

Sledge: New Sales Officer

SHEFFIELD— Bank Independent recently announced the promotion of **Deanna Sledge** to Sales Officer.



Sledge began her career with Bank Independent as part of the Loan Operations team in 2008. After her first year, she transferred to the Killen sales office as a Personal Banker. She was promoted to Sales Specialist/Senior Relationship Banker in 2014.

Sledge earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Alabama in 2006, concentrating her studies in banking and financial services. She has pursued additional professional studies graduating from both Leadership Shoals in 2017 and the Alabama Banking School in 2018.

"Deanna has proven to be an excellent fit for both Bank Independent and the community she serves," said Rick Wardlaw, CEO of Bank Independent. "She works hard to develop strong relationships with her customers and to make a difference in the community."

Sledge serves as Treasurer and board member for Florence Civitan and is on the membership committee for her Business Networking International group.

Reserve Your Shirer Space

FLORENCE —Woodmont Baptist Church in Florence will be one of the host church's for the *Going Beyond Simulcast* with **Priscilla Shirer** on April 6. Along with Priscilla Shirer, one of today's top Bible teachers, Christian recording artist, **Anthony Evans**, will lead worship via simulcast.

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Screen Shot - YouTube entry

Florence High basketball players with AD Byron Graham in their Powerade Challenge video.

Grant Goes to the Track

FLORENCE — Coca-Cola representatives awarded \$10,000 to the Florence City Schools Athletics Department for their video entry in the national Coca-Cola "Power Your School" Powerade Challenge. This entry was the collaborative and creative effort of Byron Graham, FCS Director of Athletics; Anthony Reid, FHS basketball coach; FHS student

athletes and FHS film/broadcasting students under the direction of Randy Bruce.

The video entry was one of 50 U.S. high schools selected by Coca-Cola and the only high school recipient of this award in Alabama.

Graham indicated that the proceeds from the award would go towards the FHS Track program.

New Execs Combine 50 Years



Penney

Partridge

FLORENCE— HPS Schönox located in the Florence Industrial Park recently announced the additions of Jim Partridge and Mike Penney to top-level positions in the organization. Both have extensive backgrounds in the flooring industry and bring more than 50 combined years experience to the HPS Schönox team.

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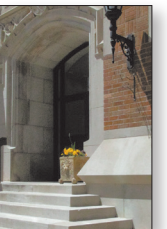
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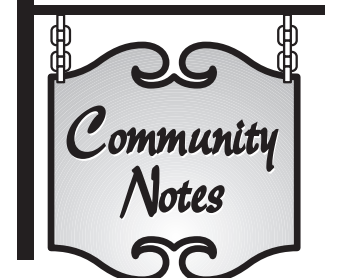
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All properly submitted Community Notes which are dated will be posted weekly at www.courierjournal.net. Visit our website for a complete list.

Tuscumbia Bicentennial Trolley Tours continue every Saturday in March sponsored by the City of Tuscumbia Bicentennial Commission. All tours depart Coldwater Books at 10am.

Saturday, March 23
Faith of our Fathers Historic Church Tour - Explore the architecture and history of Tuscumbia's oldest churches. Includes tours of First Presbyterian, Lesley Temple and First Baptist. Docents: Ron Hudson and Lt. Col. Arthur Graves. Ticket Price: \$10


Saturday, March 30
A Governor, a Grand Home and its Ghost - Interesting stories about Alabama's oldest foreign-born governor, Tuscumbia's Gov. Lindsey, his famous daughter, Maud Lindsey, and Tuscumbia's Winston family as you tour the beautiful (and some say haunted) Winston Home. Docents: Mary McWilliams, Ninon Parker, and Lorie Johnson. Ticket Price: \$10



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Pancake Breakfast March 23 from 6-10am at the Cloverdale Community Center, 17420 County Road 8, Florence. All you can eat pancakes!! Pancakes are served with bacon, sausage, butter, syrup, milk, juice, and coffee. \$10 per person for AUCE in house or 1 carryout plate per person stacked full for \$10. All proceeds benefit the Cloverdale Volunteer Fire Department.

Harry Potter Trivia night with Colby Dow Wednesday, March 20, 5-6 pm
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Sci-Fi Story-Time with Kaitlyn Tew Thursday, March 21, 4:30-5pm Interested in Sci-Fi? Still miss a classic story-time? Come join Kaitlyn Tew as she reads Sci-Fi Short Stories. This event is for all ages and a great way to wind-down with family and friends.

Basics of 3D Printing with Tucker Green Saturday, March 23 at 10-12pm In this session, we will discuss the basics of desktop 3D printing. We will address the benefits of 3D printing, the differences between 3D printing and other types of manufacturing, the varieties of 3D printing, and the 3D printing process.

Public Speaking with Tucker Green Thursday, March 28, 6-7pm Are you interested in learning more in the uncomfortable art of public speaking? Come learn some tricks and tips to make your next speaking engagement a little less intense.

Interview with a Local: Mr. Wille Ruff YouTube Series Saturday, March 30, 10am-12pm Come meet and be part of the interview with former Yale Professor and Jazz Musician, Willie Ruff. Questions must be submitted by the previous Friday and can be submitted to tucker@tjpl.org. Mr. Ruff is a Sheffield native and has an amazing story to tell.

Florence Parks and Recreation/ The Club (Senior Center) presents 2019 travels to Branson Holiday Show Extravaganza. Monday -Saturday, November 18-23. 6 days 5 nights. \$679 double occupancy. Deposit due now \$75. Final payment September 11. This trip is open to the general public. Call The Club 256-760-6642 or email fdavis@florenceal.org

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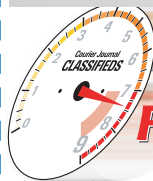


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Accreditation...

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received the good news on February 22 while attending the ABHE Annual Meeting in Orlando.

HCU president, Dr. Kirk Brothers, noted, "Partnering with ABHE to prepare our students for ministry has been invaluable. In addition to accreditation, they offer numerous workshops which help us to stay up-to-date on best practices in Christian education." He goes on to add, "I am grateful for our HCU

Team that works tirelessly to meet high academic and professional standards that benefit our students and glorify God."

HCU has provided a biblically based education for 50 years to students who desire to become proficient communicators of the gospel of Christ. HCU offers the following degrees: Associate of Arts in Biblical Studies, Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies, Master of Arts, Master of Ministry, and Master of Divinity.

50 Years of Flooring...

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the industry," said Thomas Trissl, Schönox Principal. "Having them on board indicates our growth as a company and that we're taking the next step with building the brand and its national identity."

Partridge is the Regional Vice President for the northwest and western territories of the United States, working with Regional Business Managers as part of a region that covers ten states.

"Having spent my entire career in the flooring industry, it is very exciting to be working for a company leading the industry with incredible, innovative products and unmatched support for

our customers," Partridge said. "I am proud to be On It.

Penney has spent his career primarily in the top-surface side of the flooring industry. A native of Canada, Penney resides in the Philadelphia area. He will be the Senior Vice President of National and Strategic Accounts.

"I am excited to join a company with an entrepreneurial spirit and a focus on being the problem-solving specialist," Penney said. "The one thing that stands out to me is the dedication and focus throughout the organization on customer service, ensuring that your experience with Schönox is always a positive one."

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WHEN ONE OF MY ARTICLES IRRITATES the intended target, it makes my day. One of my articles from June of last year got in the craw of PC Matic -- makers of horrible antivirus software that started out as a notorious "fake antivirus program" a few years ago.



Fisher

PC Matic published a detailed tear-down of my article on their website on March 13th just as I was struggling to find interesting stuff to write about. Thanks PC Matic! Following are some statements I made, statements they made, and my analysis of their responses.

I accused them of starting out as a scam years ago. Their program "PC Pitstop" generated lots of revenue for my business

SMACKDOWN!

by "The Computer Skeptic"

when it took over computers and scared my clients into thinking their computer was going to meltdown. Their response, "PC Pitstop did develop PC Matic in 2009 (and) did offer a free scan option. This would scan your PC and let you know what would be fixed if you purchased the software. This was not a scare tactic."

The hell it wasn't! The "free" program threw up all sorts of scary looking warnings about registry errors, non-existent viruses, internet settings that were not "optimized" and

other worthless information that was unintelligible and scary to the average computer user. My readers should know that virtually all programs that suggest you "clean" your registry, defragment your hard drive, and update drivers are worthless and often do more harm than good.

PC Matic claims they got 100% on test scores from *PC Magazine*. My article referenced a quote from *PC Magazine* that read, "PC Matic scored highest in the latest test, with 94.75%, but failed overall due to many

false positives." That means they failed.

PC Matic claimed they were "unable to find the quote referenced by Mr. Fisher." They got me there. The exact quote is no longer there for some reason. *PC Magazine* now says, " (PC Matic) failed the VB100 test over and over (due to false positive alerts)." So they still failed.

The justification for the "fail" statement from *PC Magazine* is that anyone can write a 100% effective antivirus program by simply blocking changes to your computer. That's what PC Matic does: It uses a "whitelist" of programs that have been deemed safe in their tests. So it is true that they scored 100% in preventing some infections on some tests. But that is because they lock your computer down so hard as to make it unusable. That's why they "fail" in independent tests. I didn't even mention the

fact that one of the testing websites they use to "prove" their awesomeness is called "Av-Comparatives." PC Matic actually paid them to test their program which should make anyone skeptical of the results. Not only that, but PC Matic actually got to choose which programs they were compared against. Nonetheless, that test also highlighted PC Matic's record-breaking number of false positives. Sorry (not sorry), PC Matic; your antivirus program started out as junk and is still junk.

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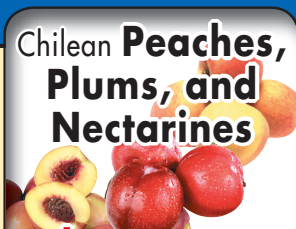
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by Dr. Steve Hammack

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Hammack

Less than ideal oral health can definitely affect overall health - - contributing to systemic diseases that lower the body's immune system and hinder the body's ability to fight off infection and reduce inflammation.

Many conditions of the mouth are directly related to or aid in the progression of numerous diseases. Research shows periodontal (gum) disease can be a contributing factor or cause of diseases such as breast cancer, diabetes, heart disease, and stroke. Doctors have even noted a link between low birth weight babies born to patients with advanced periodontal disease.

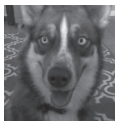
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between stroke and gum disease often follows the following path: inflammation in the patient's gums enters the bloodstream, leading to inflammation of the arteries. Left untreated over time, this causes the arterial walls to harden, resulting in poor blood flow to the brain and eventually stroke. Have I scared you yet? Or at least gotten your attention? Well relax!

Infection caused by gum disease is treatable and often preventable! Your "gum health" can easily be checked by a dental hygienist or dentist at your next appointment. This preventative care is covered by most dental plans at 100%, and if you do not have insurance, Singing River Dentistry offers an affordable preventative care program to ensure that cost will not be the reason a patient neglects his or her oral health.

Having your teeth professionally cleaned every 3-6 months and following your doctor's recommended treatment plan (including fixing all broken teeth and filling decayed areas) will prevent these conditions before they become a systemic problem. Good oral health will aid in an overall healthier body and increased life span.

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"Through these past six years of Shelter Share, we've learned quite a bit about the needs of our local shelters," said Macke Mauldin, President of Bank Independent and CEO of its parent company BancIndependent, Inc. "Most rely heavily on donations to meet the daily needs of the animals in their care. We are pleased that once again, our community has come together to lend support to our local shelters."

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Academy will also serve as the presenting sponsor for the popular Bassmaster All-American and All-State teams. These teams are being decided by judges based on nominations from around the country.

"We're excited about our expanded partnership with B.A.S.S. and the ability to support youth anglers in their enjoyment of the outdoors," said Lawrence Lobpries, Academy Sports + Outdoors' Vice President of Marketing. "This sport

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DMC, which replaces the Margin Protection Program for Dairy, is a voluntary risk management program for dairy producers that was authorized by the 2018 Farm Bill. DMC offers protection to dairy producers when the difference between the all milk price and the average feed cost (the margin) falls below a certain dollar amount selected by the producer.

Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue announced last week that sign up for DMC will open by mid-June of this year. At the time of sign up, producers who elect a DMC coverage level between \$8.00 and \$9.50 would be eligible for a payment for January 2019.

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1998 Honda Accord	Green	1HGCG5641WA260136	1/26/2019	County Line Road
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Medicare Minute

"Mail, Calls and Door Knocking"

WARNING!! If you are turning 65 over the next few months you will be inundated with mail, phone calls and sometimes people actually knocking on your door. These are just three of the ways companies market Medicare health and drug plans. Over the next couple of weeks, we will look at different marketing methods and what the companies are trying to accomplish with each.

Phone calls - Supplement companies are well known for making out bound calls to people turning 65. Once they have you on the line, they're only objective is to sell you a Medicare plan. It's perfectly ok to sign up over the phone but, if you have a problem with the plan you enrolled in, your agent may be in Florida or California and unwilling to help you. Also, if you ever fill out a request for information online, that request is immediately sent out to several agents and the phone calls will double.

Door knocking - I've never understood why anyone would buy something as important as their Medicare health plan from someone who showed up unannounced at their door. People who market door to door are usually out of town agents. They will buy the same list that direct mail companies buy and literally find your house and knock on your door. It is not a good idea to buy this way for a couple of reasons. First, are you willing to trust someone who shows up at your door with your personal information, such as Social Security number and checking account information. Secondly, it can be dangerous!! Any law enforcement person would advise you to never allow someone you don't know into your house.

The solution to this is to find a local agent that can help you. They will make sure you get the right plan and you'll be able to find them if you need them.

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 is not affiliated with Medicare or any other government agency.



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Commentary

Rushing Through the Rebuild Bill

Alabama Senate Pro Tem Del Marsh (R-Anniston) said in a radio interview on March 6, "We're not rushing this thing." He was referring to the Rebuild Alabama infrastructure bill initially proposed by Gov. Kay Ivey only a week earlier.

Well, someone rushed it, because less than a week later it has passed the House, 84-20, the Senate 28-6, and was signed into law by Ivey on March 12.

That should make us nervous. It would be hard for a bipartisan bill simply acknowledging that the sun sets in the west each evening to get through that quickly.

The new law will raise infrastructure revenue by adding 10¢/gallon to gas prices at the pump over a 30-month period. This begins with a 6¢ bump October 1. The bill also assesses an annual fee for electric and hybrid vehicles. It also allows for open-ended incremental 1¢ increases every other year into perpetuity AND a \$3 increase in your license and registration fees EVERY TIME you renew your driver's license.

It is true that state roads and bridges are deteriorating faster than we can repair

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In A Few Words



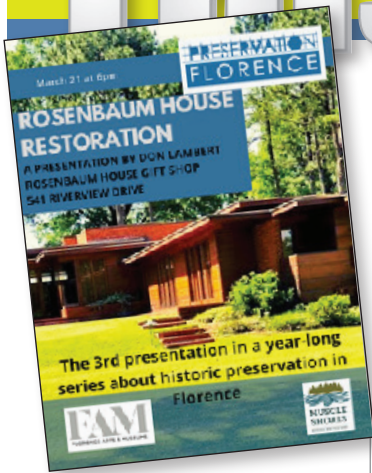
TOM MAGAZZU
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Courier Journal in the Shoals

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March 20, 2019

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Shoals' Beaz Event Promises the Belly Laughs

FLORENCE — Nationally-recognized comedian, Killer Beaz, will help raise money for the historic Shoals Theatre in downtown Florence with a show on Saturday, March 23 at 7pm. Beaz is an Andalusia native and is best known for his high-energy, edgy, and "everyman" style of humor comedy. He had the knack for comedy from an early age. When he was four, Beaz lived in a funeral home where he learned that he could make the sad people he saw, laugh and smile.

March 23



KillerBeaz.org

With many thousands of radio, television and stage appearances, Beaz has now been entertaining audiences for over three decades.

The accomplished guitar player said,

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Do Jobs, Serve Us

Editor:

It is not the job of our elected officials to impeach the current president. That responsibility is ours in November of 2020.

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Eva Lee
Sheffield

These contractors fund the lobbyists in Montgomery.



Steamrolled Through

Editor:

Alabama has had our share of corruption in politics. However, the way this gas tax was rammed through may be a record. Almost every major lobbying group in Montgomery was for it. Our State Representatives are bought and paid for by them.

A Special Session was called by Governor Ivey, and both the House and Senate complied. They proceeded to steam roll it through in under a week, so fast that most people had no idea what the bill really said. This was planned by both Houses and Governor Ivey. She said, "All the freshmen who ran for House and Senate were indeed briefed on the need for an infrastructure bill well before they were elected," Ivey said. "And they were vetted by the

House and Senate leadership. If they were not for increasing the gas tax for infrastructure, they were not encouraged to run." Vetting should be the voters' job, not Speaker Mac McCutcheon's, or Senate Pro Temp Del Marsh's. The will of the people has been directly thwarted by those we elected.

The only people this gas tax may be good for are big business highway contractors or dredgers of Mobile Bay. It is not good for working Alabamians. Fifty percent of the money coming to the counties is required to be spent with contractors that are required to be submitted by the Association of County Engineers. The plot deepens because this bill also requires the state to pay county engineers out of state funds. The corrupt state wanted to pay the county engineers to gain their allegiance and influence. They

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A Godly Sorrow

2 Corinthians 7:10 "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." A Godly sorrow not only includes "what you have done," but "what you are." We are all natural born sinners in a sinful body. A sinner cannot save or help God save themselves or another sinner. God has never imputed the power of salvation to any person or church on this planet. We can preach the gospel of the grace of God through faith in the blood of the lord Jesus Christ and warn them about hell and the coming judgment, but the power of saving a soul, God has never put in the hands of any man. You might have lived a rotten life and been a bad example and if you persist on living that way, you will help your family and others you know wind up in hell with you. You can change. If you will, you can ask God to forgive your sin, and receive Jesus Christ as your Saviour, and ask Him to save your soul. Seems like friends of mine are dying every few months. Don't become a victim of the devils devices and let him claim your soul at death. Become a man and lead your family to God.

One of my dear brothers a couple of weeks ago at a testimonial service spoke on the subject of his experience with "white trash Christians". God doesn't miss anything. **Hebrews 4:13** "Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do." If you are going to hell, don't take your family with you. If you are saved, start living for God. Don't be a "white trash Christian". If you are lost, your chances are running out. Today or tomorrow might be your last day. If you refuse to get saved, you will regret it for eternity. You don't have to play games or gamble with your soul. Facing God is just one heartbeat away. You must be saved. Won't you come to Jesus Christ? Is your sin that precious that it's worth going to hell for? Your children are watching you. Lead your home and family to God while you are still breathing. **Hebrews 9:27** "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:"

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by Cathy Turner

Mutual

Recently I have watched as marriages have been in trouble. I have listened and prayed. My major thought has been that I wish that they had gotten advice and instruction sooner – earlier in their marriages. What has been clear is they that have not been couple-focused, committed to creating family, or kind to each other. To reword this, one or both people have kept themselves reserved in some way from the relationship. Through the years, I have seen this many times in many ways. Maybe one person is very controlling – perhaps jealous – perhaps demanding all things be done the way they think it should be done. This can be the man or the woman. When you are controlling, you are not fully in the relationship. Relationship is give and take – care and concern for the needs of someone else. Control stifles relationship.

Maybe the reserving from relationship takes the form of not sharing finances or last names or sleeping in separate rooms. Of course snoring, professional schedule, or many other reasons might be valid causes for this separatism. However, in many cases, hesitance, reservation, mistrust, or fear of giving self might be the truer reason. Maybe reservation to relate fully – trust – comes from being mistreated. Maybe mistrust gives way to retaliation. Hurt on top of hurt – both directions. Mess upon mess. People get pulled into both sides. Bad upon bad. Hearts harden. What if there had been instruction, help in the beginning, about how to be a couple? Reminders and advice on how to be kind, step over self, love, listen, argue, and give. These are the foundations of relationship. And honesty and selflessness

are the foundations of trust. Humility and forgiveness make it all possible.

"I deserve..." "You don't need to know..." "Why should I..." Such statements impede cooperation, collaboration, interaction and forestall any movement to center where spirits meet. Here are some opposite statements: "Don't be argumentative." "Put self on the shelf." "Be vulnerable." "Protect the other person." "Suffer the loss." "Love in spite of." "Be open." "Don't lie." In order to be able to do these things, one has to be with someone he or she trusts. In order for that to happen you have to know with whom you are interacting. Know them. Not the surface person – Oh he's got money, she's got legs, or he's a Christian.

But how does he really act? What about her home training? How does he treat others? How good is she at relationships? Do people trust him? Why does all of my family disapprove? Do I feel beat down or freed up to be me? How does he treat me? Am I a savior in this relationship? Can I trust her with my all?

The point is – make a sound first choice not just based on emotion and desire. Then perhaps the relationship will be built on mutual trust and love, and you won't have to protect yourself, hedge your love, and keep a part of yourself reserved away from the relationship. Be in relationship with a giving person. Be a giving person.

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will follow. Departing from the more formal arrangements often

favored by florists, Rowe prefers a natural display. Her style is best described as symbiotic, meaning it holds a relationship with the surroundings. Relying upon flowers available in the garden, her demonstration of flowing arrangements and techniques for creating them may be replicated at home.

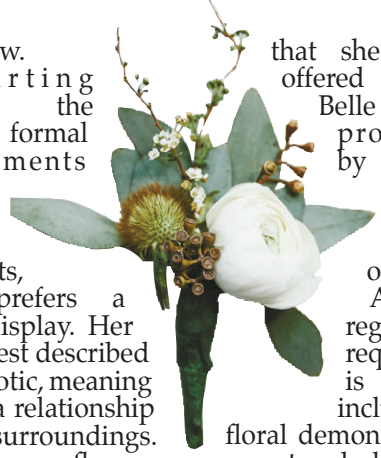
Susan and her husband, Abraham Rowe, are the husband-and-wife team, well-known for their artistry in wedding photography. In 2018, recognizing the extra dimension she could bring to their business by providing beautiful flowers and arrangements, she launched Flori. Recently their combined talents were utilized to produce a pictorial book.

Ninon Parker, Site Director of Belle Mont said, "Those who are acquainted with Susan Rowe know that she is indeed an artist with flowers! We are delighted

that she graciously offered to assist Belle Mont's programming by providing this floral demonstration for our guests." Advance registration is required. Cost is \$30, which includes the floral demonstration and a catered boxed meal served among flowers on the courtyard at Belle Mont. Also included will be a tour of the historic home. Proceeds benefit Belle Mont, which is owned by the Alabama Historic Commission and operated by a local non-profit foundation dedicated to its preservation.

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"This generous donation will provide bedding for the shelter animals," Jones said. We are incredibly grateful to the Elks Lodge 820. In addition, they have allowed FLAS to hold adoption events on their property," she added. Florence Elks Lodge 820 has distributed \$12,000 to various organizations in the Shoals to date.

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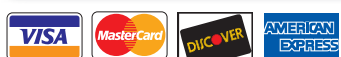
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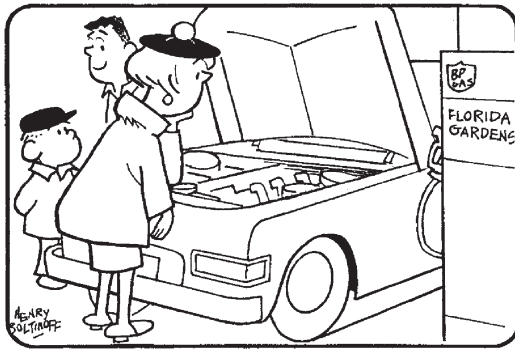
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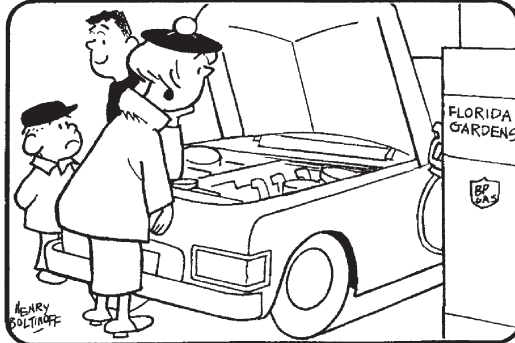
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THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL After speaking to Ridge, Brooke booked a flight home to L.A. Eric explained to Thomas that Thorne left town to work through his grief from losing Darla and Aly. Later, Thomas was touched when Douglas told him that Hope had been telling him stories. Now that Thomas was in town for good, Taylor pleaded with Steffy to stay so that the whole family could be together. Thomas told his parents the truth about what was happening in NYC. Everyone noticed a real change in Bill, especially Katie, who told him he was becoming the man she once knew. *Wait to See: Hope and Douglas play Go Fish.*

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Marlena saw someone from her past during her out-of-body experience and then was caught in a tug-of-war for her soul. Eric made a promise to God to stay away from Sarah if Marlena lived. Diana worried that there might be evidence showing that she tried to poison Marlena. Ciara tried

to convince Ben that they should get back together. Leo tried to get some inside information from Brady. Ben and Ciara found themselves in a dangerous situation when gunshots were fired at the mansion. Jennifer put Jack on the hot seat during a tense interview. Tripp suspected that Claire had been lying to him. JJ offered to marry Haley. *Wait to See: Tripp drops a bombshell on Claire.*

GENERAL HOSPITAL Sonny was willing to die for those he loved. Michael spent quality time with Mike. Sasha had a heart-to-heart talk with Peter. Jordan tried to be optimistic. Sonny gave an extraordinary command. Ava went in search of some tough love. Liz was deeply conflicted. Oscar anxiously waited for his results. Julian made a care package for Kim. Carly grew more and more concerned. Chase made plans for the weekend. Kristina attempted to prove her commitment to Shiloh. Alexis cautioned Julian. Laura couldn't shake her anger. Felicia had a hard time forgetting the past. Mac lost his temper. Willow made a rash decision. Griffin found an outlet for his anger. Kevin had a rude awakening. *Wait to See: Sonny and Alexis discuss their predicament.*

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS The morning after his wedding to Summer, Kyle awoke wanting to go see Lola, but a nervous Summer asked him to stay for a while. Later, they went to the hospital together,

where Summer underwent surgery to donate tissue to Lola. Meanwhile, Mia called Arturo away to blackmail him, reminding him of how they slept together the night of the snowstorm. Mia threatened to tell Abby about it unless Arturo convinced Rey to take her back. At the hospital, Abby pressured Kyle to confess that Summer

was Lola's donor, but Kyle respected Summer's wishes to keep it secret. The tension began to dissipate when Nate revealed that the surgery went well for Lola, but Summer hadn't woken up yet. *Wait to See: Cane gets a reality check.*

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Killer Beaz...

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Beaz is now an award-winning artist. He has been signed with both Sony and Warner Brothers Records, and he has received a long string of favorable reviews.

Killer Beaz is currently guest-starring in his third season of the Discovery Channel's hit series, *Moonshiners*, while also touring the country and performing on the high seas. He is about to release an upcoming video series of clean comedy entitled, *Killer Beaz PRESENTS*. The series features the standup of Beaz and outstanding comics handpicked from all over the country.

"I love the art of stand-up comedy, the performance, the snorts, the convulsive laughter in unison, and seeing the room absolutely erupt in laughter and fun. It's fun to me, and I have a ball at my shows," he said. "I enjoy affecting the room, making people belly laugh with tears rolling down their face, and then seeing joyous anticipation as audience members can't wait to hear what is next. There is such delight in that! I love my job."

Shoals Theatre manager, Steve Price, said the special event is a fundraiser for ongoing improvements at the theater. Previous fundraising concerts have helped the theater purchase new curtains and to upgrade the theater's sound system. One unplanned expense last summer was the replacement of two HVAC units that were mounted on the roof.

"It's an old building that's constantly in need of repairs and upkeep," he said. "It's a jewel downtown, and we're trying to preserve it."

Tickets are \$30 VIP, \$25 Orchestra, and \$20 Balcony and are available through the Shoals Theatre box office, theshoalstheatre.org, theshoalstheatre.org/killerbeaz.org, or by calling 256-764-1700 for information.

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There is a full house of potential best friends, and each of them would love to have their own forever home with you. The Shelter will soon be moving to a new building in the Florence Industrial Park, so the shelter needs to find homes for all their four-legged friends before the big move. You can adopt, foster, foster to adopt, or rescue any of the animals. Please visit us and adopt your new best friend before the move.

Book Talk/ Signing at Florence-Lauderdale Public Library - "Crazy Horse, The Lakota Warrior's Life and Legacy" on Tuesday, March 19, 5-7pm Crazy Horse Family elder Cloyd Clown Sr and author William Matson will visit FLPL to discuss and sign their book "Crazy Horse: The Lakota Warrior's Life and Legacy," which is based on the family's oral history.

In the book, the Edward Clown family, nearest living relatives to the Lakota war leader, presents the family tales and memories told to them about their famous grandfather. In many ways the oral history differs from what has become the standard and widely accepted biography of Crazy Horse. The family clarifies the inaccuracies and shares their story about the past, including what it means to them to be Lakota, the family genealogy, the life of Crazy Horse and his motivations, his death, and why they chose to keep quiet with their knowledge for so long before finally deciding to tell the truth as they know it.

The March Meeting of the North Alabama Civil War Round Table will be held on Tuesday, March 19 at the Florence Lauderdale County Public Library at 5:30pm. Our speaker this month will be Lee Freeman, local historian at FLPL, who will present "Brothers In Arms: Florence Alabama, during the Civil War."

The public is cordially invited to attend this informative meeting to learn more about the wealth of history in our area.

Monthly Covered Dish Lunch and Program at the Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence, on Thursday, March 21 at 11:30am. Please bring a covered dish. Everyone is welcome.

The Russellville Bicentennial Committee invites everyone to a free tour of four historic churches on Friday, March 22. Meet at First Baptist Church at 213 North Jackson Ave. at 8:45am. The first 31 people can ride the church bus. Others can carpool. Hosts and hostesses at each church will give a special presentation about their church's history and musicians will play. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the tour at First Baptist. The tour is expected to end around noon. All churches are handicapped accessible. For more information, call Chris Ozbirn at 256-332-8827.

Lauderdale County Sheriff's Posse will have their 4th Annual Spring Trail Ride Fundraiser on April 6 at Coats Farm in Florence. The ride is from 9am-1pm. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$20 for a family includes Children under 12 years old. A hamburger/hotdog lunch will be available for purchase starting at 11:30. Non-rider and children are welcome! For more information and directions go www.TheSheriffsPosse.org and click on Events or call Lt. Amy Coats 256-740-7086.

Fourth Saturday Breakfast at the Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence, March 23 from 6-9am. Menu includes eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, gravies, grits, juice and coffee. Adults \$6, children 10 and under, \$3.

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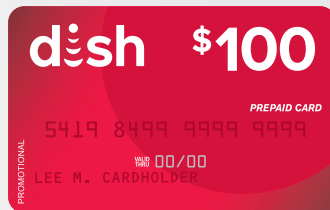
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An hour of worship, an hour of prayer, an hour in Bible study, an hour reading to our children, an hour listening to our friend, an hour baking for someone else, an hour sitting with someone in the hospital, or an hour visiting with the elderly. These are the hours that are sometimes given up so that we can use them for other things. The sad part is that these hours can never be recovered. Your child will soon be too old to ask you to read to him, that elderly person will not always be there for you to visit, and your friend may go through his problem alone and not desire your friendship afterwards.

These are but a few of the hours we may lose. No doubt, you could name many more. Compare that hour to all the time you have in a day or, better yet, in a week. Each week we have 168 hours to live. We make choices every day as to how we will use these hours. It is imperative that we learn to "make the most of every opportunity" (Ephesians 5:16).

If you are honest, you will concur that we "find the time" to do what we most want to do. So, surely, somewhere in those 168 hours we should be able to find one hour to do something that someone else needs us to do. Just giving that one hour to your child, your neighbor, your friend, etc., will reap many wonderful hours of joy in return. It was Jesus who taught, "It is more blessed to give than receive" (Acts 20:35).

As I bring this to an end, let us be reminded of the words of Solomon, "To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven" (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Let us make sure that our "extra" hour counts! The clock is ticking!

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A This guest passenger statute came about as a result of insurance companies trying to not pay claims. The statute was purportedly enacted to protect drivers who picked up a hitchhiker from being sued by the hitchhiker if they had an accident and the hitchhiker was injured.

In 30 years of handling car wreck cases, I have never heard of or read about a case where a hitchhiker

tried to sue a driver for having an accident where they were injured.

The "Guest Passenger Statute" states as follows: "The owner, operator or person responsible for the operation of a motor vehicle shall not be liable for loss or damage arising from injuries to or death of a guest while being transported without payment thereof, unless such injuries or death are caused by the willful or wanton misconduct of such operator, owner, or person responsible for the operation of said motor vehicle."

On February 3, 2017, the Supreme Court of Alabama rendered a decision in Hurst v. Sneed that addressed the Guest Passenger Statute. The Court restated the rule that if furnishing a ride promotes both the benefit of the rider and driver, or if the rider accompanies the driver at the request of the driver, for the purpose of having the rider render a benefit or service on a trip that is primarily for the objective of the driver then the rider is a passenger for hire and not a guest.

The Supreme Court stated that at one end of the spectrum is the hitchhiker and at the other end is someone who pays the driver for transportation. A person who pays is not a guest. Between these two extremes you have to look at the present and former relationships between the driver and passenger, to bring into proper focus the true status of the parties at the time of the accident.

If the ride is to benefit both parties, they are probably a passenger. I think that carpooling where rides are swapped rather than gas money is outside of the guest statute. Minor children aren't subject to the guest statute as they have no right to decline the ride. So the question becomes, did your mother pay for gas, was she going to buy lunch, or did she help buy the car in exchange for you providing transportation? Be sure and talk to a lawyer before you talk to the insurance company.

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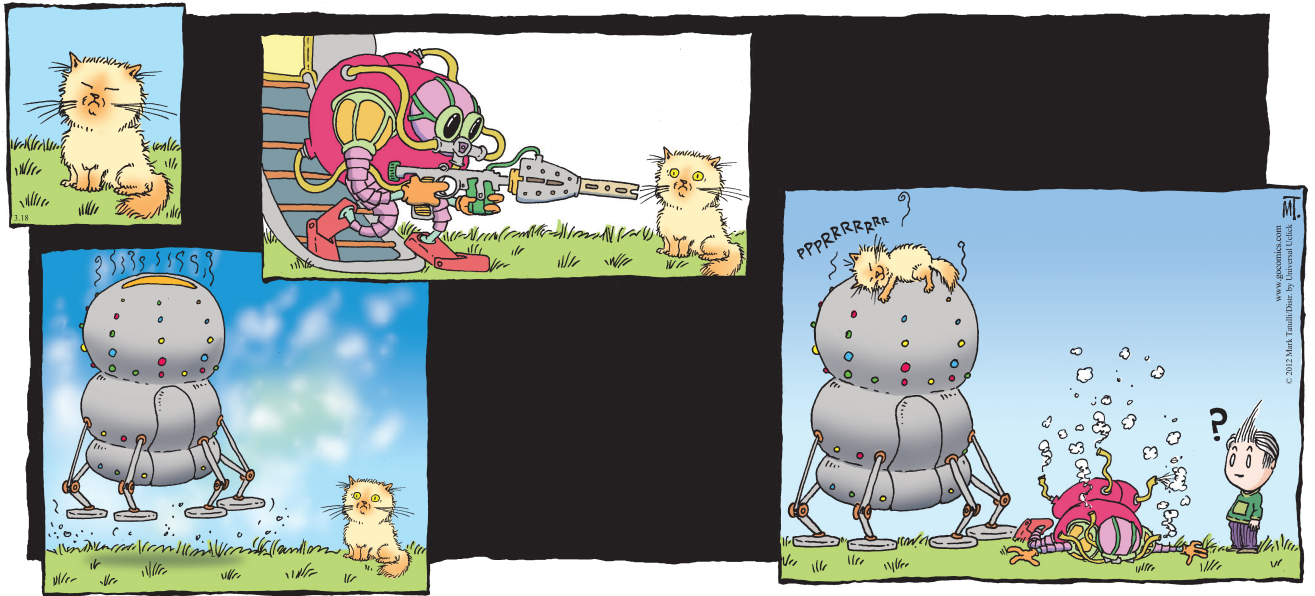
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Jack Hall
Athens

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them. In addition, state revenues from fuel consumption have decreased over the years in both amount and value with inflation and more fuel-efficient vehicles. No one can deny either.

What we can rightfully be concerned with is if the state's portion of the revenues will be distributed equitably and if money will be spent prudently with companies that are not associated with legislators in any way. Those aspects are always in question, no matter which party is in power.

The state will get 66.7% of the new tax revenue, counties will get 25%, and municipalities will get 8.3%.

I'm not against paying more for better whether it's job recruitment, road improvements, electric upgrades, education, etc. Even a separate and additional 10¢/gallon for northwest Alabama counties for

infrastructure would be fine with me IF it always showed up as asphalt, piers, and the like. (And I only get 14/mpg.) The problem always has been about tax money going into highly-unproductive black holes and greedy political hands ending up in the cookie jar.

Strict oversight and transparency have been mentioned with this bill as well. They point to where the public will be able to see ALDOT's five-year plan online. I am not impressed by that distraction.

As we in northwest Alabama know from watching both Hwy 157 and Hwy 43 drag on for decades, a project can be bumped off or onto the five-year plan as quickly as it takes for a legislator to vote the wrong way on a bill. And what does strict oversight and transparency mean anymore? It's today's political-speak for shut up and trust us.

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Frustrated Frank

Dear Frank,

Robocalls make up around 50 percent of all phone calls today, and it's only getting worse. Americans were hit with 26.3 billion robocalls in 2018, a whopping 46 percent increase from the year before. Fortunately, there are a variety of tools available today that can help you greatly reduce them.

Register Your Numbers

If you haven't already done so, your first step to limiting at least some unwanted calls is to make sure your home and cell phone numbers are registered with the National Do Not Call Registry. While this won't stop illegal robocalls, it will stop unwanted calls from legitimate for-profit businesses who are trying to sell you something. But be aware that political organizations, charities and survey takers are still permitted to call you, as are businesses you've bought something from or made a payment to in the last 18 months. To sign up, visit DoNotCall.gov or call 888-382-1222.

Home Landline Tools

To stop calls on your home phone set up the "anonymous call rejection" option. This is a free landline-calling feature available from most telephone companies. It lets you screen out calls from callers who have blocked their caller ID information - a favorite tactic of telemarketers. To set it up, you usually have to dial *77 from your landline, though different phone services may have different procedures to set it up. Call your telephone service provider to find out if they offer this feature, and if so, what you need to do to enable it.

Another solution is to sign up for Nomorobo, which is a free service for landline phones but only if you have a VoIP landline carrier. Nomorobo uses a "simultaneous ring" service that detects and blocks robocalls on a black list of known offender numbers. It isn't 100 percent foolproof, but it is an extra layer of protection. To sign up or see if Nomorobo works with your phone service provider, visit Nomorobo.com.

Cell Phones Tools

To stop unwanted robocalls and texts to your cell phone, ask your carrier about caller ID options that help identify, filter or prevent callers that aren't legitimate.

For example, AT&T provides their subscribers a free app called "AT&T Call Protect" that has automatic fraud blocking and suspected spam warnings, and you can manually block unwanted calls. Starting this month, Verizon is offering free spam alerting and call blocking tools to their users. T-Mobile offers free "Scam ID" and "Scam Block" to combat robocalls and spam. And Sprint customers can sign up for its "Premium Caller ID" service for \$2.99 per month to guard against robocalls and caller ID spoofers.

Call Blocking Apps

Another way to stop nuisance robocalls on your smartphone is with call blocking apps. These can identify who is calling you and block unwanted calls that show up on a crowd-sourced spam and robocaller lists.

Some top call blocking app for iPhones and Androids include Nomorobo (Nomorobo.com), Hiya Caller ID and Spam Blocker (Hiya.com) and Truecaller (Truecaller.com).

Nomorobo cost \$2 per month, while Truecaller and Hiya apps are free to use, but offer upgraded services for \$2 and \$3 per month.

Spam Proof Phones

There are also phones you can buy, like the Samsung Galaxy S, Samsung Note, or Google Pixel phone that have built-in spam and robocall protection in place. Samsung's Smart Call feature flags calls it suspects are spam, while Google Pixel phones have built-in spam call protection. With this feature, users with Caller ID enabled will get a warning if a suspected spam call or robocall is received.

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Letters...

A Genesis Tie to the Chinese

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encoded into the ancient calligraphy of the Chinese language. Kang was a Chinese Christian who discovered that the early world history as recorded in Genesis is also recorded in the Chinese language.

Kang's first discovery was in the Chinese character for boat. The components of that character represent a vessel, the number eight, and a person. Eight persons in a vessel is the story of Noah and the Ark. Upon this discovery, Mr. Kang wrote down the Chinese character for create. In breaking down the character, he saw that the components represented dust or mud, a mouth, life, and walking. This signified to the discoverer a character depicting the creation of Adam.

He found depictions that tell of these events and explains them in his book. The book cites the Bible in Acts 14: 15-7 that the God of Israel has not left himself without witness.

Apparently, God is so smart that he made a backup copy to the prologue of the Bible, before the Bible itself was inspired to its Jewish and Christian writers. There is no God but the one who announced his name to Moses as "I AM THAT I AM." In past times He had spoken to us by His prophets, but in these last

days has spoken to us by His Son, Jesus, the heir of all things. If we intend to ignore Him and His way, He has not left himself without witness when He judges us.

Floyd Jones, Jr.
Killen,

Juan Was Way Off Base

Editor:

Recently on Fox News *The Five*, Juan Williams said seniors have no right to complain about young people wanting free school, free healthcare, etc. when seniors collect free Social Security, free Medicare, etc.

WRONG Juan. It is not free for seniors. They have worked their whole life and paid into the system to be entitled to receive Social Security checks. And they pay a Medicare premium each month from that Social Security as well.

What have young people, or for that matter, illegals and migrants ever contributed to this country and our system which would entitle them to ANY benefits, free support, or care?

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It's not OK to be KO'd by this puzzle! Using the definitions and the anagrams below, find the eight, eight-letter words that fit into the framework pictured on the left. For each definition, the letters in the two anagram words must be unscrambled and used to form the word asked for.

DEFINITIONS:

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4. More frightening.
5. An easy win.
6. Type of tests.
7. Supporting framework.
8. North American Indian tribe

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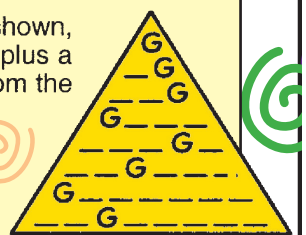
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THE "G" PYRAMID! As you move down the word pyramid shown, each word contains the same letters as the word above it, plus a new letter. We give you all the G's. Here are some hints from the top down:

1. Slang for \$1,000 (given).
2. Inspector general.
3. To fit with sails.
4. A facial expression.
5. What a king does.
6. To get back again.
7. A family member.
8. Provoking, displeasing.



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2. Why is a battleship like a star?
3. What well-known animal drives a car?
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5. Why is a hat on the head like a bucket full of water?



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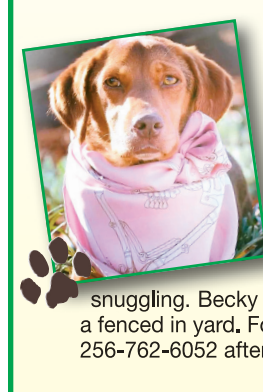
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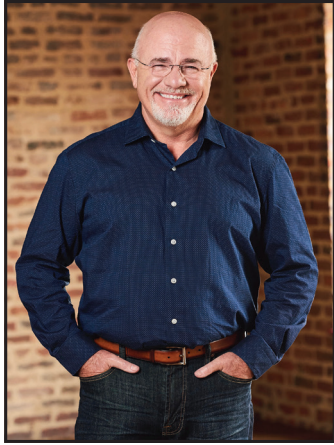
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by DAVE RAMSEY

Finances Before, and After, the Wedding



Dear Dave, I'm getting married this summer, and I'm on Baby Step 4 of your plan. My fiancé is getting onboard with your advice, too, and she's currently in the process of paying down her student loan debt. Would it be a good idea to go ahead, and put most of my emergency fund savings toward helping pay off her debt now?

Aaron

Dear Aaron, You've got a generous heart, and I know you love this lady, but I wouldn't recommend being involved in paying any of her debt until after the wedding. At that point, you two are joined together as one, and the concepts of "mine" and "hers" and "his" disappear. It all becomes "ours," and you can adjust your money situation to reflect your marriage and your financial makeover as a couple.

Make sure that "we" have an emergency fund of at least \$1,000 in the bank at that point. Then, if you're both in agreement on the issue, you can throw the rest of what you previously had in your emergency fund at the debt. Both of you can also pile up cash between now and the big day, so that when you're "official" you'll have even more cash on hand.

Congratulations, and may God bless your lives together!

—Dave

Length of Coverage?

Dear Dave, My husband and I are 24, we're debt-free, and we're just a few weeks of saving away from having a fully-funded emergency fund. Each of us has a 401(k) plan at work, and right now we're concentrating on life insurance purchases. You always recommend term insurance, but how long should the coverage last?

Jenny

Dear Jenny, Congratulations on being super smart with your money! It sounds like you two are starting out on the right foot.

Generally, I recommend 15- or 20-year level term policies—unless you have children. Since you didn't mention any kids, I can only assume they're not in the picture at this point. However, if you two decide to grow your family in the future, I'd advise converting those to 30-year term policies. You'll want the insurance there to protect everyone in the family, until the kids are grown and out on their own. In the years after, continued saving and wealth building will lead you to a point where you're both self-insured.

You two have done an excellent job with your finances. Keep up the good work!

—Dave

* Dave Ramsey is CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored seven best-selling books, including *The Total Money Makeover*. The *Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 14 million listeners each week on 600 radio stations and multiple digital platforms. Follow Dave on the web at daveramsey.com and on Twitter at [@DaveRamsey](https://twitter.com/DaveRamsey).

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Community Give Back Day at H&R Block, 161 Cox Creek Parkway in Florence, takes place from 10am - 5pm Saturday, March 23. That day the business accepts donations of gift cards

and items from local businesses that are then sold at a silent auction. Proceeds go to buy school lunches for local children affected by medical disabilities or if their parents are traveling for medical treatment.

The event will feature a bouncy house, animal adoptions, fire safety, and blood drive. Donors will be allowed to sample food from Olive Garden, Logan's Roadhouse, and La Hacienda. The event is nonprofit. Last year enough was raised

to buy lunch and breakfast for 16 children for about 60 days.

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Bicentennial Adopt-A-Tree - Cadette Girl Scouts of Troop #10359 from Kilby Laboratory School, are hosting a FREE Adopt-A-Tree event on Saturday, March 23 at Kilby Laboratory School, 611 N. Pine Street in Florence, from 10am-2pm, or until all trees are adopted. The girls have been learning about the Alabama Bicentennial and air pollution causes and effects. They decided to connect the two with a community service project by purchasing over 200 tree saplings, of several varieties, for the community to adopt and plant throughout the Shoals area to help clean the air. To adopt a tree sapling, you must: 1) Be an Alabama resident; 2) Plant the tree in the ground on personal property in Alabama within 24 hours of receiving the tree; 3) Pledge to care for the tree. Limit of 4 tree saplings per person, please.

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Answers: 1. One P. 2. Both contain T, A, R, S. 3. The road hog. 4. Because both make the ear ring. 5. Because they are both filled to the brim.

Junior Whirl
by Charles Barry Townsend

Answers
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Find The Big Words!

1.	O	U	T	B	R	E	A	K
2.	P	O	T	L	U	C	K	S
3.	P	R	O	V	O	K	E	D
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6.	I	N	K	B	L	O	T	S
7.	S	K	E	L	E	T	O	N
8.	K	I	C	K	A	P	O	O

One Answer: W=4, A=2, S=9, H=1, N=3, D=7, E=5, R=8. (4291 + 237 = 4528.)

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