

UNA Winners at ReRuns

FLORENCE—Two special events are taking place this year at ReRuns for WeeOnes located at the First Free Will Baptist Church gym on Florence Blvd. in Florence. On Saturday, March 21 from 1:45-2:45pm, Miss UNA, Rachel Wammack, will be there. Ten percent of sales from 2-6pm will be donated to her platform, Vitamin Angels (www.vitaminangels.org). During AEA week there will be sand art, crafts, a bounce house, a movie and popcorn, and lots of other festivities! On Saturday, March 27 Meredith Hamner, First Runner-up in the Miss UNA pageant, will be dressed as Cinderella to celebrate the new movie release. She will be signing autographs and reading with the children from 9-11am. All events are offered FREE from Reruns 4 Weeones and Monkey N Around.

Our 2nd CJ Egg Hunt Is Underway!

SHOALS—The Courier Journal Easter Egg Hunt begins in this week's issue and continues next week. Readers may search through the Courier Journal and count all the Special Blue CJ Easter Eggs in the March 18 and March 25 issues. They may submit a total for each issue separately. Only the designated blue eggs like the two that appear here should be counted. There is a limit of one entry per week per person or email address. That gives each person two chances to win. Find all the CJ Eggs, including these two, and submit your total on our website, www.courierjournal.net. You may also mail your guess with your name, address, and phone number to: CJ Egg Hunt c/o Courier Journal, 219 West Tennessee Street, Florence, AL 35630.

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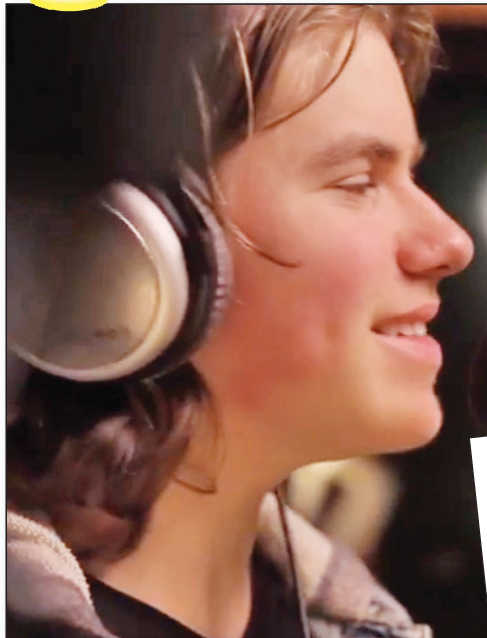
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Jackson Nance, a 15 year-old from Leiper's Fork, TN recorded a tribute locally to his musical heroes, the Muscle Shoals Swampers. YouTube

Local Legends Lead The Next Generation

SHEFFIELD - A recently released video celebrating generations of Muscle Shoals music features the youngest artist who has ever been signed to a publishing deal with Warner/Chappell Nashville. Jackson Nance, a 15-year-old singer/songwriter from Leiper's Fork, Tennessee recorded, "It's A Swamp Thing" at The NuttHouse recording studio in Sheffield. The video was being shared on social media last week. Nance and his friends, Rob Robinson and Eddie Wilson, wrote the song as a tribute to their music heroes, the Muscle Shoals Swampers, who have played on hundreds of hit recordings. The Swampers rhythm section comprises guitarist Jimmy



Nance

Johnson, bassist David Hood, drummer Roger Hawkins and keyboardist, the late Barry Beckett. "It's A Swamp Thing" includes numerous references to artists and hit songs associated with the Muscle Shoals music industry. "These guys are my heroes," said Nance, who has been singing since he was eight and playing guitar and writing songs since he was 12. "I don't know how many times I'll ever get to record with Reggie Young and David Hood and Jimmy Johnson and Chad Cromwell. It's

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Local Man Spearheading Public Vine's Global Launch

PARK CITY, UTAH - The patent-pending social distribution platform, PublicVine, recently screened the new film, Rooted in Peace, at the Sundance Film Festival. The film was produced and directed by Sundance award-winning producer, Greg Reitman.



Public Vine's Nam Mokwunye

PublicVine was designed by Nigerian-born, Nam Mokwunye, now a resident of Florence, Alabama. Nam designed PublicVine while a Reuters Foundation Digital Vision Fellow and a Visiting Scholar at

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EDITOR'S COMMENTARY

REAL OPEN MEETINGS? Onus on Legislators

MONTGOMERY—The 2015 regular session of the Alabama Legislature is underway. The challenges they face regarding budgets, healthcare, essential services, social services, and prison overcrowding are daunting. One proposal should come before the body that will restore the intent of the Alabama Open Meetings Act which was passed in 2005 and compromised by recent Alabama Supreme Court rulings. Senate Bill 21 by Sen. Cam Ward (R) of Alabaster and

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Grants for Two Area Schools

BARTON— SCA, a leading hygiene and forest products company with a plant in Barton, recently announced two local school grants to support their environmental education projects.

Among the 2014-2015 SCA Environmental Education Grant winners are Cherokee Elementary School for \$5,000 to implement a school-wide, hands-on composting program; and East Lawrence Elementary for \$979 to build ten raised beds to grow native plants.

"I'm excited to use this grant to add a composting element to our recycling program," said Melissa Guerra, Cherokee Elementary School teacher. "I believe children who compost become aware of organic wastes as potential resources rather than just something 'gross' to be thrown away and forgotten."

Company wide SCA is awarding more than \$47,000 in Environmental Education Grants to fifteen schools and non-profits.

A New State Park Website

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just a great experience. I'm just really fortunate to be in the studio today with them," he added.

The session took place in February. It was produced by Jimmy Johnson, engineered by Jimmy Nutt, and featured Hood, Johnson, Reggie Young, Chad Cromwell and Robinson.

State Tourism Director, Lee Sentell, said the state supported the videotaping because the project generated a unique tool to use for marketing Alabama both regionally and internationally. Sentell

said the critically-acclaimed Muscle Shoals documentary has broadened the horizon for music tourism opportunities.

Wes Wages was the videographer for the project. The session was spearheaded by Debbie Wilson, former director of Florence/Lauderdale Tourism who recently joined Sentell's staff in Montgomery. The video project was also supported by the Florence/Lauderdale Tourism Office.

The song is available on iTunes and the link to the video is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-3sXCHXQJA>

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A New State Park Website

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friendly layout, improved website navigation, park maps, individual park photo galleries, social media links, event listings and much more. The new alapark.com is also compatible with mobile devices, making park information on the go more accessible.

From accommodation listings and reservations to outdoor activities and park events, alapark.com can help you plan your next Alabama adventure.

A Program of History, Stories

FLORENCE—Dolores Hydock, a member of the Alabama Humanities Foundation's Road Scholars Speakers Bureau, will present a program titled, *At Home Between Earth and Sky: Voices from Chandler Mountain*. The program will be on Tuesday, March 24 at 12pm at the Kennedy-Douglass Center for the Arts in Florence. The presentation is free and open to the public. Bring a sack lunch and spend your lunch hour hearing funny

and tender stories about women from this close-knit mountain community.

Hydock's presentation blends Alabama history, folklore, and storytelling and is based on an oral history / folklore collection project by an undergraduate at Yale University. Bonnets, bow-tie quilts, tomato stakes, the recipe for Scripture Cake, and an old-timey cure for hiccups are all part of this portrait of an Alabama mountain community in the 1970's. Hydock brings the spirit and voices of special mountain friends to life in this story of strong women, Southern hospitality, and the generous spirit of a close-knit community.

Hydock is an award-winning actress and storyteller who lives in Birmingham. Her work has been featured at the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, Tennessee, and other concerts, festivals, and special events throughout the United States. Her ten CDs of original stories have all received awards from *Storytelling World* magazine for excellence in storytelling.

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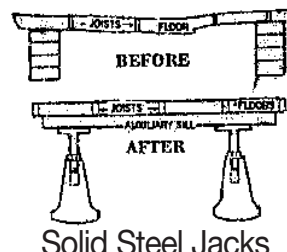
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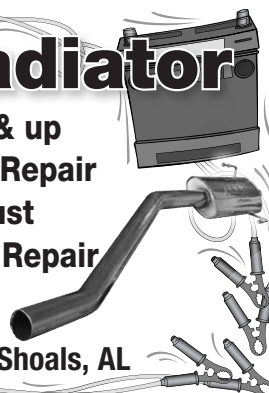
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The Music Preservation Society is issuing a Call For Entries for the 2015 W.C. Handy Music Festival Design Competition. Visual artists are invited to submit artwork for the design for the 2015 W.C. Handy Music Festival. The design will be used to publicize the Festival and reflect the theme of the Festival on T-shirts, posters and other memorabilia, and in several advertising formats. Design specifications are available from the Festival Office. In addition, the winner of the Design Competition will receive a \$500 prize. All entries must be of original creation, copyright-free, and must be submitted no later than April 10, along with a \$10 entry fee. For additional information, please call the Festival Office at 256-766-9719.

Mended Hearts, Chapter 307, scheduled to be held March 17 has been moved to Tuesday, March 24 at the Coliseum. We will start a luncheon at 11:30am and the speaker will follow lunch. The public is invited to attend. Call Lifewise 256-768-8056 to make a reservation for lunch. You may pay at the door, \$10 a person. Tim Glover, the head of Drug Enforcement, will be the speaker. Likewise, Hi Neighbors and Mended Hearts are providing this program. All are welcome.

The Alabama Wildlife Federation's Quad Cities Wild Game Cook-Off takes place Saturday, March 21 at 4pm at Loughorn Arena in Tusculmbia. To enter, call 500-822-9453.

2nd Annual CMTA Barbecue Fundraiser at Pop's BBQ in St. Florian. Chicken or pork plate choice of 2 sides only \$10 for each ticket. Added proceeds go to the CMTA (Charcot-Marie-Tooth Association) in hopes for a cure. For ticket information call: Tina Smith 256-366-5273, Wade Smith 256-366-4262 or Todd Oyen 256-810-6582. Purchased tickets must be used before March 31.

Baptist Minister Tommy Littleton will bring an important message to the Shoals area about the coming radical sex education of our children through the Common Core program. He will be speaking Thursday, March 19 at the Creekside Church on Roberts Lane in Florence at 6:30pm. You do not want to miss this important educational message.

The Tennessee Valley Art Association Center Stage presents "The Diary of Anne Frank" by Frances Gorch & Albert Hackett. Adapted by Wendy Kesselman. Directed by Darren Butler. March 19 and 20 at 7:35pm, March 15 at 2:05pm. \$12.50 for adults, \$8 for students.

Anne Frank has emerged from history a living, lyrical, intensely gifted young girl, who confronted her young life and the horror of her time with astonishing honesty, wit, and determination. Her impassioned story about the lives of eight people hiding from the Nazis in a concealed attic for two years commemorates the life and legacy of a courageous young girl who died in March 1945 shortly before the end of WW II. Tickets available at the Tennessee Valley Museum of Art, 256-383-0533.

Kindergarten Registration for Lauderdale County Schools - Friday, March 20, 8:30am - Brooks Elementary, LCHS and Rogers.

Children registering for Kindergarten must be 5 years old on or before September 2, 2015 to be eligible to enter school. The following are required for initial enrollment in public schools: child's certified birth certificate, child's social security card, certificate of exemption or certificate of immunizations, proof of residency. If you have any questions, please call Linda Barnett 256-760-1335 or Dr. Gina Baggett, Elementary Curriculum/Federal Programs Coordinator at 256-760-1336.

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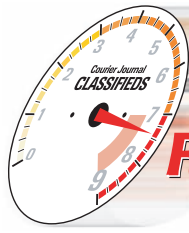


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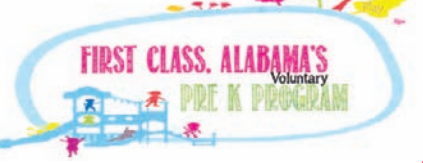
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Rooted In Peace challenges viewers to examine their values as Americans and human beings. Reitman poses the basic question, "How do we want to live?" He invites viewers on a film journey to take notice of the world around them, proactively seek ways to find personal and ecological peace, and stop the cycle of violence. The film relies not only on memoir, but also interviews with such authorities as Deepak Chopra, media mogul Ted Turner, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

"Greg Reitman's screening of *Rooted In Peace* from his channel on PublicVine could be a first in film history," said Nam. "This screening gives us a glimpse of what is possible with PublicVine and what opportunities lie ahead for the industry-particularly for the 97% of filmmakers whose creations never make money. As a formerly practicing fine artist, I personally understand how important it is to receive pragmatic opportunities. PublicVine is one of those."

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	11-2	21-1	28-1	Total - 24
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Community Notes...

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"SODA", Shoals Outdoor Drama Association will meet at the Florence Lauderdale Public Library on March 20 at 9am in the Board Room. Review of the outdoor theater site agreement, offered to SODA by Daniel Foster and sons, owners of "Seven Springs" will be a primary topic of discussion. The 3,000 acre development, 9 miles southwest of Tuscumbia has the Rattle Snake Saloon, silo lodgings, cabins, trails for horseback riding and will host the great Chuck Wagon Races in May.

SODA has been invited to host a music concert May 15 at Seven Springs. Three bands have volunteered their talent and time to help raise funds for the non profit community project. Plans for the event will be a part of this meeting.

Local businesses have sponsored this project, with advertising in two thousand brochures which have been distributed promoting the effort. A new brochure is in process. Some ad space is still available and the brochure will be discussed. We invite volunteer workers to attend this meeting and find your place to help make this opportunity a reality for the future of the Shoals. Contact numbers: 256-765-2113 or 767-1118.

The Barnett Brothers Band will be at West Side Village Community Center, Hwy 99 in the Owens Community, on Friday, March 20 at 7pm. Admission is \$5. All ages are welcome. No smoking allowed, no drugs or alcohol permitted. Bring finger foods to share at break. For more information, call 256-771-0586.

St. Florian Big Indoor Sale - Saturday, March 21, 6am-noon at St. Michael's Gym, next door to Riverhill School, 2751 Co. Rd. 30. Sponsored by participants of Dave Ramsey classes.

Muscle Shoals Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated will host their **Founders Celebration Program** on Saturday, March 21, 3pm at St. Mark Missionary Baptist Church, 220 East Alabama Street, Florence. Special Guest Speaker for the event is the Honorable Laura Hall, House District 19 Madison County and Member of the Huntsville Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. Representative Hall is a retired educator and serves as chairperson of the Governor's Commission on AIDS and also serves as the chairperson of the Alabama House of Representatives Black Caucus.

This event is FREE to the public. For more information contact: Dr. Thelma M. Robinson, Founders Day Chair at 256-764-1919.

Food for Christ - Rhodesville Methodist Church. More info call 256-810-8694.

Love and Learn Pre-K is currently registering for the fall 2015-16. Love and Learn is an Alabama First Class program. To be eligible for this program the child must be four on or before September 1, 2015 and be an Alabama resident. The weekly fee for attending is \$10 per week. There are no income requirements. We are located at 11600 County Road 71, Lexington. Call 256-394-5462

"Christian Jobs Ministry - Looking for a job?" Let us help. Our Christian Jobs Ministry meets each Monday Evening at 6pm in the Florence Boulevard Church of Christ Annex, 2502 Florence Blvd. Florence. 256-766-3617 Email fbc@florenceblvd.org or foxace@aol.com

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

Wednesday, March 18, 7am-4pm, Webster Elementary School, 200 Webster Ave, Muscle Shoals

Thursday, March 19, 7:30am-3:30pm, Colbert Heights High School, 6825 Woodmont Dr., Tuscumbia

Friday, March 20, 12-7pm, Wal-Mart, 13675 Hwy 43, Russellville

Saturday, March 21, 11am-5pm, Leighton City Hall, 8900 Main St., Leighton

Sunday, March 22, 12-6pm, Bargain Hunt, 149 Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence

Monday, March 23, 10am-4pm, Colbert Farmers Co-Op, 8140 Main St., Leighton

Tuesday, March 24, 10am-4pm, Lauderdale County Court House, 200 S Court St., Florence

Wednesday, March 25, 12-7pm, Wal-Mart, 1706 Military St. S, Hamilton

The March 2015 American Red Cross Blood Drives for Lauderdale, Colbert and Franklin Counties. Donors can schedule an appointment at or get additional information at www.redcrossblood.org Teresa Becker 256-990-0830.

Wednesday, March 18, 9am-2:30pm, Northwest Shoals Community College, Student Center Bldg 305, 2080 College Rd, Phil Campbell.

Lauderdale County School System will be accepting First Class Pre-Kindergarten applications funded by the Office of School Readiness for the upcoming 2015-2016 school year.

Applications may be picked up at the elementary school offices from March 2 - April 3 of Central, LCHS, Underwood, Waterloo, and Wilson Schools or at the Lauderdale County Board of Education (located at 355 County Road 61, Florence). Completed applications must be submitted to the elementary school office by 3pm on April 3.

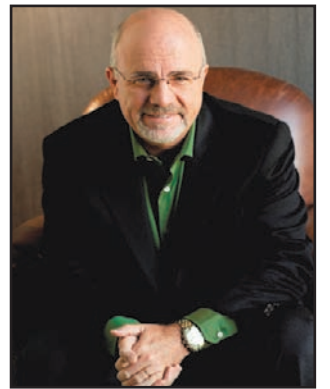
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For questions or more information regarding the Pre-Kindergarten application process, contact Dr. Gina Baggett or Linda Barnett at 256-760-1300.

DAVE SAYS

by DAVE RAMSEY

WHAT DOES IT MEAN?



Dear Dave,
I have a problem with impulse spending. I switched to a debit card so that the money comes straight out of my checking account, but I still buy things I know I shouldn't. Should I stop using the card?

Lauren

Dear Lauren,
Debit cards are great. You can't spend money you don't have with them like you can with a credit card, but you've still got to budget carefully and give a name to every single penny of your income. Otherwise, you can still overspend.

When I made the decision to get intentional with my money, I just used cash. It's hard to spend it when you don't have any on you. It's a tough thing, I know, but you have to make a conscious decision to start living differently. You have to get mad at the things that steal your money a dollar or two at a time, and you have to put your foot down.

Try looking at your life as a whole, not a moment at time. All the moments you're living right now will have either a positive or negative effect on your future. I decided I wanted the greater, long-term good, so I gave up on the short-term stuff.

Trust me, Lauren. The greater good is worth the sacrifice. But until you make that decision for yourself, you won't do it.

—Dave

Dear Will,
On a regular, day-to-day basis, I think maybe the biggest and best thing you can eliminate is eating out. There are always the shiny things people can do without. Sometimes people sell a fancy car or boat, and get rid of a \$600-a-month payment right off the bat. But it's really not a good idea to be eating out when you're broke. It really adds up.

I love a good restaurant, and I've got nothing against the industry. The problem, though, is that lots of people are struggling to pay their bills or set aside something for retirement because they're eating out all the time. Most folks simply don't realize how much money they throw away by heading to the drive-through for lunch or going out to dinner "once in a while."

I want people to enjoy life, and a great part of that can be going out and having a meal with your family and friends. But if you're experiencing financial issues, the only time you should see the inside of a restaurant is if you're working there!

—Dave

Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He's authored four *New York Times* best-selling books: *Financial Peace*, *More Than Enough*, *The Total Money Makeover* and *EntreLeadership*. The *Dave Ramsey Show* is heard by more than 5 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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Guest Op-Ed

The Republicans Are Traitors?

The *New York Daily News* unleashed a firestorm on March 10 with its front-page depiction of the 47 Republican U.S. Senators who signed a letter to Iran, reminding it that Iran's agreement with President Barack Obama still had to be reviewed and approved by them. In giant letters crossing the

bottom of the page was the word TRAITORS. Senator Tom Cotton, Arkansas Republican, called Tehran Tom by one democratic senator, was credited as the author of the letter. All but seven of the Senates 54 Republican majority signed. No Democrat signed and they are furious with this action. They have inferred that the Republicans are siding with America's enemies and, as Minority Leader Harry Reid said, "empowering the ayatollahs."

The Senate letter, which I closely read, advised the leaders of the Islamic Republic of Iran of the separation of powers in the Constitution between the executive branch, which makes international agreements, and the legislative branch that must approve such; that a treaty must be ratified by two-thirds of the Senate; and that without this majority vote of Congress it is merely an executive agreement and potentially meaningless after, in this case, Obama leaves office. It ends: "We hope this letter enriches your knowledge of our constitutional system and promotes mutual

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For more information, contact the UNA Department of Music & Theatre at 256-765-5122 or visit una.edu/music-theatre.

Avoid Disaster

Keep Poisons Away from Pet Pathways

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See **POISON...** on Page 22

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THE DANNY KILLEN MEMORIAL WALK / RUN TO EMMAUS will be on Saturday, March 21 at First United Methodist Church in Tuscumbia at 104 East Third Street. This event is a 5K / 1 Mile Fun Run and all proceeds support one of Danny's favorite places, Camp Sumatanga. Danny spent many wonderful hours at this 1700-acre mountain retreat facility participating in many outings and retreats. However, most often he was there supporting the Walk to Emmaus, a 72-hour spiritual weekend experience designed to develop Christian leaders and disciples. At 7am - Registration begins; 8am- 5K Start; 9:15am - 1 Mile Start. Entry fee: 5K: \$18; 1 Mile: \$12. For additional information, please contact Megan Smith or Melissa Parks at DannyKillenRun@yahoo.com. If you would like more information on Camp Sumatanga, please visit www.sumatanga.org.

CENTRAL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT will be hosting our monthly Swamp John's Fish fry Thursday March 19 from 4-7pm at the Central fire department. Fish, shrimp, chicken fingers, wings, and all the trimmings for \$10 including tea.

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A Thank You to Many

Dear Editor:

On behalf of United Cerebral Palsy of Northwest Alabama, thank you to everyone who so generously supported our recent telethon March 1 on the Valley's CW. We are so thankful to God and to this community for pledging over \$92,000 to date to help us provide services to children and adults who are developmentally disabled for another year. Thank you to the many individuals who helped with our telethon this year. This endeavor would be impossible without the help of so many.

And most of all, thanks to all of you who opened your hearts and wallets to give to friends and neighbors through the telethon again this year so we can continue to provide free therapy and help to families. THANK YOU.

Allison Isbell
Executive Director of UCP of NWAL

“Conversely, one has a moral responsibility to disobey unjust laws.”

Judging People

Dear Editor:

Don't criticize people because of race, religion, wealth, education, how they are dressed, etc.

Do judge them by what they say and how they act.

Irene Billingham
Florence

Fools of Appeasement

Editor:

No man escapes when freedom fails. The best men rot in filthy jails.

And those who cried "Appease! Appease!" are hanged by the ones they tried to please.

'Nuff said.

Dorothy W. Tarleton
Leighton

Dangerous Doctrine

Editor:

I continue to be amazed by the ignorance of some elected officials on constitutional matters. When asked about the legal fight over same-sex marriage in Alabama, Governor Bentley

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Dangerous Doctrine

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said he would never do anything to disobey a federal court ruling. He said, "We are a nation under laws. We may not always agree with them, but we obey them."

The governor was responding to various courts redefining marriage and forcing states to comply with the redefinition contrary to the Federal Constitution and Alabama's state constitution. What if a federal judge rules that the pedophile has a constitutional right to molest one of the governor's grandchildren?

There is nothing in the Constitution about marriage. Amendment Ten to the Constitution states, "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people." The State of Alabama's law about marriage is in full compliance with Constitution.

The governor missed an opportunity to offer a vigorous defense of the nature of law, the Constitution, the Tenth Amendment, and the dangers of judicial supremacy. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said, "One has not only a legal but a moral responsibility to obey just laws. Conversely, one has a moral responsibility to disobey unjust laws." Thomas Jefferson said, "To consider the judges as the ultimate arbiters of all constitutional questions is a very dangerous doctrine indeed, and one which would place us under the despotism of an oligarchy."

Euell White
Florence

Willingness to Be Ignorant

To the Editor:

Mankind is hopeless, helpless, and lost. What is the solution to such a sad dilemma? The grace of God (God's past grace). A gift of Heaven is the remedy for sin, but remedies have to be applied. How is this done? Bible knowledge. Acts 5:29 in part, "We ought to obey God rather than men." Acts 20:27 in part, "The whole counsel of God." Also read Luke 7:30. Acts 17:11 in part, "Searches the scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so."

What does God say about be not ignorant? Ignorance of the Bible has potential devastating effects. Read Romans 10:3, read II Peter 3:5.

May we crave the word of God, read I Peter 2:2. Read II Peter 3:8, not to be ignorant of a certain matter. Read John 8:32 in part "The truth shall make you free." Be not ignorant of the plan of salvation. In II Peter, a book of knowledge God says encourage spiritual growth, oppose false teachers who teach a "cheap grace". Read II Peter 2:21-22. Stay clear of a Burger King salvation. Be not ignorant of true worship.

The Bible is the best commentary within itself.

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Killen into HOF

This past Saturday, the Lauderdale County Sports Hall of Fame inducted ten new members into their 16th Hall of Fame class. One member inducted started building his sports legacy at an early age. Nathan Killen began playing varsity level sports in the eighth grade at Rogers High School.

Killen played varsity baseball, basketball and football for the Pirates. From 1985-1987, he led his baseball team with the highest batting average. In 1987, Killen was selected to the All-Area team as a catcher. In football is where Killen really excelled. In 1986, he was named All-County, All-Area and All-State.

In 1987, he earned the Army All-Scholar Athletic Award. He made the TimesDaily Honorable Mention Player of the Week award five times and Suburban News Player of the Week ten times. After graduation, Killen played four years under Coach Bobby Wallace at the University of North Alabama. He was a walk-on in 1988 and was later awarded a scholarship by Wallace and became a four-year letterman.

He started at Offensive Lineman and played in every game except one due to a concussion. After graduating from UNA, Killen began his coaching career at his alma mater—Rogers High School. During his stint as an assistant football coach from 1993-2011, the Pirates went to the Final Eight three times and the Final Four once.

Killen was the Pirates' head track coach from 1994-2007 where his boys teams won 5 Sectional titles and his girls teams captured 1. His track teams finished as State Runner-Up in 1998 and 2001 and captured the State Track Championship in 1997.

In all, more than 30 of Killen's athletes won individual state titles.

Last Saturday was a memorable day for Nathan Killen and his induction into the Lauderdale County Sports Hall of Fame was well deserving.

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1. Al Green
2. Nell Coe
3. O.J. Ram
4. Pat Cain
5. Len Tautine
6. Stan Geer
7. Carl Poor
8. Eva Trip

See how quickly you can puzzle them out. No fair peeking.

SPLASH PARTY! Who gets splashed? Take a guess. Apply the following colors neatly: 1—Red. 2—Lt. blue. 3—Yellow. 4—Lt. brown. 5—Flesh tones. 6—Lt. green. 7—Dk. brown. 8—Dk. blue.



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24	1	8		
23	5	7	14	16
4	6	13	20	22
10	12	19	21	3
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SEVEN UP! Give three wake-up times beginning with 7 and ending with 7 suggested by numbers associated with commercial airlines. What say?

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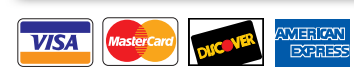
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Read Hebrews 12:19-29. Read all of it to see what God says about worship. In spirit and truth. Be not ignorant of the life the Lord demands of us all, we are held accountable to be people of holiness, read Hebrews 12:14. Obedient, read Hebrews 5:9. Faithful, read Matthew 25:21. Search the scriptures to find the demands of God. Be not ignorant of death.

The Bible, God's Word, will prepare the obedient for death, judgment and eternity. God's plan of saving man, please read Ephesians 2:8, Romans 5:9, Romans 1:16, Acts 16:31, Luke 13:3, romans 10:10, I Peter 3:21, James 2:24, Romans 8:24, Revelation 2:10, and all of God's Word.

Gene Neese
Killen

Bullfights a Barbaric Scene

Editor:

Reports about a young American man who suffered serious injuries while attending a bullfighting festival in Spain is a reminder that bullfights and bull runs can be dangerous for the human participants. For the bulls, they are always deadly.

In bullfighting arenas throughout Spain, Mexico, France, and South America, bulls are repeatedly stabbed with knives until they die in a pool of blood. Their torment is prolonged, and the bulls' wails of pain can be heard throughout the ring. Bullfighting has caused immeasurable agony and death to countless bulls.

Bullfights are truly

barbaric spectacles that have no place in civilized society. It is neither art nor culture to deliberately torture an animal until he dies. You can help by refusing to attend bullfights

and speaking out against them. Stop the bloodshed.

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Poison...

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amount of a toxic substance can be big trouble," says Dr. John Hammons, president of the ALVMA.

Below is a list of some of the top poisons pets are most susceptible to. Some are obvious, but others may surprise you. Please be sure you are familiar with all of them. They are as follows:

- Foods (chocolate, xylitol and grapes/raisins)
- Insecticides (sprays, bait, and spot-on flea/tick treatments)
- Mouse and rat poison (rodenticides)
- Human and pet medications
- Household cleaners (sprays, detergents, polishes)
- Fertilizers (bone meal, blood meal and iron based products)

Other poisons that are extremely dangerous include antifreeze and acetaminophen. Veterinarians have also seen numerous cases of xylitol poisoning (xylitol is found in many sugarless gums, candies and mints), human medications such as non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications, antidepressants and flowers. Symptoms can range from digestive upset and neurological signs, to liver and/or kidney failure.

If you think your pet has come in to contact with a poison, call your veterinarian immediately. Sometimes induction of vomiting is indicated, while in other cases IV fluid therapy and oral charcoal therapy may be indicated. Poisons are fast-acting and can be fatal. Do not hesitate to contact your veterinarian if you see any indications of poisoning such as vomiting, diarrhea, drooling/hypersalivating, inappetance, nausea, coughing or vomiting blood, weakness, lethargy or collapse.

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The Open Meetings Act was passed overwhelmingly by both houses in 2005 and states, "It is the policy of this state that the deliberative process of governmental bodies shall be open to the public during meetings as defined in Section 36-25A-2(6)." That is the solid bedrock for the remainder of the law.

There are times when closed meetings are necessary with nine expressed exceptions. Some of the more familiar exceptions include attorney-client privilege, security issues, discussion of general reputation of an employee or candidate for employment, and the preliminary negotiations of trade and commerce.

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Task Force Meets with Preservation Peers



SHEFFIELD—Last month over a potluck dinner in the Helen Keller Library conference room, members of the local Stop Alabama Tar Sands Mining task force met to discuss issues with kindred spirits from Birmingham, Mobile, Texas, and Utah.

Most of the visitors drove up from Mobile where they had been attending the Extreme Energy Extraction Summit. Guests included Jesse Fruhwirth and Victor Puertas of Peaceful Uprising and Utah Tar Sands Resistance; Ramsey Sprague and Herb Wagner of Mobile Environmental Justice Action Coalition; David Underhill from Mobile Sierra Club; Ron Siefert and Cindy Spoon of Tar Sands Blockade in Texas; and Adam Johnston, from Birmingham with the Alabama Rivers Alliance and a Alabama Sierra Club board member. The Shoals Environmental Alliance, Shoals Earth Month and Tennessee Riverkeeper were represented with the local contingent.

"It was a great opportunity to share our thoughts and experiences with a group of dedicated people from outside our region," David Cope said. "Our common concern for preserving the beauty of nature and protecting clean water from contamination was the theme for this meeting."

"Sometimes we feel a little isolated from the rest of the state and the rest of the country up here in Northwest Alabama," said Charles Rose. "It was quite gratifying to know that there are people elsewhere who have the same concerns as we do."

Standing, l-r: Grant Posey, Joel Mize, Victor Puertas, Jesse Fruhwirth, Charles Rose, John Crowder, Nancy Muse, Mark Kolinski, David Cope, David Underhill, Cindy Spoon, Peggy McCloy. Kneeling, l-r: Herb Wagner, Jackie Posey, Adam Johnston, Ramsey Sprague, Ron Siefert. Not pictured: Janice Barrett. Courtesy photo

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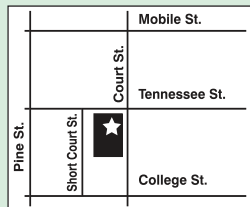
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Guest Opinion-Editorial

Republican Traitors?...

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understanding and clarity as nuclear negotiations progress." Signatures followed.

But does this letter constitute treason as the newspaper claimed and leading Democrats inferred?

As with every issue first consideration should be, "What does the Constitution say?" The word treason appears in Article III, Section 3, and follows: "Treason against the United States, shall consist only in levying War against them, or in adhering to their enemies giving them Aid and Comfort." Did this letter, reminding a dictatorial government, where the voice of one dominates, of our constitutional procedures requiring the voice of many, consist of levying war against the United States? No! Did it adhere to the interests of our enemies, which Iran is or we would not have sanctions imposed against it? No again. The Constitution continues, "No Persons shall be convicted of Treason unless on the Testimony of two Witnesses to the same overt Act, or on Confession in open Court." Clearly the Senate Republican letter cannot be attached to any of the properties of treason in the

Constitution. The *New York Daily News* and Democrats making the charge has convicted nearly half of the U.S. Senate as traitors without constitutional basis.

However, to the charge that they are interfering with negotiations by reminding the Iranians of our constitutional procedures, the Constitution clearly prescribes such in Article II, Section 2, Clause 2. The President "shall have Power, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Senate to make Treaties, provided two thirds of the Senators present concur." The advice function is performed during the creation of a treaty and the consent function is thereafter, once an agreement is presented to them. Many presidents have not sought the advice of the Senate when they created treaties. Obama has shown no tendency to do so either, preferring to prepare a treaty without any advice from Congress.

Obviously a letter to a foreign government reminding it that no branch of government operates independently of another in the United States, does not constitute giving advice to the President. But in a distorted way, it does. It reminds the President of constitutional procedure as well and places him on notice that he can expect resistance should he circumvent the constitutional treaty-making process.

So why did the Senate not wait for the finished treaty? Because they were afraid. This Congress has experienced the most encroaching president on legislating and treaty-making powers since Franklin D. Roosevelt and they were not certain that he would even present the finished treaty to them for ratification. Remember, this is the same president who by executive order by-passed Congress on executive amnesty thereby making his own law and independently changed parts of the National Health Care Bill at least 14 times with a stroke of the pen with no constitutional authority.

My question to the seven Republicans who did not sign and to all the Democrats in the U.S. Senate is this. Why did you not sign as well? Why is there not bipartisan support of the Constitution? Can't you see your authority being eroded? If a Republican did the same thing increasingly, by executive order or fiat, undermining the constitutional separation of powers leaving your body weaker than before, you would be all over him. Ironically, Republicans would be supporting their president. Neither party sees its own as dangerous.

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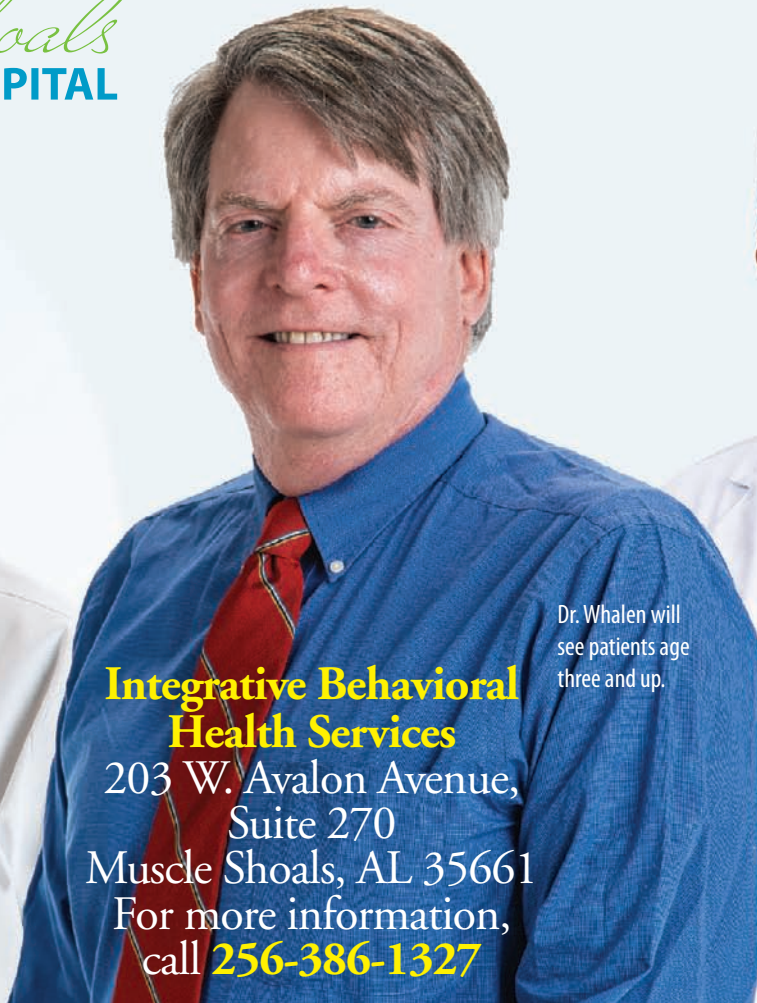
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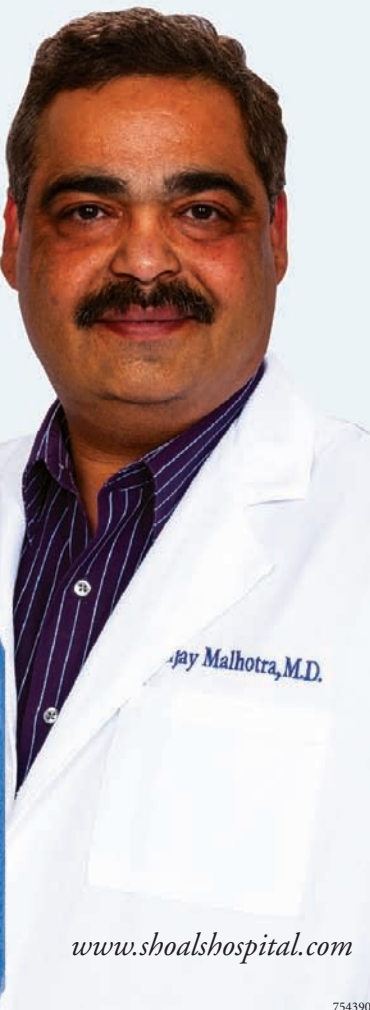
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BREAKING GROUND

The right tools for the job can be the difference between an interminable landscaping project and one that goes smoothly and efficiently. Aspiring landscapers probably have a few shovels and rakes hanging in their garages and sheds for basic landscaping work. But while

such tools are effective for certain projects, when it comes to churning soil for garden beds or digging holes for outdoor structures, additional tools come in handy. It may be well worth a trip to a nearby home center to purchase or rent one of these tools ideal for breaking ground.

ROTOTILLER

A rototiller, sometimes called just a "tiller," is a powered garden tool designed to loosen soil prior to planting. A rototiller also can help aerate soil during the growing season. Because they reduce the need for manual spade digging or hoeing, tillers can be useful landscaping tools, particularly for homeowners who want to work efficiently.

Rototillers will break through tough soil and any plant roots. They come in a variety of sizes, and it's best to match the tool to the size of the job. Many homeowners can get by with smaller, less powerful models, especially if the tiller is only necessary at the beginning of planting season. Professional landscapers or those with large swatches of property may benefit from larger models.

AUGER

Augers, both mechanical and manual, are essentially large drill bits that help move materials from one location to another. Augers are typically used to cut holes in landscapes, and they are good for post-hole drilling, which is part of the process of installing

deck footings, fencing posts or other structures. Augers come in a variety of sizes, and homeowners can choose how much power they prefer. Augers can be heavy and cumbersome, and many do-it-yourselfers will find that one-person augers are more than adequate for their projects.

Augers dig deep holes, so it is always smart to have the property surveyed prior to use. This way pipes, gas lines, buried electrical lines, and any other obstructions are clearly identified prior to drilling.

CULTIVATOR

Cultivators are similar to tillers in that they loosen soil. Cultivators are effective during the growth period of plants, when they can be used to aerate the soil and remove weeds. Cultivators come in hand-held versions and push models, and some are even motorized. Cultivators get close to plants to remove weeds without disturbing the plant. They also are used to stir in compost or fertilizer.

While many people think cultivators and tillers are the same, that is not the case. The former is less powerful and will mix the soil or stir up the top layer, while the latter can break up moderately hard ground and loosen firm soil.

When using any tools around the garden, wear the proper protection. This includes devices to protect hearing when power tools are in use as well as gloves and safety goggles. Tillers, augers and cultivators have the potential to toss soil and rocks into the air, so make sure others keep their distance while work is in progress.



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Some estimates suggest there are as many unowned as owned felines in the U.S., most of them unvaccinated and never spayed or neutered. Left free to reproduce, they'll create the next generation of community cats, and the next, and the next.

Operation Catnip aims to change that, says founder Dr. Julie Levy, director of the shelter medicine program at the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine. The trap-neuter-return (TNR) organization has been running free high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter clinics for community cats in Gainesville, Florida, since 1998. In 2014 alone, they helped 2,693 cats and prevented the births of an estimated 6,142 kittens just in the first year following surgery.

Now, thanks to a grant from PetSmart Charities, they're throwing open their operational model and training program to veterinarians, veterinary students and veterinary technicians from all over the country.

"Our vision is to train an army of veterinarians to spay and neuter America's community cats," said Levy. "This approach, along with vaccination, will allow us to reduce cat population, control infectious diseases and improve the lives of the cats."

Operation Catnip clinics are run MASH-style, with each cat tended by volunteer veterinarians, technicians and veterinary students. Each cat receives a medical examination and, if healthy, is spayed or neutered, treated for fleas and other parasites, and returned to the same place she or he was trapped.

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Volunteers are a key component to Operation Catnip's efforts.



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surgery. This means those cats can easily be identified as having already been sterilized, so they won't be trapped again, putting them through unnecessary stress and taking the place of cats who still need care.

One graduate of the program, Dr. Amy Karls, was so inspired by her training with the Operation Catnip program that she now volunteers her services with four different community cat organizations near her North Grafton, Massachusetts, home — all that on top of her full-time career as a veterinarian.

"I wasn't taught the high-volume, high-quality surgical techniques now commonly used in TNR programs while I was in veterinary school," she said. "We learned new surgical skills, colony management and trapping techniques, and feline medical and behavioral pearls."

America is a nation of cat lovers. One 2007 study found that 81 percent of us would prefer to see cats left where they are rather than killed, if those were the only two choices. Programs like Operation Catnip, which saves community cats, offer something better than either: reduced population over time, vaccination to help prevent infectious disease, and a chance for healthy feral cats to return to their homes in our communities without adding to the feline population.

It also offers a chance for veterinarians to become better surgeons, and for all veterinary professionals to learn innovative strategies for managing community cats in their hometowns.

"I was able to bring everything I learned back to our local rescue and TNR groups," said Karls. "It was truly wonderful to see so many people united for the common goal of improving the lives of the homeless cat population."

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Plans are underway for the annual **W.C. Handy Music Festival**, July 17-26 presented in honor of Florence native W.C. Handy. The Music Preservation Society is issuing a Call for Entries for the 2015 W.C. Handy Music Festival Design Competition. Visual artists are invited to submit artwork for the design for this year's festival. The design will be used to publicize the Festival and reflect the theme of the Festival on T-shirts, posters and other memorabilia, and in several advertising formats. Design specifications are available from the Festival Office. In addition, the winner of the Design Competition will receive a \$500 prize. All entries must be of original creation, copyright-free, and must be submitted no later than April 10 along with a \$10 entry fee. For more information, call 256-766-7642 or 256-766-9719.

The **Lauderdale County School System** will be accepting applications through April 3 for the following TOPS Preschool Programs: Brooks Elementary School, Lauderdale County High School, and Wilson High School. Parents may pick up and return an application at the preschool site closest to where they live. All applicants must apply in person and bring with them: original (blue) immunization card, copy of birth certificate, and proof of residency.

Typical peers will be determined through a drawing process. The drawing will be held the first week of May, 2015. Names not drawn will be placed on a waiting list. Three-year-olds will go two days per week (Tuesdays and Thursdays), and four-year-olds will go three days per week (Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays). Applications are available at www.lcschools.org. All typically developing peers must go through the application process to attend the TOPS Preschool Program.

Children with special needs do not need to go through the application process. They will continue to be determined by their IEP team based on their needs, as required by law.

Waterloo Church of Christ Ladies' Day will be March 21. Registration begins at 9:30am. Speaker is Beth Darby. Breakfast and lunch provided.

Book Talk/Signing with Tom McDonald - Saturday, March 21, 1pm at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library.

Tom McDonald, younger brother of late historian William Lindsey McDonald, will visit the library to talk about his books "When Memories Come Calling" and "Dirt Road Memories". Both books are collections of true stories of Tom's experiences from his boyhood, marriage, family life, and career in education right here in the Shoals. For more information, call 256-764-6564, ext. 28.

Food for Christ - Rhodesville Methodist Church. More info call 256-810-8694.

"Christian Jobs Ministry - Looking for a job?" Let us help. Our Christian Jobs Ministry meets each Monday Evening at 6pm in the Florence Boulevard Church of Christ Annex, 2502 Florence Blvd. Florence. 256-766-3617 Email fbcf@florenceblvd.org or foxace@aol.com

Free, Fun Low Impact Aerobics, Killen Senior Center. Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30-10:30am 256-757-1792.

Love and Learn Pre-K is currently registering for the fall 2015-16. Love and Learn is an Alabama First Class program. To be eligible for this program the child must be four on or before September 1, 2015 and be an Alabama resident. The weekly fee for attending is \$10 per week. There are no income requirements. We are located at 11600 County Road 71, Lexington. Call 256-394-5462

Fourth Saturday Breakfast at the Zip City Community Center on March 28 from 6:30-9am. Menu includes eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, gravies, grits, juice and coffee. Adults \$6, children under 12, \$3. Proceeds used for Center expenses. Everyone is invited.

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Randall on Real Estate

News & Tips on the Shoals Market



Principle-Based Negotiations

There was once a story about two chefs who were fighting over the last orange in the kitchen. They both needed an orange for their recipe. After bickering over it they decided to split the orange 50/50, and each take half.

One chef squeezed the juice from his half of the orange into his special sauce and threw the peel in the garbage. The other chef carefully grated the peel of his half into his cake mix and discarded the rest. Neither chef had quite enough of what they needed but would have to make it work.

Negotiating on position or "digging in" to one side can be detrimental to the outcome of what you're trying to achieve. Instead of negotiating on the "what," ask questions and find out the "why." Focus on principle, not position.

This is the main point of the book I'm currently reading: *Getting to Yes: Negotiating Agreement Without Giving In*, by Roger Fisher, William Ury, and Bruce Patton from the Harvard Negotiation Project.

Think of the two chefs mentioned above. What if they had discussed what it was that they needed from the orange? One needed only the juice, and the other chef needed only the peel. They both could have benefitted from the entire orange instead of only half.

Negotiation is a major part of a real estate transaction. First, you negotiate price. Then, who pays closing costs, possession dates, etc? Next, there will likely be negotiations on repairs once the home has been inspected. It will always help to ask questions when negotiating these terms. This will allow you to find out what is really important to each party.

Too many times a negotiation will fail to come to an agreement because someone thinks they have to "win."

If a buyer is not willing to meet your price, ask why. It could be that they are concerned about the age of your central unit. In this case, you might offer to pay for a two-year home warranty, which will give them piece of mind for the first couple of years.

Asking the right questions may allow you to benefit from the whole orange instead of only half. On the flip side, not asking "why" may leave you holding on to that house until the next offer comes along, which will most likely be less than the offer you have right now. -mr

Please feel free to send your questions.

Rest assured I will only use your first name when I answer your questions. Email to: questions@mikerandallhomes.com or mail to:

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THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL Shaken by their visit and the stories of their blissful honeymoon, Brooke had a difficult time maintaining her sobriety. Hoping to find an excuse to get her sister out of her house, Maya asked Carter to look into Nicole's personal life. Wyatt tried his best to persuade his mother not to rush into marriage with Deacon. During his research, Carter discovered an important piece of information that Nicole was keeping from Maya. Deacon made a promise to be there for Brooke whenever she needed him. Maya confronted her sister about the real reason she came to Los Angeles. *Wait to See: Bill confronts Ridge about his intentions toward Caroline.*

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Sonny ran into Paul immediately upon returning to town. Justin and Adrienne shared a heated exchange before he took off for Dubai. Brady must defend his innocence to his family and friends. JJ pulled out all the stops to get Paige to forgive him. Will threatened to reveal the name of Paul's father if Tori didn't get her son out of Salem fast. Nicole confronted Serena about the elephant statues. Sonny and Will shared a tense reunion. Paige made a final decision regarding JJ. Nicole and Daniel shared a sexy encounter. Serena made one final attempt to complete her mission. *Wait to See: Ben asks Abigail a life-changing question.*

GENERAL HOSPITAL Lulu gave Maxie advice. Cameron came clean to Elizabeth about what happened the night of the fire. Tracy gave Lulu an update on Luke's sister Pat. Nathan had an ultimatum for Spinelli. Kiki wasn't pleased with Sabrina's latest job. Sabrina overheard

Rosalie sharing some vital information about ELQ with someone on the phone. Spencer learned who might have started the fire. Nathan went to extremes to stop Spinelli from interfering in his relationship with Maxie. Jake and Elizabeth were caught off guard by a surprise visitor. Ava asked Silas for a big favor. *Wait to See: More secrets are revealed about the Spencer family's past.*

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Kyle warned Abby to stop being so jumpy or it would make people suspicious. Sage challenged Adam to tell Chelsea the truth about himself. Kelly leaned on Stitch for support. Kevin hacked into Austin's computer and found some shocking information. Sharon told Noah that things were better between her and Nick and hoped, in time, that Summer would forgive her as well. Victor updated his mysterious accomplice on their plan. Lily lashed out at Hilary for destroying her family. Avery was surprised when Joe reached out to her for legal help. *Wait to See: A suspect emerges in Austin's murder.*

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The Nation of Israel

The LORD told Abraham in: **Genesis 12:3** "And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed." God further states in: **Genesis 17:8** "And I will give unto thee, and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession; and I will be their God." We know because Israel sinned, God scattered them among the nations of the world. But God promised in **Jeremiah 29:14** "And I will be found of you, saith the LORD: and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD; and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive." What a blessing to see this prophecy by the Lord fulfilled in my lifetime in 1948. Today, Israel has become the "hub" and center of world controversy posing as an unsolvable problem in current affairs today. **What blessing it will be in the Kingdom of Christ to see Israel become the center of world activity as prophesied in scriptures. Isaiah 60:14 & Ephesians 5:5.**

What a blessing a week ago to see Israel's Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu receive many standing ovations during his speech in front of congress. America has been good to Israel, and God blessed this nation because of it. If we turn our back on Israel now, it will finish the country off. All the goodness of God toward us depends on how we treat the "hub" (Israel) of the middle east.

Ezekiel 34:28 "And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid." Confirmed in **Romans 11:26** "And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob." Soon the nation that was cast off, will be restored to her Maker. **Isaiah 54:5** "For thy Maker is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall be called." **Coming soon at your local earth, The Lord Jesus Christ.**

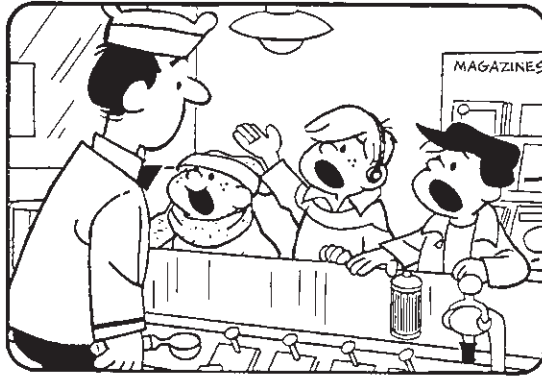
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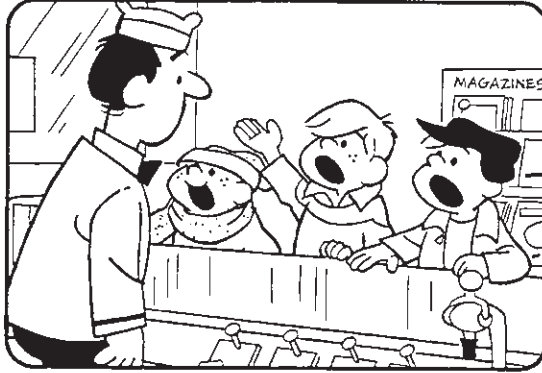
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Community Notes...

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Shoals Animal Advocates Adoption and Fundraiser events

Saturday, March 21, 9am-7pm, Shoals Flea Market, North Alabama State Fair Grounds - Sportsplex Drive, Muscle Shoals Sunday, March 22, 10am-5pm, Shoals Flea Market, North Alabama State Fair Grounds - Sportsplex Drive, Muscle Shoals For more info: shoalsanimaladvocates@yahoo.com; facebook.com/shoalsanimaladvocates; New Website http://shoalsanimaladvocates.com/ 256-415-7155 Stephanie; 256-653-7561 Cheryl; or 256-712-4414 Cadie.

The Extreme 10k, 5K and Fun Run called "Running Buck Wild" takes place at Joe Wheeler State Park on March 21 beginning at 9am. The name stems from the abundant wildlife at Joe Wheeler State Park such as the Whitetail Deer. The 5K will take runners across different terrains such as hiking trails, asphalt, and gravel roads. The race will start in the picnic area at Shelter 1, go through hiking trails, through the campground, around more trails, and back to the picnic area to finish. In some areas, runners will run along side the great Tennessee River. Runners will be sure to enjoy the natural beauty of Joe Wheeler State Park.

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The speaker will be Rusty Stephens, Pharmaceutical Representative. The topic will be Adasuve is an inhalation powder used in the ER to calm agitated psychiatric patients.

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Cloverdale Community Center Monthly Luncheon will be Tuesday, March 25 at 11:30am. Everyone welcome.

Helen Keller Hospital will host the 21st Annual Heart Healthy Dining Out

on Tuesday, March 24. This event will take place at the Marriott Shoals Conference Center at 5:30 p.m. This is a community education program sponsored by the Keller's Cardio Pulmonary Rehabilitation Department. The goal of the program is to educate people how to make healthier choices while dining out. "We want people to realize that they do not have to compromise taste in order to eat healthy," said Angela Hamilton Vinson, RN, BSN. Area restaurants bring samples of their heart-healthy entrees for the attendees to enjoy. Participating restaurants include: Sperry's, George's Steak Pit, Keller Café, Marriott-Shoals, Legend's, Olive Garden, LaHacienda, Yummies Bakery, The Rising Crust, Yogurt Mountain, and more! Tickets are \$7 each and can be purchased at the Keller Wellcare Center. This event will sell out, so get your ticket early. Call 256-386-4747 for ticket information.

One Place of the Shoals will host a benefit Rummage Sale Saturday, April 4 at Wilson Park from 10am-5pm as part of the Earth Day Fest event. All proceeds from the One Place sale will benefit One Place of the Shoals. Rummage Items are needed! Drop-Off dates are Friday March 27 from 8-5 and Saturday, March 28 from 8am-noon at One Place, 200 W. Tennessee St. in Florence. For more information, call Leann Ford at 256-284-7600.

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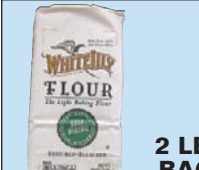
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