR., Deceased, on the 2nd day of April, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown.

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.

ELAINE SURRETT
Administratrix of the
Estate of
Bruce Roland Surrett, Sr., Deceased

PERRY D. KNIGHT
Attorney for the Estate of
Bruce Roland Surrett, Sr., Deceased
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TO: The Publisher of THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

The Olympics for older athletes

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Editor's note: This column was written earlier this week.

I am a Baby Boomer. There, I said it, and I'm not ashamed of it. I was born right smack in the middle of the boom. We Boomers were born between 1946 and 1964. I landed here in 1955. Yes, I am old, but not too old; well, at least not yet.

I have loved sports for just about as long as I can remember. I have enjoyed watching them, and I have enjoyed playing them. At this age and stage in life, I do more watching than participating, but I do still get in the game occasionally. I am not quite as quick as I once was, but I am still alive and move and have my being (Acts 17:28). For this, I give thanks. I am definitely looking forward to this week's Olympics and give thanks that I will be able to do one of things I love to do.

When I was growing up, I used to watch the Olympics and dream of being one of the athletes. I've done some of the same things some of them do, but never anywhere near their level or with the skill with which they do it. I learned to snow ski and loved doing that for many years. I have watched with amazement as the ski jumpers sped down a ramp and flew off its end like a bird soaring through the air. A few years ago, out in Utah, when I saw those ramps up close and personal, I said, "I would never have the courage, or the ability, to go off that thing!" I have settled for doing what I can do, and enjoying that to its fullest.

I have loved racket and paddle sports for most of my life. I have loved playing ping-pong, tennis, racquetball and pickleball. I played racquetball until my joints said, "Hey, enough already!" Then I discovered a sport that is a little slower paced and a little more forgiving to one that has a few extra miles on the body. Then, after all these years, two years ago I finally got my chance to compete in the Olympics. Well, not actually "the" Olympics, but in "the" Senior Adult Olympics. I played pickleball and actually walked away with a silver medal. I'm still not sure who it belonged to! No, really, we won it. I played in Men's Doubles, 3.0, 125-years old and above. No, that age was not a typo, but a poor attempt at humor!

Then, the unthinkable happened. I had four heart artery bypasses, and I feared that my playing days might be over. When the Senior Olympics rolled back around the next year, I had not recovered enough to play in them. I watched my friends play and dreamed of one day once again playing in the Olympics...senior style, that is. Little by little, I grew stronger and could play longer and longer. Now, guess what. This week, I will be playing in the Alabama Senior Olympics again. I hope to win another medal, but even if I don't win a single game, it will be a victory!

Thank you, first of all, to my Lord and Savior for the healing He has given me! Thank you to the Opelika Pickleball Club for allowing me to play with such a great group of players and friends. Thank you to the club leaders for putting this tournament together, as well as many other tournaments and mixers, and for all the hard work in hosting this event. Thank you to the city of Opelika for a state-of-the-art pickleball facility and Sportsplex.

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

HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: April 12, 1945

From the files of April 12,1945

To and Fro
by Eagle Eye

Youthful Cullman County calf was among the prize winning animals for the 4-H-FFA livestock show held last week. The calf was a 4-H club project, again being sponsored by local stock yards through commerce.

There are a thousand dollars over the quota, but have not stopped selling War Bonds and Stamps in the War Loan Drive in Cullman County. War Bond Committee members have been given authority to continue the sale of bonds in the War Loan Drive and by Wednesday afternoon $1,335,000 in war securities had been reported sold.

Many thank-you letters are including sweaters, mufflers, and handkerchiefs have been received by Mrs. J. M. Arnold from boys at Army Port of Embarkation, Third New York Port of Embarkation. These boys include: James M. Arnold, M. Arnold, Malcom Arnold, Wyn-ton Arnold, R. F. Arnold, Bobbie Arnold, J. B. Nance, Bobbie Nance, Mattie Nance, Inez Arnold, and numerous others. Mrs. Arnold has made her home at Mrs. E. H. Arnold and is doing a noble piece of work in sending these boxes of shipment. A shipment of kit bags was made this week with cotton and other items and Mrs. Arnold, Executive Secretary of the Red Cross and War Fund, requests donations for kit making by Saturday, April 14th.

Grand children of the late Mrs. Cullman County's Bailey Stone, who are making their home in Cullman state, and likes to tell of the former's many grand children and his daughter, Mrs. J. E. McAdory, and great grand children.

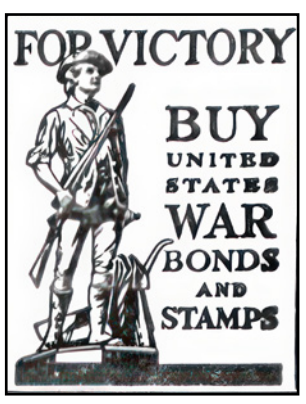
"At home" after 35 months overseas life" of T/Sgt. Leonard James Hanceville, Route 2, Cullman, is a happy state of affairs for him and wife. "Night fighter sent in a Jap Widow (night fighter)" as known to the men who worked with him in the Pacific warfare. He did not work with those Black Widows in the Pacific warfare. He did wear the Pacific Warfare Ribbon as well as the Asiatic-Pacific theatre and the good conduct Medal.

"For his superior low-level entries of full low level incendiary attack against shipping in the harbor of Shanghai, China, on night of Sept. 5," Crawford Robey, husband of Ruby Mae Crawford, Route 2, Cullman, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Crawford, Hanceville has been commended in a letter from his commanding officer. "In days of those bombing raids from the B-29 bases in the Marianas, the Jap shipping in rivers of the ground echelons worked night and day to supply with supplies and men. Crawford Robey in the air and striking the empire forces was a menace."

For the first time since he arrived overseas three years months ago, Pfc. Robert L. Cunningham recently drank a coca cola at a restaurant in Hanceville. "It sure hits the spot" Robert said between the lines for a rest of several days. Pfc. Cunningham and his parents, Route 2, Cullman, are at home on Route 2, Cullman.

During the past year that S/Sgt. Martin T. Bailey has been with the 15th Air Force in Italy, he completed 35 missions as a tail gunner on a B-24 Liberator. He has been authorized to wear the Air Medal with 5 oak leaf clusters and has been authorized to wear the Distinguished Flying Cross with one oak leaf cluster in recognition of his meritorious conduct with her enemy. His wife, Mrs. Martin T. Bailey, is at home at Home Route.

"One eleven months old pullet is certainly laying out



for food production," sold County Agent H. H. Howze to a poultryman after getting an egg within an egg. This week Mr. Howze was around in his official capacity in the territory south of Route 1, Hanceville and Winston-Blount Co. line. (That was a monster double shell egg and the larger one also contained two yolks).

POET'S CORNER

To My Father | By: Randy C. Hale

I fit nicely into each crevice,
this gentle place of keeping.

I often retreat here for solace
and always when I'm weeping.

The comfort here, it heals my soul
and mends the bones that's broken.

Into my father's hands I come
with few words to be spoken.



CULLMAN TRIBUNE WORD SEARCH

APRIL 12

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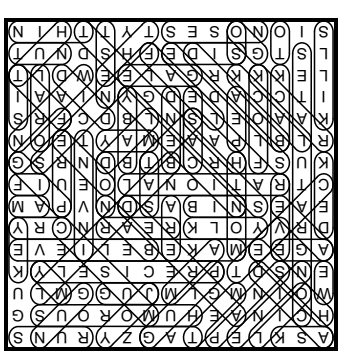
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Brumley (from Front)

with a notable 12-year tenure as CSFO in two different school systems. He graduated from the University of North Alabama with dual majors in accounting and management.

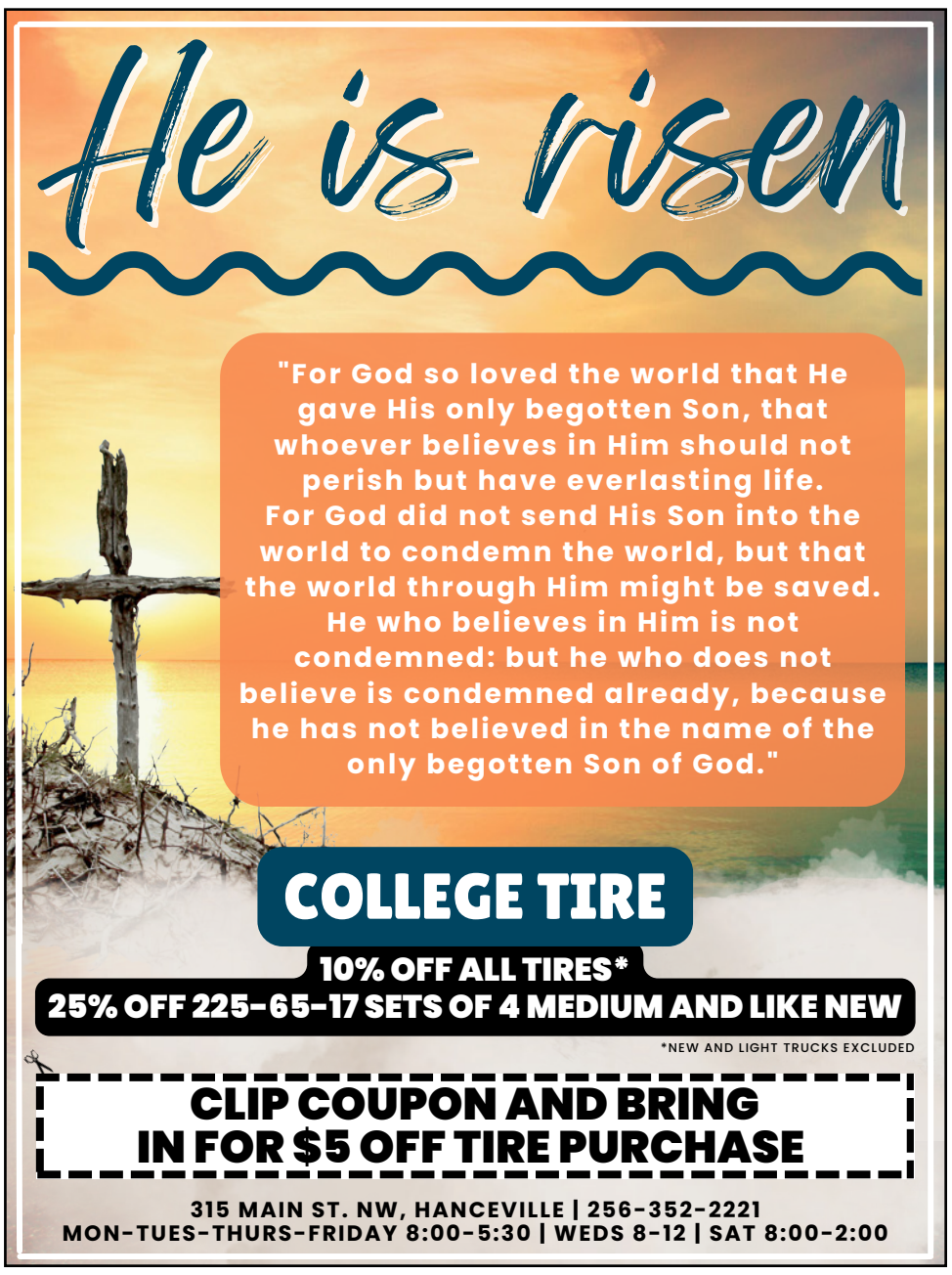
In his current role, Brumley oversees critical aspects of school operations including finance and budgeting, transportation, child nutrition and facilities maintenance. His strategic leadership has been instrumental in securing funding and growth initiatives within the school system.

Reflecting on Brumley's achievement, Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff stated, "Mr. Brumley has played an integral role in our ongoing safety and growth capital campaign.His leadership and diligent work behind the scenes have been pivotal in securing essential funding for our school projects."

Board President Amy Carter added, "We are delighted to see James recognized with the Morton-Smith Award from AASBO. His reputation as one of the finest School Financial Officers in the state is well-deserved."

As part of this honor, Brumley will award a $2,000 AASBO-sponsored scholarship to a deserving high school student.





Stover (from Front)

Joyce Nix
St. Bernard

CULLMAN, Ala. — Rachael Stover, director of admissions at St. Bernard Preparatory School, recently advanced the school's international recruitment efforts by representing St. Bernard at the ILA Fair in Ho Chí Minh City, Vietnam. Her participation marked another significant step in the school's growing global outreach.

The ILA Fair, hosted by one of Vietnam's premier language education centers, brings together students and international education professionals from around the world. Stover attended the event at the invitation of Educatius, a leading organization that connects international students with secondary education opportunities in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland and beyond.

During her visit, Stover connected with nearly 45 educational agents, delivered presentations and conducted in-depth interviews with prospective students in both Ho Chí Minh City and Hanoi.

"Meeting the students on their own turf was exciting," she said. "It underscored the value of face-to-face engagement in building trust and understanding."

In total, Stover met with 20 students, formally interviewed six and extended three conditional acceptances. She was particularly impressed with the students' English proficiency, describing their speaking and writing skills as outstanding.

She also participated in several video interviews, including one produced by the New World Agency.

Outside of her official duties, Stover embraced Vietnamese culture with enthusiasm. She attended Mass at the Carmelite Monastery of Saigon and sampled local delicacies — declaring egg coffee and coconut coffee as newfound favorites.

"It was an enriching experience that reinforced our commitment to providing a well-rounded education that prepares students for success in a global society," she reflected.

THE VALUE OF STRONG INDEPENDENT HOSPITALS
A Message to Leadership and Stakeholders of Community-Based Hospitals

Cullman Regional is an independent community-based hospital focused on the healthcare needs in our region. Our ability to invest in vital capital projects and provide better care and more services to our local communities is a direct result of the hospital's business efficiency, improved quality and a commitment to stay independent and successful.

At Cullman Regional, we've found that payers and physicians are receptive to teaming with an independent, locally driven hospital. This approach has helped the hospital substantially increase capital funds, negotiate better reimbursement rates, expand services, recruit physicians, acquire advanced technology and equipment including multiple MRIs and robotic surgical systems, and offer employees pay that is comparable to hospitals in Huntsville and Birmingham.

We strongly believe community-based hospitals have the potential to not only sustain their independence but to thrive. We also believe patients benefit most when a balance exists between large health systems and strong independent community hospitals. Each provide a facet of healthcare vital for Alabama.

It's time to promote understanding about the important role of independent hospitals and the value they bring by providing patient choice, fair competition, and local access to healthcare services.

Read the case study about how Cullman Regional transformed from a struggling system-affiliated hospital to a strong, independent community-based hospital.

CULLMAN REGIONAL