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Walker, Barnett sworn in as newest Cullman County commissioners

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Kenneth Walker and Richard Barnett were officially sworn in Wednesday morning, Nov. 11, as the newest members of the Cullman County Commission.

The two commissioners succeed longtime Commissioners Kerry Watson and Garry Marchman, who each served 12 years.

Walker (who served as Commission chairman from 2012-2020) will represent District 1, while Barnett will represent District 2.

As members of the Commission, Walker and Barnett will be responsible for helping oversee county operations, infrastructure improvements, public services and budgetary decisions that affect residents throughout Cullman County.

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CULLMAN COUNTY COMMISSION/FACEBOOK

Kenneth Walker (left) and Richard Barnett (right) were officially sworn in Wednesday morning, Nov. 11, 2026, as the newest members of the Cullman County Commission.

'Designer Bag Bingo is about much more than handbags and bingo'



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United Way of Cullman County's Designer Bag Bingo was held Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026, at Cotton Creek Venue in Cullman.

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CULLMAN, Ala. - United Way of Cullman County's Designer Bag Bingo was held Thursday, Nov. 12, 2026, at Cotton Creek Venue in Cullman.

Executive Director Tyler Hooper said they were incredibly pleased with the turnout for annual event.

"It was wonderful to see so many people come together for a fun evening in support of United Way of Cullman County and our partner agencies and programs," Hooper said. "I enjoyed looking around the room and seeing everyone having such a great time, knowing that their participation was helping us continue making a difference in our community. We're truly grateful to everyone who attended, purchased a ticket, sponsored the event, donated a handbag or raffle prize or volunteered their time. It takes a lot of people coming together to make an event like this possible, and we certainly couldn't do it without the generosity and support of this community."

Hooper said Designer Bag Bingo began in 2019 and has grown into one of United Way of Cullman County's largest and most anticipated annual fundraising events.

"One of the most meaningful moments for me was having the opportunity to recognize each of our 17 partner agencies and programs, with representatives joining us for the recognition," he said. » PAGE 4



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CRIME

Arrests and incidents reported Nov. 13

Staff Reports
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CULLMAN, Ala. – Below are the arrests and incidents reported Nov. 13, 2026. All persons are innocent until proven guilty.

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

CULLMAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

INCIDENTS

Nov. 9

- theft of property; Beech Grove Rd.
- trespassing; Michelle St. NW
- domestic violence; CR 715
- harassing communications; CR 1490
- theft of property; Hwy. 157

Nov. 10

- possession of controlled substances; possession of drug paraphernalia; obstructing governmental operations; CR 578
- theft of property; CR 946
- assault; CR 437
- criminal mischief; Commercial St. NE
- unlawful breaking and entering motor vehicle; CR 216
- burglary; Commercial St. NE
- burglary; CR 1763

Nov. 11

- criminal mischief; CR 1807
- harassing communications; CR 1269
- harassing communications; CR 1114
- theft of property; Main St. NE Hanceville
- theft of property; CR 109
- theft of property; CR 222
- possession of drug paraphernalia; tampering with physical evidence; CR 437

ARRESTS

Nov. 9-12

Alexander, Jacob H.; 19
- assailt-2nd degree – with intent to cause physical injury to health care worker during or as a result of performance of duty

Boone, Timothy A.; 32
- PROBATION REVOKED – reckless endangerment

Chappell, Sonya O.; 32
- burglary-residence-force

Couch, Thomas D.; 31
- PROBATION REVOKED – buying/receiving stolen property

Hamby, Casey L.; 21
- criminal trespass

Hooper, Steven D.; 45
- FTA – possession of methamphetamine (4 counts)
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia (6 counts)
- FTA – burglary-residence-no force
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- FTA – family offense-NS non-support-child

Hyde, Piper L.; 29
- DUI (alcohol)

Lindley, Phillip J.; 31
- FTA – assault-child abuse-simple-family

Overton, Wesley L.; 40
- FTA – theft-miscellaneous
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Pannell, Chasity L.; 43
- FTA – possession of dangerous drugs (2 counts)
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Phillips, Tina M.; 47
- possession of methamphetamine
- possession of drug paraphernalia
- obstruction-governmental operations

Ray, Jr., Phillip E.; 48
- FTA – assault-domestic-harassment-family

Sanford, Breana M.; 39
- FTA – assault-domestic violence – punishment

Sherrell, Sasha N.; 18
- liquor-minor consume alcohol

Stewart, Johnny R.; 50
- GJ – sex offense-force
- GJ – obstruction-governmental operations

Swann, Ethan J.; 23
- traffic-speeding – no workers – construction zone
- driving while license suspended

White, Virgil L.; 51
- FTA – driving while suspended, revoked or canceled

CULLMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

INCIDENTS

Nov. 8
- theft of property-2nd degree; criminal mischief-2nd degree; person; miscellaneous, damaged property; $2,000; 1st Ave. SW
- theft of lost property-4th degree; person; cash; Hwy. 157

Nov. 9
- harassment; person; Elm Dr. SE

Nov. 10
- domestic violence-3rd degree – harassment; person; Demorie Ave. NW

Nov. 11
- theft of property-3rd degree; person; phones; $749; 5th St. SE

Nov. 12
- theft of property-1st degree; Long Lewis Ford; '23 Dodge Charger; $51,765; Hwy. 157

ARRESTS

Nov. 10 – Nov. 12

Kelley, Jared C.; 37
- possession of controlled substances

Norwood, James T.; 18
- domestic violence-3rd degree – harassment

Norwood, Larry D.; 55
- domestic violence-3rd degree – harassment

Whitworth, Troy L.; 34
- FTA – attempt to elude
- FTA – obstructing governmental operations

Lindley, Phillip J.; 31
- FTA – ignition interlock

Sanderson, Timothy M.; 40
- DUI

Merritt, Miles C.; 28
- unlawful imprisonment-2nd degree

Doss, April D.; 42
- FTA – possession of drug paraphernalia

Walker, Meranda S.; 55
- FTA – theft of property-4th degree (2 counts)

Norris, Joseph M.; 24
- unlawful possession of controlled substances

Wilson, Ronald L.; 55
- public intoxication

HANCEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

No arrests or incidents reported.

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Report Card (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. — Cullman City Schools earned a score of 97 on the 2026 Alabama State Report Card, an increase from 96 in 2025 and the highest score in the school system's history since the state report card system began in 2018.

The latest results reflect a consistent upward trajectory for Cullman City Schools, with the system's score increasing from 91 in 2022 to 94 in 2023, 95 in 2024, 96 in 2025 and now 97 in 2026.

"This sustained progress reflects a commitment to continuous improvement, high expectations and providing students with the knowledge and skills they need for future success," the system said in a media release.

Superintendent Kyle Kallhoff credited the achievement to the dedicated educators and supportive families who make Cullman City Schools special.

"The rubber meets the road in the classroom, and our teachers deserve tremendous credit for the progress we continue to make. We have amazing teachers who work hard every day to challenge our students, build relationships and make sure every child has the opportunity to succeed. We are also blessed with strong families who partner with our schools and reinforce the importance of education at home. When you combine amazing teachers, supportive families and a community that values education, great things happen for children," Kallhoff said.

Lindsay Brannon, director of academic affairs, emphasized the importance of strong classroom instruction, high expectations and the partnership between schools and families in achieving continued academic success.

"I am incredibly proud of our district earning a 97 on the state report card. This score reflects the hard work happening every day in our classrooms. Our teachers challenge students, build critical thinking skills and teach to the rigor of the standards. Our students continue to work hard and rise to high expectations, and our families play such an important role by partnering with our schools and supporting their children's education. It takes all of us working together to make Cullman City Schools successful. We know that the work we do today makes a difference in our students' futures," Brannon said.

"The continued improvement reflects the school system's focus on delivering a high-quality education that prepares students for college, careers and life beyond the classroom. Cullman City Schools recognizes that academic excellence is not only essential to student success but also plays an important role in sustaining the community and attracting families who want to live, work, and raise their children in Cullman," said the release.

"Providing a quality education is one of the most important investments we can make in our community," Kallhoff added. "Families want to know that their children will be challenged academically, supported by caring adults and provided with opportunities to reach their full potential. Our responsibility is to continue delivering on that promise. Strong schools help sustain the families who are already here and attract new families who want to make Cullman their home."

Alongside its academic priorities, Cullman City Schools continues to invest in the learning environments where students and teachers work each day. Capital improvements across all campuses are helping provide clean, safe, well-maintained facilities that support student learning and reflect the community's commitment to public education.

"Our responsibility extends beyond what happens inside the classroom," Kallhoff said. "We must also provide clean, safe and welcoming environments where students can learn and teachers can teach. Through continued capital improvements on every campus, we are investing in our facilities while investing in the future of our students and our community."

While the 97 represents a significant milestone, district leaders emphasize that the work is ongoing. The goal remains to build on this success, strengthen instruction, support employees and ensure every student receives the highest-quality education possible.

"Our success is something we should celebrate, but it is never a reason to become satisfied with where we are," Kallhoff said. "We will continue to look for ways to improve, support our teachers, partner with our families and provide opportunities for every student. We are proud of how far we have come, grateful to the people who make this possible, and excited about what lies ahead for Cullman City Schools."

Cullman City Schools Alabama State Report Card history
- 2018: 91
- 2019: 93
- 2022: 91
- 2023: 94
- 2024: 95
- 2025: 96
- 2026: 97

Note: Alabama did not issue a comparable score in 2020 or 2021.

Party (from Front)

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CULLMAN, Ala. – Cullman County residents age 55 and older have until Friday, Dec. 4, at 3:30 p.m. to reserve their spots at the annual Cullman County Senior Christmas Party.

The party is Friday, Dec. 18, at the Cullman OmniPlex on Field of Miracles Drive. Doors open at 9 a.m. The party begins at 10.

To reserve a spot, call the Cullman County Commission on Aging at 256-734-1241 and speak with a staff member. Leaving a voicemail does not reserve a spot. Only the Commission takes reservations.

Guests can pick up their tickets at the Commission office at 1519 Sportsman Lake Road NW in Cullman. Pickup hours are 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. on any of these four days:
- Thursday, Dec. 10
- Monday, Dec. 14
- Tuesday, Dec. 15
- Wednesday, Dec. 16

Get more info at www.facebook.com/coacullman.

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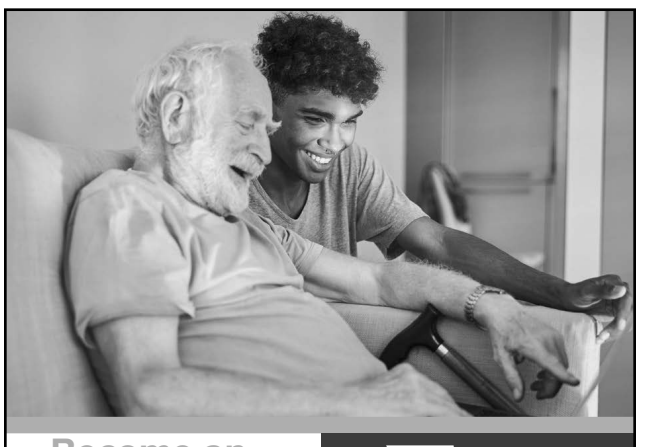
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Commissioners (from Front)

man Jeff Clemons and Commissioners Kelly Duke (District 3) and Corey Freeman (District 4) as the Commission enters a new chapter of county leadership.

At the Oct. 20 Commission meeting, Clemons publicly recognized Marchman and Watson for their years of dedication and service to the county, saying, "I want to thank Commissioner Garry Marchman, Commissioner Kerry Watson for their 12 years of service to the citizens of Cullman County. It's been truly an honor for me to work with y'all the six years that I've been here. Y'all have been dedicated to the citizens of Cullman County. Y'all are great leaders and you'll truly be missed on this commission."

The next Commission work session will be held Tuesday, Nov. 17, at 4 p.m., followed by the regular commission meeting at 6. Both meetings will take place in the Commission meeting room at the Cullman County Courthouse.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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PUBLIC NOTICE:
Grace Episcopal Church cheeseballs will be ready for pick up Thursday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. You may enter the church on the Arnold Street side through the French doors under the breezeway between the church and the Arnold House. Let us take this opportunity to thank all of you who purchased cheeseballs enabling our Episcopal Church Women to contribute to many deserving organizations in our community. Together, we are making a difference one cheeseball at a time! Dianne Moyer, 256-734-2231

PUBLIC NOTICE:
The Welti Cemetery will be participating in the Wreaths Across American event honoring our deceased veterans. If you know of a deceased veteran buried at Welti whose grave does not have a military marker, please contact Gary Reid at 256-339-7236 by Dec. 1, 2026.

PUBLIC NOTICE:
The Cullman County Special Education Program is seeking to locate children with disabilities ages 0-21 within the Cullman County School District. Ages 0-3 call Kristie Smith, 256-734-3253. Ages 3-21 call Katie Meigs, Special Education Coordinator, 256-739-0486, Ext 2.
The system is also seeking to locate intellectually gifted and talented children, with the emphasis on second-grade students.
Contact Special Education Coordinator Katie Meigs at 17600 U.S. Highway 31 N, Cullman, Al 35058.

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 North Alabama Agriplex Heritage Building. 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.

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.

Alpha Delta Kappa Invitation
Are you a woman educator looking to connect, grow, serve, and make a difference? We want to invite you to contact our local Cullman chapters Alpha Theta or Beta Delta. Alpha Delta Kappa is a national honorary organization of more than 25,000 women educators who share a commitment to valuing all people and promoting quality education.
- Build lifelong friendships
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- Grow through leadership and professional opportunities
- Serve your school, community and beyond
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For more information contact President of Alpha Theta Laurita Hogland 256-531-2298 or Presidents of Beta Delta Rhonda Vanzant 256-708-7980 or Lisa Hullett 256-962-4252.

Church Services: Spirit Life Church
- 1650 St. Joseph Dr. NW, Cullman
- 256-739-3326
- spiritlifechurchcullman@gmail.com
- FB-Spirit Life Church Cullman
- Saturday, Nov. 14 – 9-11 a.m. Free Thanksgiving to-go lunch
- Sunday, Nov. 15 – 8:15 a.m. Van runs in 5 Points Area. Call Aimee at 256-841-2060 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.
- Saturday, Nov. 21 – 9-11 a.m. Drive-through food bank

Shirley Burden Public Library in Hanceville
The library is open Tuesday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. (closed from noon-1 p.m.) and Saturdays from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Join us on Facebook for weekly details or please feel free to call us at 256-352-0685. Follow Facebook/Hanceville Public Library for event details.
Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Storytime
- Nov. 18, Susan Melton reading "This is the Turkey" by Abby Levine
- Nov. 25, closed for Thanksgiving
- Dec. 2, Children's author Dorenda Doyle as Mrs. Claus!
- Dec. 9, Anita Whitlock
- Dec. 16, Kerri with Cullman 4-H
- Dec. 23 and 30, No program
- Jan. 6, Beth Ellis will read "The After Christmas Tree"
- Jan. 13, Cassy Holeyfield

More
- Saturday, Nov. 14, 10-11 a.m. Hanceville resident Charles Wilson will share his vintage postcard collection with us. He will have very old voting receipts, local vintage postcards, military postcards and postcards from around the world. Don't miss out on this one of a kind collection.
- Saturday, Nov. 21, 10-11 a.m. Adult book club
- Saturday, Dec. 19, 10-11 a.m. Adult book club
- Saturday, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.-noon "Let it Shine Puppets" a local, in-demand puppet ministry, the best-kept secret in Hanceville
- Saturday, Dec. 19, 11 a.m.-noon We my have a surprise visitor!
- We have T-shirts for sale. Children's sizes are $15 and adult sizes are $20. Proceeds to assist the library's programs.

Vinemont-Providence Fire Department 50-Year Anniversary Celebration
- Saturday, Nov. 14
- Past members: 11 a.m.-noon
- General public: noon-2 p.m. for a cookout
- Station 2, 60 Ridgeway St.

Join us to celebrate our accomplishments!

Pleasant View Missionary Baptist Church Singing
Sunday, Nov. 15, at 5 p.m. with The Williamsons from Oklahoma. 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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Basketball (from Front)

Jared Spears, Sammy Confer

HANCEVILLE, Ala. – Tyce Thompson scored 12 points in the third quarter as West Point erased a six-point halftime deficit to beat Oakman 72-46 on Wednesday, Nov. 11. The comeback gave West Point a sweep at the Veterans Day Tip-Off Classic after its girls held Oakman to one point in the fourth quarter of a 61-24 win.

Local teams won six of the eight varsity games at Wallace State Community College's Tom Drake Coliseum. Four Vinemont boys scored in double figures against Wilson. Cullman's boys and the Holly Pond and Good Hope girls also won.



KATIE DRUMOND/THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

The Veterans Day Tip-Off Classic took place Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026, at Wallace State.

West Point 72, Oakman 46 (boys)

Oakman scored the first seven points and led 15-10 after one quarter. Thompson hit two 3-pointers, Rush Lamar scored inside and Tripp Dingler made a free throw to tie it at 19. Oakman answered with a 10-4 run to go into halftime up 29-23.

West Point outscored the Wildcats 26-6 in the third to take a 49-35 lead. In the fourth, Nolan Franklin made two baskets, Thompson banked in a floater and Levi Steadman scored twice inside to make it 59-37. West Point outscored Oakman 49-17 after halftime.

Thompson finished with 20 points and Steadman added 16 for West Point (2-0). Lamar scored 13 and earned Mitch Smith Chevrolet game MVP honors. J.J. Minck added eight.

West Point 61, Oakman 24 (girls)

In its season opener, West Point led by 12 at halftime and stretched the margin to 31 in the second half. Oakman scored just one point in the fourth quarter. West Point's Laklin Shadix was named game MVP.

Vinemont 66, Wilson 48 (boys)

Vinemont led 12-4 after one quarter. Sam Marsh and Tucker Mauter hit 3-pointers, Bryson Bush scored on a putback and Preston Lee scored inside as the Eagles stretched the lead to 22-6. They led 28-17 at halftime.

Wilson opened the third with an 11-3 run to pull within 31-28. E.J. Sharpe and Marsh scored the next 10 points to put Vinemont ahead 41-28. Mauter found Bush for a basket just before the buzzer to make it 45-33.

Mauter and Sharpe scored Vinemont's first 10 points in the fourth to push the lead to 55-38. Wilson scored six straight before Marsh answered with five points and Mauter added a basket to make it 62-44.

Mauter led the Eagles (3-0) with 18 points and earned game MVP honors. Marsh scored 16, Sharpe had 13 and Bush added 12. Lucas Rich scored 15 for Wilson.

Cullman 80, Rehobeth 51 (boys)

Cullman outscored Rehobeth 30-13 in the first quarter. Brooks Loftin scored 23 and earned game MVP honors as Cullman improved to 2-0. Costa Burks and Emory Bonds combined for 22 points.

Sardis 59, Cullman 55 (girls)

Cullman led by one at halftime and by six in the third quarter before Sardis rallied in the fourth. Kylie Minor and Molly Wilson combined for 35 points. Ainsley Alldredge added 11, giving the three Bearcats 46 of the team's 55 points. Sardis' Delaney Lee was named game MVP.

It was the first loss for Cullman (2-1), which beat Hokes Bluff 63-59 on Saturday.

Geneva 68, Fairview 62 (boys)

Geneva scored 33 points in the first half and held off Fairview's fourth-quarter rally. Ty Baab and Ayden Batz combined for 30 points for the Aggies (0-2). Geneva's Titus Brown earned game MVP honors.

Holly Pond 47, Colbert County 42 (girls)

Holly Pond led throughout, but its lead never grew beyond five. The Broncos were up three at halftime and matched their largest lead at the final buzzer.

The win was the second in as many nights for Holly Pond (2-1). After a 57-38 loss to Sardis on Saturday, the Broncos beat Westminster School at Oak Mountain 64-33 on Tuesday.

Good Hope 68, Arab 39 (girls)

Good Hope led by five in the first quarter and by 11 at halftime. The Raiders outscored Arab 24-7 in the third to push the lead to 28. Ella Davis earned game MVP honors for Good Hope. The defending Class 4A state champion improved to 3-0 a day after beating Madison Academy 71-40.

Up next

West Point visits Holly Pond on Friday, Nov. 13, with the varsity girls scheduled for 6:30 p.m. and the boys for 7:45 p.m. Fairview's boys host Susan Moore that night, and Cullman's girls host Oak Mountain.

Good Hope's girls visit Bob Jones in Madison at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. Bob Jones was the Class 7A runner-up last season. Cullman's boys face Saraland at 3 p.m. that day at Hueytown High School.

Vinemont's boys visit Fairview at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17.

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Bingo (from Front)

"I loved being able to put faces to the organizations and people who are doing the work and making a difference in our community every single day. I was also excited to share that United Way of Cullman County invested $241,946.59 back into our community through these partner agencies and programs during the 2025–2026 allocation year. That's something we're very proud of, and it wouldn't be possible without the support of our donors and community partners."



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Hooper said this event has become a great way to bring people together for a fun evening while raising funds that stay right here in our community.

"Another special moment was recognizing Jaimie Atkinson as our 2026 Volunteer of the Year," he said. "Jaimie has given so much of her time and energy to United Way, including helping plan this event, and it was wonderful to recognize her for everything she does. And of course, seeing the excitement throughout the room was a highlight. Tommy Warhurst did another fantastic job as our emcee and kept everyone entertained throughout the evening. It was just a lot of fun seeing everyone enjoying themselves while supporting such an important cause."

He also expressed how thankful he was to everyone who helped make this year's Designer Bag Bingo possible.

"We're especially grateful to our Women United volunteers, who put so much time and effort into this event, and to all of the volunteers who stepped up to help throughout the evening," Hooper said. "I also want to give a special thank-you to Kayla Mize, our United Way office manager and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library coordinator, who has worked for months alongside Jaimie Atkinson to bring this event together. So much work happens behind the scenes that people never see, and I'm incredibly appreciative of everything they've done. We're also thankful to our Presenting Sponsor, Listerhill Credit Union, along with all of our event sponsors, handbag sponsors and the businesses and individuals who donated raffle prizes. Their generosity is a huge part of what makes this event possible."

He also thanked the gentlemen who volunteered as table hosts, as well as Miss Wallace State, Miss North Alabama's Teen and Miss Cullman County Fair's Teen for spending the evening volunteering with them. "Miss Wallace State and Miss North Alabama's Teen also helped model the handbags, which was a wonderful addition to the evening," he said.

"At the end of the day, Designer Bag Bingo is about much more than handbags and bingo," Hooper said. "It's about bringing people together to support organizations that are meeting real needs throughout Cullman and Winston counties. We're simply grateful that so many people chose to spend their evening supporting that work. It truly takes everyone, from our sponsors and volunteers to every person who purchased a ticket, to make an event like this successful. We can't thank them enough."

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Kids Loving Kids calls on community to help spread Christmas cheer

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CULLMAN, Ala. - Kids Loving Kids is calling on the community to help spread Christmas cheer to those who need a little extra help.

As the holiday season approaches, KLK is seeking donations to help provide children throughout Cullman County with gifts to open on Christmas morning.

Suggested donations include Legos, baby dolls, sports balls, craft supplies, action figures, twin bedding sets, throws and other age-appropriate items for teen girls, teen boys and babies.

Here are suggestions for teen-specific items:

Teen girls
- Accessories such as bracelets or bags
- Fidget/sensory toys (Dumpling Squishy or Nee-Dohs)
- Water bottles
- Age-appropriate coloring books
- Vanity items (hair brushes, scrunchies, hair ties, claw clips or perfume)

Teen boys
- Interactive games
- Water bottles
- Age-appropriate comics
- Fidget/sensory toys (Dumpling Squishy or Nee-Dohs)
- Water bottles

Donations can be dropped off at Spirit Life Church, 1650 St. Joseph Dr., Cullman.

If your family needs assistance

Registration is open through Nov. 23, for Cullman County children from birth to age 18. Email kidslovingkids2@gmail.com for more information.

Organizers note that gift pickup is Saturday, Dec. 12.

They wrote, "Pickup times will be assigned individually between 8:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. You will be contacted by Dec. 7 with your assigned time. You must be a Cullman County resident to pick up in Cullman County."

If you have any further questions, reach out to Caylie King at 256-708-9643, Gina Clevenger at 205-936-2653 or at Pam Dodd 256-318-4555.

Holly Pond (from Front)

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HOLLY POND, Ala. – The town of Holly Pond, home of the Broncos, has had much on its plate recently. Especially pancakes!

The Holly Pond Lions Club recently held a pancake breakfast, with members of the club noting that 150 plates were purchased.

The pancake breakfast fundraiser was held in the Holly Pond Lions Club Building and is an ongoing tradition for the town. The Club said the money raised often goes to assist children with eye appointments and eyeglasses, though they strive to give help to any who may need it within the community.

The Guy Hunt Library, located at 60 Lions Park Road, will nourish the imagination and creativity of local children with "Dinos and Donuts" storytime on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 10:30 a.m.

"Get ready to roar with laughter this Tuesday," said the library.

The story will be "Dinos Love Donuts" by Ben Okron. After the story, participants will have a hands-on, donut-themed craft followed by yummy snacks.

The library wrote, "It's going to be dino-mite time! We hope to see everyone there!"

At the town's most recent council meeting, Mayor Carla Hart stated that an anonymous friend of Guy Hunt Library made a $500 donation.

In other news, Holly Pond High School's Alabama State Report Card score increased from 81 to 85. Scores were released this week.

"This growth represents more than just a number. It reflects the hard work happening in our classrooms every single day!" the school said.

The high school made sure to acknowledge the dedication of its students, but also the commitment of its teachers and staff.

The children of Holly Pond could have more room for creativity in the upcoming year.

The Holly Pond Town Council entertained the topic of a playground area at Governors Park after the first of the year.

The Holly Pond Town Council back in September voted to surplus the town's water tower.

The Council noted that the water tower has been up since 1966 and has not been in service for many years.

The next Holly Pond Town Council meeting will be Monday, Dec. 7, at 6 p.m. at the Guy Hunt Library.



GUY HUNT LIBRARY

Holly Pond's Guy Hunt Library will hold storytime Tuesday, Nov. 17.

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Hanceville (from Front)

Liz Tankersley
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HANCEVILLE, Ala. – The Hanceville City Council met Thursday, Nov. 12, approving several items of business, including the appointment of an interim fire chief, a housing authority appointment, funding adjustments and contracts for city services.

The Council officially named Bart Absher as Hanceville's interim fire chief.

In other personnel matters, the Council appointed James Helms to the Hanceville Housing Authority, replacing Edna Swann.

The Council also discussed new E-911 road signs, which have been ordered and will feature a purple-and-white color scheme. The signs will extend along Perth Street to U.S. Highway 31.

A public hearing was scheduled for Dec. 10 regarding a rezoning request submitted by Eight27 Holdings and Del Bales. The hearing will allow discussion of the proposed zoning change before further action is taken.

Council members also approved additional funding for the Community Development Committee, voting to amend its budget to provide $1,000. The Council approved the Committee's participation in the Civitan Tinsel Trail, including a Christmas tree display, and agreed for the city to cover the $25 registration fee.

In another financial matter, the Council approved an agreement allowing the city's geographic information system (GIS) mapping to interface with its BS&A software. The agreement includes a one-time payment of $2,500, followed by monthly payments of $250, for a first-year total of $5,500. (Look for a separate, full story on this item.)

The Council also approved a $14,253 contract with AirMed for services. (Look for a separate, full story on this item.)

Council members voted to increase the city's donation to the Civitan organization from $500 to $1,000 through a budget amendment.

Before adjourning, the Council approved rescheduling its Dec. 24 meeting to Dec. 29.

The next regularly scheduled Hanceville City Council work session and meeting will take place Tuesday, Nov. 24, at 6 p.m. at Hanceville City Hall.

Obituary Announcements: Nov. 12-13

Tina Marie Whiting, 61
Tina Marie Whiting, 61, of Logan passed away Nov. 10, 2026, at CRMC. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Tina was born June 24, 1965, to Chalmer and Constance Osmer Elliott. She loved taking care of people. She was a private sitter with the elderly for over 20 years and then worked as a CNA at Hanceville Nursing and Rehab. She enjoyed playing games on her phone and earlier in her years she enjoyed crocheting. She was preceded in death by her parents. Those left to cherish her memory are her husband of 40 years, Willard Whiting; sons, Christopher Whiting, Sr., Timothy Whiting, Christopher Whiting, Jr. Casey Whiting; brothers, Terry (Cindy) Elliott, David Elliott, Doug (Amy) Elliott; granddaughter, Sabrina Gilliland; best friend, Lisa Burke; family and friends. A memorial service is planned for a later date. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

Loretta Jean Lowe, 73
Funeral service for Loretta Jean Lowe, 73, of Cullman will be at 1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 14, 2026, at Cullman Funeral Home Chapel with interment in Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Etowah County, Pastor Heath Tinker officiating. The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Saturday from noon-1 p.m. Cullman Funeral Home is honored to serve the family. Loretta passed away Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2026 at CRMC. She was born Jan. 8, 1953, to Charles Edward Lowe, Sr. and Ovell Scott Lowe. She will be remembered by her family as loving the computer, doing word search, sewing, and crocheting. She was writing a book about her family. She was definitely a woman of God and loved the Church of God. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Tommy Cofield; son, Jason Daniel Cofield, and her brother, Doug Lowe. Those left to cherish her memory are her son, Thomas Jefferson Cofield, Jr. (Crasanda Pruett-Cofield); brother, Charles Edward Lowe, Jr; sisters, Reba Faye Cofield, Susan Diane Harris; grandchildren, Desi Pruett Cofield, Jessica Danielle Cofield, nieces, nephews, family and friends. Pallbearers will be Charles Edward Lowe, III, Tony Mullet, Christopher Cofield, Greg Cofield, Thomas Cofield, John Pruett. Friends may sign the online guestbook at www.cullmanfuneralhome.com.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

MARY JANICE WILLIS, DECEASED CASE NO. PC 2025-392

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

THE ESTATE OF MARY JANICE WILLIS, DECEASED.

Letters of Administration of said deceased have been granted to Tarrah Willis Konopaski on the 2nd day of December, 2025, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate of Cullman County. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Tarrah Willis Konopaski, Personal Representative (Administrator),
and
Steven C. Smith, Attorney for the Estate

TO: Publisher of *Cullman Tribune*:

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

Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
*
CULLMAN COUNTY * CASE NO. PC 2026-427

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF REBECCA AUDREY BAILEY, DECEASED.

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY JOINT PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES

Letters Testamentary on the Estate of said deceased have been granted to LISA M. BENNETT and WILLIAM W. BAILEY as Joint Personal Representatives on the 28th day of October, 2026, 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.

LISA M. BENNETT and WILLIAM W. BAILEY
Joint Personal Representatives

To the publisher of *The Cullman Tribune:*

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Tammy Brown
Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate

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STATE OF ALABAMA * IN THE PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF CULLMAN * CASE NO. AD 2026-057

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ADOPTION OF PETITION OF
SAMUEL ADAM CALVERT, to adopt
T.K.T.
A minor child.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION PROCEEDINGS

Notice to: **FRANKIE BASINGER OR ANY KNOWN OR UNKNOWN BIOLOGICAL FATHER OF T.K.T. BORN TO BETHANY MICHELLE MORGAN CALVERT, biological mother**

Please take notice that *Petition for Adoption* and *Amended Petition for Adoption* filed by Samuel Adam Calvert, Petitioner, to adopt T.K.T., a minor child, has been filed in the Probate Court of Cullman County, Alabama. Please be advised should you intend to contest this adoption, you must file a written response within thirty (30) days of the date of receipt of this Notice herein with the Clerk of Probate Court, 500 2nd Avenue SW, Room 101, Cullman County, Alabama.

DONE THIS 10th DAY OF November, 2026.

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

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF CUILLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF

ROBERT CHARLES MONTGOMERY, JR., **CASE NO.: PC2026-426**

Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to Stephanie Montgomery Meadows, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Robert Charles Montgomery, Jr., deceased, on the 28th day of October, 2026, 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 time allowed by the law or the same will be barred.

Stephanie Montgomery Meadows
Personal Representative

Kallie C. Lunsford
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TO: **The Publisher of The Cullman Tribune**

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STATE OF ALABAMA,)
) **IN THE PROBATE COURT**
CULLMAN COUNTY.)

PC 2026-420

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JANET RUTH DEHEER, who is one and the same person as JANET LEE DEHEER, DECEASED

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary having been granted to NELSON LENWOOD LEE, as Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF JANET RUTH DEHEER a/k/a JANET LEE DEHEER, deceased, on the 28th day of October, 2026, by Honorable Tammy Brown, Judge of Probate Court.

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.

Nelson Lenwood Lee
Personal Representative

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TO: Publisher of THE CULLMAN TRIBUNE

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

DONE this 28th day of October, 2026.

Tammy Brown
TAMMY BROWN
JUDGE OF PROBATE

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF) **IN THE PROBATE COURT**
) **OF CULLMAN COUNTY, ALABAMA**
CHARLENE ALICE BRADFORD)
DECEASED.) **CASE NO. PC 2026-351**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Take Notice that Letters of Administration of the Estate of CHARLENE ALICE BRADFORD are hereby granted to MARK ALAN BRADFORD on the 28th day of October, 2026, by the Honorable Tammy Brown, Probate Judge for Cullman County, Alabama.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

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Tammy Brown
Hon Tammy Brown
Judge of Probate for Cullman County, Alabama

BILLY BOB'S STORIES AND STUFF

It's beginning to look a little like Christmas

Bill King
Tribune
Contributor



Yes, but it is a little too early to be as the song says, "looking a lot like Christmas." Evidently though, it is not too early to be looking a "little" like Christmas. Some towns already have their decorations up and many stores already have their Christmas items out. The threadbare question, "What do you want for Christmas?" has already been asked and set young minds in motion.

These days we have the internet and online shopping to help us with such a dilemma. We can shop or surf until our fingertips get sore or develop keypunch callouses. We can eye everything we might want for ourselves and even purchase everything we might want to give someone else without having to leave our seat. Amazon will deliver it all right to our front door and even email us a picture to prove it was left...somewhere.

What amazing modern creations and developments we have! But wait a minute! Is this new way of shopping really new or just an update on an older version?

Long, long ago, even in some far-away places, we had these things called catalogs. They were kind of like Amazon on paper, or a hard copy, if you will. It was always an exciting day when the Christmas catalogs came. The mail carrier delivered them to our boxes long before Christmas. That was so we had time to drool over the pages and pick out what we wanted. The two big ones in my part of the world were Sears and J.C. Penney.

One of them, Sears, I think, called theirs the Wish Book. Those things were so big mail carriers often tore their rotator cuff putting them in our mailboxes. They were so heavy they could be used as a door stop. Back in the days when some families still had a house with three bedrooms and a path, they were used for other purposes, but usually not until after the holidays were over.

We also had smaller stores called Western Auto. My close friend's dad operated the Western Auto in my hometown of Rainsville, so I could get that Christmas edition earlier than most patrons. My first guitar was a Truetone acoustic, from Western Auto, that I spotted in the catalog one year.

One of my favorite things was to go through those catalogs and make a list of what I wanted. I knew I wouldn't get most of it, but maybe one or two things. After much thought, deliberation, pleading and maybe even some prayer, I ranked my list items in order. Then I got down on the floor with my catalogs and circled my top items with a red crayon.

Some years I mailed Santa a letter with my list. I even cut out pictures from the catalogs and enclosed them with my letter. One year my letter came back marked "Return to Sender." It must have been the year Elvis came out with that song.

One year I had the brilliant idea to cut out a picture from a Hot Rod magazine of a 1966 Pontiac GTO. I glued that picture over another picture in one of our catalogs. I not only circled it with red crayon I stuck some gold stars around it too. Sure enough, believe it or not, that year, right there under our Christmas tree was my GTO! I never could drive mine though because it was the smaller version...1/25 scale model. That's as close as I've ever come to owning a GTO.

We don't always get exactly what we want.

Bill King can be reached at bkpreach@yahoo.com.

HISTORY

Files from Yesteryear: Nov. 14, 1946

From the files of Nov. 14, 1946

To and Fro
By EAGLE EYE
Cotton ginnings in Alabama prior to November 1st totaled 588,000 bales compared to 729,000 bales to same date last year, according to the latest cotton report. Only three states—Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi—have ginned more cotton this year than Alabama. The estimate for Alabama's 1946 crop is 780,000 bales which 16 per cent less than the 1945 crop and 23 per cent less than the ten year (1935-44) average.

In Tampa, Florida this week is Mrs. J. A. Dunlap attending the World Chapter Order Eastern Star Convention. Mrs. Dunlap, who is the wife of Cullman's Mayor, is a past Grand Matron of the Alabama O. E. S. and is serving as a page at the Tampa meeting this week.

When the Alabama College senior class presented the comedy "Suds in Your Eyes" on last Friday night on that Montevallo campus Joyce Glasscock, daughter of Mrs. Opal Glasscock of Cullman, assisted with the staging of the play.

Up in Lafayette, Ind., in the recent elections Clara R. Fritsch was elected treasurer of Tippecanoe County by a vote of 12,946 to her opponent, Urban Treida's 5,525. The new treasurer, who has been chief clerk in the treasury department of that Indiana county, is a neice of Cullman's Herman Stiendorff.

Lights will be off again in the City for three hours on Sunday morning, November 24, according to U. P. Kirk, line foreman of the City Light and Water Plant. Due to the fact that some work will have to be done on the power plant the electricity will be off from 8 a. m. to 11 a. m.

From the more than 600 students at Huntingdon College Margaret Swafford has been chosen as one of the eight beauties to be featured in the college annual, "Belles and Pomegranates". Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Swafford of Cullman, is a freshman at the Montgomery school.

Cullman Rotarians were guests of the Hartselle Rotary Club at an inter-city meeting on Tuesday evening when the members of the local club went by bus to the Morgan county city. Dr. T. A. Robinson furnished the transportation for the Cullman men.

When members of the Sophomore Class at Alabama College entertain at their formal dance on Saturday, November 16 two Cullman girls who have been helping with the plans will be in the lead out. Mary Ruth Mitchell, who is a member of the orchestra committee, and Charlotte Gibbs a member of the refreshment committee, are the two.

One of the 29 girls who have been chosen from the students at Howard to compete for a place in the beauty section of Entre Nous, college annual, is Joyce Griffin, daughter of Mrs. Ruth Griffin of Cullman. The judging will take place on next Monday night at the Alabama Theater in Birmingham.

Members of the St. Paul's Lutheran congregation are planning a reception for their new pastor, Rev. Arthur Graf, his wife and children Donald, Ruth and Dorothy on Sunday afternoon, November 24 immediately after the formal installation of Rev. Graf at 3:30 o'clock. The congregations of Birmingham, Hanceville, Decatur and Florence have been invited to join the local church for the service.

Guthery's Cross Roads Club Meets
Mrs. Homer Alvis was hostess to members of the Guthery's Cross Roads Home Demonstration Club on Friday.

Miss Mary Curtis assisted by Miss Helen Bishop gave a demonstration on personal appearance.

The December meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Rayburn Guthery.

Logan 4-H Club Meets November 12
The Logan 4-H Club girls met on Tuesday, November 12 with their leader, Miss Helen Bishop who distributed song books and new record books to them.

A playlet "Entertaining the Simple Way" was presented by five of the girls and delicious refreshments served to the group.

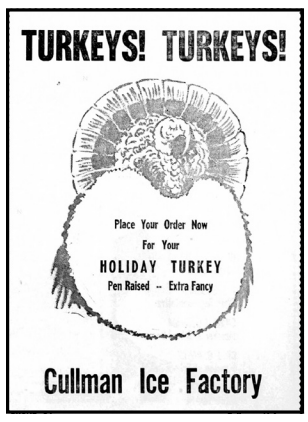
Billy Johnson Celebrates Third Birth Anniversary
Billy Johnson celebrated the third anniversary of his birth at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson in Fayetteville, N. C. on November 12.

Among those present to join him in the celebration were his sisters, Rita Lee and Merileigh Anne, and cousins Elsie Lee Phillips, Betty Mae and Harold Cain.

Billy is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Johnson and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Nelson all of Cullman.

B. P. W. Club Members Entertain At Birthday Party Thursday
Members of B. P. W. Unit I were entertained on Thursday evening at a delightful birthday party by several members of the club who have recently celebrated their birthdays.

An interesting feature of the program was a look at the family album, which was a framed doorway in which the live models stood. Those depicted were Lorene Burgess at six; Mrs. W. H. Head at ten; Mrs. Kermit Weaver at sixteen; Mrs. Ila Dean Gilbert as the sweet girl graduate; Mrs. Maude Patrick and Mrs. Gladys Bright as the bride and groom and Mrs. M. C. Kayes, Mrs. J. H. Smith and Mrs. Gladys Bright as grandmothers.



POET'S CORNER

Going Home
Randy C. Hale

At two-thirty, we take our positions
and start our engines for the ones
with the backpacks.
In lines are the mothers, fathers,
grandparents, and nannies
on their mission.

Here come the future doctors,
lawyers, sanitation workers, hot dog
makers, and future minds and hands.
Some too short destinies, most too
long, straight or crooked paths.

What might be in those backpacks?
A crumbled small sack with some
leftovers.
A few cheese curls, a gummy bear,
the crust of a sandwich left.
Books, papers, pencils, or pens.
Notes from their teacher, graded
papers within.

And they come smiling, trusting,
ready, and hopeful to the sanctuary
of home.

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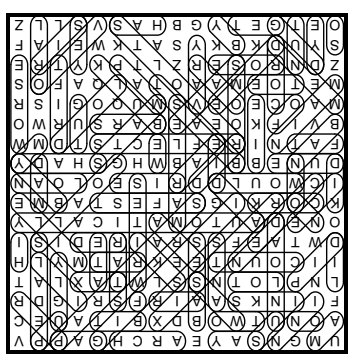
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Student (from Front)

Staff Reports
Contributor

CULLMAN, Ala. - A Cullman High School senior saw a need and took the matter into their own hands, using design tools available at the school to design and 3D print a unique accessibility aid.

Emmett Foster created an adaptable stand for an accessibility aid. Specifically, Foster made clip-on feet and a collapsable stand.

These tools allow students to use a magnifying glass hands-free, so visually impaired students can write down notes without having to hold the glass with their other hand.

"It just makes life simpler," Foster explained. "People with disabilities and impairments have to go through so much every day just to function at a certain standard. These people deserve care, love and a chance to live their best lives. Sometimes, a small thing like a hinge and foot attached to a magnifying glass can make someone's life just a little easier."

To create the design, Foster used school computers and an on-campus 3D printer, designing the tool in Tinkercad to create the 3D model and properly scale the objects.

Then Foster exported the design to Anycubic, the 3D printing software used for the computer-aided drafting program.

"It took a lot of trial and error, but I am proud of the result!" Foster said.

Foster has had an interest in 3D printing ever since seeing a project where Maine University made an entire boat on a 3D printer, then followed the technology to see how it had been used to make complex systems, bridges and even full-sized houses.

"I saw people making affordable housing and fun toys with the same technology," Foster said.

"I found it so interesting. I never personally printed anything until this year, where I was given access to the school printer. I took to it instantly and taught myself as much as I could."

Foster plans to pursue a career in diagnostic imaging after high school, but would like to continue looking for unique ways to use 3D printing to help others.

"The idea of continuing to work on accessibility aids tailored specifically to individual needs while remaining affordable sounds absolutely delightful," Foster said. "I want what I did to inspire others to notice other people struggling and reach out."



