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## 386± Acres • Coffee County

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## 155.7± Acres • Pike County

Located in the Monticello Community with frontage on paved County Road 6643. Managed timberland with 140± acres planted in loblolly pines ranging from about four to eighteen years old. Electricity and county water available. Interior roads, established food plots, and spring-fed streams. **Excellent hunting!** L-1800506 • \$366,000



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## 93± Acres • Pike County

Located on the south side of Brundidge with frontage on the east side of four-lane Highway 231. **Buy the whole tract or separate parcel(s).** Parcel 1: 27± acres inside Brundidge City Limits, offered for \$81,000. **Parcels 2, 3 and 4:** Three 22± acre parcels just south of the City Limits each offered for \$55,000. L-1500265



## 67.97± Acres • Pike County

Located on US Highway 231 about 3-½ miles south of Troy. Average daily traffic of approximately 18,000 vehicles. Property may be divided. L-1800562 • \$375,000



## 168± Acres • Geneva County

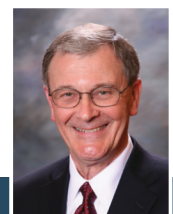
This wooded tract located west of Samson, Alabama, joins Geneva State Forest (Alabama's largest state forest with over 7,000 acres), and Flat Creek runs through the east side. The diverse forest includes mature loblolly and longleaf pines, oaks, and many other species of trees. This property has interior roads and established game food plots. L-1900117 • \$450,000



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## IN THE MEANTIME

Woman: Doctor, please come quickly! My little boy has just swallowed my fountain pen!

Doctor: Of course, I'll be right there.

What are you doing in the meantime?

Woman: Using a pencil.

**AND just like that  
Spankings and  
Prayer is back in  
school.  
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**Grandma once said,  
"Sometimes you  
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## Jury Selection

The tiresome jury selection process continued, each side hotly contesting and dismissing potential jurors. Don O'Brian was called for his question session.

"Property holder?"

"Yes, I am, Your Honor."

"Married or single?"

"Married for twenty years, Your Honor."

"Formed or expressed an opinion?"

"Not in twenty years, Your Honor."

## What Is A Misomaniac?

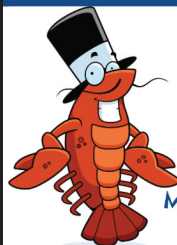
A Misomaniac is someone who hates everything and everyone. It can also be used to describe someone who has the fear of being hated by everyone.

**PEOPLE THINK "ICY" IS THE  
EASIEST WORD TO SPELL...**

**COME TO THINK OF IT, I SEE  
WHY.**

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### What Do You Say

We brought our newborn son, Adam, to the pediatrician for his first checkup. As he finished, the doctor told us, "You have a cute baby."

Smiling, I said, "I bet you say that to all new parents."

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"So what do you say to the others?" I asked.

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So i was flying a kite  
and and this guy  
actually asks me,  
"So ya flying a kite?"  
I replied, "nope,  
fishing for birds."

### Why We Call Them Sheriff

The word sheriff comes from the two words "Shire" and "Reeve". Shire refers to land or county, while Reeve is the official who was in charge. Shire Reeve then became sheriff.



Happy  
Mother's  
Day

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Who is the coolest doctor in the hospital?  
The hip consultant.



The grass withers  
the flower fades  
but the  
**WORD**  
of our  
**GOD**  
will stand  
**FOREVER**  
Isaiah 40.8

No evil will  
conquer you;  
no plague will  
come near your  
home. For He will  
order His angels  
to protect you  
wherever you go.  
Psalms 91:10-11



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information  
about corona  
virus on my  
phone that now  
it's doesn't  
ring... it coughs

I think of myself as a trophy husband: sure it was a  
participation trophy, but still ...

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ever  
done  
a  
marathon?



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*What do  
you mean,  
Gladys....  
like on  
Netflix?*

An advertisement for Old River's Palm Farm. It features a photograph of several palm trees in a field under a blue sky. Below the photo, the text reads: "PALM TREES", "SEVERAL VARIETIES", "ALL SIZES", "WHOLESALE & RETAIL", "ALL PLANTS GUARANTEED", "DELIVERY & PLANTING AVAILABLE FOR LARGE PALMS", "OLD RIVER'S PALM FARM", "3715 Will Logan Road, Ozark, AL", and "850-867-8249".

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In order to insult me, I first must value your opinion.

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**Careful that  
your  
relationship  
with another  
is not built on  
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you have  
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Just be careful because **people are going crazy** from being in lock down! Actually I've just been talking about this with the microwave and toaster while drinking coffee and we all agreed that things are getting bad. I didn't mention anything to the washing machine as she puts a different spin on everything. Certainly not to the fridge as he is acting cold and distant. In the end the iron straightened me out as she said everything will be fine, no situation is too pressing. The vacuum was very unsympathetic... told me to just suck it up, but the fan was more optimistic and hoped it would all soon blow over! The toilet looked a bit flushed when I asked its opinion and didn't say anything but the door knob told me to get a grip. The front door said I was unhinged and so the curtains told me to .....yes, you guessed it.....pull myself together.

### I'm Working

Just seen a  
burglar kicking his  
own door in.

I asked: "What  
are you doing?"  
He said: "Working  
from home."

### Wrong Number

I still have a lot of trouble with wrong numbers. Yesterday I dialed the Red Cross and got the Internal Revenue Service in error.

So the IRS operator asked me what number I had dialed. I said, "The Red Cross, you know, where they take the blood."

She said, "Well, you aren't too far off, are you?"



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## PISTACHIO PUDDING CAKE

### Ingredients

- 1 package yellow cake mix (regular size)
- 1 package (3.4 oz.) instant pistachio pudding mix
- 4 large eggs
- 1 cup club soda
- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 1/2 cup chopped Walnuts



### ICING:

- 1 cup cold heavy whipping cream
- 3/4 cup cold milk
- 1 package (3.4 oz) instant pistachio pudding mix
- 2 teaspoons confectioners' sugar
- 1/2 cup chopped Walnuts

### Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the cake mix, pudding mix, eggs, soda and oil; beat on low speed for 30 seconds. Beat on medium for 2 minutes. Stir in walnuts.

2. Pour into a greased and floured 10-in. fluted tube pan. Bake at 350° for 40-45 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pan to a wire rack to cool completely.

3. In a large bowl, beat the cream, milk, pudding mix and confectioners' sugar on high until stiff peaks form. Frost cake. Sprinkle with walnuts. Refrigerate until serving.

## EASY COCONUT CREAM PIE

### Ingredients

- 3/4 cup sugar
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3 cups whole milk
- 3 large eggs, beaten
- 1-1/2 cups sweetened shredded coconut, toasted, divided
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 pastry shell (9 inches), baked



### Directions

1. In a medium saucepan, combine sugar, flour and salt. Stir in milk; cook and stir over medium-high heat until

## Get your Sweet on

thickened and bubbly. Reduce heat; cook and stir 2 minutes longer.

2. Remove from the heat; gradually stir about 1 cup of hot mixture into beaten eggs. Return all to saucepan; cook and stir over medium heat until nearly boiling. Reduce heat; cook and stir about 2 minutes more (do not boil). Remove from the heat; stir in 1 cup coconut, butter and vanilla.

3. Pour into pie shell; sprinkle with remaining coconut. Chill for several hours before serving.

## FRUIT AND NUT BREAD PUDDING

### Ingredients

- 16 slices day-old bread, torn into 1-inch pieces
- 2 cups sugar
- 4 large eggs
- 3 cups whole milk
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 tablespoons vanilla extract
- 1 can (21 ounces) apple pie filling, slices cut in half
- 2 cups coarsely chopped pecans
- 1 cup golden raisins
- 3/4 cup butter, melted
- Whipped cream, optional



### Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine bread and sugar. Set aside. In another bowl, beat eggs, milk, cinnamon, salt and vanilla until foamy. Pour over bread and sugar; mix well. Cover and refrigerate 2 hours.

2. Stir in all remaining ingredients except cream. Pour into a greased 13x9-in. baking dish.

3. Bake at 350° for 45-50 minutes or until firm. Cut into squares. Serve warm or cold with whipped cream if desired.

## HAWAIIAN DESSERT

### Ingredients

- 1 package yellow cake mix (regular size)
- 3 packages (3.4 oz) instant vanilla pudding mix
- 4 cups cold whole milk
- 1-1/2 teaspoons coconut extract



- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1 can (20 ounces) crushed pineapple, well drained
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream, whipped and sweetened
- 2 cups sweetened shredded coconut, toasted

#### Directions

1. Mix cake batter according to package directions. Pour into two greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pans. Bake at 350° for 15 minutes or until the cakes test done. Cool.
2. In a large bowl, combine pudding mixes, milk and coconut extract; beat for 2 minutes. Add the cream cheese and beat well. Stir in pineapple.
3. Spread over the cooled cakes. Top with whipped cream; sprinkle with coconut. Chill for at least 2 hours.

## CITRUS CORNMEAL CAKE

#### Ingredients

- 1/2 cup lemon yogurt
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 2 large egg whites, room temperature
- 1/4 teaspoon almond extract
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup cornmeal
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon grated orange zest
- 1 can (15 ounces) mandarin oranges, drained
- 3 tablespoons sliced almonds



#### Directions

1. Coat a 9-in. fluted tart pan with removable bottom with cooking spray. In a large bowl, beat the yogurt, honey, oil, egg, egg whites and extract until well blended. Combine the flour, cornmeal and baking powder; gradually beat into yogurt mixture until blended. Stir in orange zest.
2. Pour into prepared pan. Arrange oranges over batter; sprinkle with almonds. Bake at 350° until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean; 25-30 minutes. Cool on a wire rack for 10 minutes before cutting. Serve warm or at room temperature.

## MACADAMIA TOFFEE SNACK CAKE

#### Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 cups packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup cold butter, cubed
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 egg
- 1 cup milk



- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup white baking chips
- 1/2 cup chopped macadamia nuts
- 1/4 cup sweetened shredded coconut

#### Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine flour and brown sugar. Cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Set aside 1 cup for topping. Add baking powder and salt to remaining crumb mixture. In another bowl, whisk the egg, milk and vanilla. Stir into crumb mixture just until moistened.
2. Transfer to a greased 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan; sprinkle with reserved topping mixture, baking chips, nuts and coconut. Bake at 350° for 30-35 minutes or until golden brown and edges pull away from sides of pan. Cool completely on a wire rack before cutting.

## OLD-FASHIONED BANANA PUDDING ICEBOX DESSERT

#### Ingredients

- 2 (3 oz.) boxes Jell-O Cook & Serve Banana Cream Pudding
- 4 cups milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tsp. ripe banana flavoring,
- about 1/2 - 2/3 of an 11 oz. box Vanilla Wafer cookies
- 4-5 bananas, peeled and sliced
- 1 (8 oz.) tub Cool Whip, thawed
- 6-12 maraschino cherries with stems,



#### Directions

1. In large saucepan, add pudding mix and whisk in milk. Over medium/medium-high heat, bring pudding to a full boil stirring constantly. Remove from heat and continue stirring for just a bit. Then stir in banana and vanilla extracts. Set aside.
2. \*Note: A full boil means that you see large bubbles coming to the top continuously even while stirring.
3. In medium-sized punch bowl, place a layer of cookies on the bottom, touching but not over-lapping. Top with a layer of bananas the same way placing over the spaces not right on top of each cookie. Place a row of cookies against side alternating cookies and slices of bananas. Pour in some pudding and do a second row of cookies and banana slices against side. Pour in more pudding until you've used a third. Repeat two more times layering cookies, bananas and pudding and making rows of bananas and cookies against the side, ending with the pudding. Press a piece of plastic wrap onto pudding to prevent a skin from forming and chill overnight.



**"Don't ask kids what they want to be when they grow up but what problems do they want to solve.**

**This changes the conversation from who do I want to work for, to what do I need to learn to be able to do that." - Jaime Casap**

## Old Watch

My young daughter was wearing a beat up old watch a friend had given her.

I asked her, "Does it tell the time?"

My daughter looked at me and said, "No, you have to look at it."


## Advice for the Sheriff

### First Sheriff:


So, the conversation would start like this, "Sheriff, I want to give you a little FREE ADVICE". Upon reflection (looking back), I have concluded, unsolicited free advice, wrapped in sarcasm was often worth less than I paid for it.

### Second Sheriff:

I usually got "Can I add my two cents?" to which I responded "Sorry it cost a dime to ride this train!"



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Does anyone know the name of the big bird on Sesame Street?

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# Faith Overcomes Our Fears

By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

Fear can be paralyzing and can stop us from becoming the person we were designed to be, and can hinder us from accessing the doors God has opened.

**2 Timothy 1:7** For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

The word fear is being use as someone who is: timid, fearfulness, cowardice.

The dictionary says fear means: an unpleasant emotion caused by the belief that someone or something is dangerous, likely to cause pain, or a threat.

Certainly we can relate to the struggle many of us are having or witnessing, the fear to overcome and deal with the threats of the Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Fear is looking for an empty space in our life to reside. An empty space in our relationship, health, finances, etc. Fear and faith cannot reside in the same space.

**Mark 4:38-39** Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

Notice what Jesus says next: *And Jesus said unto them, "Why are you so fearful? how is it that you have no faith?"* **Mark 4:40**

Now think about this, how many times have we stayed awake at night fearing, having anxiety stressing and so on. When Our Faith Is Awake, We Can Sleep! Just like Jesus did

**2 Timothy 1:7** God gave us POWER, LOVE and a SOUND MIND. We are not victims, but victorious people handpicked by God to be His children.

My Friends: Keep Praying Fervently, Continuously, and Faithfully Believing We Can Have What We Pray When we Ask In Jesus Name, This Virus Will Past.

Please follow the guidelines of our health professional and appointed leaders. We will make it through this because we have God on our side and are working together for a common cause. Be safe, be healthy!



## The Internet Speed at NASA

NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration) has no issues when it comes to surfing the web or streaming videos. While 25-50 Mb per second are the "norm speed" for everyday internet use, NASA's internet speed is 91Gb (with a 'G') per second.

## Johnny and the Moondogs

Johnny and the Moondogs was the brief group name for the Beatles. Johnny was John Lennon and the Moondogs were Paul (McCartney), Ringo (Starr), and George (Harrison).

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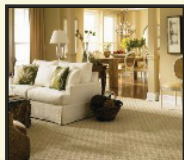
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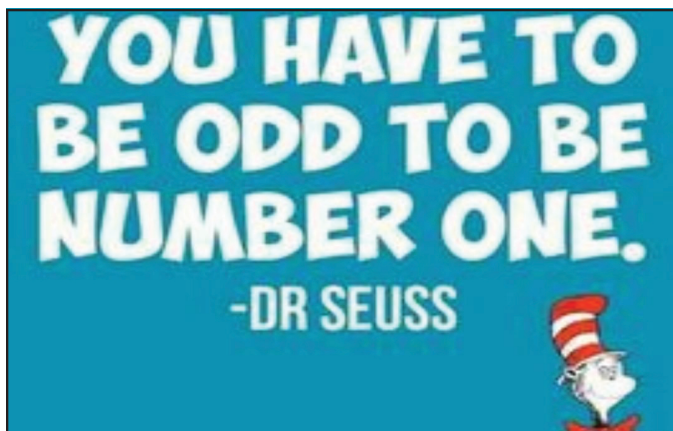
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Greeting Gardeners!

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- Over watering kills more plants than under watering!
- Plants in clay pots dry out faster.
- Some plants need a lot of sun, some need part shade, some need mostly shade.
- Soil in the pot or garden needs to be a healthy mix of sand, peat and/or sphagnum moss, clay, and compost (decaying leaves, manure, veggie scraps).
- Blueberries need very acid soil! Coffee grounds are good for them.
- Herbs add lots of flavor and help eliminate the need for salt! They are more tasty if not over-watered.
- Windy days dry out plants quickly.
- Fish emulsion is a good organic fertilizer for plants. Sprayed on or poured on the roots. BUT:
- Dogs, cats, raccoons, and foxes will dig up plants with fish emulsion poured on the roots!
- Compost piles are great for fertilizing everything organically. The bugs and earthworms help break down the scraps, and aerate the soil. Never put meat or greasy cooked food in the compost. Add leaves and grass, some shredded paper.

Do you have questions about your garden or yard? Call the Extension Office in your county. That's what they are there for. For Dale County, call (334) 774- 2329; Houston County- Dothan call (334) 794-4108, Coffee County call (334) 894-5596, and Pike County (334) 566-0985.

Next month, more composting tips.

Be SAFE, wear your MASK, help your neighbor.



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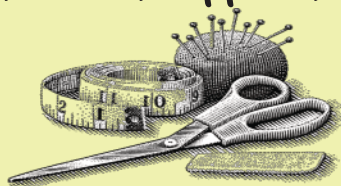
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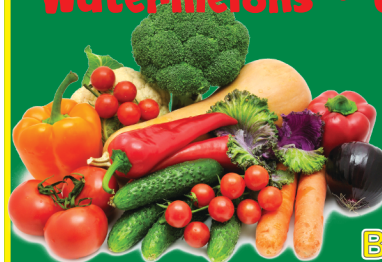
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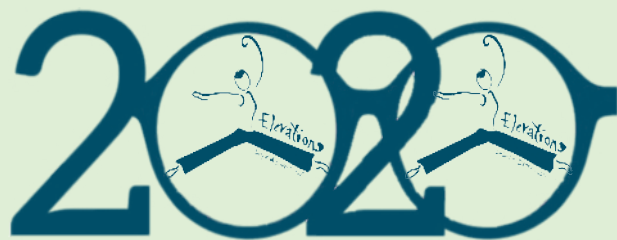
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