

# Shoals Shorts

## Stafford to Germany

FLORENCE – Former University of North Alabama men's basketball standout **Kendall Stafford** has signed a professional basketball contract with Baskets-Vilsbiburg in Germany. The 6-4 guard/forward will head overseas soon with the season tipping off in late September.

Stafford's new team finished in seventh place last year in the highly competitive South-East Regionalliga standings with a record of 13-13. Vilsbiburg is located an hour northeast of Munich, not far from Germany's border with Austria and the Czech Republic.

The Corinth, MS native played at Northeast Mississippi Community College before coming to UNA. Stafford was a two-year letterman at UNA and played in 60 games, including 58 starts. He was named second team all GSC as a junior and averaged 10.6 points per game as a senior as UNA transitioned to the NCAA Division I level and began play in the ASUN.

"We are very proud of Kendall and his accomplishments," said UNA men's head basketball coach, **Tony Pujol**. "He did a tremendous job of being a leader for the program during our first season in Division I and the ASUN Conference."

To follow updates on Stafford this season, visit the team website at [www.baskets.vilsbiburg.de/](http://www.baskets.vilsbiburg.de/).

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TUSCUMBIA — The Colbert County Animal Shelter is depending on donations from

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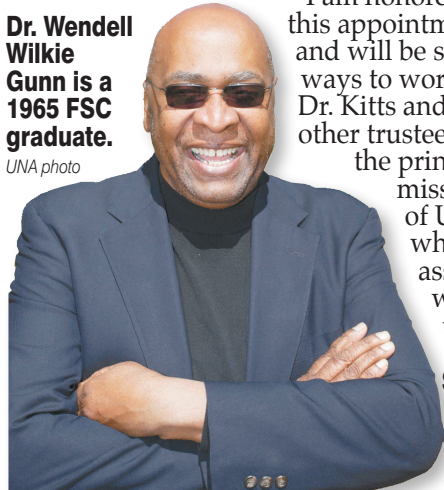
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## Gunn Appointed to UNA Board

FLORENCE – The University of North Alabama and Alabama Gov. Kay Ivey's office announced last week that Dr. Wendell Wilkie Gunn, the student who first integrated UNA in 1963, has been appointed to the University's Board of Trustees as the twelfth member of the governing body.

**Dr. Wendell Wilkie Gunn is a 1965 FSC graduate.**

UNA photo



"I am honored by this appointment, and will be seeking ways to work with Dr. Kitts and the other trustees on the principal mission of UNA, which I assume will be the

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## Saddle Up with RESTLESS HEART

by Dennis Sherer  
Colbert Co. Tourism

TUSCUMBIA—Riders from several states are getting ready to load up their horses and head to Gardiner Farm in Tuscumbia to help fight childhood cancer.

The 23rd Annual Saddle Up for St. Jude Trail Ride and Festival is Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20 at Gardiner Farm at 85 Underwood Road in Tuscumbia. The festival includes trail rides, wagon rides, pony rides, concerts, a huge auction, arts and crafts, food



Restless Heart Promotional photo

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## Howard Headlines WC Handy

FLORENCE The WC Handy Music Festival takes place July 18-28 with over a hundred musical and art venues across the Shoals.

A detailed schedule is inside this issue. Meanwhile, this year's headliner concert will be one to remember.

**MIKI HOWARD**

Miki Howard has one of the most recognizable voices in the music industry. Howard was born in Chicago and raised in Los Angeles. Her influences include her gospel singer



Howard

parents, Clay Graham of the Pilgrim Jubilees, and Josephine Howard of the Caravans. Her family visited with Aretha Franklin, Mavis Staples, Billy Preston, and Fats Domino, and she was influenced by the sounds of Dinah Washington, Nancy Wilson, and Billie Holiday.

Howard joined R&B singing group Side Effect at age 15, but she soon embarked on a solo career

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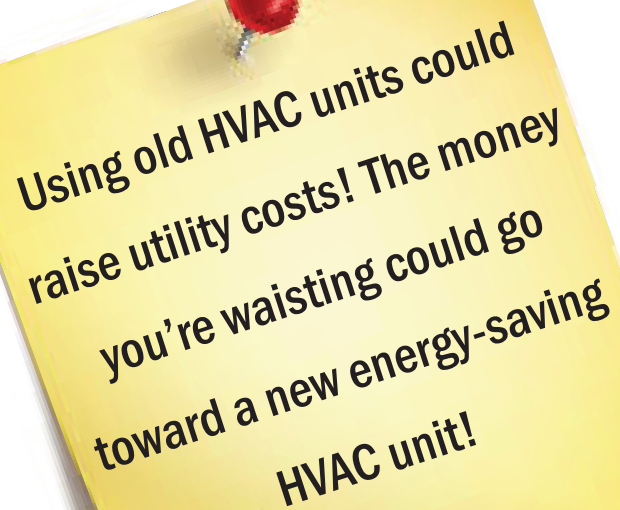
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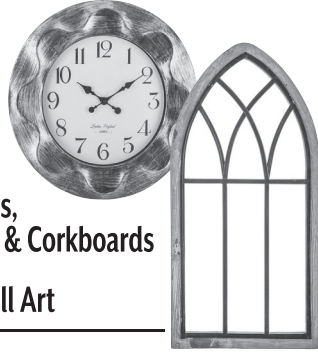
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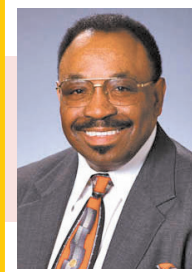
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the public to make ends meet and to feed the animals in its care. Food was not a budgeted item because until a few months ago Sunshine Mills in Red Bay supplied all the food.

A restructuring of how the company sampled its products eliminated surplus and the partially-opened bags that they would then donate to the shelter.

Since losing that source of pet food, the shelter has been surviving on donations, fundraisers, and employee contributions.

"We use a minimum of 100 pounds of kitty litter

in a few days because we have so many cats," said Colbert County Animal Control employee **Sue Gentry**. "Dog food is a necessity. As far as dry food for dogs and cats, it's getting scary."

**Corey Speegle** is member of the Huntsville Search Dog Unit who lives in the Shoals. The unit is a non-profit that provides cadaver dogs, search dogs, and tracking dog services to law enforcement agencies.

The unit planned on purchasing 500 pounds of dog food from Rural King in Muscle Shoals last week for the shelter at a reduced rate. When store management found out where the food was going, they just gave the food to Speegle at no charge to deliver to the shelter. Members of the group

returned to the store later that night to purchase some dry cat food for the shelter.

To help or donate food, call 256-381-4073.

### Blankenship Part of Forum

MONTGOMERY – Rogersville resident **Peyton Blankenship** recently participated in the 21st Annual Alabama Governor's Youth Leadership Forum on the campus of Troy University.

The five-day event is sponsored by the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services. It seeks to equip disabled high school students with valuable leadership skills through sessions on self-esteem, career exploration, technology, independent living, and etiquette.

YLF delegates are chosen through a statewide search for students displaying leadership potential and must be a high school junior or senior with a disability who is between 17 and 21 years old.

Camp participants traveled to Montgomery to meet state leaders, toured the Capitol, and enjoyed a mentor luncheon where delegates interacted with and received advice from successful adults with disabilities.

### Handy Holds Registration

FLORENCE – Registration is open for children ages 3-5 at the new Early Childhood Development Center located at the W. C. Handy School. Children ages 3-5 are eligible. There will be 12 First Class Pre-K classes, two 3-year old classes, and one five-year-old Transitional Kindergarten. For further information or to have an application emailed to you, please email your information to Dr. Michael

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### Combo Kings at Music HoF

TUSCUMBIA—The Combo Kings is a multi-genre veteran band of five years originating in South Carolina. Its members

come from musical backgrounds with decades of experience between them, and pedigrees that include The Swinging Medallions, a 60s band with some chart-topping hits, and New York City's Broadway scene.

The group will be entertaining the crowd along with The Beehive Queen, **Christine Ohlman**, in the lobby of the Alabama Music Hall of Fame in addition to presenting director **Sandra Burroughs** with a large donation. "The Combo Kings performed last year, and everyone has been asking us to have them back this year! We are excited to be able to have them back to help us celebrate the W.C. Handy Festival," said Burroughs.

The concert will be completely free and will begin at 12pm on Wednesday, July 24. The donation will be presented after the concert at 2pm. Refreshments will be available for purchase in the gift shop.

In addition to the Combo Kings concert and the W.C. Handy Festival,

the Alabama Music Hall of Fame will be showing the movie, St. Louis Blues, about W.C. Handy starring **Cab Calloway, Ella Fitzgerald, Eartha Kitt**, and Alabama Native **Nat 'King' Cole** as W.C. Handy. The movie will start at 10am each day beginning Tuesday, July 23 - Friday, July 26 and is free to the public.

Free popcorn sponsored by Cypress Creek Indoor Range will be available to enjoy while watching the movie.

### Wheeler Trail Work Begins

ROGERSVILLE— Joe Wheeler State Park officials joined representatives from the Tennessee Valley Authority last week at the First Creek Boat Launch to break ground for a new 8-mile bike and hiking trail at the park.

The Joe Wheeler State Park Scenic Trail will be built using \$105,000 in grant money from the Recreational Trail Program and the TVA. Several bridges will be constructed along the east bank of First Creek inside the park.

The Joe Wheeler staff will handle most of the construction of the trail.

"The Alabama State Parks Division appreciates the cooperation of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs and the TVA in helping us make this new amenity available

for our visitors," said **Rob Grant**, assistant director of the Alabama State Parks Division of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. "Mountain bikers and hikers have found our state parks to be great places to enjoy the outdoors. We're sure this new trail will attract lots of visitors who haven't been to Joe Wheeler State Park."

The new trail will increase the park's hiking and biking network to more than 12 miles. Joe Wheeler State Park has two hiking/biking trails, both approximately 2.5 miles. One is located between the Day Use Area and Resort Lodge with another 2.5-mile loop at the Southside Cabin Area, accessed from Alabama Highway 101 near Wheeler Dam.

**Joining Grant for the ceremonial groundbreaking last week for the Joe Wheeler State Park Scenic Trail pictured in the photo below were from left, Lauderdale County Commissioner Chairman Danny Pettus, Lauderdale County Commissioner Brad Holmes, Rogersville Mayor Richard Herston, Joe Wheeler State Park Superintendent Chad Davis, Rogersville Police officer Morris Barnes, (Grant), State Parks Trails Coordinator Ken Thomas and TVA Recreation Agreements Specialist Derek South.**

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Keller Center, 1208 S Jackson Highway, Sheffield, 256-383-3535. The hours are: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm.

Tuesday, July 16, 10am - 4pm, Lauderdale County Court House, 200 S Court Street, Florence

Wednesday, July 17, 9am - 3pm, Lakeland Community Hospital, 42024 AL-195, Haleyville

Thursday, July 18, 11am - 5pm, Southern Care New Beacon Hospice, 239 Azalea Drive, Florence

Friday, July 19, 10am - 7pm, Shoe Carnival, 356 Cox Creek Parkway, Florence

Saturday, July 20, 11am - 5pm, North Alabama Flea Market, North Alabama Fairgrounds, 65 Sportsplex Drive, Muscle Shoals

Sunday, July 21, Noon - 7pm, Walmart, 13675 Hwy 43, Russellville

Monday, July 22, 10am - 5:30pm, 1st Cash Express, 1587 Darby Drive, Florence

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**The Summer Program at the Michael Recreation Center** in Sheffield will be from 9-11am on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday through 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.

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McIlwain is an attorney in Tuscaloosa and has a passion for nineteenth century American history. He is the author of two other books, "Civil War Alabama" and "1865 Alabama: From Civil War to Uncivil Peace".

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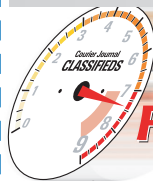







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Funds awarded by the ACJF grant will assist Shoals CASA in the re-design of the agency's website to enhance recruitment and provide training of CASA Volunteers for children.

"Justice includes the opportunity for all citizens - which includes our children - to have adequate food and shelter, safety, a sense of well-being, and an opportunity to thrive," said Andrea Holt, Executive Director of Shoals CASA. "The Foundation's investment in CASA's efforts to reach more community members with our mission is a clear message that Alabama's legal community wants our children to be safe, healthy and successful."

For more information on becoming a Volunteer Advocate for children, visit their website at ShoalsCASA.org or call 256-765-0041.

**Above, local attorney, Mike Bernauer, presents Shoals CASA Executive Director, Andrea Holt, with the check from the ACJF.**

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**SUBMIT APPLICATION...** Completed applications & registration fees (ages 3 & 5 only) should be turned in at the Florence City Schools Board of Education. Also, W. C. Handy School has applied to participate in the Child Care Management Agencies (CMAs) for those in need of this service.

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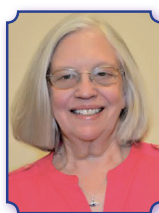
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delivery of a world-class education to UNA students, with the maximum affordability, consistent with target quality," said Dr. Gunn. "I also believe that UNA has a unique and compelling history of accomplishment and change that needs to spread beyond its immediate community. I intend to be instrumental in this endeavor."

Gunn enrolled at UNA in 1963, one year before the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. He is the first person to have integrated at an Alabama university and later become a member of its governing body.

"Dr. Gunn is making history at UNA, and this is truly a monumental step for the University," said Gov. Ivey. "When appointing Dr. Gunn to serve on the Board of Trustees, I knew that he would exemplify the honesty and integrity that I seek in our candidates. I appreciate his willingness to serve the state in this capacity."

"I know of no other example out there where a student entered under the circumstances that he did, went on to graduate, and then returned to join the institution's

governing body. This is truly full circle for Dr. Gunn," UNA President Dr. Ken Kitts said. "We welcome him to our Board of Trustees. Dr. Gunn is ideally positioned for this assignment by virtue of his temperament, intelligence, and experience."

When Gunn sought admission to UNA in 1963, he was represented by noted civil rights attorney Fred Gray. Gray had represented Rosa Parks and Dr. M. L. King in the Montgomery Bus Boycott. He successfully represented Vivian Malone and James Hood, who entered the University of Alabama, also in 1963. In fact, lawsuits filed by Gray helped desegregate more than 100 local school systems, as well as all public colleges and universities in Alabama.

Of the Gunn case, Gray said that it was "the easiest civil rights case I ever had."

"I am extremely happy that Dr. Gunn has been appointed to the UNA board," Gray said. "And I am overjoyed and proud of what this says about the University of North Alabama itself. Of all my many clients, Dr. Gunn is the first to be appointed to the governing board of the institution that he helped desegregate."

"I remember that time

well," he said, from his home in Stamford, Conn. "The Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 were great examples of bi-partisan cooperation, supported by substantial majorities in both the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives, as well as both of the major political parties."

As a young man from Tusculumbia, the decision to attend Florence State was one driven by location and cost. To do that, he would need to transfer from Tennessee State in Nashville. It would also mean enrolling at a university in a deeply segregated southern state.

"When the news reports came out that I had applied to Florence State College, I received several unpleasant phone calls," Dr. Gunn said. "But once I enrolled, the calls stopped. Amazing!"

His early days on campus were quiet and unmarred by the protest and violence that had plagued other college campuses across the southeast.

"During the first few months I was on campus, the other students and I hardly talked to each other," Dr. Gunn said. "Looking back, I suppose it was because we just didn't know what to say to each other. In the spring, when I won the physics achievement award, I received a standing ovation. Everyone stood up and cheered. Wow! Finally, I was just another student. That's all I wanted."

Through the lens of the 50-plus years that have passed since Dr. Gunn's matriculation through the University, he feels a deep fondness for UNA. He credits his UNA experience with preparing him to cross the multiple cultural lines that he encountered throughout his career.

"Looking back at my time at Florence State and the fifty-plus years that have followed, it is clear that I was supported by the school," he said. "I received great recommendations from my professors when I applied to graduate school at the University of Chicago. I received handwritten letters of congratulations from (Florence State) President Norton whenever I received a promotion in my career. Putting these things into perspective, it is clear that Dr. Norton and the administration were prepared for me before I arrived in 1963. They didn't know who I was or where I would come from, but they were ready to make my entry successful and peaceful. The rest would be up to me."

Gunn received a Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry &

Mathematics from what was Florence State in 1965, an MBA in Finance from the University of Chicago in 1971, and an honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from UNA in 2017.

After graduation Gunn had a prestigious career with many personal and professional achievements in science, finance, politics and as an independent business owner. He has worked as a finance professional, vice president at Chase Manhattan Bank, and assistant treasurer at PepsiCo. He also served in the White House as a senior advisor and Special Assistant for International Trade to President Ronald Reagan.

He later founded Gunn Solutions, technology consultants to institutional investment managers.

Dr. Gunn returns to Florence and the Shoals regularly and often spends time on campus and visiting with friends and family. He is frequently invited by student organizations to speak and answer questions about his time at UNA, his business career, and his government service. He was the commencement speaker in 2017, and it was at the ceremony that he was awarded an honorary doctorate. Dr. Gunn has also addressed campus during the annual fall convocation.

"When I go to UNA now and walk about the campus, I watch how students interact with each other, across all cultural lines, and it seems as if the old barriers were never there. And my heart sings," Gunn said. "Even better, I see the same interactions in the community around UNA, whether in the grocery store or when I am in a restaurant for lunch. I have to believe that the University has had, and continues to have, a powerful positive impact on the entire Shoals community."

Often on these visits, Dr. Gunn spends time with Pres. Kitts, much as he did when E.B. Norton occupied the same space on the first floor of Bibb Graves Hall.

"He told me after the Homecoming parade, 'You know, Ken, years ago, I started coming back around the University. I've always liked it, and I've always been grateful for the education I received here. Now, I have really fallen in love with my alma mater.'" Kitts said. "It's this University that he carries in his heart. Even with all the other stops in his high-flying career, from the University of Chicago to the White House, it's the time he spent at UNA that continues to resonate with him."

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When someone is hurt, it is important to not only have a first aid kit, but more importantly to know yourself or know someone who knows how to use the things that are in it.

Bankruptcy is a lot like a first aid kit. It has the answer to many of our hurts or issues that we have in our financial life. When your bills are overwhelming you and "cutting" deep into your paycheck, when you have "burning" questions about your finances and need some answers immediately, bankruptcy is the "band aid" or "bandage" you need for your financial wounds.

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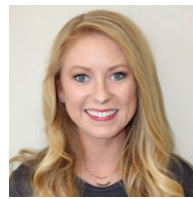
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**GUEST Commentary**

**I'M BLACK AND I THINK THE US Flag Stands for Freedom, not Racism**

**A** new Gallup poll shines a spotlight on the deep political divide in America and surely points to what the upcoming presidential election will be about.

Gallup asked, "How proud are you to be an American?" Seventy-six percent of Republicans said "extremely proud," compared with 22% of Democrats.

Broken down by age, 63% of those over 65 said "extremely proud," and only 24% of those 18 to 29.

This tells us something about Nike's recent move to pull its Betsy Ross flag sneakers from the marketplace, having taken guidance from its ex-football star anti-hero, now-Nike corporate spokesman, Colin Kaepernick. Kaepernick claims that America's first flag is associated with the era of slavery.

Analysts say, according to *The Wall Street Journal*, that Nike's "core customer base ... starts with American males in their early teens." And, "80% of the sneaker industry's most committed enthusiasts are under the age of 35."

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**Star Parker**  
President of the Center for Urban Renewal and Education

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**THIS WEEK**

**Group Gallantry**

**Nina, Pinta Replica Ships Return to Florence Harbor**

FLORENCE- The 'Pinta' and the 'Nina', replicas of Columbus' ships, will return to the Shoals on Wednesday, July 17. They will dock at Florence Harbor

**Crawfish in the River Ecosystem**

FLORENCE- The Florence Indian Mound Museum, in partnership with the Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area, is hosting a series of children's activities that help students investigate the early culture of the Shoals area through interactive learning. These programs will cover a wide range of topics and are suitable for an elementary level age group. They will focus on Native American history and culture, and they will have a creative component. The students will engage in hands-on learning. All events are free. The program on crawfish will take place Saturday,



July 20

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**in the Shoals**

July 17, 2019

**happening THIS WEEK**

**THE FIRST ANNUAL W.C. HANDY JAZZIN' IT UP IN TUSCUMBIA**

kick-off parade takes place July 20 at 6pm in downtown Tuscumbia. Line Up begins at 5pm at Deshler High School. The parade route starts at 200 North Commons St East, turn left on Main St to Sixth St to Water St to Courthouse. Performing will be Travis Wammack & the Snake Man Band on the Courthouse Lawn following the parade. Crow Hollar will perform at Coldwater Commons Pocket Park off Main St. from 9-11pm. For more information, call 256-386-7200 or tuscumbiadepot@comcast.net

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**THE MEAL BARREL FOOD PANTRY** operating from the National Guard Armory, Sheffield, will be closed Wednesday, July 17, and will reopen Wednesday, July 24. We are sorry for any inconvenience and will be serving needy families by appointment. Please call 256-810-4289 to make an appointment.

**THE SHOALS ARTISTS GUILD** will meet Friday July 19, 2019 at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1520 Rickwood Road, Florence, at 10am. Artists are invited to bring materials for a painting session following the business meeting. Artists may continue painting on Saturday as well. Drinks will be provided - bring food to share for lunch. For more information call Carol Howdyshell 256-766-0645.

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**Free Stuff Forever?**

Editor;

**WHOA.** This was my reaction to the first democratic debate. I was shocked by the freebies and assets they were so eagerly giving away. Free college...forgiving college loans... free \$1,000 a month for everyone... open our borders to everyone...put everyone on Medicare including illegals. They pandered without explaining to the gullible what will be required of them, like sky-high taxes.

How long do you think the free stuff will last? Maybe one year or two? One candidate wants a 10% value added tax on everything you buy. That means extra car payments on car purchases and paying more than the item is worth. There are unintended consequences to all these outlandish proposals. Did you

...There is a planned deception, the staging of a New Age Messiah, toward a world religion for the new age...



notice the absence of American Flags onstage for an American Presidential debate? Only a handful of debaters wore the American flag pin. One wonders what country they want to represent, especially since three of them spoke Spanish to the viewers.

Keep in mind that nothing is free... the democrats/socialists want full control of your life. There will be a distinct choice on election day. GIVE UP your freedoms versus KEEP your freedoms.

**Kay Woodford**  
Florence

**How Many More Jobs?**

Editor:

H. Ross Perot's recent passing probably reminds a lot of us just how right he was when he said there would be a great sucking sound as American jobs were being siphoned south of the border and beyond.

Now with all the immigrants coming in from Honduras, Columbia, El Salvador, and Guatamala, I bet the

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# Saddle Up

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vendors and activities for children. It is the nation's largest trail ride for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis.

This year's headline entertainers are April Michelle on Friday night and Restless Heart on Saturday night.

Restless Heart is known for impeccable vocal harmonies. The group has been together more than 35 years with its original five members, John Dittrich, Greg Jennings, Paul Gregg, Dave Innis and Larry Stewart. Their hits include I'll Still Be Loving You, Fast Train and When She Cries.

According to festival coordinator, Jimmy King, all the profit from the event goes to the hospital. Since it began in 1996, the festival has raised more than \$2 million for St. Jude.

"They do a world of

good helping kids with cancer at St. Jude," King said. "We're just glad we can help them with Saddle Up. We all have big hearts when it comes to helping the St. Jude kids."

Riders have more than 25 miles of trails spread over around 3,000 acres. Riders choose their pace and the trails they want to explore. No all-terrain vehicles are allowed on the trails other than those used by St. Jude volunteers. More details are available at saddleup4kids.org.

Admission for the weekend is a \$35 donation for riders. Admission for non-riders is \$10 on Friday and \$20 on Saturday. Primitive camping is available.

The farm opens at 7am on Friday, July 19. Concessions open at 10am and music begins at 6:30pm with Cowboy Church Band, followed by April Michelle at 8pm.

The farm opens at 7am on Saturday, July 20. Music begins at 10:30am with the Josh Brannon Band, followed by KGB at noon and the Josh Brannon Band at 1:30pm. The auction begins at 3pm. Restless Heart's performance begins at 7:30pm.

According to Susann Hamlin, president and CEO of the Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau, Saddle Up for St. Jude is one of the largest annual events in the Shoals.

"Some people think this event is only for people who own horses. Owing a horse is not a requirement to attend," Hamlin said. "Although it's called a trail ride, it attracts lots of people who have never even ridden a horse. They go to hear great music, eat delicious food, and help a very worthy cause. It's a great event for families."

For more details, call 256-446-5392 or Colbert County Tourism and Convention Bureau at 256-383-0783.

**Directions to Gardiner Farm:** From U.S. 72 in Tuscumbia, turn south onto service road at Colbert County Farmers Co-Op. Go one block then turn left onto Frankfort Road. Travel south for 1.7 miles, then, turn left onto Underwood Mountain Road. Travel 3.1 miles to County Farm Road, turn left and follow the signs.

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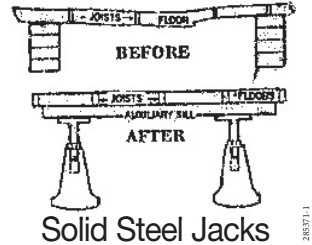
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## FRIDAY, JULY 19

**TENNESSEE VALLEY STRUMMERS – DULCIMER & FOLK MUSIC**  
**10am** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
 Featuring: Tennessee Valley Strummers

**JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH\***  
**10am** - Sheffield Library, 316 North Montgomery Ave., Sheffield  
 Free - especially for kids!!!  
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 Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older

**KEESTONE OF FLORENCE JAZZFEST**  
**2-4pm** - Keestone of Florence, 201 N. Cedar St., Florence  
 Featuring: Thompson Trio

**SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #1**  
**2pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
 Presentation by: Walt Aldridge and Mark Narmore

**MORNINGSIDE BLUES AND BARBEQUE**  
**5-7pm** - Morningside of Sheffield, 413 Cox Blvd, Sheffield  
 Free (\$10 Buffet with pulled pork, chicken, baked beans, slaw & dessert available for purchase)  
 Featuring: Max Russell

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**  
**5-7pm** - Swampers, Marriott Shoals, Florence - Christian Turner  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - Wildwood Ruminator's  
**6:30-9:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Rewind of the Shoals

**FIRST METRO BANK - SAX IN THE CITY\***  
**7:30pm** - Wilson Park, Florence  
*(In case of rain, event moved to Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum)*  
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**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**  
**7 until** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Hannah & Karly  
**7-9pm** - The Boiler Room, Florence - Shane Baker  
**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Christian Turner  
**7-10pm** - Superhero Chef, Tusculumbia - Joseph Baldwin  
**7-11pm** - Ricatoni's, Florence - Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars  
**7-11pm** - City Hardware, Florence - Taylor Smith Blues Band  
**8-11pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - Decoys w/Christine Ohlman

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS CONT.**  
**8-11pm** - On The Rocks, Florence - Travis Wammack & The Snakeman Band  
**8-11pm** - Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence - Josh Allison  
**10:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Johnny Holland & the Bammer Jammers  
**11pm until** - On The Rocks, Florence - DJ Nate Slaughter & Calvin Williams

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**35th ANNUAL MID-SUMMER CLASSIC THREE-STATE BIKE RIDE\***  
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**FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE TOURISM PRESENTS: SUMMER SOLOS**  
**11am** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
 Music by: Trey Nichols

**HANDY MUSICAL MIDDAYS**  
**Noon-3pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Mitch Mann

**SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #2**  
**2pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
 Performers: Lenny LeBlanc and Donnie Lowery

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**  
**5:30-9:30pm** - On The Rocks, Florence - Microwave Dave & the Nukes  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - Stoney Lonesome Band from Mississippi  
**6-9pm** - Legends, Florence - Lovell-Sledge Band  
**6:30-9:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Big Mike Griffin

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**9-11pm** - Coldwater Commons Pocket Park corner of Main Street (near Fiddle Dee's) - Crow Hollar

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**SUNRISE CENTER JAZZ**  
**7-9pm** - Logan Room, Sheffield  
 Featuring: Mars Hill Alumni Jazz Band

**MUSIC IN THE PARK\***  
**7-10pm** - Wilson Park, Florence  
 Featuring: Rewind of the Shoals

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**  
**7pm until** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Bama Border  
**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Coffee Black  
**7-10pm** - City Hardware, Florence - Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars  
**7-10pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Taylor Smith Blues Band  
**8-11pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - Billy Lawson & Wishbone  
**8-11pm** - Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence - James LeBlanc & the Winchesters  
**9-11pm** - The Boiler Room, Florence - Emily Daniel & Jack Settle  
**10pm until** - On The Rocks, Florence - DJ Calvin Williams  
**10:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - The Springs

## SUNDAY, JULY 21

**FAMILY & FRIENDS DAY HONORING MINISTER PRISCILLA THOMAS**  
**10:55am** - Mt. Moriah P.B. Church, 820 West Irvine Avenue, Florence  
 Enjoy the best in good gospel music! Sunday Morning Church Service with music by the Youth Reunion Choir

**PRaise IN THE PARK WITH EKKLESIA MINISTRIES**  
**11am-2pm** - Spring Park, Tusculumbia  
 Featuring: Bishop Kobee Fitzgerald brings the message - Ekklesia Glory Seekers & Band brings the praise.  
 Music, Food, and Fellowship!

**JOHNNY MERCER: OUR HUCKLEBERRY FRIEND**  
**11am** - Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals, 1332 N. Pine St., Florence  
 Presented by: Alabama author Daphne Simpkins

**ARTWORKS 2019!**  
**1-3pm** - Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, 511 N. Water St., Tusculumbia  
 Music by: Doctors, Lawyers & Such  
 Featuring: Member Artists: Tennessee Valley Museum of Art

**SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #3**  
**2pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
 Music by: Donnie Fritts & Andreas Werner

**AFTERNOON MUSIC SHOALS COMMUNITY CONCERT BAND**  
**3pm** - First Presbyterian Church, Florence  
 Featuring: Shoals Community Concert Band

**HANDY AFTERNOONS**  
**4-8pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Julia Rich & the Jazz Allstars  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - Travis Wammack & The Snakeman Band with Christine Ohlman  
**6-10pm** - City Hardware, Florence - Kent DuChaine



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**SUNDAY JAZZ AT 306 BARBEQUE**

**4-7pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence  
Featuring: Denise Thimes and the Jazz Allstars

**AN EVENING WITH TOSHA HILL**

**6pm** - First Presbyterian Church, 130 East Fifth St., Sheffield  
Featuring: Tosha Hill  
Reception to follow performance

**OPENING CEREMONIES\***

**6:30-8:30pm** - W.C. Handy Home & Museum Front Lawn, College St., Florence (Rain location: Mt. Moriah PB Christian Life Center, Florence)

Featuring: Drs. Carlos and Maribel Handy - Dr. Eric Kirkman - Pastor Christopher Reeves, Greater St. Paul AME Church - UNA's Ron Patterson - the St. James Special Chorus - Renewed - Marcus Stewart & Encounter - Pastor Jerry Reeves & Galilee M.B. Church

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**

**7-9pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - Johnny Rotten Cash  
**7-9pm** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Tyler Jones Band  
**8-11pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Tim Cannon Trio



**MONDAY, JULY 22**

**BOOK IT WITH JAZZ**

**11am-1pm** - Helen Keller Library, 511 N. Main Street, Tusculmbia  
Boxed lunch available for purchase  
Featuring: Jazz Allstars Quartet

**JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH\***

**10am** - Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence  
Free - especially for kids!!!  
Special Guest: Microwave Dave  
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older

**HANDY MUSICAL LUNCHES**

**11am-1pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - The Jazz Allstars  
**11am-1pm** - Big Bad Breakfast, Florence - Steve Cothren  
**11am-2pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Julia Rich & Jazz Allstars  
**11:30am-2:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Max Russell

**SUMMER SOLOS WITH BAILEY WHITE**

**11am** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
Music by: Bailey White

**SCOPE LIVE ON HELTON DRIVE**

**11:30am-1pm** - Scope 310, 4129 Helton Dr., Florence  
Featuring: The Midnighters

**CHECK OUT THE BLUES**

**2-4pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence  
Featuring: Jazz Allstars

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**

**5-7pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Melissa Bain  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - Combo Kings  
**6-9pm** - Legends, Florence - Travis Wammack & The Snake Man Band  
**6pm until** - City Hardware, Florence - Mitch Mann  
**6pm until** - Pie Factory, Florence - Drumb & Drummer

**NEIGHBORHOOD LEMONADE PARTY & BBQ SUPPER**

Westminster Presbyterian Church, Florence  
**5-6:30pm** - BBQ Supper to benefit the Caring Place Adult Day Services  
**7pm** - Featuring Thompson Trio Free (BBQ tickets \$12, available at Westminster, Douglas Kennedy Art Center & Florence 1st Methodist Church)

**DETERMINED: Celebrating The Life of W.C. Handy** (stage play written by Dolores Swoopes Nash)

**8pm** - Shoals Theatre, Florence  
Featuring: Dr. Eric Kirkman - Kimble Funchess - The Orr Sisters - Renewed - local actors  
Cost: \$10

**MUSIC ON THE HILLTOP!**

**6-8pm** - Hilltop Assisted Living Facility, 211 Ana Drive, Florence  
Featuring: Hugh Banks and Kerry Gilbert of the Kerry Gilbert Band  
Fun, food, and music

**LYMAN MITCHELL'S SHOALS BIG BAND**

**6:30pm** - The Mane Room, Pine Street, Florence  
Featuring: The Shoals Big Band

**JOYFUL SOUNDS**

**7pm** - First United Methodist Church, 415 North Seminary Street, Florence  
Featuring: FUMC Choirs and Guests

**HANDY ON THE BRIDGE IN MEMORY OF MR. JIM BEDSOLE\***

**7-8:30pm** - Old Railroad Bridge Ashe Boulevard (over the Tennessee River), Sheffield  
Featuring: Kent DuChaine

**ROCK'N SOUL ON MOBILE PLAZA\***

**7-9pm** - Mobile Plaza, Florence (in case of rain, event moved to Gattman Park, Muscle Shoals)  
Featuring: CC Jags

**THE JOSH BRANNON BAND**

**8pm** - Singin' River LIVE, Florence (doors open at 7:30 pm)  
Featuring: The Josh Brannon Band

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Featuring: Dr. Eric Kirkman - Kimble Funchess - The Orr Sisters - Renewed - local actors  
Cost: \$10

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**

**7pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - Big Shoes  
**7pm** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Josh and Judy Allison  
**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Pine Hill Haints  
**7-10pm** - Flobama, Florence - Déjà Vu  
**7-11pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - The Late Blumers  
**8-11pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Brendan Young  
**10:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Billy Allen & Dusty French



**TUESDAY, JULY 23**

**W.C. HANDY MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES**

**10am** - Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, 617 U.S. Hwy 72 West, Tusculmbia  
Featuring: St. Louis Blues, movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy

**W.C. HANDY: JAZZ MELODIES**

**10am** - Renaissance of Florence, 3275 County Road 47, Florence  
Featuring: Thompson Trio

**JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH\***

**10:30am** - Rogersville Public Library, Rogersville  
Free - especially for kids!!!  
Special Guest: Microwave Dave  
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older

**COUNTS BROTHERS MASTER CLASS**

**10:30am-Noon** - Counts Brothers Music, 713 Waverly Avenue, Muscle Shoals  
Featuring: Travis Wammack & The Snakeman Band

**FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE TOURISM PRESENTS: SUMMER SOLOS**

**11am** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
Music by: Bay Simpson

**SWINGING WITH THE SENIORS!**

**11am-1pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum, Florence  
Music by: Drumb & Drummer  
\$5 lunch, all are welcome (call for lunch reservations 256-768-8056)

**HANDY MUSICAL LUNCHES**

**11am-1pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Kent Duchaine  
**11am-1pm** - Big Bad Breakfast, Florence - Jazz Allstars  
**11am-2pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Rusty Moody  
**11:30am-2:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Michael A. Curtis & Garrett Miles

**SCHOOL HOUSE BLUES**

**11:30am-1pm** - Hospitality House, Northwest-Shoals Community College  
Featuring: Doctors, Lawyers & Such

**COOL TUNES AND CUPCAKES**

**1-2:30pm** - Muscle Shoals Living Center, 994 Gattman Park Dr., Muscle Shoals  
Featuring: Thompson Trio

**ABCs OF BLUES, JAZZ, & "BEFORE"**

**1:30pm** - Mount Moriah Church, Florence  
Featuring: CORE Drummers - The Jazz Allstars

**BEHIND THE MUSIC - SONGS & STORIES OF THE KGB SERIES 1**

**2pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence  
Presentation by: Kerry Gilbert & Hugh Banks



**CHILLIN' WITH THE CRAMER CHILDREN BLOCK PARTY\***

**4-8pm** - Cramer Children's Center, 404 West Tennessee Street, Florence (between Locust and Cedar Streets) (In case of rain, event will be rescheduled. See www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org for updates!)  
Music by: The Midnighters - Mary Mason Band  
Games, food, treats, and family friendly activities. (Bring chairs and quilts.)

**IN TUNE WITH THE OUTDOORS**

**5-7pm** - Alabama Outdoors, 119 North Court Street, Florence  
Featuring: McKenzie Lockhart

**REDDICK PERNELL CUNNINGHAM PLAYS FAMILIAR TUNES**

**5pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence  
Featuring: Reddick Pernel Cunningham

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**

**5-7pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Derek Jones  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - The Jazz Allstars  
**6-9pm** - Legends, Florence - Wes Sheffield & The Slow Burners  
**6-10pm** - Pie Factory, Florence - Gabe Allen  
**6:30-9:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Fathers & Sons

**TRIBUTE TO NAT "KING" COLE**

**6-8:30pm** - Mane Room, 310 N Pine St., Florence  
Featuring: Jazz Allstars (directed by Scott Silbert)

**COTTAGE FRONT PORCH "SWING"!**

**6-8pm** - Columbia Cottage Assisted Living, 2373 Roberts Lane, Florence (Event moved inside if inclement weather)  
Seating on the lawn, bring chairs and quilts. Hot dog supper and drinks provided.  
Featuring: Rusty & The Relics

**COUNTING ON THE MUSIC\***

**6:30-8pm** - Patterson, Prince & Associates, 475 S. Seminary St., Florence  
Featuring: Trey Nichols - Iron Horse

**SWINGING RIVER JAZZ**

**7pm** - Magnolia Church of Christ, 2650 Vulcan Avenue, Florence  
Featuring: Swinging River Jazz Band

**MUSIC IN THE ST. FLORIAN PARK\***

**7-9pm** - St. Florian Amphitheater, 81 St. Florian Road, St. Florian  
Featuring: Pine Hill Haints

**UNA NIGHT ON NORTH COURT STREET MEDIAN\***

**7-10pm** - North Court Median, Florence  
Featuring: The Eric Kirkman Combo

**MUSIC ON THE PLAZA\***

**8pm until** - Love Plaza - Intersection of Montgomery & Alabama Avenues, Sheffield  
Featuring: The Tams

**SHEFFIELD SHUFFLE**

**7-9pm** - Michael Recreation Center, Sheffield  
Featuring: Thompson Trio

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**AT SUNDOWN**

**7-9pm** - *Wilson Park, Florence*  
Featuring: Tom Pallardy & The O\*M\*G! Band

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**

**7pm** - *Champy's, Muscle Shoals* - Big Al & The Heavyweights  
**7pm** - *Lil Capone's, Florence* - Menagerie  
**7-10pm** - *306 Barbeque, Florence* - Microwave Dave & The Nukes  
**7-11pm** - *City Hardware, Florence* - Tosha Hill Band  
**7-11pm** - *Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence* - Mary Mason Band  
**8-11pm** - *Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence* - Brandon Whyde  
**8pm-mid** - *On The Rocks, Florence* - Winston Ramble  
**10:30pm until** - *Flobama, Florence* - Cole Nichols Band

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 24**

**W.C. HANDY MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES**

**10am** - *Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, 617 U.S. Hwy 72 West, Tuscumbia*  
Featuring: *St. Louis Blues*, movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy

**JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH\***

**11am-1pm** - *Helen Keller Public Library, 511 N. Main St., Tuscumbia*  
Free - especially for kids!!!  
Special Guest: Microwave Dave  
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older

**COUNTS BROTHERS MASTER CLASS**

**10:30am-Noon** - *Counts Brothers Music, 713 Waverly Avenue, Muscle Shoals*  
Featuring: The Thompson Trio

**HANDY MUSICAL LUNCHES**

**11am-1pm** - *306 Barbeque, Florence* - Eric Kirkman Combo  
**11am-1pm** - *Big Bad Breakfast, Florence* - Jazz Allstars Trio  
**11am-1pm** - *Taziki's, Florence* - Kent Duchaine  
**11am-2pm** - *Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence* - Michael "Supe" Granda (of the Ozark Mtn. Daredevils)  
**11:30am-1pm** - *Champy's, Muscle Shoals* - James LeBlanc & Angela Hacker  
**11:30am-2:30pm** - *Flobama, Florence* - Denise Thimes and her Jazz Allstar Friends

**SUMMER SOLOS**

**11am** - *Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, 200 Jim Spain Drive, Florence*  
Music by: Katlyn Barnes

**MUSIC AND MUNCHIN' IN MUSCLE SHOALS**

**11:30am-1:30pm** - *Gattman Park Recreation Center, Gattman Park Drive, Muscle Shoals*  
Event is free (lunch available for purchase)  
Featuring: CC Jags

**THE COMBO KINGS IN CONCERT**

**12noon** - *Alabama Music Hall of Fame, Tuscumbia*  
Music by: The Combo Kings

**BEHIND THE MUSIC – SONGS & STORIES OF THE KGB SERIES 2**

**2pm** - *Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence*  
Presentation By: Kerry Gilbert & Hugh Banks

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**

**5-7pm** - *Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence* - Will McFarlane  
**6-9pm** - *Stephano's Southland, Sheffield* - TBA  
**6-9pm** - *Legends, Florence* - The Jazz Allstars & Denise Thimes & Scott Silbert  
**6pm until** - *On The Rocks, Florence* - Bingo plus Music by Drumb & Drummer  
**6-10pm** - *Pie Factory, Florence* - Kenny P  
**6:30-9pm** - *UMI's, Florence* - Kozmic Mama  
**6:30-9:30pm** - *Flobama, Florence* - James LeBlanc & the Winchesters



**LISTENING ROOM**

**5:30-7pm** - *Mane Room, Florence*  
Featuring: Jazz Allstars

**HANDY'S CHURCH: GOSPEL EXPLOSION**

**6pm** - *Greater St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church, Florence*  
Featuring: Brother Grant Gunn - North Alabama Community Choir

**NIGHT OF HYMNS**

**6pm** - *First Baptist Church Sanctuary, 209 N. Walnut Street, Florence*  
Featuring: FBC Worship Ministries

**NORTH WOOD ROCKS THE BLOCK\***

**6-7:30pm** - *North Wood United Methodist Church, Florence*  
Bring your lawn chair or blankets  
Food & drinks available for purchase.  
Featuring: North Wood's own SALT & LIGHT

**AN EVENING WITH HARVEY THOMPSON**

**6-8pm** - *Sheffield Library, 316 North Montgomery Ave., Sheffield*  
Free (drinks available for purchase)  
Featuring: Harvey Thompson & The Thompson Trio

**ROSIE'S CANTINA AT SUNDOWN\***

**6-9pm** - *Wilson Park, Florence*  
Featuring: Déjà Vu

**RUBY TIGGS 6TH ANNUAL GOSPEL CELEBRATION**

**6:30pm** - *Christ Worldwide, Florence*  
(Free will offering accepted)  
Featuring: Ruby Tiggs & The Gospel Celebration Ensemble, P J Winston, Melissa Orr Dollerson, Pastor Shane Rainer, Robert Turner, Jr., Phebe Jones, Kelvin Jones, Trinda Owens, Daniel Powell, Joi Key & the Celebration Praise Dancers

**DECOYS ROCK THE ROUNDHOUSE!\***

**7pm until** - *Tuscumbia Depot & Roundhouse, 205 East 5th Street, Tuscumbia*  
Featuring: The Decoys featuring Christine Ohlman "The Beehive Queen"

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**

**7pm** - *Champy's, Muscle Shoals* - Big Mike Griffin  
**7pm** - *Lil Capone's, Florence* - Roadside Mattress  
**7-10pm** - *306 Barbeque, Florence* - Big Al & The Heavyweights  
**7-11pm** - *City Hardware, Florence* - Supe & The Sandwiches  
**8-11pm** - *Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence* - Lovell-Sledge  
**8-11pm** - *Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence* - Mitch Mann and the Mojo Mixers  
**10:30pm** - *Flobama, Florence* - Matt Bennett Band

**THURSDAY, JULY 25**

**W.C. HANDY MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES**

**10am** - *Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, 617 U.S. Hwy 72 West, Tuscumbia*  
Featuring: *St. Louis Blues*, movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy



**KIDZ JAMM**

**10am** - *First Presbyterian Church, Sheffield*  
Featuring: Shoals Area piano students with drummer James Counts and bassist Bob Wray

**JAZZ IT UP WITH TRASH\***

**10:30am** - *Muscle Shoals Public Library, Muscle Shoals*  
Free - especially for kids!!!  
Special Guest: Microwave Dave  
Featuring: Hands-on activities making musical instruments from recycled materials / for ages 3 and older

**HANDY MUSICAL LUNCHES**

**11am-1pm** - *306 Barbeque, Florence* - Denise Thimes & Jazz Allstars  
**11am-1pm** - *Big Bad Breakfast, Florence* - Jazz Allstars Trio  
**11am-1pm** - *Taziki's, Florence* - Jazz Allstars  
**11am-2pm** - *Ricaton's Italian Grill, Florence* - Christian Turner  
**11:30am-1pm** - *Champy's, Muscle Shoals* - John Bull & Skyler Saufley  
**11:30am-2:30pm** - *Flobama, Florence* - Drumb & Drummer

**FLORENCE/LAUDERDALE TOURISM PRESENTS: SUMMER SOLOS**

**11:30am** - *Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence*  
Music by: Bay Simpson

**HANDY HOMES "SENIOR FUN"**

**11:30am-2pm** - *W.C. Handy Place Community Center, 309 Lincoln Street, Florence*  
**11:30am** - Off The Chain  
**12:30pm** - KFC Boxed lunches (as quantities last)  
**1-2pm** - Off The Chain

**DON'T HANG UP WITH DR. ERIC KIRKMAN**

**1pm** - *Florence-Lauderdale Public Library, Florence*  
Special Guest: Dr. Eric Kirkman

**BEHIND THE MUSIC – SONGS & STORIES OF THE KGB SERIES 3**

**2pm** - *Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence*  
Presentation By: Kerry Gilbert & Hugh Banks

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**

**5-7pm** - *Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence* - Drumb & Drummer  
**6-9pm** - *Stephano's Southland, Sheffield* - Brad Guin & Friends  
**6pm until** - *Legends, Florence* - Off The Chain  
**6-10pm** - *Pie Factory, Florence* - Rob Aldridge  
**6-10pm** - *On the Rocks, Florence* - Big Al & The Heavyweights  
**6:30-9pm** - *UMI's, Florence* - The Midnighters  
**6:30-9:30pm** - *Flobama, Florence* - Three Wheel Drive

**STRICKLIN SOCIAL**

**6-9pm** - *Stricklin Hotel, 317 North Court, Street, Florence*  
Featuring: TBA

**HOT TEMPS AND COOL VIBES**

**6pm** - *Shoals Gold Record Room, 201 S. Court St., Florence*  
Music by: James LeBlanc & Angela Hacker

**CHURCHIN' DOWN THE STREET GOSPEL CONCERT**

**6pm** - *St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 220 E. Alabama St., Florence*  
Featuring: Quad Cities Mass Choir  
Directed by Aaron Freeman

**ROSIE'S CANTINA AT SUNDOWN\***

**6-9pm** - *Wilson Park, Florence*  
Featuring: Tremayne

**AN EVENING WITH ERIC KIRKMAN**

**6:30-8:30pm** - *Sheffield Library, 316 North Montgomery Avenue, Sheffield*  
(drinks available for purchase)  
Featuring: Kirkman Combo

**BEALE STREET BLUES\***

**6:30-8:30pm** - *Lewis Field, Florence* (in case of rain, location moved to the Florence Lauderdale Coliseum)  
Featuring: Thompson Trio

**SHOALS CONCERT BAND**

**7pm** - *Magnolia Church of Christ, Florence*  
Music by: Shoals Concert Band

**THE DECOYS FEATURING BEEHIVE QUEEN CHRISTINE OHLMAN**

**7pm until** - *Cypress Lakes, Muscle Shoals*  
Featuring: The Decoys featuring Christine Ohlman, the Beehive Queen from *Saturday Night Live!*

**BILLY REID PRESENTS: POND DIVER**

**7-8pm** - *Billy Reid, 114 N. Court St., Florence*  
Featuring: Pond Diver

**WILDWOOD TAVERN - SINGIN' RIVER TAP TAKEOVER**

**7-10pm** - *Wildwood Tavern, 108 East Mobile Street, Florence*  
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**7pm** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Brandon Elder

**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Tosha Hill Band

**7-11pm** - City Hardware, Florence - Microwave Dave & The Nukes

**7-11pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Kent DuChaine

**8-11pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Kenny P

**10pm until** - On The Rocks, Florence - DJ Nate Slaughter

**10:30pm** - FloBama, Florence - Roadside Mattress



**FRIDAY, JULY 26**

**W.C. HANDY MOVIE: ST. LOUIS BLUES**

**10am** - Alabama Music Hall of Fame Lobby, 617 U.S. Hwy 72 West, Tusculmbia

Featuring: *St. Louis Blues*, movie starring Nat "King" Cole as W.C. Handy

**HANDY MUSICAL LUNCHE**

**11am-1pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Jazz Allstars Duo

**11am-1pm** - Big Bad Breakfast, Florence - Jazz Allstars Trio

**11am-2pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Christian Turner

**11:30am-1pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - John Bull & Skyler Saufley

**11:30am-2:30pm** - FloBama, Florence - Microwave Dave

**MOUNT MORIAH HANDY FEST FISH FRY**

**11am-4pm** - Mt. Moriah P.B. Church, Florence

Free to attend

\$10 Old Fashioned Fried Fish plates available for purchase

**11am-noon** - Mt. Moriah Choir and other musical guests!

**SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #4**

**2pm** - Florence-Lauderdale Tourism and Visitors Center Gallery, Florence

Presentation by: James LeBlanc and Angela Hacker

**RIVERSIDE JAZZ\***

**5-10pm** - McFarland Park, Florence (Rain location Florence-Lauderdale Coliseum)

Featuring: Joseph Baldwin - John Bull & Skyler Saufley - Judy Toney & Sunshine Band - Wes Sheffield & The Slow Burners - Red Mouth Band - Deidra & Ruff Pro Band - Longevity - Mary Mason Band - Off The Chain

Free shuttle from Florence Parking Deck to McFarland Park

**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**

**5-7pm** - Swampers/ Marriott Shoals, Florence - Erik Smallwood

**5:30-9:30pm** - On The Rocks, Florence - Coffee Black

**6-9pm** - Legend's Steakhouse Patio, Florence - The Midnighters

**6-10pm** - Pie Factory, Florence - Jeff Henson & Jordan Denton

**6:30-9:30pm** - FloBama, Florence - Asleep By Ten

**CHILDREN'S MUSEUM HANDY PARTY**

**5:30-7:30pm** - Singin' River Brewing Co., 526 E. College St., Florence

Featuring: Eric Kirkman Combo Family Friendly Event (Donations for the Children's Museum Shoals are appreciated)

**LISTENING ROOM**

**6:30-8:30pm** - Mane Room, 310 N Pine St, Florence

Featuring: Jazz Allstars

**18th ANNUAL ROLLIN' ON THE RIVER**

**6:30pm until** - Joe Wheeler State Park, Rogersville

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**7 until** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Cold War Relic

**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Rob Aldridge & the Proponents

**7-10pm** - Superhero Chef, Tusculmbia - Drumb & Drummer

**7 until** - City Hardware, Florence - Lovell-Sledge Band

**8-11pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - James LeBlanc & The Winchesters

**8-11pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - Microwave Dave

**8-11pm** - Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence - Rusty and the Relics

**9-11pm** - Boiler Room, Florence - Josh & Judy

**9:30 until** - On The Rocks, Florence - Kenny P

**10:30pm** - FloBama, Florence - Spunk Monkees



**SATURDAY, JULY 27**

**DADOORUNRUN (5K RUN, 1 MILE WALK & YOUTH RACE)\***

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ItsYourRace.com **5:30-6:30am** - Race Day Registration and packet pickup **7am** - 5K Run (Certified) AL01020JD\* Events will be chip timed by Solid Rock Race Timing

**8am** - 1 Mile Run & Walk

Featuring: Mary Mason Band

**STREET STRUT & PARADE\***

**10am** - Strut begins at Wilson Park, corner of Tuscaloosa and Seminary Streets, Florence (Rain location-Florence Mall)

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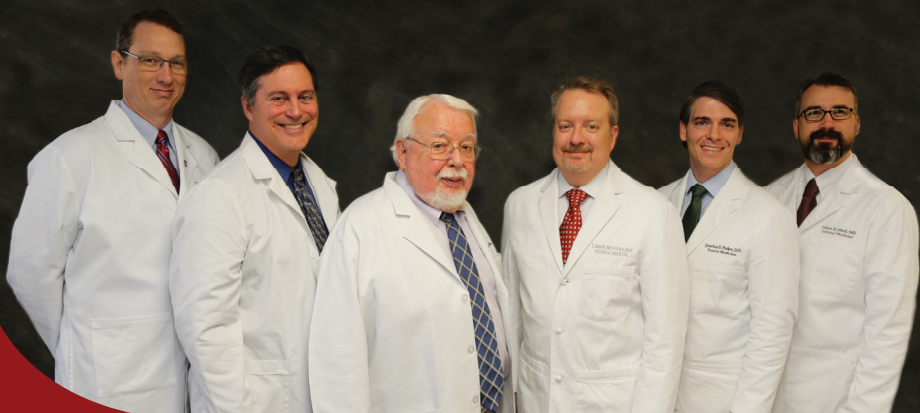
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**11am-2pm** - City Hardware, Florence - Tosha Hill Band  
**12-3pm** - Legends, Florence - Brad Guin and Friends

**5th ANNUAL SHOALS BLUES CHALLENGE**  
**1-4pm** - The Mane Room, Florence  
 Featuring: Various Performers

**HANDY AT THE TEMPLE - "A GIG AT THE GOGUE"**  
**2pm** - Temple B'nai Israel, 201 E. Hawthorne Street, Florence  
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**SWAMPFEST SONGWRITER SHOWCASE SERIES #5**  
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**2-4pm** - Shoals Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 2011 County Rd 41 (at intersection of Cox Creek), Florence  
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**HANDY HAPPY HOURS**  
**6-9pm** - Rosie's Cantina, Florence - The Decoys featuring Christine Ohlman "The Beehive Queen"  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's, Sheffield - Billy Lawson with Wishbone  
**6-10pm** - On The Rocks, Florence - Big Joe & The Catfish Junkies  
**6:30-9:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Travis Wammack & Snakeman Band

**HE HOLDS ME THROUGH THE STORM**  
**7pm** - Magnolia Church of Christ, Florence  
 Music by: Shoals Concert Choir

**HANDY MUSICAL NIGHTS**  
**7 until** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Ben Daniel  
**7-10pm** - 306 Barbeque, Florence - Mary Mason Band  
**7-10pm** - Superhero Chef, Tusculumbia - Joseph Baldwin  
**8-10pm** - Boiler Room, Florence - Brandon Whyde  
**8-11pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - The Late Blumers featuring Fast Phil Proctor & special guests  
**8-11pm** - Swampers/Marriott Shoals, Florence - Michael Curtis and Friends  
**8-mn** - City Hardware, Florence - Christian Turner  
**10pm until** - On The Rocks, Florence - DJ Nate Slaughter  
**10:30pm** - Flobama, Florence - Second Creek

**HANDY JAM**  
**8-11pm** - Ricatoni's Italian Grill, Florence - All-Star Jazz Jam



**SUNDAY, JULY 28**

**BLUE NAVIGATORS**  
**11am** - Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Shoals, 1332 N. Pine St., Florence  
 Featuring: Blue Navigators

**COLLEGE STREET GOSPEL**  
**3-5pm** - College Street Park, Southwest Corner of West College Street and Beverly Avenue, Florence (in case of rain, event will be moved to the Dwelling Place, 919 West College Street, Florence)  
 Featuring: Phillip Sisters - Carrine Thompson - St. James Special Chorus - Reggie Thompson

**HANDY AFTERNOONS**  
**3pm** - Champy's, Muscle Shoals - TBD  
**6-9pm** - Stephano's Southland, Sheffield - Microwave Dave & Travis Wammack

**W.C. HANDY EVENT: THE GOSPEL OF PERCY SLEDGE**  
**6pm** - Galilee M.B. Church, Old Highway 20, Leighton  
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**SWINGING RIVER JAZZ**  
**6pm** - First Baptist Church Sanctuary, 209 N. Walnut Street, Florence  
 Featuring: Swinging River Jazz Band

**PROPHETIC WORSHIP**  
**7pm** - Grace House Church, 1946 Florence Boulevard, Florence  
 Featuring: James Nesbit & Fingers of Fire

**HANDY NIGHT**  
**7pm until** - Lil Capone's, Florence - Chad Bradford & John Ezell



See the complete schedule at [www.wchandymusicfestival.org](http://www.wchandymusicfestival.org)



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STAN DEAN

One Saturday night an Emergency Room doctor was busy going from one bay to the next treating patients that came in on his shift. About midway through the shift, he picked up information to review before examining the next patient and he immediately recognized the name. In fact, it was that of a young man who was somewhat of a "regular visitor" to the ER. His frequent visits were not generated because he was accident-prone, but rather because he was prone to making bad decisions.

True to form, he was there to get stitched-up and bandaged from the latest barroom brawl in which he had participated- if not instigated. This physician, who was a Christian, decided it was time to treat more than physical wounds.

Thus, after greeting his patient he then looked him in the eyes and pleaded, "Young man, how long do you think you can last like this? I know when you are young you feel ten feet tall and bullet proof, but you are not. This kind of life is going to catch up with you eventually and it may be too late for you to do anything about it."

"Oh Doc, there is nothing to worry about," the young man protested. "Look, if I get cut, you can sew me up. If something gets broken, you can set it. If I get an infection, you have drugs to heal me. So, what's the problem?"

The doctor stared at him for a moment and then replied, "Yes, I can help you with some physical problems- - but what about your mind? As advanced as modern medicines and techniques are, they cannot provide you with happiness, contentment and peace of mind which you obviously long for, but have yet to find. These are only gained by surrendering your life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ."

I do not know if this young man heeded the advice, but he should have- - and so should everyone! Jesus taught, "These things have I spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). True peace only comes by surrendering to the Prince of Peace.

So, what about you? Are you searching for peace? Have you been looking for happiness and contentment in all the wrong places? If so, consider these inspired words, "Be anxious in nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6, 7).

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**Handy...**

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during which time she was a fixture on the R&B charts with mega hits such as, "Come Share My Love", "Baby Be Mine", "Ain't Nobody like You," "Love Under New Management", "Imagination", and "That's What Love Is," a romantic duet with partner Gerald Levert.

Howard's jazz leanings inspired her to release an album, "Femme Fatale", featuring her renditions of classic tracks originally performed by Dinah Washington ("This Bitter Earth") and Billie Holiday ("Good Morning Heartache"). After her portrayal of Billie Holiday in the Spike Lee movie "Malcolm X" (starring Denzel Washington), Howard recorded an entire album of Billie Holiday songs, "Miki Sings Billie". Her album "Three Wishes", earned a Grammy nomination for Best Traditional R&B Recording.

Howard has continued to tour and record, and recently released her Chicago style steppin' styled new single entitled, "Fed Up!"

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The Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston are an institution in the music world. The group has been churning out hit songs and memorable performances for 50 years. Their timeless classic (Let's Just) "Kiss and Say Goodbye" is one of the most well-known songs in R&B history. Since their beginning, the Manhattans have recorded forty-five chart hits on the Billboard R&B Chart, including twelve top ten R&B hits in the U.S. They appeared on the Billboard chart for the first time in 1965. Sixteen of their songs reached the Billboard Hot 100, with two Top 10s.

Their song "Forever By Your Side" remains especially popular in Brazil thirty years after its release. The group hit again with the song "There's No me Without You". Their biggest song, "Kiss and Say Goodbye" written by late band member, Blue Lovett, was a number one chart-topper on both the US Billboard Pop and

R&B charts. It became the second single ever certified platinum by the Recording Industry Association of America. The group found further success in March 1980 with the release of "Shining Star", which reached number five on the Billboard Hot 100 and number four on the R&B Chart, receiving a Grammy Award the following spring. The Handy Festival is proud to present Manhattans featuring Gerald Alston, an institution in the music world.

**SPECIAL GUEST  
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DEE LUCAS**

National recording artist and saxophonist, Dee Lucas, has a growing fan base since his beginning with the release "Remembrance" in 2004. Several well-received albums since then, including his 2018 release, "Going Left," will serve as proof that Lucas is here to stay. His unique style and interaction with the audience leaves a lasting impression.



**W.C. HANDY  
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Doors open at 6:30pm  
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For more details about the W.C. Handy Music Festival, see the detailed schedule in this week's issue. To access a printable version of the schedule, visit the newly-designed website at: [www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org](http://www.WCHandyMusicFestival.org)

**MUSIC OF NOTE:**

The Courtin' the Blues Parade normally held on the first Friday of the Festival in Florence is officially retiring this year and will no longer take place.

However, Great News! **The First Annual W.C. Handy Jazzin' It Up in Tusculmbia** kick off parade takes place July 20 at 6pm in downtown Tusculmbia. The parade route starts at 200 North Commons Street East, turns left on Main Street to Sixth Street to Water Street to Courthouse. Bring Your Masquerade! Performing will be Travis Wammack &

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**The Shoals Praise Choir is celebrating is 20 years** of participation in the WC Handy Music Festival with an evening of praise with Babbie Mason Friday Friday, July 26 at 7pm at Woodmont Baptist Church on Darby Dr. in Florence- Doors open at 6pm and admission is free.

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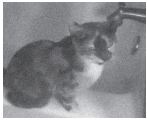


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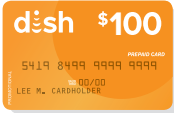
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My twenties were voluminous. I experienced more in my twenties than I ever dreamed I would as a little kid growing up in Alabama. I went to four different universities and got three degrees while accruing zero debt. I traveled to more countries across the world than all the states I had ever traveled to in the US. I wrote one of my Masters theses in the spa room of a cruise ship while getting paid to sing Motown. I met the Dalai Lama on three separate occasions, one of which I was his bodyguard. I started my career. I made and lost more friends than I thought possible. I loved fiercely and foolishly. I worked more jobs than my parents have in their lifetimes.

And despite all the triumphs of this incredibly rich decade, I emerge happy to leave it behind. Glad to move on. Looking forward to this clean slate of my thirties as a chance to live differently. What do I mean? Throughout my

twenties I had a particular modus operandi. One that largely went unexamined. One that I think is characteristic of many young men in their twenties. I would press into new ventures—be it school, work, relationships, friendships—with an undeterrable sense that things would work out. An irrepressibly winsome confidence. An attitude never malicious, but mostly unquestioned. Just a faith in myself and my yearnings. One that was often inspiring to people and reaped many benefits. This was a disposition born of many things: growing up with both of my parents in a loving household, being told I was great, being male in a patriarchal society, lack of a clear, unvarnished understanding of the existential threat of being black in America, a belief that statistics don't apply to me, a deficient contemplation of death. There were other factors I'm sure. But they all congealed into this way of being.

If I was on the basketball court, I expected my team to win, despite the odds. If I felt a love in my heart, I would move on it, knowing that was enough. Can any young men out there relate to this? Like telling someone, "It's going to be okay," when you do NOT know it's going to be okay.

I would fly into a new situation, all heart, without having counted the cost. And it caught up to me. A lot of times it worked out, but it was an approach with serious limitations. And over time, I met pain and failure with frequency. Until eventually I collapsed. I hit a wall and crashed. The pain I caused people in the failure of this approach stopped me in my tracks, and I was forced to examine the unexamined. To re-evaluate my entire approach to life. How I inhabit my body. How I enter relationship. How I honor friendship. How I behave at work. How I pursue my career. How I treat my family. How I interact with God. This time in full view of the heartbreak of failure.

"Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but painful; nevertheless, afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it." Hebrews 12:11

Now I seek to walk through life more humbly. More sensitively. More cautiously, but no less joyfully. More contemplative. More grounded. More willing to admit my shortcomings. And an acknowledgement of how I've grown is also an acknowledgement of how much I have to grow. It is a blessed opportunity, this new decade. May the Lord show up in me in a big way. May God renew a right spirit within me daily. And may my every word and every step be motivated not by a belief in my own corporeal strength of will, but a belief in what God can do through me. Amen.

*Email comments or suggestions to CatnKids1@gmail.com*

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Invitation to Bid - Bid #2019-001 – Solid Waste Disposal Service:

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In compliance with the Alabama Bid Law, Act 2016-298, Alabama Legislative Session 2016, Muscle Shoals City Schools will be receiving sealed bids for the above referenced service.

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Contact for specifics or to schedule a site visit: Terry Pearson, Maintenance Supervisor – 256-349-9797 or tpearson@mscs.k12.al.us.

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# Crawfish...

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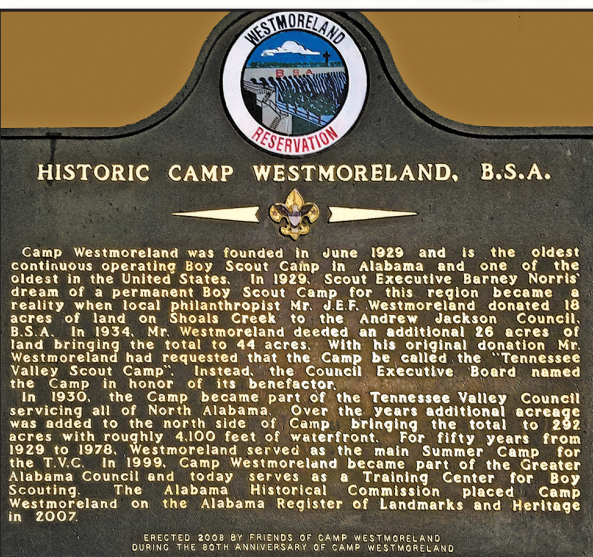
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Penny

Dear Penny,  
 I'm glad you seem to be re-thinking this strategy. I believe in saving up for emergencies and having an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses in place. But deception in any form is never a positive thing in a relationship—especially a marriage.

I know it won't be easy, but you have to let him know what you've been doing. You also need to make sure you tell him in the right way. Even though

your intentions may have been good—getting into better financial shape—you've deceived him by doing it the way you did.

Make some time for just the two of you. Sit down with him, and let him know what has happened and that you're sorry for not being completely honest about it all. Explain that the reason you hid the money was that you didn't want to speak up about how it was being handled in your marriage. Ask him to forgive you, and let him know you won't do it again, but explain, too, how important it is that the two of you work together on saving more, spending less, and getting control of your finances.

Managing money in a marriage is a "we" thing. Decisions should always be made—here's that word again—together. It means you each have a vote, and it also means you should stand up and vote "no" if he wants to spend money on something silly when you don't have your financial house in order!

—Dave

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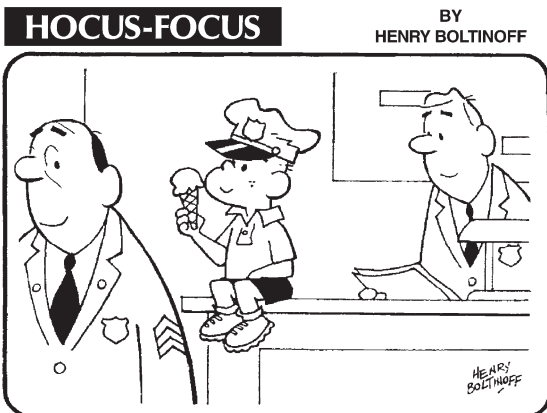
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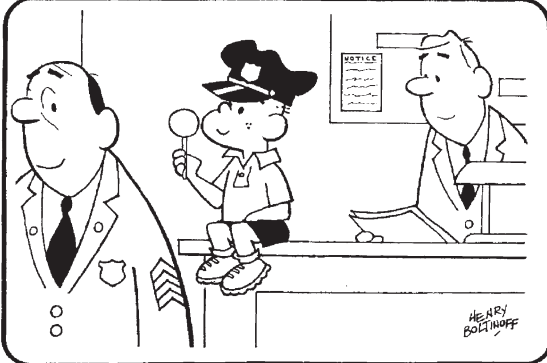
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Patrick Hubbard  
Lexington

**A One World Faith Effort**

Editor:

I am writing in response to Jacqueline Osborne's letter dated June 19, *God's Clear Direction*.

She said the United States has been given by God the great gift of demonstrating to the world the truth of the concept of one human family. A concept enshrined in all the world's great religions. She said it appears that our great nation is moving in the opposite direction.

I say that is because of all the false religions such as the one she is in. The Baha'i faith was founded in the 19th century by Mirza Husain Ali known as Baha'u'llah. His peculiar function was to overcome the disunity of religions and establish a universal faith.

Matthew 24:5 states "For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ, and shall deceive many."

Matthew 24:11 states, "And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many."

Read Isaiah 14:22 which states, "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning. How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations."

There is a planned deception, the staging of a New Age Messiah, toward a world religion for the new age. There is an alliance between the versions of the Bible (NIV, NASB, Living Bible and others) and the chief conspirators in the New Age Movement's push for a one world Religion.

The New Age Movement's expressed goal of infiltrating the evangelical church and gradually changing the Bible to conform to its One World Religion is evident in the current new versions. Their words and doctrines prepare

the apostate church of these last days to accept the Anitchrist, his mark, image, and Religion of Lucifer Worship. Revelation 13:4.

Read Jeremiah Chapter 5, and II Timothy 4:3-4.

Doug McLemore  
Rogersville

**Traffic Flow & Expenditures**

Editor:

As the \$1.25 million project progresses on a five-mile stretch of State Highway 17 north of Cox Creek in Florence, it doesn't seem to be addressing improvements to intersections which would greatly improve traffic flow. Examples include intersection with 'left turn' traffic signals that do not have left turn lanes. These impede traffic. Another is a 'right turn' lane from Kendall northbound to Highway 17.

In the more than 30 years I have been asking the question, I have yet to receive an answer as to why some at intersections with similar traffic counts or on downtown city of Florence streets it is acceptable to turn left on the green when traffic permits, - that is, no oncoming traffic? However, at other locations, especially on state routes, traffic must wait for the signal arrow before turning left. Some of the worst locations are on Cox Creek Pkwy in front of the Mall, and turning left onto Helton under the overpass from Florence Blvd.

It must be presumed these decisions on the way the Alabama DOT spends money and regulates traffic flow is done by some bureaucrat in Montgomery throwing darts at a priority board and enjoying their "power" controlling traffic flow and the

way highway funds are allocated in NW Alabama.

John Lee  
Florence

**The Reasons to Disqualify**

Editor:

I never dreamed that I would live to see the day that a homosexual would be a candidate for President and the media, including the conservative-leaning Fox News reporters, would not dare mention homosexuality as a negative. According to Scripture, homosexuality is sin, and a lifestyle that will keep one from inheriting the kingdom of God (1 Corinthians 6:9). If you are not a believer, a look at some secular statistics should make any sane person fearful for our nation with the acceptance of homosexuality as a healthy lifestyle.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 2011 report showed that 94.9% of HIV diagnoses among 13-19-year-old boys were linked to homosexual sex acts. The percentage for young men 20-24 years old was 94.1%.

Mrs. Obama placed a great deal of emphasis on children eating healthy food and drinking water. Meanwhile, her husband promoted legalization, acceptance and celebration of behaviors that are extremely detrimental to health.

While some would disqualify a candidate because his or her ancestors were slave owners, there are apparently no media representatives with the courage to challenge the homosexuals.

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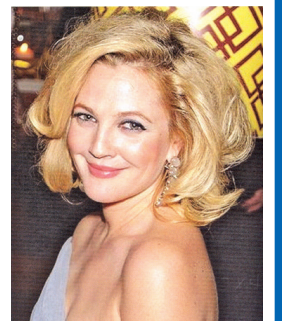
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## Guest Commentary - Star Parker Freedom, Not Racism

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Estimates are that Kaepernick's net worth is \$20 million, and his Nike deal will add millions of dollars a year. At age 31, it seems that Kaepernick is not doing badly in the USA.

Does this mean he shouldn't speak out if he sees things that are wrong? Of course not. The issue is spin.

Is Kaepernick—and Nike—delivering a message to young men, particularly young black men, that will make their lives better?

Is a football star worth tens of millions helping our youth by telling them that they live in a nation that is inherently racist?

The operative question is whether it's true.

One of today's headlines is immigration. There are millions who want to come here. There is no country in the world where more aspire to be than the USA. Yet only 24% of those 18 to 29 who were born here feel "extremely proud" of their country? What gives?

Freedom is not about being born into a perfect world. Freedom is about being born into a world where you have the power to fix things.

America has a painful history on race.

But America is comprised of many individual Americans, and in a free country, everyone cannot be painted with the same brush.

Betsy Ross, the seamstress who made America's first flag, was born into a family of Quakers and was educated in Quaker schools. The Quakers were the first group in America to formally protest slavery and the slave trade.

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The petition arrived under the signature of Benjamin Franklin, a signatory of both the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution.

The floor debate that followed was the first public debate in Congress on slavery.

As we know, the issue pushed on. More than 700,000 died in a civil war over it some 70 years later.

The American flag made by Ross and the one we have today stand for this struggle and for the principles articulated in the Declaration of Independence that Franklin signed.

The truth and power of those principles of freedom is what made us and makes us great, despite the presence of evil.

Let's not make the grave error of thinking that what needs to be eliminated are the principles rather than the evil.

Technology and the internet give us unprecedented power to seek truth. America's youth should be using these tools to look for it, to use their own power to think for themselves, not be seduced by the distortions of confused demagogues.

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# Soap Opera Preview

**THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL** Hope comforted Douglas, not realizing it was Thomas who scared him. Thomas changed out pictures of Caroline in Douglas's room with pictures of Hope. Eric announced that Xander left Forrester Creations. As Thomas broke the news to his father and grandfather, Hope told Liam that she was marrying Thomas the next day. Thomas warned Ridge that he better stop Brooke from interfering in his relationship. Brooke ignored him and asked Hope if she wanted to call off the wedding. Steffy helped Hope prepare for the ceremony. Thomas manipulated Douglas to be a part of the wedding vows. Zoe panicked when Flo got drunk and threatened to tell everyone the truth about baby Beth. *Wait to See: Hope is stunned when baby Phoebe interrupts her wedding vows.*

**DAYS OF OUR LIVES** Eric contemplated a big change. Xander got revenge on Kristen. Ted did his best to throw Hope off track. Gabi suspected that Nicole was behind Stefan's troubles. Gabi had a bizarre encounter with Nicole. Brady tried to oust Xander from Titan. Gabi pressured Kate to come clean. Jennifer made an impassioned speech to Jack about the person he used to be. Xander and Kristen played a game of cat and mouse. Will felt unsettled by his discovery. Jennifer decided to move on from Jack. Brady was thrown when Susan hit on him. The real Susan surprised Will and Sonny. Gabi had a showdown with Xander. Ciara was shocked to find her mother kissing Ted. *Wait to See: Kate accidentally attacks Sarah.*

**GENERAL HOSPITAL** Lulu turned to Sonny for help. Julian wondered if his efforts were enough. Kristina cautioned Ava. Jason worried about Carly. Lulu was furious. Kim and Julian had a heart-to-heart talk. Curtis checked in with Drew. Jax was warned about an alliance. Ava took a meeting at the hospital. Carly wanted to know Josslyn's opinion. Sonny was furious with Ava. Cameron surprised Liz. Franco noticed something peculiar. Lucas demanded some answers. Sam had a surprise for Jason. Valentin met with Curtis. Sasha made a declaration. Nina tried to apologize. Curtis opened up about his fears. Shiloh grew increasingly desperate. Jason and Drew honored their promise to Oscar. Jordan felt shaken. *Wait to See: Sonny intentionally runs into Robert.*

**THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS** Elena happily agreed to move in with Devon. Nate and Abby shared a passionate kiss, and she invited him to attend a family dinner with her. Billy's already raw emotions were heightened when he discovered one of Delia's old dolls at the Chancellor house. Lola and Celeste made peace again. Theo began to sabotage Lola and Kyle's relationship by talking about Kyle's wild days in New York. Cane suggested to Traci that he could accompany her to the Big Apple to meet with her publisher. A lonely Jack considered visiting Ashley in Paris. Adam sought revenge against Chelsea by giving Paul some inside information about her. *Wait to See: Nick's charade is exposed.*

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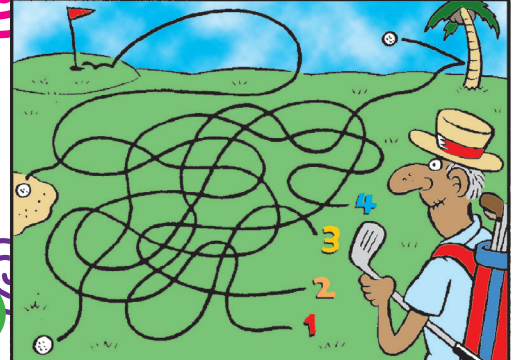
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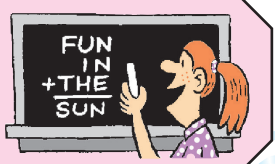
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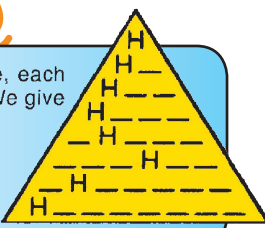
**CAN YOU GUESS** what iron — a 1, 2, 3 or 4 — Jock MacDivot should use to get a hole in one?

**A VACATION PUZZLE!** See if you can substitute the digits 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9 for the letters on the board so you will have a correct addition problem. The same digit is used for the same letter.



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

1. Symbol for hydrogen.
2. An expression of greeting.
3. Put out of sight.
4. Tough animal skin.
5. To scold mildly.
6. Moved very slowly.
7. A type of lightning
8. A large Spanish estate.



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**Find The Big Words!**

Using the definitions and anagrams below, you must 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 answer.

**DEFINITION:**

1. A cooking measurer.
2. Foul water.
3. A vine around a post.
4. Owners of a business.
5. Sailors working songs.
6. What you do at the beach.
7. How they protect young chickens.
8. One who writes.

**ANAGRAM:**

- soon + tape
- ants + tang
- need + twin
- spar + tern
- aces + hint
- hunt + base
- nice + tuba
- tins + love

**Answers On Page 46**

Illustrated by David Coulson

# AHC Grant Applications

MONTGOMERY – The Alabama Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office, has opened its 2020 Grant Program with funds appropriated by the Alabama Legislature. Historic sites meeting the eligibility can submit applications now through August 15, 2019.

AHC will administer a \$900,000 Grant Program with funds appropriated by the Alabama Legislature in the 2020 Fiscal Year (October 1,

2019 – September 30, 2020) for improvements and educational programming at historic sites in Alabama.

Grants will be awarded to public or non-profit entities who own and operate historic sites in Alabama, reflect an education-based mission, concentrate on educational programming, and reflect the geographical diversity of the state. Grants will not be awarded to any entity receiving funding directly or indirectly from the Education Trust Fund or

the General Fund. Grants will also not be awarded to any private or for-profit business or organization. Amounts will not exceed \$20,000 for any one entity.

Preference will be given to properties built before 1840 that are listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places, historic school structures, and properties built before 1943 that are listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

"Last fiscal year, the Capital Enhancements Grant Program helped to facilitate several types of improvements, including roof replacements, window restorations, and exterior painting," said Lisa D. Jones, Executive Director of the Alabama Historical Commission. "The goal of the 2020 grant program is to assist historic sites throughout Alabama with improvements and educational programming. Thank you to the Alabama Legislature for funding this much needed grant program to help preserve Alabama's historic sites."

Grant Application Guidelines are available on the AHC website. Applicants must complete an official 2020 Historic Sites Grant application available on the AHC website at [bit.ly/AHCGrant20](http://bit.ly/AHCGrant20).

Applications must be hand-delivered or mailed to Stephanie Hamil, Contracts and Grants, Alabama Historical Commission, by August 15, 2019. Faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted. AHC will announce the grant awards in October 2019. All grant guidelines and details about eligibility can be found on the AHC website.

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**What Comes Around**

Success can be viewed in many ways. Some say it's the journey, not the destination. I'm in that crowd.

While I would certainly agree that when you're thinking of "success" you might have a specific destination in mind, I would take it a step further and say that unless you know how you got there, what's the point?

Did someone help you along the way? I believe that in every success, somewhere somehow, someone got some help. It may have been a small poke or prod in the right direction. It may have been an introduction to someone who then opened new doors for you along the way. But someone helped you.

I get reminded of this in the real estate business every single day. I believe that the people who are selling homes and are successful in this business are that way not because of the real estate, they are successful because of people in their life. They are successful because they do what they say they are going to do, they are sincere, compassionate, and have a strong desire to do what's right. It stands to reason that one's obligation to do what's fair and honest is as strong to a fellow REALTOR and colleague as it is to the party involved in a transaction.

People remember when you help them. People remember a good deed. Some will appreciate it more than others, and the value of the golden rule will resonate with a number of others.

People will also remember when you "wrong" them. I was involved in a transaction recently where a buyer said they were ok with the seller coming back after closing to get something, but then denied them that opportunity because it took them a day longer to get it. Sad.

I vaguely remember a story about kids fighting over an orange. The story was that in order to find a solution, someone suggested for them to just split the orange down the middle. Then they realized that one wanted only the juice, the other wanted only the peel. Once it was determined what they really wanted, they both got exactly what they wanted, a whole orange worth, and all were happy. Everybody can win, but some prefer for others to lose for some reason. It's like they find joy in it. Again... sad.

Be proactive, be creative and have unquestionable ethics in getting it done. Help someone. Odds are someone helped you along the way. We're not in the real estate business, we're in the people business. For as they say, what comes around... -mr

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**Genealogy can be a fascinating and rewarding hobby**, discovering your family's roots and stories. It can also be confusing and frustrating, however. Sources can be difficult to track down or vague. Certain branches of the family tree can seem entirely lopped off.

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Genealogy classes take place at the Athens-Limestone County Public Library on the first and third Thursday of each month from 6:30-7:30pm, and on the first and third Wednesday of each month from 11:30am-12:30pm. All classes are free.

**Monthly Covered Dish Lunch and Program** at the Zip City Community Center, 10511 Hwy 17, Florence, on Thursday, July 18 at 11:30am. Please bring a covered dish. Everyone is welcome.

**An open community meeting on the proposed Tennessee RiverLine** will be 5-7pm, Thursday, July 18, in the Singing River Room at the

Marriott Shoals Conference Center.

Organizers said that everyone in Colbert and Lauderdale counties is invited to the meeting. Participants will learn about and give input on the Shoals section of the trail system, which is a series of paddling, hiking and biking experiences along the Tennessee River's 652 miles.

The Tennessee RiverLine team is visiting and holding community meetings in all five pilot communities this summer. In the Shoals, team members will tour the area, meet with community leaders and advocates and host a community river clean-up, 9am-noon, Thursday, July 18, at Sheffield Riverfront Park.

For more information about the Tennessee RiverLine, visit [tnriverline.org](http://tnriverline.org) or e-mail [info@tnriverline.org](mailto:info@tnriverline.org). Follow the RiverLine on Twitter and Instagram @tnRiverLine and Facebook @tnRiverLine652.

**Florence Kiwanis Club** meets Fridays 12 noon at Marriott Shoals Conference Center

July 19 - Michael Pretes - Topic to be determined

July 26 - Jackie Hendrix, Owner of Party Pros and a past chairman of the Shoals Chamber of Commerce - Will talk about the Economic Development of Downtown Florence

**"Big Fish" by Daniel Wallace** will be discussed at the July 17 at the 10am meeting of the Readers of the Lost Ark Book Club. The club meets at Coldwater Books, 105 West Sixth Street, Tuscumbia. For more info, email [nancy537481@yahoo.com](mailto:nancy537481@yahoo.com).

**The Meal Barrel food pantry** operating from the National Guard Armory, Sheffield, will be closed

Wednesday, July 17, and will reopen Wednesday, July 24. We are sorry for any inconvenience and will be serving needy families by appointment. Please call 256-810-4289 to make an appointment.

**The Shoals Artists Guild will meet Friday July 19, 2019** at Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1520 Rickwood Road, Florence, at 10 am.

Artists are invited to bring materials for a painting session following the business meeting. Artists may continue painting on Saturday as well. Drinks will be provided - bring food to share for lunch.

For more information call Carol Howdysell 256-766-0645 or Linda Thompson 256-718-0887.

**Marie Osmond: Presented by Heritage Christian University**, August 10 at the Marriott Shoals Hotel & Spa. For tickets: [www.hcu.edu](http://www.hcu.edu), or call: 800-367-3565.

**Community Bible Study** -

Open registration for Community Bible Study, a women's interdenominational Bible study, will take place in the chapel at the host church, Woodmont Baptist Church, on Wednesday, August 7 from 9 - 11am. Please join us for an exciting, in-depth study of the book of Acts. The registration fee is \$35 for adults (scholarships available) and \$10 for children (infants - 12th grade). Classes meet on Wednesday from 9:45-11:45am beginning August 28. If you prefer, you can register on-line at <http://florenceal.cbclass.org/>

**The Athens-Limestone County Tourism Association** hosts the 2019 Summer Concert Series in downtown Athens with sponsor Jimmy Smith Buick GMC. The free-to-the-public concert series taking place on the Marion Street side of the Limestone County Courthouse from 7-9pm on select Fridays through August.

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The Summer Concert Series will say goodbye to the 2019 season with the Athens State University Community Band on August 9. The all-volunteer band will take to the steps for a night of thrilling music favorites.

For more information, please contact the Athens-Limestone Visitors Center at 256-232-5411.

**Central Community Center Monthly Breakfast** is Saturday, July 20 from 6-9am. Cost is \$6. Proceeds benefit the center. The center is located at 4130 County Road 6, Florence.

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**Reynolds Metals Plant Reunion** Saturday, July 20 at 2pm. Golden Corral on Cox Creek Pkwy in Florence

**Homecoming at Blythe Memorial Methodist Church** on Sunday, July 21 at 11am. Special group singing. Lunch will be served after service.

Located in Leighton, White Oak Community.

**Murphy's Chapel FWB Church** will be having a revival July 21-24. Evangelist: Camryn Eaton. Sunday night at 5pm. Monday-Wednesday night at 7pm. Special singing each night.

Church is located at 9090 County Road 8 in Waterloo. Everyone is cordially invited.

**Zip City Neighborhood Watch Meeting** - July 21, 2pm at Zip City Community Center.

A **Gospel Meeting** with

evangelist, Matt Heupel, will be hosted July 21-24 by the Lexington Church of Christ which meets at 10640 Highway 101 in Lexington. Services will be at 10am and 2pm on Sunday and at 7pm Monday-Wednesday. Sunday will be Friends and Family Day with lunch at noon and singing at 1:30pm. Everyone is welcome!

**Monthly Luncheon at Central Community Center** on Monday, July 22 at 11:30am. Entertainment will be the Nutones.

**Covered Dish Lunch at Cloverdale Community Center** on July 23 at 11:30am. "Minnie Pearl" will be the entertainment. Everyone welcome.

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**Family Fishing Day** at Deibert Park in on Thursday, July 25 from 6:30am-noon. Bring your kids, grandkids, and the family. Catch and release. Catch and keep. Catch and share. Bring your own fishing tackle, bait, chairs, and snacks. No fishing license required. Please release any catfish that you catch.

Sign in at the table before fishing. The final family fishing day this year is Thursday, October 17, so mark your calendars! For more information, call The Club 256-760-6420.

**Crossroads Community Outreach** is hosting a free summer lunch program at Weeden Elementary School, 400 Baldwin St. in Florence through 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.

**Preservation Florence** is a year-long series concerning historic preservation in the city of Florence that has covered topics such as the National Register of Historic Places, physical restoration, African American and Native American preservation, and cemetery

preservation. For the remainder of the year, the series will focus on Florence's own historic districts. There will be a different presentation each month where the history and architecture of Florence's unique historic districts will be explored. In July, Florence City Historian Billy Warren will present a talk on Wood Avenue and Walnut Street, two of Florence's most iconic historic districts. This free event will take place at 10:30am on Saturday, July 27 at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library.

This event is the seventh in a year-long series of presentations and workshops based around our city's wealth of historic buildings, neighborhoods, and landscapes. The series is sponsored by the Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area and the Florence Arts and Museums. Call 256-760-6427 for more information.

**Bradshaw High School class of 1989** will have a reunion on Saturday, July 27 from 8:30am until at Shoney's on Florence Blvd. For more information, call Larry Cross at 256-718-6060.

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

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

Proceeds used for Center expenses. Everyone is welcome.

**The Tombigbee Pioneer Group** will demonstrate pioneer era crafts and skills at the Parkway Visitor Center, from 10am-3pm on Saturday, July 27. The demonstrations will show the challenges faced and creative solutions developed by those Americans who lived in the area from the 1700s to around 1840.

The public is invited to participate in pioneer lifestyle activities that often include crafting baskets, spinning, weaving, leather working, making cornhusk dolls, and other traditional craft demonstrations. Mountain dulcimer demonstrations are usually offered throughout the day. Children are invited to dress up in pioneer clothes and participate in craft activities.

This program is free to the public. The visitor center is located at milepost 266 on the Natchez Trace Parkway, near Tupelo, Mississippi. For additional information, please call 800-305-7417.

**The Killen Family Reunion** will be on Sunday, July 28 at Green's Chapel Park. Bring food, drinks, and desserts. We will eat around 12:30 or 1pm. All family and friends welcome.

**It's Hawks Reunion Time Again!** Anyone who attended Courtland Elementary, Courtland Jr. High, or Courtland High School as a Courtland Hawk is cordially invited to attend the next Courtland Hawks Reunion Saturday, September 21 at the Courtland Park and McCarty Center (old train depot) in Courtland.

Activities:  
12-2pm: Registration (McCarty Center)  
2-5pm: Welcome, recognitions, games, music, socializing  
5-6pm: Dinner  
6-8pm: Entertainment  
There will also be a selfie photo station and a continuous slide presentation.

Cost is \$25 per person. Price includes dinner and entertainment. Make checks payable to "Courtland Hawks Reunion" and mail to Courtland Hawks Reunion, P.O. Box 123, Courtland, AL 35618.

Please mail payment and completed Hawks Reunion Questionnaire NO LATER THAN AUGUST 1.

**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.

Free tastings will be offered on Saturday, August 3 - 6am-1pm - Grilled Vegetables.

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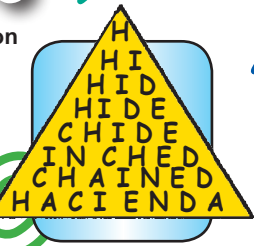
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# Savvy SENIOR

## Where to Get Help Paying Your Medicare Costs

Dear Savvy Senior,  
Are there any sources you know of that can help me save on my Medicare coverage? I'm 65, and live primarily on my Social Security, and am having a hard time paying my Medicare out-of-pocket costs.

Need Some Help

Dear Need,

There are several financial assistance programs that can help lower-income Medicare beneficiaries who are having a difficult time paying their out-of-pocket health care costs. Here's what's available, along with the eligibility requirements and how to apply.

### Medicare Savings Programs

Let's start with a program that helps pay premiums and out-of-pocket costs for Medicare Parts A and B. It's called the Medicare Savings Program (MSP), and it has several different benefit levels for people based on their income and asset level. At its most generous the program will pay your Part A and B premiums and pretty much all your Medicare deductibles, coinsurance and copayments. At its least generous the program will pay just your Part B premium.

To qualify for a MSP, the minimum standard set by Medicare, is an income under 135 percent of the federal poverty level, which at the moment works out to around \$1,426 a month for individuals (or \$1,923 for married couples). Everything counts towards income, including payouts from 401(k) plans, pensions, Social Security, and help from family members.

Medicare also allows states to impose an asset test, which can be as little as \$7,730 per individual (\$11,600 for married couples), not counting your house or car but counting retirement savings and bank accounts.

But some states have made their MSP programs a lot more generous, with much higher income limits and in some cases no asset tests at all. And the program may be called something else in your state. To find out if you qualify or to apply, contact your state Medicaid program. Visit [Medicare.gov/contacts](http://Medicare.gov/contacts) or call all 800-633-4227 for contact information.

### Medication Extra Help

For help with Medicare (Part D) prescription drug plan costs, there is another completely separate program called Extra Help. To get it, you'll need to apply through your local Social Security office.

Depending on how low your income is, this program will pay part or all of your Part D prescription drug plan's monthly premiums, annual deductibles and prescription co-payments. In 2019, individuals with a yearly income below \$18,735 (\$25,365 for a married couple), and assets under \$14,390 (\$28,720 for a married couple) can qualify for Extra Help.

If you're eligible to be in a Medicare Savings Program, you will automatically qualify for Extra Help. But because the requirements are slightly different, even if you don't qualify for a Medicare Savings Program for Part B you might be able to get Extra Help for Part D. For more information or to apply, visit [SSA.gov/extrahelp](http://SSA.gov/extrahelp) or call Social Security at 800-772-1213.

### Other Assistance Programs

Depending on your income level, needs and location there are many other financial assistance programs that can help like Medicaid, SSI (Supplemental Security Income), PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly), SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), (LIHEAP) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program and many others.

To help you find out what types of assistance programs you may be eligible for, and learn how to apply for them, go to [BenefitsCheckUp.org](http://BenefitsCheckUp.org). This is a free, confidential Web tool designed for people age 55 and older that contains more than 2,500 programs.

It's also possible to get help in person at one of the 87 Benefits Enrollment Centers scattered across the U.S. Call 888-268-6706 or visit [NCOA.org/centerforbenefits/becs](http://NCOA.org/centerforbenefits/becs) to locate a center in your area. Some centers also offer assistance over the phone.

Send your senior questions to:  
Savvy Senior,  
P.O. Box 5443,  
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