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Local law enforcement gearing up for Rock the South

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Sheriff's Office and Cullman Police Department are getting ready for this year's Rock the South event, which is coming up June 19-21. The annual music festival attracts thousands to the area.

Cullman County Sheriff Matt Gentry said » PAGE 8



CULLMAN TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Law enforcement officers walk through the venue ahead of Rock the South in 2022.



Cullman County Schools bus damaged in weekend storm



TY WATWOOD

A Cullman County Schools bus in Holly Pond was damaged in a storm on Saturday, June 7, 2025.

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CULLMAN, Ala. — A Cullman County Schools bus was damaged Saturday, June 7, when tree limbs fell during severe weather. The bus was set to be used for the system's annual Summer Learning Camp, which began Monday, June 9, but no one was on or near the vehicle when the incident occurred.

According to Cullman County Schools Media Communications Specialist Ty Watwood, the bus was in Holly Pond when it was damaged. The bus had been pre-positioned by its driver in preparation for transporting students to and from one of several elementary school campuses participating in the summer program. Unfortunately, the bus is part of the district's newer fleet. But Watwood confirmed the damage was relatively minor, mainly affecting the roof and windows, and that the bus has already been sent to Birmingham for repairs.

"It'd been nice if it had been one of our older buses," Watwood noted, "but thankfully, it's not a major fix."

The incident did not impact transportation plans. With only a portion of the district's buses needed for summer learning, the transportation department was able to replace the damaged bus without disruption.

Watwood also took the opportunity to remind the community to be mindful of school buses on the roads over the next two weeks and to mind all school bus safety laws.

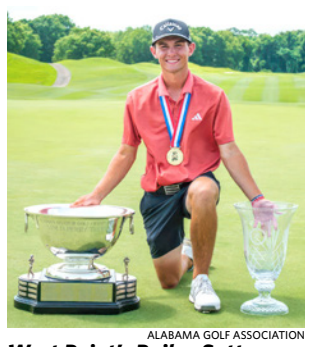
"People aren't used to seeing buses out right now, but with camps in session, buses will be on the road during the morning hours and again between 1 and 2 p.m. when students are dismissed," he said. "Please obey all traffic laws and watch for flashing lights."

Alabama law states that school buses will flash amber lights in advance of a stop to warn other drivers. At an extended stop area, it is either to load or unload children. When approaching from either direction, motorists should stop 20 feet away when red flashing lights on a school bus are activated. It is illegal to pass a stopped school bus while the stop arm is extended and lights are flashing, as it endangers the lives of children and others on the road.

Weekend storms leave damage, outages in wake

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West Point's Sutter wins Alabama State Amateur



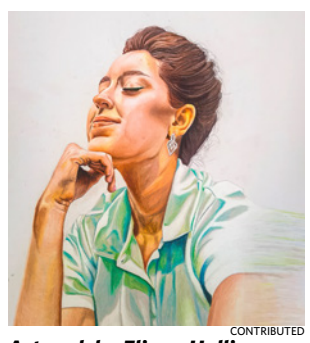
ALABAMA GOLF ASSOCIATION

West Point's Bailey Sutter finished with a four-round score of -17 under par to win this year's Alabama State Amateur at RTJ Capitol Hill over the weekend.

East Elementary Archery team places at NASP Championship

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Youth Voices: Art with Eliana Hollis



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Artwork by Eliana Hollis: "Fade," a self-portrait

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported June 9

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported June 5-8, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

June 5

- domestic violence; CR 222
- possession of dangerous drugs, possession of drug paraphernalia, tampering with physical evidence, obstruction of governmental operations; CR 713
- permitting dogs to run at large; Fairview RD.
- criminal mischief; CR 713
- harassment; CR 747
- domestic violence, criminal mischief; CR 1342
- possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 67
- theft of property; CR 1742
- criminal mischief; Hwy. 278 W.
- possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 222

June 6

- violation of protection order; CR 229
- theft of property; CR 222
- harassment; CR 216
- domestic violence; CR 747
- possession of dangerous drugs; possession of drug paraphernalia; Industrial Blvd. SE, Hanceville
- domestic violence; CR 992

June 7

- domestic violence; CR 229
- domestic violence; CR 1114
- domestic violence; Tennessee Ave. SE, Hanceville
- permitting dogs to run at large; CR 1038
- possession of dangerous drugs; CR 1600

June 8

- burglary; CR 1828
- harassing communications; 1st Ave. N., Hanceville
- public intoxication; CR 1242
- criminal mischief; CR 1043
- burglary; Edmonson RD. NE., Hanceville

ARRESTS

June 5-8

Bass, James M.

- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Burks, Kenneth A.; 24

- Probation Violation – possession of drug paraphernalia
- Probation Violation – possession of marijuana-2nd degree

Clemmons, Danny J.; 37

- assault-child abuse-simple-family

Cole, Brett A.; 56

- Probation Violation – possession of child pornography

Coleman, William B.; 55

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs

Elms, Randy L.; 29

- assault-domestic violence-3rd degree – criminal mischief-3rd degree

Esposito, Jan M.; 45

- possession of methamphetamine

Freeman, Logan L.; 36

- Probation Violation – larceny/theft-shoplifting, less than $500
- Probation Violation – giving false information to law enforcement officer

Grimes, Jeffery T.; 39

- public intoxication

Haney, Savannah B.; 37

- Probation Violation – assault-child abuse-simple-family
- drug trafficking
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- Probation Violation – possession of dangerous drugs
- Probation Violation – flight/escape-escape

Hankins, Joshua J.; 36

- FTA – obstructing justice using a false identity – fictitious person
- FTA – public intoxication

Hendrix, Katherine E.; 42

- assault-domestic violence-3rd degree – criminal mischief-3rd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs
- obstruction governmental operations
- tampering with evidence

Hudson, Danny Ray L.; 46

- Probation Violation – possession of synthetic narcotic

King, Sherman H.; 56

- assault-domestic-harassment-family
- assault-harassment
- enter/remain in build/fenced property
- possession of dangerous drugs

Lee, Lydia M.; 40

- FTA – possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Loftus, Ryan A.; 39

- FTA – driving while license suspended

Loggins, Jeffery K.; 35

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – driving while license suspended

Maddox Jr., James D.; 44

- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of marijuana-2dn degree
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – traffic-speeding-no workers-construction zone

Mann, Justin C.; 36

- FTA – DUI (alcohol)

McClure, Tina M.; 42

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

McCombs, Blake H.; 30

- assault-simple assault

Moore, Tommy J.; 48

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia-2nd offense

Moreno Jr., Johnathan S.; 30

- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Mosley, Charles A.; 43

- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs

Nash, Angela M.; 31

- FTA – possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Norris, Brandon S.; 34

- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family
- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – liquor-open container-alcohol in the vehicle

Nugent, Donald G.; 54

- Sex Offense-Adult Sex Offender – violation of homelessness restrictions
- Parole Violation/Revocation – Sex Offense-Adult Sex Offender

Overton, Johnny L.; 60

- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possession of dangerous drugs
- tampering with physical evidence

Rainey, Kelsey A.; 34

- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- Probation Violation – forgery-forged instrument

Rush, Danah L.; 26

- FTA – illegal possession of prescription pills
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA- possession of dangerous drugs

Stewart, David R.; 50

- Family Offense – non-support-child

Stewart, Jana A.; 62

- assault-harassment

Williams, Chloe A.; 44

- FTA – assault-elder abuse and neglect-2nd degree

Williams, Jeremy O.; 39

- Grand Jury – larceny/theft-theft- Grand Jury arrest warrant

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

June 2

- theft of property-3rd degree, retail theft of property-3rd degree, Cabin Fever, Pear Dr. NW, alcohol, cash, $894

June 6

- retail theft of property-3rd degree, organized retail theft, Wal-Mart, Olive St. SW, general merchandise, $326
- assault-2nd (2 counts), person, Sandy Ave. SW
- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassment, person, Hwy. 157
- criminal trespass-3rd degree, Walmart, Hwy. 157
- attempted kidnapping, harassment, person, 4th St. SW
- theft of property-4th degree; Walmart; general merchandise, $94

June 9

- domestic violence-3rd degree-harassment, person, White Cir. SW

ARRESTS

June 6-8

Stewart, David R.; 50

- FTA – insurance violation

Quick, Logan G.; 19

- domestic violence – harassing communications

Mitchell, Tammy M.; 45

- retail theft of property-3rd degree
- organized retail theft

Blankenship, Adam W.; 40

- assault-2nd degree

Rainey, Kelsey A.; 34

- assault-2nd degree
- trafficking
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Runkel, John W.; 25

- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – driving while suspended
- FTA – expired tag

Matts, Eric M.; 61

- FTA – public intoxication

Cofield Jr., William A.; 44

- FTA – theft of property-4th degree

Sandifer, Matthew J.; 40

- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – tampering with evidence

Loggins, Jeffery K.; 35

- FTA – driving while suspended (2 counts)
- FTA – switched tag (2 counts)

Bowman, Sandra L.; 70

- Grand Jury Indictment – retail theft of property-2nd degree

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Storms (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Severe storms impacted Cullman County on Saturday, June 7, leaving significant damage and widespread power outages. High winds brought down trees across the area, many of which damaged homes, buildings and utility infrastructure.

According to Cullman County EMA officials, the storm destroyed shingles and sections from several roofs. Emergency management crews are assessing damage and working with the Red Cross to assist residents affected by the storms. Officials confirmed there have been no reports of injuries related to the storms. The EMA warned the community to remain cautious, as some downed power lines and utility cables may stay active and can cause severe injury. Community members are advised not to approach or attempt to move them.

Said Cullman County EMA's Brent McDonald, "We've had a lot of trees come down across Cullman County, and unfortunately, many of them caused severe damage to homes, buildings and utility lines. That has led to widespread power outages in many areas. The high winds also tore up several roofs.

"Since the storm hit, we've been out assessing the damage and working alongside the Red Cross to make sure that if anyone needs help, they're able to get it. We're incredibly thankful that there have been no reports of injuries from the storm.

"We want to remind everyone to stay cautious — there are still some downed power lines and utility cables out there.

"Please don't go near them or try to move them. They can be extremely dangerous and could cause serious injury or even be fatal."

As of press time Monday, June 9, at 6 p.m., there were four power outages reported by the Cullman Power Board, and the Cullman Electric Cooperative reported: "There are a remaining 24 outages affecting 119 members.

"Every remaining outage has been assigned a crew, and they will be working through the night until each outage is restored."

Hollis (from Front)

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Each generation brings new insight and creativity. It is essential to acknowledge and appreciate the significant contributions that young people are making to our communities. By listening to their stories and watching them work and create, we not only gain a deeper understanding of their challenges, but also see the hope they carry into the future, as well as witness how they are already changing our world through artwork, storytelling and much more.

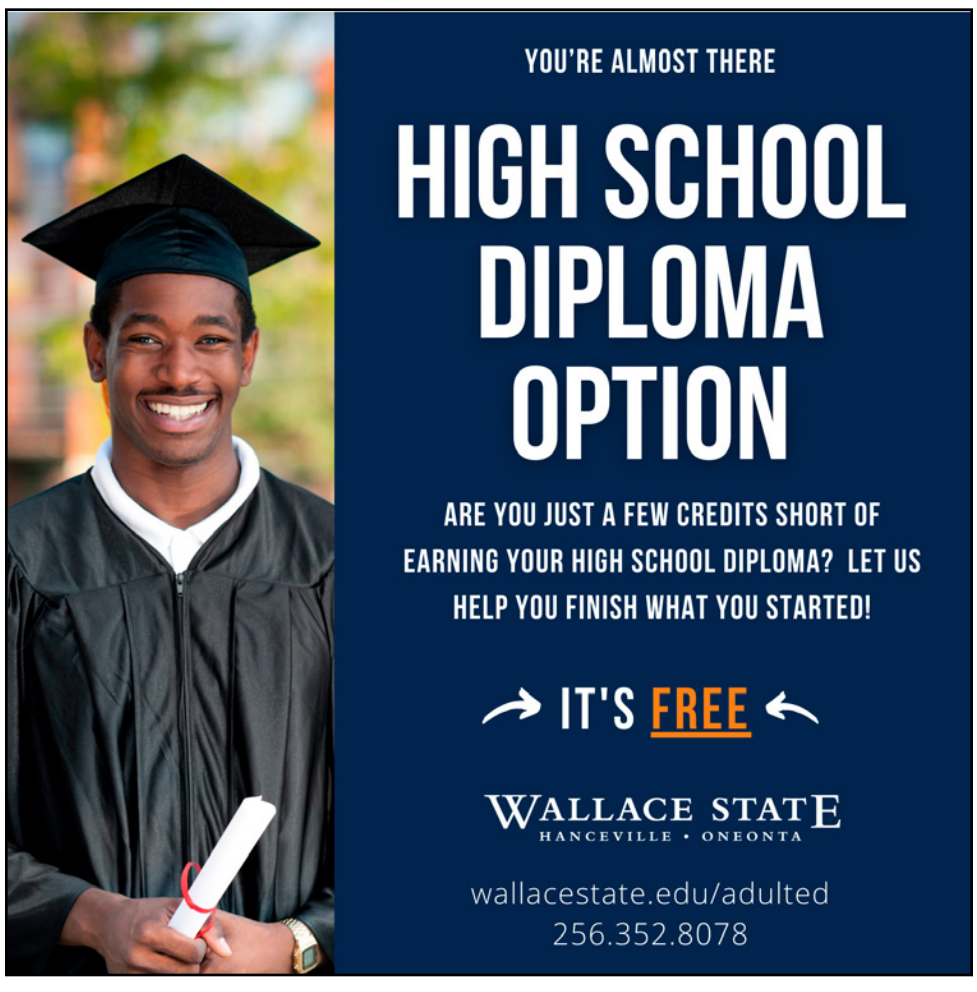
Cullman High School 2025 graduate Eliana Hollis uses art to reflect her inner world and connect with others. Her work explores the intersection of creativity and mental health, offering both understanding and joy to those who view it.

"Art is important in my life as an outlet for my perceptions, views and emotions. The theme of my AP Art portfolio in my junior year was the integration of my mental health into my art, something I am extremely passionate about. I want people to feel seen through my art, to be able to relate to and see a bit of themselves in it," said Hollis.

"Art is so important to our perception of the world and how we process our emotions, which is something I hope to exemplify through my life and my own creations. I also strive to bring joy to others through my drawings, which is why another one of my goals is to author and illustrate a children's book."

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Attention Senior Citizens
• If you are 60 or over, please come to the Cullman Senior Center at 1539 Sportsman Lake Road NW and have some fun with us and eat lunch. Good fun, good friends and good food. Different things going on Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-noon.
• Volunteers needed to deliver meals to homebound. Call Commission on Aging for info. 256-734-1241.

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 Repair
Sessions at 3 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church located at 615 Third Ave. SE, Cullman, AL 35055. 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, June 10 - Adut dinner and game night 6 p.m.
• Wednesday, June 11 - 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, June 13 - Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hangups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Dinner at 5:45 p.m. Meeting starts at 6:30. Childcare provided.
• Sunday, June 15 - 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. Healing service at 5 p.m.

Guy Hunt Library Summer Reading Program
• Make plans to join us at Guy Hunt Library in Holly Pond on Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. for the Summer Reading Program. Children from ages 2 to 12 are welcome.
• June 10: Cullman County Soil and Water Conservation District
• June17: Cullman County Extension Office (ACES)
• June 24: North Alabama Agriplex
• Drinks and snacks will be provided. For more information contact Guy Hunt Library at 256-796-5226. Leave a message if needed. We look forward to having you join us for a morning of fun.

Heartland Quilt Guild Meeting
Thursday, June 12, at 6 p.m. at Christ Covenant Presbyterian Church, 1310 St. Joseph Dr., Cullman. AL 35055.

Bates Family Reunion
Saturday, June 14, at 11 a.m. at the Trimble Community Center, 7744 County Road 813. Bring your favorite dish and enjoy the fellowship.

Mt. Nebo VBS – 'Magnified'
June 16-20, 6-8:30 p.m. 11 County Road 1273, Cullman. (See The Tribune's full VBS listing at cullmantribune.com/2025/06/02/list-the-ultimate-cullman-vbs-summer-roadmap.

Rock the South
Thursday-Saturday, June 19-21 at York Farms, 1872 County Road 469, Cullman. Headliners include Hank Williams Jr., Kid Rock and Nickelback. Get tickets and more info at www.rockthesouth.com.

Fairview High School Class of 1975 Reunion
Saturday, June 21, at 6 p.m. at The Venue, 8575 Alabama Highway 69 N, Cullman, AL 35058. Cost is $45 per person. Contact Sheila Woods to RSVP at 256-347-6738. Looking forward to seeing everyone and having a great time.





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PREP SPORTS

'Do the little things right': Holly Pond's Diego Arreguin reflects on Bronco career

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HOLLY POND, Ala. — Holly Pond senior Diego Arreguin collected his diploma in May, and in this interview, he looked back at some of his favorite sports memories that he made alongside some great teammates and friends.

"My best memories were usually from the practices. Some days were better than others but always being with the guys made even the bad days better. We were having fun and goofing off, but we were trying to get better. We always had fun," Arreguin said.

"It was awesome being around some great teammates and friends. We were always cutting up and goofing off. That's what I enjoyed the most, but we were also pushing each other to get better in whatever sport was going on at that time. We held each other accountable. I learned to have fun.

"Life's too short to let things drag you down or be so serious. I also learned accountability from them. We depended on each other, whether it was sports or in the classroom.

"We all helped each other out. Another thing that I learned from being around them is support. We all supported and helped each other out."

Diego played under some coaches during his career and soaked up as much as he could from each of them. He talked about some of his favorite games that he participated in during his playing days.

"It was a great experience, and it was usually a different experience each year for us at Holly Pond. One thing that stood out from every single coach was that they all said the same thing, 'Do the little things right'. Any sport I played in, they all said that same thing, and it makes sense from sports to life in general. In order to accomplish anything, whether it's your goals or getting anything accomplished, you have to do the little things right: showing up, being on time, trying, paying attention, and being held accountable," Arreguin said. "One of my favorite games that I played in was our basketball game against Hanceville my senior year, and during my sophomore year, I played under coach Cory Glasscock in a few games in basketball."

Diego will miss playing at Holly Pond this upcoming year, and he shared some of his favorite high school memories.

"I'll remember and miss the support by the families, the community, and the school. They always supported us and provided for us, even when we were having some rough seasons. I'll always remember how they poured into us, and they always helped us out," Arreguin said. "My favorite high school memories were when I was always finding a way to get out of class (laughs), whether it was to help around the school or be involved, or even just to get out and have fun."

He had a blast being a Bronco, and he will deeply miss being there in August.

"What made Holly Pond a special place to go to was the environment. Everyone is loved, and the community showed the love also. It's a small town with much love," he said.

"I will remember and miss hanging out and having fun with my friends, how my teachers made me feel loved, and being involved in a lot of activities and events at the school and just mainly having as much fun as possible."

Diego gave some advice to the students that will be entering high school in August. It's important to him to be a role model for kids, in and outside of sports.

"Have fun. Make the most out of your time in high school, because it goes by so quick. Have fun, and also, develop a relationship with Christ," he said.

"It's a blessing to me. To make an impact on an upcoming generation is a blessing. I wanted to try to lead them and be a role model so that they can be the best they can be. It also helps in a way to hold me accountable so I can be the best I can, because others and especially kids are looking up to me and watching me."

In addition to sports, Diego participated in a couple of clubs at Holly Pond, and he had an amazing time with those as well. God has played a huge role in his life, and he shared a couple of his favorite Bible verses.

"I was in the Key Club and the FFA. It was fun, especially the Key Club. I loved being able to help out, whether it's in the community or for school events. It was fun to be able to help out and be a part of it," he said.

"God has played a major role in my life. I wouldn't be in the position I am now without Him. He has blessed me in so many ways.

"He has given me many opportunities to be the light to so many people and show them how much Jesus has changed my life," Diego said.

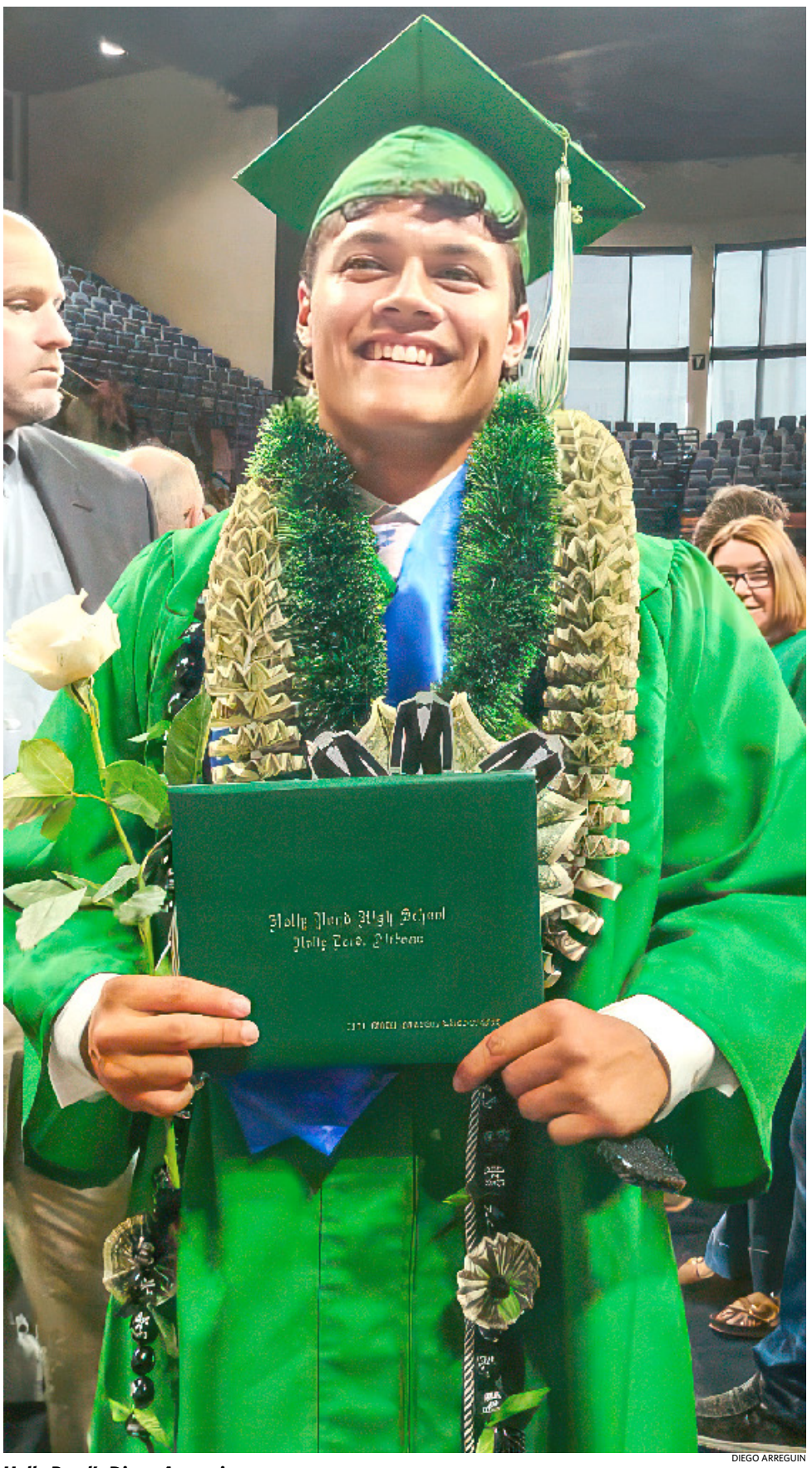
"One of my favorite Bible verses is 1 Corinthians 15:57: 'Thanks be to God, who gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ'. This was the first verse that I ever learned, and it means a lot to me. It basically means that we should thank God for sending his son Jesus to pay the ultimate sacrifice so that we could have 'the victory', which means the victory in knowing God and having a chance to go to Heaven. Another verse that I really like is 1 John 4:7: 'Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God'. I try to live my best life by this verse in trying to love and show kindness to others."

Diego has learned a lot during his journey so far.

"I have learned that it is not easy. There are times where you stumble, have a bad day or week, and go into a slump, but I have also learned that He loves us so much.

"Every time we fall, He is always there to catch us, and we have to always focus on Him.

"No matter how many times we have sinned, Jesus will always love us. He died and paid the sacrifice for our sins. He loves us so much, and He will forgive us if we truly repent and trust in Him."



DIEGO ARREGUIN

Holly Pond's Diego Arreguin

Cullman Swim Team earns win over Albertville

Sara Hughes
Cullman Swim Team

ALBERTVILLE, Ala. — The Cullman Swim Team traveled to Albertville for its first road meet of the season on Thursday, June 5 and they returned home with a win over the Albertville Swim Team.

Head Coach: Charis Peek

Assistant Coaches: Anna Hilb, Troy Mann, and Anna Page

RESULTS

Girls 6 & Under
- 25 Free - 1. Ellie Grace Thigpen (24.79); 3. Emy Berryhill (39.18)
- 25 Back - 1. Ellie Grace Thigpen (27.16); 3. Emy Berryhill (48.47)

Boys 6 & Under
- 25 Free - 2. Tyler Borden (37.56)
- 25 Back - 1. Trip Ware (31.77)

6 & Under Mixed RelayTrip Ware
- 100 Free Relay - 1. Ellie Grace Thigpen, John Branscomb, Emy Berryhill, Tyler Borden (2:19.30); 3. Trip Ware, Elsie Fuller, Addie Thigpen, Oliver Smith (4:45.69)

Girls 8 & Under
- 100 IM - 1. Amberly Pate (1:49.45); 2. Malia Swidecki (2:29.71)
- 25 Free - 1. Everly Berryhill (19.25); 2. Britton Ware (20.48); 3. Audrey Smith (22.79)
- 25 Breast - 1. Maggie Randall (26.40); 2. Amberly Pate (26.56)
- 25 Back - 1. Amberly Pate (21.39); 2. Everly Berryhill (22.34); 3. Britton Ware (22.44)
- 25 Fly - 1. Audrey Smith (21.04); 2. Brooklyn Pate (21.41); 3. Maggie Randall (26.51)
- 50 Free - 1. Brooklyn Pate (43.31); 2. Audrey Smith (50.33); 3. Ellie Grace Thigpen (51.31)

Boys 8 & Under
- 25 Free - 2. Jack Berryhill (22.50)
- 25 Back - 2. Jack Berryhill (25.89)

8 & Under Mixed Relays
- 100 Medley Relay - 1. Owen Boaz, Amberly Pate, Brooklyn Pate, Jack Berryhill (1:37.84); 2. John Branscomb, Everly Berryhill, Audrey Smith, Mason Heim (1:51.94)
- 100 Free Relay - 1. Amberly Pate, Jack Berryhill, Owen Boaz, Brooklyn Pate (1:21.19); 3. Everly Berryhill, Mason Heim, Damian Torres Diaz, Audrey Smith (1:44.46)

Girls 9-10
- 100 IM - 1. Clara Peek (1:32.97); 2. Paisley Caldwell (1:33.70); 3. Jesslyn Davis (1:35.81)
- 50 Free - 1. Paisley Caldwell (35.65); 2. Clara Peek (37.96)
- 50 Breast - 1. Lauren Hughes (36.61); 2. Hannah Thigpen (47.76); 3. Jesslyn Davis (47.86)
- 50 Back - 1. Clara Peek (41.79); 2. Hannah Thigpen (42.31); 3. Jesslyn Davis (44.67)
- 50 Fly - 1. Lauren Hughes (31.66); 2. Paisley Caldwell (39.69); 3. Hannah Thigpen (44.05)
- 100 Free - 1. Lauren Hughes (1:07.37); 2. Hannah Thigpen (1:24.16); 3. Maci Hays (1:35.03)

Boys 9-10
- 100 IM - 1. Ezra Basch (1:37.81); 2. James Hilb (1:48.70)
- 50 Free - 1. Keith Swidecki (41.08); 2. James Hilb (41.86); 3. Collin Hodges (43.15)
- 50 Breast - 1. James Hilb (51.95)
- 50 Back - 1. Ezra Basch (43.90); 2. Collin Hodges (50.47); 3. Lincoln La Rue (57.44)
- 50 Fly - 1. Ezra Basch (44.91); 2. Keith Swidecki (55.12); 3. Jaden Gray (1:11.26)
- 100 Free - 1. Keith Swidecki (1:34.74)

9-10 Mixed Relays
- 200 Medley Relay - 1. Clara Peek, Lauren Hughes, Ezra Basch, Collin Hodges (2:46.21); 2. Keith Swidecki, Hannah Thigpen, Paisley Caldwell, James Hilb (3:04.40)
- 200 Free Relay - 1. Paisley Caldwell, Ezra Basch, James Hilb, Lauren Hughes (2:26.53); 2. Jesslyn Davis, Keith Swidecki, Collin Hodges, Hannah Thigpen (2:40.62); 3. Maci Hays, Lincoln La Rue, Jaden Gray, Clara Peek (3:10.57)

Girls 11-12
- 100 IM - 1. Catherine Hughes (1:16.71); 2. Ellie Forester (1:27.04); 3. Oakley Turner (1:30.91)
- 50 Free - 2. Faith Peek (31.20); 3. Gemma Swidecki (33.51)
- 50 Breast - 1. Catherine Hughes (37.11); 3. Faith Peek (42.28)
- 50 Back - 1. Georgia Dowdy (32.84); 2. Catherine Hughes (38.22); 3. Ellie Forester (39.86)
- 50 Fly - 1. Georgia Dowdy (32.30); 2. Gemma Swidecki (38.41); 3. Faith Peek (39.32)
- 100 Free - 1. Georgia Dowdy (1:01.49)

Boys 11-12
- 100 IM - 1. Griffin Berryhill (1:15.30)
- 50 Free - 1. Luke Forester (34.63)
- 50 Breast - 1. Luke Forester (45.45)
- 50 Back - 1. Griffin Berryhill (32.92); 2. Liam Bardill (55.79)
- 50 Fly - 1. Griffin Berryhill (32.67)
- 100 Freestyle - 1. Luke Forester (1:17.51)

11-12 Mixed Relays
- 200 Medley Relay - 1. Georgia Dowdy, Catherine Hughes, Griffin Berryhill, Luke Forester (2:19.52)
- 200 Free Relay - 1. Georgia Dowdy, Griffin Berryhill, Faith Peek, Luke Forester (2:07.41)

Girls 13-14
- 100 IM - 1. Elizabeth Hughes (1:15.05); 2. Reese Swidecki (1:17.61); 3. Preslie Basch (1:18.12)
- 50 Free - 1. Edie Hudson (27.91); 2. Reese Swidecki (29.89); 3. Ashton Gray (30.67)
- 50 Breast - 1. Edie Hudson (34.75); 2. Preslie Basch (40.15)
- 50 Back - 1. Elizabeth Hughes (34.78); 2. Reese Swidecki (36.90)
- 50 Fly - 1. Edie Hudson (32.62); 2. Ashton Gray (35.19)
- 100 Free - 1. Elizabeth Hughes (1:05.68); 2. Ashton Gray (1:11.43)

Boys 13-14
- 100 IM - 1. Tate Tysinger (1:14.84)
- 50 Free - 3. Tate Tysinger (28.83)
- 50 Breast - 2. Tate Tysinger (36.92); 3. Tytus Stracener (47.58)
- 50 Back - 1. Karson Corliss (31.82)
- 50 Fly - 1. Karson Corliss (28.71)
- 100 Free - 1. Karson Corliss (1:01.90)

13-14 Mixed Relays
- 200 Medley Relay - 1. Elizabeth Hughes, Tate Tysinger, Karson Corliss, Reese Swidecki (2:14.68)
- 200 Free Relay - 1. Karson Corliss, Edie Hudson, Preslie Basch, Tate Tysinger (1:55.86)

Girls 15-18
- 100 IM - 1. Sofi Velez (1:09.71); 2. Tori Rees (1:12.58)
- 50 Free - 1. Morgan Fuller (27.27); 2. Madeline Dowdy (27.37)
- 50 Breast - 1. Sofi Velez (36.57); 2. Tori Rees (37.99)
- 50 Back - 1. Morgan Fuller (31.89); 2. Madeline Dowdy (32.03)
- 50 Fly - 1. Madeline Dowdy (29.57); 2. Morgan Fuller (30.29); 3. Sofi Velez (30.65)
- 100 Free - 1. Tori Rees (1:04.15)

Boys 15-18
- 100 IM - 2. Grayson Randall (1:00.63); 3. Camp Smith (1:06.39)
- 50 Free - 1. Magnus Mann (23.71); 2. Chase Duncan (23.76)
- 50 Breast - 2. Grayson Randall (30.29); 3. Magnus Mann (31.03)
- 50 Back - 1. Chase Duncan (27.43); 2. Gunner Stracener (29.57); 3. Camp Smith (30.33)
- 50 Fly - 1. Camp Smith (25.90); 3. Magnus Mann (26.52)
- 100 Free - 1. Grayson Randall (52.93); 2. Chase Duncan (55.66)

15-18 Mixed Relays
- 200 Medley Relay - 1. Morgan Fuller, Grayson Randall, Camp Smith, Madeline Dowdy (1:54.87); 2. Gunner Stracener, Sofi Velez, Tori Rees, Magnus Mann (2:00.36)
- 200 Free Relay - 1. Magnus Mann, Madeline Dowdy, Morgan Fuller, Chase Duncan (1:42.91); 2. Camp Smith, Tori Rees, Sofi Velez, Grayson Randall (1:45.79)

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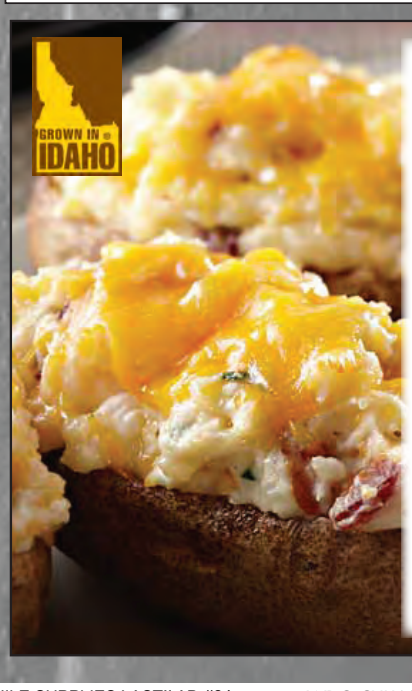
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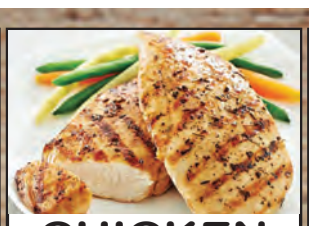


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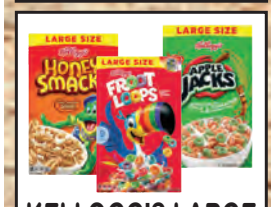
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Whitlock's General Store and Cafe: A Smith Lake staple

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TRIMBLE, Ala. — Near Smith Lake, Whitlock's General Store and Cafe is a community staple, offering everything from hardware and fishing supplies to delicious meals – a one-stop shop for residents and visitors.

At Whitlock's Cafe, people can enjoy classic American favorites, including hamburger steaks, chicken fingers, omelets, pancakes and full Southern breakfasts, starting as early as 5 a.m.

The dessert menu features specialized cakes, with custom orders available.

In the convenience store, customers will find an impressive array of items, including groceries, frozen food, live bait, fishing tackle, plumbing and electrical supplies and even CBD products.

The business was made possible through the hard work and dedication of longtime Trimble residents Bruce and Beatrice "Button" Whitlock.

After 28 years of him driving a school bus and his wife's 38-year career as a teacher, they decided to take a leap of faith and create a business of their own in 1989, when they purchased the original property where the facility still operates today.

"We started small, in a little building out by the road," Bruce Whitlock said. "After five years, we built this place — 60 by 120 feet — and we've expanded twice since then."

Though successful today, the journey hasn't been without its challenges.

"We had no retail experience," he said. "We went in blind."

Fortunately, supportive vendors and dedicated employees helped the couple navigate early challenges. Staffing issues, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic, also posed challenges, but the business has since rebounded with a fully staffed kitchen and store.

Whitlock's service hours and variety are just some of the many things that set it apart.

It's open six days a week from 5 a.m.-8 p.m. On Sundays, the store offers gas, groceries, gear and a hot meal all under one roof, starting at 6 a.m.

"You can eat breakfast, grab plumbing supplies and pick up bait before heading to the lake," Whitlock said. "We're kind of a one-stop shop."

The store has had a lasting impact on the Trimble community over the years, including during challenging times.

In the aftermath of the 2011 tornadoes, Whitlock's was one of the only places able to operate.



ANABELLE HOWZE/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

Whitlock's General Store and Café is a community favorite.

"I bought a generator to power the gas pumps and keep the lights on. People needed fuel, and we were able to help," he recalled.

When asked what the store means to him, Whitlock didn't hesitate: "It's a legacy."

Locals often use Whitlock's as a landmark while giving directions, with a "Turn left at Whitlock's" and even refer to the bridge out front as "Whitlock's Bridge."

Looking ahead, Whitlock has plans to keep improving, including expanding the store's grocery offerings. He said he's proud of what he and his wife have built.

"We've been blessed," he said. "We did most of this by hand — me and a friend from the fire department, Roger Calvert. It's been a lot of work, but it's worth it."

Whitlock's General Store and Cafe is located at 6446 County Road 222, Cullman, AL 35057. Find Whitlock's online at www.whitlockstoreandcafe.com or www.facebook.com/whitlockstoreandcafe.

NASP (from Front)

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Myrtle Beach, SC — East Elementary School's archery team traveled to Myrtle Beach to compete at the NASP Championships over the weekend and placed second in the 3D competition and third in the Bullseye competition.

INDIVIDUAL TOP SCORERS

Bullseye competition

- Trevor Bone - 284
- Sterling Kruger - 267

3D competition

- Trevor Bone - 273
- Aiyana Wigington - 266



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East Elementary School's Trevor Bone



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FAITH

'It's the best decision you can make in life': Fairview's Camden Cullen discusses relationship with God

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FAIRVIEW, Ala. — Fairview's Camden Cullen will be a junior this upcoming school year, and in this interview, he talks about how big of a difference God has made in his life.

"God means the world to me. Every time I'm going through something, I always go straight to Him, because I know He has a plan and will always do what's best for me," Cullen said. "My favorite Bible verse is Matthew 6:34: 'Therefore, do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own'. What it means is that we stress so much about whatever we have going on that day, we transfer it over to tomorrow still worrying about it, instead of putting everything in God's hands and not worrying about anything."

Camden wants to help people of all ages find God, and he wants to be a role model for kids and help them get closer to God as well.

"It means so much to me that I can teach this to them, so that more people can learn about Him. I just love to spread the Word," Cullen said.

"Being that role model for them means so much to me. I just want to set that standard high for them and just know that they look up to you every day. I just want to set that standard high every time for them."

Camden talked about one of his own role models and a very special event that he did in front of his family and friends.

"My Godly role model is my pastor, Tim Lipsey, because I know he will always be there for me and help me whenever I need him," he said. "My family and my friends helped me a lot in getting me closer to God and, on March 16th, I got baptized. It meant so much to know that I have great friends and an amazing family coming and supporting me and they were very proud of my decision."

Camden gave some advice to the people that want a relationship with God but might be struggling with or new to the experience. He does a Godly ritual with his team before their games and talked about what he's learned during his journey so far.



CAMDEN CULLEN
Fairview's Camden Cullen

"It's the best decision you can make in life. I would say, don't be scared to ask someone to help you find a relationship with God," he said. "We always have a great devotional before the games, and we always pray before the games as well. The best thing that I've learned is not to worry and that there is a plan."

Rx for Summer Reading encourages children and families to unplug and play

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Across 15 summers, Reach Out and Read-Alabama's summer reading campaign has featured a variety of beloved characters and stories, including a hungry caterpillar, dancing barnyard animals, a big red dog in a storm, a bunny visiting the doctor, a superhero kid, a sleepy tiger, a cat in sunglasses, a cookie-eating mouse and a curious monkey. This year, Reach Out and Read-Alabama celebrates 16 years of Rx for Summer Reading by encouraging families to unplug, tune in and have fun with "Baby Unplugged: PLAY!" by John Hutton, MD.

From books and blocks to pets and boxes — a perfect way to spend an afternoon — "Baby Unplugged: PLAY!" celebrates classic childhood experiences and icons, where education is a natural by-product of a child's desire to play, explore, and connect — no screens, batteries or Wi-Fi required!

Reach Out and Read embeds early literacy in pediatric care, providing books and guidance to help families make reading a meaningful part of their daily lives.

Starting with the newborn well-child visit, clinicians work with families to emphasize the importance of reading aloud with their child — and the impact of the everyday moments they share. Creating a stable, safe and nurturing environment is the single most effective way for parents to strengthen their child's resilience and develop their brain.

Reach Out and Read-Alabama's Rx for Summer Reading kicked off June 2 and runs through Aug. 1. "Baby Unplugged: PLAY!" activities and events sponsored by Reach Out and Read-Alabama program sites will be held across the state.

An Rx for Summer Reading event will be held in your area June 9-13 at Willow Tree Pediatrics, 1167 County Road 437, Suite B, Cullman.

Reach Out and Read-Alabama is once again collaborating with All About Books, a family-run children's book company passed down through generations.

Specializing in providing high-quality, affordable children's books to nonprofit literacy organizations throughout the United States, All About Books joined forces with Blue Manatee Press in 2024, led by respected pediatrician John Hutton, MD, who has made significant contributions to research on shared reading and its profound effects on early brain development.

Through his pioneering work, Hutton has examined interactions between caregivers and children, the format of stories, and the impact of screen time using MRI technology.

Furthermore, he has developed and rigorously tested SHARE/STEP — a structured method for reading with infants that has transformed early literacy practices.

"I am thrilled and honored for 'Baby Unplugged: PLAY!' to be featured in support of this vital, impactful initiative," Hutton said.

"The 'Baby Unplugged' series is very special to me, as these were the first books I wrote, inspired by a pediatric residency project.

Each book celebrates an alternative activity to screen time, and 'PLAY' is a greatest-hits summation of these. It's the ninth in the series, showcasing wonderful things kids can do indoors and outdoors to get them away from screens and plugged into the real world."

The evidence-based Reach Out and Read program builds on the unique relationship between parents and clinicians to develop critical early reading skills in children, starting from infancy.

With more than 30 peer-reviewed studies and a recommendation by the American Academy of Pediatrics, Reach Out and Read is an effective intervention incorporating early literacy into pediatric practice and equipping parents with tools and knowledge to ensure their children are prepared to learn when they start school.

Families learn about the significant role they play in supporting their child's growth and development during regular, one-on-one well-child visits.

Currently, 90 pediatric and family practices and clinics across 28 counties serve as Reach Out and Read-Alabama program sites, reaching 38 percent of Alabama's children under age 5.

Reach Out and Read-Alabama is a program of the Alabama Chapter-American Academy of Pediatrics.

To learn more about Reach Out and Read-Alabama, go to www.roralabama.org.

LEGALS

June 10, 2025

Notice of Election

The City of Hanceville, Alabama

"Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, August 26, 2025 an election for Mayor and City Council Places One thru Five for the City of Hanceville, Alabama, will be held and that all registered and qualified electors of the state, who reside within the corporate limits of Hanceville, Alabama, and have resided therein for 30 days or more immediately preceding the day of such election, and who are qualified to vote in the county precincts which embrace and cover that part of the corporate limits of the City Hanceville in which the elector resides, will be authorized to participate in said election.

Polling places are located:

- City of Hanceville Municipal Building
  112 Main Street SE
  Hanceville, Al 35077
- City of Hanceville Civic Center
  902 Commercial Street NE
  Hanceville, Al 35077

Jim Sawyer
Mayor

ATTEST:
Tania C. Wilcox, MMC

Notice of Election of Municipal Officials

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, August 26, 2025, an election for the purpose of electing a Mayor and a Councilmember (alderman) for each place on the Cullman City Council: Place 1, Place 2, Place 3, Place 4, and Place 5; and for a member for each place on the Cullman City Board of Education: Place 1, Place 2, Place 3, Place 4 and Place 5 for the City of Cullman, Alabama, will be held, and that all registered and qualified electors of the state, who reside within the corporate limits of Cullman, Alabama, and have resided therein for 30 days or more immediately preceding the date of the election, and who are qualified to vote in the county precinct which embraces and covers that part of the corporate limits of Cullman in which the elector resides, will be authorized to participate in the election. Any run-off election required will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2025.

The polls will be opened at 7:00 a.m. and remain open continuously until 7:00 p.m. at the regular polling or voting places in the City of Cullman as follows:

1. Cullman Civic Center: Beat 1 Box 1, Beat 1 Box 2, and Beat 1 Box 3.
2. Cullman County Office Building: Beat 1 Box 4.
3. Cullman City Hall Center (Lucille N. Galin Auditorium): Beat 1 Box 5.
4. Cullman County Courthouse Commission Conference Room: Beat 1 Box 6.

From June 10, 2025 through June 24, 2025, any qualified elector who will have resided within the City of Cullman for a period of at least 90 days may qualify to run for office by filing the appropriate forms and paying a $50 qualifying fee with the City Clerk and simultaneously filing a statement of economic interests with the Alabama Ethics Commission as provided by law.

This 10th day of June, 2025.

ATTEST:

/s/ Wesley M. Moore
Cullman City Clerk

/s/ Woody Jacobs
Mayor of the City of Cullman
A Municipal Corporation in Alabama

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for GOOD SAMARITAN HEALTH CLINIC PROJECT will be received until 2:00 PM CST June 26, 2025, at the office of Leonard Design PC located at 115 Second Ave NE, Cullman AL 35055.

Good Samaritan Health Clinic – new wood frame construction of ~ 4,200 SF structure with brick base, cementitious siding and asphalt shingle roof, containing Covered Patient Drop off, Waiting Room, Reception, Cardio Room, Four (4) Patient Exam Rooms, Lab, Nurses Area, Six (6) Office, Break Room, Two (2) ADA Restroom, Staff Restroom, File and Medical Storage, Dispensary, Medication Storage and Drive Thru Area.

A cashier's check or bid bond payable to Good Samaritan Health Clinic in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, but in no event more than $10,000, must accompany the bidder's proposal. Performance and Payment Bonds and evidence of insurance required in the bid documents will be required at the signing of the Contract.

Bid Documents may be obtained from the Architect for a non-refundable fee of $10 per digital copy of the drawings and specifications in PDF format. No partial sets, individual pages, or drawing sheets will be provided. Drawings and specifications may be acquired by contacting the Architect, Leonard Design P.C., 115 Second Avenue NE, Cullman, Alabama 35055. Any inquiries regarding this project bid may be addressed in writing and mailed to LeonardDesign, PC at address indicated above or emailed to admin@leonarddesign.net.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities, or to reject any or all bids, and to award the contract to the best and most responsible bidder. All bidders must comply with Code of Alabama, Title 39 – Public Works Bid Law and must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, must be certified for the type of work on which the proposal is and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Architect; the bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying his or her current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. Each bidder must deposit with his or her bid, security in the amount, a statement identifying the drawings and/or addendums encompassed by the bid amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Instruction to Bidders.

No bidder may withdraw his or her bid within **thirty (30)** days after the opening thereof.

Pre-Bid Meeting will be held at the project site located at 118 Veterans Drive SW, Cullman, Alabama on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. CST. Pre-qualification of Contractor is required for this project. Contractor must submit a completed AIA Form # A305 – Contractor Qualifications questionnaire and attachments to Architect Thursday, June 12, 2025, by the end of business day.

Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect or copies thereof. All bidders must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Architect; the bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying his or her current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technical errors if, in the Owner's judgement, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted. All bidders must submit with his or her bid, a statement identifying the drawings and/or addendums encompassed by the bid amount.

Good Samaritan Health Clinic

(Local Awarding Authority)

Leonard Design P.C.

(Architect)





Obituary Announcements: June 7-9

Perry Wayne Casey, 51
Funeral Service for Perry Wayne Casey, age 51 of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with, James Maxwell and Jed Thomas officiating. Visitation will be from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 11, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Casey passed away on Thursday, June 5, 2025, at Cullman Regional. He was born, January 28, 1974, to Larry Wayne Casey and Rebecca Ann Elders Casey. He was preceded in death by his parents and grandparents, Conard Casey and Bertha Briscoe Casey. Perry was a retired Sheriff's Deputy from the Cullman County Sheriff's Office who served as a School Resource Officer at Holly Pond High School for several years during his tenure and served as a U.S Marshal for several years. His competitive spirit kept him active in sports such as basketball, softball, pro mod racing, and cornhole but his greatest hobby involved adventures with his family and telling stories to spread laughter. Survivors include his wife, Jamie Casey; children, Courtney (Hannah Seddon) Casey, Erin (Brena Cornelius) Birdwell, and Micah (Olivia Garmon) Birdwell; grandchildren, Bentley Woodall, and baby on the way, Oaklyn Birdwell; siblings, Chris (Angel) Casey, Steven (Mindy) Casey, Stefanie Talley, Gwen Casey, and Michelle (Cara) Crane; brother-in-law, Scotty Talley; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. The family would like to give a special thank you to; Cullman Jefferson Gas District Employees, Gentiva Hospice nurse, Brittni Armstrong; physical therapist, Carol O'Hara, Cullman County Sheriff's Office, Cullman County Cornhole Group, the staff at Cullman Regional Medical Center, Gaylon Wood, Phillip King, and Huntsville Hospital nurses, Maggie and Katie.

Jo Ann Caldwell-Bryant, 66
A graveside service for Jo Ann Caldwell-Bryant, 66, of Russellville, Alabama will be 3 p.m. Tuesday, June 10, 2025, at Bangor Cemetery in Hayden. The family will welcome friends for visitation at Hanceville Funeral Home on Tuesday from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Mrs. Bryant was born on Jan. 21, 1959, to the late Joe "Jack" Jackson Caldwell & Dorothy Ann Sims-Caldwell in California. She died on June 6, 2025, at Helen Keller Hospital in Sheffield, Alabama. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Bryant Family.

Michael Shane Gay, 52
Funeral Service for Michael Shane Gay, age 52 of Vinemont, will be at 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Tim Box officiating; burial at Flint Creek Cemetery. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. on at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Gay passed away on Thursday, June 5, 2025. He was born, Aug. 14, 1972, to Troy Glenn Gay and Judy Chance Gay. He was preceded in death by his, father and brother, Stanley Gay. Survivors include his sons, Ethan Gay and Kaden Gay; mother; sister, Mandi Bentley; mother of his children, Amanda Gay; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Henry Calvin Harding, 79
Henry (Bud Harding), of Vinemont, Alabama, age 79, died on June 5, 2025. Bud was born June 14, 1945, in Wayne, Michigan to the late Harley and Audrey (Seppy) and Mary Harding of Wayne, Michigan. Bud is survived by his Daughters Kim Harding-Davis (Tom) of Whitmore Lake, Michigan, Cindi Franklin (Bill) of Brighton, Michigan, Bobby Lee of Michigan, Glenn Scott-McCollum (Sandra) of Wayne, Michigan, Anthony Tackett (Kristy) of Canton, Michigan, Robin Taylor (Dan) of Burton, Michigan, Andrea Harding of Van Buren Twp., Michigan Sister Gerri Fortner of Vinemont, Alabama, Sarah (Brad) Ausbrook brothers John Harding, Bill (Dana) Harding and Mark Harding all of Daviess County, IN. 15 Grandkids, many special Nieces and Nephews, Including Jonathon (Tameka) King and Leeroy (Mayra) Fortner all of Cullman, Alabama. Special Nephews Jarvis (Jackie) King, John (Linda) King, Leeroy (Cindy) Fortner, Tim (Michelle) Fortner all of Cullman, Alabama. Bud is proceeded in death by his parents, Harley Harding, Joan Jones, Sanda Petry and Paul Harding. Bud loved everything about the outdoors & teaching anyone who wanted to learn. He was skilled at many trades. But most of all he loved his Family dearly. WAITING ON YOU....Obituary provided by the Harding family. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Harding family.

Daniel Keith Marston, 72
Daniel Keith Marston, of Holly Pond, Alabama, passed away on June 6, 2025, at the age of 72. Mr. Marston was born in Vincennes, Indiana, to the late Fern Faughty Endsley and the late Curtis Marston on June 18, 1952. Known to most as "Yankee Dan" or "Dan the Handy Man," Daniel was raised in Tower Hill, Illinois, but made Alabama his home in 1988. Daniel served in the United States Air Force for two years and later worked for Walker Brothers until his retirement. Mr. Marston was a man of faith and enjoyed being a member of Union Grove Church in Holly Pond. He was a talented man and was skilled in woodworking, woodburning, painting, and pencil drawing. Daniel was also a gifted vocalist and guitarist. Mr. Marston is preceded in death by his mother and stepfather, Fern and Jerry Endsley; father, Curtis Marston; and three sisters, Judy Romero-Oak, Jeannie Earwood, Mary Jo Marston. Those left to cherish the memory of Daniel include his daughter, Yolanda Maile (Keith); brothers, George Marston, Jim Marston (Charlotte), Gary Marston (Lynn); stepchildren, Amanda Cavitt (Nathan), Jason Adams (Kathy); grandsons, Brandon Marston, Conner Marston; step-granddaughter, Elaina Hartley; and five great-grandchildren. A memorial service for Mr. Marston will be announced at a later time. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating towards the final expenses of Mr. Marston. A link has been provided below. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Marston family.

Edna Johnson Wade, 101
Edna Wade went to meet her Heavenly Father on June 5, 2025 at the age of 101. She was born on March 11, 1924, in Benson, North Carolina to Jasper Mashburn and Ethel Morgan Mashburn. Edna lived in North Carolina and Bristol, Tennessee before moving to Cullman, Alabama, in 1996. She was a graduate of Rex Hospital School of Nursing in Raleigh, North Carolina. Edna was a member of St. Andrew's Methodist Church. Always considered an athlete, Edna was an all-state high school basketball player in North Carolina. She loved playing golf and played her last 18 holes at the age of 95. She was also an avid bridge player where she made many new friends in Cullman. Edna was preceded in death by husbands Dr. William H. Johnson and John W. Wade, parents, brothers Hugh Mashburn, James T. Mashburn and Wayne Mashburn and a sister, Maud McCombs. Survivors include daughter and son-in-law Dr. Bruce and Leigh Lee, grandsons Matt Lee (Abby) and Jordan Lee (Kristen), and two precious great-grandchildren Baker Jordan Lee and Nova DeLane Lee. Special friends include her "family" at The Neighborhood assisted living in Cullman and the women of St. Andrew's Church. A private service will be held for her in Bristol, Tennessee where she will be entombed next to her husband Dr. William Johnson. Her family requests that any memorials be made to the women and children of St. Andrew's Church, 615 Main Avenue SW, Cullman, Alabama 35055. Moss Service Funeral Home is honored to serve the Wade family.

Peggy Loudermilk, 82
A memorial service for Peggy Loudermilk, 82, of Hanceville will be Wednesday June 11 at Hopewell Cemetery. Mrs. Loudermilk was born May 31, 1943, in Cullman, Alabama. She passed away June 5, 2025, in Hanceville, Alabama peacefully surrounded by loved ones. Peggy dedicated her life to caring for others, serving as a devoted nurse at Carraway Hospital for 35 years and later at Brookwood Hospital for an additional 5 years. Her compassion and commitment to her patients left a lasting impact on all who knew her. Beyond her professional life, Peggy had a zest for adventure and a love for the open road. She and her beloved husband, Robert Loudermilk, shared many cherished memories traveling together in their motor home, exploring the country and enjoying each other's company. Peggy is survived by her loving husband, Robert Loudermilk; her seven wonderful dogs, who brought her immense joy; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins who will miss her dearly. She was preceded in death by her parents, Ottis Pitts and Addie Hamilton Pitts, as well as her brothers, Harold Pitts and Marlin Pitts. Peggy's warmth, strength, and sense of humor will be fondly remembered by all who were fortunate enough to know her. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Loudermilk family.

Johnny Cockrell, 71
A graveside service for Johnny Cockrell, 71, of Cullman, Alabama, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at Cullman City Cemetery. Born on Thursday, Nov. 19, 1953, in Greenville, Texas, Johnny Cockrell was a man who lived for the simple joys in life. He died on Saturday, June 7, 2025, at his residence in Cullman, Alabama surrounded by his family. He was a lover of old music, classic rock, and the kind of peaceful moments only found around a crackling fire or on the calm waters of the lake. In his younger years, Johnny found great joy in fishing, spending countless hours casting lines and sharing stories. As time went on, he developed a deep love for camping, grilling, and the laid-back rhythm of lake life. His quick wit and sharp mind made him the most dreaded opponent in any trivia game—he never turned down a chance to test his knowledge or share a fun fact. Survivors include his sons, Jeremy (Janet) Cockrell and Destin Cockrell; his beloved grandchildren, Grace, Eli, and Kaleb Cockrell. He also leaves behind his loving sisters, Rose (David) Collum and Vestavia (Rodney) Johnston; along with a host of nieces and nephews who will remember his humor, warmth, and wisdom. He was preceded in death by his brother, Spencer Cockrell (Gwen), and his parents, William Artis and Jimmie Cooper-Cockrell. Johnny will be remembered not just for the life he lived, but for the love he gave and the memories he helped create. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Cockrell Family.

Phyllis Harrison Philpot, 83
Phyllis Harrison Philpot, 83, of Cullman passed away Sunday, June 8, 2025, at CRMC. Phyllis was born May 21, 1942, to J.B. and Josephine Lagle Harrison. She worked in accounting for the United States Government. She is preceded in death by her parents; her brother, and her husband, Charles Philpot. She is survived by her special friends and caregivers, Jean Brock and Timothy Foster and many friends. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to handle the arrangements.

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Rock the South (from Front)

his department's no. 1 priority is keeping the community, residents and visitors safe.

"Our deputies will be responsible for the traffic flow in and out of the venue, as well as any citizen-involved issues outside the venue," Gentry said.

"I encourage everyone to plan and know your travel routes, know (and remember) where you park and be aware of what you can and cannot carry into the venue.

"Most importantly, I encourage everyone to be nice, smart and responsible. Don't drink and drive.

"If on foot, be mindful of people's private property – don't trespass. Lastly, be nice and courteous to one another.

"We at the Cullman County Sheriff's Office want everyone to have a safe and fun weekend. Together, we can make it happen."

Cullman Police Chief Joey Duncan said there will be dedicated teams working inside the event, including Cullman Police officers as well as officers and deputies from several north Alabama law enforcement agencies.

"Our goal is to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone," Duncan said.

"Officers will be on-hand to address situations involving intoxicated individuals showing signs of impairment, disruptive behavior, abusive language or unauthorized entry into restricted areas.

"Those who violate these policies may be asked to leave the venue without a refund or, in some cases, may face arrest at the discretion of law enforcement.

"To make sure everyone has a great time, we encourage guests to stay hydrated with water, drink responsibly and plan ahead for a safe ride home if needed.

"Please remember that alcoholic beverages must remain within the event site, as only the venue itself is within the city limits of Cullman.

"Additionally, extra Cullman Police officers will be on patrol throughout the Rock the South event. Let's all make smart choices, look out for one another and enjoy a fantastic weekend together!"

For more information regarding tickets, performers or the dos and don'ts of Rock the South, visit www.rockthesouth.com.

Education notes

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Listed are educational achievements submitted by colleges and universities for area students.

Local student named to Abilene Christian University's spring 2025 Dean's Honor Roll

ABILENE, Texas - Sage Andrews of Cullman has been named to the spring 2025 Dean's Honor Roll. Andrews is a sophomore majoring in Ministry and Vocation.

Andrews is among more than 1,500 students named to the spring 2025 Dean's Honor Roll. To qualify, students must be registered for 12 or more credit hours and earn a GPA of 3.6 or higher.

UWA announces spring 2025 graduates

LIVINGSTON, Ala. - The University of West Alabama held spring commencement exercises May 8-9, with President Todd G. Fritch conferring degrees to nearly 700 students in the graduating class represent some 22 states across the U.S. and abroad.

Local graduates include:

- Adrien Adams of Cullman - Master of Education in Physical Education
- Angela Allbright of Holly Pond - Master of Education in Library Media
- Kinslee Borden of Cullman - Master of Education in Early Childhood Education
- Kc Dickerson of Bremen - Master of Education in Instructional Leadership
- Andrea Gibson of Arley - Education Specialist in Instructional Leadership
- Lakrishia Hailey of Cullman - Master of Education in Library Media
- Grant Howard of Falkville - Master of Education in Science Comprehensive
- Crystal Monk of Arab - Master of Arts in Teaching in English Language Arts
- Anna Morton of Cullman - Master of Education in Mathematics
- Kate Peek of Logan - Master of Arts in Teaching in English Language Arts
- Wendy Rurak of Vinemont - Master of Science in Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Anita Vanderver of Arab - Bachelor of Science in Psychology
- Heather Wilkerson of Cullman - Master of Education in English Language Arts
- Brandon Farley of Cullman - Master of Education in Physical Education
- Sherry Mayberry of Arab - Master of Education in Library Media

Samford University's Cumberland School of Law announces Dean's List for spring 2025 semester

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - Samford University's Cumberland School of Law named 153 students to the Dean's List for the spring 2025 semester.

Cumberland School of Law recognizes excellence in academic achievement each semester by publishing a Dean's List. Included on the list are students whose end-of-semester GPA is 3.3 or higher.

- Synclair Goyer of Bremen, AL

Troy University announces spring/Term 4 graduates

TROY, Ala. - Troy University is pleased to recognize students who completed the requirements for graduation during the spring semester and Term 4 of the 2024-2025 academic year.

Local students who graduated include:

- Chandler Greer of Cullman, AL
- Abigail McCombs of Oneonta, AL
- Caylee Parrish of Vinemont, AL

Walter Adams named to Marion Military Institute President's List

MARION, Ala. - College freshman Walter Mckinley Adams of Cullman, AL, a Saint Bernard Preparatory School graduate, completed the Marion Military Institute spring 2025 semester on the college's President's List. This academic achievement requires a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Benjamin Woodruff named to Marion Military Institute Dean's List

MARION, Ala. - Benjamin Noah Woodruff of Hanceville, AL, a Great Crossing High School graduate, completed the Marion Military Institute spring 2025 semester on the college's Dean's List. This academic achievement requires a GPA of 3.5-3.99.

Spring 2025 graduates announced at UA

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. - Over 6,000 degrees were awarded during The University of Alabama's spring 2025 commencement ceremonies at Coleman Coliseum. The University provides numerous opportunities for service and growth through its educational, social and cultural experiences.

Local students include:

- Kayla Aaron of Vinemont received the following degree(s): Master of Library & Information Studies
- Morgan Bates of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- James Berry of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Arts
- Matthew Brock of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- William Brown of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Madeline Bunch of Arab received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Aerospace Engineering
- Alison Burleson of Cullman received the following degree(s): Master of Arts
- Amanda Chastain of Arab received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Social Work
- Nicholas Conlon of Crane Hill received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Commerce & Business Administration
- Kallie Cook of Hanceville received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Townley Cornelius of Hanceville received the following degree(s): Master of Science
- Brooklyn Crider of Bremen received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Commerce & Business Administration and Master of Science
- Alan Crisologo of Cullman received the following degree(s): Juris Doctor
- Max Dueland of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Kali Gilbert of Cullman received the following degree(s): Master of Public Health
- Mallory Harper of Hanceville received the following degree(s): Juris Doctor
- Ashlen Heatherly of Vinemont received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Abigail Herring of Cullman received the following degree(s): Master of Science
- Eliza Hollingsworth of Cullman received the following degree(s): Master of Arts
- John Isbell of Arab received the following degree(s): Master of Tax Accounting
- Samantha Johnson of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Arts
- Matthew Lai Hing of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering
- Darian Lusk of Arab received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Commerce & Business Administration
- Randall Mccoy of Arab received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Education
- James Moore of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Commerce & Business Administration
- Jaden Orr of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Brayden Parker of Falkville received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering
- Mary Parnell of Crane Hill received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science in Education
- Brody Rusk of Logan received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Reagan Saylor of Arab received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Science
- Elizabeth Shaddix of Cullman received the following degree(s): Doctor of Education
- Grant Sikes of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Arts
- Mark Washington of Arab received the following degree(s): Juris Doctor
- Ashley Weidman of Cullman received the following degree(s): Bachelor of Arts
- Haley Wilbanks of Hanceville received the following degree(s): Master of Library & Information Studies