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Dalton Leads Association

KILLEN—Dalton Appraisals and Auctions' owner and principal auctioneer and appraiser, **Shaun Dalton**, was recently named President of the Alabama Auctioneers Association at the group's annual state convention in Point Clear, Alabama.

Dalton was the 2017 rookie grand champion auctioneer. He was also named Alabama Reserve Grand Champion at the auctioneer competition which took place June 3. Dalton is based in Killen and has been an active member of the National Auctioneers Association for many years. He works with professionals and individuals conducting estate, benefit, and business auctions locally and throughout the southeast. He's been a member of the state association for the past four years and most recently served as vice president.

The AAA exists to represent and unify the auction industry within the state and to provide education and networking to auction professionals.

Abel Accepts Respite Post

FLORENCE — Dr. **Trudy Abel** is an associate professor of Collaborative Special Education in the University of North Alabama's College of Business and Human Sciences. She has been appointed to the Alabama Lifespan Respite Coalition by Gov. **Kay Ivey**.

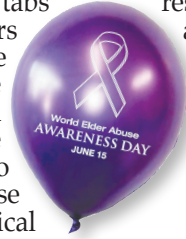
"I'm honored to accept an appointment by the Governor to the Alabama Lifespan Respite Coalition," Abel said. "I look forward to serving

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Eye on Elderly

Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15

SHOALS—Keeping better tabs on our older family members and neighbors may be a wise thing to do for more than the obvious reasons. New research confirms that as we age we become more susceptible to abuse and financial fraud. Those statistics are supported by medical



researchers, elder justice advocates and geriatric experts from various disciplines. The problem is often exacerbated by a trusting nature, telephone/computer access, and aging

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SWIMMING AND TRACK & FIELD EVENTS

Locals Competing at National Senior Games



Dan Hendricks will swim in three 50-meter events. Courtesy photos

ALBUQUERQUE, NM—Three athletes from northwest Alabama are competing at the National Senior Games in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Rosalyn Fabianke of Red Bay and Dan L. Hendricks of Florence qualified in swimming last summer at the Alabama Games in Birmingham. Rosalyn's husband, Dr. Rayard Fabianke, will also compete. He qualified in four track and field events - hammer throw, discus, javalin, and shot put.

"We are so excited to participate in the Senior Olympics," said Rosalyn Fabianke. "The National Finals competition is one of the largest athletic events in the world." Rosalyn serves on the Governor's Commission on Physical Fitness and Sports.

Hendricks won gold in three sprint events and returned to a first love he had as a child. "I spent every summer at the pool. I loved the competition."

Later he coached swim teams in



Rosalyn left, and Rayard Fabianke

Evansville, Indiana and Owensboro, Kentucky. He also was an assistant swim coach at Duke.

The 71 year old Hendricks retired three

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vacancy on the Coalition.

Abel Accepts Respite Post

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the people of Alabama and working with the Coalition to build partnerships and strengthen public awareness about respite care."

The Alabama Lifespan Respite Coalition was created by the Alabama Legislature in 2012 and is comprised of members who are culturally, economically, and geographically diverse and representative of the state demographics. The coalition's responsibilities are three-fold: to build partnerships and coordinate respite care efforts statewide; to provide public awareness about respite to the citizens of Alabama; and to identify, coordinate, and develop community/funding resources for respite services.

Abel's term will expire in June of 2021, and her appointment fills a

Trace Grant for \$37 Million

TUPELO, MS – the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has awarded \$35,757,000 to the National Park Service for improvements to the Natchez Trace Parkway. This funding will allow for the restoration of a section of the Natchez Trace Parkway from milepost 291-331 in Tishomingo county, MS, Colbert county, AL, and an area at the very southernmost point of Lauderdale county, AL. As part of the Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects (NSFLTP) program, it will involve heavy resurfacing, renovation, and rehabilitation to improve the pavement conditions of the parkway. Two National Park Service programs will augment the grant funds for a total of just over \$40 million.

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Trace Grant for \$37 Million

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Chief Ranger, Sarah Davis, expressed her excitement about the project by stating that in addition to improving the pavement condition, this project will also address safety issues on the Parkway. "In recent years, more than 40% of injury crashes along the Parkway involved a lane departure," stated Davis. "A Road Safety Audit conducted by Department of Transportation recommended addressing these lane departure crashes with audible pavement markings to alert motorists when they leave their travel lane. This project will improve Parkway safety by adding raised profile stripes to both the fog line and the center striping."

The project will also apply Safety Edge to the edges of the asphalt where heavy 3R work is done. By providing a 30-degree angle between the Parkway and the unpaved shoulder, Safety Edge allows drivers to re-enter the roadway safely, and drivers are less likely to lose control of their vehicle and cross into oncoming traffic.

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- Email to editor@courierjournal.net;
- Look for "Submit News" on our website at www.courierjournal.net.
- Fax to 256-760-9618;
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Jacksonburg Church of Christ, 414 Lauderdale 28, will have VBS at 6:30pm, June 17-20. Registration begins at 6pm. Theme: Faith Force — Heroes of Godly Living.

Lexington Senior Center Swamp John's Dinner Tuesday, June 11 4-7pm. Your choice of shrimp, fish, or chicken. Meal includes slaw, fries, dessert, and drink. \$12 per plate.

Live Well Alabama Recipe Food Tasting hosted by Lauderdale County Farmers Market, 451 Fairground Rd., Florence, presented by Alabama Cooperative Extension System Educators: Meagan Taylor, SNAP-ED Education and Susan Hill, Food Safety and Quality.

A Free pressure cooker gauge testing will be available June 15. Bring your cooker - lid & gauge only. Cannot test weighted lids.

Free tastings will be offered on these dates:

Saturday, June 15 - 6am-1pm - Tasty Taco Dip with Chips and Pineapple Jalapeno Marmalade.

Saturday, July 13 - 6am-1pm - Pasta & Kale Salad.

Saturday, August 3 - 6am-1pm - Grilled Vegetables.

The Alabama Cooperative Extension System (Alabama A&M University and Auburn University) is an equal opportunity educator and employer. Everyone is welcome.

The Summer Program at the Michael Recreation Center in Sheffield will be from 9-11am on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from June 10-July 28. The free program will include computers, ethics, Spanish, and robotics. Snack and lunch will also be provided free. The program is open to children ages 6-14.

Crossroads Community Outreach is hosting a free summer lunch program at Weeden Elementary School, 400 Baldwin St. in Florence June 3-July 26.

All youth are invited to enjoy friends, fun, and free food. Lunch will be served from 11am-1pm. Lunch will be followed by crafts, games, music and dance. For more information about Crossroads Community Outreach, call Kimberly Jackson at 256-284-2218, visit crossroadsco.org or Facebook at Crossroads Community Outreach.

The Summer Rabies Clinics continue this week across the Shoals taking place in both counties every day through Saturday, June 15. The schedules for both counties are side-by-side inside this issue. Look for the ideal time and location to get your pet inoculated.

The fee is \$12 per animal. Alabama State law requires that all dogs and cats three months of age or older be vaccinated against rabies.

Every effort will be made to stay on schedule. Please be patient if clinics are a few minutes late.

Dogs MUST be leashed or confined to a pet taxi. Please keep dogs at your vehicle. All cats must be confined in a pet taxi or some other type of secure box. The veterinarian will come to your vehicle and give all vaccines.

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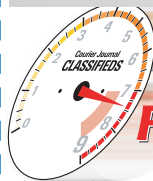
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seniors who may live or spend extended periods of time alone.

However, elder abuse can also be much closer to home. Often, an otherwise trusted family member with access to a checkbook, bank account, or social security check may abuse that privilege and trust.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day is June 15. Therefore, this is a good time to become more aware and keep a few things in mind.

One in ten Americans age 60 and older experiences abuse according to National Council on Aging estimates. However, they also report that only about 7% of cases are reported to authorities. In addition, those who are abused are three times as likely to die earlier than they would otherwise.

There are several types of elder abuse according to the NCA, among those are theft, physical, sexual, emotional, neglect, confinement, and withholding of medication, food, etc.

"Primarily, the cases we do are financial exploitation," Lauderdale County District Attorney Chris Connolly said. "It's typically

relative-related. A relative gets into their bank account and they're left destitute."

Officials with the Department of Human Resources confirmed that there are usually around 40 cases of elder abuse being investigated locally at any one time. Those do not include investigations of abuse when seniors are still considered to be of sound mind. Those cases would fall outside the area of responsibility for DHR.

If the elderly are alone with no close family members, there is usually not someone officially in charge of his or her finances. The elderly person may reach a point mentally where he or she can no longer make sound financial or health-related decisions. If they have not been legally designated as conservator and/or guardian, that often leaves them vulnerable.

A guardianship gives one or more people the legal authority to make health-related decisions for another person. A conservatorship is a legal relationship that gives one or more individuals the authority to make financial decisions on behalf of an incompetent or incapacitated person.

Hailey Killen, a social worker for the Adults Protective Services Unit of the Department of Human Resources, points out that



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when an elderly person is not of sound mind and does not have someone in conservatorship, they very likely do not have a guardian either.

If a family member is not available to help an elderly resident, officials

must file a protective placement petition with the courts. She also noted that Lauderdale currently does not have guardian.

The social workers, guardian ad litem, and judge come together to make decisions in those cases. The judge signs for medical treatment if it is needed.

"If we had a county guardian, it would be

easy for that guardian to just say, 'I'm going to order this,'" Killen added.

Social worker, Terri Griffin, explained that it is difficult to get a nursing home to take a patient who does not have a guardian. "Placement becomes an issue as well."

When an older person begins to make judgement errors with finances routinely, it may be time to keep a closer eye on them. There is discussion about energizing efforts to have a local volunteer guardian program.

"We've talked about trying to partner with the Retired Senior Volunteer Program to try to find a pool of volunteers who would be willing to serve in that capacity," Connolly said.

DHR employees and One Place officials will wear Elder Abuse Awareness T-shirts on Friday, June 14 since Elder Abuse day is on Saturday. The T-shirts are also on sale to the public with proceeds to benefit One Place. Anyone interested in a shirt can call 256-765-4000.

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Games...

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years ago from the University of North Alabama where he was Vice President of Advancement.

His professional career also included stints at Purdue, Western Illinois, and Louisiana State universities. Hendricks will compete in the 50-meter breast stroke, 50-meter freestyle, and 50 meter back stroke events.

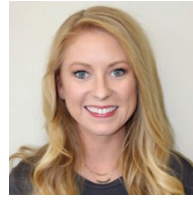
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Not only is there a "nose blind" syndrome, but we also can be "ear blind." In principle, it affects us the same way. When we are "ear blind" it means we have become so accustomed to certain sounds that we are not conscience of them anymore.

For example, have you ever locked your keys in your car? According to AAA, 4 million people do annually. But with all the bells and buzzers warning us when we leave our keys in the ignition, how is that possible? Well, more than likely it is because we have become ear blind. I can vouch for that, because even though my vehicles are equipped with these warning devices, right now I could not tell you if they are even functioning. Yep, it's ear blindness!

This "blindness" is not just physical; it can also be a spiritual problem. Jesus addressed this matter during His earthly ministry. In doing so he quoted a passage from the prophet Isaiah who dealt with the same problem in his day. Here is how Scripture describes those who deal with spiritual blindness: "Hearing you will hear and shall not understand, and seeing you will see and not perceive; for the hearts of this people have grown dull. Their ears are hard of hearing, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, lest they should understand with their hearts and turn, so that I should heal them" (Matthew 13:14, 15).

How many times have we heard lessons taught from the Bible on subjects like love, forgiveness, or faithfulness? Are they still impactful on our daily lives? Or have we become "blind" to the point where we no longer see, hear or feel?

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Temporarily resigned to her fate, Hedwig played the part of the trophy wife and accompanied her husband on official state dinners attended by

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officials from around the world. Her husband sold arms to the likes of Hitler and Mussolini. Hedwig listened closely to the conversations her husband had with these world leaders and was fascinated to learn about a new technology using radio frequencies to control missiles.

The life of a "kept woman" was not for Hedwig. She quickly tired of her overbearing, insecure husband and plotted her escape. With nothing more than a few pieces of jewelry and sheer determination, she drugged a servant, stole her uniform, crept

out of the prison-castle, made her way to London, and pursued her dreams of Hollywood stardom.

One of the M's in MGM studios, Louis Mayer, was scouting for talent in London at the time. Hedwig managed to track him down. Mr. Mayer offered her a job, then demanded she distance herself from that naughty movie by changing her name from Hedwig Kiesler to Hedy Lamarr. Hedy quickly became one of the most famous actresses of her time culminating in her role of Delilah in Cecil B. DeMille's Samson and Delilah in 1949.

That would be a pretty cool story in and of itself but we aren't done with Hedy. In her spare time, Hedy was an inventor. She dated and consulted with Howard Hughes on, among other things, streamlining his airplanes based on her studies of the fastest birds and fish she could find. Hughes set her up with a team of scientists and engineers that were ordered to make anything she asked for.

Hedy never forgot her conversations with the leaders of Nazi Germany during her brief marriage to the Devil. In the dark days of World War II, Hedy learned that the Germans were jamming our navy's radio-controlled torpedos. Hedy patented a way of rapidly changing radio frequencies that allowed for unjammable, secure, wireless communications. While the technology of the 1940s prevented the feasibility of her

idea at the time, the advent of the transistor introduced the world to her idea of "spread spectrum" technology.

Hedy was once known as a woman who was too beautiful to be taken seriously. But her "spread spectrum" idea is now the very backbone of cellular, Bluetooth, and Wi-Fi technology we use today. I'll leave you with an awesome quote from her: "Any girl can be glamorous. All you have to do is stand still and look stupid."

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Commentary

Editor's Note: This column originated in 2007. It ran again essentially the same in 2015, and it is still requested on occasion. Many of us have lost our fathers since the two previous versions have been published. We focused on mothers last month, so it seems like a good time to revisit with only minor changes.

Fathers Symbolize Strength, Security

Reflecting on life as we near Father's Day, I count myself blessed to have had my father around until Father's Day weekend of 2017. He was an active and immensely important part of my life throughout. He was always a dedicated family man, even though I know my siblings and I would have made a lesser man head for the hills. I also know that I have taken that blessing for granted.

Dad has always been the rock who could answer most any question. No matter what threatened or what happened, dad was there. He was insulation from the scary forces of the world; even the boogiemans couldn't get us.

Riding on dad's strong shoulders made me the tallest person in the world – a height that was incomprehensible for a kid.

Bouncing on a strong knee and taking big steps on dad's shoes as a youngster are

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In A Few Words



TOM MAGAZZU
Editor

Courier Journal

THIS WEEK

in the *Shoals*
June 12, 2019

Happening
THIS WEEK



With Steve Trash on APT

Science Will be Fun Again

FLORENCE- Florence-Lauderdale Public Library is hosting a premiere event for *Steve Trash Science*, the new public television show hosted by local performer and environmental educator Steve Trash. The event will be in the children's area of the library on Saturday, June 15 at 9:30am.

Steve Trash Science will air Saturday mornings at 10am on Alabama Public Television. In each episode, Steve Trash will perform a magic trick and talk about a science topic in a fun and engaging way, geared toward grades 3-5. For the library's premiere event, Steve will greet the crowd and introduce the show, perform a trick, take photos



Steve Trash Promotional photo

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Plead the Fifth (hole)

An Ace for CASA Helps Volunteers for Children

KILLEN-Killen Time Adventure Park on U.S. Hwy 72 across from Brooks High School in Killen will host An Ace for CASA Miniature Golf event June 12-16 and everyone is invited to come and play.

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THE SPRAY PAINT GALAXY ART DEMO with Brian Frost at the Florence Lauderdale Public Library has been rescheduled for Saturday, June 15 from 1:30-3:30pm. This local artist will create beautiful space-themed art using spray paint on the front lawn of the library. Frost is a Florence-based artist and prop maker. Known on social media as 'Doc Voom', Frost has a passion for using spray paint to re-create images from the Hubble Space Telescope, but the stars are not the limit to his scope.

SHANNON PHILLIPS WILL SIGN COPIES of his book, "Valentine's Blood," on Saturday, June 15 from noon-3pm in the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library Conference Room. A 10-minute slide show will start every 30 minutes. The author will also answer questions after each presentation about the settings where the stories take place, including a trip to Xavier Castle near Pamplona, Spain where the story began in 1240 AD. Brave settlers on the western frontier between 1740-1807 are depicted in their daily life and death struggles. Using true historical events, the author creates fictional conversations by prominent people. If you can't attend and want to order a signed copy, send a check for \$20 for the book and \$3.75 for postage and handling to Shannon Phillips, 256 Cypress Creek Dr., Florence, AL 35633.

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Drop Mr. Culverhouse

Dear Editor:

The current scandal involving the Culverhouse Law School at the University of Alabama and a Florida businessman, is a pointed reminder of how important it is for public officials to maintain the highest ethical profile.

If the news stories are correct, the UA administration and Board of Trustees made an arrangement with Tampa businessman and megadonor, Hugh F. Culverhouse Jr., that led to the state's law school being named for him. Culverhouse has donated millions of dollars to the

school. Apparently, he also made some unspecified demands, one of which evidently involved the number of lawyers to be trained at the school.

Culverhouse has since soured on Alabama. He doesn't like the state Legislature's courageous stand on the abortion issue. In fact, it looks as if he doesn't like the American legislative process, period. He has made threats against the state, saying he will use his money to discourage outside investment from coming into Alabama. In other words, he intends to harm a lot of innocent people by killing off their jobs.

Should the UA administration and Board of Trustees at Tuscaloosa be immediately fired for associating

with this guy in the first place, or should they merely be put through a rigorous class in good ethical sense?

The state's law school at Tuscaloosa ought to belong to ALL the state universities. The name "Culverhouse" should be dropped, and the school put under a separate board of trustees composed of the presidents of all the state universities in order to encourage good judgment in the future. The school should be renamed, "The State of Alabama School of Law", or something similar, as a reflection of its inclusiveness of all state universities and students. Otherwise, we may one day end up

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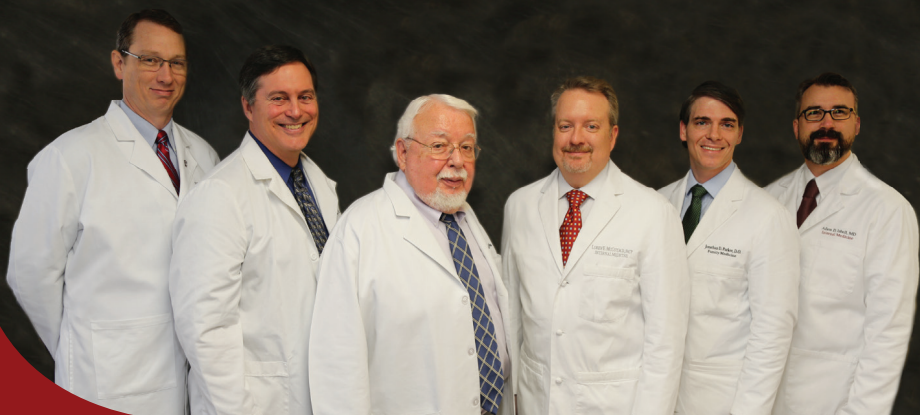
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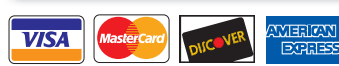
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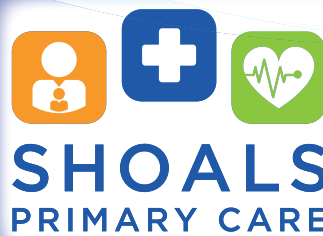
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Thomas L. Ponder
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Three Strikes, Y'all Are Out!

Editor:

We should take note that Florence made changes to the city's website in October of 2018.

Prior to these changes a citizen could go to city's website and go to a September 2010 council meeting agenda. Click on any resolution and the supporting documents for the resolution were available for citizen review. The current council has changed this. Now this information is not available for meeting agendas prior to the October 2, 2018 meeting agenda.

In addition, the city's website states, "The city council meeting minutes are added as they become available." The minutes for the April 16, 2019 meeting were approved at the May 9 meeting. The April 16 meeting was almost two months ago, yet as of this press time, had yet to be posted. Prior to the recent changes, minutes were posted in a more timely manner. Are these actions a violation of the spirit of the Freedom of Information laws?

Another action is the handling of the city's properties located at Cox Creek Park (CCP) and the city's vacant dog pound property downtown. The city gifted the property located within CCP to UNA for a new baseball facility. An article in the TimesDaily about the new dog pound dated May 14, 2019, stated, "The old center will be sold to the city's electricity department which is adjacent to it." I was not aware the electricity department had agreed to purchase the property. A purchase price was not included in the article. The property is owned by the city and the electricity department should have free use of the property. The electricity department gets their money from the citizens of Florence.

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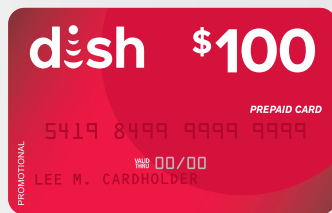
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to UNA, but Florence citizens pay. That isn't right!

Another action is the sales tax increase that the council approved at their January 15, 2019 meeting. The rate was raised from 8.5% to 9.5%. This is a sales tax increase of 11.7%. The increase is expected to raise \$10,546,860 in one year and \$52,734,300 over five years. On January 17, 2019 a TimesDaily headline stated, "Sales tax vote lacked public element it deserved." So, they avoided taxpayer input.

This sales tax increase needs to be reduced immediately.

If the actions noted were a baseball game, it would be strike one, strike two, strike three, and y'all are out!

Bill Smoak
Florence

Governmental Faith Practice

Editor:

According to Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty director, Douglas Lee, relating to the so-called Equality Act, he said, "Our laws should protect the constitutionally guaranteed freedoms of every citizen no matter who they are. Every person should be treated with dignity and respect, but the so-called 'Equality Act' threatens religious liberty and poses significant harms within a diverse range of American sectors: Women's opportunities and privacy, kids in foster care, the conscience rights of medical professionals, religious colleges and churches, creative professionals, and their businesses," Lee said.

"If this bill were to pass, religious believers who serve as hospital and military chaplains would lose fundamental constitutional rights and freedoms.

"Specifically, the language in this law would mandate that our military chaplains perform religious ceremonies in conflict with their conscience and religious convictions. This bill seeks to establish a governmental faith practice by prohibiting houses of worship, clergy, and chaplains from following or abiding by their doctrines, beliefs, and practices in the areas of

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by Dr. James Maples

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This layer is the center of the tooth and contains blood vessels, nerves, and lymph tissue. The root canals travel from the tip of the tooth's root into the pulp chamber and when the pulp becomes infected, it can die off and become abscessed. Abscesses do not heal on their own and can become dangerous if left untreated. At this point, root canal therapy becomes necessary in order to preserve the tooth.

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marriage, sexual behavior, and the distinctions between men and women. We all want to promote equality, but the so-called 'Equality Act' guarantees inequality and removes freedoms. It doesn't create equality, it creates victims. Our elected leaders can and must do better."

I agree. This act puts the government in control of every aspect of our lives. Last week we observed Memorial Day to honor those who gave their lives to protect the freedoms that the founders fought to secure. We must not allow the liberals in our government to take away the basic freedoms that our Constitution guarantees.

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2019 COLBERT COUNTY SCHEDULE

Randall B. Davis, D.V.M.
Rabies Inspector

Tuesday, June 11 (There will be two groups operating)

3:00pm Cherokee High School Parking Lot
3:30pm Pet Depot Parking Lot - Muscle Shoals
3:45pm Barton Chevron Parking Lot
4:15pm Muscle Shoals High School Parking Lot
4:30pm Red Rock Church Of Christ, Red Rock Rd.
4:45pm Texaco, 100 River Rd. Muscle Shoals
5:15pm Ace Hardware, River Rd. and County Line Rd.
5:15pm Syrgley Church of Christ Parking Lot, Hwy 247
6:00pm Yogi's One Stop, Hwy 247 and 72 Cherokee
6:15pm Nitrate City Volunteer Fire Department - 2nd St.

Wednesday, June 12

4:30pm Bianco's Berryhill, Vacant Lot, Underwood & Frankfort Rd.
5:00pm Colbert Heights High School Yard
5:30pm Piney Grove Church Yard, Wheeler Mountain
6:00pm Malone's General Store, New Bethel

Thursday, June 13

(There will be two groups operating)

3:15pm Littleville Park - Behind First Baptist Church
4:00pm Spring Valley Market
4:30pm Tusculmbia Farmers Co-Op, 1417 Hwy 72 West
4:45pm White Oak General Store - Hwy 157/Co Line Rd
5:15pm Leighton City Hall - Leighton
5:15pm Harris Chapel Baptist Church Parking Lot - North Pike Cherokee
6:00pm Shady Grove Methodist Church, River Rd Leighton
6:00pm Barton Baptist Church - Barton
6:45pm Oak Grove Baptist Church, Hwy 72 Tusculmbia

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2019 LAUDERDALE COUNTY SCHEDULE

Jennifer C. Jubb, DVM
Rabies Inspector

Thursday, June 13

3:00-4:00pm Lexington High School
4:15-5:15pm Grassy Hammond Store
5:30-6:30pm Anderson Elementary School
6:45-7:45pm Lauderdale Co. High School

Friday, June 14

3:00-4:15pm Rogers High School
4:30-5:30pm Lone Cedar Church
5:45-6:30pm Mt. Zion Church
7:00-8:00pm PetSmart

Saturday, June 15

8:00-8:30am Handy Rec Center
8:45-9:15am Longrider Feed and Seed
9:30-10:15am Broadway Rec. Center.
11:00-11:45am Home Builders Assoc, Veterans Drive.
12:30-1:30pm Royal Ave Rec Center
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When an employee notifies the employer of an injury and is then fired, the facts are then such that a retaliatory discharge claim could be made. The injured employee does not have to file a lawsuit or do anything other than notify the employer that they were injured on the job. If, after notice of an injury, the employee is terminated, the employer may be asked to come forward with proof of a legitimate reason for terminating the employee.

These can be good cases, but become difficult or unclear when the employee is placed in an "inactive" status or claims that the employer made the working conditions "intolerable". Typically a jury determines the outcome of a retaliatory discharge claim after hearing both sides. They decide whether or not the employer's reason is true or if the employee was fired for claiming an injury. People in general and juries specifically look at an employer's past history for evidence that this type of termination is a pattern. If the employer has a pattern and practice of terminating employees after an injury, juries can award punitive damages to prohibit this type of conduct in the future.

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Fathers...

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memories for many of us. My dad perfected a piercing whistle that echoed through the evening air, signaling the end to the day's recreation and effectively breaking-up any bike-riding or neighborhood game of kick-the-can. He made it to every school and sporting event, and many practices. I may not have seen him there, but I knew that familiar whistle of approval. That meant more to me than he knew.

Dad took care of the finances. He also sacrificed personal and professional gain for his children. After rebuilding a struggling local plant into profitability as its GM, corporate restructuring left him with a choice: step aside or accept a significant promotion - one that would require a move to Chicago. He'd had his fill of cities, so he chose to lean on his other skills and kept his young family in the Shoals.

When times were tense or financially tight, the kids didn't really know. We had what we needed. Dad absorbed the stress. He was very smart in that we only spent what he could pay for in full when the credit card bill came. There were no monthly payments dragging us down. My brother, sister, and I knew little economic adversity.

Dad was also a firm but fair disciplinarian when he needed to be. There are more than a handful of situations still fresh in my mind where the belt came out followed by the phrase, "This is going to hurt me more than it hurts you." My young person's interpretation still has him wrong every time on that. However, his methods seemed to work. Once the belt corrected a matter, that issue rarely had to be "discussed" again.

Ironically, as a current advocate of corporal punishment, the penalty I remember most was being grounded in the seventh grade... for three months.

With \$3 in my pocket, I made the mistake of taking a friend's dare one Saturday to steal a 20¢ beef jerky from a convenience store about a mile from home. The cashier busted me at the register and gave me two unappealing options. He could call the police or call my father. Either way, dad was going to find out. He would much rather hear of my stupidity from an 18-year-old clerk at the Com-Pac than from City Hall. Nevertheless, that was a long ride home on my 5-speed Sears Spider.

Dad was working in the garage and he was amazingly calm when I got home. Just as I started

to relax, he said, "Let's go. Get in the car." "Where are we going?" I asked. "We're going to get a haircut." My confident response, "I just got one last week." Dad's response, which clearly set the tone for what was to follow... "You're getting another one."

Groundings at my house were simple: Straight to school-straight home, no TV, no sports (unless school related), no friends over, no leaving the yard.

He did tell me I could do some extra work around the house this one time, and he would consider knocking some time off the grounding. Years later he told me that neighbors marveled at how impressive our property looked over those next few months. There wasn't a weed in the yard, a blade of grass out of place, or a smudge on any window.

For my efforts, I got a week taken off the back-end of the sentence and I learned a life lesson.

Every child needs and deserves responsible and loving parents (a mother and a father) in the household. That is the arrangement God planned. Not coincidentally, this plan allows children the greatest chance of "being kids" and growing up healthy and happy with a strong foundation.

I am not claiming better results than anyone else, because I certainly pushed the youth envelope for many years. However, I count myself blessed that my parents were always around, we had a spiritual foundation, I knew right from wrong, my father was the family leader and disciplinarian, and my traditional family unit remained intact.

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My friends, your never dying soul has to spend eternity somewhere. We only spend seconds on this planet compared to eternity. **Acts 4:12** "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved." You must be saved to be prepared for eternity. **Romans 10:9-10** "That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation." **Romans 10:13** "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Now it's up to you. Call on Christ.

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THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL Zoe feared that she was going to end up in jail for her part in her father's scheme. Wyatt walked in on the intense meeting between Flo and Zoe. Hope shared with Douglas that Liam had moved out. Later, she told Brooke why she ended her marriage so abruptly. Ridge was happy for Steffy, but worried about what Brooke was thinking. Meanwhile, Brooke grew concerned when Hope asked Liam to send her pictures of the babies. Flo was surprised by Thomas's advice. *Wait to See: Brooke's mama-bear instincts emerge.*

engaged and asked for his blessing. Jack and Traci tried to help Dina adjust to life in the nursing home, with Jack making more time to spend with his mother, and Traci sharing her new novel with her. Despite her fading memory, Dina was comforted by their efforts. Devon and Elena continued to grow closer as they sent Jett off on tour. Victor filed a lawsuit against the GCPD, which enraged Christine. *Wait to See: Billy loses his cool.*
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DAYS OF OUR LIVES Julie blasted Jack and Eve. Stefan ripped into Gabi for causing his breakup with Chloe. A fearful Claire realized that the walls were closing in on her. Ben had a shocking realization. Jack offered JJ a deal. Will and Sonny faced Will's mortality. Ben desperately searched for Claire. In a fit of rage, Claire tried to kill Tripp and Haley. John informed Sonny of his suspicions about Eve. Eli broke up with Lani. *Wait to See: Sonny demands Eve surrender the diary.*

GENERAL HOSPITAL Chase was startled to learn that Harmony was Willow's mother. Alexis met with Neil. Maxie avoided making plans with Peter. Jordan confronted Curtis. Ava cut her losses. Drew tended to Kim. Joss struggled with her loss. Maxie had an idea. Harmony was hopeful that Shiloh would come to her rescue. Michael tried to support Willow. Julian reminded Brad to keep calm. Sonny stumbled upon Lulu, who was out with another man. Carly was stunned. Shiloh ran into Margaux. Sam tried to look on the bright side. *Wait to See: Jax turns down an interesting offer.*

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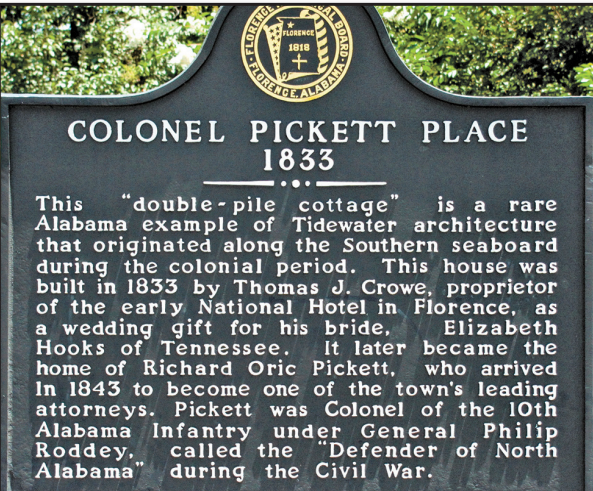
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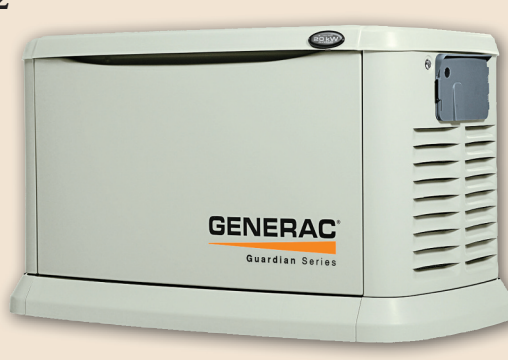
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Kennedy-Douglass Center for the arts will be hosting the Young Masters Art School this June.

Children in grades 1-6 are welcome to attend the week of June 10-14. Grades

1-3 meet from 9-11am and grades 4-6 meet from 12-2pm.

Tuition is \$50 and class sizes are limited. Applications are available at the Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts.

For more information, email KatieGrahamArt@gmail.com

The Shoals British Car Club meets the second Tuesday of the month at Golden Corral, 362 Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence at 6pm. Contact information at our website: www.shoalsbritishcars.org

NAMI Family Support Group: for families with adults and/or children who have brain disorders (mental illnesses).

Families helping Families! You are not alone!

NAMI Connection Recovery Support Group: for people who have been diagnosed with a brain disorder and are in recovery.

Peers supporting each other! You too are not alone!

Meets Tuesday, June 11 @ 7pm at the NAMI Shoals Office, 749 Thompson St., Suite A, Florence. Need directions or more information, call 256-765-2081.

The Salvation Army Youth Summer Camps take place weekly from June 11-July 13 at Camp Hidden Lake, 626 Oregon Road, Lexington, MS for ages 7-18 years. Super fun summer activities include: learning to swim, adventure and scouting, arts and crafts, music development and sports.

Camp applications and refundable deposit due May 31. \$50 refundable deposit required.

For registration, please contact: 256-764-4432.

Clothes Giveaway Notice Thursday, June 13 at 8am, at the Care Center, First Baptist Church, Killen

The Shoals Area Chapter of the Order of St. Luke will meet in the Sheffield Room at Park Place at 501 N. Montgomery Ave., Sheffield, Thursday, June 13 at 2:30pm.

We believe that God heals spiritually, physically, and emotionally. Prayer for healing will be offered. All are welcome.

Need help with food? Call 256-810-8694 in advance. Giveaway will be Saturday, June 15 from 10:30-11:30am at the Shoals Church, 615 Geneva Ave. in Muscle Shoals. You MUST call in advance!

New Salem M.B. Church will be having 2 Mother's Board Program June 16 at 2pm at 923 West Mobile St.

in Florence. Guest will be Mark Linder, Pastor of the Dwelling Place, 919 W. College St. in Florence.

Meeting will be Monday, June 18 at 7pm at Community Center.

The Next Meeting of the North Alabama Civil War Round Table will be June 18 at the Florence Lauderdale Public Library at 6pm. Our featured speaker will be Greg Gresham, who will present "The Card, This Time, Fell In Their Favor: The Extreme Suffering, Indomitable Will, and Good Luck of Hood's Army of the Tennessee, on its escape from Tennessee, and its Dangerous Crossing at the Muscle Shoals." Greg is now a part time consultant and part time amateur historian/archaeologist. He spent over 32 years in the Pulp and Paper industry holding various management roles in production, quality control, technical and engineering fields. He is a graduate of Auburn University with a BS in Chemical Engineering.

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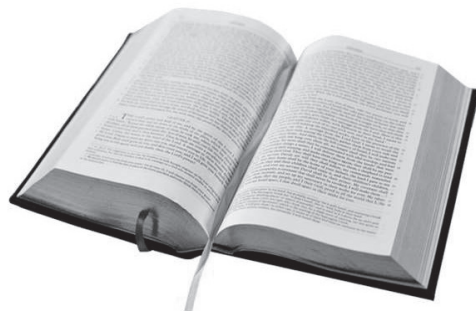
Guest Speaker: Lee Hyatt

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- Sunday 2:00 P.M. – Congregational Singing
- Sunday 3:00 P.M. - Do You Know How to Treat Your Father?

Monday – Friday 7:00PM

- Monday – Lousy Start, Strong Finish
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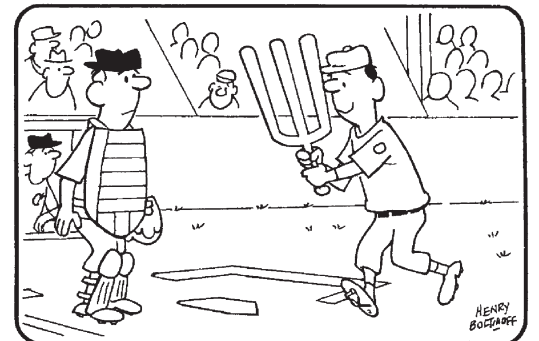
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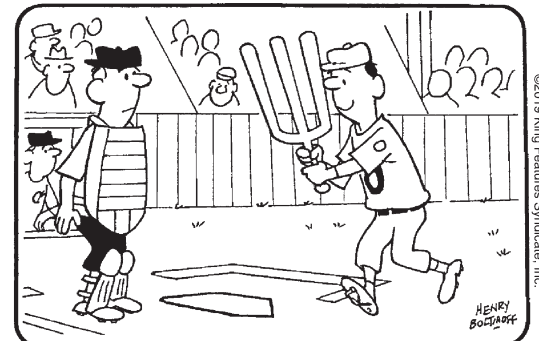
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NET WORTH AND UMBRELLA INSURANCE



Dear Dave,
At what point, where your net worth is concerned, should you consider additional umbrella insurance?

Kyle

Dear Kyle,

You can buy an additional \$1 million in liability insurance for your home and car for around \$250 a year. Why would you want that? If you were a target. Why would you be a target? If you have a net worth of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 or more. You might also be a target if you just have a really good income and make a lot of money.

In either case, you'd want to pick up a liability umbrella policy. Good question!

—Dave

IF YOU CAN'T AFFORD A 15-YEAR MORTGAGE...

Dear Dave,
Is there ever a time when a 30-year mortgage is better than a 15-year mortgage?

Julie

Dear Julie,

Let's see, how should I put this? No! If you can't afford a home on a 15-year mortgage, it means you can't afford the house. Period.

If you currently own a house, and the only way to keep from being foreclosed

on or going bankrupt is to refinance into a 30-year mortgage, you'd probably do that – but it doesn't make it better than a 15-year mortgage. You'll never hear me recommend a 30-year mortgage. I might tolerate one in an extreme situation, but I wouldn't tell you to go get one.

Besides, why would you want to stay in debt for 30 years? Do you have a fear of winning with money? Are you feeling so generous toward the bank that you want to just hand them piles of cash every month for three decades?

The average millionaire in this country pays off their mortgage in 10.2 years. Do what smart people do, Julie. Do what people who win with money do. A 15-year, fixed rate mortgage is the only kind of home loan I recommend!

—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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