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District 11 and Municipal Elections today, Aug. 26

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Voters across Cullman County will head to the polls today to take part in local Municipal Elections. Voters in Alabama House District 11 will also have a chance to cast their ballots in the State House District 11 General Election.

Those voters in District 11 may have different polling locations for the separate elections.

To confirm your polling locations, contact your local town hall.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m.-7 p.m. for all elections.

Alabama House District 11 candidates

- Alexandria Braswell (Democrat)
- Heath Allbright (Republican)

Baileyton

- Mayor: Benny Guthrie, Windell Calloway (incumbent)
- Town Council, Place 1: Dewayne Sumner (incumbent), Dianne Whitehead
- Town Council, Place 2: Kaleigha Fitch, Ginger Tucker
- Town Council, Place 3: Greg Griffin (incumbent), Taran Garrison
- Town Council, Place 4: Donna Kent (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 5: Jack McGee (elected without opposition)

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Good Hope breaks ground on multiuse storm shelter/community center



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Pictured left to right are Cullman County Sheriff's Office Deputy and Cullman County Commissioner Corey Freema;, Good Hope City Councilmen Taft Dillashaw, Eric Phillips and Greg Brown; Good Hope Mayor Jerry Bartlett; Good Hope City Councilwoman Susan Eller; and Good Hope City Planner Corey Harbison.

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GOOD HOPE, Ala. — Members of the Good Hope City Council gathered at 2941 County Road 437 in Good Hope Monday afternoon, Aug. 25, 2025, to officially break ground on the city's new multiuse storm shelter and community center. The City bid the project to United Contracting and Design, LLC.

"We received a $1.3 million grant from Senator (Tommy) Tuberville (R-Alabama) to build a multiuse senior community center that is also a 300-person storm shelter. (Councilman) Greg Brown and our seniors are so excited to get the project underway," said Good Hope Mayor Jerry Bartlett.

"We want to give a special thanks to Senator Tuberville for his help on this great community project."

ADPH announces first case of measles in Alabama since 2002

MMR vaccination is encouraged

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Cullman County Youth Football week 1 scoring recap


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The Vinemont Eagles hosted the Fairview Aggies for week one of the youth football season on Saturday.

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Aug. 25

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Aug. 25, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INCIDENTS
Aug. 21
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; I65SB MM 294
- domestic violence; CR 747
- assault; CR 1579
- violation of protection order; CR 38
- harassing communications; CR 1664
- assault; CR 1466
- harassing communications; CR 481
- theft of property; CR 1763
- possession of controlled substance; Hwy. 278W

Aug. 22
- domestic violence; CR 544
- criminal mischief; CR 1856
- harassment; CR 38
- domestic violence; CR 222
- domestic violence; Hwy. 278E
- menacing; criminal mischief; CR 1453
- violation of protection order; CR 38
- harassment; harassing communications; Main St. NE

Aug. 23
- possession of controlled substance with intent to distribute; using false ID to avoid arrest; possession of drug paraphernalia; CR 437
- harassing communications; CR 585
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; I65NB 299 Exit
- domestic violence; CR 387
- domestic violence; CR 1624
- unlawful breaking and entering a motor vehicle; Pine Ln. SE
- domestic violence; CR 1850
- burglary; Golf Course Rd.
- assault; CR 1624
- theft of property; CR 530

Aug. 24
- domestic violence; CR 1845
- domestic violence; CR 38
- menacing; CR 1850
- domestic violence; CR 1111

ARRESTS
Aug. 21-24
Adams, Alyssa G.; 25
- unlawful possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- using false identity to avoid arrest/hinder prosecution
- FTA – criminal trespass

Addison, Byron T.; 50
- FTA – promote prison contraband
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia (2 counts)
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)
- FTA – attempting to elude a police officer

Allred, Jaydon B.; 21
- criminal trespass
- assault-simple assault

Auston, Tracy D.; 48
- GJ – assault-child abuse-simple-family

Bean, Tyler K.; 20
- DUI (alcohol) – under age 21

Doyle, Kenneth W.; 39
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – family offense-NS non-support-child

Dozier, Sherri D.; 39
- DUI (controlled substance)
- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Green, Zachary D.; 42
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Hagemore, Jr., Howard J.; 59
- possession of child pornography

Hancock, Brian W.; 52
- assault-harassment

Hasenbein, Jeannie L.; 28
- VIOLATION OF RELEASE ORDER – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- VIOLATION OF RELEASE ORDER – possession of drug paraphernalia

Heron, Joshua A.; 37
- GJ – sexual abuse of a child less than 12 years old

Kunze, Cody W.; 32
- receiving stolen property, $500-less than $1500

Latifi, Seyed A.; 33
- reckless driving

Lawson, LouAnn; 52
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Lee, Michael S.; 39
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Speegle, Christopher M.; 31
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Speegle, Savannah V.; 29
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Stephens, Zachary L.; 30
- FTA – possession of hallucinogen
- FTA – possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Thursby, Jr., Terry W.; 37
- possession of methamphetamine
- FTA – driving without license
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family

Turner, Jerry C.; 48
- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT
INCIDENTS
Aug. 22
- domestic violence-3rd degree; person; Elm Dr. SE
- organized retail theft; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $542; Hwy. 157

Aug. 23
- burglary; person; Denson Ave. NW
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $94; Olive St. SW
- menacing; person
- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $17; Olive St. SW

Aug. 24
- harassment; person

ARRESTS
Aug. 22-24
Addison, Byron T.; 50
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – attempt to elude
- FTA – criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree
- FTA – certain person forbidden to possess pistol
- FTA – driving while revoked
- FTA – expired tag
- FTA – driving without license
- FTA – insurance violation

Gilland, James T.; 60
- domestic violence-3rd degree

Howard, Gerry W.; 77
- theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)

McDonald, Robyn M.; 38
- theft of property-4th degree

Doyle, Kenneth W.; 39
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)
- FTA – criminal trespass-2nd degree

Watkins, James W.; 23
- theft of property-4th degree

Butler, Jake A.; 33
- GJ – theft of property-3rd degree
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree
- FTA – criminal trespass-3rd degree
- FTA – insurance violation

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT
No arrests or incidents reported.

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

Gudger appoints Cullman Regional CEO to Alabama Rural Roadmap Initiative

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman Regional CEO James Clements has been appointed by Alabama Senate President Pro Tem Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman, to serve on the Alabama Rural Roadmap Initiative.

Formed during the 2025 legislative session under Gudger's leadership, the Alabama Rural Roadmap Initiative is intended to develop strategies that support growth and development in Alabama's rural communities.

"Health care services in rural communities are essential for quality of life and economic development," said Clements. "I'm grateful to Sen. Gudger for selecting me to participate in this initiative and look forward to seeing the impact it will have on our state."

Over the next year, members of the initiative will assess community needs, coordinate resources and develop actionable recommendations for the Alabama Legislature to consider in 2026. The group's work will focus on infrastructure, business and entrepreneurship, workforce development and training, rural health care and quality of life.

Clements brings extensive health care leadership experience to the initiative, with expertise in the needs of small, independent hospitals in rural areas. He also serves on the Board of Directors for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama, is a member of the Statewide Health Coordinating Council and is a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives.



CULLMAN REGIONAL

James Clements

Gudger announces $5K grants for each high school band in his district

Staff Reports
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Sen. Garlan Gudger, R-Cullman, kicked off football season over the weekend by announcing he will present a $5,000 grant to every public high school band in his district.

"Just like football teams, students in high school bands devote hours in summertime heat to practice and prepare for the upcoming season, and their hard work and commitment deserve reward," Gudger said.

"It's an established fact that high school bands play a large role in the special feeling, atmosphere and tradition surrounding football season in our Sweet Home Alabama."

The presentations to 18 high school bands across Cullman, Marion and Winston counties will total $90,000 and are expected to completed in coming weeks. The Good Hope High School band received the first grant check on Friday.

Gudger also offered praise to the band directors, teachers, support personnel and parents who "pour time and energy into making their high school bands shine."

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Cullman County Historical Society Meetings
We meet the fourth Sunday of the month from 2-4 p.m. at the Cullman County Museum. Each meeting features a specific program or speaker. Join us!

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 on Sundays at 2 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
• Wednesday, Aug. 27 – 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, Aug. 29 – Celebrate Recovery. Fellowship and testimonies. Hurts, habits and hang-ups are a part of everyone's life. Come and see how to overcome these and more! Dinner at 6 p.m. Meeting starts at 6:30. Childcare provided.
• Sunday, Aug. 31 – 9 a.m. Van runs in 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. 2 p.m. prayer service.

Shirley Burden Public Library – Hanceville
• Families are invited to join us for fun at the library! Library is open Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m.-5p.m., closed from noon-1 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Join us on Facebook for weekly event details.
• Wednesday, Aug. 27, 10 a.m. Storytime, plus book club will start back, and the summer reading program contest comes to an end.
• Friday, Aug. 29, 6 p.m. Poetry Night

North Alabama Agriplex Programs
• www.agriplex.org
• Tuesday, Aug. 26, 6-8 p.m., Living Landscapes - Growing Fall Vegetables. Now is the time to start fall vegetables! Join Extension Agent Holt Akers-Campbell as he teaches best practices for fall crops for home gardeners. Free fall seeds. $15/person.
• Thursday, Aug. 28, 6-8 p.m., Heritage Skills - Humming Bird Gourd House. Who knew you could make a hummingbird house from a gourd? Come use your creativity as Katie Westmoreland teaches us how to make, paint, and decorate our new little house. Youth, ages 12 to15 are welcome and must register and be accompanied with a paid registered adult. $35/person.
• Wednesday, Sept. 3, noon-1 p.m., Lunch and Learn - Wildlife Damage Management Around the Home & Garden. This program will provide a great opportunity for home and garden owners to gain a better understanding of common wildlife pests and their controls. Laws and regulations, damage identification, and considerations and techniques to reduce and prevent wildlife damage will be covered in detail. $10, includes lunch.
• Thursday, Sept. 4, 9-11 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Elementary - Fun with Fossils. Uncover the mysteries of the past by learning how fossils are formed, how to identify different species, and more! $15 fee, max $30/family.
• Thursday, Sept. 4, 9-11 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Secondary - All the Ologies - Paleontology. Dive into the study of fossils! We'll discuss excavation, identification, and get an up close look at an extensive collection of specimens. $15/student, max $30/family.
• Thursdays, Sept. 4, 6-8 p.m., Heritage Skills - Crocheting. Come learn the basics of crocheting as we make our very own scarf. Register early so you have time to pick your favorite colors! Youth, ages 12 to15 are welcome and must register and be accompanied with a paid registered adult. $25/person.
• Fri, Sept. 5, 10-11 a.m., Little Farmers - Cinder. Jan Brett is a renowned author illustrator whose books have been loved by many for decades. Each month, we will center our storytime, stations, craft, and snack around a different Jan Brett book. $8/child, max $16/family.
• Sat, Sept. 6, 9-10:30a.m., Farm Kids Club - County Fair Crafts. We'll complete an assortment of crafts worthy of submission to the Cullman County Fair. $20/person.
• Thursdays, Sept. 11, 6 p.m., Military Veteran & Beginning Farmer - Beekeeping for Beginners. This introduction to beekeeping will feature an Alabama Extension Agent and local, experienced beekeepers who will discuss the basics of keeping bees for both fun and profit with Allyson Shabel. At the Extension office.
• Tues, Sept. 30, 6 p.m., Living Landscapes - Raising Backyard Poultry: Keeping chickens, ducks, quail, guineas, and turkeys. Interested in raising chickens or other backyard poultry? Learn which bird is for you and the best practices for keeping these animals for eggs, meat, or bug control. $15/person.

Swamp John's Dinner
Friday, Aug. 29, from 4-7 p.m. at Fairview West Baptist Church, 1172 County Road 566, Hanceville, AL 35077. Pre-order today. $15 plates include meat, two sides and a desert. Cash, check or Cash App accepted.

Ribeye Steak Sandwich Cookout
Friday, Aug. 29, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 30, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. We will celebrate our 32nd year of preparing delicious ribeye steak sandwiches. First in the North Cullman Shopping Center and now in south Cullman near Walmart in front of the theater. Steaks are charcoal grilled using only Kingsford charcoal. Sandwiches are still a $10 donation and drinks and chips are $1 each. Employers, help us celebrate by treating your employees to a great sandwich. Ladies, after work, don't go home and cook. Come by and get sandwiches for your family - for certain if a Friday night ball game is part of your evening. Place advance orders by calling Edwin Calvert at 256-595-7608. Contact number in the parking lot is 256-595-7608. Come out and enjoy a great sandwich and help us celebrate the beginning of our 32nd year. We are only buying 2,200 steaks; when they are gone we are finished. - Cullman County Cattlemen and Cattlewomen

Baileyton Masonic Lodge Pancake Breakfast
Saturday, Sept. 6, starting at 630 a.m. Enjoy pancakes, sausage and coffee. Juice and milk will be available for children. Space is available for eat in, and takeout is also available. Donations are appreciated and will be used for local charities. Please join us there.

Christmas in September Sale
The Sacred Heart Altar Society and Knights of Columbus of Sacred Heart Church in Cullman are having their "Christmas in September" sale on Saturday, Sept. 6, from 7 a.m. until and after each mass on Sunday, Sept. 7, in the church Family Life Center. The sale is to benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society in Cullman. Gently used decorations from all holiday seasons will be for sale.

Cullman County Soil & Water Conservation District Quarterly Board Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 9, at 9:30 a.m. at the USDA Service Center, 501 Fourth St. SW, Cullman, AL 35055

Good Samaritan Health Clinic Caring for Cullman Health & Wellness Fun Day
Saturday, Sept. 13, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. FREE Health & Wellness Fun Day Event. Join us at 118 Veterans Dr. SW, Cullman to hear live stage sessions featuring local health and wellness experts, family friendly fun zone, food trucks, local vendors and wellness resources, free health assessments from on-site mobile units, door prizes and more! Bring a lawn chair and get inspired to live your healthiest life.

CPR Certification Class at Holly Pond Volunteer Fire Department
Saturday, Sept 27, at 8 a.m. Community members are encouraged to attend and learn this lifesaving skill. For more information or to register, contact Ann Harrison at 256-339-8502.

Sacred Heart Oktoberfest Dinner
The Annual Oktoberfest German Dinner, featuring traditional German cuisine, will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 1, from 4-7 p.m. in the Family Life Center at Sacred Heart Church in Cullman. Plates are $15 each and are available for dine in or drive thru/take out. The church is located at 205 Third Ave. SE in Cullman.





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PREP FOOTBALL

5 local teams kick off season with wins

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The high school football season is officially underway, and nearly all of our local teams kicked off the 2025 season last week. Five of them got the season started with wins. Meek pulled away to defeat Lynn 20-6, Addison snapped a 4-game losing streak to Winston County with a 41-20 win, Cold Springs handled Hanceville 65-7 on Thursday night, West Point put together a 30-6 win at Haleyville and Fairview returned from Fultondale with a dominant, 48-0 victory over the Wildcats.

Cold Springs 65 – Hanceville 7 (Thursday)

Cold Springs hosted a county battle with the Hanceville Bulldogs at Cranford Stricklin Stadium Thursday night, and the Eagles kicked off the season in dominant fashion, hammering Hanceville 65-7. Cold Springs built a 43-0 lead in the second quarter before the Bulldogs found the end zone just before halftime to make it a 43-7 game at the break. The Eagles tacked on three more scores in the second half to pull away and win their season opener comfortably. Cold Springs quarterback Ayden Black kicked off the year with a huge performance, throwing three touchdowns through the air, running for another on the ground and returning a punt for a score as well.

Cold Springs took control early, scoring on its opening possession when Black connected with Breydon Hallmon for a 19-yard touchdown and an 8-0 lead. Black hit Eli Voce over the middle for a 12-yard touchdown on the next possession to make it 16-0 going into the second quarter. An 8-yard touchdown run from Cooper Johnson stretched the lead to 24-0 early in the second and Black's third touchdown pass of the night, this time to Ethan Day gave Cold Springs a 30-0 lead with six minutes remaining in the first half.

Black returned the next Hanceville punt 42 yards for a touchdown to make it a 37-0 game and with just over two minutes to play in the second quarter, Tycen Kilgo punched one in from 7 yards out to give the Eagles a commanding, 43-0 lead. Hanceville was able to get on the board in the final seconds of the first half when quarterback Hunter Black hit AJ Carnathan downfield for a 25-yard touchdown, trimming the lead to 43-7 at the break.

Cold Springs continued to add to its lead in the third quarter. After another big run from Cason Alexander, Black scored on a 50-yard run to put the Eagles ahead 51-7 early in the third. On the next Cold Springs possession, a big gain on the ground from Tidus Light put the Eagles in scoring position and Alexander ran it in from 35 yards out on the next play to make it a 58-7 game.

The final score of the night came in the opening minute of the fourth quarter when Jordan Garmon punched one into the end zone from 2 yards out, putting the finishing touches on a dominant, 65-7 victory for the Eagles.

Hallmon led Cold Springs' receivers with 54 yards and a touchdown on three receptions. Alexander led the way on the ground with 183 yards and a touchdown. Black and Kilgo added 70 and 58 rushing yards, respectively.

Cold Springs (1-0) will try to build off this fast start when they host Curry on Friday and Hanceville (0-1) will look to bounce back at home against Holly Pond.

Fairview 48 – Fultondale 0

The Fairview Aggies traveled to Fultondale to kick off the 2025 season Friday night and they dominated from start to finish, returning home with a 48-0 win and a 1-0 start to the season.

Fairview got the ball to start out the game, and they didn't waste any time finding the end zone on its opening possession. A 31-yard run by Jake Harper quickly put the Aggies at the 29-yard line, and he later broke free for a 23-yard run two plays later to put them at the two. He found the end zone two plays later on a 1 yard run to give Fairview a 7-0 lead. The Aggies got the ball back on the kickoff, as Jace Stevens recovered the ball at the 30. On the first play, Kolt Redding connected with Jordan Ellis for a 22-yard pass play, as that put them at the eight. Harper punched it in on the next play to make it 14-0.

Fairview's defense forced a quick three-and-out on its opening possession, and they started their next drive at the 34-yard line. Rex Chandler and Harper pounded the ball on the ground for the Aggies, and Harper touched the ball on the final two plays of the drive, including a three-yard score, as that stretched their lead to 21-0. A weather delay caused both teams to head to their respective locker rooms. After almost an hour delay, both teams came back out onto the field, and Fairview's defense forced another punt.

Another big run by Harper gave the Aggies a first down at the 44-yard line, and two plays later, Redding connected with Stevens on a 25-yard screen pass. On the next play, Redding found Conner Scott for a 19-yard score to increase their lead to 28-0 with 9:13 remaining in the first half. They got the ball back after another punt, and Chandler scored from a yard out to make it 35-0. Harper added his fourth touchdown of the game late in the first half on a 38-yard run, as Fairview ended up taking a commanding 42-0 lead into the locker room.

The running clock was in effect for the entire second half, and John Short found the end zone on a 7-yard run late in the fourth quarter. The Aggies ended up collecting a 48-0 shutout win over the Wildcats.

Harper finished with 191 yards on 13 carries and four scores in the game for Fairview. Chandler added 25 yards on the ground and a touchdown. Redding finished 7/11 passing for 115 yards and a touchdown, and Scott caught three passes for 36 yards and a touchdown. Joseph Harbison, Avery Latham, Alex Garcia and Harper each recorded a sack in the game for the Aggies.

Fairview (1-0) will head home to face Springville on Friday.

West Point 30 – Haleyville 6

West Point hit the road to take on the Lions of Haleyville in its season opener Friday night and the Warriors returned home with a win to start the year 1-0. West Point went into the locker room with a 17-6 lead at halftime and put two more touchdowns on the board in the second half to pull away with a 30-6 win.

After a slow start to the opening quarter, Warriors running back Ollie Howell punched one into the end zone from 4 yards out late in the first to give West Point a 7-0 lead going into the second. After Haleyville scored to trim the lead to 7-6, quarterback Ayden Ennis connected with Jaxon Shelton through the air for a touchdown to keep West Point in front with 14-6 early in the second quarter.

The Warriors tacked on a field goal in the final moments of the first half to take a 17-6 lead into the locker room at the break.

Howell's second touchdown of the night, this one from 10 yards out, made it a 24-6 game just two minutes into the third quarter. That score held for the rest of the third and with just over five minutes to play in the fourth, Rush Lamar raced into the end zone for a 35-yard touchdown to put the finishing touches on a 30-6, season-opening win for West Point.

The Warriors (1-0) will try to build on the momentum when they travel to Good Hope on Friday.

Addison 41 – Winston County 20

Addison hosted the archrival Yellow Jackets of Winston County Friday night and in a very physical game with a packed house, the Bulldogs came away with an impressive 41-20 win to start the season 1-0. Addison Head Coach Mark Hastings accomplished two goals with the victory; he got his first win as the Bulldogs Head Coach and was able to break a four-year losing streak to the Yellow Jackets.

Addison recovered an early Jackets fumble Winston County's 25-yard line, and it only took the Bulldogs four plays to find the end zone. Seth Hammack ran the rock in from 2 yards out for the first Bulldog touchdown. The two-point conversion was no good and with 8:47 to go in the first quarter, Addison led 6-0.

Six plays later on second and goal from the 3, quarterback Elijah Roberts hit a wide-open Michael Lee for the touchdown. Judah Wilkins hit Trennon Burns for the two-point conversion and with fifteen seconds to go in the first quarter, Addison had jumped out 14-0.

Addison kicker Michael Lee drilled a hard line drive onside kick directly at a Jackets front man and Ben Bridges recovered the ball. Addison took over at the 45-yard line and on the second play of the second quarter, Hammack went around right end and scampered untouched 40 yards for his second touchdown of the night. Senior Brodie Willingham kicked the extra point and with 11:12 to go in the half, Addison had a commanding 21-0 lead.

If you thought that the Jackets where just going to quit, you would be sadly mistaken. Winston County started pounding the football using Elliott and Cameron Aderholt who in pads resembles a Mack truck. The drive started at their own 49-yard line and after gaining 24 yards on two Elliott carries, Aderholt gained the final 28 yards on four carries. Aderholt cashed it in from three yards out for the Jacket first touchdown. The two-point try was no good so with 8:14 to go in the half, Addison led 21-6.



BRANDON EVANS/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Addison Bulldogs kicked off the 2025 season with a 41-20 win over Winston County Friday night.

Addison took over at their own thirty-yard line and on the second play, Roberts scampered and skittled his way 66 yards for the touchdown. The extra point was no good and Addison led 27-6 with 7:02 to go in the second quarter.

Winston County responded with a must have drive as they went ten plays for 66 yards and a touchdown. Nine of the 10 plays were runs and Elliott took it in from 1 yard out for the score. The two-point was no good and Addison's lead was cut to 27-12. This is how the first half would end.

When the second half started, it only took the Dawgs eight plays to go 42 yards as Roberts and Hammack split the carries between them. Hammack scored his third touchdown of the night from 5 yards out at the 8:11 mark of the third quarter. The key play on the drive was a third and 11 from the Jacket 33, when Roberts ran a draw and scooted for 15 yards for the first down. The extra point was no good and Addison stretched its lead to 33-12.

Later in the third quarter, Aderholt bulldozed his way in from 4 yards out for the touchdown. Elliott ran in the two-point conversion, and the Jackets were still hanging around, trailing 33-20 with 2:27 to go in the third quarter.

After an exchange of possessions, Addison took over at their own 43-yard line and with 10:47 to go in the game, ran eight plays, all running, for the nail in the coffin touchdown. Roberts chipped in his second touchdown as he scored from twenty-two yards out. Roberts is harder to get a hold off and slicker than a greased pig. Roberts hit Silas Frazier for the two-point try and with only five minutes left in the game, Addison had a commanding 41-20 lead and the Dawgs came away with the victory.

Meek 22 – Lynn 6

Meek opened the 2025 season with a Winston County battle against Lynn at Tiger Stadium Friday night and the Tigers are off to a 1-0 start. Meek led 6-0 at the halftime break but found the end zone two more times in the second half to stay ahead and secure a 20-6 win over the Bears.

After a scoreless first quarter, Tigers quarterback Evan McCay found Brady Baxter through the air for a touchdown to take a 6-0 lead midway through the second quarter. That score held until the start of the third quarter when the Bears returned the second half's opening kickoff for a touchdown and tied the game at 6. Meek responded later in the third when Baxter picked off a Lynn pass and raced 60 yards the other way for a touchdown to put the Tigers back in front 14-6.

With just under two minutes remaining in the fourth quarter, McCay ran one into the end zone from 12 yards out to put the game out of reach and wrap up a 20-6, season-opening win for Meek.

The Tigers (1-0) will look to add to the win column this week when they travel to take on Winston County.

Elections (from Front)

Berlin
All candidates were unopposed, so there will be no Municipal Election.
- Mayor – Patrick Bates
- Town Council, Place 1 – Donald Gunter
- Town Council, Place 2 – Steven Michael Clark
- Town Council, Place 3 – Edith Stevenson
- Town Council, Place 4 – Eudon Bates
- Town Council, Place 5 – Keith Hardman

Colony
- Mayor: Curtis Johnson (incumbent), Ethel L. Alexander, Jasmine Cole
- Town Council, Place 1: Michael Johnson (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 2: Open
- Town Council, Place 3: Mary Louise Parker
- Town Council, Place 4: Theron Brown, Lewanda Sharell Johnson, Alex Twitty
- Town Council, Place 5: Mallonee Hall

Cullman
- Mayor: Woody Jacobs (elected without opposition)
- City Council, Place 1: Brad Smith (incumbent), Chuck Shikle
- City Council, Place 2: David Moss (incumbent), Peter Nassetta
- City Council, Place 3: Johnny Cook (incumbent), Jason Willoughby
- City Council, Place 4: Paul Schaffer (elected without opposition)
- City Council, Place 5: Jenny Folsom (incumbent), Kim Hall

- School Board, Place 1: Jill Bradberry (incumbent), Tyler Caldwell
- School Board, Place 2: David Wiggins (elected without opposition)
- School Board, Place 3: Cheryl Harrison (incumbent), Jessica Svarney
- School Board, Place 4: Wayne Walker, Amy Wood
- School Board, Place 5: Amy Carter (incumbent), Mark Britton

Dodge City
- Mayor: Jason Burney (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 1: "Chickie" Teeara Johns (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 2: Heather Langley, Houston Turner
- Town Council, Place 3: Jerry Lynn (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 4: Samantha Duke, Chayton Grimmett
- Town Council, Place 5: Robert South (elected without opposition)

Fairview
All candidates were unopposed, so there will be no Municipal Election.
- Mayor: Clint Haynes
- Town Council, Place 1: Charles Banister
- Town Council, Place 2: Devin Henry
- Town Council, Place 3: Steve Eddleman
- Town Council, Place 4: Eddie Robertson
- Town Council, Place 5: Julie Grimes Council

Garden City
- Mayor: Tim Eskew (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 1: Butch Bradford (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 2: Jonathan Sharp (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 3: Michael R. Black (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 4: Scott Arnold (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 5: Jordan Brasher, Barrett Hardin

Good Hope
- Mayor: Jerry Bartlett (incumbent), Larry Creel
- City Council, Place 1: Bill Brown, Renee Lee
- City Council, Place 2: Eric Phillips (elected without opposition)
- City Council, Place 3: Susan Eller (incumbent), Preston Prewett
- City Council, Place 4: Greg Brown (elected without opposition)
- City Council, Place 5: Taft Dillashaw (elected without opposition)

Hanceville
- Mayor: Paul Campbell, Christopher Johnson, Robert Eugene (Bob) Long
- City Council, Place 1: Steven Clint Mann, Jana Casey Shelton
- City Council, Place 2: Robert Powell (elected without opposition)
- City Council, Place 3: Kim Newman Brown (incumbent), Alaina Kennedy Entrekin, Jacquelin "Joe" Twiss
- City Council, Place 4: Cameron Rowe, Oscar Santiago
- City Council, Place 5: Nolan Bradford (elected without opposition)

Holly Pond
- Mayor: Carla Hart (incumbent), Walter Wiseman, Jeremy Collier
- Town Council, Place 1: Julie Ray (incumbent), Thomas Dwight Kidd
- Town Council, Place 2: Deborah Holcomb (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 3: Ricky Carr (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 4: Paul Brown (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 5: Gladys Wisener (incumbent), Patty Reid

South Vinemont
- Mayor: Shirley Arnett, Bonnie Goodwin
- Town Council, Place 1: Kelley Little (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 2: Nina Justice (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 3: Marcus Callingwood, Ross Campbell (incumbent)
- Town Council, Place 4: Michael Ashbaugh (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 5: Ashley Shrader (elected with opposition)

West Point
All candidates were unopposed, so there will be no Municipal Election.
- Mayor: Open
- Town Council, Place 1: Open
- Town Council, Place 2: Darion Daniel (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 3: Steve Link (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 4: Timmy Smith (elected without opposition)
- Town Council, Place 5: Ashlee Phillips (elected without opposition)

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Left to right are Tanya Arnold, Delaine Van Dyke, Kenzie Fox, Harmony Heard, Jeff Tolbert, Dale Greer, Sen. Garlan Gudger and Josh Wiggins.

Cullman County Tourism Bureau's Harmony Heard receives statewide honor

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Tourism Bureau on Monday announced that Executive Director Harmony Heard was named Tourism Industry Employee of the Year at the 2025 Alabama Governor's Conference on Tourism.

The award, one of the state's most distinguished honors in the tourism field, recognizes professionals who demonstrate exceptional leadership, dedication and impact within Alabama's travel and hospitality industry.

In addition to receiving this distinguished award, Heard will also be inducted into the Alabama Travel Council, further solidifying her role as a leading voice in shaping the future of tourism across the state.

"Since stepping into her role as executive director, Heard has worked tirelessly to elevate Cullman County as a premier tourism destination.

"Her leadership guided the launch of new marketing initiatives, innovative tourism development campaigns and strong partnerships with local businesses and community organizations.

"Her efforts have contributed to measurable increases in visitation and have highlighted Cullman County as an integral part of Alabama's tourism landscape," the Bureau said in a media release.

"I am deeply honored to receive this award," said Heard. "Tourism is about more than just welcoming visitors — it's about showcasing the heart of our community, supporting local businesses and creating memorable experiences that inspire people to return again and again. This recognition is a reflection of the incredible team, Board of Directors and partners I am fortunate to work with every day."

The Alabama Governor's Conference on Tourism, held annually, convenes industry leaders from across the state to recognize outstanding achievement and to discuss strategies for strengthening Alabama's tourism sector.

For additional information about the Cullman County Tourism Bureau and its initiatives, please visit www.visitcullman.com.

'There's a new level of performance here'

Cullman Community Theatre director reflects on 'Fiddler on the Roof,' future

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The Cullman Community Theatre recently staged multiple performances of "Fiddler on the Roof."

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Community Theatre recently wrapped its production of "Fiddler on the Roof," with performances that aimed not only to entertain, but also to educate the cast and audience about Jewish history and culture.

The show was directed by Kristy McCrickard, who also served as fight choreographer and is co-chair of the Cullman Community Theatre Committee. She said the final production took months of preparation, including intensive workshops on Jewish traditions, the historical context of the musical and personal stories of Holocaust victims.

"We wanted to do more than just perform; we wanted to understand what these characters were living through. It made a real impact on the cast and the community," said McCrickard.

The show featured a cast of more than 50 performers, many of whom came from neighboring counties.

McCrickard praised the talent and dedication of the cast, calling them "enthusiastic, talented performers" who were dedicated to making the show as perfect as it could be.

McCrickard is set to direct next season's "Pride and Prejudice" and "My Fair Lady," and will co-direct "12 Angry Jurors."

The group now plans to perform four main shows along with smaller community events.

"There's a new level of performance here," McCrickard said. "We've brought in more choreography, more talent and more people. It's exciting to see this community grow through the arts."







Fair (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman County Commission on Aging will host its annual Senior Health Fair on Thursday, Sept. 18, from 9:30 a.m.-noon at the Donald E. Green Active Adult Center. The free event is open to adults 55 and older and will feature health services, resources and plenty of opportunities to show off their groovy 70's dance moves.

This year's theme is inspired by the 1970s with a "Stayin' Alive" mantra. "It's going to be a very good time filled with groovy music from the 70s and just fun for anyone who attends," said Stephanie Lawson, director of the Cullman County Commission on Aging. Guests are encouraged to dress in their best disco-era outfits for a "best dressed" contest, show off their 70's dance moves and enter to win door prizes.

"The overall purpose of our Senior Health Fair is to have a day where their health is at the forefront of everyone's thoughts," said Lawson. "We are lucky to be able to work in a community with a lot of wonderful providers that can meet the needs of our seniors."

Additionally, attendees will have access to health vendors, information about local services and on-site vaccines. "McSwain Pharmacy will also be on-site to give regular flu shots for those 65 and older in addition to other vaccines that folks might decide that they need," Lawson explained. "There will also be providers there to talk about Medicare supplemental and drug plans that are available, as well as other agencies that have beneficial services."

The event will also feature barbecue sandwiches for lunch from The Butcher's Chuckwagon, along with shaved ice from Cha Cha's Shaved Ice, sponsored by the North Central Alabama Regional Council of Governments. Event sponsorship is provided by Cornerstone Caregiving and Hospice of North Alabama.

Lawson noted that the Senior Health Fair has been a staple event since the administration of Randall Shedd, with a brief pause during the pandemic. "Since September 2021, we have been going strong," she said. "We hope that the services we provide and events we host will encourage our seniors to stay active. It inspires us every day to see the seniors in our community be active, make their health a priority and socialize with others to ensure they are doing all they can to support their well-being."

For more information about the Senior Health Fair, contact Scott Sarich at the Cullman County Commission on Aging at 256-734-1241.

The Active Adult Center is located at 1625 Cleveland Ave. SW, Cullman, AL 35055.

Measles (from Front)

ADPH
Contributor

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) was notified on Monday, Aug. 25, that a child under 5 years of age living in north Alabama has been confirmed to have measles. The unvaccinated child contracted measles while traveling out of the United States.

The child did not attend daycare or school, and entities involved in the management and treatment of the patient have been notified. The siblings of the child have been vaccinated and have not had any symptoms of measles.

Chief Medical Officer Dr. Karen Landers reminds parents to make sure their children are up to date with their measles vaccinations. If exposed, unvaccinated people have a 90% chance of becoming infected, and infected people can spread the disease several days before becoming symptomatic.

Measles is a serious viral respiratory illness that lives in the nose and throat mucus of infected people.

It spreads when people breathe in or have contact with virus-infected fluid and can pass through droplets sprayed into the air when someone with measles sneezes or coughs. Symptoms usually appear 7-14 days later.

Dr. Landers said, "Measles follows a pattern in which the child first develops fever, cough, runny nose and watery/red eyes, then a rash develops.

"Persons can start spreading the virus up to four days before symptoms appear, and those with weak immune systems can spread the measles virus longer."

No specific antiviral drug is available to treat measles.

To help manage the symptoms, parents can ensure the child gets plenty of fluid and rest and give a non-aspirin fever medicine such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.

In some cases, measles can lead to other problems, such as ear infections, pneumonia or encephalitis.

For most children, measles protection is part of the measles-mumps-rubella vaccine (MMR), or measles-mumps-rubella-varicella vaccine, given when children are 12 to 15 months old and again when they are 4 to 6 years old.

The first MMR vaccine can be given to babies as young as 6 months of age if they will be traveling internationally or during an outbreak. Estimates of the effectiveness of the MMR vaccine are 99% in measles prevention after the second vaccination.

Vaccines are available at pediatricians' offices or county health departments. Getting the MMR vaccine is much safer than getting the measles disease.

Parents should call a doctor immediately if they believe their child has measles or if their child has been around someone who has measles, especially if their child is an infant, is taking medication that suppresses the immune system, has tuberculosis, cancer or a disease that affects the immune system or has not received two doses of the measles vaccine.

To learn more about the measles vaccines, go to www.alabamapublichealth.gov/immunization/measles.html.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
LELAUS WAYNE ODEN, * CASE NO. PC2019-110
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF HEARING
APPLICATION TO REOPEN ESTATE

TO: DANNY BRYANT, JARAN BRYANT, JASON BRYANT, SUZANNE BRYANT, TARA SPEARS AND ANY OTHER NEXT OF KIN AND HEIRS OF LELAUS WAYNE ODEN, DECEASED.

Application to Reopen Estate received the 28th day of April, 2025, made Court record the 29th day of April, 2025, by Tammy Hann, Petitioner, by and through Attorney Kenneth R. Widner. A hearing has been rescheduled on this matter for the **21st day of October, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.,** before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County, Alabama.

All persons are hereby given notice to appear if they think proper.

Cullman County Courthouse
500 2nd Avenue SW
Room 101
Cullman, Alabama 35055

Done this the 22nd day of August, 2025.

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

To the Publisher: The Cullman Tribune

Please publish the above notice Three (3) successive weeks in said newspaper.

Kenneth R. Widner
Attorney for Petitioner
PO Box 359
Eva, AL 35621

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
RUBEN DOUGLAS SMITH, * **CASE NO.: PC2025-291**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to Kenneth Jeffrey Smith as Personal Representative of the Estate of RUBEN DOUGLAS SMITH, deceased, on the 22nd day of August 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.

Kenneth Jeffrey Smith
Personal Representative

Adam S. Gober, Esq.
Attorney for Personal Representative
29000 US Highway 98
Suite A-201
Daphne, Alabama 36526

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

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DONE this 22nd day of August, 2025.

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
WILLIAM KEITH NELSON, * **CASE NO.: PC2025-265**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Testamentary having been granted to Christopher John Bateh as Personal Representative of the Estate of WILLIAM KEITH NELSON, deceased, on the 19th day of August 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.

Christopher John Bateh
Personal Representative

Lindsey Eastwood
Eastwood Estate & Probate Law
2001 Park Place, Suite 510
Birmingham, AL 35203

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DONE this 19th day of August, 2025.

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

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by **RENDER J. HEARD, JR., an unmarried man,** to Traditions Bank, as follows: Mortgage securing the property described below, said Mortgage executed by Render J. Heard, Jr., dated December 11, 2009, and recorded on December 31, 2009, in Mortgage Book 1616 Page 899, in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, as modified by that Modification of Mortgage executed by **RENDER JACKSON HEARD, JR., an unmarried man,** dated August 26, 2017, and recorded on August 28, 2017, in Mortgage Book 1827 Page 75 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, as modified by that Modification of Mortgage executed by **RENDER J. HEARD, JR., also known as RENDER JACKSON HEARD, JR., an unmarried man and ROBERT JACKSON HEARD, an unmarried man**, dated March 29, 2019, and recorded on April 1, 2019, in Mortgage Book 1874 Page 159 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, the undersigned Traditions Bank, as mortgagee, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgages, will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the main entrance of the Courthouse in Cullman, Alabama, on the 4th day of September, 2025, between the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

PARCEL I

A tract or parcel of land containing 0.74 acre of land, more or less, and being a part of the SW1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows: Commence at a found pipe marking the southwest corner of the above said forty; thence run S86°42'26"E along the accepted south line a distance of 507.19 feet to a found rebar; thence run N19°36'09"E a distance of 331.84 feet to a set rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue N19°36'09"E a distance of 3.49 feet to a found rebar in the center of Cullman County Road No. 848; thence run N51°5419"W along said center line of County Road 848 a distance of 390.30 feet to a found rebar; thence run S07°04'24"E along the center line of Cullman County Road No. 940 a distance of 229.86 feet to a set pk. nail; thence run S86°42'26"E a distance of 278.14 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL II

A tract or parcel of land containing 0.74 acre of land, more or less, and being a part of the SW1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows: Commence at a found pipe marking the southwest corner of the above said forty; thence run S86°42'26"E along the accepted south line a distance of 507.19 feet to a found rebar; thence run N19°36'09"E a distance of 195.94 feet to a set rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue N19°36'09"E a distance of 135.90 feet to a set rebar; thence run N86°42'26"W a distance of 278.14 feet to a set pk. nail in the center of Cullman County Road No. 940; thence run S07°04'24"E along said center of County Road No. 940 a distance of 132.60 feet to a set pk. nail; thence run S86°42'26"E a distance of 216.12 feet to the point of beginning.

PARCEL III

A tract or parcel of land containing 0.74 acre of land, more or less, and being a part of the SW1/4 of the SE1/4 of Section 28, Township 10 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows: Commence at a found pipe marking the southwest corner of the above forty; thence run S86°42'26"E along the accepted south line a distance of 380.50 feet to a found rebar marking the point of beginning; thence continue S86°42'26"E a distance of 126.69 feet to a found rebar; thence run N19°36'09"E a distance of 195.94 feet to a set rebar; thence run N86°42'26"W a distance of 216.12 feet to a set rebar in the center of Cullman County Road No. 940; thence run S07°04'24"E along said center a distance of 191.18 feet to the point of beginning.

Description according to the survey of Joseph E. Conn, III, Ala. Reg. No. 17831 dated November 11, 1998.

Said parcels are also known as Tract 14 of the Curtis W. Hudson Estate filed for record in Miscellaneous Book 146, Page 511.

Said property further described in survey of Joseph E. Conn, III, AL Reg No, 17831 dated fun (sic) 19, 2008, Job #2543C as follows:

A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND CONTAINING 2.22 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS AND BEING A PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 10 SOUTH, RANGE 5 WEST, CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A FOUND PIPE MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 28 AND RUN SOUTH 86 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 25 SECONDS EAST AND RUN ALONG THE ACCEPTED SOUTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 380.50 FEET TO A SET REBAR IN THE CENTER OF COUNTY ROAD No. 940 SAME MARKING THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 86 DEGREES 42 MINUTES 26 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 126.69 FEET TO A SET REBAR: THENCE NORTH 19 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST, A DISTANCE OF 335.33 FEET TO A SET REBAR IN THE CENTER OF COUNTY ROAD NO. 848; THENCE NORTH 1 DEGREES 54 MINUTES 19 SECONDS WEST, AND RUN ALONG SAID CENTER, A DISTANCE OF 390.30 FEET TO A FOUND RAILROAD SPIKE MARKING THE INTERSECTION OF SAID COUNTY ROAD NO. 848 WITH THE CENTER OF COUNTY ROAD NO. 940; THENCE SOUTH 07 DEGREES O4 MINUTES 27 SECONDS EAST, AND RUN ALONG THE CENTER OF SAID COUNTY ROAD NO. 940, A DISTANCE OF 553.63 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.
LESS AND EXCEPT ALL THAT PART OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY. THAT IS WITHIN THE RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF COUNTY ROAD 848 AND COUNTY ROAD 940. SUBJECT TO ANY RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND/OR EASEMENTS OF RECORD.

ALSO:

1999 Homes of Legend Tradition Mobile Home (Serial Number THL2580AAL AND THL2580BAL) and One (1) 1998 Destiny Model #70404 Double Wide Mobile Home (S/N OW58467A & OW58467b); whether any of the foregoing is owned now or acquired later; all accessions, additions, replacements, and substitutions relating to any of the foregoing; all records of any kind relating to any of the foregoing.

Property Address: 5229 and 5241 County Road 940, Logan, AL 35098.

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

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
WANZA DELITA AKRIDGE, * **CASE NO.: PC 2025-301**
Deceased. *

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to STEVEN CHAD AKRIDGE and MATTHEW BRIAN AKRIDGE on the 15th day of August, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Court Judge of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within six months after the grant of Letters or within five months from the first publication of this notice, whichever is later to occur or the same will be barred.

Steven Chad Akridge
Matthew Brian Akridge
Personal Representatives

Seth Thompson
Attorney for Personal Representatives
The Thompson Law Firm, LLC
201 Second Avenue SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

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

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
COUNTY OF CULLMAN)

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

TO THE OWNERS OF THE WITHIN DESCRIBED REAL ESTATE AND ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

Date & Time of Sale: Monday, Sept 8 2025 at 11:00 a.m./p.m.
Sale Location: Cullman County Courthouse East Entrance
500 Second Avenue, S.W.
Cullman, Alabama 35055
Writ of Execution Parties: Hewlett Packard Financial Services Co.
vs.
Cyber Broadband, Inc.
1520 Bower Drive SE
Cullman, Alabama 35055

By virtue of an Execution issued to me by Circuit Clerk Lisa McSwain, pursuant to the Code of Alabama, requiring me to make the sum as provided for in said Execution issued on a judgment, with interest and cost. Upon the expiration of proper notice and advertisement, I will expose at public sale to the highest bidder at the date, time, and location listed above, all right, title, and interest of Cyber Broadband, Inc, to the property, described as follows:

Parcel I:
Commencing at the Southwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 10 South, Range 3 West; thence North 0°15' West a distance of 659.6 feet to a concrete marker; thence continue North a distance of 76 feet; thence North 89°45' East, a distance of 30 feet to the Point of Beginning of the property herein conveyed, thence continue North 89°45' East a distance of 470 feet to a point; thence North 0°15' West a distance of 281.4 feet to an iron pin; thence South 89° 45' West, a distance of 470 feet, to a point in the edge of County Paved Road No.35; thence South 0° 15" East a distance of 284.3 feet to the Point of Beginning. Containing 3 ¼ acres, more or less. Said property situated in Cullman County, Alabama.
Source of Title: Deed Book 445, Page 282

Parcel II:
Commence at the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, Cullman County, Alabama; thence North 89°38'30" East 668.37 feet; thence North 0°14'07" West 659 feet, to the Point of Beginning of the property herein described; thence South 89°25' West 168.54 feet; thence North 0°15' West, 357.40 feet, more or less; thence North 89°45' East 168.54 feet, more or less; thence South 0°14'07" East 357.4 feet, more or less, back to the point of beginning.
Source of Title: Deed Book 455, Page 579

Parcel III:
A part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 2, Township 10 South, Range 3 West, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at an existing concrete monument which marks the Southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 2, thence North 0°15' West 659.29 feet to an existing concrete marker which is the point of beginning of the tract herein conveyed, thence North 89°45' East a distance of 30 feet to an existing iron rebar; thence North 0°15' West a distance of 76 feet to an existing rebar iron; thence continue North 0°15' West to the South right of way of Eva Road; thence Southwesterly along the South right of way of Eva Road to its point of intersection with the West line of the North west Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of said Section 2, thence South along said West quarter line to the point of beginning. It is the intent of this deed to convey a 30-foot strip received by the Grantor which was contained within the tract as described in Deed Book 403, Page 343, and thereafter not conveyed.
Source of Title Deed Book 531, Page 308.

Source of title: Pursuant to the description provided in Plaintiff's Writ of Execution issued on or about June 27, 2025 in case CV-2025-900174 in the Circuit Court of Cullman County, Alabama.

THEREFORE, according to said command, I shall expose for sale at public auction, all the right, title, and interest of the above-named Cyber Broadband, Inc. in and to the above-described real property on the date listed above, subject to all prior encumbrances of record.

Dated this the 14 day of August, 2025.

BY: Sheriff Matt Gentry

Recap (from Front)

Sammy Confer
sammy@cullmantribune.com

CULLMAN, Ala. — The 2025 Cullman County Youth Football season is here, and there were a handful of games going on around the county on Saturday. The Vinemont Eagles hosted the Fairview Aggies, the West Morgan Rebels traveled to take on the Cold Springs Eagles, the Cullman Bearcats hosted the Good Hope Raiders, the Holly Pond Broncos traveled to take on the Hanceville Bulldogs and the West Point Warriors hosted the Danville Hawks.

FAIRVIEW AGGIES AT VINEMONT EAGLES

- Fireplug: Aggies 13 - Eagles 6
- Wee-Wee: Eagles 7 - Aggies 6
- Pee-Wee: Aggies 21 - Eagles 0

WEST MORGAN REBELS AT COLD SPRINGS EAGLES

- Fireplug: Rebels 12 - Eagles 7
- Wee-Wee: Rebels 53 - Eagles 0
- Pee-Wee: Rebels 34 - Eagles 7

GOOD HOPE RAIDERS AT CULLMAN BEARCATS

- Fireplug: Raiders 13 - Bearcats 6
- Wee-Wee: Raiders 6 - Bearcats 0
- Pee-Wee: Raiders 21 - Bearcats 0

HOLLY POND BRONCOS AT HANCEVILLE BULLDOGS

- Fireplug: Bulldogs 36 - Broncos 6
- Wee-Wee: Bulldogs 26 - Broncos 0
- Pee-Wee: Broncos 20 - Bulldogs 8

DANVILLE HAWKS AT WEST POINT WARRIORS

- Fireplug: Warriors 27 - Hawks 0
- Wee-Wee: Hawks 12 - Warriors 0
- Pee-Wee: Warriors 20 - Hawks 0

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Obituary Announcements: Aug. 23-25

Wanda McKeel Clark, 84
Funeral Service for Wanda McKeel Clark, age 84 of Cullman, will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 24, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home with Bro. Joe Shane, Sidney McMinn and David Clark, Jr. officiating; burial at Chances Crossroads. Visitation will be from 12 p.m. - 2 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 24, 2025, at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Clark passed away on Thursday, Aug. 21, 2025, at her residence. She was born, July 21, 1941, to Kenneth and Lora Marlar McKeel. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Herman Clark and sister Sandra Crane. Survivors include her children, David (Delores) Clark, Lora Clark and Alicia Clark; grandchildren, David Clark, Jr., Daniel (Selena) Clark; sister Linda (Steve) Scott, sister-in-law, Marie Axt; nieces, nephews, family and friends. Pallbearers will be, David Clark, Jr., Kenneth Scott, Mark Axt, David Clark, Steve Clark and Stephen Scott IV. The family wishes to thank Southern Care Hospice for their excellent care. A very special thank you to Grace Taymon, Jimmie Nell Walker, Jody Wilkins and Stacy Patrum. We will always be grateful for Kenneth Scott, Linda Scott and Jennifer Robertson who made it possible for mom to be able to spend her last moments in the comfort of her own home surrounded by her loving family.

Mark Alan Reed, 64
Funeral services for Mark Alan Reed, 64, of Hanceville will be 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25, at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Visitation will be prior to the service from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. at Hanceville Funeral Home. Mr. Reed was born Aug. 29, 1960, in Birmingham, Alabama. He passed away Aug. 22, 2025, in Hanceville, Alabama. Mark lived a full and hardworking life, known for his skills as a diesel mechanic and his love of the outdoors. He had a passion for drag racing and enjoyed spending time at the lake, where he found peace and joy. Camping trips, time spent on the tractor, and being outdoors brought him great happiness. Mark will be remembered for his strong work ethic, adventurous spirit, and the love he shared with those closest to him. He cherished time with his family and friends, and his presence will be deeply missed by all who knew him. Mr. Reed is survived by his wife of 42 years, Jane Reed; his children, Josh Reed (Jennifer), Brandon Reed (Emily), Jennifer Dunn; grandchildren, Nathan Dunn, Coltin Reed, Brooklyn Reed-Castillo, Emma Grace Reed Castillo, Maverick Reed, Carter Reed, Kash Reed; sister, Brenda Waldon; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends. Mr. Reed was preceded in death by his son, Jason Givens; father, Clifford Reed; mother, Pauline Crawford; and his siblings, Linda Blackmon, Denise Crawford, Diane Jennings, Frances Woods, Mike Reed, David Reed, and Frank Milton. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Reed family.

Andrew Parsons, 66
Andrew Parsons of Bremen, Al was called home to be with the Lord on Thursday, Aug. 21, 2025, at the age of 66. Funeral Service will be held at Dilworth Church of God on Monday, Aug. 25, 2025, at 12 p.m. and the visitation will be one hour prior to the service. Pastor Nelson Kimberly will officiate, burial to follow at Antioch Cemetery. He is preceded in death by his father; Andrew Parsons, grandmother; Velma Anderton, and Bro. Danny Parsons. Andrew is survived by his wife; Janis Sue Parsons, children; Angel Phillips, Phillip Tucker, Christy Amick (Lee), Mary Perkins (Kevin), Andrew (Angie) Parsons, and Payten (LeeAnn) Parsons, sister; Lynn Parsons, mother; Mary Parsons, sister; Debbie Leonard (Jeff), and Bro. Perry (Kim) Parsons, a host of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Ruth Burr White, 95
A graveside service for Ruth Burr White, 95, of Hanceville, Alabama, will be 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 30, at Hopewell Cemetery in Hanceville. Bro. Wayne Wisener will officiate the service. The family will welcome friends for visitation on Saturday at Hanceville Funeral Home from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mrs. White was born on Aug. 27, 1929, to the late Ryland Weston Burr and Zada Martin Burr in Russellville, West Virginia. She passed away on Aug. 22, 2025, at Huntsville Health & Rehab Center. After graduating from Nuttall High School in Lookout West Virginia, she attended West Virginia University in Morgantown, West Virginia and obtained her teaching certificate. She taught eight grades in a one room school in Russellville and married Billy Lee White in 1950. In addition, Mrs. White was rich in her faith and was a member of St. John's Baptist Church in Hanceville, Alabama, for more than 15 years. Survivors include her granddaughter, Catherine Stewart and husband Jason of Hazel Green, Alabama; great grandsons, Hoyt Stewart and Wyatt Stewart; siblings, Jerald R. Burr and wife Margaret of Russellville, West Virginia & Elmer (Perky) Burr and wife Mary Sue, Russellville, West Virginia; sisters-in-law, Glenna Burr, Helen O'Dell; and a host of many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. In addition to her parents, Mrs. White was preceded in death by her husband, Billy Lee White; son, Jeffrey White; daughter-in-law, Caren White; and siblings, James R. Burr, Janice Boley, Jerry R. Burr, Tryphena Mayhew, and Robert W. Burr. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to Gideons International. https://gideons.org/donate Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Burr White Family.

Damian Phillip McCluskey, 25
Damian Phillip McCluskey, of Hanceville, Alabama, passed away on Aug. 21, 2025, at the age of 25. Mr. McCluskey was born in Cullman County, Alabama, on July 27, 2000, to the late Susan Miranda McCluskey. As a young man Damian attended Holly Pond High School, and there he met the love of his life, Drew. Damian and Drew began dating at the age of fifteen and married two years ago. Together they have three beautiful children, all of whom were cherished by their father. Damian was a loving a devoted husband and father and his motivation in life was to provide for both Drew and their children. Damian's skills as a carpenter were not just useful in providing for his family, but they allowed him to do something he loved. Damian enjoyed working with wood and creating beautiful things. Mr. McCluskey's quick wit and many jokes were known to all who knew him. He is also remembered as an avid gun collector. Mr. McCluskey is preceded in death by his mother as well as his Memaw, Samantha Pigg. Those left to cherish Damian's memory include his wife, Drew Hollis McCluskey; children, Karson, Oaklynn, and Korbin; father, Mark Wallace, Jr.; Pawpaw, Joey Pigg; brother, Dalton Bryson; close friend, Brad Myers; and a host of loving family and friends. A time of visitation will be held on Thursday, Aug. 28, 2025, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to help Mr. McCluskey's family with his final expenses. A link has been provided below. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the McCluskey family.

Thurber Rayburn Murphree, 94
Thurber Rayburn Murphree, known as TR or Ray by most, passed away on Aug. 23, 2025. Mr. Murphree was born in Cullman County, Alabama, on Aug. 21, 1931, to the late Oncie H. and Dessie Lambert Murphree. Ray was a farmer who loved the land and his cows. He was also a carpenter and worked in the construction industry for over thirty-five years. Ray was a devoted and loving husband to his beloved, Dean, for almost seventy-two years, and his love for his children and grandchildren was evident. His nurturing spirit and concern for others extended to the community where he served as a father figure to many. Mr. Murphree served our nation in the United States Army and his service, and dedication is remembered honorably. Mr. Murphree is preceded in death by his parents; daughter, Susan Murphree; and his brothers, Leonard Murphree, Therman Murphree, Douglas Murphree, Kenneth Murphree, and Bobby Ray Murphree. Ray's memory will be cherished by his wife, Dean Murphree; children, Rebecca Zwiebel, Bruce Murphree, Brett Murphree (Melinda); grandchildren, Kevin Giles, Chris Giles, Carey Giles (Crystal), Dustin Spradlin (Alex); great-grandchildren, Daron Giles, Samantha Giles, Madalyn Giles, Alyssa Giles; sisters, Delba Bright, Glenda Bates, Elaine Simpson; and a host of nieces and nephews, friends and family. Friends are invited to visit with the Murphree family on Wednesday, August 27, 2025, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. A graveside service will follow visitation in Union Grove Cemetery at 1 p.m. with Hermon Lambert officiating. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Murphree family.

Kimberly DeAnne Glover, 49
Kimberly DeAnne Glover was born on March 20, 1976, in Cullman, Alabama to Ricky and Edith Hutchison Glover. Kim loved her family more than anything. She spent her life caring for others as a certified nurse assistant for 28 years. She was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2019. She fought hard and went into remission in 2020. In 2023, she found out that her cancer had returned. She lost her battle and passed from this life at 6:06 on August 23, 2025, at her home in Holly Pond surrounded by her loved ones. She was proceeded in death by her grandparents James and Billie Hutchison Jr. and Dellie Mae Glover. Her grandbabies, baby Wilcutt and baby Wood. And several Aunts and Uncles. She is survived by her parents, Ricky and Edith Hutchison Glover. Furbabies, Fluffy and Tigger. Her brother Tim (Jennifer) Glover. Her children Ryan (Helaina) Wilcutt and Karissa (Brandon) Wood. Her grandchildren Rylar, Ryhatt, Raylon, Charli, Rydian, Jayden and Noah. Her nieces and nephews Gabby (Ryan) Glover, Daniel (Alysa) Cloud, Brayden Cloud, Brooke Dibble, and Lexi Glover. Her great nieces and nephews Caiden, Skylar, Katy, Dillon, Elliot and Braxton. And a host of family and friends. Visitation for Kim will be Friday, Aug. 29, 2025, at Holly Pond Funeral Home at 4:30 p.m. for family and then 5-7 p.m. She will be laid to rest on Saturday, Aug. 30, 2025, at 12 p.m. at Cullman Memory Gardens. Kim's obituary was lovingly written by her daughter. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Glover family.

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Pollinator Party focuses on pollinator conservation

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"This is a citizen science project similar to the Backyard Bird Count. It gives everyday people a chance to help with pollinator conservation by observing and counting pollinators for just 15 minutes," said Dr. Kira Sims, Cullman County Extension director.

Participants chose a flowering plant, watched for pollinators such as bees, butterflies, flies or wasps, and recorded their findings using a data sheet. That information was then uploaded to the census website and will be used by scientists to track pollinator activity across the Southeast.

"This is the first year Alabama has been involved, and we're really excited about that," Sims said. "It's a great way for anyone to participate, especially with accessible spaces like the Agriplex demonstration garden." Sims said she hopes the event will return annually and grow in size as the Agriplex construction wraps up.

The goal was to collect at least one data entry from each Alabama county. "As long as you had a plant and 15 minutes, you could help," Sims said.



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