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MUSCLE SHOALS --Northwest-Shoals Community College will host FREE financial aid workshops during the months of October and November on the Phil Campbell and Shoals campuses to help individuals complete their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Vote November 6

All workshops on the Shoals Campus take place in room 111 of building 127. The remaining workshops at Shoals are Thursday, October 25 and Monday, November 5.

All participants are encouraged to bring completed 2016 and 2017 Federal Income Tax paperwork along with W-2 tax forms.

Your Input at Sessions

FLORENCE - Mayor Steve Holt invites the citizens of Florence to join him for a series of Citizén Input Sessions. Please come and share your vision of the future of the City of Florence. New ideas and suggestions will be considered for the City's Comprehensive Plan which is formulated through the Florence Planning Department.

All meetings will be at 6pm taking place in the City Auditorium located at 103 South Pine Street. Citizens are asked to attend on the date set for their respective Council District, however if that is not possible, please feel free to come on any of the other dates.

District 1 Tuesday, October 30 District 2 Tuesday, November 13 **District 3 Tuesday, November 27 District** 4 Thursday, November 29 **District 5 Tuesday, December 11 District 6**

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MUSCLE SHOALS - First Metro Bank is a community bank founded in 1988. It now has nine offices in the Shoals, Athens, and Russellville. First Metro is

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involvement by hosting a benefit birthday extravaganza at 6pm on Thursday, November 1 at the Muscle Shoals High School Auditorium. Community

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Second Graders Learn About Germ-Killing and Handwashing

FLORENCE-Handwashing is something that we can never do enough during the height of the flu season. Some area second graders received a fun lesson on handwashing last week as part of a demonstration by Essity on

as part of a demonstration by Essity on Global Handwashing Day, October 15. Essity is a leading international hygiene, health and paper goods company with a plant in Barton. The company is part of the Global Handwashing Partnership, an initiative now in its tenth year that focuses on the importance of handwashing properly with soap and water to avoid

spreading germs. Twenty second grade students in Ms. Dawn Gray's classroom at Forest Hills Elementary received the first local demonstration and handwashing

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Essity's Karen Haddock puts some glow-inthe-dark lotion on Jacob Shaw's hands which simulates germs under a florescent light. Malachi McCoy looks on and awaits his turn.

History of UNA is Full Steen Ahead

By Patsy Glenn for the Courier Journal

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There are two ways to learn about UNA and its origins and changes, triumphs and low points. There are two ways to learn about the people who have contributed to the school and its alumni who have contributed to the world. The first is to spend countless hours doing research. The second is to take advantage of Robert Steen's countless hours of research and get one of his books.

Colonel Steen, who retired from the military in 1982, credits his time in the UNA ROTC with giving him a head start in his career. He graduated from UNA in 1960 with a BS in Social Science. According to Steen, Allen Thornton gave him a teaching job until he







Paizlee, left, and Kruz with First Metro Bank **President, Rodney** Howard. Courtesy photo

concerns individually.

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Thomas McCutcheon

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In the previous column, I wrote about truck accident cases and this week I want to explain the three parts necessary for a successful resolution. These cases are very valuable because truck drivers are held to a higher standard as a professional driver and the injuries inflicted by a tractor-trailer truck are often fatal or catastrophic.

Usually when we have these cases our clients are contacted by "investigators" for other law firms. In the old days we just called these people runners. They try and run cases to a law firm that otherwise would not get the business. We have

had to ask them to stop on several occasions.

There are three parts to successfully handling a truck wreck case. First, you need an attorney who has experience handling these cases. That attorney will know to write a letter demanding that the truck owner preserve all available evidence. This keeps the truck from being used before the black box download can be performed. This keeps the tires, the brakes, the log books and the driver's employment information available.

Second, that attorney must promptly send an accident reconstruction specialist to the scene of the accident. You might think of this type of expert as someone you would see on CSI. They actually go and determine the speed of the truck, as well as the condition of the tires and brakes. They look for retreads on the front, mismatches in the rest of the tires and brakes that are unadjusted side to side which in turn causes swaying and the driver to lose control of the vehicle.

Third, the attorney must engage a DOT expert witness. We use a retired state trooper who regularly did truck inspections and wrote part of the Alabama version of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations. There are both federal and state regulations that govern the hiring of professional drivers. Often we find a driver who is not qualified and should not have been on the road in the first place. When these guys cause injury or death, juries are unforgiving.

That is a trifecta.

Buckle up, drive safely and as always, your referrals are appreciated. 256-764-0112.

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Currently, 76 employers are scheduled to attend the job fair, representing 1,500 available jobs with more being added daily. A listing of employers and types of positions available can be found at www.labor. alabama.gov/jobfair.

alabama.gov/jobfair. The job fair is free for both employers and job seekers and is open to the public. Employers can register online or by calling the Huntsville Career Center at 256-851-0537. Job seekers and employers are encouraged to pre-register online at www.labor.alabama.gov/ jobfair. Pre-registering will allow for faster entry, and participants are strongly encouraged to print their confirmation and bring it with them to the job fair or to save their confirmation e-mail on their phones. Onsite registration will also be offered.

If job seekers have a disability and require accommodations in order to fully participate in this activity, they should contact Leslie Dawson at leslie.dawson@rehab. alabama.gov.

The facility is accessible, and buses and vans are welcome.

Ready for the Witch's Ride

FLORENCE- The United Way of Northwest Alabama is hosting the 2nd Annual Witches Ride through downtown Florence on Thursday October 25 at 6pm. This fun night out will support early childhood literacy in Lauderdale and Colbert counties. All proceeds will be used to enroll local children in Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Program. The ride will begin in Wilson Park, continue down Court Street, and conclude at Wilson Park. All participants must be dressed as witches and may either ride a bicycle or walk with a broom. No motorized vehicles will be allowed. All participants must be 15 years of age or older. Candy may be thrown to children and spectators along the

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The Alabama Humanities Foundation's exhibit Making Alabama is here at the museum until October 26th.

This exhibit commemorates Alabama's 200th birthday by showcasing the pivotal moments, people and historic places that shaped

the story of our state. Along with this exhibit the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art is showcasing some of Colbert County's people of vision: Ethel Davis, Howell Heflin, Helen Keller, Maud Lindsay and Willie Ruff.

Also at the museum: Historic photos the construction of Wilson Dam, Contemporary photos of Wilson Dam by Jerry Foster, And from the museum's permanent collection, we are displaying work by 24 Alabama artists.

Tuscumbia Parks and Recreation is now taking applications for Basketball.

Registration will run until November 10. Fee is \$35 per player, \$20 each additional player. Fee includes jersey and shorts. Age groups will be 4-6 boys/girls, 7-8 boys/girls, 9-10 boys, 9-10 girls, 11-12 boys, 11-12 girls. The age cut off is the age the player is as of September 1. For more information call 256-306-5655.

REVIVAL: Murphy's Chapel Free Will Baptist Church, 9090 County Road 8 in Waterloo, October 21-24. Evangelists: Brot

Brother Tanner Garrison, Sunday and Monday night; Brother Derek Phillips Tuesday and Wednesday night.

night 5pm; Monday-Sunday Wednesday night 7pm

Living with Autism is an informative group located in Florence that invites all who are effected by Autism Spectrum Disorder for individuals and families.

Wednesday, October 24 at 6pm at Petersville Missionary Baptist Church, 3628 Cloverdale Rd, Florence, behind WareHouse.

Thursday, October 25, 10am-2pm at Florence-Lauderdale Library, 350 N. Wood Ave., Florence.

Guest speaker: Lorraine Barnes, Outreach Coordinator.

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Sunday, October 28, 11am – 3pm, Edgemont United Methodist Church,

1330 Eauclaire Avenue, Florence Monday, October 29, 1 – 7pm, Big Star, 406 4th Street SW, Red Bay

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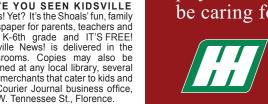
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stated, "George Bush doesn't care about black people."

Few of his race seemed to care when he inappropriately interrupted and insulted Taylor Swift as she was accepting an MTV video award in 2009.

Yet, let him accept a lunch invitation to the White House with THIS president and NFL legend, Jim Brown, and he is automatically the scourge of the liberal and black communities. Don Lemon's CNN panelists didn't hold back låst week. Outspoken

leftist commentator, Bakari Sellers, said, "Kanye is what happens when negroes don't read."

Other comments from black folks on that show alone were, "Kanye is the token negro of the Trump administration," "Black folks are about to trade Kanye West in the racial draft," and "Kanye's an attention whore... like the president." Still other comments referenced a past mental condition as an excuse.

Never mind that the topic was all about the urban black community, violence, education,

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SHEFFIELD Most people do not expect to hold a live conversation with Thomas Jefferson. However, that is exactly how Bill Barker describes his reenactment of the third President of the United States.

Barker will appear as the Sage of Monticello at 7:35pm, October 25-27 at the Ritz Theatre in downtown Sheffield. Admission is \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Tickets may be purchased online at tvaa.net, at the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, 511 N. Water Street in Tuscumbia, 256-383-0533, and at the door. Audiences are invited to join President Jefferson in the Ritz' Education Studio following performances.

"Enacting the persona of Jefferson helps to connect our past to the present," Barker

at The Ritz



in the

FLORENCE-The 32nd annual edition of the official Renaissance Faire for the State of Alabama

will take place at Fountain-on-the-Green (aka Wilson Park) in downtown Oct. 27-28 Florence from 10am-6pm on Saturday, October 27 and from noon-6pm on Sunday, October 28. Admission is free!

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Few

Words

TOM MAGAZZU

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said. "I continue to evolve my

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Barker brings **Thomas Jefferson** to life in a 'Live Conversation'



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Jabba and Kav Rule

Editor:

I was a bit under the weather when I got the news. "Mike, we have a new justice and his name is Kav." Even under serious sedation, I swore and

whispered, "Wait for my letter when I start feeling better."

So, we now have a seriously conservative jury to pass judgement upon the rest of us. Perhaps the final go ahead was the faux passion of a poor little rich brat crying about how ruined his life had become since Jabba nominated him to sit on the high court.

He was accused by more than one young woman of attempted sexual conquest. After staying silent about the advances, these women got exactly what they expected: Poo-poo'd and a loud Tsk-Tsk! How dare those women

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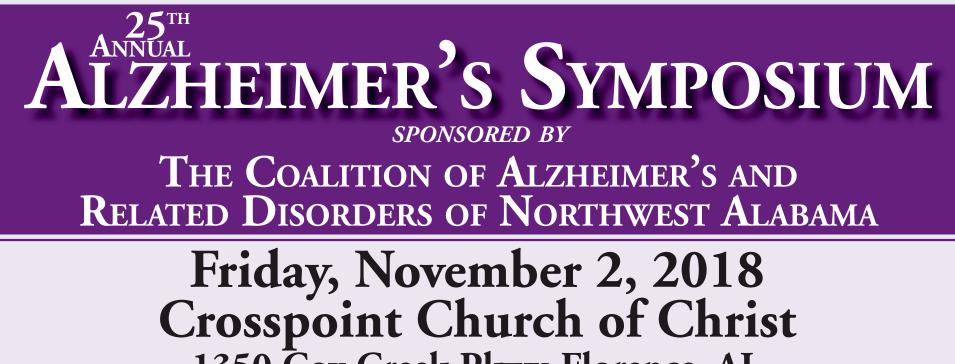
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down in a U-2 spy plane SA-2 surface to air missile over the Soviet Union in exploded near the jet at 1960. He has spent many years searching for answers to questions about his father and the events of his capture.

Insights from the Cold War

His lecture, entitled "The U-2 Incident: A Son's Search for the Truth" will take place at 11am on Wednesday, October 31 at Tuscumbia's Roundhouse located at 204 W. 5th St. in Tuscumbia beginning at 11am.

Helen The Keller Public Library, the City of Tuscumbia and the Tuscumbia Parks and Department Recreation are sponsors of the event. Tickets are \$15. and include lunch. Tickets can be purchased at the Helen Keller Public Library located at 511 North Main Street, Tuscumbia, AL. The proceeds will help fund library programs.

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Gary's research and coauthor of the book "Letters from a Soviet Prison" comprises a collection of his father's letters home and a journal while his father, Francis Gary Powers Sr., was held captive by the Soviets. It is a riveting account of his father having taken off in his U-2 flying from Peshawar, Pakistan on a CIA reconnaissance mission over the Soviet Union where a Soviet exploded near the jet at 70,500 feet over the city of Sverdlovsk forcing him



to bail out resulting in his capture, interrogation and eventual release.

The U-2 Incident gained renewed notoriety by Hollywood film director Steven Spielberg's "Bridge of Spies," a 2015 film where Powers served as technical advisor concerned with how the U-2 pilot might be portrayed.

Powers Jr. founded The Cold War Museum in 1996 to honor Cold War veterans, preserve Cold War history, and educate future generations about this time period. He lectures internationally, is married and has one son.

Francis Gary Powers, Jr. Courtesy image





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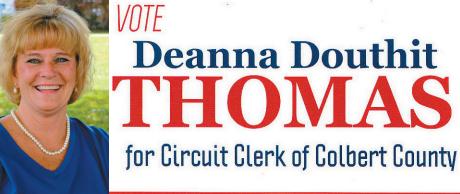
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Handwashing... **Continued from Page 1**

Essity's Karen Haddock challenge. explained how easily germs can spread and led the demonstration. Her interactions included visuals and several questions for the children that generated some well-reasoned answers.

Then, using simple dabs of special glow in the dark lotion to represent germs on their hands and a florescent flashlight just a few moments later, the students experienced firsthand how quickly those germs can spread. then



Gunky Gus

thoroughly for 20 seconds with soap, dried with paper towels, then held them

back under the light. End result? Seeing who washes their hands

better.

School administrators and teachers throughout the Shoals may order free Handwashing Works kits online to demonstrate for their classes as well. The kits include a helpful lesson plan for teachers and colorful materials reinforcing the five handwashing steps for posting in classrooms.

The goal of Handwashing Works is to help establish and reinforce proper handwashing habits among young children. This will work to decrease the spread of germs throughout schools and in the home. As the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) stated, the 2017-18 flu season was the worst since 2009. Being prepared for 2018-19 flu season to keep children healthy and in school is more critical than ever, and proper handwashing is an important component of this.

Ms. Gray's students know that very well.



Essity's Karen Haddock shows some Forest Hills second graders a new "Handwashing Works" poster as their teacher, Dawn Gray, looks on. Staff photos: TVM

Poster with 5 Steps for Handwashing



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KIDS CLOTHING

If you're looking for kids clothing deals, check eBay. Search for "Boys size 6 Lot" for example (LOT is the important word here). It'll be a big jumble of clothes. Instead of going through consignment stores piecing it all together, you can get a ton of pieces for about \$20. *Melanie via Facebook*

PET FOOD

We all love our pets, but feeding them can be expensive even if the food is purchased at a big box store. I adopted two strays and they are not picky about what they eat, so I'm always on the lookout for "closeout" cat food. After doing a little research and making a few calls, I found out that when a new product from one company is coming on the market, they will close out and markdown one or two that are already on the shelf. By watching, I have been able to stock up on cat food and save a ton! It doesn't go bad and my cats love the variety of flavors. I have spent as little as a dollar a bag!

Susan

Hamner

RECEIPT PROTECTION

The one thing I have found out the hard way is that receipts seem to fade and vanish within a year or two and sometimes sooner. I suppose it depends on what type of paper and ink the company uses. I say that I learned this the hard way because after completing a major house remodel, some items failed before the warranty ended. Although I had kept meticulous records, when I went back to get a receipt, it was as good as useless. It was faded badly. Now I keep a folder on my laptop for scanned receipts for almost all of my purchases. I haven't had an issue pursuing a claim in years because of those scanned receipts. I also scan warranty terms and conditions. I just thought this tip might benefit someone else. Sharon

THIS CHRISTMAS

Last year, my brother, sister, and I decided that we wanted to make Christmas easier and spend less. I think I've come up with a solution. With so many people suffering because of hurricane Harvey, instead of buying each other things we don't need, I'm going to suggest that we each make a donation now to a charity that's serving hurricane victims. We'll save time near Christmas and do some good now when people really need the help.

Lisa

REDUCE DRYING TIME

Everyone knows that an electric clothes dryer is an energy hog. One way to reduce the cost is to cut down the amount of time that it runs. There are a couple of things you can do to reduce drying time. First, when your clothes are through the wash cycle, run an extra spin cycle. That will ring more water from your clothes. Next separate out some clothes that don't or shouldn't go in the dryer. For instance, your delicates should be hung to dry. And t-shirts can be hung to drip dry. Debra

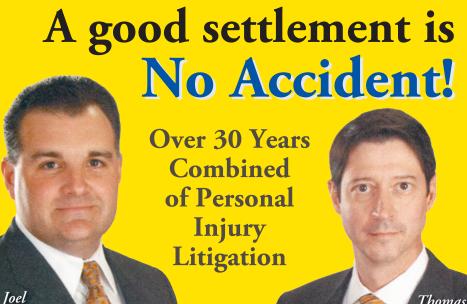
HOW TO START MEAL PLANNING

Don't try to plan for a whole week or month at first. You don't want to get overwhelmed. Instead, just try to plan for perhaps three to four days. Note those meals on index cards. Plan on a leftover day and then plan different meals for another three to four days. Repeat the whole process unfil you build up your stock of menu cards. Then you can begin planning for longer blocks of time. Claudia via Facebook

EASY DECOR TRICK

Ever feel like you want to change up your decor but don't have any big inspiration or a big budget to do the job? Try this. It costs about \$5! Remove your wall light switch covers and spray paint them a color that contrasts or compliments your room color. It doesn't seem like much, but it can give the room a different vibe. If you find that you don't like the change, you can replace the covers for about \$1[°]each. Twila

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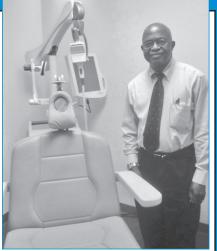
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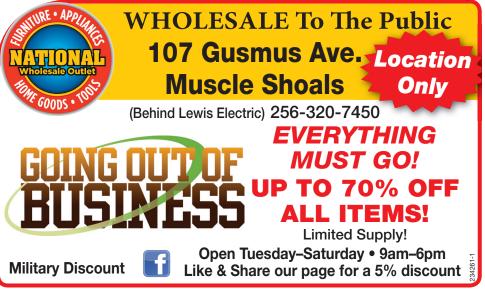
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WIN/WIN LOSING STRATEGY

I've been unhappy with my weight and my credit card balances. Both went up after my daughter (now 6) was born. I had trouble losing the weight I had put on during pregnancy and the cost of daycare wasn't helping our budget. Here's what I did. I promised myself that I'd use my elliptical trainer every other day for 30 minutes. For every calorie I burn (it's displayed on the trainer), I add to my debt loss fund. On the same day that I go online to pay my bills, I add the money from my fund to my minimum payment. Most days that I exercise, I add between \$3 and \$4.50 to the fund. It's not so much that it pinches my budget, but it is enough to make a difference to the account balance. Also, it's a great motivator to help me lose the weight! It's also a whole lot cheaper than buying \$300 worth of food every month from one of those weight loss programs. *Kat*

FRESH TOMATOES ALL FALL

If you live up north, you're always expecting an early freeze. For years, I lost nearly ripe tomatoes to that frost. Then a neighbor told me that he had a method to save them. He uproots the whole plant and hangs them upside down in his basement. The plant shouldn't touch the ground. The tomatoes will continue to ripen gradually. It's not unusual for us to have tomatoes six or even eight weeks after the first frost! Mike

HOMEMADE FINGER PAINTS I created my own finger paints by mixing a few drops of food coloring into a

spoonful of vanilla yogurt. I can create almost any color I want, and it only costs pennies. It is also non-toxic and safe for my kids. The best part is whatever vogurt is left in the container makes a good snack for the artists! Julie

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Becca

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BEFORE YOU BUY ANYTHING

I've found that readers' product reviews are a great way to check out something before I buy it. This is great not just for big things like a TV, but also for smaller electronics and even new foods. Some companies manage to get in some paid fake reviews, so I check the bad reviews. I read them to see if there are complaints about things that would bother me. I've avoided a bunch of bad buys this way. Cilia

doesn't make a huge difference in what we spend, but every little bit helps. Rudy

CREATIVE DATE NIGHTS

Our kids are mostly grown (meaning our day isn't dominated by their activities), but my husband and I still seem to be constantly busy. We decided to start up our date nights again. Instead of doing the typical dinner/movie thing, we went another way. We started with a couple of adult coloring books! It seems silly, but it was a lot of fun and opened us up to some fresh ideas. Next I think that we'll take on a craft project to see how that goes. After that, perhaps we will refinish a piece of furniture. It's brought us together in a way that we thought we'd lost years ago. Chris

JUST CHECKING...

One advantage of being retired is that I can spend a few minutes checking my bills for errors. Just this month I noticed that my auto insurance didn't include the 55+ discount. I called my agent. He said that it was just a mistake, and they'd put the credit back on my account. Last spring, I found an error on my phone bill. They added a monthly fee for a service that I didn't order. It was only \$8.95 a month, but I am not sure how long it was there before I caught it. Even if you are not retired and don't have much time, it's still worthwhile to check your bills to make sure you're not being cheated! Molly

INEXPENSIVE BRIDAL SHOWER GIFT IDEA

Here is a tip for bridal shower gifts. My motherin-law is a genius! She buys everything at a dollar store for her gifts. She fills a small cleaning bucket with bathroom cleaning supplies and then bundles it in pretty clear wrapping. She does the same with a tall kitchen trash can and fills it with dish soap, scrub sponges, paper towels, pot holders, a tea towel set, etc. She's never had a disappointed bride-tobe yet!

Kimberly via Facebook



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SMALL CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Recently I was buying a necessity on Amazon and only needed to spend one more dollar for free shipping. Did you know that when this happens on Amazon, you can do a search of items that cost less than \$1? I looked and found cute little coin purses for \$.59 each, so I ordered nine of them to give to the members of my book club. We usually exchange little gifts, and these are perfect. Not only did I save on shipping, but also I got nine Christmas gifts for less than \$6. I can now check these off on my Christmas shopping list! *O.A.*

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Jefferson...

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presentation to fit the social and national debates of our time within the context of like scenarios in Jefferson's time."

Barker welcomes audience participation and any questions and ideas audiences have about Jefferson.

"Many people have the misconception that Jefferson was an atheist, insincere about ending slavery, a spendthrift, a womanizer and a political antagonist. I hope to alter their opinion," he said. "I am hopeful that the audience will attend to experience wanting Thomas Jefferson, the person, as well as to learn something new about him and his times.'

Barker's portrayal of Jefferson began 40 years ago at Independence Hall, and he has been the resident Jefferson Historical Interpreter at Colonial Williamsburg for 25 years. He has been featured as Jefferson in Time, People, Southern Living, Reader's Digest and in programs aired on ABC, NBC, CBS, PBS, CNN and C-SPAN.

Additionally, Barker is the Jefferson image in the Visitor Center videos at Jefferson Memorial the in Washington, D.C., Monticello, and the Virginia State Capital. He also was the model for the statues in the Jefferson Library at West Point and in the Virginia

State Capitol Building. Barker has received commendations from the Hellenic Ideals Foundation, U.S. Department of Defense, Jefferson the Legacy Foundations and the cities of Philadelphia, St. Louis and New Orleans.

Theatre also plays a big part of Barker's background,

but a variety of dramas play into the view audiences have of Jefferson. From Lin Manuel Miranda's smash Broadway hit "Hamilton" to the HBO production of "John Adams" and even older productions such as "1776" have featured different versions of Thomas Jefferson.

"These works help the Inese works help the younger generations grasp the realities and relevance of history," Barker said. "As Shakespeare wrote, 'The play's the thing through which to capture the conscience of the King.'"



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authority. Secondly, after your Bible has been removed, your faith in that Bible is the target. But God says: 2 Peter 2:1 "But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction." God again in: 1 Corinthians 2:5 "That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." Thirdly, after your Bible and your faith in that book are removed, the testimony of what God has done for you lies dormant in the depths of your soul, and you are then labeled "disabled" by the world and the devil. Not a pretty picture on the destruction of a born-again child of God, but it's happening every day.

God is not there just for us to have emergency care or a first aid kit. History repeats in: Jeremiah 2:32 "Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number". The same is so true today. 2 Peter 1:5-9 "And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins." You are either trusting men or Christ. In the end, you'll get what you have coming. You had better trust Christ.

> Bill Bishop, Pastor **Beacon Baptist Church** Rogersville • 256-247-7733 1.2 miles north from red light on Hwy 207 on left Sunday services at 10am and 11am and 6pm Visitors welcome!

Community Notes...

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USW Local 1535's Women of Steel is seeking vendors for their 1st Annual Steel of a Deal Vendor event on Saturday, December 8 from 9am - 3pm at the union hall, 818 Howell Heflin Lane in Tuscumbia. Indoor vendor booths are available for \$25 and a door prize. Contact Angie Grimes at 256-762-8366 for more information.

Did you know that there are 250 children who can't live at home in our community each month? These children can't live at home because the very people who are supposed to protect and care for them are not able to do so. These are the children These are the children in foster care. that need someone to stand up for them when it feels like no one cares. These are the children that need a CASA Volunteer.

Please consider becoming a Volunteer Advocate for local children who need a caring and committed adult to speak up for their best interest. Call the Shoals CASA office at 256-765-0041 or check out the agency's website for more information www. ShoalsCASA.org.

Fourth Saturday Breakfast at the Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence, October 27 from 6-9am.

Menu includes eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, gravies, grits, juice and coffee. Adults \$6, children 10 and under, \$3.

Proceeds used for Center expenses. Everyone is welcome.

The 32nd Annual edition of the official Renaissance Faire for the State of Alabama takes place at Wilson Park in downtown Florence from 10am-6pm on Saturday, October 27, and from noon-6pm on Sunday, October 28. Admission is free!

Enjoy a re-creation of a trade fair staged at manor houses and open fields all over Europe during the Medieval and Renaissance eras. There will be period musicians, both vocal and instrumental; period dancers; magicians; hand-to-hand combat by skilled reenactors; storytellers; characters of the period filling the lanes of the park; foods of the period for purchase; special activities for children... the list goes on.

Fall Festival - Weanesuay, 000000 31, 5-7pm at the Salvation Army, 1601 "" Pood Florence. Prizes, Candy, Food. Open to the public. Come and celebrate Halloween Church Style.

Don't miss it! Info: 256-764-4432 or 256-856-1938

St. Luke United Methodist Men will have a White Bean Lunch drive on Thursday, November 1 and Friday, November 2 from 11am-2pm. Come and fellowship with us. \$5 for beans, onions, cornbread. and cake.

Northwest Alabama MS Warriors, a support group for those dealing with multiple sclerosis and their families, will meet at 5:30pm, Thursday, November at the Muscle Shoals Public Library, 1918 Avalon Avenue, Muscle Shoals 256-356-8548

The United Methodist Women will sponsor their annual Rummage/ Bake Sale from 7am until Friday, November 2, and 7am until 11am Saturday, November 3, in the Ministry Center directly behind the First United Methodist Church in downtown Russellville, This event is held to raise money for local and foreign missions.

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Suicide

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For registration email Melody Platt, MSW, Prevention Services Coordinator, Riverbend Center for Mental Health at melodyplatt@rcmh.org or call 256-768-7500 ext. 232.

Participants will be awarded a certificate of training completion.

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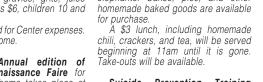
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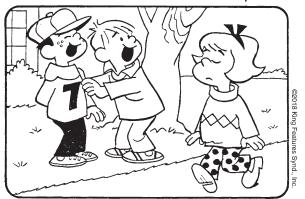
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DAYS OF OUR LIVES smuggled Sami the mystery patient into the hospital. Eric received devastating news some about Nicole. Chad and pleaded with Abigail seek treatment. Paul to suspicious after was overhearing Will on the

phone with Sonny. Abigail laid into Kate about helping learning After Gabi. that Chad wanted her committed, Abigail sought help from an unlikely ally. Lani was jealous when she learned that Sheila was living with Eli. John asked Roman to help him get rid of Hattie. Meanwhile, Bonnie and Hattie caught up over a few drinks. Chloe accused Belle of taking Mimi's side. JJ and Gabi shared an electric moment. Wait to See: Sami asks for Kayla's help to prove the mystery man is EJ

GENERAL HOSPITAL Carly opened up to Stella. Alexis and Jason each tried to help Kristina. Josslyn put her plan in motion. Oscar got the support he needed. Drew confided in Elizabeth. Nina was extremely grateful. Ava felt hurt. Oscar confronted Cameron. Julian appreciated Olivia's efforts. Kim paid Sam a visit. Drew confided in Curtis while Laura got truthful with Carly. Julian stepped in to help Kim. Finn was pleasantly surprised. Nina felt rejected. Kristina showed Oscar the ropes. Sam headed out of town. Carly was caught off guard. Ryan faced the unexpected. Kiki and Liz bonded. Wait to See: Laura and Carly make a pact.

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Kyle was shocked when he opened the hidden safe inside the office and discovered an important paper that John had left for Ashley. Jack arrived just in time to see Kyle attempting to shred the document. Dina hallucinated that Jack was John. Nick warned Rey to



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set his sights on someone besides Sharon. The blackmailer's continued threats began to create strain among his or her targets, especially when Mariah said she felt like she was being followed. Determined to protect her daughter, Sharon urged Nikki to send the money. Jack and Billy began to reconnect with old flames, with Billy sharing a charged moment with Victoria. Meanwhile, Jack Phyllis' friendship and grew stronger, as he supported her through her breakup. Wait to See: Jill pushes Nikki's buttons.

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STAN DEAN

Included in this "little" updating job were a couple of new plaques with inspirational messages that went on the walls on both sides of our vanity. Now keep in mind that this took place about a year ago. Yet, if you had asked me a week ago what the message was on either plaque I could not have told you.

But the other morning as I was getting ready for the day, I happened to look up and my eyes focused on the one that has been hanging within two feet of my head for twelve months. The message only contained four words, but they have stuck with me now for four days. It says simply, "Be Awesome Every Day." Now I have to be honest and say I have a lot of work to do to be awesome every day, but the message has made me do a lot of thinking. First and foremost, I was reminded that Christians serve an awesome God and we should strive to be like Him (cf. Deuteronomy 7:21; Matthew 5:48). But what really got the cogs turning in my head is that He desires for each one us to have an awesome life- - every day! He declared for His people, "I came that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). So, let us consider just one component of that abundant life- - happiness. Surely, most of us agree that life would be awesome if we could just find lasting happiness. As a result, countless people are desperately searching every day, yet they cannot seem to find it. But note, Jesus taught almost 2000 years ago, "These things have I spoken to you, that My joy might remain in you, and that your joy may be full" (John 15:11). This message and the means of achieving it have been in our reach for centuries. Yet, many are still looking for what has been right at their fingertips all along. So, we need to pay attention to God's word (cf. 2 Timothy 3:16, 17). It is awesome! And it will make us awesome!

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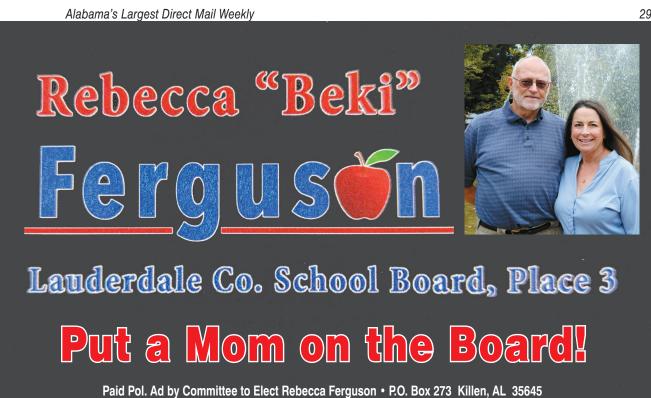
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Letters...

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come forward now and voice their concerns! They should have reported this kind of sexual assault to the police right after it happened. Besides, they were (gasp) drinking while under-aged.

Judgement was meted out by the members of the American Inquisition, ruled in favor of sitting on the bench to judge women, democrats, the left, George Soros, the Clinton's, and Obama's he swore were out to get at and expose his rich white privilege. He was vehement in his condemnation. Therefore, I see no fair outcomes in the future of these fine people by this judge. A very large amount of

money was spent to protect Jabba with the kind of rulings we can expect from this guy.

Jabba Meanwhile pounded upon his Fox pulpit, "All will pay who disagree with me!"

Michael J. Soroczak Muscle Shoals

The Spot for **His Buddy**

Editor:

This Johnny Mack Morrow vs. Senator Larry Stutts race is all about Morrow trying to get the senate seat back for his little buddy Roger Bedford who chose not to run again.

I was at one of the AT&T wireless internet meetings for the public in Phil Campbell for that wireless broadband internet that we never got. It was a lovefest as Morrow still called Roger "Senator Bedford" even though he no longer held that office.

Apparently, nobody could figure out that cell towers are too short provide wireless to broadband internet to a lot of people unless it's on a high hill overlooking subdivisions. That kind of internet just doesn't do very well going through trees. If the cell towers were about three times as high as they are, it might work.

I haven't heard any denials from the Morrow camp about statements made by Stutts such as campaign contributions to the Hillary campaign and that she was his role model. Morrow just comes up with the lottery idea again that is supposed to appeal to the voters who could least afford spending money on tickets, but who are looking for a big win. He is hoping they may vote for him because of that. He'll need a lot of support from the state legislature to pull that one off. So, don't buy into that idea.

It's time to send Johnny Mack back to the farm to retire for good - For A Better To"Morrow." What are the plans for that better tomorrow?

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Historic preservation consultant Katie Randall and Murphy spent months compiling information about each building. The information MSNHA and participating businesses also helped fund the project. "This tour really allows users to interact with these buildings on a completely different level," Randall said. "It allows people to see them in a way they might not have thought about before."

In conjunction with the tour, the Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts is hosting an exhibit based around the architecture of downtown Florence. Designed by Florence Arts and Museums program coordinator, Christi Britten, the exhibit is open until November 1. It features historical and contemporary photographs of the buildings featured on the tour and has QR codes that visitors can scan to access the tour.

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The old myth about bankruptcy ruining a person's credit for seven years seems to come from a belief that a bankruptcy filing can be listed on a person's credit report for seven years. But even this belief is incorrect. A bankruptcy filing can, in fact, be listed on a filer's credit report for ten years from the date of filing. This does not mean, however, that a person has bad credit for ten years. In fact, a bankruptcy discharge can often make it EASIER to obtain credit.

Doesn't make sense? Well think about it from a practical perspective. Say you go to a banker to borrow money today. You have NEVER filed bankruptcy. You have, however, been a week or two late on your mortgage or car payment a couple of times. You have about \$25,000 in credit card debt and have only been making minimum payments for a while now. You may even have a payday loan or two. In other words, you are barely getting by. If the banker lends you money today, he will be competing with all of your other creditors to be paid on his loan. You barely have enough money to pay them. How are you going to pay this new debt? In addition to all this, the banker will have to consider the fact that you could file bankruptcy on the other creditors and him after he lends you the money.

Now fast forward. You filed a chapter 7 bankruptcy last year and discharged all of your debt except your car and house debt. Since that time, you have made your house and car payments on time every month. You have no other creditors. If the banker lends you money now, he will not be competing with other creditors. Furthermore, he will not need to worry about you filing another chapter 7 bankruptcy. You cannot file again for eight years after the first bankruptcy was filed. From this perspective, you are less of a risk now than you were before filing your bankruptcy.

If you question this logic, call the finance manager at your local car dealership. You will likely learn that you can qualify for an automobile loan the day after you receive your bankruptcy discharge. Call a real estate agent. You will also learn that many people qualify for a mortgage within a few short years after a bankruptcy discharge.

In practice, we typically find that a good waiting period after finishing a bankruptcy is not 7 years, but actually about 6-9 months before trying to make any large credit purchases, such as a new car. That is typically enough time for your credit to rebuild such that you shouldn't have too much trouble getting a good interest rate. For very large purchases, like a new mortgage, the general rule of thumb is to give it 1-2 years from the bankruptcy discharge. Now this doesn't mean that bankruptcy is the best option for you. Bankruptcy should never be your first choice. If, however, you are struggling with debt, please give us a call and sit down with us and fully explore how a bankruptcy will affect your credit. We offer free private and confidential consultations. We can help you! Alabama State Bar requires the following: "No representation is made that the quality of legal services to be performed is greater than the quality of legal services performed by other lawyers."

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Elderly and the Little Things

Editor:

When we find ourselves old and alone, either we learn to live a life that is approved by God and look forward to heaven, or we don't.

So many people are depressed because of their human and materialistic losses on this earth that they have turned to alcohol, sex drugs, opiates and anything else that can give

them a temporary escape. The key to living is not to escape, but to embrace.

Embrace the pain of loss, embrace that your loved ones dead or alive are not coming back.

Work toward a Godapproved relationship of love and forgiveness for yourself and for others.

I love doing for others what they cannot do for themselves.

I love dressing and nurturing the elderly. I love putting sugar and cream in their coffee.

Little things make elderly people happy.

Elderly people are hopefully looking forward to heaven, too.

When I think about heaven, I don't see windows and walls. I see a big open space filled with people who are enjoying being with each other and their Creator.

I imagine Perfection because all things are possible with God THE Creator.

Until then I encourage all who suffer the loss of loved ones to go into the world and find someone who has less faculties than you and nurture them with your loving kindness.

And feel heaven on earth.

Joy Willow Florence

Jail Should Be the **Priority**

Editor:

Recently Sheriff Singleton addressed the problem of overpopulation in the Lauderdale Detention facility on local television. In addressing the issue Sheriff Singleton showed plans for adding a second story and why the addition is needed. This has been a problem for several years. The county commissioners spent \$2.6 million to purchase land for which no feasibility study has been done. Now they want the taxpayers to give them a credit card with an unknown final price tag and then expecting the taxpayers to make the payments. Well, I assume the county commissioners haven't ever heard of deficit spending or considering the safety of the public over building an AG Center that

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Commentary

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and life skills. He accepted an invitation to discuss these matters from the wrong president. He deserves some kudos for voluntarily and publicly leaving the shackles of the plantation after three generations of democrat supervisors whipping the residents into line. That's not saying that Kanye or Jim Brown will agree with everything right or even most things right. What it does affirm is that black people have the same rights to varied opinions as do white people, Hispanics, and any other classification of people. We don't assume all whites are conservatives or liberal. Why should we assume such with blacks?

In December of 2016 Jim Brown met with Donald Trump before his bonald frump before ins inauguration. Afterward Brown said he admired what Trump went through to become the president. "He's got my admiration. I fell in love with him because he love about helping African talks about helping African American/black people, that he was very receptive into law abolishing slavery American/black people, that he was very receptive to what was needed in the U.S. and essentially

Trump and Kanye West last

"What has been the reaction of the football community to your support of this administration and this president, Brown replied, "I don't know. I really don't... and I don't really care, because this is the President of the United States. He allowed me to be invited to his territory. He treated us beautifully, and he shared some thoughts. And he will be open to talking when I get back to him. That's the best he could do for me. So,

When Brown was asked,

best he could do for me. So, I'm happy to say on that, it's been very successful." All the popular black commentators want to channel most of their rhetoric through their liberal bace where it will be received base where it will be received favorably. However, people like Thomas Sowell, Walter Williams, and Sylvia Thompson have been taking strong positions as black conservatives for years. Maybe Don Lemon's guests should have been

reading real American history instead of the the black community... he was very receptive, funny, cracked some jokes, aid he was in." After having lunch with After having lunch with and 15th Amendments that clarified the illegality week, Brown described the of involuntary servitude, discussion as very positive. granted freed slaves U.S.

vote. Republican Dwight D. Eisenhower created a Commission on Civil Rights in 1957, and in 1960 he sent Federal Inspectors to the Voter Registration polls. Democratic president, Lyndon B. Johnson, relied Lyndon B. Johnson, relied on the Republicans to pass the Civil Rights Act of 1964, an anti-discrimination law. Had it been left up to democrats led by southern senators Robert Byrd and Albert Gore, Sr, the legislation would have been in trouble. Even republican in trouble. Even republican President Richard Nixon was the one to enforce Affirmative Action through Art Fletcher's Philadelphia Plan in 1969. President Ronald Reagan designated Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's birthday a national holiday. President G.W. Bush appointed a record number of blacks to high-level positions in the federal government.

What is the most telling is that it was the Republican Congress that voted to fund the school voucher program in Washington DC, which now enables mostly minority, poor students to attend top private schools in that area. This was in obama and Harry Reid stripping the funding earlier to satisfy their union donors. By the way, how many of the current whiners know that all of the black Congressman elected during Reconstruction were Republicans, including James T. Rapier who was born in Florence and

citizenship, and recognized served in the U.S. House, the right of former slaves to 1873-1875?

Republicans generally have a long history of illustrating support for blacks through legislation. So, while Democrats were generally the party of slavery, Jim Crow, black codes, and the KKK, republicans were the party of Lincoln, reconstruction, the civil rights acts of 1875, 1957, 1960, and 1964. Now, amid unprecedented backlash, President Trump is quietly making history in employment education in employment, education, and community efforts for minority students and residents. He gets nothing but taunts and ridicule from the media and those satisfied with the Democrat promised with the Democrat promises and the unchanging view on the plantation.

The NFL's Jim Brown recently endorsed Trump's re-election bid as well. He added, "Now, that would make me very unpopular in the black community, very unpopular with a lot of Americans. However, I think that there are certain good things that are coming out of this presidency because we've never seen anything like it."

How foolish we are when closed-mindedness and politics are more important than tackling issues that can salvage generations of many on the lower end of the economic ladder of all races and nationalities simply because the wrong president is finally addressing them.

SPECIAL GUEST OPINION EDITORIAL Kayne, Trump Meeting Exposes Liberal Democrats

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I WANT TO GIVE KANYE WEST props for standing up for free speech and free thought. America Pageant* rather

how and Dems tore into Justice Brett Kavanaugh and his family with disgusting lies and down-right demonic slurs.

attack Why Kavanaugh? Because Trump selected him. They would have attacked anyone Trump nominated. With Kanye, it's DAY GARDNER

pretty much the PRESIDENT same thing. It's as if **National Black** the media is saying Pro-Life Union "how dare anyone,

especially a black person, door. have a friendship with -- or Kar support this President of the United States."

So, then comes the derogatory name-calling: minstrel, Uncle Tom, coon, "negro," and the other "n" word delivered by plantation blacks to the delight of their white colleagues. Are we really surprised?

Unfortunately, no. The Dems and liberals

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I experienced similar America Pageant.

Recently, we all watched than compete in the all black ow the media pageant.

pageant. I received racially charged name-calling and death-threats from white people as well as racial slurs from many blacks.

Note to Kanye: Sometimes it's hard to stand in the midst of an overwhelming flood. So, you learn to swim -- and even float.

I know I did, and in a very small way, I helped to change the face of America's girl next

Kanye and I don't agree on much, but regarding President Trump, I stand with him as one of the thousands and thousands of black so-called "tokens" who truly believe President Trump -- with God's grace -- has the ability to make America great, maybe even greater than ever before.

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aware of the problems with

the jail and certainly should

have acted on them before

going out and spending \$2.6

million for land for the AG

Our county commissioners need to begin learning that

they need to prioritize their

not going to put anything on a credit card that I can't pay when the monthly statement comes in! Too many elected officials aren't being responsible with the taxpayer's money. I resent their putting any new tax proposal before the public. I urge everyone to consider this issue and consider why you should vote for deficit spending that

YOU will have to pay for. Yes, we need an addition to our county detention facility. We need it more than an AG center that will cost \$45 million dollars with the potential of costing us more. If you thought traffic on Florence Blvd is bad, wait

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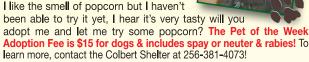
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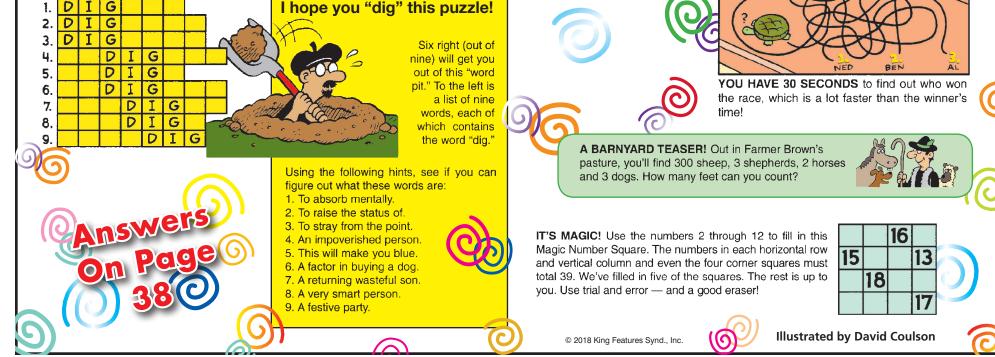
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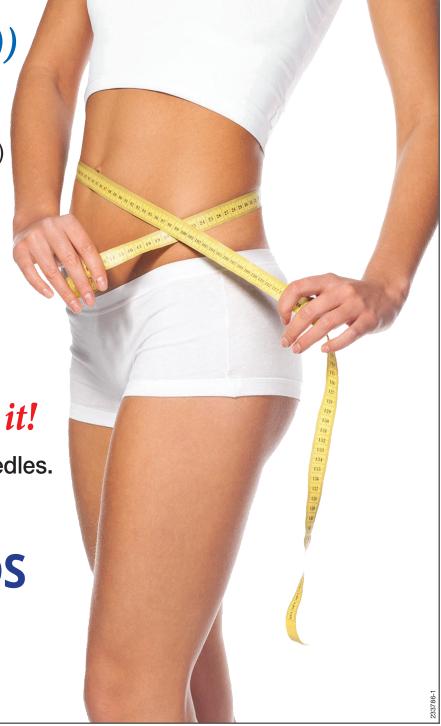




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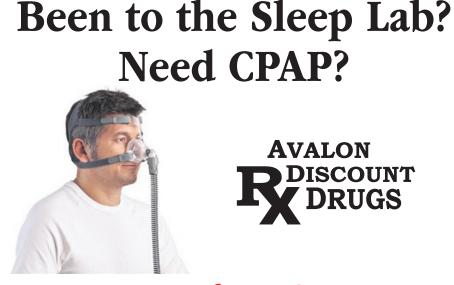
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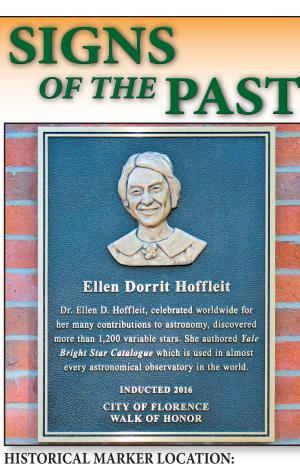


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Can you imagine explaining to a realtor from 1980 that you can take a picture of a new listing from your phone and upload it immediately, right there on the spot, so anyone in the world could look at it on their phone? Or that we all have a phone for that matter?

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Video tours are quickly becoming a buyer's preferred method of looking at a home online and in most cases the buyer tells the agent which MLS numbers they want to see instead of describing the type of home they want.

Times have definitely changed. Over the past 18 years I have watched the internet become a bigger and bigger part of not only Real Estate sales, but also how we communicate, both with clients and fellow REALTORS. Like it or not, it is a major part of selling homes today.

From the mortgage application to the closing table, most everything involved with a real estate transaction today would be unrecognizable to someone from only a decade ago, much less 30 years. -mr

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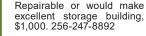
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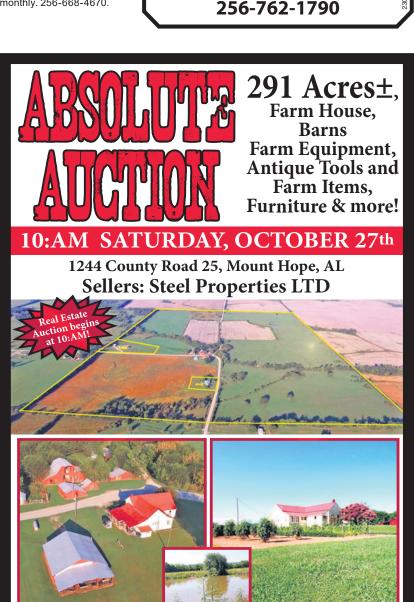
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Dear Will,

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Having some cash on hand is never a bad thing. When it comes to the portion of your emergency fund you keep

at home, I'd recommend just being reasonable. If you've got \$10,000 set aside for emergencies, I'm okay with you keeping \$5,000 at home in a quality safe. I wouldn't put all, or even most of it, in a safe, though.

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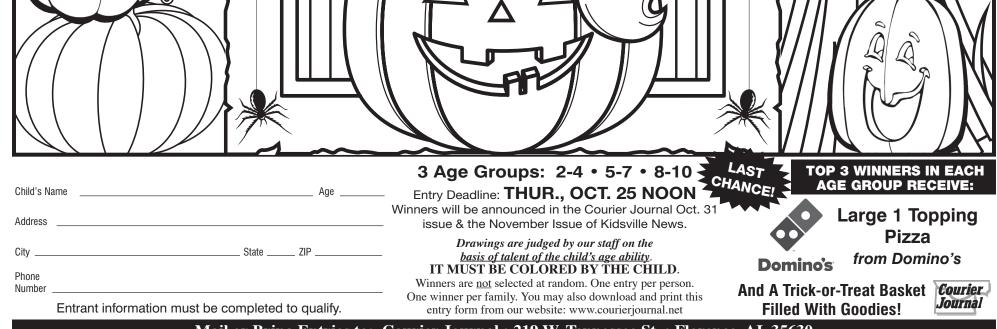
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The Shoals Elks Lodge 2860 will have their Halloween Dinner Dance on Saturday, November 3 at 6:30pm at 408 N. Nashville Ave. In Sheffield. Dinner will be steak and all the fixings. Music will be provided by Mitch Mann Trio at 7:30pm. Choice of costume or casual attire. Door prizes will be awarded for costumes. Price is \$25 with reservations. Reservations must be in by October. 31.

All proceeds go to the Elks Charities. Call Micki at 256-383-7874 for reservations. Please leave message.

Annual Thanksgiving Lunch at Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence, Sunday, November 4, 11am-1:15pm.

Delicious turkey and dressing with gravy will be served along with mashed potatoes, green beans, cranberry sauce, slaw, homemade rolls, coffee, tea, and dessert.

Cost is \$11 per plate, children 10 and under \$5 Carryouts available. Everyone is welcome.

For questions, call 256-766-1569. Proceeds used for Center expenses.

The Shoals Community Clinic in partnership with UNA Anderson College

of Nursing & Health Professionals will be hosting its annual Community Health Fair on Monday November 5 and Wednesday November 7 from 9am-2pm each day at t the Shoals Community Clinic located at 309 Handy Homes in Florence,

The event will be free to the public and everyone is welcome. Free services include flu shots, cholesterol testing, diabetes screening, hearing and vision exams, blood pressure & vascular check-ups, respiratory health, and many other free services. Also there will be local community agencies on hand to answer questions and provide information and demonstrations on healthy lifestyle choices, mental health. community services, and much more. For more information please contact the clinic at 256-760-4713.

The Annual Memorial Service for All Saints' Day takes place at 3pm Sunday, November 4 at St. John's Episcopal Church, 300 N. Dickson St. in Tuscumbia, The church was built in 1852 and is Alabama's oldest Carpenter's Gothic Church. Though closed for regular services, the building remains unchanged and contains original furnishings and stained glass windows. The public is





invited. For more information, call 256-383-4401 or 256-710-9081.

The "Hi Neighbors of the Shoals" **meeting** will be Tuesday, November 6 at 10:30am at the Florence Public This group welcomes Library. all newcomers to the Shoals area. Contact Janice Hilborn, 256-577-8355 for further information.

A benefit dinner and silent auction will be held for the Children's Organ Transplant Association® in honor of 12 year-old Kaitlyn McGuire on Thursday, November 8 at Cypress Lakes in Muscle Shoals. Kaitlyn is listed for a liver transplant at Children's Hospital in Birmingham. Funds are being raised for COTA in honor of Kaitlyn to assist with transplant-related expenses. The event will include a Texas

Roadhouse dinner and a silent auction featuring many items donated by local businesses. Dinner plates are \$15 and can be purchased before November 1 at Cypress Lakes, Valley Chiropractic, or on line at www. COTAforTeamKaitlynM.com. Each meal comes with on entrée, two sides, and a roll. Dessert and drinks will also be provided. Meals will be available to-go or dine-in. Door prizes will be given away periodically during the event for those who choose to dine-in and participate in the silent auction. All profits from the dinner and silent auction will assist with transplant-related expenses. Kaitlyn has Cystic Fibrosis and was diagnosed with liver failure. Local volunteers are raising an estimated \$50,000 to assist with transplant-related expenses throughout her lifetime.

For more information about the Benefit Dinner and Silent Auction, or other fundraising and volunteer opportunities, please contact Anna Steinke at 256-810-5014 or e-mail

anna_steinke@yahoo.com.

92nd Annual Chicken Stew -Friday, November 9, 11am-1pm at American Legion Post #11, 318 S. Court St., Florence. \$25 - Gallon, \$7 - Quart. Proceeds benefit the American

Legion Programs for out local Veterans and children. Info: 256-764-5122. The LaGrange Living Historical Association and Shoals Astronomy Club will host a First Light Night at LaGrange College Site Park on Saturday, November 10 beginning at This event will commence use 4pm. of a new Meade LightBridge telescope at the Observatory. The public is

welcome The Observatory was built in the 1960s to house a telescope designed and built by local amateur astronomers. Through private donations, a construction project began in 2017 The new restore the roll-off roof. LightBridge was purchased with a grant from the Walmart Foundation.

Amateur astronomers will recount the origins of the observatory, and discuss the new public purpose for the telescope. One person will be selected by random drawing to look through the telescope and enjoy the "first light" it collects. To complete the evening, if skies remain clear, there will be a tour of the night sky. A public observing schedule for 2019 will be announced, along with training sessions for proper, supervised use of the telescope.

If skies are cloudy, the event will proceed without observation. If it rains, the event will be postponed. If it For more information, visit shoalsastro. com/press/firstlight or send an email to shoalsastro@gmail.com, or call Eric Geater at 731-431-3742.

The Florence Exchange Club will be hosting it annual One Nation **Under God Luncheon** on Tuesday November 13, at the Marriott Conference Center. The guest speaker will be Josh Willingham. retired Major League Baseball player and UNA Athletic Hall of Fame member. Special music will be by Phillip White. All proceeds will go to the Youth Community Projects. For ticket information, email ONUG2018@gmail. com

"The Intuitionist", a novel by Colson Whitehead will be discussed at the 10am, November 14 meeting of

The club meets at Coldwater Books, 105 West Sixth Street in Tuscumbia. For more information, call the store at 256 381 2525. Or visit https://www. goodreads.com/book/show/16271. The_Intuitionist

White Oak Community Watch Group meets the first Sunday of each month at 2pm, except when holidays fall the week before or after. Our goal is to make our community a safe place to live. Volunteers are needed. To join attend a meeting and fill out a form for a background check. a"A Plantation Christmas" will be

held at historic Belle Mont Mansion (circa 1828), 1569 Cook Lane (off Hwy. 43 S), Tuscumbia, on Saunday, December 2, from 1-5pm. The traditional holiday open house, will feature decorations of fresh greenery and fruit elega with partied parties and and fruit along with period music and dance performances. Refreshments Shuttle available from served. roadside and nearby field. Admission. \$8 adults, \$4 children 6-12, under six free. Sponsored by Colbert County Historical Landmarks Foundation to benefit Belle Mont and local preservation efforts. Information: 256-'381-5052 or 256-383-0783.

A grief support group entitled, "Getting Well Together" will meet at Shoney's in Muscle Shoals at 10am on the second Thursday of each month. This free support group is for anyone who would like to attend. This event is provided by Kindred Hospice of Florence. For more information, call 256-764-0873.

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Menu: smoked ham, chicken & dressing, cranberry sauce, corn, mashed potatoes, carrots, baked beans, roasted veggies, green beans, mixed salad, coleslaw, rolls from Texas Roadhouse, homemade

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October 15th through December 7th. This is the time of year you can sign up for or make any changes to your Medicare Advantage Plan (MA) or Prescription Drug Plan (PDP). Over the next few weeks we are going to look at MA and PDP plans and what to look for when choosing these plans.

Medicare Advantage Plans, or Part C Medicare, are offered through private insurance companies that Medicare approves. If you join a Medicare Advantage Plan you still have Medicare but will receive your Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B coverage through the private insurance company offering the MA plan you join. Medicare Advantage Plans are not Medicare supplements.

Here are a couple of rules to remember if considering a Medicare Advantage Plan. To be eligible to join a Medicare Advantage Plan you must be enrolled in Part A and Part B Medicare. You must also live in the service area of the plan. For example, if you live in Lauderdale or Colbert counties you are only eligible for plans that are offered in your county. Just because a plan is offered in Huntsville or Birmingham does not mean it's available in Lauderdale or Colbert counties. Also, you do not have to be 65 to join an Advantage Plan. If you have been on Social Security disability for 24 months and have Medicare you can join a plan.

Over the next few weeks we will begin to look at the six things to consider when choosing a Medicare Advantage Plan. Those six things are premium, copays, coinsurance, deductibles, provider networks and the drug formulary of the plan. We will also discuss the difference between your plan options such as a HMO and a PPO. In the meantime if you have any questions about Medicare Advantage Plans you can contact our office.

If you have questions regarding any aspect of Medicare or Medicare health plans feel free call us at Alabama Health Guidance (256-648-5710), stop by our office at 885 Florence Blvd (Four Lane Shopping Center) or email me at ikey@ alabamahealthguidance.com. Alabama Health Guidance is an independent insurance agency and



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