

Long-Lewis Earns Torch

HUNTSVILLE - The Better Business Bureau of North Alabama, Inc. hosted its 18th Annual Torch Awards celebration last week in Huntsville. Winners and finalists of its Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics were announced.

A prestigious panel comprised of representatives of the academic and business community judged the eighteen Torch Award entries.

The 2015 Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics in the Large Business Category (100+ employees) went to Long-Lewis Ford Lincoln of the Shoals, Inc. Long-Lewis in Muscle Shoals is in the business to make a difference in the lives of their employees, families, customers, their community and their industry. The company is committed to the adherence of its five core values every day: Character, Attitude, Drive, Energy, and Talent.

The Torch Awards celebration also included the fourteenth annual presentation of Torch Scholarships which are made available to high school juniors and seniors in North Alabama. When submitting an entry for the Torch Scholarship, students are asked to write a 400-word essay on what Ethics in the Marketplace means to them.

Kayla Holcombe of Florence High School was one of five north Alabama scholarship recipients in the amount of \$1,000 each.

In Nation's Top Fifty

HUNTSVILLE-Huntsville Hospital has been named one of the nation's 50 Top Cardiovascular Hospitals by Truven Health Analytics.™ The winning hospitals were recently announced in *Modern Healthcare* magazine.

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The study measures

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Coach Larry Gilmer, left, is congratulated by nominator, Samuel Richardson, and John Hannah at a surprise pep rally last week. (Hal Yeager/AP Images for Dove Men+Care Deodorant: Caring Coach Campaign)

He's a Caring Coach

Russellville's Gilmer One of Four Honored Nationally

RUSSELLVILLE-Russellville Middle School coach, Larry Gilmer, had a surprise pep rally staged in his honor at the school's Gym last week which included an unexpected visitor. Gilmer was recognized by Dove Men+Care and the College Football Hall of Fame for being a positive force in his community for the last two decades. He was one

of only four coaches honored this year as a Caring Coach of the Year. The award was presented to Gilmer by legendary Crimson Tide and New England Patriots offensive lineman, John Hannah.

In addition to receiving the award at the celebratory pep rally, Coach Gilmer and his nominator, Samuel Richardson, will receive funding for the Russellville Middle School football team and a trip to Atlanta, Georgia in December to be

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The Secret Sisters

Special Shoals Show
Secret Sisters

FLORENCE — The Heritage Christian University Associates is hosting *An Evening with the Secret Sisters* on Thursday, December 3 in the University Auditorium on Campus. The show begins at 6:30pm. Space is limited, so those interested in attending are encouraged to get their tickets early.

The Heritage Associates are a group of women

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Courtesy photo NW-SCC

NW-SCC Salon and Spa Center

MUSCLE SHOALS-- Northwest-Shoals Community College officially opened the new Salon and Spa Center (building 131) with a brief press conference and ribbon cutting followed by an open house.

The opening of the 8,844 square-foot facility which now houses the Salon and Spa Management program was under construction for twelve months and completed this fall. The state-of-

the-art training lab contains facilities for cosmetology, nail technology, esthetics, and possibly therapeutic massage in the future. The facility also features a storm shelter with a capacity of 195.

The center replaces an outdated 4,000 sq. ft. facility which was constructed in the mid-1960s. The new facility offers

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Sisters...

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associated with the university who seeks to support the school through various events.

The nationally popular sister act from Greenhill of Laura Rogers and Lydia Slagle is currently on tour with fellow Shoals native, John Paul White. However, they were able to work this special performance into their schedule. Proceeds go directly to Heritage Christian to be used as needed. The show will be family-oriented and will appeal to all ages.

The Secret Sisters are starting to work on their third album soon. Two songs from that album will debut at the Heritage Christian performance.

"We're asked to do a lot of benefits, but we can't possibly do them all," Rogers said in an earlier interview. "We prefer causes we're passionate about, or have some relation to. Neither of us went to Heritage, but we come from a world of people who have been touched by their mission. As Christians we believe in their mission. We don't get to play nearly enough hometown shows, so this is going to be fun for us."

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THE REWARDS SYSTEM

My husband and I have been trying to pay off a large debt (approx. \$15,000) for over a year and have made little progress. I've recently found a great way to motivate us.

After a certain amount is paid off, we are rewarding ourselves with something special. We just celebrated the \$3000 mark with a special dinner out. My husband commented that he couldn't believe we'd paid off that much, and it made him want to pay off even more.

M.

A WARM BED

I love a cozy bed, and in the winter, it gets miserably cold where I live. This fall, I thought it would be nice to have some flannel sheets, but they are so expensive. I walked into my favorite thrift store one day recently, and there was a brand new set of heavy flannel sheets! I immediately bought them, took them home, washed them, and then had another idea. I decided to use only one of the sheets at a time. Instead of putting both the fitted and flat sheet on the bed, I just put one of the sheets on and alternate with cotton. Not only is it warmer, but also I always have the other sheet washed and ready when I change the bed. I had some leftover flannel from another project and made two large pillowcases. Since most of our heat leaves our head, it made sense to me to have these warm pillowcases. This is the most comfortable and warmest bed I've ever had! I'm looking forward to hunkering down with a good book this winter!

Karen K.

NATURAL DEODORANT

I wanted to find a deodorant that was chemical free and worked. I stumbled upon using baking soda. I put a small amount in the palm of my hand and add a little water. I rub the baking soda and water between my hands and then apply it under my arms. I'm too impatient to wait for it to dry, so I sprinkle cornstarch over it.

This has worked beautifully. I found I am still odor free even if I don't shower the next day, and I don't appear to sweat either. This method not only saved me money, but it is good for me, too.

Renee

CREATIVE GIFT BOXES

Regarding the "how" of getting free or low-cost gift boxes, here's a great idea that I read about just last night in a book on gift-wrapping. Use spray paint on ordinary boxes that food and consumer goods are packaged in to hide any lettering, logos, etc. that

may be on the outside.

You can apply embellishments like stenciling, sponging, stamping, charms, stickers, decorative painting, yarn, small toys, fabric scraps, snippets of lace, silk flowers, ribbon roses, old greeting cards, etc. to make your gift package look even prettier and to camouflage any damaged areas on the box.

Not only will you be spared the expense of buying those expensive, store-bought gift boxes, but also you're helping the environment by recycling what would normally end up in a landfill into a gift box that's truly distinctive and one-of-a-kind!

Lynn

GRAB BAG GIFT IDEA

Since the holidays are drawing near and so many people are feeling the crunch financially, I want to share a neat idea! We do a lot of gift grabs. So this year, I asked everyone to wrap and give something of their own for which they no longer have any use. It has to be something in good shape, in good working order, and useful. I think this will be a fun thing! What do you think?

Anita K.

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The **Lauderdale County Solid Waste Department** and the **Lauderdale County Landfill** will be closed Thursday, November 26 in observance of Thanksgiving. Garbage collection service in Lauderdale County will run one day late. Thursdays will be picked up Friday, and Fridays will be picked up on Saturday. Please have your garbage carts out by 7am.

Colbert County Animal Control needs volunteers at the Colbert shelter to help walk, play with, and love our shelter dogs keeping them acclimated to human love and contact for their eventual adoptions! Please join our team! We are completely full and desperately need more volunteers! We are open Monday - Friday, 10am - noon and 1:30-5pm. Parent required for those under 16 years old. 5010 Missouri Street, Tusculum 256-381-4073.

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The **Barnett Brothers Band** will be at West Side Village Community Center, Hwy 99 in the Owens Community, Friday, November 27, 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.

VFW Sheffield Post 4919. Book your Holiday Party Now. Spacious room, bar if needed. For more information, call Deb White at 256-349-8409.

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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, November 25, 11am-5pm, Gander Mountain, 340 Seville St., Florence Friday, November 27, 10am-6pm, Burkes Outlet, 374 Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence

Saturday, November 28, 10am-6pm, Wal-Mart, 1706 Military St S, Hamilton Sunday, Monday 29, 12-4pm, BAM, 318 Cox Creek Pkwy, Florence

VFW Sheffield Post 4919 will have a dance every Friday and Saturday Night. The doors open at 6pm, the band starts at 7pm.

Dr. Beth Cabrera will be at the Florence-Lauderdale Public Library to sell and sign copies of her book "Beyond Happy: Women, Work, and Well-Being" Wednesday, November 25, from 11am-1pm. Over the course of a decade, Cabrera has surveyed and interviewed more than a thousand women to gather insight into how to effectively balance career and family responsibilities. Dr. Cabrera's book gathers essential findings and offers women proven strategies for living more authentic, meaningful lives. Cabrera is a senior scholar at the Center for the Advancement of Well-Being at George Mason University. For more information, call 256-764-6564, ext. 28.

Fourth Saturday Breakfast at the Zip City Community Center on November 28 from 6:30-9am. Menu includes eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, gravies, grits, juice and coffee. Adults \$6, children under 10, \$3. Proceeds used for Center expenses. Everyone is invited.

Clothes Give Away - Thursday, December 3, from 8-10am at the Care Center, First Baptist Church, Killen

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SHORTS...

In Nation's Top Fifty

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David Spillers, CEO of Huntsville Hospital Health System, said, "Our inclusion in Truven Health's Top 50 hospitals for cardiovascular care is one of the most significant recognitions that Huntsville Hospital has ever received. Credit for this recognition goes to our outstanding cardiovascular team of physicians, nurses, and other cardiac professionals who deliver such great care to our patients. We are very proud of them."

Huntsville Hospital was the only hospital in Alabama to be included in Truven's Top 50 Cardiovascular Hospitals for 2016.

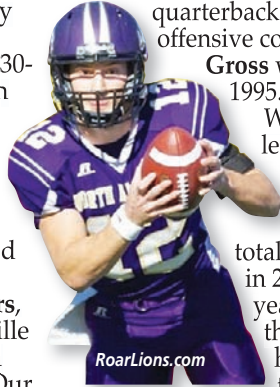
Wingo is Top Offense Player

BIRMINGHAM -- UNA placed 13 players on the 2015 All-Gulf South Conference football squad with senior quarterback **Luke Wingo** heading the list as the GSC Offensive Player of the Year.

Wingo is the first UNA player to be named GSC Offensive Player of the Year since former Lion quarterback and current offensive coordinator **Cody Gross** was selected in 1995.

Wingo is the league leader in passing yards per game (263.6) and total offense (284.7) in 2015. A four-year starter for the Lions, Wingo has led UNA to a share of three straight Gulf South Conference Championships and three straight NCAA Division II Playoff appearances. For his career, Wingo is second in UNA history in passing yards (7,807), total offense (8,990) touchdowns passes (56) and touchdowns responsible for (88).

Wingo was joined on the first-team All-GSC team by UNA teammates senior running back **Lamonte Thompson** of Florence, sophomore receiver **Dre Hall** of Columbia, TN., senior receiver **Lee Mayhall**



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Coach...

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honored by the College Football Hall of Fame. During the special ceremony, Dove Men+Care Deodorant and the Hall will unveil a new exhibit dedicated to each of the four winning coaches of the "Caring Coach of the Year" award to be displayed for the next year.

This is the second straight year that Dove Men+Care Deodorant has partnered with the College Football Hall of Fame to identify outstanding coaches across the nation and honor them with the "Caring Coach of the Year" award. The brand selected four youth and high school football coaches out of hundreds of nominations from across the country. Those selected most strongly display the award's criteria of passion, determination, respect, support, and encouragement. They make a lasting impression on the lives of their players and within their communities. The award is a way of honoring deserving coaches across the country who encourage their teams, guiding them on and off the field throughout the entire football season and beyond.

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Dove Men+Care Deodorant 2015 Caring Coach of the Year, Larry Gilmer, shows his award to his wife, Beth, and sons, Slade and Chase, after at a surprise pep rally at Russellville Middle School last week.
(Hal Yeager/AP Images for Dove Men+Care Deodorant: Caring Coach Campaign)

much he loves them and practices a firm, yet positive, coaching approach. He strives to lead by example and teaches his players to never do anything that would intentionally harm someone else, or reflect negatively on them, the team, school, or community. Coach Gilmer's teams have consistently won over the years, refuting the often negative stereotype that a coach has to be mean to win. He is respected by the community and if often described as a great big teddy bear.

Happy Thanksgiving! Everyone!

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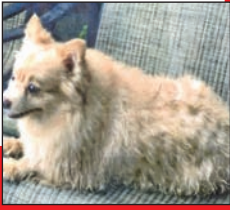
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My baby, Justin, has been missing for over a month. He went missing on September 19 from the Cottonwood Dr., Muscle Shoals area.

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Thomas McCutcheon

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I always took my son from the time that he was born to pick out an angel. My thought was that sooner or later some older child would tell him, incorrectly, that there was no

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The Salvation Army's annual Angel Tree is a charity event that provides a great opportunity for those who wish to make a difference and bring a smile to a child's face on Christmas morning. Please participate and make a difference.

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SHORTS...

Wingo is Top Offense Player

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of Jackson, TN, and junior guard **Stephen Evans** of Boston, MA, senior linebacker **C.J. Jackson** of Water Valley, MS., junior defensive back **Levi Fell** of Muscle Shoals and junior defensive back **Philbert Martial** of Mobile, and sophomore long-snapper **Will Lovelace** of Florence.

UNA's four second-team All-GSC selections were senior defensive back **Floyd Jones** of Town Creek, sophomore defensive lineman **Freddie Reed** of West Point, MS, junior place kicker **Kevin Henke** of St. Charles, MO, and junior running back **Ryan Harper** who was selected for the blocking team position.

Taking the Polar Plunge?

SHOALS-You can help CASA's efforts for children in foster care by taking part in the 2015 Polar Plunge into the Tennessee River at 10am Saturday, December 5 in McFarland Park.

Set a fundraising goal that you feel is achievable. Get sponsors, and guarantee them that once your goal is reached, you will be jumping in! Let family, friends and coworkers know that if you reach your fundraising goal, you will participate in the PLUNGE!

Share your involvement on social media outlets and check with your company to see if any match funds are available.

Call the Shoals CASA office at 256-765-0041 if you have any questions, need more information, or need help spreading the word about your participation. Special shirts will be given ONLY to polar plunge participants. We'll be happy to let others know that you're stepping up for children in a BIG WAY!

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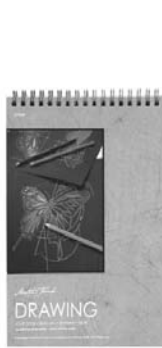
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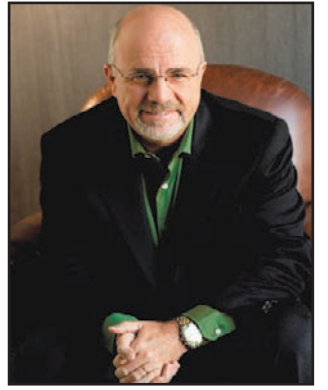
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Stacy

Dear Stacy, Let's call it Baby Step 3b. Baby Step 1 is saving up \$1,000 for a beginner emergency fund. Step 2 is paying off all consumer debt from smallest to largest using the debt snowball. Then, Baby Step 3 is where you top off your emergency fund with three to six months of living expenses.

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Ryan

Dear Ryan, Sorry, you're both wrong. Cars break. And since no one will invent one that lasts forever and doesn't break down, standard car repairs shouldn't be viewed as an emergency. Maintenance and repair of your vehicles are an ongoing expense. It's just part of owning them. That means you should have a category in your monthly budget for this sort of thing.

Now, an engine blowing up or the transmission going out would be an emergency. Hopefully, you're not talking about something of this magnitude. But you've got to rework your budget to where you have something designated each month for car maintenance and repair. That way, you won't be dipping into your emergency fund just to cover the basic wear and tear that comes with owning a car.

Take the next step today, and adequately fund this area so it doesn't continually come back to bite you in the wallet and sabotage your emergency fund!

—Dave

Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business, and CEO of Ramsey Solutions. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Dave's latest project, EveryDollar, provides a free online budget tool. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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13	DODGE	DART	SE WHEELS CLOTH AUTO	SILVER	38,971	\$12,995	-\$1,027	\$11,968
10	FORD	FOCUS	SE CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	SILVER	65,913	\$10,995	-\$1,337	\$9,658
13	HYUNDAI	ACCENT	4DR SDN AUTO GL	BLUE	34,754	\$12,750	-\$853	\$11,897
13	HYUNDAI	ELANTRA	4DR SDN AUTO GLS	BLACK	44,495	\$12,500	-\$846	\$11,654
13	HYUNDAI	ELANTRA COUPE	2DR AUTO GS PWR W/L	RED	49,195	\$12,772	-\$795	\$11,977
14	MITSUBISHI	LANCER	ES CLOTH PWR W/L AUTO	SILVER	34,068	\$12,875	-\$898	\$11,977
14	MITSUBISHI	LANCER	ES CLOTH PWR W/L AUTO	WHITE	37,714	\$12,875	-\$878	\$11,997
04	OLDSMOBILE	ALERO	4DR SDN GLS	WHITE	67,575	\$7,200	-\$1,210	\$5,990
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13	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	4DR SDN LT FLEET	RED	59,410	\$13,250	-\$2,263	\$10,987
11	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	4DR SDN LT	WHITE	56,099	\$11,995	-\$672	\$11,323
10	CHEVROLET	IMPALA	4DR SDN LT RETAIL	GRAY	63,756	\$11,995	-\$1,140	\$10,855
09	CHRYSLER	300	LX CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	BLUE	106,133	\$10,995	-\$1,007	\$9,988
04	TOYOTA	AVALON	4DR XLS LTHR V6	TAN	128,433	\$8,995	-\$662	\$8,333
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03	BUICK	PARK AVENUE	LEATHER ALL PWR AUTO	WHITE	129,972	\$6,995	-\$1,007	\$5,988
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MIDSIZE								
14	CHRYSLER	200	LX CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	WHITE	51,631	\$13,250	-\$1,653	\$11,597
13	DODGE	AVENGER	4DR SDN SE	WHITE	57,084	\$12,900	-\$901	\$11,999
11	FORD	FUSION	4DR SE RF APP PKG	WHITE SUEDE	88,570	\$11,225	-\$337	\$10,888
12	FORD	FUSION	4DR SDN SE FWD	GRAY	85,821	\$12,995	-\$1,020	\$11,975
08	FORD	FUSION	4DR SDN I4 SEL	TAN	91,220	\$9,995	-\$1,184	\$8,811
12	FORD	FUSION	SE CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	SILVER	129,850	\$9,995	-\$540	\$9,455
12	FORD	FUSION	SEL LEATHER ROOF	BLUE	76,308	\$13,950	-\$1,973	\$11,977
10	FORD	FUSION	SPORT LEATHER ROOF V6	BLUE	86,313	\$13,267	-\$1,290	\$11,977
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09	HONDA	ACCORD	EX CLOTH AUTO ROOF	BLACK	114,131	\$12,995	-\$2,007	\$10,988
08	HONDA	ACCORD	EX-L LEATHER AUTO ROOF	GRAY	100,053	\$12,790	-\$1,802	\$10,988
11	HYUNDAI	SONATA	LIMITED LEATHER ROOF	GRAY	77,814	\$13,111	-\$1,125	\$11,986
14	KIA	FORTE	4DR SDN AUTO LX	BURGUNDY	41,434	\$12,950	-\$998	\$11,952
11	KIA	OPTIMA	LX CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	MAROON	103,396	\$11,200	-\$714	\$10,486
13	NISSAN	ALTIMA	2.5 S CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	SILVER	102,237	\$12,995	-\$1,018	\$11,977
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07	TOYOTA	CAMRY	4DR I4 LE P/S AT	BLACK	136,733	\$9,500	-\$1,097	\$8,403
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09	TOYOTA	CAMRY	LE CLOTH AUTO PWR W/L	BLUE	111,070	\$10,995	-\$1,007	\$9,988
PICKUP								
07	DODGE	RAM 1500	QUAD CAB SLT PWR W/L	SILVER	158,149	\$14,250	-\$2,364	\$11,886
11	FORD	RANGER	XL REG CAB 4X2 AUTO	WHITE	100,623	\$11,995	-\$2,007	\$9,988
07	NISSAN	FRONTIER	LE 4X4 CC LTHR RF V6	SILVER	169,762	\$13,925	-\$1,926	\$11,999
SPORTS CAR								
06	FORD	MUSTANG	GT PREMIUM LEATHER AUTO	WHITE	145,712	\$11,050	-\$562	\$10,488
08	PONTIAC	G6	4DR SDN 1SV VALUE LEADER	WHITE	71,669	\$9,500	-\$1,177	\$8,323
SUBCOMPACT								
12	SUZUKI	SX4	4DR SDN CVT LE POPULAR FWD	SILVER	94,155	\$8,500	-\$955	\$7,545
12	SUZUKI	SX4	4DR SDN CVT LE POPULAR FWD	SILVER	47,574	\$10,200	-\$1,243	\$8,957
14	TOYOTA	IQ	3DR HB AT	PURPLE	19,157	\$12,700	-\$707	\$11,993
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Commentary

Thankful to Live in America... for Now

Hopefully, we all will have an opportunity to pause and reflect during this Thanksgiving weekend. Cutting through all the sales opportunities and athletic events, we would do well to remember that Thanksgiving is a uniquely American holiday and was based on thanking God for the bounty of the land and asking his blessing for the future.

In A Few Words



TOM MAGAZZU
Editor

Regardless of our respective circumstances with the challenges and difficulties we may encounter in life, we still live in a very blessed region of a highly-blessed country. Many of those blessings directly correlate with the freedoms we have enjoyed to this point. We should always be thankful for those who paved the way for us and literally risked everything to establish this country. We should remain thankful for those who have and continue to defend our freedoms and our way of life.

All the changes taking place domestically and outside our borders further emphasize the important elements of life that we should not take for granted. We recognized God for centuries as the pillar of our freedom. Now, some want the freedom to dismiss God and eliminate Him from our society. Our children and grandchildren will regret that.

Those of us who can't trace roots to Native Americans or the colonial or revolutionary period can also be thankful that one or more

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Courier Journal

THIS WEEK

in the

Shoals

November 25, 2015

Happening

THIS WEEK

Civitans Unveil HOF Ornament

Club Commemorates 20th in the Series and 75th Year of Service

TUSCUMBIA—The Alabama Music Hall of Fame is depicted on the latest addition to the Tuscumbia Civitan Club's commemorative Christmas Ornament collection. The two-dimensional brass ornament depicting the popular tourist attraction is the twentieth in a series of local landmarks which have been sold annually. The ornaments are \$15

each and are accompanied by written information about the museum. Ornaments are on sale at Helen Keller Library, the Alabama Music Hall of Fame, the

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Courtesy photo:

The Alabama Music Hall of Fame is the twentieth in the Tuscumbia Civitan's ornament series.

STATE REPRESENTATIVE MIKE BALL will be at the Alabama Music Hall of Fame November 24, at 7pm to share the story of his journey through life with his Daddy's Gibson guitar. This inspirational story takes him through a difficult childhood that included foster homes, a children's shelter, instability, homelessness and deliverance. His daddy's guitar was his companion as he served as a Marine, a State Trooper, and an Agent with the Alabama Bureau of Investigation. He has served as a member of the Alabama House of Representatives since 2002. Tickets are \$15. Call 245-381-4417. Limited Space! Doors open at 6:30. There will be a cash bar.

Two Shows by Shoals Chamber Singers

SHOALS – The Shoals Chamber Singers 2015 Christmas Concert, featuring selections from *Handel's Messiah*, will include two shows. The first will be on Tuesday, December 1 at 7pm in the sanctuary of First Christian Church in Florence. The second Christmas concert performance takes place Thursday, December 3 at 7pm



in the sanctuary of Grace Episcopal Church in Sheffield. *Handel's Messiah* contains some of the grandest choruses ever written, and the Shoals

Chamber Singers are thrilled to present this musical gift to their community. The presentation will contain most of the Christmas section, the famous "Hallelujah Chorus" from Part 2, and the "Worthy Is the Lamb/Amen" chorus that ends the oratorio. This is a grand opportunity for those

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AMERICAN LEGION POST #31 will have a half price sale on the book, "Historic Muscle Shoals -- An Authentic History of Colbert County" by Nina Leftwich at the Post, 110 N. Main St. in Tuscumbia. The sale will be Friday, November 27 from 10am-noon and Saturday, November 28 from 10am-1pm. Other local history books are also available at discounted prices. Call 256-381-2298 for more information.

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"HI NEIGHBORS OF THE SHOALS" Monthly Coffee will take place Tuesday, December 1 at 10am at the Florence Public Library. Interested women who are newcomers to the Shoals area should call 256-275-3810 for more information.

FREE THANKSGIVING LUNCH - Thursday, November 26 from 11am-1pm at First United Methodist Church, McDowell Hall, 415 N. Seminary St. in Florence. Are you alone for Thanksgiving? Come and join us for this very special holiday meal. All are welcome.

YOUR Letters

Your Courier Journal welcomes tastefully presented letters to be published as space allows. Letters may refer to timely matters of local, state, or national interest or any topic of concern or interest. **Letters must include name, address and phone number for verification.** (Only name and town will be published.) Letters subject to editing. Please limit letters to 400 words. All letters become the property of the Courier Journal and may not necessarily reflect opinions of the Courier Journal staff, its advertisers or a majority of readers. Please submit typed or neatly written letters to: Editor-Courier Journal

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Don't Get So Offended

Editor:

To the lady who wrote in last week's issue about being offended by the rap music, (*I Am Offended*, November 18): This is 2015. Not everyone is going to agree on everything.

The music may have not been a favorite of yours, but that gives you no right to assume that the man is in an abusive relationship. Yes, some rap songs are not the best, however there are rap songs that talk about fixing current issues in the world, tell children to stay in school and off drugs because life with drugs is not something you want to live. Some rap songs even talk about the power of God and prayer.

You mentioned that kind of music must influence vicious behavior. There is a country song by Miranda Lambert which lyrics include, "I'm going home, gonna load my shotgun, wait by the door and light a cigarette." After hearing the lyrics, I didn't feel the need

to take up smoking nor did I load any shotgun.

We need to focus on what's good in people and not assume things that could be way off. Next time you are in that situation, maybe just ignore it and not get so offended.

Abbey Mitchell
Florence

“The fact of the matter is that the US government is a greedy, gluttonous, narcissistic parasite.”

Cheap Carson Claims

Editor:

The leftist media continue to imply that Dr. Ben Carson made up the story about stabbing another boy during his childhood to make himself seem more human and to help in his presidential campaign. This is a weird twist.

If he hadn't been open about this they would have found out and used it against him. The charge that he made this up is ridiculous. Although I can't remember whether this incident was in the book, "Gifted Hands," I do remember that it was in the movie based on the book. That was several years ago. It is a real stretch to believe that he was planning his presidential bid that long ago.

The accusation that Dr. Carson lied about his offer of a scholarship to the Military Academy has been disproved, yet the media continue to reference it and some of the Republicans keep talking

See **LETTERS..** on Page 23

December 2015

Calendar of Events

Helen Keller Hospital

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

BLOOD PRESSURE & BLOOD SUGAR SCREENINGS

8am-11:30am • Main Lobby

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

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Education Dept.

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 7

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Wellcare Center

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THURS. DEC. 10 & FRI. DEC. 11

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Celestial Thoughts

I try to look for God in daily aspects of my life and this was certainly one of those times. I frequent a local store that employes a slightly mentally challenged young man. He is kind, happy, and loves his job. As I passed this sweet young man, in a mad rush as usual, we simultaneously asked, "How are you today?" He gave me the biggest smile and said, "Positive as always!" The words left his mouth but the spinach from lunch had not - right in the middle of his teeth. All I could think was, "Bless." It's happened to all of us which is why you're probably laughing right now or at least have contemplated this with a grin.

Even when we're walking in the light, have you ever wondered how God looks at us with spinach in our teeth, smiles, and loves us anyway? May you be free from spinach in your teeth today my friend and look for God as your day unfolds.

"...if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin." 1 John 1:7

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LONG SHOT! Which of four paths does the basketball take to reach the hoop above? Take a guess, and trace through lines.

SUM SCOOP! Meet the challenge of the dipper at right, if you can. Object is to scoop up nine numbers in this dipper-shaped configuration (shaded squares) to achieve: 1. A minimum total of 45. 2. A maximum total of 57.

8	2	7	6	3	8	7
5	7	4	7	7	4	9
5	*	8	5	6	6	2
7	7	2	7	3	5	6
2	5	6	4	8	5	6
9	3	7	7	*	7	4
6	8	4	6	6	3	9

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2. TAG plus O: _____
3. TIRE plus G: _____
4. CLAM plus E: _____
5. MALL plus A: _____
6. HOST plus L: _____
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8. BRAVE plus E: _____
9. MINER plus E: _____
10. MONEY plus K: _____

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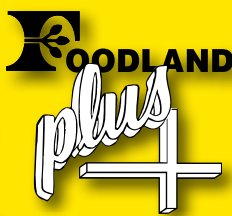


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Cheap Carson Claims

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about it being a problem of credibility.

During a rally at Iowa Central Community College on November 12, Donald Trump said, "How stupid are the people of Iowa? How stupid are the people of the country to believe this crap?" For more than an hour and a half, the billionaire real estate mogul harshly criticized not only Carson, but many of his other competitors in the race for the GOP presidential nomination. Carson's response was sincere and in keeping with his Christian attitude. He simply said, "Pray for him."

Many conservatives, including some highly-visible Christian ministers, are supporting Trump because he has said some things they want to hear. Hopefully, Trump's Iowa tirade will awaken some of them.

Euell White
Florence

Hard to 'Love Thy Neighbor'

Editor:

The preacher at church says, "Love thy neighbor." Sometimes, that's hard to do. You shot the dog, killed the cat, you never keep your property up! Did you watch the movie, "High Plains Drifter" when he tells them to paint everything red? Well it looks bad, even the neighbors on 3rd would say the same... like hell.

You are so busy being spiteful, you don't care. If you are trying to get at me, you aren't doing very well. I don't have to move.

I am missing a couple of cats and the black cat that was sprayed in the eyes can no longer see. I hope you are satisfied, whoever did this.

There are places you can go for help. It is obvious you have a problem.

Vivian Bates
Tuscumbia

Bringing About Our Demise

Dear Editor:

Seven of our State Senators were enticed to go to China to parley with Chinese officials. We know who the simpletons are in that courtship. Our political wizards are being used to grease the wheels of the Chino-juggernaut that will devour us.

Even though our nation as a whole is responsible for selling our birthright for a proverbial bowl of porridge, our politicians names will live in infamy until we are extinguished, because they did not warn us but joined with our enemies to bring about our demise.

William R. Graham
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Salon...

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According to NW-SCC President Humphrey Lee, the Salon and Spa Center located directly beside the Center for Business (building 112) adds aesthetic appeal to the Shoals campus. "We have tried over the past few years to gradually update the appearance of the Shoals campus as funds allow," said Lee. "We implemented a new courtyard theme within the past couple of years through the center of campus that better connects the academic and technical buildings with a common walkway. It makes it a lot easier for our students to walk around campus."

Over the past year, the Salon and Spa Management program has increased by 22% in enrollment and the new facility will hopefully help the program reach new heights. "With our new Salon and Spa center, we hope to not only train more students but also provide industry with highly qualified employees that are able to step right in and operate a full service salon," stated Rose Jones, Associate Dean of Workforce Development. "We hope the new facility will allow us to expand our program offerings into Therapeutic Massage."

The expansion of the Salon and Spa Management program into the new facility is the latest on the Shoals campus since the opening of the new Injection Molding Technology Center (building 104) in August of 2014 and the new Automotive Service Technology Training Center program (building 129) in April of 2014. The construction of the building cost the College \$1.9 million.



Cat & Kids
by Cathy Turner

Showing Favor

I have had a lot of teaching, done a lot of studying, and done quite a bit of teaching on how to create a good marriage. From my mother, preachers, lady teachers, my siblings, other wives, and others, I have been given some really great words about love and relationships. Such as:

"Tomorrow can be better. Keep loving him."

"Love is more than a feeling. Love is acting in the best interest of another imperfect person."

"Get up and get dressed. He sees other women dressed at work."

"When your marriage gets rusty, put a little oil on him."

"It's a love triangle with God at the top. As long as each of you are growing toward God, you will be growing closer to each other."

These are all wonderful and true, but the other day, I was teaching a ladies' class wherein we were discussing marriage, and a phrase came to the forefront that just captured what I have tried numerous times to put into words to describe the sweetness of marriage, of mature love. I found this description in Peter's first book in the New Testament. It spoke of husbands and wives "...as being heirs together of the grace of life." How beautiful is that notion? "...heirs together of the grace of life."

Prior to approaching that phrase, in our discussion we had been sharing ways that we showed our husbands that we respected them - ways that we wives create peace and security rather than being grating, demanding, harsh mates. Simple ways came up - like

telling them - letting our husbands know that we are thankful and proud to be with them. I was reminded of seeing a Facebook post the day before of one of our ladies looking soggy with her husband at the Alabama ball game, and her posted comment was, "I wouldn't sit in the rain with just anyone." It just takes sweetness.

We also gave thought to ways that our husbands have shown us honor. Like by teaching our sons to do things for us without being asked. By arranging dates. By starting to tell a story that they want us to finish. I told of a simple happening last week, when my husband and I were in Chick-fil-A during my lunch hour. I forgot to get a cookie that we usually split. I said that I would go back in a minute and get it. But we talked too long and I had to run out and hurry back to work. After a little while my coworkers told me that they had seen my husband in the building. When I went to my office, there was the cookie on my desk. It just takes kindness.

If we want to win our mate, keep our mate, we need to continue in grace. Showing favor toward each other. Acting from the divine influence on our hearts. Not being selfish but "being as heirs of grace of life." That's what it feels like with my husband - like we have gained the favor of life together. It's as if life has favored us as we have grown in love and kindness toward each other. We have been blessed as one. It's so sweet. Heirs together. Yes.

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The holiday season allows people to transform their homes into wonderlands of lights, garlands and poinsettias. Each family has its own holiday traditions, and decorations are a part of many of those traditions.

Decorations might be awe-inspiring, but those that include lights often lead to substantially higher energy bills. Fortunately, there are ways for homeowners, whether they prefer subtle displays or more over-the-top arrangements, to save money and still celebrate the holiday season in style.

- Switch to more efficient lights. A great way to ensure holiday displays consume less energy is to change the bulbs being strung. Incandescent lights can use 80 to 90 percent more energy than LED lights. Gradually replace older light strands with newer, energy-efficient LEDs. Not only do LEDs require less energy, but they also can last longer than incandescent bulbs, meaning you won't have to replace them as frequently as more traditional bulbs. Furthermore, lower wattage usage means you can attach more strands of lights together safely.

- Use timers. Timers can be set to turn lights on and off at specific times, ensuring lights aren't turning on during the daytime or being left on into the night by forgetful homeowners. Timers also are a good safety precaution. A dark house



that is normally lit up can advertise to thieves that no one is home. When lights turn on with a timer, it will create the illusion that it is business as usual in your residence.

- Use homemade decorations. You also can save energy and money by recycling materials into holiday décor. Trim branches from trees and use them in vases for an instant wintry look. Prune an evergreen on your property and make your own wreath with some wire and twine. Shop yard sales for gently used decorations that still have years of utility left. Sew ornaments from scraps of fabric or clothing that no longer fits. Each of these ideas reduces reliance on manufactured decorations that consume energy during production and fuel while being transported from factories to store shelves.

- Rely on extension cords. You can extend the length of displays without using more lights by spacing out light strands

with extension cords. Intersperse spotlights to add attention to key elements of your display as well.

- Turn off interior lights. If a Christmas tree

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of our ancestors risked everything to come to America and start over with no safety net or government support system.

We can be thankful for the degree of health we have and for what is still the best healthcare system in the world to help us navigate through what are all-too-frequently some questionable lifestyle choices.

We should be thankful for our family and friends. We should realize how special those relationships are and fix any petty rifts that may exist for reasons neither party may fully recall. I've known of too many people who wish they would have admitted a little bit of fault and a lot of stubbornness before a cherished loved one was gone.

In that vein, we should also be thankful for those who have helped us and made a positive impact on our lives.

Our pets are so rewarding and can teach us so much about unconditional love.

We should be thankful for the abundant choices and ease of access to food. Many in the older generations can tell you some painful stories about when food was scarce in their lifetimes. It also reminds us how many different ways we can be a blessing to others who may be hungry.

There are so many other things that we can overlook from day-to-day like the magnificent sunrises and sunsets that greet us regularly, the glorious night sky, all of nature's marvels, our safety and security, the freedom to worship how we deem appropriate, the fact that we live in the current age we do with all the modern conveniences, the unending opportunity to learn, and our ability to laugh and cry with others.

Take a few minutes to recall some of what I've omitted here. Always remember...our freedoms as a nation and individuals are not guaranteed.

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Pushing World Government

Dear Editor:

As I was writing a check to the Second Harvest Food Bank recently, it dawned on me that our beloved rulers have endless money for wars and health benefits for illegal immigrants and welfare recipients. Yet, they can't feed the needy legitimate US citizens. For the price of a few dozen fighter jets, Uncle Scam could feed our poor citizens, get rid of welfare except for the legitimately handicapped, and election campaigns could be publicly-financed with candidates chosen by the people and for the people. The US would then be a real democracy instead of the current sham which enables a kleptocracy.

Most Americans are swimming in the river of denial. As Mark Twain once said, "Its easier to fool most people than to convince them they have been fooled." The fact of the matter is that the US government is a greedy, gluttonous, narcissistic parasite. A parasite cannot exist unless the host continues to feed it. Voting for whatever treasonous, two-faced puppet they present to us is a complete insult to the intelligence of anyone with an IQ over that of a weed. Accepting a choice between corporate-sponsored minion #1 or corporate-sponsored minion #2 makes Americans hapless dupes, complicit in their own subversion and disinheritance. So-called conservative talk show hosts do not educate or enlighten. They do present a deceptive dialogue of lofty sounding disinformation which promotes and supports they party line, despite which SIDE (left/right) is currently running the show. All the corporate-owned news outlets spout about the same info.

We have a press that parrots the pronouncements of the powerful, omits truly important news, twists and rewrites history and encourages people to be stuck in stupid mode with pseudo-news that illuminates the bottom line. When was the last time we elected anyone who had any positive impact on our country? We are just here to be robbed and herded. What they want is a world government. A world without borders, national sovereignty, constitutions, privacy, autonomy, individual liberties, religious freedoms, private property, the right to bear arms, the right to a traditional marriage and family. A world government and dramatic population reduction.

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Soap Opera Preview

THE BOLD AND THE BEAUTIFUL Nicole sensed that something had changed for Zende when she saw him for the first time since her big announcement. Ivy let Thomas know that what happened between them would never happen again. Feeling guilty about her bet with Thomas, Steffy worried about how Wyatt would react when he learned the truth about Ivy. Missing her home in Chicago, Vivienne had trouble accepting spending Thanksgiving in Los Angeles. Ivy felt guilty, but stayed mum, when Liam asked her if she missed him. Maya had a change of heart and paid her parents a visit. Eric revisited the tradition of past Thanksgivings by instructing those at the table to give a kind statement about the person sitting next to them, but some sentiments weren't as easy to deliver as others. *Wait to See: One rival threatens another.*

DAYS OF OUR LIVES Hope found it difficult not to be angry with Steve and Kayla. John's deal to secure Sami's safety didn't go as planned. Ciara tried to comfort Chase. A pregnant Abigail begged Ben to take her to the hospital. Chad regained a key memory about Ben. Stefano and Andre were caught off-guard by Sami. Abigail struggled through a difficult labor. Belle and Claire arrived in Salem just in time to celebrate Thanksgiving. Paul provided John with an important clue about his past, revealing a connection between Winterthorne Academy and someone in Salem. Steve tried to talk Hope out of her desire for revenge. Eduardo made Eve an unexpected offer. *Wait to*

See: Rafe and Chad get a lead on Abigail's whereabouts.

GENERAL HOSPITAL Nikolas faced a tragedy, while Jason's quest to discover his past hit a roadblock. Morgan's family took action after his violent outburst. Anna made a big confession to her therapist. Sabrina resolved to tell Michael the truth. Kristina returned to support her family, while Sonny and Morgan shared an emotional moment. Dante and Lulu grappled over their marriage problems. Carly helped Kiki out of a jam. Sam reaffirmed her love to Patrick. Sabrina greeted a surprise visitor. Liz and Jason delivered some important news. Anna encountered Dr. Maddox at dinner. Olivia, Alexis and Ava endured a meal together despite obvious tensions. *Wait to See: Hayden learns more details about her shooting.*

THE YOUNG AND THE RESTLESS Sage and Nick treaded carefully around each other in the wake of Christian's death. Meanwhile, Sharon broke down when Dylan told her the news about Christian. Cane told Paul that he believed Joe tried to kill him during the fire at Newman Enterprises. Victor needed Adam's help to play dirty in order to rebuild the company. Dr. Anderson continued to keep Sharon under her control. Meanwhile, Mariah asked Kevin to help her visit Sharon at Fairview. Devon and Dylan worked together to track down Dr. Neville. Hilary told Lily that she still had no memory of being in love with Devon. Colin agreed to help Cane clear his name. *Wait to See: Phyllis is out for revenge.*



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Dr. Kevin Walls will present a program, "What Everyone (Even Women) Should Know About Prostate Cancer", at Red Bay Hospital on Wednesday, December 2. The program is free and will begin with a light lunch at 12:30pm in the hospital's Education Room. The program will last about an hour and is free. A light lunch will be provided and seating is limited. Please call Red Bay Hospital at 256-356-9532 to reserve your seat.

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That team finished fifth in the nation at the national championships in Indianapolis. At Coffee High School, Tony was the point guard on the Yellow Jackets' 1982 freshman team that posted an undefeated 25-0 record. He started three years on the varsity and was named to the All-TVC team in 1983-'84.

He was also named to the All-Region 14 team and Class 6A All-State team in 1985. Clanton was named the TimesDaily Player of The Year in 1985. After graduation, Clanton signed a basketball scholarship with David Lipscomb University and was a member of the school's NAIA National Championship team in 1985-'86.

Clanton played in the Goodwill Games in Tokyo in 1986, competing against Japan and Sweden. Tony transferred to UNA for his final two years. A broken foot sidelined him his junior season, but he returned as the Lions starting point guard as a senior.

He was named the Lions team captain and made the

All-Gulf South Conference Academic Team. I was at a local restaurant several months ago when I looked up and saw Tony and his family eating there. It was the first time I had seen him in almost thirty years. Our chance meeting was brief, but very special.

It would be the last time I would see him alive. He passed away recently in Atlanta. He was only 48 years old. I still cherish memories of players that I had the privilege of knowing. Tony Clanton was one of my favorites. I will miss him.

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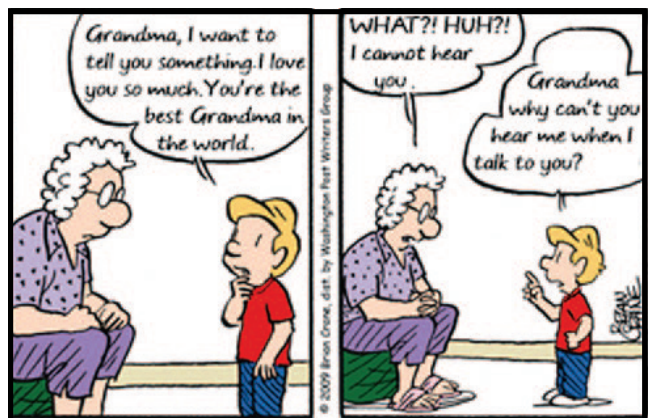
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MEMORIES ARE FOREVER

A visit to a pet cemetery is a glimpse of the timelessness of the human-animal bond.

By Kim Campbell Thornton
Universal Uclick

Overlooking the river Seine on the outskirts of Paris lies a green place of remembrance. Cats wander through, and people stroll quietly, occasionally stopping to read short stories etched in stone. It is the Cimetiere des Chiens, the world's first public pet cemetery, and it is proof positive that pets have an afterlife.

Dogs, cats, birds, bunnies and even a horse or two have been laid to rest here since the peaceful park's founding in 1899. Inscriptions on headstones bear silent witness to human grief at the loss of beloved pets: Irreplaceable.

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You might be surprised to learn that famed canine star of the silver screen Rin Tin Tin is buried here. He was born in France, rescued as a 5-day-old puppy by a doughboy from a World War I battlefield and taken to America. After his death, his remains were returned to his homeland. Fans leave treats on his headstone.

Also memorialized (although they died before the cemetery was founded) are Moustache, the mascot of Napoleon's Grande Armee, and Barry, a Saint Bernard renowned for saving 40 lives and dying in an attempt to save a 41st person.

Not all of the pets buried here are famous or heroic. They are something even better: beloved companions of people from all walks of life. Here lie Rosy and Ulysse; Riki-Tiki,

born in Moscow July 4, 1918, died in Paris November 6, 1928; a pair of gray Persian cats named Pacha and Darius; Cavalier King Charles Spaniels Rimbaud and Sissi; and dogs Rex, Caramel, Mick, Lisette and Belgrano. Aristocratic pets include Drac (1941-1953), beloved dog of Princess Elisabeth of Romania; Sully, who belonged to the Comte and Comtesse Alexandre Dumas; Marquise and Tony, the dogs of Princess Lobanof.

Among the statuary chipped with age, lettering faded almost beyond reading, are more recent monuments to pets now passed: Blacky, 1973-1991; Custom Built of Tintagel Winds (Tommy), a black Labrador Retriever, 1987-2000; and Smicky, a Yorkie, 1997-2010. Fresh flowers and live plants decorate some of the sites, placed by visiting owners (pets may still be buried there) and the cemetery's caretakers.

Cimetiere des Chiens isn't just for animals who have passed away. Feral cats nap on headstones or stalk along the paths. Inside a small building with a cat door they can find shelter and food, and water flows from a fountain. A crypt for a cat named Mimi has three openings (each in the shape of a cat), no doubt so the cat's ghost can swoop in and out without requiring someone to open a door for her. The cats who live in the cemetery find the interior of Mimi's crypt a nice resting place as well.

People have buried pets with ritual and



Pet cemeteries serve the living and the dead. A black cat makes his home in a Paris pet cemetery.

regret for millennia. Hunter-gatherer societies in eastern Siberia buried dogs with tokens of affection or in ways that suggested a special bond with them, according to a study published in 2013 in PLoS ONE:

"One dog skeleton was laid to rest in a sleeping position; others were buried with small ornaments or implements, some resembling toys. One man was buried with two dogs laid on either side of him, while another dog was placed in his grave wearing a necklace fashioned from four deer's teeth."

As I walked through the cemetery last September, it made me a little sad to think that for long-gone pets, no one is left who remembers them. But as long as visitors come here, their memories live on.

petbuzz

New bill helps Military dogs get home

• Military working dogs not only save the lives of 150 to 200 servicepeople each year by detecting IEDs and other dangers, they also can help veterans deal

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The members of the Shoals Chamber Singers are sopranos, Laura Aldridge, Erin Barker, Cathy Bowersox, Martha Emmons, Kelly LaBiche, Mary Lou Lovelace, Eleanor McClellan, Teresa Olson, Elizabeth Rainer, and April Vaden; altos, Mary Jim Beck, Whitney Burgess, Joyce Hester, Martha Johnson, Sandy Lockhart, Libby McCafferty, and Sally O'Bannon; tenors, Wayne Johnson, Stewart O'Bannon, and Joel Rainer; basses, Phillip Anderson, Oscar Beck, David Burch, and James Ed Champion. The conductor is Dr. Jerry D. Olson, Jr., and Karen Cantrell is the collaborative pianist. Martha Johnson and Sally O'Bannon are assistant conductors.

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Legislators Step Up to Tackle Alabama's Underfunded Pensions

By Katherine Green Robertson,
Dr. James R. Barth, and
Dr. John S. Jahera

On November 9, a newspaper in North Alabama published an editorial suggesting that any legislative interest in our state's public pension system would inevitably

spell "disaster" for retirees. The editorial also claims that legislators may be plotting to "shore up" the General Fund through the "cash cow" of Alabama's public pension system.

In reality, a handful of Alabama legislators are undertaking the mammoth task of ensuring that our state

can fulfill the obligations owed to current and future public retirees. This is no small task, as Alabama's public pensions are underfunded by at least \$15.2 billion. To put this number into perspective, every household in Alabama would need to contribute \$8,274 to fully fund the system.

To the casual observer, an unfunded pension liability is about as abstract a concept as the national debt. Many taxpayers may wonder why it even matters-- will the bill ever really come due?

Politicians in both cases often get away doing nothing, because they know that they won't be around when the bill does come due to future generations. And every year that these problems aren't dealt with, they worsen.

Alabama's public pensions, unlike most private sector pensions, are based on a defined benefit formula. This means that state employees pay into their retirement accounts, as do their state employers, and the Retirement Systems of Alabama (RSA) invests that money with a guaranteed return of 8%. Whether or not the investments actually return 8% matters little to state employees, who will receive the same contractual benefit no matter what.

How is this possible? Because the Alabama Legislature--led by the same individuals now being wrongfully accused of trying to raid the pension system--has been faithfully paying a large sum of taxpayer dollars to RSA each year to cover its shortfalls. This year alone, legislators sent RSA nearly \$1 billion.

And they didn't have to. The state is not legally required to pay the "annual required contribution" (known as the ARC), yet the legislature has never failed to make that payment--even when it has been painful to do so, as it was this year. The ARC is the yearly amount needed to fund current and future retirement benefits and liabilities. Why has the legislature made this payment? To keep the system solvent for our public retirees. Legislators in states like Illinois, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania chose not to fund the ARC, obligating taxpayers to further subsidize these drastically underfunded pensions.

What Alabama's legislators

have begun to realize, however, is that it's getting harder and harder to make that substantial annual payment to RSA, especially with no end in sight (it's expected to increase by 3.4% this year).

The legislature's pension study committee, led by Senator Arthur Orr and Representative Lynn Greer, is taking this concern seriously. The reforms that the committee is contemplating will have NO IMPACT on the benefits of any current retiree or state employee; however, these changes WOULD aid in protecting the retirement that these individuals have already earned. To do so, the rise of our unfunded liability (which has increased by an astounding 625% since 2003) must be halted.

The defined benefit plan exposes the State of Alabama (the employer) to the maximum risk of future funding shortfalls. As long as we continue to add new employees to this plan, we risk going even deeper into pension debt. To avoid this situation, the legislative study committee is looking at pension options for FUTURE employees that would reduce the state's long-term risk of pension underfunding and allow Alabama to pay down its current pension debt. It's a painstaking task, but one that could have a sizeable and lasting payoff for state employees and taxpayers alike.

Over the years, a number of state leaders have tried but failed to accomplish pension reform for many of the same reasons that congressmen have given up on fighting debt limit increases. For instance, there's a great deal of misinformation surrounding the debate that heavily clouds the merits and necessity of reform. Some will argue that the \$15 billion pension debt isn't even problematic. The general public is largely apathetic to the plight of state employees, who have better retirement benefits than many Alabamians, and state employees are led to believe that reform efforts signal that someone is after their retirement.

In spite of these troubling realities, a few key legislators have decided to roll up their sleeves and attempt to deal with this critical issue. They should be applauded--by state employees, for working to safeguard their retirement funds; by their colleagues, for taking on a weighty assignment that nobody else wanted; and by taxpayers, who may not care much about public pensions, but have been and will continue to be called upon to "shore up" Alabama's retirement system unless reforms are made.

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Thankful

This week more than any other time of the year, we Americans think and talk about being thankful. I love it--so often it seems that the opposite can be true. It's easy to get caught up in thinking about what all is wrong or what we don't have. The truth is, we have a lot. Whether you live in a big house on the lake or a tiny apartment downtown or somewhere in between, we are fortunate to call The Shoals, Alabama our home.

Whether you agree with the current administration or not, simply being a citizen of such an amazing country is something to be grateful for. For instance, the freedom of speech that we enjoy allows me to write this column about pretty much anything I choose. It allows you to read it and the rest of this paper, and to write in and comment on it if you choose to. We're also free to air our views on social media and everywhere else without fear of punishment or persecution from our government. We are free to worship in any of the many wonderful churches in our community. Many lives have been sacrificed so that we can enjoy freedoms like those, and I am thankful for each and every one of them.

As a citizen of the Shoals area, all I have to do is look around me to find reasons to be thankful. My family loves the outdoors, and this area offers something outdoorsy for everyone. Whether you like to hunt, fish, hike, bike, boat or canoe, you can do it around here. We also have a thriving art community. Every weekend you can see a great exhibit, theater production, or live music somewhere in the Shoals.

All of those things are amazing, but I think the very best part of where we live is the PEOPLE of the Shoals. I am constantly amazed by the way that this community comes together to support each other in times of need. I can think of several events that have happened recently when tragedy has struck a family, or an organization needed help providing for those less fortunate, and the people of the Shoals have turned out in droves. People around here care about those around them and are eager to help however they can. Chances are, you're one of those generous people. Thank you for helping to make this such an amazing place to live. Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

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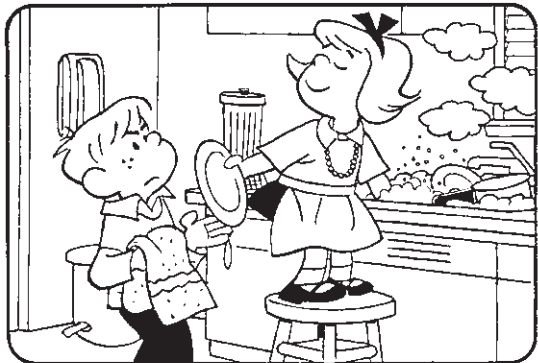
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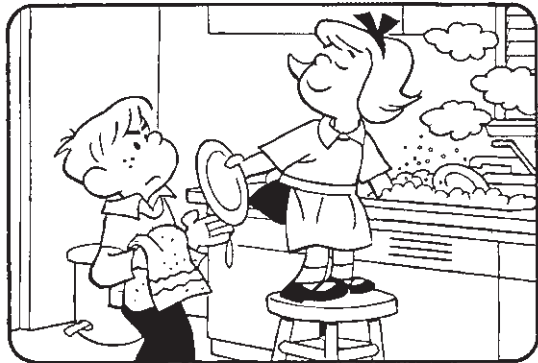
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Proceeds from the sale of the Christmas ornaments and Tuscumbia Civitan's companion project, Claxton Fruit Cake sales, benefit the community in charitable and civic endeavors undertaken throughout the year.

The Alabama Music Hall of Fame is located at 617 U.S. Highway 72 in Tuscumbia. Since its opening in 1990 the museum has drawn thousands to discover the many contributions, from songwriting to performance, management to publishing, and all aspects in between. As of 2015 there have been some seventy inductees, and hundreds are honored through exhibits. The grand entry doors are prominently displayed on the ornament and represent gold and platinum records made in the "Hit Recording Capital of the World."

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James 3:17 "But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy." **1 Corinthians 1:30** "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption." **Colossians 2:3** "In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Doctors, Lawyers, teachers, preachers, leaders, professionals of this world, do you have only the wisdom of this world, or do you also have the wisdom of God? Now, now, who and what is your god? Are you like Israel in **Exodus 32:31** "And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold." Friends, have you made gods of gold, silver, of lands, and gotten a great name and great possessions? You cannot take them with you into eternity. You need a savior then, and His name is Jesus Christ. When you receive Christ, you will find out what real wisdom is all about. On a positive note, we have just installed a chair lift in front for our elderly and handicapped. Visitors welcome.

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The North Alabama Ballet company will perform "The Nutcracker" Friday, December 11 at UNA's Norton Auditorium. The school performance is at 9:30am and is reserved for students and field trip opportunities. The evening performance for the public at 7pm. Tickets are available at the door or reserved seating is available. Stop by Parkway Shopping Center, Florence at The Dance Academy or call 256-366-6136. Student and senior citizen discounts are available.

The University of North Alabama Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) Student chapter will co-host a local "Hour of Code" event with the Florence Lauderdale Public Library, December 11, from 4-5:30pm. "Hour of Code" is a one-hour introduction to computer science with game-style activities for ages 4 and up. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about a variety of computer-related things, including how phone and computer apps, and programs are made. No prior programming experience is required. For more information on the "Hour of Code": Dr. James Jerkins at jjerkins@una.edu or the FLPL at 256-764-6564, ext. 24.

The Natchez Trace Parkway presents "The Ball of Christmas Past" in conjunction with TRD's "It's a Dickens Christmas Ya'll" Saturday, December 12, 7-10:30pm at the Historic Winston Home, Tusculum. Featuring: Live music, Country English dancing, light refreshments and holiday decorations. Advance tickets are \$15 each or \$25 per couple available at OH! Bryan's, Downtown Tusculum. \$5 surcharge per ticket at the door.

"It's a Dickens Christmas, Ya'll" will be celebrated in Tusculum on December 11-12. The Dickens Feast (advance tickets required) takes place at the Roundhouse of the Tusculum RR Depot at 7pm on Friday, December 11. The Dickens Christmas Festival (free) will be held on the streets of downtown Tusculum on Saturday, December 12, 10am - 5pm. Event includes Dickens characters and carolers, with entertainment throughout the day. Expect snow, carriage rides, trolley tours, arts & crafts and food vendors, Victorian dancers, and more special events, including new surprises. Sponsored by Tusculum Retail Development, Inc. For info: 256-383-9797 or 256-383-0783.

The Music Ministry of Woodmont Baptist Church will present "CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS: Songs & Stories of the Season" Sunday, December 6 at 6:30pm. WBC is located at Darby Drive and Rickwood in Florence.

Mt. New Home M. B. Church in Leighton will be celebrating its 145th Church Anniversary and Homecoming, December 13. Speaker at the 11am service is the Rev. Cornell Martin, Pastor of Tabernacle M. B. Church in Pulaski. Speaker for the 2pm service is the Rev. Chris Mayes Pastor of Sand Creek Chapel M. B. Church Starkville, Ms. Everyone is welcome.

Aerobics: Sponsored by Florence Parks and Recreation Department meets Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30-9:30am at the Broadway Recreation Center. Cost is \$20 month. Evening Classes are also available. Instructor: Linda Clanton. For information call 256-760-6418.

Yoga: Sponsored by Florence Parks and Recreation Dept. meets Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-9:30am at the Broadway Recreation Center. Cost is \$20 month. Instructor: Linda Clanton. For information call 256-760-6418.

Boomers & Seniors are dancing to decades of music presented by The Browns, each Tuesday night, 6:30-9pm, at Florence Parks and Recreation/The Club, 450 Country Club Drive, Florence. For more inquiries 256-760-6642, 256-767-7946. \$6 donation at the door. This facility is smoke, alcohol & drug free.

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THE DOLLAR Stretcher



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WHY NOT REUSE THEM?

Around the holidays, many of us use those foil pans to cook turkeys or other dishes. I used to throw them away, but now I wash them and reuse them. I've found that they're great for casseroles, too.

Angela

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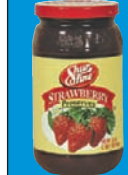
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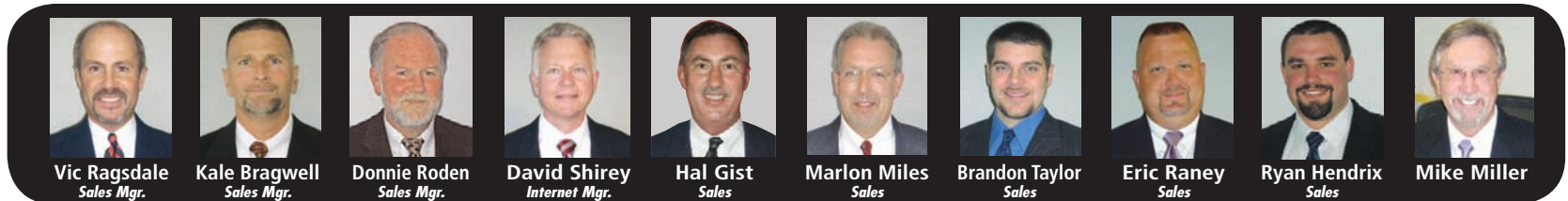
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