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Wreaths Across America to include Holly Pond, Duck River and Cullman City Cemetery ceremonies – Dec. 13

Noah Galilee, Gauge Day
The Cullman Tribune

CULLMAN, Ala. — Three Cullman County cemeteries will take part in this year's Wreaths Across America tribute, joining thousands of locations across the country in honoring the men and women who served in the U.S. military.

Ceremonies will be held Saturday, Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. at both Cullman City Cemetery and Holly Pond Cemetery. Duck River Cemetery will also participate, » PAGE 6

On Saturday, Dec. 14, 2024, 1,050 wreaths were placed in remembrance of the men and women who served and sacrificed, thanks to the efforts of dedicated local volunteers. This year's event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 13, at Cullman City Cemetery, Holly Pond Cemetery and Duck River Cemetery. »



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Christmas magic



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Downtown Cullman was filled with wonder as the 2025 Cullman Christkindlmarkt Parade & Tree Lighting took place Friday evening, Nov. 21. Onlookers and delighted children packed the parade route then made their way to Depot Park, where the soaring Christmas tree was officially lit against the backdrop of the bustling Cullman Christkindlmarkt. Famed meteorologist James Spann was the special guest.



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The Link serves up Thanksgiving blessings


ANABELLE HOWZE/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 24

Cullman Tribune staff
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 24, 2025. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Nov. 20

- possession of marijuana; possession of controlled substance; Hwy. 278W
- possession of dangerous drugs; Hwy. 278W
- assault; Ratliff St. NE
- theft of property; Dove Rd.
- domestic violence; menacing; CR 222
- theft of property; CR 870
- burglary; CR 62

Nov. 21

- possession of controlled substance; possession of dangerous drugs; CR 1342
- trespassing; CR 1372
- dog bite; CR 1527
- theft of property; Deranda Ave. SW
- possession of controlled substance; possession of drug paraphernalia; possession of forged instrument; resisting arrest; CR 463
- indecent exposure; CR 399
- harassment; CR 1564

Nov. 22

- theft of property; CR 1148
- theft of property; trespassing; CR 202
- theft of property; CR 1634
- domestic violence-menacing; CR 558
- possession of marijuana; possession of drug paraphernalia; Hwy. 157
- domestic violence; CR 162

Nov. 23

- theft of property; CR 1043
- domestic violence; CR 1518
- domestic violence; CR 1592

ARRESTS

Nov. 20-23

Barnett, Sumer L.; 28

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- possessing forged instrument
- FTA – assault-child abuse-simple-family
- FTA – theft-miscellaneous

Brown, Anthony T.; 39

- FTA – possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Farmer, Kimberly T.; 32

- FTA – financial exploitation of the elderly-1st degree
- FTA – auto theft

Hodge, Michael K.; 35

- FTA – assault-domestic-simple assault-family
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – criminal trespass

Husted, Lacy H.; 41

- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- promote prison contraband (drugs)
- possession of methamphetamine

Johnson, Adam L.; 42

- assault-domestic-simple assault-family

Johnson, Angel D.; 32

- FTA – assault-harassment

Johnson, Justin A.; 36

- DUI (alcohol)
- possession of dangerous drugs

Jones, Alex M.; 38

- VIOLATION OF RELEASE – possession of dangerous drugs

Reynolds, David J.; 45

- VIOLATION OF RELEASE – attempting to elude police officer (2 counts)
- VIOLATION OF RELEASE – assault-aggravated assault-family-strong arm
- VIOLATION OF RELEASE – assault-reckless endangerment

Rivera, Mia A.; 18

- DUI (alcohol)

Smith, April L.; 45

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

Stevens, William S.; 37

- assault-child abuse-simple-family (2 counts)

Thomas, Shane M.; 47

- assault-domestic-harassment-family

Uselton, Adam L.; 35

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – theft-miscellaneous, $500-less than $1500
- FTA – theft-miscellaneous
- FTA – knowing that he does not have the consent of the owner, he takes, operates, exercises control over or otherwise uses a propelled vehicle
- FTA – attempting to elude a police officer
- FTA – public intoxication

Welch, Aaron G.; 37

- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family

Wilbourn, Victor C.; 33

- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- illegal possession of prescription drugs
- possessing forged instrument
- resisting arrest
- GJ – possessing forged instrument
- attempting to elude a police officer (2 counts)
- GJ – counterfeiting

Wynn, Gregory P.; 50

- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or canceled

Wynn, James I.; 27

- possession of marijuana-2nd degree
- possession of drug paraphernalia

Whitehead, Joshua N.; 42

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

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Nov. 21

- harassment; person; Miller St. SW
- theft of property-4th degree; Pepsi Cola Distributing Co.; cash; Hwy. 157

Nov. 22

- theft of property-4th degree; Wal-Mart; general merchandise; $99; Hwy. 157

Nov. 23

- identity theft; person

ARRESTS

Nov. 21-23

Barnett, Sumer L.; 28

- FTA – hindering prosecution-2nd degree
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree

Gomez, Nicolas P.; 20

- domestic violence-3rd degree
- FTA – insurance violation

Lewis, Christian N.; 43

- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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



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Cullman Housing Authority hosting Christmas movie event Dec. 9

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Housing Authority will host a kid-free holiday movie event for residents 18 and older on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at noon at the Hilltop Community Center.

Cullman Housing Authority Executive Director Marquisha Griffin said this is the first time they are hosting this type of event.

"For all the Cullman Housing Authority 'young at heart' residents, join your neighbors for a child-free afternoon of fun and relaxation as we present the holiday favorite 'Elf,'" Griffin said.

"Come and take a break, enjoy some delicious snacks and get into the festive spirit of the season."

For this holiday event, tickets are required.

"Please pick up your ticket at the office by Dec. 1, to reserve your spot," Griffin said.

"Residents can call or drop by the office during normal business hours. We will be showing two movies that day."

For more information, contact the Cullman Housing Authority office at 256-734-6171.

The Hilltop Community Center is located at 1545 Vine Circle SW in Cullman.

Woman (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — A Cullman woman died after being struck by a vehicle Saturday night. Cullman County Coroner Jeremy Kilpatrick said Crystal Lynn Brooks, 48, was pronounced dead at Cullman Regional on Nov. 22, 2025.

Brooks was struck by at least one vehicle on Lessman Street Southwest near Parker Avenue Southwest at approximately 9:55 p.m., according to Kilpatrick.

The Cullman Police Department said officers responded to a report of a pedestrian struck by a vehicle on Lessman Street Southwest near Veigl Avenue.

"Upon arrival, officers identified the pedestrian as Crystal Lynn Brooks, a resident of Cullman. Ms. Brooks was transported to a local hospital, where she later succumbed to her injuries."

The Cullman Police Department's Traffic Homicide Unit is actively investigating the incident. No further details are available at this time.

Link (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman community combined efforts on Saturday, Nov. 22, at The Link of Cullman County's Thanksgiving Meal Kit Drive-Thru event. Local churches, banks and other organizations worked hard to ensure local families will have a memorable Thanksgiving. In all, 361 people came through the distribution line, receiving Thanksgiving bags and donated turkeys.

The community contributed more than 450 bags and 150 turkeys for the event.

"It was amazing, truly a record," said Avery Heis, community outreach coordinator for The Link. "So many people came together to make sure others were taken care of."

Organizers said one of the most meaningful additions to this year's event was a prayer station. Volunteers stood beside the drive-thru line holding signs that read, "Need Prayer?" More than half of the cars stopped.

"That was so amazing," said Tonya Stephens, case intake manager at The Link. "People knew they were going to get taken care of physically, but I don't think they realized how much love and support they have from the community around them."

Stephens shared one moment that struck her deeply. A woman who regularly attends community meals stopped by to pick up a Thanksgiving bag. Her husband has been in the ICU on a ventilator for months.

"Today she told us he spoke for the first time. It may not sound like a big thing, but it is. We've been praying for him, and we've really felt his absence at our meals. Hearing that news was incredible."

"I think that was the biggest takeaway," Heis said. "People genuinely felt loved and cared for, maybe for the first time in a long time."

The Link expressed gratitude to every volunteer, donor and participant who helped make the event possible and successful.



Love (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. — The Cullman Regional Foundation Dr. Herman C. Ensor Lights of Love Ceremony will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 9, at 6 p.m. at St. John's Christ Hall. This year's event will be dedicated to Cullman Regional Hospice patients, as well as in memory of James Edge and in honor of Cindy Ponder.

Giving a gift of love for $20, $40, $60 or more places a light on the Christmas tree at Cullman Regional as a tribute to someone special to you. Your tax-deductible gift will help support the Foundation's mission of advancing healthcare services at Cullman Regional.

Special acknowledgement cards are sent to those who have been honored and to the families of those being remembered. "Special music during the program will be provided by Daystar Praise Team at which time individuals will be recognized," said Maria Stanford, Cullman Regional Foundation executive director. "This event is open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend."



CULLMAN REGIONAL FOUNDATION

Lights of Love 2025 honoree Cindy Ponder

Donations may be contributed throughout the entire holiday season, and gifts received by Dec. 8 will be included in the special ceremony. Contributions may be made in memory or in honor of individuals.

Donate online at www.cullmanregional.com/foundation/events or call the Foundation at 256-737-2565 for more information.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Submit your calendar items or public notices to wendy@cullmantribune.com

The Poetry of Recovery: Recovery Support Group
Every Saturday at 10 a.m. at 514 Cleveland Ave. SW in Cullman. Facebook/The Poetry of Recovery. Contact Jeff at 727-542-6413 or John at 256-636-0612.

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.

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.

Church Services: Spirit Life Church of GOD
• 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
• Wednesday, Nov. 26 – Classes canceled. Happy Thanksgiving!
• Friday, Nov. 28 – 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, Nov. 30 – 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.

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.

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, Dec. 3, at 10 a.m. "Let it Shine Puppets" presents a song and dance Christmas presentation
• Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 10 a.m. Agriplex-the sweet smells of Christmas, an evergreen program
• Wednesday, Dec. 10, at 10 a.m. Christmas Dinner everyone to bring a food dish
• Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 10 a.m. Mrs. Santa & author Dorenda Doyle "The kid and the dog" take your picture with Mrs. Santa
• Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 10 a.m. New Year's theme storytime

North Alabama Agriplex Programs
• www.agriplex.org
• Thursday, Dec. 4, 9-11 a.m., Heritage Homeschool Elementary - Winter Wonderland Terrarium. In this hands-on workshop, you'll combine creativity and nature to construct your own enchanting miniature landscape with fun seasonal elements. $15 fee/max $30 per family.
• Thursday, Dec. 4, noon-2 p.m., Heritage Homeschool Secondary - Keepsake Resin Ornaments. In this hands-on class, you'll learn how to create personalized ornaments that preserve something special to you! Bring a treasure, all other supplies provided. $20 per person.
• Saturday, Dec. 6, 2 p.m., Living Landscapes - Wreath- Make and Take. Make your own reusable grapevine wreath using Cullman County grapevine. Decorate your base with native greenery and nature's bounty for a stunning holiday garland. $35 per person.
• Friday, Dec. 12, 10-11 a.m., Little Farmers - The Hat. 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 per child, max $16 per family.
• Saturday, Dec. 13, 9-10:30 a.m., Farm Kids Club - Cozy Craft & Cookie Decorating. Settle in, craft up something cozy, then try your hand at Christmas cookie decorating. Take home treats and a few new skills. $20 per person.

Cullman Christkindlmarkt
Through Dec. 23 | Thursday-Saturday, 11 a.m.- 9 p.m. | Sundays, noon- 8 p.m. | Open seven days a week beginning Dec. 11 | Admission: Free | www.cullmanchristkindlmarkt.com

7th Annual Christmas at the Grotto
Nov. 28-30, Dec. 4-7, Dec. 11-23 | 11 a.m.- 9 p.m., Thursday-Saturday and noon-8 p.m., Sundays; lights on at 5 p.m. | Ave Maria Grotto | Admission: Adults $12 | Seniors $10 | Military/first responders $9 | Teens (13–17) $10 | Kids (5–12) $9 | Kids 4 and younger FREE | Wagon rides (Dec 13 and 14 only) $5. Don't miss the Grotto's BIG weekend Dec 13 and 14! Live music, food trucks, horse-drawn wagon rides and Santa!

23rd Annual Winter Wonderland Christmas Light Display at Sportsman Lake Park
Nov. 28-30, Dec. 3-7, Dec. 10-23, Dec. 26-28 (Christmas lights only), 5-9 p.m. at Sportsman Lake Park. Admission is $10 per car and $20 per bus. Enjoy a drive-through Christmas light display. Santa will be here, and there will be horse and carriage rides on select nights and we will have our magical Christmas Train rides!

36th Annual Cullman County Christmas Parade
Saturday, Dec. 6, at noon. Route: Michele Street and U.S. Highway 31 South to Park Street, ending at Veterans Park. Admission: Free. Bring your family and friends to enjoy the holiday spirit as floats, bands and community groups fill the streets with Christmas cheer! Presented by the Hanceville Civitan Club.

Baileyton Senior Center Community Christmas
Saturday, Dec. 6, from 5:30-8 p.m. Everyone welcome! Hot dogs, chips, popcorn, sno-cones and drinks. Free picture with Santa! Each child will receive a candy bag and a gift.

Baldwin Heights Baptist Church Warm Clothing Giveaway
Sunday, Dec. 7, from 2-4 p.m. The church is located at 2489 U.S. Highway 278 West in the Baldwin community, which is about 2 miles from Cullman.

NARFE December Meeting
The December meeting of the Cullman Chapter of NARFE, for all active and retired federal employees and spouses, is Monday, Dec. 8, at Freddie Day Catering. The program will be a game of dirty Santa. Suggested gift price $15. Dutch lunch at 11 a.m. prior to program at noon.

Good Hope Christmas Parade and Christmas in the Park
Saturday, Dec. 13, at 2 p.m. Route: Good Hope High School to Municipal Park. Admission: Free. Christmas in the Park will follow immediately after the parade. This year's theme is "Country Christmas."

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Christmas Singing
Sunday, Dec. 14, at 5 p.m. with The Kellys from Lawrenceburg, Tennessee. The church is located on U.S. Highway 278 East, approximately 2 miles east of Holly Pond on the left. For more information, call 256-339-1863 or 256-590-1501. Everyone is invited.

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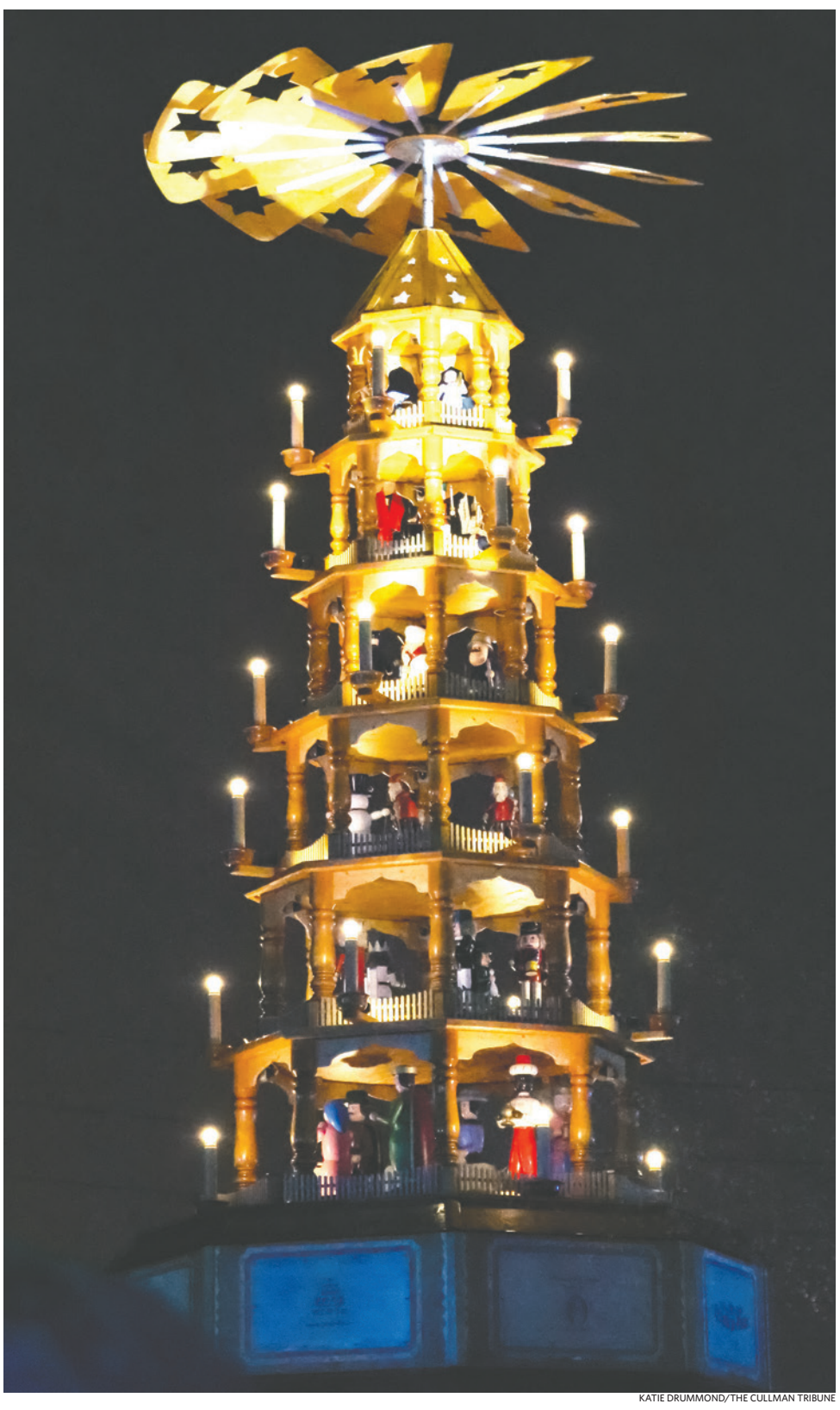

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HOT price

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HOT price

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HOT price

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2 for $6



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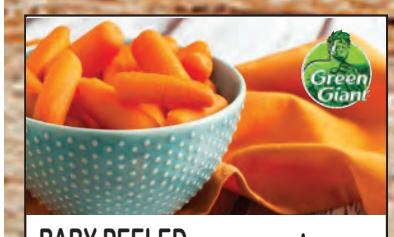
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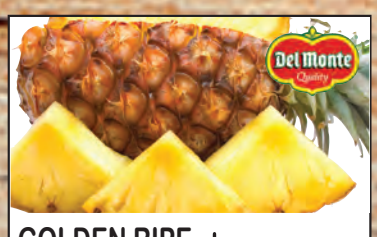
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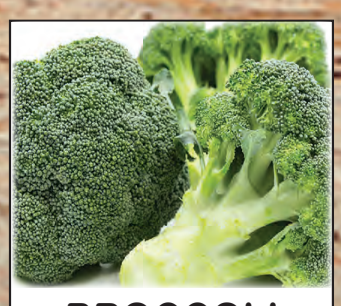
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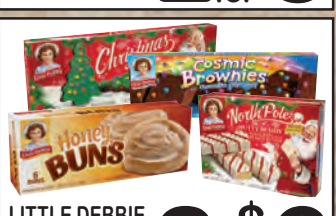
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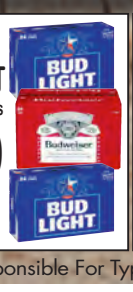
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Wonderland Under Warrior returns to Rickwood Caverns State Park

Ala. Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources

WARRIOR, Ala. — For the ninth straight year, Rickwood Caverns State Park will become a walkable holiday extravaganza known as Wonderland Under Warrior. The immersive attraction is filled with holiday lights and characters designed to captivate the imagination of children of all ages.

"This is the most exciting time of the year at Rickwood Caverns State Park," Park Manager Emily Davis said.

"Every year, we see the impact of Wonderland Under Warrior through the smiles of children and their parents. This attraction showcases the magic of the holiday season in a truly unique way. We can't wait for people to see what we have for them this year."

Wonderland Under Warrior runs through Jan. 4, 2026. Santa Claus will be available for photos in the park's Nature Center beginning Friday, Nov. 28, the day after Thanksgiving, and is scheduled to be there daily through Dec. 22.

This year, Wonderland Under Warrior will also be open on New Year's Day.

Reservations can be made online, and a complete schedule for this year's Wonderland Under Warrior can be found on Rickwood Caverns State Park's website.

Reservations can also be made by calling the park at 205-647-9692. Regular cave tours will resume in January 2026.

"If you and your family have never experienced Wonderland Under Warrior, we encourage you to make the trip this year," Davis said. "You won't be disappointed."



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Wonderland Under Warrior offers a self-guided tour through a series of holiday-themed rooms, featuring a winter wonderland filled with elf villages, dancing lights, glacier ice caverns and more. Different characters fill each room to provide unique holiday adventure.

The Wonderland experience begins when visitors enter the park, with an incredible display of holiday lights outside the cave system and leading to the cave entrance. Many guests prefer to arrive after dark, allowing time to enjoy the full splendor of the outdoor light display.

Once inside, the self-guided tour goes for about a half mile into the cave system before returning. Park officials encourage visitors to wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes suitable for hiking and to make reservations in advance.

"This really is a must-see holiday experience," said Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Commissioner Chris Blankenship. "It's hard to describe how the holiday lights combine with the cave's natural beauty to create a truly magical experience."

The attraction will be closed on some days, including Thanksgiving Day, which is Thursday, Nov. 27; Christmas Eve and Christmas Day; New Year's Eve, Dec. 31; and most Mondays and Tuesdays in December.

Rickwood Caverns State Park is located just off Interstate 65 in Warrior, about 30 miles north of downtown Birmingham and about 75 miles south of Huntsville.

Learn more at www.alapark.com/parks/rickwood-caverns-state-park/wonderland-under-warrior.



Wreaths (from Front)

with its wreath placement ceremony beginning at noon in partnership with the national program.

The annual effort ensures fallen service members are remembered during the holiday season through the placement of evergreen wreaths and the reading of each veteran's name aloud.

This year, Cullman supporters surpassed expectations with 1,410 wreaths sponsored, 12.8% over the goal, exceeding it by 160 wreaths to date. Each wreath costs $17, with proceeds covering the production and delivery of wreaths for veterans in every participating cemetery.

For Anita Winslow, treasurer of the Dripping Springs Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution and longtime local coordinator, the mission is deeply rooted in family, history and gratitude.

"Growing up in Cullman, I was aware of several veterans in my life from an early age," Winslow said. "I have veterans in my family from current conflicts all the way back to the Revolutionary War – cousins, uncles, grandfathers, my father-in-law and my dad. Friends from high school and college who chose to join the U.S. military. Some of these people never came home. I have an uncle who died during WWII and is buried in Luxembourg; he was from Cullman.

"My dad, Larry 'Danny' Farr, was a veteran of the United States Army, Vietnam. He was involved with several veterans' organizations and with Wreaths Across America, offering wreaths to church members, friends and family. My father-in-law, John (Jack) Winslow, was a retired United States Air Force Tech Sergeant," she shared.

"Both men have died in the last few years, but both were patriotic in their own way. What I do each year with Wreaths Across America is a way to honor all of these people and what they believed in."

Winslow added that the meaning of the ceremony becomes even more profound during the holiday season.

"Christmastime and the holiday season, I believe, is when we really realize what they gave up; that's why placing these wreaths every year is so important. It's a time to reflect and say thank you," she explained. "Remembering these men and women and honoring their service and sacrifice with a wreath is just a small token of my appreciation."

As personal as the tradition is for Winslow, she emphasized that Wreaths Across America has grown into a collective effort, one that the entire community now works toward together.

The support from Cullman residents, churches, civic groups and businesses has transformed what began as a small remembrance into a countywide movement.

"About 300 wreaths were placed the first year," she said. "Each year, we have gotten closer to our goal of a wreath for every veteran buried in Cullman City Cemetery. Last year, we placed 1,050 wreaths, but were still short of covering every veteran's grave.

"We knew this year we would have to start early and work harder to reach our goal. That's where the businesses and community members have been amazing," she stated. "The corporate, small business, organizational and personal donations that were made in the last year have made it possible to reach our goal this year."

Winslow said that continued collaboration with local veteran and civic organizations has helped turn Wreaths Across America into a true community project.

"We couldn't do it without them," she noted, adding that the long-term vision is to expand their reach. Their hope for next year, she said, is "to have enough donations and wreaths sponsored to cover additional cemeteries in Cullman" so even more veterans across the county can be honored.

"Remember the fallen. Honor those who serve. Teach the next generation the value of freedom. That's the mission of Wreaths Across America," she added.

"Placing the wreath, saying the name of the veteran aloud and thanking them for their service makes it a personal experience," Winslow said.

"When you see a mom or dad walking with a child helping them place a wreath, or a group of veterans sharing stories, there is a feeling of community, of something bigger than ourselves.

"We have veterans of all ages and many generations buried in our cemeteries, but we also have veterans who need our help that are living here in Cullman," she explained.

"When you see everyone coming out to remember their fallen veterans, I hope it reminds us we should remember to support all of our veterans."

With that increased momentum and strong community support behind it, Holly Pond Cemetery will host its first Wreaths Across America ceremony this year, while Duck River Cemetery will hold its second, allowing more than 400 additional veterans to be honored.

Holly Pond volunteer coordinator Amber Lambert echoed Winslow's appreciation for community involvement in a community post on the Holly Pond Funeral Home Facebook page.

"Both Duck River Cemetery and Holly Pond Cemetery will be joining with cemeteries across the nation this holiday season to participate in Wreaths Across America," Lambert said. "Each wreath costs $17, and no service member will go without a wreath. They also need family members and members of the community to help honor those we love and appreciate."

She added that the Holly Pond ceremony will include a short service before volunteers place wreaths throughout the cemetery, where they will remain throughout the holiday season.

"They are inviting us as both family members and the community to participate in this beautiful tribute," she said.

"Community members, there will be service members with no family in attendance," she added. "Will you stand in for their family and lay a wreath on their grave for them?"

She also expressed gratitude to the local cemetery officials and volunteers who maintain these grounds year-round, describing their work as a labor of love.

Those wishing to sponsor a wreath or sign up to volunteer can do so at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org.

Failures (from Front)



Joe Hobby
Tribune Contributor

Ah, Thanksgiving — the holiday built around gratitude, family and, of course, food. I could add football to the list, but most games on Thanksgiving are so dull they just hasten the inevitable post-meal nap.

It's definitely an American holiday that's based on abundance. Every November, families gather around dining room tables that groan under the weight of golden turkeys, dressing, spiral ham, buttery mashed potatoes and assorted homemade casseroles.

But lurking among these beloved dishes, hiding beside your mom's mac-and-cheese and grandma's field peas, are a couple of culinary outliers, foods that inspire grimaces — not gratitude.

Of course, I'm talking about fruitcake and green bean casserole. If a Pilgrim wife had brought a fruitcake and a green bean casserole to the first Thanksgiving feast, the Indians might've killed them all on the spot.

Although they may be served with the best intentions, these dishes usually end up as punchlines in family jokes, uneaten leftovers or, in the case of fruitcake, boat anchors. I get indigestion just looking at them.

Let's start with fruitcake, the undisputed heavyweight champion of holiday meal hatred. Though it's technically a Christmas dessert, fruitcake makes its debut around Thanksgiving, as if trying to extend its reign of terror.

At its core, fruitcake is a dense loaf packed with nuts, spices and candied fruits that look suspiciously like they've been marinating since the Carter administration.

I wouldn't be surprised if the expiration date on this year's inventory was 2057. Some recipes call for soaking it in rum or brandy, perhaps to make it edible, or more likely, to dull the senses of whomever decides to eat it.

For centuries, fruitcake has been gifted, regifted and eventually used as a door stop in family homes.

There's a famous joke that suggests there's actually only one fruitcake in existence that keeps getting passed around year after year. Despite its long history, it remains the dessert that nobody wants but everyone feels obligated to have on the table, like some kind of gross display you might see in a museum of medical history. For goodness sake, just make a pecan pie instead.

Then there's the green bean casserole, which I find the most disgusting of all the Thanksgiving side dishes.

It was created in 1955 by a Campbell's Soup test kitchen as a way to sell more cream of mushroom soup, and boy, did that ever work.

Campbell's says 60% of its annual canned mushroom soup is sold during the holiday season.

This is the time of year when millions of Americans dutifully mix canned green beans (yuck), cream of mushroom soup and crispy fried onions into a concoction that maxes out on the gross scale.

The problem isn't just the taste; it's the texture. The green beans are limp, and when you mix them with the cream of mushroom soup, you get something that looks and tastes like algae-infused quicksand.

The crispy onions on top are the only reason anyone dares to even takes a bite of this stuff. I suppose it has some kind of nostalgic charm because everyone says, "It wouldn't be Thanksgiving without it."

These are the same people who push it around their plates while hoping someone else finishes it — which they don't. My dogs even turn and run when I put it in their dish. And keep in mind, dogs have no problem licking their own posterior.

So why do these two dishes still exist? Partly because tradition and guilt are powerful forces.

Aunt Eileen would never forgive you if you didn't try some of her "famous" green bean casserole. And perhaps Thanksgiving is, in part, about honoring the foods that have appeared on family tables for generations, even if those foods are barely touched. In a strange way, the very fact that people don't like these dishes has made them a part of the holiday's tradition.

They give everyone something to laugh about, to politely decline, and a reason to be thankful that it's only served around the holidays.

In the end, Thanksgiving wouldn't quite be the same without these gastronomical misfits. They kind of balance out things. For every perfectly prepared golden turkey, there must be a gummy slice of fruitcake.

For every bowl of homemade mashed potatoes, there must be a dish of green bean casserole.

They may not delight the palate, but they remind us that the holiday isn't just about the food; it's about family, laughter and the stories that come from enduring the occasional culinary catastrophe.

After all, if everything tasted good, what would we talk about for the rest of the year?

And it's only a few weeks until Christmas dinner when I'll have to face both of them again, along with the cranberry sauce. That is another story for another time.

Joe Hobby is a barbecue-loving comedian from Alabama who wrote for Jay Leno for many years. Find more of Joe's stories on his blog: www.mylifeasahobby.blogspot.com. Follow him on Facebook at Joe Hobby Comedian-Writer.

LEGALS

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of *
PATSY G. NARRELL, * **CASE NO. PC2025-427**
Deceased. *

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is hereby given that a verified Petition for Summary Distribution has been filed by Mark Narrell on November 14, 2025.

Thirty (30) days after the notice of publication hereof and pursuant to the law of Alabama, the Court shall be requested to enter an order directing summary distribution of the estate of said decedent.

Dated this the 21st day of November, 2025.

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

TO PUBLISHER: *The Cullman Tribune*

Please publish the above notice **ONE TIME** in said newspaper, and thereafter file with the Court a copy of the notice so published and an affidavit of publication.

Done this the 21st day of November, 2025.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage executed by CLIFTON D. FOWLER and wife, MARTHA MICHELLE FOWLER, to Traditions Bank, as follows: mortgage securing the property described below, said Mortgage dated August 8, 2022, and recorded on August 12, 2022, in Mortgage Book 2024 Page 541 in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Cullman County, Alabama, as modified by that Modification of Mortgage dated January 27, 2024, and recorded on February 8, 2024 in Mortgage Book 2074 Page 285 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 mortgage, 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 3rd day of December, 2025, between the legal hours of sale, the following described real estate situated in Cullman County, Alabama, to-wit:

A part of the Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 10 South, Range 5 West, more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said quarter-quarter; thence West along the North quarter line 600 feet to the P.O.B.; thence South along Shirley Stein's property line to North Right of Way of a county road; thence Southwesterly along North Right of Way of said county road 200 feet to a point; thence North to the North quarter line to a point that is 200 feet West of P.O.B; thence East along the North quarter line back to the P.O.B. Lying and being in Cullman County, Alabama. Otherwise known as 702 County Road 842, Cullman, AL 35057, Cullman County.

Also

One (1) Brown/White 1986 Mays Enterprises FD-10 Mobile Home bearing serial number MAL3554; whether now owned or hereafter acquired, including all attachments, accessions, accessories, fittings, increases, tools, parts, repairs, supplies, additions, replacements of and substitutions for all or any part of the foregoing property, and proceeds thereof, wherever located. Any and all insurance refunds relating to the foregoing property.

Property Address: 702 County Road 842, Cullman, AL 35057

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

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STATE OF ALABAMA	*	IN THE PROBATE COURT
CULLMAN COUNTY	*	CASE NO. PC 2025-405

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF RHONDA KAY MOTES, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to Christy McGriff Atchley on the 21st day of November, 2025, by the Hon. Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Christy McGriff Atchley
Personal Representative

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF *
RONALD DALE WOODARD, * **CASE NO.: PC2025-412**
Deceased.

NOTICE OF HEARING
PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

TO: SAVANNA BURGETT
ETHAN BURGETT

ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN NEXT-OF-KIN OR INTERESTED PARTIES

Please take notice that a hearing on the *Petition for Probate of Will,* filed by Shawna W. Norman and Jennifer W. Arndt, Petitioners, by and through their Attorney of record, Sherry H. Barrett, is set for a hearing on the **10th day of February, 2026, at 10:00 am**. Before Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate, Cullman County Courthouse, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman, Alabama 35055.

Done this the 21st day of November, 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 is said newspaper.

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On Monday December 1, 2025, at Cullman City Hall Auditorium at 5:30 P.M, at the regular meeting of the City of Cullman Planning Commission, a public hearing will be held to allow affected parties to voice their concerns related to the following items:

1. Short form subdivision at 1400 Olive Street SW to move lot line
2. Short form subdivision – Main Avenue SW – City Cemetery – two lots
3. Rezoning request at 2211 2nd Avenue NW – R-1 to B-3
4. Short form subdivision – 1536 4th Street SW – combine two lots into one lot
5. Short form subdivision – 3rd Street SE – combine three lots into one lot
6. Conditional use request at 1451 11th Street SE – Foundation of Jesus Church
7. Rezoning request on Ellsworth Drive SW – AG-1 to R-3
8. Conditional use request on 3rd Street SE for a gas station
9. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 62, Article III, Section 62-32
10. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 62, Article XI, Section 62-163
11. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 62, Article XI, Section 62-165
12. Short form subdivision request at 1501 1st Street NW – create 4 lots
13. Short form subdivision request on County Road 1466 to create 4 lots

For further information contact Brian Landreth or Amber Duke at the City of Cullı Building Department at 256-775-7203.

Obituary Announcements: Nov. 22-24

Elois Wynema Carden, 76

Funeral services for Elois Wynema Carden, 76, of Cullman were at 12 p.m. Monday, November 24th at Hanceville Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed the service at Spring Hill Cemetery. Bro. Alton Bailey officiated services. Elois was born on Tuesday, November 30, 1948, and passed away on Thursday, November 20, 2025. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother. She had many passions which included her career as a nurse, traveling with her husband of 43 years, baking and shopping with her daughter and granddaughter. She was an avid reader and a devoted member of her church. Mrs. Carden was preceded in death by her father, Richard Louis Copeland; mother, Etha Viola Hill; and brothers, Richard "Elvis" Copeland and Louie Artis "Pete" Copeland. Survivors include her husband, Truman "Nathan" Carden; daughter, Janet (David) Denton; son, Alton "Scotty" Reynolds; grandchildren, Andrew Filyaw, Amanda (Josh) Crawford and Kieran Denton; great grandchildren, Nylia Filyaw, Payton Crawford, Brooklyn Crawford and Savannah Crawford; siblings, Edith (Julian) Oats and Blanch (Charles) Thomas; and a host of many nieces and nephews. Serving as pallbearers were be Andrew Filyaw, Josh Crawford, Matt Filyaw and Justin Merritt. Hanceville Funeral Home is honored to serve the Carden Family.

Pamela Renee Ayers King, 64

Pamela Renee "Renee" Ayers King, age 64, passed away on November 21, 2025. Originally from Hanceville, Alabama, Renee made her home for many years in Blountsville and Cullman, where she lived a good life surrounded by the people she loved. She was born on February 13, 1961, at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, to the late Fay Reen Tucker and the late Donald Jasper Ayers. Renee is survived by her children, Derek Allen King (Shanna), Seth Adam King (Candace), and Justin Wade King (Danielle); her grandchildren, Anna Leigh King, Jordan King (Michigan), Isaiah King, Annabell King, Henry King; and her great-grandchildren, Jaycee King and Sarah King. She is also survived by her sisters, Michelle Ayers Morton (Glenn) and Leah Monica Ayers Blalock, along with a host of nieces and nephews who loved her dearly. A devoted homemaker, Renee also spent many years as a bus driver for J.B. Pennington School, where she was known for her straightforward kindness and easy warmth. She coached, worked concessions, and was an all-around good team mom who stayed involved in all of her boys' sports. Renee had a bright, cheerful spirit and a smile that could fill a room. She was full of funny stories, loved snuggles and thunderstorms, and never turned down a good scary movie. Above all, she was most proud of her three sons—the men they became, the husbands and fathers they are, and the families they built. They were truly her greatest joy. Services were held Monday, November 24, at Holly Pond Funeral Home. Visitation was from 12:30 p.m. to 2 p.m., with the service following in the chapel. Renee will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. Obituary provided by the King family. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the King family.

Richard Lewis LeCroy, 79

Graveside service for Richard Lewis LeCroy, 79, of Cullman will be at 3 p.m., Friday, November 28, 2025, at Fairview Methodist Cemetery, Bro. Richard Saylor officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 2-2:45 p.m. on Friday. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Mr. LeCroy passed away Saturday, November 22, 2025, at Summerford Nursing Home. He was born April 14, 1946, to Claude Lewis and Willie Mae Love LeCroy. He was a truck driver for 50 years. He loved to watch racing. His world was his family. He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 52 years, Barbara LeCroy; a son, Justin LeCroy, and a brother, Greg LeCroy. Survivors include his son, Brandon (Bobbie Kay) LeCroy; sister, Brenda (Larry) Curl; grandchildren, Caleb (Megan) Alexander, Lexi LeCroy, Bryant Birdsell; great-grandson, Grayson Alexander; family and friends. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Donual Barnett, 76

Funeral service for Donual Barnett, age 76, of Cullman, was Monday, November 24, 2025, at 2 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home chapel, with Bro. Malcolm Carter officiating. Visitation was held Sunday, November 23, 2025, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Cullman Heritage Funeral Home chapel and Mr. Barnett lied in state on Monday from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. prior to the service. Interment was at Center Grove Cemetery. Cullman Heritage Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements. Mr. Barnett passed away on Friday, November 21, 2025, at his home. He was born on April 10, 1949. Donual was a loving, Godly man, who loved his wife, children, grandchildren, family, and friends. He loved to be outside. He loved hunting, fishing, planting the garden, and piddling in his barn. He retired from Cullman Cabinet in 2023, after 48 years. He will be greatly missed. Survivors include his wife of 53 years, Connie Sue Barnett; two children, Felicia (Nickie) Hall, and Brian (Keeshia) Barnett; two sisters, Gleta (Allen) McClure, and Melissa (Jeff) Nash; five grandchildren, Caiden Hall, Jocelyn Barnett, Braylee Barnett, Grayson Hall, and Hunter Claire Barnett; a host of nieces and nephews, family and friends. Serving as pallbearers will be Caiden Hall, Carl Harville, Scott McClure, Christopher McClure, Wayne Chumbley, Gavin Young, and Grayson Hall.

Melba Fay Clark, 80

Melba Fay Clark, known to most as Fay, passed away on November 22, 2025, surrounded by her family. Ms. Fay was born in the Joppa area of Cullman County, Alabama, on February 8, 1945, to the late William Searcy and Vergie Gladys Cornelius Stidham. Ms. Fay was one of those people who never met a stranger. She genuinely cared for people and her love for them was evident. Ms. Clark never said a bad word about anyone. She chose to uplift and encourage rather than speak unkindly of anyone. Fay was a sweetheart who made friends easily and you knew her love for you was sincere. Her "hey girl" brought a smile when you needed it most, and her infectious spirit could cheer up the most discouraged person. Fay made everything fun and her true joy for life will be missed. Ms. Fay worked as a clerk for BellSouth Telecommunications for 30 years. After retiring from BellSouth, Fay worked at Warehouse Discount Groceries where many of her friendships included people much younger than herself. Her fun-loving personality made her a favorite to all her coworkers, regardless of the age difference. Ms. Fay was dedicated to her church home as long as her health allowed her to attend. She cherished her time spent with the WMU ladies of Center Point Baptist Church and she enjoyed their many acts of service to the community. Fay enjoyed cooking and baking. She collected cookbooks that she read more like a novel rather than a recipe book. As much as Fay enjoyed baking, traveling was her true passion vacationing with her husband and family. Ms. Fay enjoyed photography, and her family says she was the inventor of the selfie long before cellphones became available. Fay could be found carrying more than one camera at a time, and she often took pictures with both cameras at the same time. Many times, she was holding the camera where the pictures would include her in the shot. As much as Fay enjoyed friends, church, and work relationships, nothing compared to being a wife, mother, and Memaw. Ms. Clark was married to her beloved for forty-seven years, raised two daughters, and was enjoying spoiling her brood of grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She delighted in her family and her love for them was evident. The legacy Fay leaves of kindness, compassion, joy, and faith will live on through her family for generations to come. Ms. Clark is preceded in death by her parents, and her siblings, Delton Stidham, Windell Stidham, Vergie Kicker, and Glenda Jimmerson. Those left to cherish the memory of Fay include her husband, Mike Clark; daughters, Karen Clark Crowe (Steve), Micah Clark Kitchens (Shane); six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren with another to arrive any day; and a host of family and friends. Friends are invited to join the Clark family on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel for a time of visitation beginning at 11 a.m. followed by funeral services at 1 p.m., with Pastor Jeffery Folds officiating. Ms. Clark will be laid to rest in Center Point Baptist Church Cemetery following services. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Clark family.

John Kirkpatrick, 89

Mr. Johnny "John" M. Kirkpatrick of Cullman passed away on November 22, 2025, at the age of 89. He was born on July 1, 1936, in Hueytown, Alabama to William Clayton and Mary Pauline King Kirkpatrick. Mr. Kirkpatrick worked for and retired from The Alabama State Troopers after 32 years of service as SGT. Johnny Kirkpatrick. Visitation will be on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 1 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow services in Cullman City Cemetery. Survivors are. Wife: Pat Kirkpatrick, Sons: Kenneth (Tammy) Kirkpatrick, Robert (Tracey) Kirkpatrick, Daughters: Kimberly Johnston, Kelly (Bradley) Askew, Sister: Mary Ann Kirkpatrick, 6 Grandchildren and 5 Great Grandchildren. He was known to most as Johnny but one of his favorite titles was Poppy. He loved time with family, his many years of traveling with his wife and time with his sweet church family at 7th Street Baptist Church. He was loved by so many and will be dearly missed. Visitation will be on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Moss Service Funeral Home. Please share condolences and memories with the family at www.mossservicefh.com. Moss Service Funeral Home directing.

Faye Elnora McGriff, 99

Faye McGriff transitioned from her life on earth and joined her husband, Dewel, in heaven November 22, 2025. She was 99 years old. She was born on May 3, 1926, in Akron, Ohio, to George Hardy Hunter and Mary Pluma Phillips. The Hunter Family was from Winston County, Alabama. She started school in Addison, Alabama, and finished at Holly Pond High School in 1945. She served as a substitute teacher briefly before marrying Dewel McGriff in April,1947. Together they raised a son and three daughters and shared a wonderful life together for over 72 years, until his passing in 2019. She was a long-time member of New Hope #2 Baptist Church, Holly Pond. She loved to cook, sew, quilt, and play cards. She and Dewel travelled all over the country camping for 20 plus years of their retirement. She canned fruits and vegetables for most of her life. She cherished her family and friends, especially her grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Daisy (A.J.) Thomas, Eulene (J.D.) Harper; brothers, Ishmael (Doris) Hunter, Loyd (Ellie) Hunter; sister-in-law, Ezma (Grady) Reid; brothers-in-law, Ovis (Jo) McGriff, Feltus (Faynell) McGriff, Milton (Louise) McGriff, Herman Barnett, Jerry White; father-in-law, James M. McGriff; and mother-in-law, Ila Hart McGriff. She is survived by her children, Billy (Marti) McGriff, Joan (Edward) Polly, Vicky Richardson, Renee (Bobby) Greenhill; sisters-in-law, Elna Barnett, Carol White; nine grandchildren, Beth McGriff, Jim (Christy) McGriff, Melissa Polly, Chris Polly, Angela Sutton, Scott (Stacy Spears) Richardson, Josh Greenhill, Lauren (Matt) Feury, Anna Beth (Devan) Traglia; eight great grandchildren, and a host of nieces, nephews, other family, and friends. Pall bearers will be: Chris Polly, Jim McGriff, Scott Richardson, Josh Greenhill, James Brandon Sutton, and Bobby Greenhill. Funeral service and interment will be Tuesday, November 25, 2025, at New Hope #2 Baptist Church in Holly Pond. Visitation will be 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. followed by service at 1 p.m., with Rev. Ralph McGowan officiating.

Katherine Short, 72

Katherine Short, age 72 of Bremen, Alabama, passed away on Saturday, November 22, 2025, at UAB Palliative Care. She was born October 10, 1953, to Bill Brookshire and Betty Dowdy Brookshire. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Debbie Brookshire. Survivors include her husband, Harry Short; sons, Jason (Winter) Short, Nathan (Debbie) Short; grandchildren, Kylen Short, Adelyn Short, Anden Short; brother, William (Marie) Brookshire; sister, Pam (Dave) Dempsey and her loving pet, Bear. Katherine was the ROCK of our family and will be sorely missed by us all. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Beverly Ann Killough, 78

Beverly Ann McFall Killough, 78, of Cullman, Alabama, passed away on Sunday morning, November 23, 2025. Ms. Killough was born to James Bruce and Veda Kizar Bingham McFall on May 15, 1947, in Jefferson County, Alabama. Ms. Beverly was a longtime member of Hueytown Methodist Church. She retired from Cullman Podiatry where she worked as a transcriptionist. Beverly and her husband, John, lived in several states across the south before returning home to Alabama. Ms. Beverly was very active in previous years with her children's activities supporting them throughout their time in Scouts, Band, 4-H and more as well as their friends. She was an avid reader and enjoyed crocheting, sewing, cooking and making chocolates as well as keeping up with her many extended family members and friends via Facebook. She and John have three children, four grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren – all of whom Beverly loved dearly. Mrs. Killough is preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Ona May Harrell. She is survived by her husband, John D. Killough; children, John S. Killough (Kelleen), David E. Killough, Terrie A. Killough Larkins; brother, Jimmy McFall (Susan); four grandchildren; Meghan (Chandler), Collin (Melia), Ashlyn, and Jayden (Hunter); and three great-grandchildren, Oliver, Charlotte and Beckett Funeral services for Ms. Killough are 2 p.m., Friday, November 28, 2025. Friends are invited to visit with the family prior to services, from 1 p.m. until services begin. All services will be held in the Holly Pond Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in Holly Pond Cemetery. Holly Pond Funeral Home is honored to serve the Killough family.

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